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# EDITOR MACKENZIE ENGAGED

In Writing His Thesis.

# BEAUTIFUL SOCIETY GIRL INTERVIEW! Full Details.



Miss Mae Euphrosyne Eggosee In the costume of the Queen of Mae.

This is Miss Mae Euphrosyne, a beautiful young society belle of Baraboo, who is visiting Madison friends at Mrs. Starr Vation's College Beanerie on Langdon street.

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GET RICH QUICK SCHEME

#### EXPOSED

SCHOOL OF MUSIC IN THE PLOT

# THE BLACK HAND.

Shocking revelations have followed in the train of the exposure of the Italian Sym Phony orchestra. Our unrivalled corps of detective reporters has traced the nefarious plot to the innermost confines of the School of Music. The Dagoes are mere tools of the hidden ring. One of uhe SPHINX'S foremost sleuths forced his way into the den of the foreigners and found, locked in the trunk of De Bonesta, two flutes, half an apple, and a pair of pink suspenders. Following this convincing clue our reporter attempted to enter the School of Music. Sounds exactly similar to those produced by the Italians met him at the doorway and drove him staggering back. Pressing onward desperately into the midst of the turmoil, he found the floor covered with FOOTPRINTS. Not satisfied even with this, he shadowed Professor Parker to the dog-wagon, and caught him in the very act of ordering vermicelli soup.

The question on every lip now is: "Why do not the prosecutions begin AT ONCE?" Count Fatti de Bonesta looks like a Trust, which alone should condemn him; but why stop with mere accomplices? Attorneygeneral Knocks, ACT.

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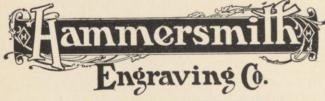
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E ARE PLEASED to announce the election of THE SPHINX Board of editors for next year: Editor-in-Chief, D. C. Nicholson, '07; Assistant Editor, Lucian Cary, '08; Art Editor, Theo. Stempfel, '08. The last number of THE SPHINX this year in accordance with venerable custom, will be solely in the hands of the new staff, and it promises to be the star number of the year. Don't miss it.





E think the new staff a "humdinger," and look for great work from it next year. It is with many regrets that we now speak our last little piece and back off the board amid the deafening silence of our constituents; but we have the utmost confidence in the ability of our successors to make next year's SPHINX better than that of any previous year.



#### Don't Booze in Madison!

If you MUST have a keg party, go across the lake, go to Middleton, go to Stoughton; but go SOMEWHERE.

Don't booze in Madison. It isn't SAFE!

Lots of men have got tanked on State street. Where are they NOW? Gone to Michigan, gone to Minnesota, gone to Cornell, but GONE!

You may do it once; you may do it twice; you may do it for a YEAR. You'll

get caught some time. The faculty has fired better men than you.

And why not go out of town? You can get a howling jag in Middleton or Sun Prairie, and they'll ask you to come again. You can rent a cottage over at Esther Beach, take a keg over on the steamer, and let her rip.

But don't booze in Madison. The faculty don't like it. So don't do it.

Take our advice. We know.

# HUNDREDS DIE

#### IN DISASTROUS FLOOD.

Flourishing Community Wiped Out===Hundreds of Families Homeless===Benefit Given for Sufferers = = Will Repopulate Stricken District===Learned Authority in Interview.

One of the most disastrous floods in gym history occurred at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon when John Dresden, Dictator of the Baths, accidentally upset a pail of hot water in the southwest corner of the locker room. As a result of the dire calamity some five hundred lives were wiped out in an instant, while hundreds more of men, women and children were rendered homeless. Hundreds of refugees fled for safety to neighboring lockers, while many more scaled the gym benches and brick walls to

places of security.

The scene of the disaster to night is one of desolation and sorrow. Many prominent microbes of the community, however, expressed their belief at a late hour this afternoon that the flood-swept district would be at once repopulated. Messages of condolence are pouring into the office of the President of the bereaved Mike Robe Republic. A detachment of microbe militia from the infantry stationed in the gun room and Capt. Curtis' office hastened to the scene of disaster to preserve order. Telegraphic dispatches of sympathy and proffers of assistance have arrived from the Sultan of the Base Ball Cage and the Caliph of Andy O'Dea's Locker Room. Even the most remote corners of the gym have been aroused by the awful happening.

The aristocratic Forty Thousand Club of Doc Elsom's Office is planning a grand benefit ball in the luxurious and banner-hung trophy room, while the Elks' Society of Angell's Sanctum is to lead off with a minstrel show. It is rumored that Itchi Sati, Mikado of the Natatorium, will give a grand water fete for the sufferers, and it is hoped that these notable examples will be

followed elsewhere.

Dr. A. Meeba, a prominent microbe scientist and educator, and author of several

text books on "The Movements of Dresden," "The Scrubwoman Peril," etc., when interviewed in regard to the calamity, said: "Such a disaster as occurred to-day is unforseen and cannot be perverted. However, such happenings are rare, and not to be looked for during the average microbe lifetime. I assure you that a repetition of the disaster is not to be dreaded. I have made a life study of the movements of Dresden and Scheideler through my telescope on Bench Observatory, and hence speak with some authority. The accident this afternoon was caused by a slip in its orbit of the Planet Dresden." Continuing, the learned doctor said: "I predict a warm and prosperous season for the denizens of this locality."

#### BEAUTIFUL SOCIETY GIRL

(Continued from cover.)

Miss Eggosee has been for years the social favorite of Baraboo, and the recogized feminine leader of the smart set. Our reporter found her reclining indolently in a cozy corner, strikingly and originally decorated with a fish net and sofa pillows. She was clad in a graceful negligee of pink tulle au gratin edged with meringue chiffon, the whole draped lightly with a dainty overdress of mauve prairie du chene. She greeted our representative with delightful girlish hospitality, asking him to wipe his feet and take a souvenir chair.

"Yes," she said, "I do so love Madison. The great arching trees, with the sparrows warbling their little lays in the branches, the lakes, with little wavelets wiggling in the sunshine, the pretty little squirrels, the sweet faced freshmen, your cute library—Ah, I love everything in Madison," said Miss Eggosee, clasping her hands and gazing into the eyes of our representative, who feverishly chewed the rubber off his pencil.

Miss Eggosee is famed for the dainty fads she has introduced into her correspondence. During the interview she sealed and dispatched a SCENTED NOTE. We call it scented because she sent it. Miss Eggosee uses the most fetching envelopes imaginable, and specially keeps a beautiful white Angora cat to lick her postage stamps.

Our representative chatted pleasantly with her for several moments. As he rose to go, Miss Eggosee was still reclining in the cozy corner, delicately drawing the cat's tail through her lips.

#### WELL KNOWN SENIOR IS SHOT.

Esteemed Resident of Chadbourne Hall is Victim of Commencement Tragedy.

Deep gloom was cast over the student quarter at noon to-day when the startling report went forth that Marthy Simpkins, a resident of Chadbourne Hall, well known in University circles as a club swinger and tether ball enthusiast, was instantly shot while sitting calmly in a chair at Ford's Studio. The assassin, a dapper young man with china blue eyes and wavy hair, is said to have escaped after relieving his fair victim of three dollars and fifty cents. Horrible as the details of the crime are, it is rendered all the more shocking by the report that the victim met her fate cheerfully during a forced effort to look pleasant. The shattered remains of the assailant's instrument were borne this afternoon to an ash barrel on Mifflin street.



Besides a host of sorrowing relatives, Miss Simpkins leaves an unfinished thesis, a dressmaker's bill of \$6.75, a set of weighted dumb-bells, a 'varsity pennant, a diminutive oil stove and two tin basins of service in concocting fudges and Welsh rarebit. Resolutions have been passed by Dr. J. C. Elsom and Prof. Abby Mayhew, lamenting the untimely departure of a University athlete.

Further developments in clearing up the mystery surrounding Miss Simpkin's visit

to Ford's were reached at a late hour this afternoon. It was then learned that Fusser Coe of the 1907 Badger Board called upon the victim recently and demanded a photo for the annual publication. Billy French, a rising young lawyer of the (sophomore class!), appeared in behalf of Mr. Coe and successfully waived all charges of conspiracy. The enforcement of justice depends now upon the speedy detection and arrest of the dapper young man with the china blue eyes and wavy hair.



#### Pink Passion

BY ELLA SQUEELER WHEELOX.

Ah, Love, if I could hold you in my arms And feel your warm nose nestle in my neck,

And know the nearness of your thousand charms,

My brain would swim in ecstacy, and reck Of naught in Time or Space, or aught but you.

And that I loved you, dear, and that you knew.

And as we whirled in vertigo divine
I'd feel your heart throb fast upon my
breast,

Until your heart, in unison with mine,
Played ping-pong with the buttons on
my vest;

And I would hold you close, and closer yet, Until you were as close as you could get, And wish for nothing but to press you more, And squeeze you, crush you, sqush you, o'er and o'er.

If I could hold you in that close embrace, And rain my kisses on your upturned face, And press my lips upon your yielding lips, Until you tingled to your toe-nail tips, And let tobasco-kisses on your cheek,

Tell more of love than lips could ever speak—

If I could kiss your lips, your eyes, your hair

That rippled softly 'neath my burning kiss,

Until we two and all the Earth and Air
Dissolved in one pink passionate dream
of bliss—

If I could kiss the spots I'd missed before
In that soft billowy hair that glints like
copper,

And kiss you, kiss you o'er and o'er,

That would be nice—but shockingly improper.

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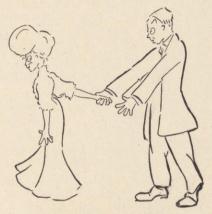
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THIRD POSITION.

Continue the motion, whirling rapidly and winding yourself up on his arm.



FINAL POSITION.

Rest the head gently but firmly on his bosom beneath his chin. If he moves, it's your own fault.

The Sphinx

# PROMINENT YOUNG SOCIETY MAN FACES GRAVE CHARGE.

The Finger of Suspicion Points to John Moffatt---Convicted by Circumstantial Evidence.

John J. Moffatt, prominent in fraternity and sorority circles, today rests under the stigma of a dire suspicion. The Sphinx, true to its standard of frank veracity, is able to place before the public the FACTS, as brought to us over the least longest wire

by our unparalleled news service.

When, on May the 6th, John Moffatt was appointed manager of "You Never Can Tell," not a whisper of innuendo was heard. He had managed other things before—the Badger, the *Candy-ball* and the Rho Delta Phi kitchen force. On Tuesday, May 15th, the play was produced with enormous eclat. On Wednesday, the day following, John Moffatt was seen smoking A GOOD CIGAR.

Instantly suspicion reared its horrid head and the whispering rumor rose to an accusing clamor: "Where did you get that

good cigar?"

THE SPHINX is impartial; it does not accuse, it does not impute. BUT, reader, THINK. The play was given for charity; the audience was charitable. It was to provide a playground, and to take the little children off the streets, where they are constantly being run down by automobiles and messing up the machinery, to the annoyance of the chaffeur. We repeat, it was for charity and the little toddling tots. JOHN MOFFATT, WOULD YOU PLUCK A CIGAR FROM THE LIPS OF AN INNOCENT CHILD?

#### UNIVERSITY BUYS FARMERS' HOME.

To Take the Place of Football in Support of Athletics.

It has been authentically reported that the University officials are negotiating for the purchase of the Farmers' Home. The business will be under the management of the athletic association, and will take the place of graft-infected football in the support of athletics. The plans of purchase, kept secret thus far, are at last revealed by THE SPHINX. One of our reporters looked through a window of the Farmers' Home this morn-

ing and saw Prof. John Faucet of the department of sanitary engineering bartering with Mr. Smith, the proprietor of the famous buffet. Money lay on the bar between the representatives of the two great institutions and further investigations revealed the fact that the University was purchasing the Farmers' Home, or else the Farmers' Home was purchasing the University.

It is said that as soon as the Farmers' Home becomes a University institution, its name will be formally changed to the Young Men's Co-operative Annex and Mr. Bill Lieber has been engaged to paint a new sign bearing the large gilt letters Y. M. C. A. As these initials are apt to cause confusion with another department of the University it is possible the building will be called Alcho Hall instead.

#### To be Co-operative.

The business will be conducted on the co-operative plan. Membership will be restricted to members of representative University athletic clubs and under this rule the following will be elligible: Mumple-tepeg Tigers, Casino Defenders, Domino Sharks, London Bridge Hellers, the Drop the 'Kerchief Club and the Chadbourne Clap-in Clap-out Association. Every one on becoming a member will deposit one dollar for which he will receive a souvenir keg of Dr. Hausmann's Liquid College Spirit, together with the use of a wheelbarrow, a lantern, and an alley map for one night.

At the end of every year a complete inventory will be taken by student representatives who can be trusted with the stock. After all expenses are paid the surplus will be divided between the athletic clubs in proportion to their respective amounts of purchase. Thus the system will fulfill a long felt want of the faculty—self-supporting athletics.

#### To Have New Proprietor.

It is understood that the University contemplates engaging as proprietor Mr. Vanremp, a popular young business man who is greatly interested in university activities. When interviewed this afternoon Mr. Vanremp said he would consider the laying of a pipe line with a meter system in the Latin part of town. It would do away with the can trade which hurts the dignity of any first-class place. Mr. Vanremp also stated that in order to make the Y. M. C. A. a strictly university institution he would persuade the faculty to have a three-fifths elective course in alcoholic analysis con-

ducted in the building. Mr. Coclark, who overheard this assertion, made a wild leap for the door, and when last seen he was chasing his class advisor over the heights, frantically waving a class card.

Special.—As we go to press we are informed that Prof. Faucet positively denies that he was this morning negotiating for the purchase of the Farmers' Home. His statement is as follows: "I had simply stepped into the Farmer's Home to buy a tall Bock beer. On receipt of same I handed Mr. Smith a quarter and he returned me fifteen cents and a wooden nickel. It was this nickel which we were discussing when seen through the window."

Special from Middleton.—Mr. Coclark and class advisor, of Madison, arrived in town to-day.



Chadbourne Hall, June 2nd—while Miss Grace Gushbe's head was turned for a minute in the midst of a story yesterday afternoon, Al Way—stired adroitly stifled a hefty yawn.

#### How To Do It On Five Per.

Recently we found the following letter in our mail. Because the writer asks a question of us which is of import to every prospective University student, we have decided to print an open reply. This is the letter:

Dear Editor:—I am a Senior in S—high school. Next year I intend to enter the University. I would like to know if I could get along on five dollars a week.

Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM.

If you follow out a few of our suggestions, William, you will get along swimmingly with a V. Five dollars is quite a sum of money. We bought a pair of shoes for five once. That was before Douglas advertised. But we stray somewhat. In

the first place upon arriving here, engage a room. Make an agreement with the landlady to pay the rent bi-weekly and at the end of the first week put your toothbrush, army shirt, and collar in the trunk, and depart for new camping grounds. These strategic maneuvers can be kept up for some time. If you will call at our office we will give you a complete list of rooming houses. Boarding is a simple matter. Should you be insulted by being asked to pay your board you can easily make a change. However, in time your nomadic temperament will become notorious, as it has with us, and now for the first time you must encroach a little upon the You can live on fifteen cents per day. Hausman's, Ferdie's, Kirch's, the Farmers' Home, Caspar's, and many others furnish a delectable lunch. Take a glass of something and then casually stroll over to the lunch counter. After some practice you will be able to slip a plate of beans and a few herring into your pocket.

Clothes are very cheap in Madison. You can get a nice two-button-corset-fitting-loose-trousered suit for the modest sum of fifty dollars. You will not need more than six suits throughout the school year. Of course, bills are mere formalities; we are much amused by these slips of paper.

If you are what is technically known as a "fusser" or have any ambitions in that line livery and candy will be an item in your expense account. We do not wish to "throw cold water" but really there are only two pretty girls in the University; one is engaged and the other threatened with suspension. Livery and candy bills will burn as easily as your tailor bills. You must learn to be altruistic and not to be offended if now and then creditors make a personal call. If you are original you can work off a hard-luck story.

If you run short on cash, it will be a simple matter to go to the library and appropriate a few Websters or a Cyclopedia Brittanica. Any number of these can be slipped under your coat and turned into cash at one of our book stores. We suggest, however, that you do not take any more Websters, for we have already disposed of five. We rely upon the discretion of THE SPHINX readers to keep this matter secret.

First Wit—Why is my pocketbook like a *Daily Cardinal?* 

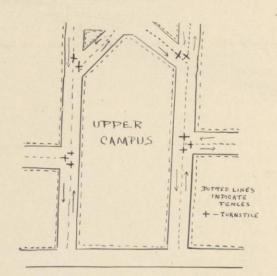
Second Wit-?

First Wit—Because I can never find any-thing in it.

#### IN CLOSE CONFINEMENT.

# Campus to Be Fenced — Details of the Plot — Interview With President Van Hise.

The fencing of the campus paths is only the beginning of an enormous transformation scheme. The entire grounds are to be surrounded by high chain fences. The motto of the University will be changed from "Numen Lumen" to "Keep off the Grass." Such is the startling information brought to light by our unparalleled service of reporter sleuths. Our representative entered the office of the University architect, gagged the attendant with an engineering-minstrel pun, blew the safe and seized on the appended plan.



Many of the present paths will be closed as superfluous, it being just as easy for students to go around. North Hall will be reached only from the driveway. Students must keep to the right.

President Van Hise was seen yesterday on the campus, and DID NOT DENY the report. We have the authority of Pat Lynaugh, military governor of Science Hall, for another version. He asserts that the whole fencing project is but a part of Professor Tommy Adams' comprehensive scheme for all-university outdoor exercise. Male students are expected to hurdle the fences, coeds and freshmen to crawl through.

#### CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

Pres. Poole and Treas. Walsh, of the U. W. Press Club, Under A Rest.

Much excitement has been stirred up this afternoon by the report that Pres. Poole and Treas. Walsh, of the University Press Club, have been arrested and charged with embezzlement. The accusation is a result of the investigation which has been taking place prior to the transference of the management of the club into the hands of Ned Jones and Alva Cook, president and treasurer elect. Retiring treasurer Walsh was asked to give a report of all receipts and expenditures, which he did, showing a total surplus of \$1.35. The report was immediately rejected as it was defficient to the amount of five cents. An explanation



President Walsh and Treas. Poole appropriating funds. Sketched from a real detective's clew.

was demanded of Mr. Walsh but he was silent and attempted to slip Mr. Poole a wink. Under the intense scrutiny of the investigating committee both the president and the treasurer blushed so deeply that they were immediately arrested, but upon a thirty-cent bail furnished by Mr. W. F. Hannan, of Jefferson Junction, they were released, awaiting trial at Chadbourne Courting House next week. Should the accused be found guilty they will receive a senteuce not to exceed four years of freshmen English, with one day each year of solitary confinement with nothing to feast on but Cairn's Forms of Discourse.



Anxious stockholders collecting before the Press Club building.

A large crowd has collected in front of the Press Club building, but Capt. Underwood has gallantly offered the assistance of his bloody company to save the men from being lynched in effigy or tossed into the lake personally.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—Our staff artist, who has been on campaign duty at Stoughton for some time past, has confused the Press Club with some form of a pantorium. With due apologies to the club, we publish the pictures for their artistic merits.



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#### CODY CLARK TALKS.

In an interview with our special campus correspondent this afternoon, Cody admitted that he had pitched "some." Mr. Clark hails from the Far West and is quite as much at home when "caught in the circle" by hostile redskins as when hurling the sphere for the Business College. Mr. Clark says that pitchers are not what they used to be, and promised at a future interview to demonstrate for the benefit of our readers, his method of throwing the out curve. Cody does not believe in the spit-ball. "The spit-ball," says he, "is all right for an amateur pitcher, but it cannot be depended upon for real work.

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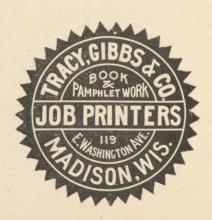
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