

August 31, 1948

Mrs. Lora C. Howe
1700 Tennessee Street
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Howe:

We are greatly surprised that you should write us such a letter as you did dated August 28, 1948. You must be fully aware that that for many years the writer has known you and your husband and has contributed to the good work which you have endeavored to do.

Having been connected with the Journal-World for nearly 57 years, and always outspoken for temperance and law-enforcement, the stand of this paper should be fully understood by you. So great was my help to the cause of the W.C.T.U. some years ago, that the local organization made me an honorary member of the society.

We have never carried advertising of any kind for intoxicating liquors, have consistently refused to accept any advertising connected with the liquor interests, and have refused to carry the advertising offered us by those who would repeal the prohibitory law.

Not only this but from time to time we have given generously of our news and editorial space in support of the prohibitory law and its enforcement.

Years ago the boldest attempt ever made in Lawrence to flout the law, an attempt backed by interests which felt themselves invulnerable, was broken up by the publicity given by this paper, and the late Alex Mitchell, then City Attorney, said that the conviction of the parties and the jail sentences, which they served, would have been impossible excepting for the publicity and moral support of this paper.

Years later when men prominent in the business and political life of Lawrence almost openly violated the law and sold liquor to