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And heard the teachers tell  
How we have all developed  
From an isolated cell;  
And every day I meet some one  
Whose actions make it plain  
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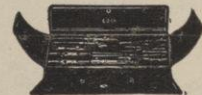


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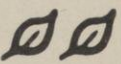
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













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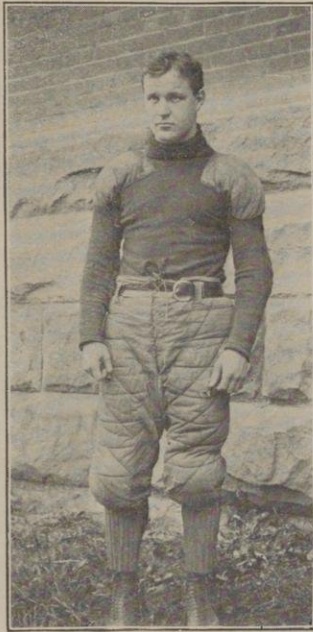


# The Sphinx



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## Our Captain



*Who on the 16th, made good his title in  
"Fee" simple as all-western tackle*

There's a quiet, close-mouthed fellow in Wisconsin's  
fighting line  
Who seldom talks of football, and who carries not a  
sign  
Of the hero in his manner—but reports of any game  
Will tell you how he played it, and will center  
'round his name.

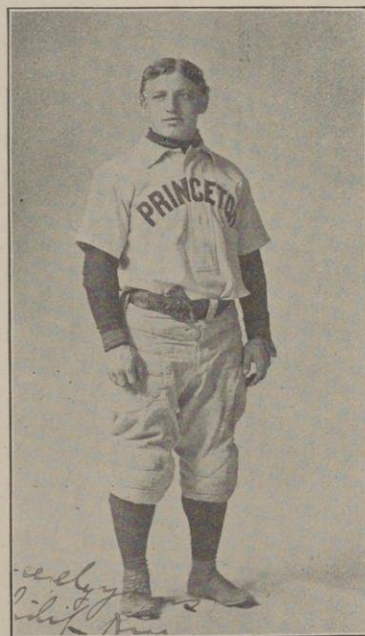
He doesn't tell his prowess, but the teams have  
found it out  
That have met the Badger players, and they've  
noised the fact about  
That, if you like to bat your features on a hopeless  
stony wall,  
Just direct your plays on Curtis and you won't ad-  
vance the ball.

And the men who always hold their own with the  
giants of the West,  
They knew their modest tackle was the best among  
the best;  
So, as captain of the strongest team that has worn  
the deep, dark red,  
They chose that close-mouthed fellow with the un-  
expanded head.

## "Long Live (the) King"

You have taken hold of freshies and you've made  
them into men,  
So we've sometimes half forgot they started raw;  
Agrics, yes, and normalites, your material have  
been—  
You have even polished up a junior law.

You have kept their heads from swelling, or from  
swimming, either one,  
When the bleachers go insane and yell and sing,  
And because you've tackled "ha'd and low" a work  
that must be done,  
We shall always tell your praises, Philip King.



**Our King**



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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.



ONCE more have the genius of Phil King and the grit and science of Wisconsin football triumphed, and the University from the youngest freshman to the oldest alumnus is justly proud and happy. It was a great battle of science, pluck and endurance, and those who were fortunate enough to see it will never tire of telling how Minnesota was humbled and how Wisconsin won. Wisconsin surprised even her warmest admirers, who though confident of a victory, never expected such a one-sided game. Minnesota erred on the side of over-confidence, and greatly underestimated her opponent, and consequently she feels the defeat all the more keenly. But why describe the battle again or tell why the Cardinal was victorious? We were all there, and the best

team won.

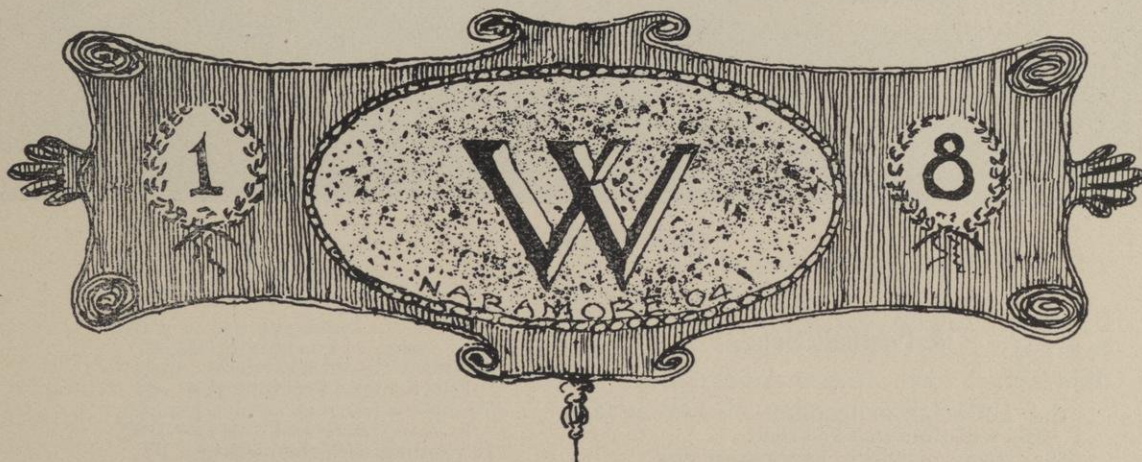
But in these days of aftermath when we are triumphantly living over the battle again, there suddenly comes a pause in our joy, when we think that he who made this victory possible will soon leave Wisconsin where for six years he has raised Wisconsin football to the foremost ranks, and where he has gained the respect and admiration of every student. The loss of Phil King to the University of Wisconsin will be a severe one and his place will be difficult to fill. When we look over our past record and discover that in the six years he acted as coach, we have held the championship three times and have been defeated in only three games by Western teams, we cannot help but wonder at the skill of the man. Yet his success was almost never easily attained; often has he found comparatively light men confronting him at the opening of the football season; yet when the season closed, Wisconsin was always found among the leaders. King's work was never erratic, never once in those six years have we had a poor team; only once and then when we invaded the East, have we lost two games in one year.

It is no idle use of words to repeat again the statement so often made that Phil King is the best football coach in the country. The West has long ago acknowledged it, while the East never has denied it.

Yet the skill of Phil King, marvelous as it is, would not have produced such excellent results had not Wisconsin often responded with exceptionally good men. He needed the assistance of a Richards, a Karel, a Gregg, a Peele, a Cochems, a Riordan, an O'Dea, a Curtis, a Larson. Their names are familiar to us all and will be until football is no more. But long after they are gone, and long after the skill of King as a football coach is inoperative, will the Wisconsin spirit of fighting-it-out-to-the-end, and of never-saying-die, remain. It is King's greatest bequest and will abide with us forever. He infused it into the teams year after year, and the rooters caught the spirit, nurtured and fostered it, until to-day it is the envy and fear of all large universities. Such a bequest makes our loss easier and allays the fears of the future. "There are no quitters in Wisconsin," has become our slogan in every championship game; it is the rallying cry of the rooters in victory and defeat; it has wiped out past defeats and augmented victories. It is ever aflame with Wisconsin spirit, and King long ago, first applied the spark.

Loath as we are to see King sever all connection with Wisconsin, there is no student of the University who does not wish him God-speed. May he be as successful in his future work as he has been as a coach.

For the members of the team who will not return next year, the students have only the warmest words of praise. They have won victories which will never be forgotten. May they always be stars.



### The Scrub's Lament.

I'm only a scrub—  
They called me "bub"  
Before I came down here to the hub,  
And was given a bath in the out-door tub  
They call Mendota.

But as I rose  
And dried my cloe's,  
From my downy chin to my home-made hose,  
And shook off the water that almost froze,  
They dubbed me "scrub."

They padded me up,  
And bade me sup  
Where they never do look on the foaming cup,  
And fed me much like a fighting pup,  
At training table.

My form erect,  
In toggery deckt—  
My mother would scarce my name suspect,  
Nor her pretty boy with such things connect.  
She would not.

Then they took me out  
And knocked me about,  
And shoved me into the thick of the rout,  
And mauled me around like a very clout,  
At Camp Randall.

They bruised my chin,  
And battered my shin.  
And rasped me wherever the skin was thin;  
But what did it matter so they might win  
The next game?

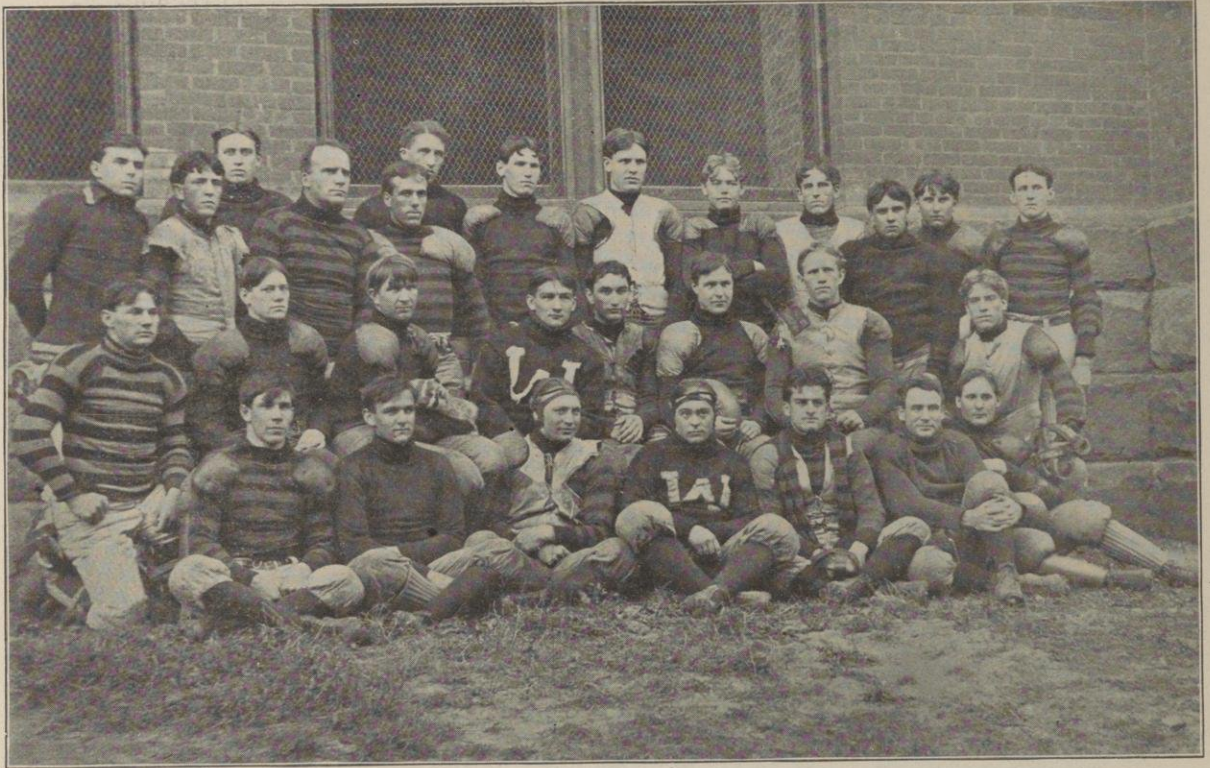
They gouged my eye,  
Unhooked my thigh,  
They cut me up like a piece of pie,  
And left me out in the sun to fry,  
On the gridiron.

But when the day  
Comes on to play,  
And from the sides I watch the fray,  
I wish that I, too, might get gay  
With Minnesota.

But I'm only a scrub—  
Aye, there's the rub—  
And it almost makes me want to blub-  
Ber when the band goes Rub-a-dub-dub,  
Wisconsin!

For the cheers of the crowd  
Are echoing loud—  
The team has won; the varsity's proud;  
But I with grief am deeply bowed—  
I'm only a scrub.





*Our Team*

### A Football Song.

#### I.

They talk of joy in fighting  
 'Mid whistling shot and shell.  
 They rhyme of bliss in love's sweet kiss,  
 A bliss that none can tell,  
 For ages they've been lilted  
 The praise of ruby wine,  
 All joys most rare, but none compare  
 With tackling 'hind the line!

#### II.

Give me the football battle,  
 The captain's signal call,  
 The rush that fills the heart with thrills,  
 The line that's like a wall!  
 Give me the hard fought scrimmage,  
 The joy almost divine,  
 When like a rock we stand the shock  
 And tackle 'hind the line!

#### III.

The muse has long been singing  
 The joy the halfback feels,  
 When like a flash he makes a dash  
 And shows the "bunch" his heels.  
 His joy may be ecstatic,  
 It can't be more than mine,  
 When with a smile amid the pile,  
 I tackle 'hind the line!

#### IV.

To smash the interference  
 Fills me with heartfelt glee,  
 To make a lunge and stop a plunge  
 Is more than gold to me!  
 In running with the pigskin,  
 I ne'er was known to shine,  
 But I can hew my way clear thru  
 And tackle 'hind the line!

#### V.

There may be joys in heaven,  
 More tender and more tame,  
 But I don't care to go up there  
 Unless they play the game.  
 There're gridirons down in Hades,  
 But even there I'd pine  
 To be once more on this fair shore  
 To tackle 'hind the line!

"If we win the game, do I win your hand?"

She blushed, and turned away her head.

"Well, yes, you do, and—" more softly still—

"And now—you may hold the stakes," she said.



### The Boy Guessed Wrong.

The 'phone—a girl—a man,  
This is a tale of woe,  
Surprise—a sudden shock,  
And then a crushing blow.

Grace at the telephone,  
Jack's number and he came,  
'Hello, Jack, is this you?'  
She didn't tell her name.

That was the fatal step—  
Th' awakening of the girl,  
Jack replied so sweetly,  
'Hello, is this you, Pearl?'

### The Game in Nightmare.

The morning before the game the men at the training table were comparing the scores of last night's dreams. Every fellow there had played the game through dozens of times in the last ten nights, and not a man of them could boast two hours sound sleep in all that time.

"I have the best score yet," said the full-back, "but it's no credit to any of you. I made ten clean goals from the field, all sheer luck, because I couldn't get my eyes open. Every time I punted the Gophers brought out another ball, until the whole thing faded away into a pignose that chased me all over the field."

"That's the rub," remarked the end, "if a fellow could only have a straight game and go to sleep,—but I was just awake enough

to know that I was dead sleepy and I kept waiting for the signal before I could drop off, but the only signal was the one to roll over and I tossed around until I was dizzy."——

"Well, it wasn't my fault," retorted the Captain, "I shouted myself hoarse trying to get the thing through your head. You see there was a hideous bull pup holding the big Gym down on the twenty yard line. You broke your collar-bone, of course, and you wouldn't get off the field,"——

"He did, though," put in a sub, "somebody got out, because I was called in, in the first half, and I had to play in a pair of tight trousers and keep on my overcoat because I had forgotten my collar. I kept thinking I'd get a chance to change between downs, but I got all tangled up in the blanket, and couldn't get away."

"If you'd had the game where I did, you'd have shed that coat," said the heavy center, "my room was stifling, and I thought we were playing on a Texas ranch, where I was last summer. It seems we could draw the biggest crowd down there, and the 4th ward team wanted to use Randall anyway."

The men began to push back their chairs and straggle out.

"I guess I won't tell them," muttered the tackle, "that the whole team was ruled out for matching pennies back in the high school, and the game is called off."

### The Gophers.

We've fought with many men, to win our eames,  
An' some of 'em could buck and some could not;  
The suckers an' the Hawkeyes an' the Ames;  
But the Gophers are the toughest of the lot.  
So 'ere's to you Minnesota, in your 'ome in Gopher  
land;  
You're a poor, old 'eathen lobster, but a first rate  
fightin' man;  
They're goin' to give a certifikit but before you have  
it signed  
You'd better 'ave a romp with us whenever you're  
inclined.

Yes, before you got the championship you had to  
come down 'ere  
And 'ave a little scrimmage before you quit the year,  
An' when we were 'oppin in and out an' runnin'  
toward the goal  
You found you couldn't score on us to save your  
'eathen soul.  
So 'ere's to you, Minnesota, at your 'ome in Gopher  
land.  
You're a poor, old 'eathen lobster, but a first rate  
fightin' man;  
So 'ere's to you, you Gophers, with your 'ayrick 'eads  
of 'air  
And when'er you come to visit us we'll lick you on  
the square.



November 4th. Cardinal shocks the world with announcements of Sunday football games.

November 7th. The game causes unheard-of eruption of class spirit.



November 8th. Chadbourne Hallers give a good preliminary practice scrimmage for the game—Occasion. A reception.



November 9th. Ames college plays marbles with some of our smaller boys and goes home crying.



November 11th. Games are great things, if they can make Wisconsin students unbend and learn a few songs.



November 13th. Sophs find a base drum and a tin horn somewhere and work them over time. Object—Enthusiasm.





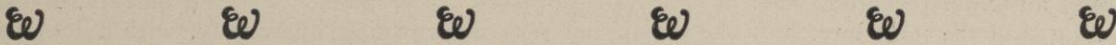
November 14th. Greatest mass meeting in the annals. Speeches, some long, some too long.



November 15th. Attic Angels on their good behavior again. Dance for charity.



November 16th. We did it. Emphasis on Did. 18 to 0.



### An Affinity.

Our party of eight or ten found it's way to it's own box fully twenty minutes before the game was called. The young ladies of the party wanted to experience all the sensations of a big game, see the bands of rooters march in; explode periodically with bursts of noise, and then subside again, as they scattered to their seats in the north bleachers. Everything was as it used to be, and I certainly noticed all that went on, even feeling the half ominous hush before the nerve-racking point when the teams stand lined up for the kick-off. All this was an old story to me and yet I smelled the scent of battle like an old charger.

As I said, we were a good sized party in excellent spirits, and some of us, especially the girls, witnessing our first real game. I had about settled myself comfortably behind my high coat collar, intending to critically watch the ever changing scene before me, after having answered the continuous volley of questions, covering anything from the utility of the press stands, on our right to, who put the fresh sign "19-U. W.-05" on the top of the grand-stand roof.

I had scarcely retired into my proposed state of superior and critically calm silence, when Madge, my sister, drew my attention to a girl seated in the next box to our right. She sat primly upright in her seat on the outer edge, apparently removed from the rest of her party, whom she did not seem to know. Her strangely attractive face was eagerly turned toward the gateway, directly across the field, whence the teams were to issue onto the field at any moment. Her eyes were widely dilated, with a hunted, frightened look in them; her cheeks were like marble against the straying ringlets of jet, blowing across her high forehead.

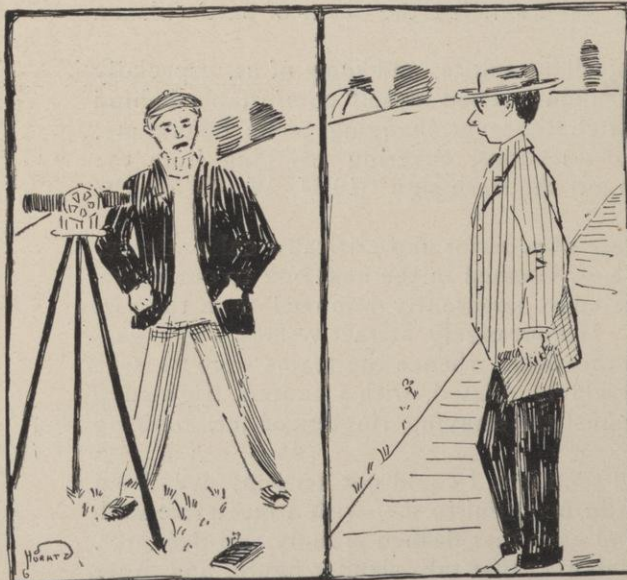
I had never seen her before, but now I had seen her, I could not keep my eyes from her face. The girl seemed more than naturally beautiful to me, with a face alive with emotions of excitement, dread and anxiety, and eyes that flashed proudly and defiantly, iff spite of dread. The more I found myself watching that tall, slender figure, and those matchless features, the more I felt myself drawn to her, out of sympathy and interest. I caught myself wondering what she was looking for, or whom she was expecting, and what he might be to her.

Sister Madge must have read my thoughts, for she laid her hand upon my arm softly and whispered, "O, Tom, who is she? I wish I could be near her. She looks as if she were being tortured. Who is she, Tom?" I had to confess to never having seen her before, and again tried to keep my eyes off her. But the moment after as I turned her way again, I saw her start and the color mounted to her cheeks. Gazing out across the field to where the teams were pouring out on the field, greeted with thunders of applause, I thought her eye seemed to follow one particular broad shouldered, bepadded and beharnessed figure, in the uniform of the opposing team. I looked that particular giant up from the position on the team, where he seemed to belong, and from the score card surmised him to be one, Grantly, by name.

As my affinity had not given a single clue until now, which side her sympathies tended, not even wearing colors, it was all the more interesting to study the face anew, with reference to the progress of the game. Having comfortably settled myself to watch the double play, I became momentarily interested in a scrimmage out on the field where Grantly had managed to wriggle through the line of our defense for at least eight yards. I turned in time to see the face I had watched, light into a wonderful smile, eyes sparkle with pleasure, relief and triumph, at the things they had just witnessed.

Just then some one back of me remarked upon the play, and I had just turned to offer an expert opinion, when I heard a suppressed cry of pain. Turning quickly, I saw the girl of the next box, half risen from her seat and swaying unsteadily, with a look of mute agony on the face, partly hidden by her hands tightly pressed to her temples. As I looked for the cause, I saw a crowd of trainers carrying her hero from the field, evidently badly hurt in the last scrimmage. While I was helplessly wondering if I couldn't do something to relieve the distress, Madge surprised me by quickly rising and making her way rapidly into the next box, where she softly stooped over the distressed girl and whispered something I couldn't catch. My sister had evidently seen what I had and, woman-like had hastened to relieve the distress. I saw the two girls rise and leave the box together. As Madge passed me, she said:

"Tom, I'm going to take her home with me. She is all unstrung and . . . and, well, she says he's her brother, you know," and left me before I could disentangle myself.



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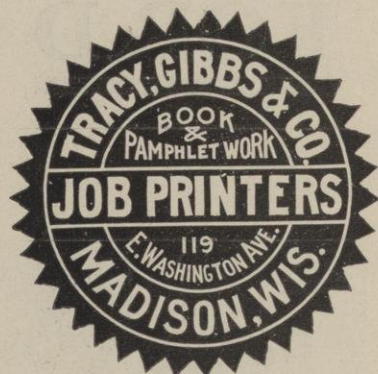


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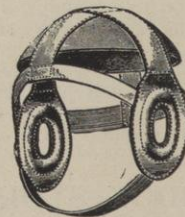
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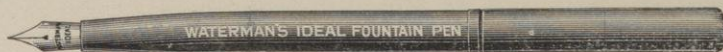


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