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Ballade of College Loves.

The dear old hill is much the same,
The same old Profs. still climb its height;
We view the same old football game
Or watch the under classes fight.
The square is still the same at night,
Books are costly and fees are dear,
But where is all our life's delight—
Where are the girls we loved last year?

Has Fate removed that dainty dame
Who always had the Dutch just right?
And then the maid of slender frame
Who used to be so "cute" and "bright?"
Where is the laughing girl in white
Who filched my heart as a souvenir;
And where the junior erudite;
Where are the girls we loved last year?

I wonder where Miss Whatshername
Is living now. And would I might
But see again that tender flame
Miss Thingumbob from Umptyite.
Of figure fat and figure slight,
Where are the maidens held so dear;
Oh, Sibyl aid me in my plight,
Where are the girls we loved last year?

ENVOY.

"Prince, my answer's true but trite;
Some are married and some are here;
Cupid knows, the lucky wight,
Where are the girls we loved last year!"





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Always remember that this is only pretence, so that you are not to believe a word of it, even if it is true.—Kingsley

THE SPHINX had hoped that with the opening of the year the University would be called upon to welcome a new president, but the great problem before the regents seems no nearer solution than it was almost a year ago. Surely important decisions are arrived at slowly. Meanwhile the machinery of the University is moving on smoothly, as it has done for the last two years. It is in able hands. Among the students the question of the presidency is now seldom spoken of and seems almost forgotten. There is no more speculation as to the possible choice. The situation seems to have been accepted as inevitable. We have been without a president for so long we hardly know why we should have one. The class of '04 was admitted during the absence of President Adams, so that its members have reached their junior year practically without knowing a president. Outwardly, perhaps, there may be no harm in this. Everything seems to go on as usual. Yet is not the University being seriously injured by the lack of a permanently appointed head? Is it quite fair to the students and especially is it quite fair to those at present in authority? The University can have no real progress without some well planned and well defined policy. Such a policy can only be formulated by one who is assured of his position. Recently many colleges and universities have been called upon to elect new presidents. It is noticeable that three of the largest of the eastern institutions have bestowed this honor upon one of their own graduates. Why should not Wisconsin recognize one of her deserving sons in like manner?

S S S

God helps those who help themselves. God usually has need to help those who are caught helping themselves.

AT this season of the year when all interest is centered in football, one of our most important branches of athletics is apt to be forgotten. No doubt football is the most popular of all college sports. We like to watch the games and to shout at the victories. Football makes us known wherever the prowess of our team may reach. But next to the football team we owe most to the crew. Year after year we have been sending it into a land of strangers and it has steadily gained for us friends and admirers. True, it has not yet won, but some defeats are better than victories. No other crew has the record of Wisconsin for steady and consistent rowing. Our crew has successively beaten every competitor and its three strongest opponents it has twice defeated. Wisconsin has no cause to be ashamed of such a showing as this. But the crew has done more than might have been accomplished by the mere winning of victories. It has won a reputation for itself as being composed of manly college representatives. Having fewer partisan friends than any other crew it is easily the favorite of the spectators as a whole. Where the cardinal was almost unknown it has become everywhere in evidence. Every Wisconsin man should be proud of our record in the east.

S S S

Conceit—the other man's opinion of himself. Self-confidence—your opinion of yourself.

S S S

HISTORY REPEATS itself and sophomore history certainly follows the general rule. The sidewalk artists have been abroad, and once more we are confronted by hideous blotches of red paint. Every year this terrible disease returns, and it possibly will continue to the end of time. It would be a relief if some large sign board might be erected miles away which could be given a fresh coat of paint annually. We admired your poster, and the banner fastened to the big flag staff was alright, but why did you not spare us the paint?

S S S

If it takes one year or more to select a University president, how long would it take to get a new janitor? Thank heaven, John's health is excellent.

S S S

Remember the carnival is an elective and not a required study. You do not *need* to attend for you will be given full credit for being there whether you go or not. It would be well not to elect more than fifteen hours a day but if you find that you can carry more and it should in any way interfere with your classes on the hill—cut the classes.

S S S

When Greek meets Greek then comes the rushing time.

S S S

Mendota is still humid although the sophomores have succeeded in acquiring a good deal of this same quality.

S S S

Be good!
Read THE SPHINX
Then you'll be happy.

Two students wandered in the desert.
THE SPHINX listened hopefully.

"How did you know" said one, "that that was the house Vanderbilt."

THE SPHINX winced, thus cracking her left eyelid considerably.

"Because I Astor of course," said No. 2, swiftly ere THE SPHINX could fall upon him.

"They say," remarked No. 1, dreamily, that they had to buy the brownstone from"—Here THE SPHINX groaned, but the student went on, "Rocky Feller!"

The silence of the desert palpitated in pain!

"Yes" mused No. 2, "it was almost more than I could Baer to see Stuvysant Fish, she caught them so fast that Morgan to get chilly and said the air was too Keene—what's that?"

There was a roar and a crash as THE SPHINX, racked with pain, crumbled to bits. The silence of the desert made its pall as the students tripped on.



Sonnets of a Freshman.

I.

It seems so strange to find myself down here
Away from ma and pa and all the rest,
But then you see I was the very best
Of all the high school class I left last year;
I used to cut a lot of ice, but dear
Dear me—it makes me very much depressed
The way the sophomores treat me as a jest,
And at my aspirations merely jeer;
They do not know how great I was at home;
Or how I won a big three dollar prize,
For elocution. Yes, and for my size,
Folks said no better quarter e'er trod loam.
They scorn me now and mock my good intent,
But they'll be sorry when I'm president.

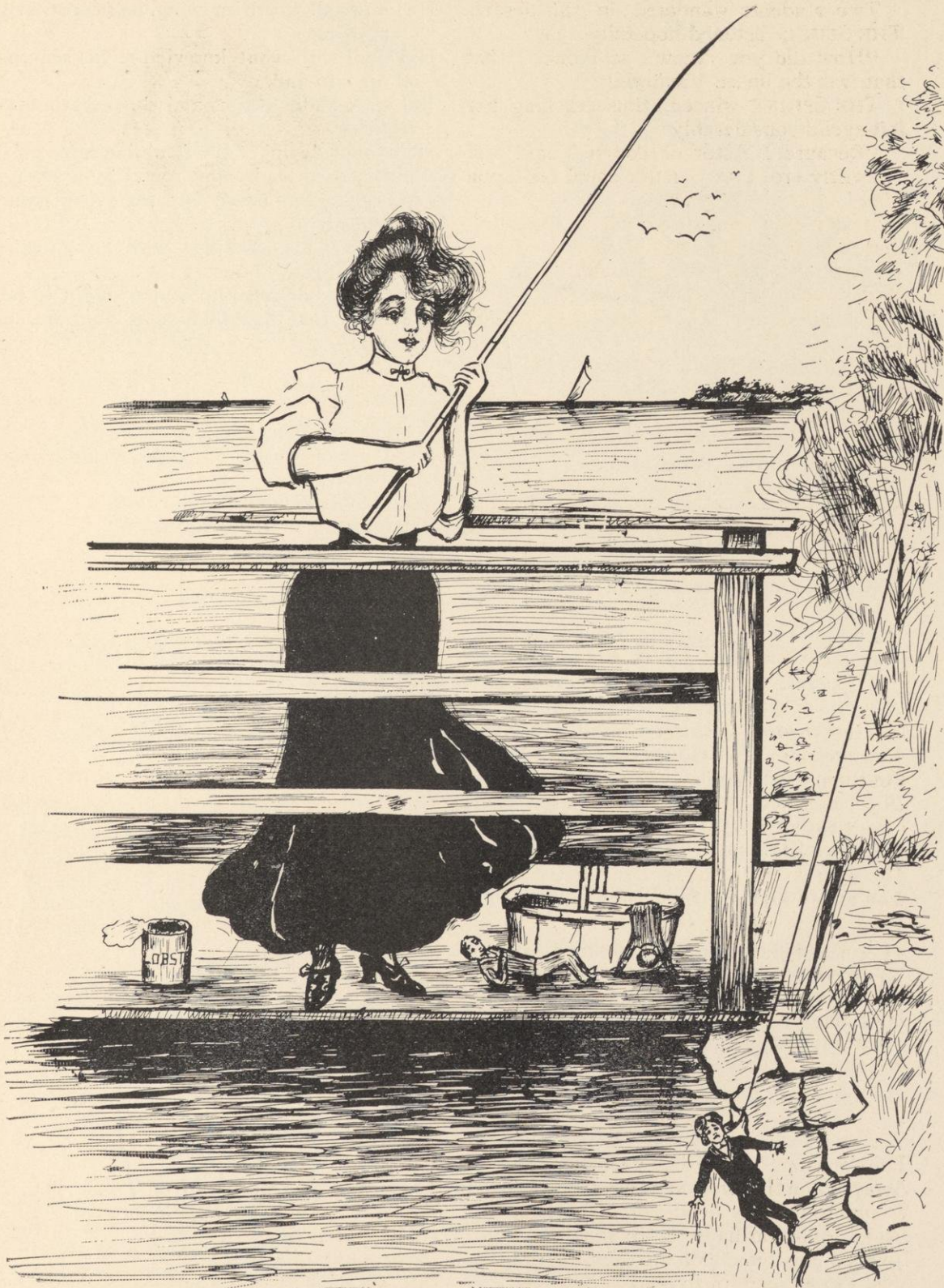
II.

To-day when I was going past the hall,
Away up at the top I saw a girl
So pretty that my head began to whirl,
And I could hardly even think at all.
I waved my hand (for I'm just full of gall,
Yes, I'm an awful flirt,) but such a pearl,

She was. She gave her handkerchief a twirl;
I was so happy that I took a fall,
And spoiled my new two dollar shoes. But
she
She only smiled and shook her pretty head.
I'll make these sophomores here feel mighty
dead.
'Taint every day the girls see men like me!
Let them laugh now! Gee—how they'll fawn
and whine
When every co-ed's heart is wholly mine!

"It looks like you were stringin' me,"
said Hellfire Pete, as the crowd brought
out a rope.

There was a young man from Waupun
Who shot off his head with a gun,
As he watched the head roll
He remarked, "ain't it droll
Just watch the blood spurt—ain't it fun?"



IN SPITE OF THE GAME LAWS.



The Normalite.

Varsity Types.

If ever you've met him you'll never forget
him,
Such eminent persons are valued and few;
You'll note as he passes his air and his
glasses.
Ah would that we had all the knowledge
he knew,
For English and History frighten him not,
And languages bother him nary a jot,
For he is here merely to show the Profs
clearly
The path that leads nearly to Wisdom and
Fame.
For this is the Normalite—bow to his name.

He's never in fashion for study's his passion.
So why should he bother with frivolous
things?
And all co-eds' graces or pretty girls' faces,
Don't give him the pleasure that history
brings.
He knows Trig and Calc from the top to
bottom
And facts about anything—yes he has got
'em,
We laugh at his working and keep right on
shirking
And gibe him because he so steadily crams;
But we plead for his help when its time for
exams.

He knows all worth knowing, he's constantly
stowing
His skull with what knowledge his search-
ing can find.
But spite all his statics and deep mathema-
tics
He cannot decipher the feminine mind.
A little co-ed leads him 'round by a string,
(We all of us stand for the very same
thing!)
We gape at his learning, with envy we're
burning,
But if we're discerning as men ought to be,
We'll see that he's human as you are, or
me!

A cook—oh her name doesn't matter,
Used green worms to make griddle cake
batter,
When folks kicked on the cakes,
She retorted—"Land sakes
I cannot find worms any fatter."

He thought he heard a train of cars
A passing by his door,
But when he looked he found it was
A freshman's shoes—no more.
"If this is what they wear" he said
"We'll have to brace the floor."





HAZING THE HOUGHTON BROS.

There was a young fellow named Phil
Who was his own doctor when ill;
Being shifty and sly,
He would charge himself high
And then beat himself out of the bill.

Old Moses in the wilderness,
He took his bar and struck the rock,
And all the people had their drink,
As well as all the people's stock.
We do things otherwise, methinks,
Our "rocks" must hit the "bar" for drinks.

A fellow whose manners were strange
Put his wife on the top of the range;
When cooked tender and nice
He packed her on ice,
And she smiled and said: "My! what
a change!"

Hostess to Junior—Do you have an
eight o'clock?
Junior, sadly—I have three.
Freshman, exultantly—I have just one
— five times a week.

A Wise Young Man.

He said he was a wise young man,
The sophs agreed with him;
They sold him convocation seats,
And tickets to the Gym.

He bought a Campus Permit card,
He got it early, for
As Jimson ('05) urged so hard,
He had but one card more.

They said they'd have his mail sent up,
They'd fix it for a "plunk,"
He paid it, and two dollars for
A permit on his trunk.

A convocation singing book
Cost him just thirty cents,
He paid a large assessment to
Repair the old farm fence.

He said he was a wise young man,
But now he's wiser still;
Next year he works the sophomores' plan,
And evens up the bill.



NOT HER FIRST APPEARANCE.

Announcement for Carnival week.

Prof. Scott's classes will meet as usual. Extra assignments in outside reading will be provided to furnish intellectual amusement for those who cannot afford to see the snake charmer and the dog-faced boy.

Students in the law shop will attend the regular Monday morning carnival. Professor John M. Olin will be queen of the day. The usual full attendance is expected.

All students required to take gym drill will be excused upon proof that they have taken a walk around the square in place of the regular gymnasium exercises.

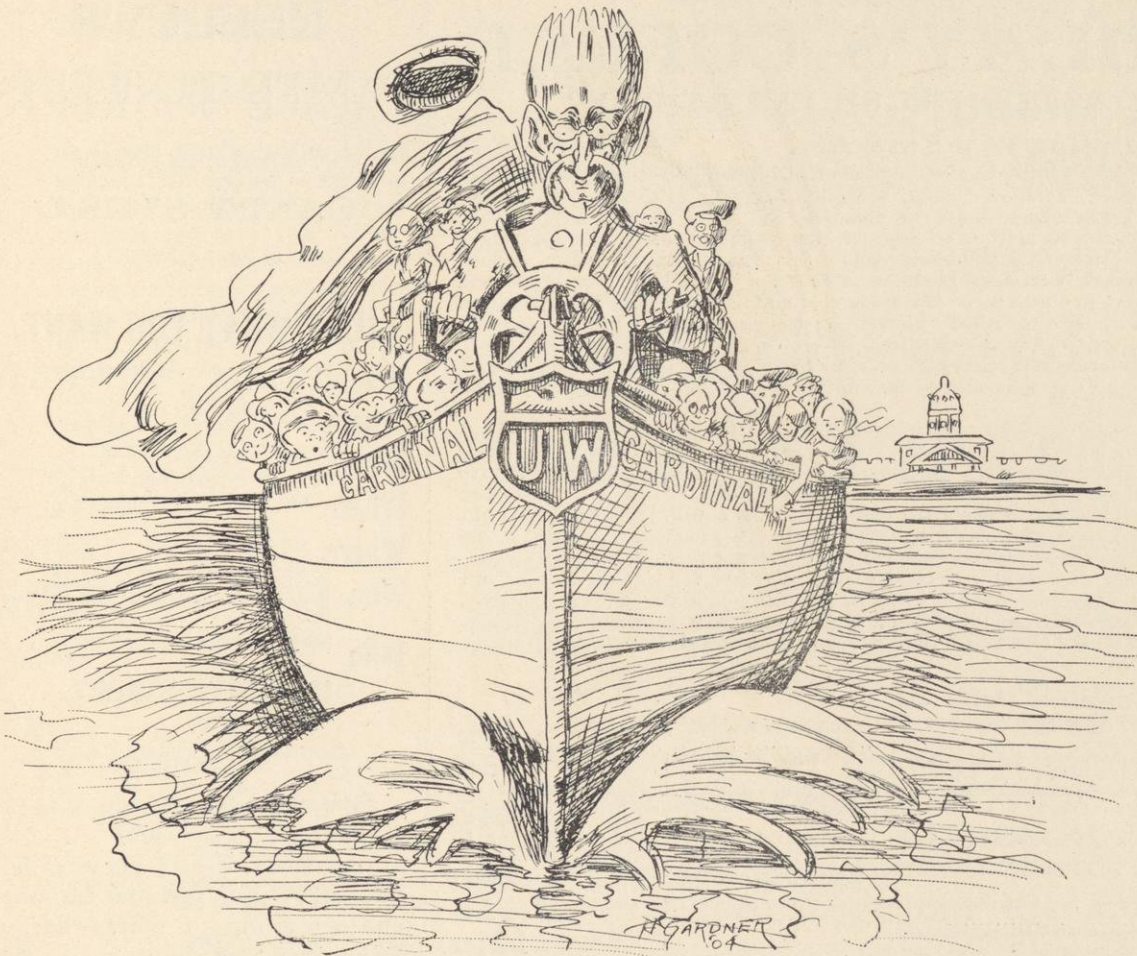
The Daily Scardinal will be published in the early morning in order to permit the dramatic editor to get in his criticisms of the minstrel show and the oriental dancers. The business manager's office will be in the snake charmer's booth during Carnival week. Office hours—any old time.

All English classes will be dismissed in order to allow the students to study argumentation and oratory from the spiellers.

Classes in child study will visit the booth where Baby Alice sings, "Hello Central, Give Me Heaven," to watch the development of a child under abnormal conditions.

Peterson's University Orchestra and the University Band will hold rival noise making spasms at opposite corners of the square.

Father went to fry the chops—
Papa is so kind a man—
Took the baby for the meat,
Put him in the frying pan;
Baby cried, but papa said,
"There, there, child, we must be fed!"



ALL ABOARD.

They pumped the air out of my room,
 They thought I'd be vexed, I presume,
 For I don't so much care
 For a table or chair
 But a vacuum fills me with gloom.

What Adam Thought.

"It would have been all right," sighed Adam as he cast a last look at the garden," if it hadn't been for what the mastodon, and that the ichthyosaurus," and he turned his eyes again to the desert and kicked Eve sadly.

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Dear papa and dear mama:—
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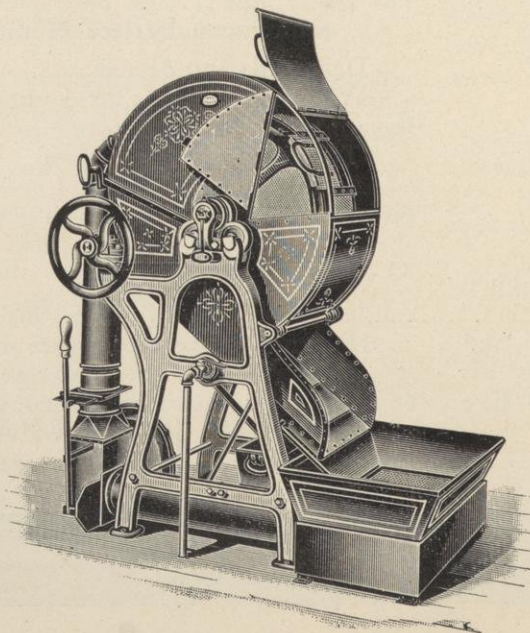
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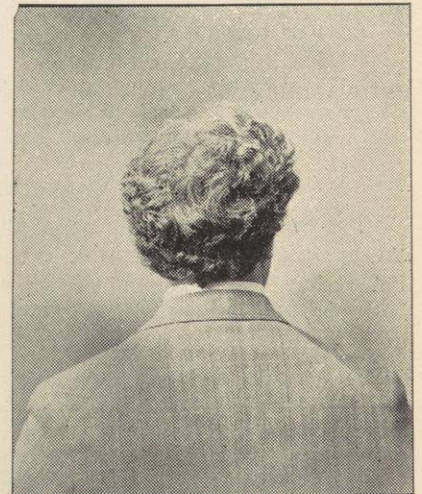
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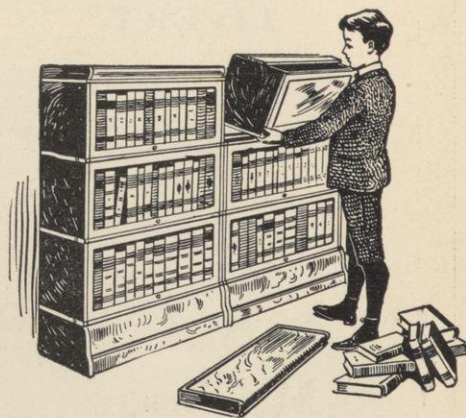
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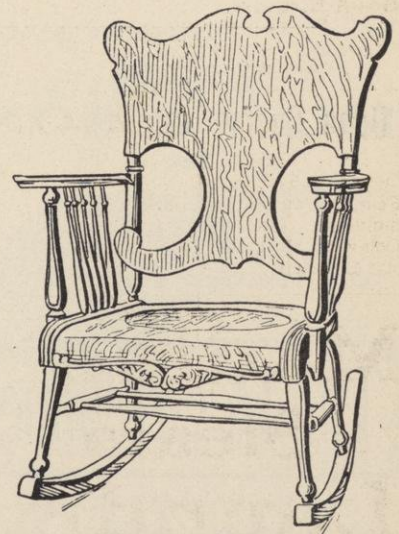


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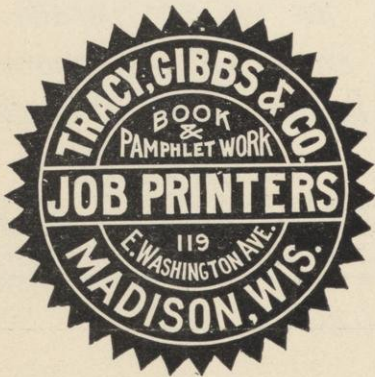
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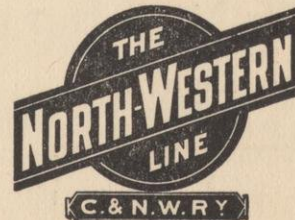
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