

REVIEWS

ROMANTIC RASCALS

Charles J. Finger

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Anecdotes of famous men are usually pleasing to the average man; anecdotes of infamous men, pardoning the pun, should be doubly so. A rare collection of these are to be found in Charles J. Finger's book, "Romantic Rascals."

Finger has made rather an extensive study of the rogues of history, and had a hard time to pick out but nine of the fifty possibilities. He has chosen men who have more rascality than honesty in their character, and who have appeal by virtue of their originality or their daring.

The writing is simple; directness of style, flavored with a touch of the humorous, make the book easy and pleasant reading. The semi-biographical style, which might tend to displease some, is easily offset by the quaint appeal of the subject matter. These men, picked by the author by lottery, surely have led lives that are so different from the routine, prosaic lives of most men that one cannot help being intrigued by the tale.

One meets adventurers, pure and unrefined; thieves, notoriously evil, but with a code of honor; master fakers, luring the public with their mystic "powers"; really, a host of men whose lives must stir up enthusiasm in the most sluggish.

England, France, Arabia, Iceland, and Patagonia are all contributors to this epic of rascality. Yet their deeds are such as to bring a whimsical smile to the face of anyone; audacity marks every character.

This book is in the Armour library, and will be on the shelves very soon. A. B. A.

E. M. Pinkerton, '09, Now G. E. Executive

Mr. E. M. Pinkerton, E.E., '09, has been appointed manager of the Minneapolis office of the General Electric Company. Mr. Pinkerton has been with his employers continuously since his graduation with the exception of twenty-one months during the World War when he was engaged in military service. In October, 1910, he entered the Testing Department at Schenectady and in December became a student salesman at the general office. During 1911 he worked in Chicago and in 1912 was transferred to the Minneapolis office which he now manages.

Doctor Bodenstein Addresses Chemists

Last Friday evening, Oct. 25, Dr. Max Bodenstein lectured at the monthly meeting of the American Chemical Society.

Professor Bodenstein, of the University of Berlin, is one of the foremost physical chemists of the world. He is responsible for the popular theory of chain reactions, for the interpretation of chemical reaction, and is a noted authority on the subject of equilibrium. Doctor Bodenstein is also editor of the German publication, "Physical Chemistry."

Statue of Liberty (as airplane runs into it, its propeller whirling): "Stop tickling me!"

A. I. T. Founder in New Encyclopedia

Philip Danforth Armour, founder of Armour Institute, is cited as a merchant and philanthropist by the Encyclopedia Britannica, Fourteenth Edition, which was published a few months ago. The article states that he "was born in Stockbridge, N. Y., May 16, 1832. He was educated at Cazenovia academy, Cazenovia, N. Y., and worked for several years on his father's farm. . . . In 1863 he became head of the firm of Armour, Plankinton and Co., pork packers. . . . Besides contributing to many charitable enterprises, Armour founded the Armour Institute of Technology at Chicago, in 1892 and the Armour flats in Chicago, built for the purpose of supplying good homes for working men and their families, at low rental. He died on January 6, 1901."

The folly of one man is the fortune of another.—Bacon.

All freshman men at Knox College are required not only to wear green caps, but also to "button" to sophomores, juniors and seniors. The Student Council plans to enforce this ruling set by them.

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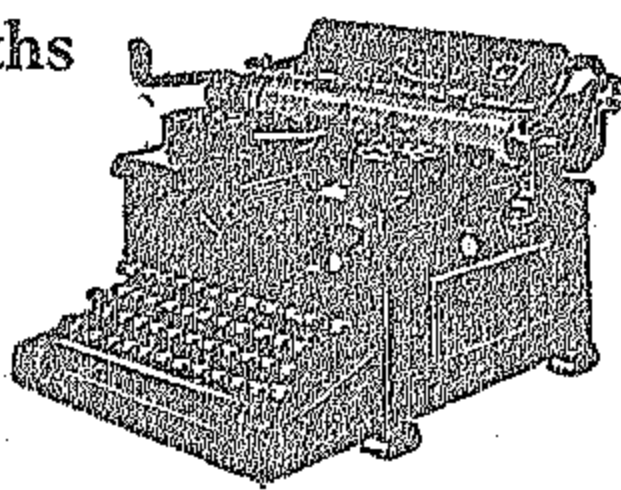
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KAPPA DELTA TAU

The Kappa Delta Tau fraternity has the pleasure of announcing the initiation of Max Berger, '32.

THETA XI

The annual Halloween dance was held last Saturday night at the chapter house. An alumni smoker will be held tomorrow night at the house.

RHO DELTA RHO

The Rho Delta Rho fraternity announces a Pledge Dance on November 2, 1929 at the chapter house. It also announces the pledging of Henry Fishman, C.E., '33, and Ira Krawitz, Ch.E., '33.

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

Alpha Epsilon of Phi Kappa Sigma is busy formulating plans for the annual Parents Day which is to be held in the near future.

College students are just like everyone else in the world. They clamor for something different, and after they get it, realize how nice everything was before the change was made.

Three women students are enrolled in the School of Engineering at Washington State University.

The Department of Foreign Languages at Stevens Institute is being discontinued with this year's curriculum, the reason being that the demand for instruction in this branch of learning has steadily diminished since the war. Henceforth the "Humanities" at Stevens will be limited strictly to English.

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