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GOVERNMENTS OF FOR AND BY THE PEOPLE
King Constantine has quit kinging and has gone house hunting in Switzerland. He turned his old job over to his son, so as to keep it in the family as long as possible world are learning that kings are not so by "divine right," but simply by the consent of the governed. They are dis covering that governments are assemblages of people
whose object is, or should be, the protection and happi whose object is, or should be, the protection and happi
ness of the governed. It matters little what name a gov ness of the goy travel under so long as it is accountable t the people. England is practically a republic though it i called a kingdom; but the people rule and what they demand they get just as surely as do the citizens of a repub
lic in fact as well as name. The "divine right of kings" lic in fact as well as name. The "divine right of kings" of this kind in civilized countries and when the war end there will be none. The German people do not understand it but it is a fact just the same, that this war will
end when they have a government selected by them in place of the one that has brought the present terrible conditions upon them. Had the people of Germany had the deciding voice this war would not have occurred, and
millions of the flower of their country would not now be millions of the flower of their country would not now be
rotting in graves made by bursting shells whose terrific explosions were the only funeral services.
There would not now be in Germany and Austria millions of hopeless eripples, thousands of sturdy men from whom the light is
departed never to return. There would not ben have which generations yet unborn must struggle to pay There would not be sorrow in the homes of the German peasants where, before a government, ordered them to their deaths, peace and happinees were the rule where now is all darkness and despair. If governments are for the benefit and happiness of the governed, what a staggering crime the kaiser and his military advisers have committed against the people of his boundless powers for the good of his people, crazed by ambition and misled by the hawks and vultures of the human family, he has plunged a nation of seventy mil lions into the depths of despair. The kaiser has done th because he holds he is responsible only to God, and considers himself a sort of partner with divinity. Had been responsible to the people the w
occurred, for he would have known him his place. All the allies want; all this country wan is that the German people organize
sponsible to themselves, that the danger war may be forever removed, and that at last the free, to give every government full and equal rig To have the world ruled by what is rgiht rather t many can have peace, and until it is, there must be wa relentless, determined war.

It was a fine exhibition of loyalty and a beautiful' pression of appreciation when Antone Wirth, an Austria by birth, and an American citizen by adoption, appear in the Ladd \& Bush bank yesterday and subscribe
liberty bond. He was born in Austria in 1826, therefore 92 this country in 1857, and served through the civil war most of the time under Sherman. His eyes were shining
as with laborious fingers he traced out his application for a bond, and he remarked to the person waiting on him that when he renounced allegiance to his native land and reservations. He said he had a kindly feeling toward the reservations, He said he had a kindly feeling toward the
land of his birth, but that this was his country made so by his deliberate choice and it was here his children and theirs would live, and so he wanted to do something to
help his country. The venerable patriot resides with his son at 2056 Fairgrounds road, and came down town for the especial purpose of putting up his mite to help "hi

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## AN EVIDENCE OF "KULTUR"

A fleet of fifty German airships raided London yesterday and murdered nearly a hundred civilians. Among
these were ten school children killed when a bomb struck the school house, and at the same time wounding some fifty other pupils. We use the term "murdered" advisedly, for it surely can be called nothing else, when soldiers deliberately attack and kill non-combatants, especially
women and children. If these little ones had been killed women and children. If these little ones had been killed
because of their presence in a fortified town which was because of their presence in a fortified town which was
attacked, their deaths could and would be ascribed to the vicissitudes of war. There was nothing of this kind here. munity. There was no advantage to be gained, noth ng murder of a number of women, school children and old men. The killing of these could in no wise help the German cause, or have any effect on the result of the war. It was done ostensibly to terrorize the people of England, but if that, as the German's claim, was the reason of these raids, then they are utterly futile, for they only serve to ermined to remove from the world the militarism that indorses and puts in operation such warfare. Not only
that but it solidifies the sentiment of the civilized world gainst this peculiar kind of "kultur," and against
the sinking of the Lusitania, and other unarmed ships without warning, and the sacrificing of innocent live
hivalry and of honor that permitted Prussian idea of bassador to plot against this government when it was at iples," whe while protesting proth the kaiser's "prinAmerica was at the same time planning to attack this America was at soon as his enemies in Europe were conuered. It is the same keen sense of honor that is now sia in order to be stronger to dispose of France and Eng persuaded by false promises to assist at her own undoing nation that deliberately sends the forces to attack and murder women and children is without the pale of the
aw, unfit to associate with the balance of the civilized

## Rippling Rhymes

## by Walt Mason

Since war against our name is written, I'm
mighty glad we have the chance to aid and
 comfort brave old Britain, and lend a hand to dauntless France. For long I thanked
the gods above us that we had peace. strife I abhor--and railed at men who tried to shove us into the noisome reek of war,
But sometimes, in the stilly gloaming, when I sat by my figtree's trunk, all pensively my hangdowns combing, I thought ou
was rather punk. For principles hould cherish the allied nations gave their our pride and boast; when tyrants came along we treed yanny was rank and raging, these later years, and still we dreamed; the worst of tyrants war was waging: our
eagle rather cooed than screamed. And then we started from our slumbers, we saw the proper course at last, and
patriots in joyous numbers, have nailed our colors to the mast. And I, who hate all strife and quarrel, now swing the sword and make it hiss; for peace is vicious and im-


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