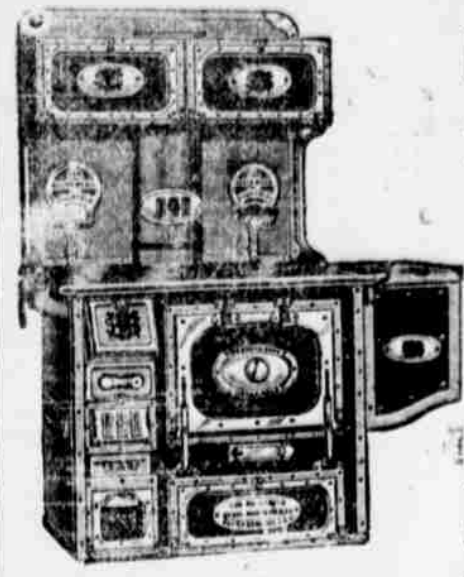


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Some of our readers are old enough to remember a joke that was popular in 1890 "I opened the window and in-flu-Enza."

President Wilson will go to the Peace Assembly not as a delegate from America but as a representative of the peace-loving civilized world. We venture to assert that no man has climbed higher on the ladder of Fame.

The total war debt to date is roughly estimated at twenty and one-half billion dollars. One third of this is in the form of loans to the allies. In the 60's our fathers thought the payment of a half-billion war debt almost beyond the limit of possibility.

The names of Professors Madison E. M. Terry, and J. P. Roebuck, of the University of Wisconsin, will shine in after-war history. It is stated that American destroyers, transports and submarine chasers were equipped with submarine-detecting device of their invention.

Some years ago one William Hohenzollern at that time profusely decorated with royal insignia devised a scheme whereby he was to become a workman. Due to the fact that he made several miscalculations William has no definite position address just at the present time. He is doubtless wise and certainly weaker.

As the details came over the top it develops that to our American soldiers were given the task of delivering the final smashing blow. The Allied command credited them with ability to achieve success at a crucial point, and right gallantly they proved themselves worthy. There were Webster county boys with them, too.

The American army and the Allies are marching triumphantly "On to Berlin," making the trip under conditions that less than a year ago were hardly deemed possible. Billy Sunday looked into the future with prophetic vision when referring to that "breakfast in Paris" he said "The Kaiser will be lucky if he eats Christmas dinner in Berlin."

The Fourth Liberty Loan went over the top with almost a billion dollars over-subscribed. While a few states are behind in their quota for United War Work it is estimated that the aggregate of all will reach the amount required for the period of demobilization. When the soldier boys come marching home it will be a lot easier for those who have contributed to explain why they did, than it will be for those who fell down to explain why they did not. The grand total reaches close to eighteen billions of dollars, the largest war loan ever floated by any government.

Over in Eastern Iowa there is a section that might easily be spoken of as a German community. Years ago, before the ex-Kaiser made public his dream of world-supremacy there arose in a local normal school discussion on the question of omitting German from the curriculum. "No, no," said the teachers, "there is a time coming when knowledge of this language will be most essential." In the light of subsequent events it is evident they had "inside information" as to the plans "made in Germany." But they reckoned without their host. The erstwhile powerful nation is on its knees begging for mercy, ruined and actually on the verge of starvation. So ends the dream of a war-mad monarch.

One of the wise men who affixed his name to the Declaration of Independence is credited with saying, "Now gentlemen, if we do not hang together we shall all hang separate." His epigram applied to the conditions then existing. It is apt at the present time. If the Democratic party is to retain the White House it must hang

together—and must commence hanging together right now—must hang together in all the little items that go to make up daily life. In warfare giving aid and support to the enemy is treason. In politics aid to the opposition spells defeat for the giver. Its ultimate effect is twofold—it weakens one rank and strengthens the other in exact ratio. Hanging together and commencing that process now, is the only way to win the battle of 1920.

### Letter From Schuyler Hayes

Dear Folks at Home:  
Now that I am settled at this place for some time I will try and tell you of some of the many great sights and experiences I have seen and gone through.

To begin with, I was sent from Norfolk, Va., to this place,—a quiet little city of about 10,000 people—and was placed in a civilian hospital (now being used for sailors only) for what, I do not know but expect to learn later.

I am feeling fine and just returned from a trip up town where we took in the sights.

Say, this hospital is small. Just a new place and only about 50 or 60 here, and the people here are really

I wish you could see dinner with us. Next to a meal of beans I believe I enjoy it more than anything. I can think of. After eating French cooking for months, you cannot imagine what a difference there is.

Now, to give you an idea of the swell trip I took. After leaving Philadelphia we went by train to Hoboken, N. J., and transferred to a tug which took us down the Hudson river to a pier where the U. S. S. George Washington—formerly a large German-American liner—was anchored, already loaded to the brim with soldiers and it did not take us very long to get settled. We sat at the deck until the next afternoon when our sailing orders came.

In a very short time we were getting out just the grand old steamship Liberty. It had a brand new hull that came over me. I could not

explain it if I tried. A big passenger ship in my time and when I tried to talk instead of a big, strong man I found only a whoopee. Looking over at a big, husky sailor from Texas, I saw his eyes were full of tears. He said he could not just "chew" with the matter with him. He said, "I am anxious to go over, and am not the least bit afraid, for the thought of leaving the good old United States, possible forever, makes me feel queer."

I did not cry, as some did, but I could not blame them in the least.

In a short time the Woodworth and the Slinger, and all the rest of New York's large buildings, were lost from sight and we gave Miss Liberty a fare well salute and passing Poney Island were soon out on the open sea and save for a few little submarine destroyers zig-zagging before us, nothing in sight but water and sky.

After a few hours other ships from different directions joined us and by dark there were thirteen large heavily laden transports, with cargo precious to so many, rapidly ploughing through the water and bound for another country, and another people far different from what we were leaving.

It did not take us long to get "out of the dumps" and the twelve and a half days that followed were among the most interesting days of my young life.

I was detailed to the job of mess cook, as you have already learned from previous letters, and as soon as I was done with my dishes, after meals I was out studying the different parts of the ship.

I will tell you a little joke on myself, which will at the same time convey some idea of the size of our transports.

On board the transports you are not allowed to throw anything overboard, for fear of leaving traces which may be followed by enemy submarines. The rules such as cannot be otherwise disposed of, stored in a large vat at the aft end of the ship. I was once going out in these depths below and found, when I was called to carry a bucketful to that vat. Well, I found that at all right but I got lost going back, speedily, honest-to-goodness lost.

I strolled around into over so many different compartments and asked many other sailors, but I did not know the number of my mess' tables so they could not tell me where to go. I don't know how long I might have wandered around had I not run across a fellow that I knew, and he took me back. I sure got the merry ha, ha. But it is no joke to get lost on a ship like that.

We had one big excitement, on the trip over, and that occurred the last night we were on board. A soldier of German descent and also a conscientious objector, did not want to land with the rest of the boys, took his rifle to bed with him and shot himself and four other fellows. He was in the upper bunk and four fellows slept beneath him. The same bullet hit all five. Three died almost instantly and the fourth was so badly wounded that

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he was not expected to live. The one who attempted to kill himself lived. A couple of spies were caught, but that was a commonplace event as some are caught on nearly every ship. They cannot get by with much stuff aboard a ship.  
Altogether it was a pleasant trip, barring these incidents, but nevertheless there was a mighty pleasant sound to the lookout's call to the officer of the deck, "Land Ho." The officer says, "Where away?" "To our port bow," and sure enough you could with the naked eye see something white in the distance. With the aid of a glass one could see the rough edges of a rocky beach.  
We dropped anchor in the harbor of Brest, France, a very old city of about 100,000 people.  
As this letter is getting rather long I will "pipe down" for now and get it started toward home. Next time I will tell you about my experiences in France.  
SCHUYLER V. HAYES.  
Elizabeth City, N. C. Nov 6, 1918