THE NINE PROMISES OF A GOOD CITIZEN

- 1. I will vote at all elections. I will inform myself on candidates and issues and will use my greatest influence to see that honest and capable officials are elected. I will accept public office when I can serve my community or my country thereby.
 - 2 I will serve on a jury when asked.
- 3. I will respect and obey the laws. I will assist public officials in preventing crime and the courts in giving evidence.
- 4. I will pay my taxes understandingly (if not cheerfully).
- 5. I will work for peace but will dutifully accept my responsibilities in time of war and will respect the Flag.
- 6. In thought, expression and action, at home, at school and in all my contacts, I will avoid any group prejudice, based on class, race, or religion.
- 7. I will support our system of free public education by doing everything I can to improve the schools in my own community.
- 8. I will try to make my community a better place in which to live.
- 9. I will practice and teach the principles of good citizenship in my own home.

SPARKS FROM THE FORGE OF FREEDOM

"Liberty is the one thing you can't have unless you give it to others."

-William Allen White

"Democracy means not, 'I'm as good as you are,' but 'you're as good as I am.'"

-Theodore Parker

"As I would not be a slave, so would I not be a master."

—Abraham Lincoln

"Those who expect to reap the blessing of freedom must, like men, undergo the fatigues of supporting it."

—Thomas Paine

"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."
—John Philpot Curran

"Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!

—Patrick Henry

"For what avail the plough or sail, Or land or life, if freedom fail?"

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



