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## IT IS UP TO GERMANY

President Wilson assuming that Germany's request or peace is sincere has acceded to it to the extent that he has submitted the proposal to the allies. He points
out that the way to peace is open to the German people out that the way to peace is open to the German people
whenever they see fit to aecept it and aet on it, and that way is through unconditional surrender. It is not at all likely the president is acting on his own initiative in submitting the German reply to the allies, for it is inconceiv able that the whole matter has not been gone over
thoroughly by the leaders of each government and a line thoroughly by the leaders of each government and a line taking the course he has in responding to the last German note. For this reason the situation is tense, for it means that the allies will state terms on woch anal sur render. There is no other course open, except a virtual surrender on the part of the allies. This will pass the whole matter back to Germany to accept or refuse. What action Germany will take depends on how thoroughly the war lords are discredited by the German people, and
whether they have still influence enough to induce the German people to make still another effort before yielding to the inevitable. The war lords as well as the people realize at last that they are beaten and that the dream terms the allies dictate will have to be accepted sooner or later, and the only chance of their not being accepted now is that the German mind working along the lines so far followed, that fear and terror may cause a weakening of the allies' demands and that by continuing the war to the last ditch better terms can be obtained. However, with Bulgaria out of it, Turkey no longer a factor and Austria ready to accept the terms offered Germany, there is noth ing for the latter to hope for by a continuance of the strug gle. It is a bitter pill for Germany to swallow, but it the only remedy, and so it will be taken. The next move
will be the reply of the other allies to President Wilson, will be the reply of the other allies to President Wilson,
and then the matter will be left up to Germany to accept or reject.

## NO USE FOR SUCH.

The temper of the American people is illustrated in the action of Oregon merchants in returning products of the Albers mills after it was discovered their owner was pro-Hun. They did right and have the backing of every
true American. A foreigner coming to this country, povtrue American. A foreigner coming to this country, pov-
erty stricken, and who through the opportunities given him accumulates a fortune of millions, and then turns against the country and the people from whom he has re-
ceived such treatment, can expeet nothing but contempt ceived such treatment, can expect nothing but contemp
from every decent citizen. As soon as his offense wa from every decent citizen. As soen as nis offense was nilling firm, but this was done, no doubt, to protect it trade. A change of presidents does not alter the spots of the leopard or the skin of the Ethiopian, The resignation
is too much like the abdication of Albers' boss, the kaiser, in that so long as he owns the business he can undo his resignation business whenever he pleases.
A commission of neutral residents of Brussels to ex amine into the charges of unnecessary devastation an
destruction during the Germa nretreat in Belgium, wil be under the direction of Baron von der Lancken, civ governor of Brussels. When it is remembered that thi distinguished brute is the same that played a leading rol in the murder of Edith Cavill, eyen refusing to allow her investigation conducted by him or under his direction by two Spaniards and a Hollander all of whom are German sympathizers, can be seen in advance.

While the German peace question is being discussed
it will be noticed that Foreign Minister Balfour of Great Britain says Germany's colontes will never be returned th her. He holds that the retention of these by England is a nec
worta.

## LADD \& BUSH, Bankers are receiving subscriptions now for the

All records of foreign exports for the month of Sep-
mber were broken last month when the total was \$ 500 , 0,20, or more than $\$ 100,000,000$ increase. The impor during the same time were $\$ 262,-000,000$, or an increase of
$266,000,000$ over those of September, 1917. The exports taken in connection with what the government has sent across the ocean in the way of supplies and munitions for
the army makes the shipping for the menth far in excess of anything the country has ever known. That such a tremendous foreign trade was handled shows the utter
futileness of the under-sea war. The figures are enough futileness of the under-sea war.
to discourage even Von Tirpitz.

The governor, in rushing to the defense of the Oregon state police, calls attention to the things they did: Among them, however, nothing was said about one being arrest-
ed for speaking disrespectfully of the government, and two others placed in charge of the matter of watching the road over the mountains from California for boot we watching. There was nothing said either about th wild chasing over the c
auto loads of the police.

Sunday morning next at $2 o^{\prime}$ clock standard time will again go into effect as the setting back of the clocks will wait for the hour, but just move the hands back when you Wind the clock Sunday night. Last spring the United
States lost an hour and this it will find again Sund lass of an hour seems but little, but to one hundred million people it means a total loss of 11,000 years counted in 8 hour working days, a loss of 33,000 years for one man.

Jonathan Bourne, of unsavory fame in Oregon, is the mouthpiece of the national republican party and as such through the press. Jonathan's reputation is pretty widely known and is such that few if any decent people woul dorsement as he can make.
Our own little war lord, Teddy Roosevelt, is getting herents in congress that they must oppose any peace ar angement until all the Germans are killed and their hides hung on the fence---or words to that effect. Teddy is eatwill have to be imposed upon the general public.

The Commercial Club should have more members, nust have them. The campaign will begin Monday, an hould cose the same day
0 meet all requirements.

## Rippling Rhymes <br> by Walt Mason

JOHN BARLEYCORN.
John Barleycorn, my jo, John, since nations had their irth, you have, with beastly arrogance infested this old earth. But now you see your finish John, and many fits
you throw, the bells are tolling knells for you, John Bar many more must die, but you have killed far more than tlefields our prayers and blessings know, but those you slay must die in shame, John Barleycorn, my jo. John
Barleycorn, my jo, John, your tricks cannot avail: you cannot set aside your doom by blowing in the kale; nor can the tears of crocodiles which down your whiskers flow aver one hour the bier and shroud, John Barleycorn, my jo. Twill be a better world, John, when you've removed your ign, when you no longer poison men with tanglefoot and vine; for every plunk you handle is the price of pain and woe, and that's a tainted sort of coin, John Barleycorn,
my io. You've wearied all the world, John, you've tired the ouls of men, and when you chase yourse $f$ away you won' come back again; you're letting go by inches, John, but
vou will have to go, and so skidoo and fare thee ill, John Ball y corn, my jo.

## : THE WIFE : <br> By JANE PHELPS

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