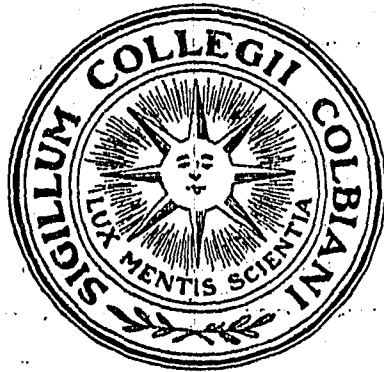


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## MY SUMMER IN EUROPE, 1914.

BY PROFESSOR ROBERT W. CROWELL.

### IV.

As we stepped from the train at Freiburg, I was met by an old friend whose acquaintance I had made in university days at Göttingen. He is now professor in the Gymnasium at Nordhausen and had come to Freiburg at my request to give private instruction to the members of my party in preparation for the Summer School which was to open on the third of August.

For two weeks these lessons went on, leaving us leisure however for exploring the city and its environs.

Freiburg im Briesgau, as the Germans call it, is a city of 84,000 inhabitants, the seat of a university attended by over three thousand students, and because of its fine public buildings, its attractive promenades, and especially its nearness to the beautiful mountains and valleys of the Black Forest a favorite resort for tourists.

We went more than once to the noble old Gothic minster, to gaze up at its tall spire of lace-work in stone, to smile at the grotesque carvings which adorn its red sandstone walls, and to wander through its dim aisles. We admired the handsome new university buildings and the magnificent theatre. The latter is not crowded in among other buildings, as our theatres so often are, but stands alone with streets on three sides and flanked by grass plots with shrubs and flowers. The university buildings on the other hand are destitute of any "campus," and stand close to the street.

I always enjoyed a stroll along the

Kaiserstrasse, the principal street of the city under the towering gateway of St. Martin, almost the only survival of the ancient city walls, past the three fountains which stand quaintly in the middle of the street, and sometimes I brought up at the open-air market, held in the square surrounding the minster, where all sorts of provisions: meats, vegetables, butter, cheese, eggs, and fruit, as well as some cheap articles of clothing were offered for sale.

My friend and I generally took our evening meal at some restaurant and thus had an opportunity to observe the life that went on there. The restaurant seems to fill a much larger place in the social life of the Germans—in deed of Europeans generally, than it does with us, and the popular places are thronged in the evening with army officers, students, and civilians of all classes.

Best of all however were the long walks through the woods, the steep ascent of some hill or mountain summit, and the outlook over forest-clad slope, narrow valley or fertile plain that was sure to reward the climb.

A fortnight had almost passed, when one sunny afternoon,—it was Friday, the 31st of July,—as we stopped at a mountain hotel to refresh ourselves after a long climb, we were told that news had just come by telephone of the order for the mobilization of the German army. The rumors which we had been hearing for several days, and which even my German friend could scarcely credit had proved to be true.

Two days later we had left Freiburg and were on our way to Frankfurt-on-the-Main. Although it was the first day of

mobilization, the train service was still good, and I had no difficulty in checking our baggage through. But preparations for war were visible everywhere.

Men in uniform are a familiar sight in Germany at any time, but on this day they were unusually in evidence. Soldiers and officers were numerous among the passengers on the train; every bridge along the route was guarded by four soldiers, two at either end; and here and there we saw detachments of soldiers marching.

Various rumors were carried among our fellow-passengers: Two mayors in Elsass had been summarily shot for treasonable conduct. The same justice had been meted out to men caught in the act of poisoning the water supply of a certain city. All Elsass, except the fortresses, was to be abandoned to the French. Events soon proved the falsity of this last story.

At one station, the name of which I have forgotten, another train drew up on the other side of the platform bound for Frankfort direct, so as we were to have changed at Mannheim, and the connection was said to be uncertain, we decided to change at once and made a hasty transfer carrying our suitcases and the fragments of the lunch we were eating—much to the amusement of our fellow-passengers.

Arriving at Frankfort shortly before six o'clock in the afternoon we made our way through the crowded station and drove at once to the American consulate, which we found open, although it was Sunday, and thronged with our fellow-countrymen. Acting on the advice of the consul I decided to remain in Frankfort for the present, and we were soon comfortably installed in the pension where the vice-consul was living with his mother and sister. The next day I secured our trunks after searching for two hours among the stacks of baggage with which the station platforms were piled.

We spent eleven days in Frankfort and became quite well acquainted with that beautiful city. Even among German cities Frankfort is a leader in progressive city government, in enterprise, and in wealth. According to the census of 1910 it had a population of 415,000, which represents a five-fold increase since the founding of the Empire in 1871. The city owns and operates its street railways and the service is excellent. It also owns nearly half of all the land within its corporate limits. A few years ago the city constructed a new harbor on the Main river, and laid out adjacent to it connecting railway tracks and streets, sites for factories, for workmen's homes, etc., at a cost of \$18,000,000.

The railway station which is architecturally imposing and one of the finest in Germany was built at a cost of \$10,000,000 when the city was much smaller than it is now. Frankfort spends \$1,800,000 a year for educational purposes and has just established a university, the dedication having taken place since the outbreak of the war. Perhaps one reason for the progress of the city is to be found in the fact that it has had the same mayor for twenty years.

The older part of the city contains many quaint memorials of the past, which have been consistently preserved. We were especially interested in the house in which Goethe was born and spent his childhood. It has been kept in its original condition and contains many pieces of furniture in use in the poet's day. In the garden behind the house a small museum has been built in which are shown many books, letters, and pictures which concern the life of the great man.

The famous Kaisersaal, where in the old days the newly chosen emperor dined with the electors, we were not permitted to visit, as the building was in use for the enrollment of soldiers, but we admired the handsome exterior with its balcony

upon which the emperor used to show himself to the rejoicing throng in the square below.

To be continued

COLBY TO RUN BATES AT B. A. A.

The track team is busy every day working on the boards, getting prepared for the B. A. A. meet to be held February 6th. There is a larger squad out this year than ever before. Some of the most promising men are: Capt. Royal, I. Merrill, Ferrell, Stack, Howes, Yeaton, C. Adams, James, Howard, Howe, Golden, Webster, and W. O'Brien. This year's team will apparently be as fast as any ever before turned out. There will be two preliminary heats at the B. A. A. games. Colby will run Bates, and Maine will run Bowdoin, the winners of these two heats to race later in the evening for the state title. The ruling is made this year that the same men must run in both preliminaries and finals.

DEKES IN THE LEAD.

While Zeta Psi has won more points than Delta Kappa Epsilon, the latter has the higher average, as may be seen below. Delta Upsilon stands third, with Phi Delta Theta and Alpha Tau Omega tied for fourth, and the Commons Club in last place.

The standing:

	Won	Lost	Pc.
D. K. E.....	18	6	.750
Z. P.....	23	9	.719
D. U.....	17	11	.607
P. D. T.....	10	18	.357
A. T. O.....	10	18	.357
C. C.....	6	22	.214

Records: High single string, Niles, 120; high three string total, James, 312; high team single, Delta Upsilon, 508; high team total, Delta Upsilon, 1417.

The averages of the contestants are as follows: Simpson, 94; James, 92; Cross-

man, 92; Murch, 91; Allen, 91; Willard, 91; Campbell, 90; Leseur, 90; Grant, 88; Holt, 88; Ramsdell, 88; Royal, 87; Higgins, 86; Whittemore, 85; Weston, 85; Young, 84; King, 84; Goodrich, 84; W. Harriman, 84; Shea, 83; Hutchins, 83; Ware, 83; Niles, 83; Smith, 82; Yeaton, 82; Libby, 82; Whipple, 81; J. Harriman, 81; Clark, 81; Adams, 79; Greer, 79.

Games for next week.

January 20. Delta Kappa Epsilon vs. Alpha Tau Omega.

January 21. Delta Upsilon vs. Commons Club.

January 22. Phi Delta Theta vs. Alpha Tau Omega.

January 23. Commons Club vs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

January 25. Zeta Psi vs. Phi Delta Theta.

January 26. Delta Upsilon vs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

January 27. Phi Delta Theta vs. Commons Club.

COLBY TO HAVE HOCKEY AND WRESTLING TEAMS?

A movement is afoot at Colby for the organization of both a hockey and a wrestling team. The lumber is being procured for the construction work of the skating rink; and if everything goes smoothly, it is expected that the hockey men will be training in a few weeks.

The men interested in wrestling met at the gymnasium, Monday afternoon, and talked over the prospects of forming a team to compete with the other Maine colleges. Mr. Price, a local wrestler, has been engaged to coach the team. Further plans will be made in the near future.

The members of the Bowdoin Musical Clubs were about the Campus on Thursday, while stopping over a train on their way to Skowhegan to present a concert.

The Homan Musical Revue at the Opera House this week is receiving no small amount of patronage from Colby students.

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We are pleased to note that the amount of the Christmas gifts contributed, each year, by graduates and friends of Colby is steadily growing. Last year, the donations made to the fund aggregated \$2,848; in 1914, 350 contributors gave \$3,500. The reason for this increase in gifts surely must lie in the fact that our alumni and friends are more enthusiastic than ever before over the work which the college is performing. They show by their generosity that they are interested in the college and in its development. Graduates who have passed through the doors of their Alma Mater realize what Colby did for them, and they are ready to lend a helping hand to offer to the young men and women of today greater opportunities than they themselves enjoyed. Colby is growing very encouragingly under the administration of President Roberts; and, in order to continue the good work, it is necessary that the alumni and friends of the college co-operate with him. We are grateful for the gifts which have been bestowed upon the college, and hope that we, as students, may have an opportunity in the future to contribute to a similarly worthy cause.

First semester ends Friday, January 29, at 6 P. M. Midyear examinations, Monday, February 1 to Saturday, February 6. Second semester begins at 8 A. M., Tuesday, February 9. With mid-years less than two weeks ahead, it is high time for "low hangers" to take a last desperate brace.

Take heed, all ye members of the editorial and managerial staffs of the ECHO! The annual group picture of the board will be taken at Neal's Studio at one o'clock, sharp; next Saturday afternoon. Be there on time!

## PHYSICAL SOCIETY ORGANIZED.

A physical society, to be known as the Pi Eta Sigma Society of Colby College, was organized, Friday. The society is composed of the students who have completed, or are enrolled in, the course in third-year physics. The following-named officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Ray C. Young, '15; vice-president, Leon P. Spinney, '15; secretary, treasurer, Arthud D. Craig, '16.

## FRASER PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE LATE PROFESSOR HEDMAN.

Professor Libby's second installment of budding orators rendered a most enjoyable evening's program, last Monday. Each speaker showed the results of careful preparation and training, and delivered his speech in a pleasing and effective manner. Mr. Fraser's tribute to the late Professor Hedman was a masterpiece, and could not but appeal to everyone present.

The college mandolin club rendered several selections and added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening. Professor Harry presented the speakers in a most fitting manner.

The program:  
Colby Men at Chicago University . . . . .  
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Colby—Past and Future.....

.....William John Pendergast  
A Hero of the Sword.....

.....Arthur Fillmore Bickford  
A Tribute to a Teacher.....

.....Paul Frederick Fraser

The third and last group in the series of addresses will be given in the College Chapel on Monday evening, January 25, at 8 o'clock.

#### FIELDBRAVE RE-ELECTED.

At a meeting after chapel, Friday morning, the men in college who are interested in chess met for the purpose of organizing a Chess Club. A larger number than was expected evinced an interest. The following men were elected as officers: President, Fieldbrave, '16; vice-president, Young, '15; secretary-treasurer, Kelsey, '15

Tournaments will be held, and matches will be played between the students and the faculty, and with town teams. There is also a possibility of one or two matches with other colleges, if such can be arranged.

#### MURRAY PRIZE DEBATE.

The annual Murray prize debate, which was postponed from last year, will be held about the first of March. The speakers are now busily engaged in preparing their articles, the subject of which will be announced later by the department of public speaking. The team consists of Harold S. Campbell, '15, Vernelle W. Dyer, '15, Carrol B. Flanders, '17, Herbert M. Rockwell, '16, Frederick Sully, '16, and Theodore Fieldbrave, '16.

Through the generosity of George E. Murray, '89, the prizes, aggregating \$100, will be given again. The class in debating 5 competed in the chapel this afternoon for places on the team. The debate for the current year will be held sometime in May.

#### DELTA UPSILON DANCING PARTY.

The Delta Upsilon Fraternity were the hosts at a very pretty dance given in the Club House, Thursday evening. Dr. and Mrs. Black acted as chaperones. Hayden had charge of the refreshments. An order of fifteen dances was enjoyed, with Hutchins orchestra furnishing the harmony. The following young ladies were present: Misses Allen, Ware, McFadden, Drummond, Lord, Brophy, Caswell, Greene, Barton, McGann, Meservey, Chamberlain, Kimball, Pattangall, Blanchard, Washburn, Shaw, Sturtevant, Chase, Sprague, Katherine Moulton, Jeanne Moulton, Bannon, Donnely, French, Singer, Heath, Loane, and Brackett.

#### MYSTICS' INITIATION AND BANQUET.

The fourth annual initiation and banquet of the Mystics, the sophomore honorary society, was held Wednesday evening. The first part of the program for the evening took place at Mystic Shrine, where the neophytes were given an understanding of the secret workings of the society, impressed with the responsibilities which they must bear as the now active members, and then duly initiated. Then the meeting adjourned to Buzzell's Chop House, where a fine feast was enjoyed.

List of initiates:

Carroll B. Flanders, Fred A. Pottle, Joseph H. Deasy, Charles B. Leseur, Carleton S. Richardson, Daniel W. Whipple, Winthrop L. Webb, Harry H. Upton, Paul G. Whittemore, John F. Everett, Ralph N. Smith, Foster Eaton.

#### CAMPUS CHAT.

L. E. Warren, '14, of Old Town, was a visitor at the Phi Delta Theta house, last week.

The D. U. basket ball team defeated

the Coburn Five in the Coburn Gymnasium, Saturday night.

Elmer Campbell, '17, is slowly gaining.

Foster, '16, led the Y. M. C. A. meeting last evening.

Instructor Cohn announces that he and the committee have decided to hold another Gym night on Friday evening. Another good time is assured.

Rev. C. E. Owen, '79, and Robert E. Owen, '14, were recent visitors at the "Zete" house.

A sign-board, displaying the advertisement, "Rooms for Men," appeared yesterday morning on the railing of the Foss Hall piazza. Applications for both single rooms and suites were numerous. Nothing slow about our girls!

### WOMEN'S DIVISION.

Edited by the News Department of the Colbiana.

1915—Dorothy Newman Webb.

1916—Vesta May McCurda.

1917—Marion Daggett.

1918—Isabelle Hervey Wing.

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Saturday evening was one of the most delightful occasions of the year, for the "proud mother of one hundred and fifty girls" entertained them at a children's party. Dinner was served informally at six-thirty by "Aunt Butty"; and then the "children" enjoyed such games as London Bridge and Stage Coach, the costumes adding much zest to the party. Dean Carll ended the evening in a unique way by proposing plans for a student associa-

tion which shall help to unite the Women's Division in a common cause. The following committee was chosen to confer with Dean Carll concerning the forming of such a league:

1915—Dorothy Webb, Ina McCausland.

1916—Marjorie Barker.

1917—Marion Daggett.

1918—Helen Kimball.

The F. E. F.'s of 1918 are planning to give a play, soon, for the benefit of the Palmer House piano.

A Victrola concert was much enjoyed at Foss Hall, Sunday afternoon.

The Y. W. C. A. meeting Tuesday night, was led by Jeanne Moulton, '17, The subject was "Clean Sports," and was very ably presented by the championship basketball captain.

Ruth Webb, Boston University, '14, was the guest of Dorothy Webb, '15, Tuesday.

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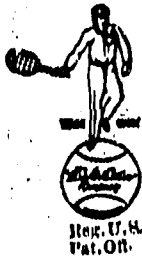
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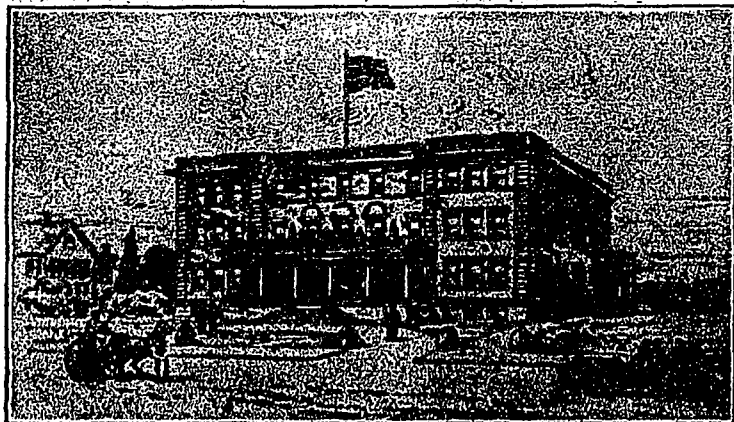
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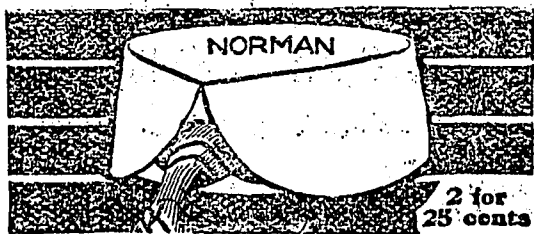
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