

The Glory That Is France

There are not many brief English histories of France adapted equally for the college student and the general reader. Even were books of this class more numerous *A History of France*, by Professor William Stearns Davis of Minnesota, would be amply justified by the need for rewriting the history of the French nation from the point of view afforded us by the events of the last five years. For example, Professor Davis is able to bring out some interesting comparisons with the Russian Bolshevik movement in discussing the French Revolution. A reasonable amount of space is devoted to the events of the Great War, which is narrated to its conclusion, as well as to the colonial development of France and other topics of contemporary interest. The author's point of view with respect to the merits of the European struggle is that taken in his former book, *Roots of the War*; unqualified championship of the French cause. There is a good critical bibliography and all periods of French history are given judicious and well-proportioned treatment.

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