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music - then the second layer of men
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clocks in Germany. Afterward
there were little groups of
men from provincial singing
societies on their way to an
international singing fest at
Vienna singing under the Rathhaus.

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have paid for the gold shoe
club to go to the Vienna con-
fest - The Munich papers referring
to their concert said much to
their amazement, the German
did not have a single cow-boy
song or jazz selection in their
repertoire.
Last night we went to
the famous Hofbräu House where
over three thousand of all classes
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beer and singing with
the band the loveliest classical
and folk songs - It was a

thrilling sight - his remarks
that we could see how
hard it was for the Germans
to go without this beer in
America - We sat next to two
American boys from N Carolina who
said that they were students at
Harvard. One said his sister was
on the board of trustees at Hollis -
they were with a girl from NY whose
parents were teacher & Germany
respectively - a Munich woman
completed the table. We had
spirited conversation in combination
through German & English - the
nicest looking boy exquisitely dressed
confided to me that he had had
7 liters of beer and some vodka -
I thought he was being surly -
but about 11 he had a little
fuss over his head not
of fell on table - the other boy and
I were standing up - He had suggested
that we all walk down together -
suddenly the boy vomited all
over the table and had to be
dragged out - the girl said that
the day, Americans always
make fools of themselves. She
thought we showed well. - Perhaps
we should - the next morning
we met her and he said that
she had put them in a trap - she
says the German never got
drunk.

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don't seem to realize that many
think they started it - the talk
of the atrocities just as we did -
The paper this morning asks
under the proposed Kellogg pact
what would happen if they
blockade were declared now against
Germany -
I forgot to say that next to us
at Hoffman house sat four
Lutherans who must have been
Lutherans because all the Catholics
wear robes or something - they
joined in the singing - I did not
count this string of beer - up
until comparatively recently
here as in the Catholic
countries the church had
exclusive concession on
the making of beer
the boys tell me that the reason
the Lutherans at Budapest were
so narrow is that they see
Catholicism growing & are
therefore inclined to accept
just beer for Catholics
I hope father had a fine trip
to Houston - It makes me homesick
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Pres Coolidge seems to have paid for the Yale [illegible] club to go to the Vienna song [illegible]. The Munich papers [illegible] to their consent said much to their amusement, the Americans did not have a single cow-boy song or jazz selection in their repertoire.

Tues night we went to the famous [illegible] House where over two-thousand of all [illegible] sat side by side drinking beer and singing with the band the loveliest classical and folk songs. It was a thrilling sight. Lois remarked that we could see how hard it was for the Germans to go without their beer in America. We sat next to two American boys from N Carolina who said that they were studying at Harvard. One said his sister was on the board of trustees at [illegible]. They were with a girl from NY whose parents were French and [illegible] respectively. A Munich women [illegible] the table. We had [illegible] conversation in [illegible] French, German, and English. The nicest looking boy exquisitely dressed confided to me that he had had 7 liters of beer and some vodka. I thought he was being [illegible] but about 11 he had a little fuss over [illegible] and his head sort of fell on table. The other boy and I were standing up. He had suggested that we all walked along together. Suddenly the boy vomited all over the table and had to be dragged out. The girl said thats the way Americans always make fools of themselves. She though we should wait. Perhaps we met her and he said that she had put them in a taxi. She said the Germans never get drunk.

The railroad service in Germany is markedly better than other countries although they had 5000 engines and many more plain cars taken away from them and now the government which owns and runs the railways has to get 4000 billion marks out of the roads each year on the [illegible] payments. Its interesting to note that while [illegible] the war the Germans have absolutely no sense of war guilt and really dont seem to realize that many think they started it. They talk of the atrocities just as we did.

The paper this morning [illegible] under the proposed Kellogg Pact what would happen if [illegible] blockade were [illegible] now against Germany.

Forget to say that next to us at [illegible] house sat four clergyman who must have been Lutheran because all the Catholic wear robes or something. They joined in the singing. I did not count their steins of beer. Up here as in the Catholic countries the church had explosive [illegible] on the making of beer.

Lois tells me that the reason the Lutherans at Budapest were so narrow is that they see Catholicism growing and are therefore inclined to accept [illegible] before Catholics.

I hope father had a fine trip to Houston. It makes me homesick to think of Uncle Jay and all of you there.

Almost to London and will mail.

Love E