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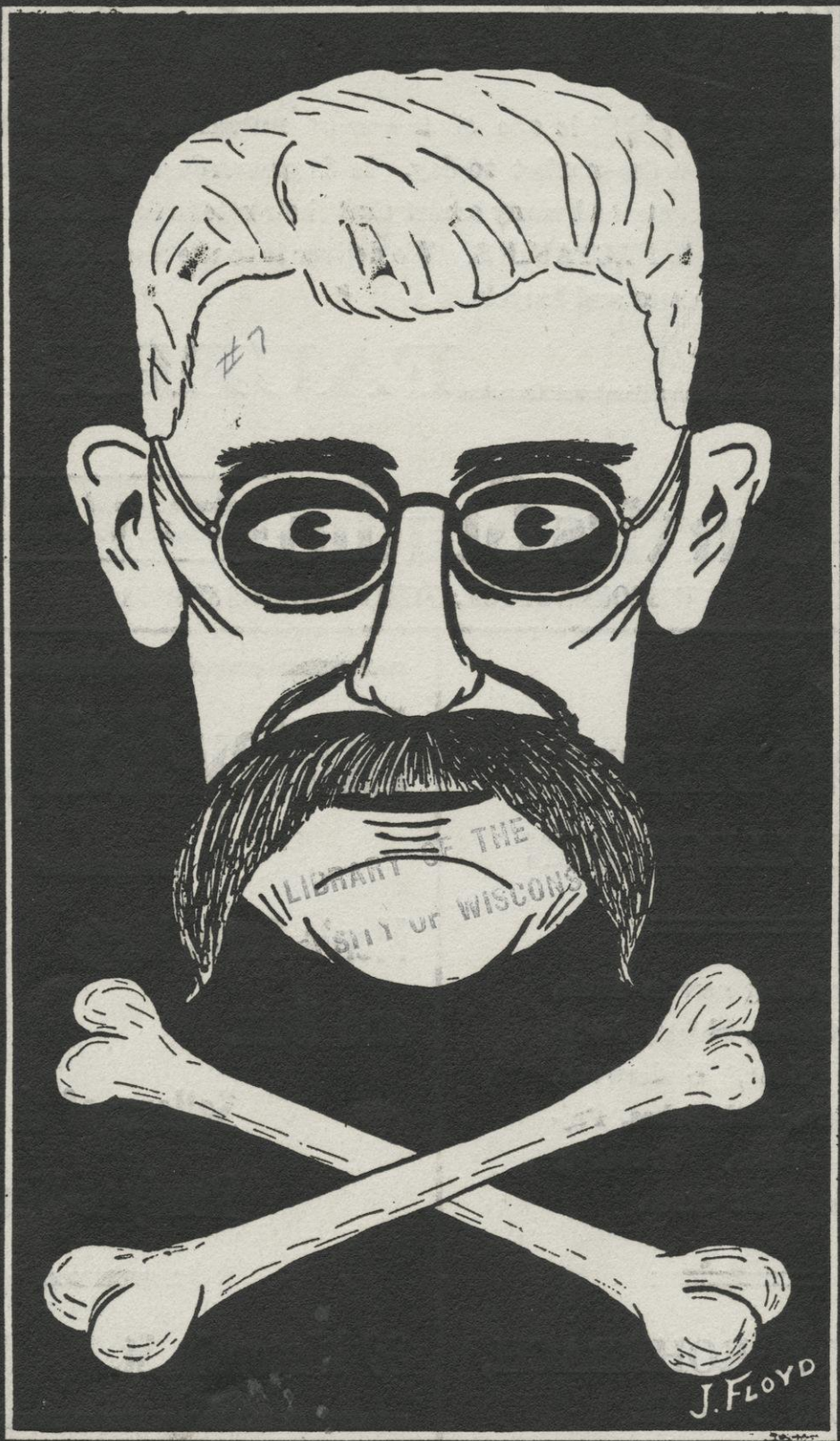
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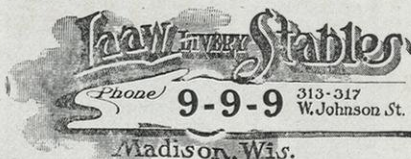
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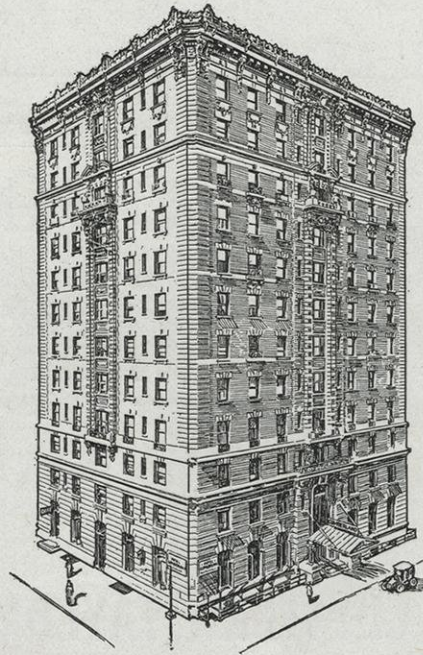
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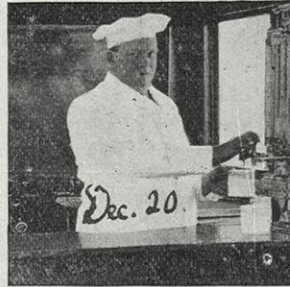
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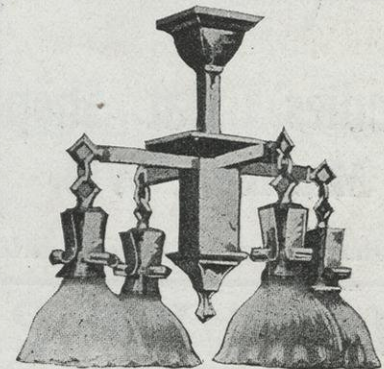
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These last four months, my maid of serious eyes,
I would not now be burning midnight oil
And muttering, "Time flies, by heck, time flies."



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



The Student Court and The Student Body

What the average student knows about the University could be written very comfortably on an ordinary cancelled stamp. What the same cares is hardly worth mentioning. And that, the Sphinx tells us, is the real problem right here and now. For enthusiasm and interest can do almost anything, and without it not all the genius in the world can get very far.

Take for instance the way in which the proposition of student self government is being greeted. There is something which affects every man in college. Our esteemed friend the average student doesn't know anything about it and doesn't want to. The fact that it is being pushed is a signal to him to knock. Knock or laugh, those are the first things to which his instinct prompts him. Now the Student Court is not something to be laughed at as some young gentlemen with more energy than brains are likely to find out, and it is decidedly not something to be knocked. It is the most democratic institution in existence in American Universities today. It allows the students to govern themselves; it forces them to govern themselves; it should demonstrate that they can govern themselves. There is nothing teachable that is more important than that.

The Student Court is composed of nine men, six seniors and three juniors. It has original jurisdiction of all cases of undergraduate discipline except those arising from dishonesty in University work—cribbing, in plain language. We believe that it should also handle such cases. It seems impossible under the present system of policing examinations, or under any half honor system. What we ought to have here is a complete honor system which means that no student should feel constrained to bring a complaint against another whom he has detected in dishonesty. We believe that such a system could be put into effect and that it would reach a much higher state of efficiency in a few years than the present system can ever hope to reach. We believe, also, that the present Court will be the strongest argument which can be offered in favor of such a system.

The Court has the power to make full investigation and decide whether the accused is guilty or innocent, and if guilty recommend his punishment. Any student sentenced can appeal to the faculty Discipline Committee, and if his appeal seems well grounded that Committee may remand the case for a new trial. In the case of a student acquitted, only the Dean of the College of which he is a member can appeal and he only upon the ground of new evidence. In this case also the case must be remanded for new trial. It cannot be reversed in the Faculty Discipline Committee. Can any student ask for a fairer deal than that?

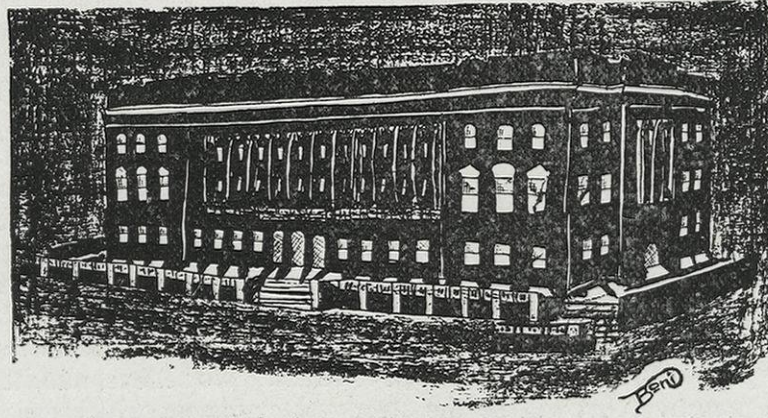
The Court is to be elected by the Student Conference Committee. It must be very carefully chosen, for its acts are the acts of the Student Body and its decisions must be taken as their decisions. Think about it; think who you'd like to see there and instruct your representatives in the Conference accordingly. Think about the whole scheme. If you have improvements to suggest, suggest them, but don't, for Heaven's sake, knock something which you know nothing whatever about. It was no cinch to get that thing through the faculty. Show your appreciation by at least knowing what it is.

S S S S S

WE don't very often obtrude anything outside of University affairs on your attention but say, did you ever in your life see anybody get in wrong as quickly and thoroughly as our esteemed friend, Prexy Taft? That wise little piece in the message about raising the postage rate on magazines was the latest and best. Of course our postage bills are not so vast as those of the Saturday Evening Post, for instance but still we don't like the idea of seeing them boosted to help increase the circulation of the Skate Journal et al.

S S S S S

WE had thought to say something new and original about writing examinations, but after due investigation have decided that there is absolutely nothing new, original or informing to say. All we can do is to extend our sympathy. Exams are like pulling teeth—unpleasant and yet productive of great relief.



Grim beneath the January sky
 Stands the Libe impressive in its might
 From within it comes the plaintive sighs
 Of students bucking deep into the night.

Black and dark and threatening it lowers
 Its windows even strips of yellow light
 As with expression sinister it glowers
 On students bucking deep into the night.

Without the sleighbells clink their cheerful chime
 And laughing girls shriek out for sheer delight
 They wotted of exams before the time
 And so need not buck deep into the night.

Across the way the bowling alleys roar
 Where the improvident display their might
 Two weeks from now those bowlers will be sore
 They did no bucking deep into the night.

S S S

Dom. Scientific



He: Do you understand Bacon?
 She: Oh yes, we had all that in our sophomore year.

S S S

"I put Billy's eye out this morning."
 "Maybe that was why he couldn't see me."

A crowd of rounders bound for town goes by
 Seeking the stuff that whets the appetite
 Perchance among them there is some poor guy
 Who should be bucking deep into the night.

Within the tables groan with weighty books
 Where the green shades throw down their spots of light.
 Some fair ones have almost forgot their looks
 Intent on bucking deep into the night.

A concentration pitifully intense
 Is over all the toilers as they write
 Long topics or vague lists of vain events
 That keep them bucking deep into the night.

All types and all conditions now are there
 Fighting the same inevitable fight
 A fight for life, or sometimes for a Fair
 Won but by bucking deep into the night.

S S S

Modified Maxims for the Moody

1. Many a Stude has left the U
 From trying to drink booze for two.
2. Tis better far to sit and buck,
 Than loaf all year and trust to luck.
3. The man who blames it on the school
 Is an awful chump,—almost a dullard.
4. Early to buck, and early to bed
 Beats mid-night hours and a soggy head.
5. A single Ex, fairly got,
 Is worth a dozen that are not.
6. The faculty weigh in the balance
 Our blue-books, not our talents.

Examinations Are an Aid to Usefulness

By Tinbot-Coughdrop

(With Apologies to the Chicago Record Herald)

Take your examinations; do not try to shake them. Confession is good for the soul. A high rolling stone gathers no moss. He that ruleth his temper is greater than he that taketh a city. Three queens take a pair of aces but that's no sign they can take examinations.

Examinations are hard to take even when they are given. It is better to give than to receive. Witness any reception. Take the Good the Gods provide thee. If you can't get a Good take a Fair. None but the brave deserve the Fair. If you can't get the Fair be well content to take the Poor. The Poor are always with us.

Examinations are an aid to Usefulness. Students are useless. Examinations reduce the number of students. A little knowledge is a dangerous thing. Only cowards fear danger. Dishonesty is dangerous.

Examinations require preparation. Some require cribbing. Only babies lie in a crib. Heaven lies about us in our infancy. Other people do it the rest of our lives. It is best to live an upright life. You cannot lie and stay upright.

Ponies are dumb brutes. Treat them kindly. Let them buck if they want to. There is no harm in bucking.

S S S

ONE OF THE WORLD'S WORST

Say, the Bell Company charges for phoning.
So I was tolled.

S S S

Si: Hi, yer son says he got through college
in half a year.
Hi: Yes threw out.

S S S

ECONOMIC

Polly: You seem to have a lot of notes in
this Spanish book.
Con: Yes, it has a high marginal utility.

S S S

Food For Reflection

Parky's course ——— under Scott.

S S S

A dippy cook in Watertown
To Brown brought an oyster stew
When Brown had kept the oyster down,
The cook looked wise, and said to Brown
"Twas more than I could do."

S S S

SUNDAY MORNING

Wife: Where were you last night, John?
Hubbie: It's all right, m'dear, I was just
watching Halley's comet.

S S S

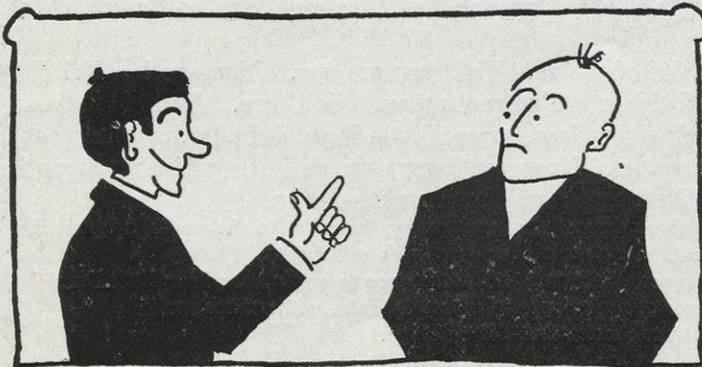
BACK AGAIN

In the last row—Heartily,
"Well I see you're back,
Miss Smith".
In the next row—Nervously,
"Helen can he?"

S S S

"Can Bill Conron?" in-
quired the Gentleman from
Grand Rapids.

"No", said the tripper,
"Not unless he has pajamas
on."



COB 1911.

M. "I think I'll get a hair cut."
K. "Why dont you get them all cut?"

HE NEARLY LOST HIS HAPPY HOLM

or

HOW A KO-ED KEPT THEM FROM PUTTING THE THETA DELT DOG ON THE BUM.

A near-tragedy, in two acts and The Evening Wisconsin

— o —
Dramatis Personae

BUM---Theta Delt Mascot, who really belongs to ?.

?---A Pi Phi, the Hero.

BILL HANNON---A Reporter

The Villains

CHIEF OF POLICE.

— o —
 Scene---*This is made by the hero in the second act.*
 Time---*Hot.*

— o —
 ACT I.

Bum walks down stage and sniffs around the legs of a sleeping Madison Policeman. Policeman awakes, sees dog, and grabs him.

POLICEMAN---Aha! I have caught something at last. After twenty years of service on the Madison police force, I have finally located and captured a criminal, dangerous to the lives and safety of this glorious community. I know this is a mad dog because he has an angry expression on his face.

Policeman walks toward station and whistles to dog, which follows him. On arriving at station, the dog's collar is broken off and he is put in one of the cells reserved for bank presidents. Meanwhile, bystander telephones ? that her dog has been pinched. Wailing and knashing of teeth.

ACT II

Telephone booth at Pi Phi house. ? appears on stage frothing at the mouth, with fire coming from her eyes and blood from her fingernails. Sorority sisters watch her with amusement. After throwing a couple of fits, ? approaches telephone and calls up chief of police.

?---Hello, is this you, Mr. Chief of police. Yes, you are too. You are ! Well I just want to tell you right now that I think you're real mean. So there. And I just want to warn you that if you don't bring my dear, sweet little Bum right back to me that I'll tell Joe and he'll have you discharged. Now you hurry up and bring him right up here to me or you'll be sorry for it. And that's no Bum hunch, either.

Chief tells ? that dog has already been dissected at university, but that if she wants a souvenir, he might be able to get her the left-hind foot. ? utters a ghastly shriek and faints.

Door-bell rings and policeman enters with Bum. When ? comes to again, her dear little Bum is licking her face and Sorores in Universitate are all singing "What is Holm without a Bum?"

Bill Hannon and the Chief look at each other and die off stage.

Slow Curtain.

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J. F. A. Pyre is what he signs. His real name is the weird and wonderful one. James Francis Augustine Pyre but he is properly ashamed of it for he has a sense of humor, has Sunny, and that is why he deftly disguises himself with plebian initials, J. F. A. Also if he didn't every one would call him Sunny Jim instead of plain Sunny. The rude-neck, would-be-wits of his Modern Drama Course have, in their coarse way, intimated that J. F. A. means "Jokes for Auctioning" but this is a slander. Sunny hasn't got any jokes that he would care to sell. He uses 'em over again each year ---- at the same time and in the same place.

In his Modern Drama and English Survey courses, Sunny takes great pains to tear the veils from obscure drama and put veils on Restoration comedy where they are badly needed. It is said that Sunny first smiled his smile when he saw the English Department of the University of Wisconsin. He has kept it ever since because he has never severed his connection with the department. The English department, the much-maligned and eminently worthy English Department is eminently utilitarian for it gives numberless mutts the opportunity of basking in the irridiscent glamour of James Agustine Pyre's smile. To whom did the chortling bard refer when he thusly scraped his lyre;

"A little learning makes your blue book thin,
Buck hard-or look upon the Pyrean grin."

He sure referred to funny Sunny.

Besides smiling, Sunny makes several dry-as dust English courses as interesting as a poker game with a vaudeville stunt on the side. He knows his business and the co-eds flock to his classes like the hair doesn't flock on Sunny's head.

A good many people have learned a lot from Sunny's courses, but one thing they never learned. Does Cora Schneider take English 52 because Mitt Blair does, or does Mitt take it because Cora does, or both, or neither. Figure it out. We can't.

There
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a picture
here but
four
consecutive
artists
flunked
out on
the job
of
reproducing
Sunny's
subtle
smile

S S S

SOLD OUT

Soph: Ask me, why is the 21st of December like a bargain sale of spaghetti?

'11: I'm asking.

Soph: Because the day goes by fast.

S S S

Soror: I hurt my foot by stepping on someone's horrid old rat in the chapter room.

Frater: But why do you tell me about it?

Soror: Isn't confession good for the sole?

S S S

WORLD'S WORST JOKES

NO. 7

"Did you know Fritzi Scheff married John Fox, Jr.?"

"Well she looks Foxy, all right, all right."

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"Yessah, Dat was a almighty fiery hoss yo killed boss."

"Sort of a spark plug, eh Jonah?"

The Last Analysis

Milwaukee, February 24, 1910

My deer son:—

Your breezy epistle blew in upon me today with a wind strong enough to make a Hamburg cheese smell like perfume. I read it in the corn-patch, and really it shocked the corn for me. It certainly makes me cognizant of your insouciant attitude in throwing me "guff". Remember, my son, collech profs eked out existences in my day too, but they didn't make expert tongue-tossers out of us.

In regard to your explanation of your marks, your remarks are out of order, I never knew P meant Perfect, nor Exc for drill Excellent, nor Con Confirmed, nor F for Fail to mean Fair. Your cleverness in telling me of driving hard at a five-fifths Laaw course was most imaginative, for fair femmes tripped the light fantastic over the stables in my day too, and Hausman's "sparkling spring", which you mentioned, also guzzeled in those days.

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Now be here in Mil. by to-morrow night.

Your non-confectionate
Father.

S S S

Get through in Physics?
Was Snowed under.

S S S

Why do Madison policemen look so stiff and tired and dirty?

They are worn out collars.

S S S

Same Old Remedy

Bob—What will make my down-hearted fussee happy?

Jack—Keeley's Cure fixed mine.

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| <p>Is she { tall and slender? ----- small and chumpy? ----- thin and lanky? -----</p> | <p>Does she wear { turban rats? ----- her or anybody { mouse-like puffs? ----- else's hair with { wire screens? ----- { leaning tower of Pisa { effect? -----</p> |
| <p>Is she { blonde (natural or otherwise)? ----- brunette? ----- ordinary neutral? -----</p> | <p>Does she { chirp musically? ----- talk coaxingly? ----- croak chokingly? -----</p> |
| <p>Does she { walk prettily? ----- trip niftily? ----- waddle duckily? -----</p> | <p>Does she wear { glasses? ----- glassy eyes? ----- glassy stare? -----</p> |

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"Rapidly?" said the class hysterically, and relapsed into unconsciousness.

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His mind seems to run along the streets.
How so?
He makes so many gutter-al sounds.

S S S

This is the Sphinx's riddle, made
As she watched her priestlets toil
In the dreary ways of these bucking days,
When the long, long nights are a fevered
haze
To the bloodshot eyes of the drilling guys
Who try to cheat deans of a conned out
prize
By burning mid-night oil.
*Some weeful doubts oppress my mind,
And hurt my riddling head:
Does Alpha Phi mean Awful Digs,
Or only always Dead?*

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Prof: Mr. Jones will you take the sack of Rome.

Jones: (sleepily) If you don't mind I'll take a sack of peanuts.

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 ness ever upon thee
 Write thy exams like one who
 Wraps the "lines of pull" about himself
 And dreams of higher graft.

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JOKES

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The jokes were like whiskies — some were better than others. They are tabulated as to subject. It is believed that a study of this table may be useful to future contributors:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Rats | 23 |
| Fish | 14 |
| Grub | 294 |
| Phi Beta Kappa | 39 |
| Democracy | 12 |
| He and She | 2173 |
| Delta Gamma | 250 |
| Cons | 69 |
| Bugs at Mendota | (families) 48 |
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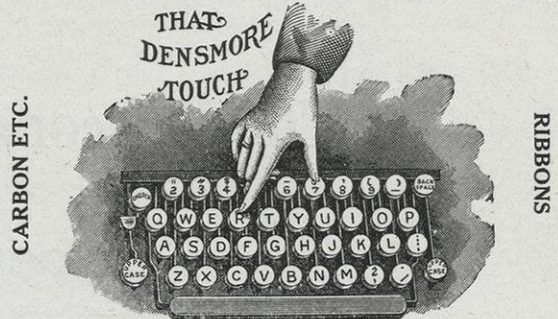
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First Fool: Always something new nowadays.

Second Fool: How’s that?

First Fool: Why they have just made a girl at Smith a Fellow.

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Prince of Wails-the leader of the glee club.
A bum professor hath a listless class.

Widow

She: What do you mean when you say Isabel is quite a kid?

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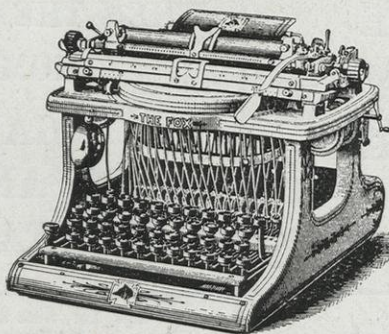
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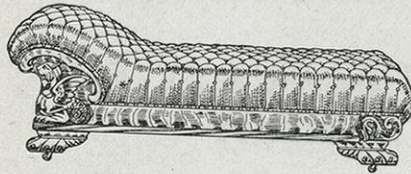
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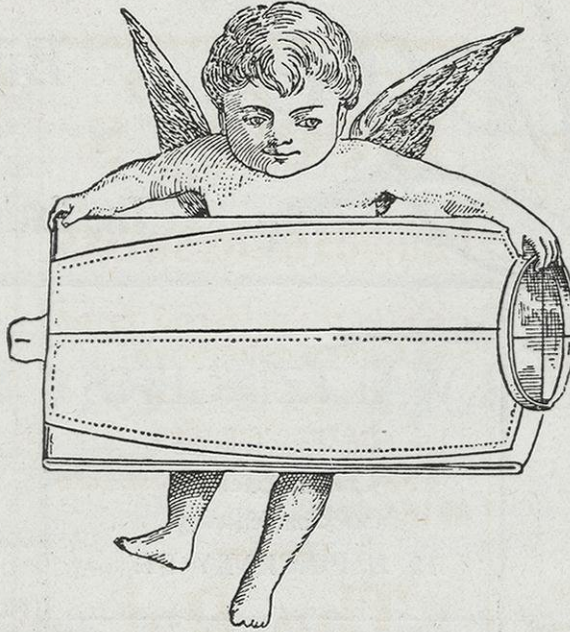
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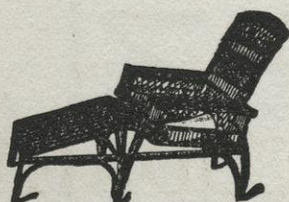
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