## Preventing of Another Conflict Greatest Duty, Says Edward A. Filene

then war is worship, war is prayer," wan the application of "The War an Insight," as enunciated today before the "Win the War for Permanent Peace," Con-vention at the Academy of Music by Edward A. Filene, of Boston.

Mr. Filene's address follows:

We are engaged in the bollest war of history. Whether viewed in the perspective of the past or looked at in the light of the future, that verdict stands. The thing that is stiffening the determination of our people to fight this war through to an undisputed victory is that for us this war has come to be a that for us this war has come to be in that for us this war has come to be nothing short of a crusade of deepest spiritual meaning. For us the time has past for academic discussion of the hundred and one contributory causes of the war, and today, even the most peace-loving amongst us will agree that when war is for the common weal, then

war is proposed to the working war is prayer.

It is the clear understanding that this is a fight for the vindication and preservation of all that the race has struggled for through the centuries, that will make us unconquerable.

Giving America a Vision t will be to the everlasting credit of League to enforce peace that in the the League to enforce peace that it midst of this war it has not gone into a closet and spent its whole time dreaming dreams of world-constitutions but has gone into the churches, the schools, and the market-place and shouldered its responsibility for wakening this ration to the fact that for us this ing this ration to the fact that it is a line in the particular right, but the supreme struggle of history for civilized ideals and the right of free men everywhere to life, liberty and the pursuit of

To ring the changes on that until the last man and woman in this country war, is one of the most important ser-vices that can be rendered now.

The war has produced many slogans— Food will win the war. Money will win the war. Ships will win the war—all of them true from a special point of view. But back of all of them is the view. But back of all of them is fact that insight will win the war, be-cause a people who see with clear vi-sion the meaning of this war will with-hold nothing until victory is assured.

Given the insight, we will have a will o victory which will insure the food, he money, the ships and the men needthe money, the ships and the men need to wipe forever from the light of the world the Hun-morals. Hun-ideals, and Hun-brutality which today characterize the nation that has thrown aside like a wornout garment the hard-won ideals of civilization, has challenged all that the generations of martyrdom had built up, and forced the free peoples of the world to fight over again in this the world to fight over again in this twentieth century the whole battle for liberty, justice and mercy.

This convention is an attempt to dramatize the need for the nation to see with unclouded vision the meaning of this war and the necessity of lighting regardless of sacrifice, until a just and lasting peace is assured and civilization itself vindicated.

The war has produced few tragedies so pitifully touching as that of our blind soldiers—the whole world of sight taken from them in an instant and that, the instant when they were giving them-selves with supremest heroism to duty. Forever after they must grope in a world of color and beauty, of expressive faces and forms, a world of stars, of flowers, and of little children, utterly that out from it all. Can there be anything worse than the pathos of duty so compensated? Yes, there is comething infinitely worse. It would be worse if a man with clear vision voluntarily closed and bandaged his eyes and for all his life shut out the world's beauty.

And there is very grave danger that multitudes of us will blind ourselves in a very real sense, so that we shall ge through this most spiritual and meaningful epoch of history missing its full meaning, seeing only material common-places, like a half-blind man whose vis-ion is only a blur without form of coler.

At last the world, in the bitteres struggle of its history, is nearing the crest of the rough upward road beyond which lies the promised lands of demo-cratic freedom for all nations. Even after the crest is passed there will still be rough and dangerous stretches, but never again will the road seem impossi-

One more supreme effort and we shall be over the crest. Can we make it? The answer is uncertain only because so many of us are blind in the night through which we are passing and cannot see the dawn on the crest just ahead. Shall we allow our spiritual blindness to make us waver and go back again over the road blazed and builded by the innumerable generations of martyrs who have led us out of the of martyrs who have sed us out of the valley of autocratic injustice and de-spair? They died in myriads before their time to build this road for us. They have left us within fighting dis-tance of the crest, not wishing distance,

tance of the crest, not wishing distance, not hoping distance, but fighting distance. All about us the spirits of these generations of martyred dead are fighting with us in this supreme struggle. This is indeed a holy war, the holiest war in all history. No nation has ever gone into a war with so little love of war for war's sake, with so much sacrifice of material interests, as we have. No war has ever before, in the midst of its passions, offered such possibilities, such promise, such surety of its being a war againt war, such surety that the such promise, such surety of its being a war againt war, such surety that the terms of peace will be based, once restoration and compensation have been made, not upon vengeance, but on the victorious will for a just and lasting peace.

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Yes, this is the hollest war of history.
Shall we go blindly through it? Shall we live in this great epoch and not see the stupendous thing of which we are a part, the thing which is ready to bring to us and our children's children a new world of freedom and justice?

nate are we of the United Stater, that we have such a leader. We have chosen him from the midst of us. He is one of ourselves, but a man fitted by his will and training and our understanding to make of us a victorious army.

The first and most important part of the price of victory is in our hands if, in really supporting the President, we give democracy a leader as powerful as the enemy has. Shall the Kaiser have seventy obedient millions, immediately available when needed, and shall our President have only five, or twenty, or thirty millions instead of our whole one hundred victory-minded millions? Will we blindly expect the impossible? Do we think a leader with twenty millions can vanquish a leader with seventy fullions of war-trained people?

Seeing, We Shall Act

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No, we are determined to see and sec-clearly. We do see. We see the spirit of the martyred dead fighting with us, the dead who when dying for us handed over to us the fight for civilization. We see that victory means enduring peace for the whole world, means opportunity to develop the arts of peace and secure in growing measure social progress and in growing measure social progress and justice. We see that victory means that commerce will develop along the line of supplying the demands of peace instead of war. We see that victory means a freer world for the really wise men who struggle with hard-won knowledge, love and kindness. We see that defeat means the reverse of all these blessings, means the rule of might over right, means a world using its strength and resource largely to prepare for the next inevitable war. And seeing, we pledge durselves and our fortunes to the battle. We shall fight until victory is won. We pledge fight until victory is won. We pled ourselves to follow our leader—our Pre-ident. We pledge ourselves to that syn ident. We piedge ourselves to that sym-pathy, that understanding, that obedi-ence without which we cannot lead, without which our nation is a mob and not an army. We see in this a holy war, and from it we will withhold nothing of our lives and fortune until the triumph of our cause is assured. We see that no alloy of selfishness debases our cause We see that we are fighting for nothing less than a just and guaranteed peace for the whole world—and that insight has enabled us to look past the horror and see the opportunity that is now our for the most fundamental service that has or shall come to us of this genera-tion—namely, the winning of this war and so far as humanly possible the preventing of another war. These twin tasks are the concern of our league and of this convention. To these twin tasks

Mrs. Preston Addresses Delegates
Mrs. Preston was given a cordial greeting by the convention when she accepted this important post.

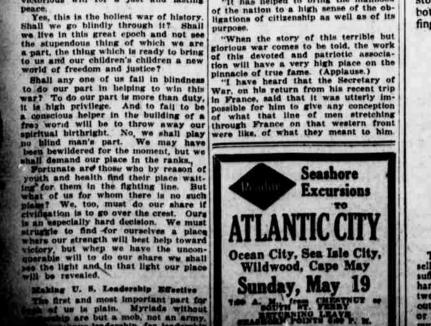
In the course of an address she said among other things:

"In these times, when the thoughtful are afraid of a premature peace, and there is great nervous tension, and all are allert to detect the poison gas of a German peace-drive, it is a high tribute to an organization which has in its title tithe word "Peace" that there has never been a suspicion nor a suggestion from

time word "Fesce" that there has never been a suspicion nor a suggestion from the most sensitive sources that this meeting had any sinister meaning, that it was touched by the treacacrous hand of pacifism in Teutonic interests.

"This society, with its high aim of permanent peace, has never lent itself to wild visionaries—the "peace-at-anyto wild visionaries price" people. On the contrary, again and again it has prevented these visionaries, with their platitudes, from destroying the moral courage of the American people. (Applause.)

"It has helped to bring the manhood of the nation to a high sense of the ob-ligations of citizenship as well as of its





Former President Taft and Mrs. Thomas J. Preston, Jr., widow of former President Grover Cleveland, met today at the convention of the League to Enforce Peace in the Academy of Music

condition, up on their very toes, and it seems to me that the overwhelming response to the invitation to send dele-gates to this convention proves that we, of the second line of defense, are up on our very toes. (Applause.) "And, my friends, it is the only way to

what that word means in its new signifi cance, a significance never dreamed of in the world before? Conquer the Kaiser? Yes. Beat down the foe of right and justice? Yes. Down oppres-sion in the world? Yes. But is is mean-ing far greater now. To end war for all

Solution from the statistic for a new world seems to the statistic for the

"I hope the convention may do all you desire to show your fellow citizens the supreme duty that lies upon, all of us. Americans and Englishmen, to flight this war through to victory, for the vindication of public right, for the protection of the weak against aggression and cruelty, for the establishment at last of a just and enduring peace."

Message from Cardinal
A message also was received from Card nal Gibbons, who predicted that Gods teaching would supersede brute force.
The convention was opened with a prayer by Bishop Darlington, of Harrisburg. Secretary Short then read the communications from former Ambassa-dor Bryce and Cardinal Gibbons.
At this point Mr. Taft, chairman of the convention, introduced Mrs. Thomas J. Preston, widow of former President Grover Cleveland.
The chairman said that no man could be trivited to stick to herevity when he

ble, as it has seemed in the past and as it seems even now to many. Never again will the road lead through stony stretches where there is food, living water, and rest for only the favored few.

Our Responsibility to the Martyrs

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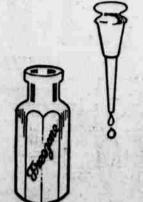
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# They were ready for action, in perfect shall be east in the dust and right shall condition, up on their very toes, and it have been made the law of the world."

subject of an address delivered by Hugh I. Frayne, a representative of the Amer-ican Federation of Labor, at this afternoon's section. He declared that labor was loval and would do its full duty

have been much more serious to deal with that menace."

Germany's dream of dominion was reviewed by Dr. Richard Heath Dabney of the Loiversity of Virginia. He said that the growth of Pruesianign and the permeation of Germany with its poison has become a feroclous passion, leading Germany through madness to destruction. German witters, he said had the idea that Americans were concerned chiefly in chasing the dollar. Isotor Dabney then declared that American dollars and American men would chase the

# Labor Fledges Its Loyalty

"Labor's Part in the War" was the

intil victory came

ars and American men would chase the Kalser back to Berlin.

Judge Charles B. Elliott, of Minne-apolis, a former member of the Philip-pine commission, declared that throug all German literature runs the sam thought, "Germany over all, and to hell with the rest of the world."

Five men, moulders, were arraigned before Magistrate Price at the Hunting Park avenue and Twenty-second street police station today, and held in \$200 ball on the charge of inciting to riot at the plant of the Nies-Bement-Pond Company, Nineteenth street and Hunting Park avenue. no rival for public attention. There is something to be said for that consideration.

The Senate Military Affairs Committee invited just such a letter as the President Morte. Its resolution was loosely drawn. It did not mean what it said. When it was introduced all newspaper correspondents here remarked that it opened the way for the Military Affairs Committee to become a committee on the doubt that the country does not want Congress to divide the control of war operations with the President as Congress to divide the control of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the war even the control of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the war even the control of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the war even the control of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the war even the control of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the war even the control of the war, even the control of the war, even the control of the armies in the field. The Military Affairs Committee had no intencent of the war even the control of the war, even t pany. Nineteenth street and Hunting Park avenue.

The men are alleged by the police to have stopped monunton mounders, and demanded that they join the union and ward Martin. North Seventh street, one of the five arrested, was fixed \$10 on the charge of hurling a brick. Senate Inquiry caused Senators Martin and Lewis to gressional Committee on the Conduct of

Discredits Investigation

Their attitude clearly indicates the Mr. Wilson, who has never become it stands the historian who would read quite reconciled to the Chamberlain indetermination of Administration leaders to fight by every means to defeat

the resolution if possible. President Wilson's first move yes terday, the letter to Senator Martin. was calculated to discredit investigations by the Senate. His second move. the appointment of Charles E. Hughes to take charge of the airplane inquiry being conducted by the Department of Justice, was calculated to show that the duly, real and original investigator was the President himself.

and University, also spoke at the at-

FIVE MOULDERS ARRESTED

Accused of Inciting to Riot at Plant

Wilson Against

The tactics recall the tactics of four months ago. The Senate Military Affairs Committee proved the need of reorganization and proposed one. Back came the President with a blow at the Senate with the appointment of mer-like Baruch, Stettinius and Goethals

As it stands now, the President can-not oppose the amended resolution with-"If Prussia conquers our armies," said out opposing an investigation pure and octor Dabney. "the Prussian theory will sin: is into the material preparation Doctor Dabney. 'the Prussian theory will sin: 's into the material preparation conquer our souls, and the American for war. No question of operation is involved. He has an express, though tion deriving its moral authority from rather crude, assurance from the Sen-

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the resolution as a whole. But the tunity to discredit the investigators by President's friends in this instance are not the most perspicacious members of the Senate.

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The next move is the Senate's There is such a thing as overdoing a disavowal, of conveying thereby a suggestion of weakness in the person who has asked for one. If the amended Chamberlain resolution should pass as it stands the historian who would read

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