FIRST COLORED WAR CORRESPONDENT ARRIVES IN FRANCE

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Off to the Front for the News of Our Gallant Soldier Boys and to Tell of Their Valiant Fight for World Democracy.

Some Striking Incidents of the Voyage Over—Fraternizing With Press and Humanitarian Forces Aboard Ship—Diversions by Colored Battalion of 100 Per Cent Americans.

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WASHINGTON, D.C., Sept. 25—It has been almost three years since the war began, yet a few days ago a Negro war correspondent made his appearance in the big battle. He is Ralph W. Tyler, a young colored man who has been appointed by the Lincoln Institute as a correspondent for the Negro Press, and who has just arrived in France.

Mr. Tyler is a native of Washington, D.C., and was educated in the public schools of the city. He is a journalist by profession, and has been a correspondent for newspapers in the United States and Europe. He has recently been named as the chief representative of the Lincoln Institute, which is the Negro organization that has been sent to France to report on the war and the progress of the Negroes.

Mr. Tyler will spend several weeks in France, where he will visit the battlefields and interview the Negro soldiers. He will send back to the United States a series of dispatches that will give the American public a first-hand account of the war and the condition of the Negroes in France.

Mr. Tyler is expected to return to the United States in about six weeks, at which time he will give a detailed account of his experiences in France.

The Lincoln Institute is a Negro organization that has been active in the United States and abroad for many years. It has been sending representatives to the battlefields of the world to report on the condition of the Negroes and to give them a voice in the great debates of the time.