Annie Wittenmyer of Davenport gained national fame for helping soldiers during the Civil War. She was elected the first national president of the Woman’s Christian Temperance Union in 1874.
Billy Sunday

of Nevada was a professional baseball player but developed a religious passion and a focus on Prohibition. His anti-alcohol speeches of the early 1900s attracted thousands of attendees and a national reputation.
Ida B. Wise Smith of Hamburg became national president of the Woman’s Christian Temperance Union in 1933. Her work for families in addition to her national role gained her the respect of politicians.
Georgia Wade McClellan of Denison led the Iowa Woman’s Christian Temperance Union through some of its most active years in the early 1900s.