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5xezexfexz THE ART OF CHEERING.

It appears that France is learning to cheer. The unprecedented wave of applause that swept through Paris on President Wilson's arrival revealed this newly-gained accomplishment.

Heretofore, it seems, the French people have had no adequate means of expressing their emotions in public That may sound strange, in view of the common impres sion of the Frenchman's gift for physical and vocal ex pression, but it is true, nevertheless. The French, lik most Latins, are good talkers and eloquent public speak ers, but somehow they never developed an adequate voc system of letting loose their mass-emotions.
The coming of the Americans changed all that. At baseball games and on all public occasions, they heard the "rooting" and yelling of the vocierous Yankees, and
made a hit with them. Little by little they began to abanmade a hit with them. Little by little they began
don their correct but inadequate "vive" in favor of the don their correct but inadequate "hurray," and other signs of enthusrotund American "hurray, and that enable a full-grown man to emit, for prolonged periods, all the noise he is capable of. Now almost any like an American political convention.
like an American poitical convent the trick as the cheering in London and Manchester during the president's visit testiffed. No longer is the Englishman content with a mild elapping of gloved hands and a mild ejaculation of "Heah, Heah!" Those once self-contained Britishers are learning to raise the roof and crack the welkin.

It is good for them, too--all of them. It is good for Europe in general. An old world that knows how cheer, and has the heart for cheering in the American style, is no longer old. All that rah-rahing and hurraying and hazzahing is a sign of a new era, less restrained and therefore, more democratic, frank, honest and human.

## A PRESIDENTIAL INDESCRETION.

The accounts of President Wilson's perfect taste and fitness in his visit to England must have been exaggerat ed. A late report says that when the president bade
good-bye to King George, one trouser-leg was turned up at the bottom, and the other was turned down, as well behaved trouser-legs should be, it seems, in dea old Lon by a movie film taken on the occasion
Isn't it dreadful! And how will Mr, Wilson ever live it down, even if Senator Lodge neglects to make the in
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## RIPPLING RHYMES

## By Walt Mason

WINTER DAYS.
The winter days are with us now, the winds are wild and chill, and my old idiotic cow comes bawling up the hill. To seek the wooden water trough she wandere
through the gale, and her antlers frozen off, likewise her precious tail. The view outdoors is sad and bleak, the snow's heaped by the fence; the aretie winds cavort and
shriek, without a lick of sense. And yet I am not woebegone, as I sit by my fire, and ply my pipe and demijohn
my corkscrew and my lyre. Though at my window tem pests beat, one thing I'm thankfol for: I do not have to peats beat, one thing Im chanhful for; I do not have to
save the sleet, to help to win the war, Triumphantly our banners wave, the long ordeal is done; we are not asked to pinch and save, that we may can a Hun. Some griefs
and worries, be it said, my spirits have attocked; is frozen in the shed, the radiator cracked; I have some fowls which should provide fresh henfruit by the keg, but they just let their duty slide--they do not spring an egg. My stock of coal is getting slim, and when for more I plead, the dealer says, with visage grim, "Your stand
offs gone to seed." But let the winds of winter blow One thing 1 Im thankful for; I do not have to save the snow, that we may win the war.

Brieadier General Zimmerman. They could throit grenades as far as the Germans could throw them back He Huns couldn't see any justice in that." Ignoring the temptation to make an obvious retort regarding German mainessing that is wrong with Ger many. It is the lack of the sporting spirit, failure to many the other fellow the credit he deserves, envy of super
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incity instead of honest imitation of it. In short Ger iority instead or henest
many, collectively, has been, and still is, a many, coll
a whiner.

The German people have got to get that sort of thing ut of their system before they can win back the world aut orval or accomplish anything worth while.
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## THE UNFAIR YAN

Governor Withycombe offers no solution for the fin ancial difficulties of the state. He puts a deficiency
$\$ 980,000$ up to the legislature without a single suggestion as to how it may be met. Further than this, the governo pleads for the retention of the state police force which has caused a large part of the deficiency, and would sti keep on the payroll at $\$ 90$ a month and nothing to do. H ems to be riding this state police hobby to death.
The Salem-Dallas road is very likely to be paved this ear, and this fact is commented upon by the Independneeared before the state highway commission one day his week and induced that august body to provide for th yaving of the Dallas-Salem road as is to give en its chance or a place on the West Side Highway and this thorough are wil go from Rickreall via Monio Dallas to its fon gave it a paved road to Salem.

In spite of the efforts of the United States senate to ir up trouble among the allies the preliminary arrange ments for the peace conference seems to be proceeding very satisfactorily.

The dearth of presidential timber is apparent whe er ilike Senators Chamberiain, of Oregon,

Dr. J. L. Hill, of Albany, says whiskey will cure the fluenza. Yes, but it's so easy to get the influenza, and o hard to get the remedy.

A band of Reds were routed and thirty of them kill d when they raided a Dresden newspaper office, Moral don't make the mistake of trying to lick the editor.

The members of the legislature were all "shot" today It was thought best, all things considered, to do it at the beginning of the session.

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