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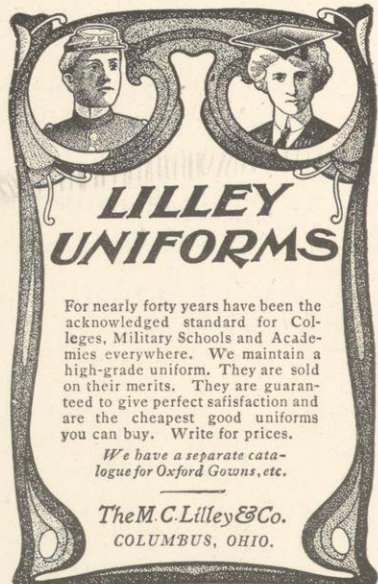
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WE HAVE SEEN so many new student organizations spring into existence during the last couple of years, that the news of the advent of another usually excites little more than a momentary interest on the part of the student body. THE SPHINX, however, has learned of a movement, at present going on, that by reason of its

great ambitions and the world-wide scope of its plans, seems to merit especial attention. We refer to the proposed Wisconsin chapter of the ASSOCIATION OF COSMOPOLITAN CLUBS.

If this movement succeeds, and every indication points in that direction, it will not mean the establishment of an entirely new society at Wisconsin; on the contrary, it will be merely an enlargement of our present *International Club*, under a different name. THE SPHINX is of the opinion that the *International Club* has never been given enough credit for the distinction it enjoys of being the pioneer organization of its kind in the country. It was founded in 1901. Since that time the advantages of such a club have been recognized by other universities, both in this country and abroad. But as the idea has been diffused, it has grown in magnitude. From a local club of foreigners in one university it has expanded into an international organization of clubs, all bound together by the ties of common interests and common endeavors.

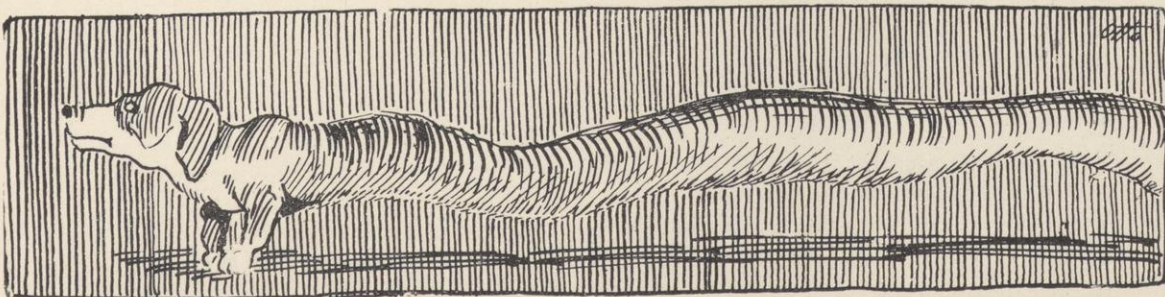


This larger movement was started at Cornell last December. It has been received favorably in other universities, where branch chapters have been introduced, notably at Buenos Ayres and Harvard. Wisconsin is now among the first to form such a chapter; for the *International Club* early recognized the greater possibilities inherent in this broader organization and hastened to become identified with it. The reorganization is not yet completed, but it is being pushed forward rapidly by energetic and enthusiastic members of the *International Club*.

Although the advantages to be derived from such clubs, in a social and educational way, are of great importance, nevertheless it is the significant *spirit* behind the whole plan which makes it seem especially noteworthy to THE SPHINX. In essence it contemplates more complete international harmony, brought about by better understanding among the representatives of the widely different countries. As its name implies, it looks toward the broadest possible cosmopolitanism. International comity is a question that has long occupied the minds of statesmen and students. It may seem a far cry from the deliberation of statesmen and potentates over international policies to the casual conversations of a group of foreign students gathered together for a social evening. But in such conversations, if brought about simultaneously in all the great educational centers of the world, according to an orderly system, there may lie the germs of understanding and agreement that will strongly influence future diplomatic relations. It must be remembered that the foreign students coming to our American universities are usually representatives of the higher classes, and that in most cases they are educating themselves here in order that they may be better equipped to serve their own people and their own governments. And the influence they may exert in that capacity in the future cannot be predicted.

Of course the ASSOCIATION OF COSMOPOLITAN CLUBS is still in the formative period, but from its very nature its influence must increase with its extent. It seems certain that a plan, an idea, as broad and cosmopolitan as this one, must eventually expand until it reaches the outermost limits of its aims, and become in reality a great organization having clubs in all universities of the world where are found foreign students.

THE SPHINX considers that the importance of such an association and its potential influence upon future international negotiations, cannot be overestimated. We hope particularly to see it carried to success in Wisconsin.



(Continued in our next.)





### GOOD MANNERS.

If the postman leaves a letter for a man whose surname's Ball,  
 And your name is Bill while this is sent to Jake;  
 It is courtesy to open it, remove the check, and scrawl  
 On the envelope, "'Twas opened by mistake."

—F. W. M.

### Break, Break, Break.

*As rendered by Papa, at 2:00 A. M.*

*(We feel that apologies are due to A. Ten-nyson.)*

Break, break, break,  
 Break loose from your fiancée.  
 Young man, it's you to the gutter,  
 If you dare to talk back to me.

'Tis well to be saving of gas,  
 And turn the lights down low;  
 But I think it is dern near time to adjourn,  
 When the roosters begin to crow.

You call this a call? I call it  
 A permanent settlement. *Scout!*  
 You may be after my daughter's hand—  
 By gum, but you'll get my boot.

Break, break, break,  
 At the foot of the stairway; see?  
 In thirty seconds if you're not gone,  
 You'll be in a clinch with *me*.

C. B. H.

### Good Reason Why.

Manager—Did you hear Jerome and Loomis the other night?

Editor—Sure.

Manager—What'd you think of them?

Editor—Jiminy, I only wish they were on the staff!

There was a professor named Sno,  
 Who was anything other than slo;  
 He would fly into fits  
 And nigh lose his wits,  
 Experiments worked him up so.

### Over the Fudge.

The Senior—Miss J. is working for her doctor's degree.

The Freshman—Goodness gracious! I don't see how she can bear to dissect people and do all those horrible things. Ugh!





**After the Play.**

HE: What did you think of the plot?  
SHE: I never was quick at solving problems. I'm no earthly good at figures.



## The Home-Coming

There's the sound of the front door opened,  
 An uncertain step on the stairs;  
 And I'm wakened out of my slumbers  
 By the clatter of over-turned chairs.  
 I bury my head in the pillow  
 And fain would I sleep through the din;  
 For it's half past two in the morning,  
 And my room-mate is just getting in.



He feels for the light near the ceiling,  
 And gropes for a match on the floor;  
 With his head he rams into the table,  
 While I am pretending to snore.  
 Then the sound comes of oaths muttered softly;  
 O, I hope in my heart 't is no sin  
 To smile at the weakness of others,  
 When my room-mate is just getting in.



He deposits his tie in the wash bowl,  
 He steps on his new derby hat,  
 And hangs up his hat on the door knob;  
 Then not disconcerted by that,  
 He feels for a door on the bookcase,  
 And knocks down his old mandolin—  
 All the flat rouses out in an uproar  
 When my room-mate is just getting in.



I spring from the bed in a frenzy,  
 To wrench off his clothing and shoes,  
 And meanwhile deliver a lecture  
 On the evils of licking up booze.  
 Then I tumble him into the bedclothes  
 And tuck him in up to the chin—  
 There is something more in it than humor,  
 When my room-mate is just getting in.



—John V. Mulany, '08.





"When my room-mate is just getting in."



## The Psalm of Grind.

(What the Soul of the Bucker saith to the Freshman.)

Tell me not in joyful numbers  
College life's a pleasant dream;  
Since the man is conned who slumbers;  
And profs are not what they seem.

Crib is found—a con thou earnest,  
And the Prom is not thy goal.  
"Dropped thou art; to Ma returnest,"  
Saith the Dean to you, poor soul!

Trust no horse, whate'er his pace is,  
Take your Dic. and go to work,  
Buck, and get into the traces!  
Man! It doesn't do to shirk.

Lives of profs they all remind us  
We may make Phi Beta Kap,  
And departing leave behind us,  
Lengthy summaries mayhap.

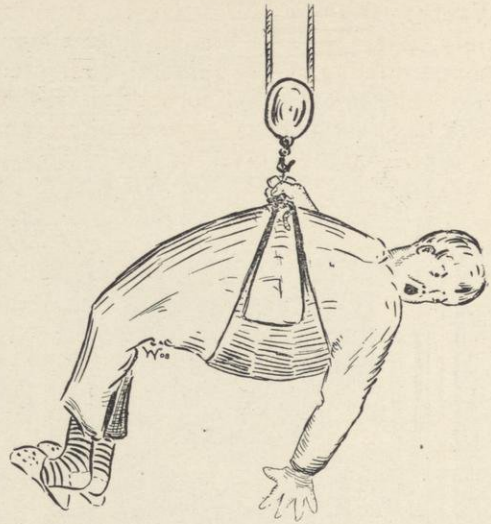
Summaries that some poor Freshman,  
Toiling, weary up the Hill,  
A forlorn and homesick youngster,  
May cheer up to grind the mill.

Let us then sit up a-bucking,  
To prepare for class at eight,  
Give up Keeley's, give up Johnny's—  
Be a whale at any rate! —R.



A tenderfoot went out to Reno,  
And dropped his last cent playing keno,  
"I'm busted—oh fudge,"  
He said, "I should judge  
That I'd better go back to Casino."

## Football Terms.



"A mass on tackle."



"A cross buck."

Those students who entered the University at the beginning of the second semester last year, and who therefore belong neither to the class of 1909 or that of 1908, have adopted the following yell:

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Rah, Rif Raf—  
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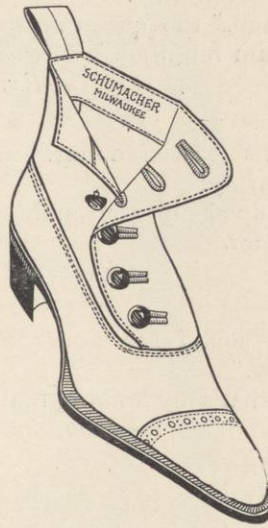
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I.

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And he said: "Come back meh darling,  
'T was the rose brought you to me.

II.

And they then kept still and listened,  
While the waves dashed fifty yards,  
The potato's eyes all glistened,  
As he dealt around the cards.

III.

I have known brave men to shiver,  
I have even seen them shake,  
But I scarcely saw a quiver  
When the cook brought on the cake.

—A. B. Shuster.

The cow sat on the railroad ties,  
An engine hit her 'tween the eyes;  
Since then I've often wondered how  
Much the foreman found of cow.



## Clipped Quips

"Hail, Hail!" the patriot subjects cried,  
Their loyalty proclaiming.  
"How dare you hail," the queen replied,  
"As long as I am reigning."  
—*Ex.*

"What is all this bustle about?" de-  
manded the king sharply.  
"Me," timidly piped up the maid of  
honor in the far corner.  
—*Chaparral.*

Stern Dad—"My son, I see your bank  
account is pretty low."  
"Oh, ah, yes sir; that's my sinking fund."  
—*Lampoon.*

ARISTOCRACY.—Mr. Backbay Smithers:  
"Blood counts; one of my ancestors was  
present at the signing of the Declaration of  
Independence."

Mr. Isaac Mossesson: "Pshaw, dat's  
nodings. Vun of my ancestors vas present  
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—*Smart Set.*

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—*Ex.*

They stood beside the meadow bars,  
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Above them evening's stars  
Like diamonds shone on high.  
They stood knee deep in clover,  
But whispered not of vows,  
As silently they lingered there,  
Two peaceful Jersey Cows.  
—*Ex.*

Fusser—I feel like a cake "?"  
"Just got frosted."  
—*Lampoon.*

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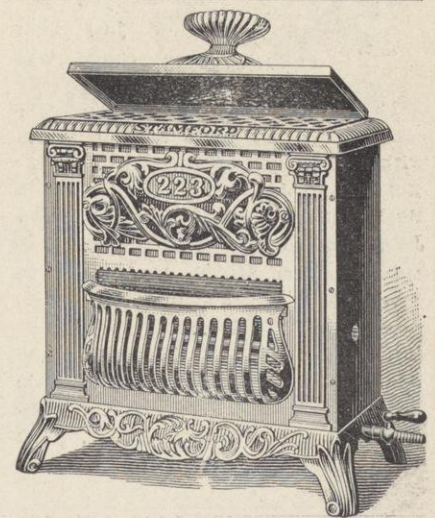
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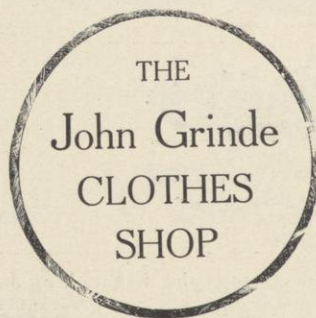


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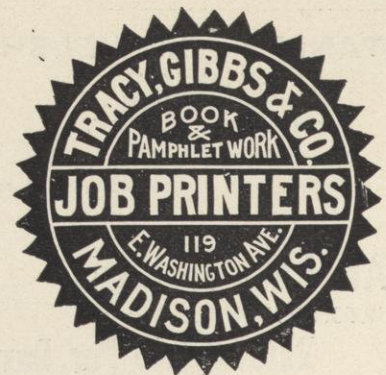
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