Questions on Carl Schutz’s A Look Back at 1848

1) What was the event that so excited Carl Schutz and his friend? Why?

2) Were the students able to organize themselves quickly? Why not?

3) When they discussed what was necessary to establish a great German Empire, what did they think had to be done first?

4) Which civil liberties did the students look for? Which form of government? By implication, do you think that they had these as of 1848?

5) Why do you think that the students and others spoke “sparingly” of republican ideas? What did they speak of?

6) Which events happened in Vienna that made the students hopeful?

7) When and where did Schutz and his fellow students demonstrate? Do you think that they were successful?

Your opinion: Throughout history why are students often in the vanguard of popular protests and revolutions?