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The Fable of The Five Knights Who Went in Quest of a Better College Paper

Psychologists tell us that every animate being is more or less of a nomad, a wanderer in search of truths. The psychologists forgot to add this statement: "Many of the pitfalls that swerve the path of knowledge which the nomad must tread." Note this example. A chicken, in search of truth, is obsessed with the idea of wandering across the street and visiting its neighbors. An automobile disputes the chicken's right of trespassing on the sacred roadway and in a second the would-be "Globe-trotter" is with his painted feathered ancestors in a dusty-feathered Elysium Paradise. Well, that is neither here nor there. We are neither chickens—but nevertheless do stand a good chance of being erased by a gas buggy along life's way.

We have yet another somewhat longer illustration: Last Thursday, (May 7) four members of the Egyptian staff, namely, Howard Walker, Robert Scott, Marvin Owen and Burtis Trees, and a certain other gentleman, Oliver Reid, became obsessed with the idea (like the ill-fated chickens) that it might be practical and also enjoyable to attend the Third Annual convention of the Illinois Press Association, at Augustana College, Rock Island.

So from the domains of the Egyptian office, put into the wide, cruel, nauseous world went the five gallant knights, in quest of a better college paper. Many were the sights they saw and many were the deeds they planned as they wandered outside the cushions of their gaudy black steel Studebaker. From the land of East St. Louis, into the fair environs of Springfield sped the gallant five, spurred on by viruses of the "Red Crown," "Comedians," "Travekrians," gought the laymen as they traveled from one to the other as they sped northward from Springfield through Pekin and Peoria on the fair pavement built by a good king, Len Small.

Early in the afternoon the five knights of Egypt saw the cohorts of Augustana go down in a glorious defeat before the advancing baseball minions of Mount Morris.

The next morning the gallant rose at dawn (it was cloudy until 8 o'clock) and hied themselves to a nearby edifice where their armor and spurs were polished. Thence to the fair halls of Augustana. Guided by the faithful seneschal, they explored each nook of the ancestral palaces of learning. Up and ever upward they climbed the tottering, historic stairway to the Watch Tower that looked over "The Father of Waters" into the foreign, friendly city of Davenport.

At last the old, everfaithful clock went up in the belfry struck the hour of ten as it had done twice each day for centuries. Twice time to journey back down the crumbling stairway into the assembly hall, where quaking thrones had sat for ages towered over by their earthly masters. The hall was filled with knights from the four corners of the great and federal state of Illinois. There were the Black knights from Augustana, the Knights of the Rising Sun from Illinois, Knights of the Golden Spur from Winona, and many others and last but not least were the Pyramidal Knights of Egypt. Many were the things that were discussed under the leadership of the Premier Black Knight, George Wickstrom, but the question came, "In whose ancestral halls must we meet next year?" Up jumped Baron Howard Walker, a veteran of many an editorial battle and premier representative of Egypt. "Bring them to S. I. N. U. in the beautiful forest colored hills of southern Illinois," he shouted in words that echoed and re-echoed across the venerated domes. There were nods of approval and nods of disapproval.

Hark, there is another voice. It was a voice as of running toward the sound of the mocking bird as it sings before dawn. A Maid Knight of Lombard was issuing an invitation.

A sound of rushing wind. Sir Carl Smith, the fairest of all knights, was on his feet. A quiet as of death per-

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ORGANIZATIONS

The article appearing in these pages for week of April 28 with reference to Miss Robertson of the music department receiving a degree from Bush Conservatory was an error and was published without her knowledge.

"ZETETS" ELECT OFFICERS

The following officers were elected at the last meeting of the Zetetic Literary society:

President, Leone Smith.
Vice president, John Keith.
Recording secretary, Zella Thomas.
Corresponding secretary, Ruby Ice.
Critic, Others.

This is the last term of the regular year. Keep up your enthusiasm and pep.

ILLINAE

At the last meeting of the Illiniae, the following officers were elected:

President, Martha Lence.
Vice president, Thelma Hartwell.
Secretary-treasurer, Sylvia Chambers.
Corresponding secretary, Ethel Smith.
Critic, George Calhoun.

All loyal Illiniae come out and make the remaining few weeks profitable.

"SOCRATS" ELECT OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of the Socratic Literary society, the following were chosen to serve the remaining part of the year:

President, Oliver Rood.
Vice president, Charles Fulpner.
Recording secretary, Pearl White.
Corresponding secretary, James White.
Critic, George Calhoun.

All loyal Socrates come out and make the remaining few weeks profitable.

Some of them cannot even be called.
If this was a card game, I would not call them CLUBS.
I would call them JOKES.
Some of the girls I would call QUEENS.
And some of the fellows JACKS.
The Jacks ought to have SPADES.
But queens have no HEARTS.
And I see no Diamonds.
Therefore it must be the Deuce.
But it's the Best one after all.

The Art Appreciation Club was late in getting started this term, but it is rapidly taking its place in the foreground of school activities.
Tomorrow evening another of the interesting programs is to be given.
Last Wednesday a "call" meeting was held and a delightful program given.

Miss Nell Bond gave the story of the life of Richard Wagner and a brief resume of his works. Lohengrin, said by some to be the most beautiful opera written by Wagner, received the most attention. The synopsis of the opera was given and records used to reproduce some of the most fascinating parts.

Miss Frances Sinka is a versatile young musician and her violin numbers were greatly appreciated.

The life of Murillo and a description of his paintings was given by Miss Opal Wright. Miss Wright illustrated her talk with stereopticon slides.

At the business meeting the club decided to take its annual outing to

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The Y. M. C. A. had an interesting and well attended meeting last Tuesday night. As a special feature of the program, Dr. Caldwell gave a health talk on eating and sleeping. People, ye know not what ye missed. She explained all about how fat people can become slender, and how thin people can become fat.

There will be a joint meeting of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. tonight and a good program is insured. Everybody watch for the poster and be out tonight.

"EGYPTIAN" WINS SECOND PLACE IN EDITORIAL CONTEST

At a convention of the Illinois Collegiate Press Association held in Rock Island, May 8 and 9, the "Egyptian" won second honors in the part of the contest devoted to editorials. The Eureka Papyrus won first place.

The "Egyptian" is to be congratulated, due to the fact that 16 or 18 schools were competing. Students, support your college paper next year.

You can make your paper step up into the first place by supporting it in every way.

OUTLINE OF THE OBELISK OF 1925

You should see all the cartoons in the front part of the book.

They ought to give Goldberg enuf ideas for the rest of the year.

Some of them have their mouths so wide open that you can't see their faces.

Others do not need pedigrees—they look doggy enuf without them.

Then there are those group pictures.

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The Zetetic Literary society held their annual banquet last Thursday evening at the Methodist church. About seventy Zetets and friends were present, and the banquet was one of the biggest and best held for years.

The group assembled in the parlor of the church where Zetetic talent was displayed in a pleasing program. The orchestra was at its best in the two opening selections. Then Misses Hennie Bevis and Mary Reno sang entrancingly, "One Fleeting Hour," and "Gypsy Love Song." Rhoda Mae Baker made her audience laugh heartily at her humorous readings. Erwin Kelley sang two of Carrie Jacob Bond's songs; John Keith gave a piano solo and last Miss Mildred Bone sang in her always pleasing manner.

Down to the banquet room—the tables were arranged in the form of the letter "Z," with the Zetetic colors, green and white, and the Zetetic emblem as the outstanding decorations.

Prof. Hall made an excellent toastspeaker, and the toasts were in keeping with the word "Zetetic," the name of the Spring Play to be given June 16th. They were as follows:

I—cebreakers—Ruby Ice.
C—ampus—Ellis Crandle.
E—nthusiasm—Jewell Finley.
B—uffling Bachelors—Leroy Wiley.
O—chestra—Kate Sturm.
D—uty—Willard Henson.
N—ormal—Cary Davis.
G—od—Bevin Nixson.

Each toast was well given and very appropriate.

Then the Socratic president, George Lively, greeted the Zetetic society and made an interesting talk, which was answered by Howard Walker, the present president of the Zetetic society.

TAKEN FROM FRESH-MAN PAPERS

July 4th is a king.
Zane Grey is a new color.
Ball Run is a cattle ranch.
C. O. D. is a radio station.
Puget Sound comes from an organ.
Madison Square Garden is a potato.
Sing Sing is a lullaby.
Blood Yankee is a chip.
B. V. D. is a college degree.
General Delivery is an army officer.
A timetable has four legs.
Brooklyn Bridge is a card game.

20TH CENTURY WISDOM

The Flapper Philosopher says:
If you give a girl everything she wants, she will soon be wanting a pardon from the governor.

When you find that you can't reason with the Speed Cop, you'd better let him have the last word at once:

True blue never fades.

An S. I. N. U. man, when in doubt as to whether he should kiss a girl, will give himself the benefit of the doubt.

The easiest way to hit the mark every time is to aim at nothing—many succeed.

One reason why it is dangerous to go to sleep on the job is that you might fall off of it.

It is indeed a poor student who studies and gets no sleep, according to Dr. Caldwell's ruling.

All's well that ends well.

King Boris had better swap his government's policy for an accident policy.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

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ARE YOU ICEBOUND?
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It's as easy to boost as to knock. Be a booster.

A large percentage of prosperity is looking prosperous.

Try to be a stepping stone of success and not a stumbling block in the dark.

THE OLD SUN DIAL

My face marks the sunny hours of day, what can you say for yours? This statement, which may be read on the old sun dial just south of the library, is familiar to many students of the old S. I. N. U. Students come and students go but the old time piece remains in the same place looking up at the smiles of Old Sol as he journeys across the heavens each day. The winter winds send cold blasts upon it and the summer showers fall on it in torrents but nothing can phase it. It stands as a faithful soldier.

It stands, but for a long time it has ceased to mark the sunny hours. Why not have it repaired? It is a very interesting relic and would be more so if it told the time of day. It is such things as this that go to make up an interesting campus.

GROWING

We might compare our school to the "Chambered Nautilus." Year by year it grows larger. In every way it outgrows the year before. Our enrollment grows; our faculty grows; our value as a school grows. It is a good indication of success for an institution to develop rapidly.

Why does our school make the progress that it does? It is because it has been led in the right direction. It is stepping into the ranks of a true college. It is sending out successful teachers to the different parts of the state. We are proud of the fact that we have such a successful school down here in Southern Illinois. To make the school continue to grow you who are students, must strive to make it a still better college. We must all boost together to make it grow ever onward.

CATCHING UP

Almost every week I hear some one lamenting the lack of time. Just last week a friend was telling me that she hadn't had time to read a single book for pleasure all year. Others find themselves in the same predicament — so busy with study and outside activities here that they cannot get any leisure time to read. What about this summer? Of course summer school will keep some of you busy. But a great many will not be in school this summer and will be able to find at least a few hours of leisure each week. Now is the time to begin catching up.

Have you thought about your summer reading yet? One girl told me that she was going to read first all she could find about music and musicians, and try to make herself better able to appreciate great and noble music. If she gets through this in time, as she probably will not, she plans to start on art and artists.

Another wants to go back and pick up some of the things missed by the way — things like the "Iliad" and "Odyssey," together with a few moderns. A third friend, like myself, has placed first on her list "The Forsyte Saga" and "The White Monkey."

Well, there I told you the beginning of my list, but some things remain. I want to read Edith Wharton’s "House of Mirth," and then, if possible, get her "The Mother's Recompense," said to bring the story down to date. One thing that I have missed by the way is "Pickwick Papers." I want also to read Papin's "Life of Christ." Then there are "Java Head" by Hesseheimer, and "Anna Kerenina" by Tolstoi. I also have down Fielding's "Tom Jones" and Herman Melville's "Moby Dick."...Teachers' College News.

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Of noontime's blinding glare and heat,
Open to any pilgrim's greet.
The white road blisters in the sun;
Not half the weary journey done,
Enter and rest, O weary one!
And feel the dew of dawn still wet
Beneath thy feet, and so forget
The burning highway's ache and fret
This is God's hospitality
And who so rests beneath a tree
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—Theodosia Garrison

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THE FABLE OF THE
FIVE KNIGHTS

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provided the halls before his inspiring
presence. "Gallant Sirs, we have the
forest hills and deep glades as my
worthy Lord and Master has said. But
that is not all. In our domain, amid
these beautiful hills is the fairest
of halls; halls where the fathers of
gods have dined and issued the com-
mands that made the very founda-
tions of the world quake and shatter.
Sirs, is this enough?" More nods
of approval and fewer nods of disap-
proval. The die is cast, the votes
are being taken.

"To Egypt for '26," announces a
voice of The Black Knight, George
Wickstrom.

All was not done. There must be
a president and a vice president and
a secretary and treasurer. Sir Mar-
vin Owen of the principality of Ma-
rian, a freshman knight, was elected
president amid the loud tumultuous
mobe. Earl Bob Taylor, a Knight of
the Golden Spur, of fair Davenport
was acclaimed vice-president. Sir Burtis
Trees, a Junior Knight, hailing from
the muchly lamented and incidently
demented Duchy of Anna, was chosen
secretary, and treasurer. All was
done. To the mess hall, to fill the
vacuum; for even knights must eat.
The afternoon was spent in discus-

Evening was here. The five happy
knights of Egypt must again move
themselves. This time they must
cross "The Pathers of Waters" into
the foreign realms of Davenport.
"Do we eat again?" sighed the ever
hungry, never fed, knight from the
lamented and demented Duchy of
Anna.

In the spacious golden ball room
the Black Hawk hotel were ushered
the twice five and twenty knights.
Before them were the heavily laden
tables, behind the closed doors. But
who is the King of the Foreign
Crest? That is C. H. Weller, direc-
tor of the School of Journalism,
U. of Iowa. The banquet was over,
the music that had filled the halls short
hours ago is stilled. The cups had
been won by the Golden Knights of
Davenport and the Knights of the Rul-
ing Sun from Eureka. Each knight
had gone to his respective hall but
the five happy Pyramidal Knights of
S. I. N. U. are well on their way to
the hills and valleys of old Egypt and
the high towers and vaulted arches
of dear S. I. N. U.

By the way, we have decided that
the psychologist was right. It was
all the chicken's fault. He didn't
stop, look and listen. The five knights
of Egypt wandered through the haz-
ards of many a city and many a coun-
try lane and they are still, healthy,
vivacious, living hipids.

Moral: There is no pitfalls along
the path of knowledge if we watch
our step.

BURTIS TREES.

Senator Borah asks what a Repub-
lican is. Maybe he is thinking about
trying to become one.—Richmond
Disp.

They are talking of midging another
month to the year. The apartment
house landlords must be back of that.
—New York American.

COLLEGIATE PRESS
ASSN. TO MEET
HERE IN 1926

Walker and Smith Talk
Earnestly for
S. I. N. U.

A very interesting and profitable
convention of the collegiate press as-
sociation was held in Rock Island last
Saturday. The convention convened
at 1 o'clock, at which time the differ-
ent college delegates presented to en-
fold the problems connected with
editing and financing college papers.
Just before the noon hour the follow-
ing officers were elected. Mr. Marvin
Owen of Carbondale was made presi-
dent and Burtis Trees of Carbondale
was chosen secretary and treasurer.
The following schools extended invi-
tations to the convention for the en-
suing year: Some hard Lake Forest
Woman's College, Jacksonville and
Carbondale. Howard Walker of the
Egyptian took the floor first and
pointed out many good and logical
reasons why they should come to
Carbondale.

Smith then rose to his feet and ad-
mirably clinched the point made by
his predecessor. The vote was taken
by ballot resulting in a victory for
Carbondale. The afternoon session
was one of particular interest. The
several editors convened in the li-
brary building in the lecture hall,
while the business managers met in
the Augustana Main building. The
editors, in a round table discussion
discussed the following topics: "Col-
lege Comics, Their Value If Any."
"Should Editorials be Confined to
Prompt?" "The Use of Flowery Lan-
guage." "The Value of a Book Review
Each Week," and many other inter-
esting subjects. The several editors
agreed pretty well on one thing, es-
pecially that cheap jokes have no
place in a college paper. The after-
noon session closed at 5 o'clock, at
which time the delegation was taken
to Davenport, Iowa, and looked
through the largest newspaper plant
in Davenport.

The plant was a most excellent one
doing no job work at all. At 8:30
the delegates were ushered into the
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