

**WAR HEROS LAUDED**

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world renewed hope and peace and happiness.

"We rejoice with the exultation over the glory and honor that lie to the credit of America's victorious arms; We rejoice in the thought that it was through the bravery of the American heroes and patriots that the world was saved from ruin and destruction, and that the high and lofty ideals of the American Government were fully sustained.

"The great world war in its broadest sense was a war for the preservation of our homes and firesides; It was a war for the maintenance of our just rights and liberties. A war for the emancipation of mankind—a war to determine whether we should be free in the enjoyment of life and liberty or whether we should be slaves to the whims and caprices of an Autocratic Power.

"In commemorating this day—the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice our minds are carried back to those days, when the dark and gloomy clouds of war shaded the beautiful quarter of the globe. We can hear the bugle call and our hearts and souls are stirred and thrilled by the martial airs of patriotic music: We see our brave boys marching along the streets their rifles glistening in the noon-day sun: We hear the fond farewells: We can see the tear-drops trickle down the cheek of the dear old mother: We tip our hat as old Glory passes and yet over and above it all, we can see the angel of Liberty from on high descending out of the clear sky of Justice and right and proclaiming victory.

"Thousands upon thousands of our brave boys have answered to the call of duty: They are pledging their last drop of blood, if need be, toward the preservation of our institutions, and the high ideals of liberty and humanity for which the American Nation has always stood. They have crossed the seas to foreign shores. The critical hour has arrived when the American army must go into action. The order is given: The battle rages; Hell itself belches forth flames of liquid fire, day after day and night after night, the struggle with its awful sacrifice continues. The appeal of the dead in "Flanders Fields" is heard:

"In Flanders' fields, the poppies blow  
Between the Crosses, row on row  
That mark our place: and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.  
We are the dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders' fields.  
Take up our quarrel with the foe!  
To you, from failing hands, we throw  
The torch. Be yours to lift it high!  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies blow  
In Flanders' fields."

"Thus, this day brings back before our vision the scenes of a world once torn with dissension and strife; a world once filled with distress and desolation; and a world once shattered with sorrow and death.

"It is altogether fitting and proper, that we should commemorate the deeds and noble examples of those brave soldiers and sailors who gave their lives in the defense of their country in order that we might enjoy life and liberty.

"Today all the best that is in the American heart clad in the habiliments of sorrow is shedding a tear over the loss of the many virtues of comradeship and loving associations.

Throughout this broad land today is being paid a loving tribute of respect to memory of those brave soldiers and sailors of the great world war, who made the supreme sacrifice.

While the monumental shaft—the storied urn and the stately mausoleum, as a cold formality tend to perpetuate their memories how much more glorious and self-satisfying—how much dearer and sweeter is the thought of recounting on this day their noble deeds.

"In harmony with this sentiment our minds reverent in mood, wander back to the recent past. We recall the happy hours spent with them—their loyalty to friendship—their noble impulses—their smiles—their deeds of good and their acts of kindness."

"Yes, they are dead and yet they still live—over the bridge which spans the abyss between time and eternity, and which rests upon the magic chain of memory. They come back to us clad in all the grandeur of perfect manhood."

"From the voiceless lips of the unreplying dead there comes no word, but in our minds eye we behold all that was beautiful—all that was inspiring in their lives, and the uplifting influence of their example points us to higher and nobler ideals."

"They fought the good fight; they kept the faith—they ran their course; and it is my unalterable opinion that when the sun of their existence set for them forever their eyes were gladdened by the golden dawning of a grander day."

"If they could speak to you today from the great beyond, it is my opinion that their message would be that their lives were not sacrificed in vain."

"They would tell us that they take more pleasure in the testimony, which those honors bear to the character of their country than in that which they bear to their individual survivors. If they could speak to us today from the tomb they would echo back America's answer to the Flanders' dead:

"Rest ye in peace, ye Flanders dead!  
The fight that ye so bravely led  
We've taken up! and we will keep  
True faith with you who lie asleep,  
With each a cross to mark his bed,  
And poppies blowing overhead  
Where once his own life blood ran red!  
So let your rest be sweet and deep  
In Flanders fields!  
Fear not that ye have died for naught  
The torch ye threw to us we caught!  
Ten million hands will hold it high,  
And Freedom's light shall never die!  
We've learned the lesson that ye taught  
In Flanders fields!"

"Yes—thousands of our brave men have given their lives that our glorious nation might live; and while we contemplate the sadness of it all let us not forget those brave boys who still live a living death shattered in soul and body—let us do our part—let us do our full duty, that the remaining days of their lives may be made as comfortable and happy as possible. Let us remember that we never can sufficiently admire the bravery of those unconquerable veterans, who by their unwearied exertions upon the fields of battle achieved for us our glorious victories. (Applause)

"Let us remember that we have certain duties and obligations to per-

form—let us remember the sacred trust attaching to the rich inheritance, which we have received from those whose memories we today cherish—let us feed a personal responsibility for the preservation of the great principles upon which our government is founded."

"Therefore—let us do those things that stand for the Americanism; let us develop the dissatisfaction of discontented citizenship—let us destroy the shafts and darts that are aimed at our country's flag; let us muster in the name of patriotism the manhood of true Americanism and finally let us say that we will not permit the enduring principles of the American Republic to be haranged and discredited by an unfavorable element in our midst." (Prolonged applause.)

"The American nation has stood the test of its requirements and its strength today gives no indication of decay."

"Gazing out upon this mighty structure of a nation, whose base extends across the bosom of a mighty continent we cannot help but feel that this "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave" is good enough for the Creators chosen sons. Therefore, let us treasure it as the sacred heritage of those whose memories we today commemorate; let us protect it as the home of enlightened citizenship. Let us cherish it as the fulfillment of all that is glorious in government and finally let us guard it for those whose sentiments are American in spirit and whose intelligence appreciates all that American liberty means. (Applause)

"There is written within the folds of that flag all the scenes of our lives that "lie between the morn of laughter and the night of tears. There is written there all that is nearest and dearest to every true, loyal patriotic American heart. There is emblazoned upon it, the defense of our homes and firesides. There is inscribed within its meaning the thoughts—taxation without representation is tyranny—Liberty and Union now and forever, one and inseparable—successful resistance to Spanish Usurpation and the destruction of Autocratic Power."

"The hands that originally fashioned that flag are indeed motionless. The eloquent lips of our forefathers its famous defenders are hushed. The voices of those brave young men, who sacrificed their lives upon a foreign battlefield are forever silent but the lofty spirits—the ennobling sentiments, the undying and the unconquerable American valor—these, can never die. "These will resist the empires of decay

When time is o'er and the world have have passed away  
Cold in the dust our heroes may lie  
But the great and glorious American principles  
Will live on forever and forever."  
"Let us indulge the fond hope, that this nation the American Republic will continue ever to stand as a monument to the down-trodden and oppressed of all the world.

"May this vast temple of justice and freedom erected as if by divine inspiration continue to rise majestically fair—for it is founded upon the solid substantial and eternal rock of equality and may it remain forever unshaken by any force and undiminished by any time."

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ished by the flight of time."

"May long streams of light continue to emanate from its portals driving away the darkness of autocratic power with the renewed light of liberty enlightening the world and may the great beacon light of freedom continue ever to shine from this temple lighting the pathway of humanity and brightening the world in the full accomplishment of the rights of mankind." (Applause.)

"And as long as the great sunlight of heaven continues in its course, and sinks into the bosom of the Pacific Sea and casts its last lingering rays about the snow-capped summits of our mountains—just so long may this

great nation, the American Republic, continued to exist and wield a civilizing influence upon all humanity." (Applause.)

The services were preceded and followed by fervent invocations by Rev. George Harness, of the Christian church.

Many of the audience tarried to meet Mr. Kubli, who found many old friends among his auditors, and was introduced to many of the latter, whom it is safe to say, will be numbered as friends in the future. Kubli has a pleasing personality, and his scholarly and patriotic effort here found a ready response in the heart of every loyal, true American present.

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