

# THE SENIOR CLASS BOOK

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The "little one," contrary to most opinions, is a native of Chicago. Nevertheless we can continue to call him "Germany," for he has visited the Fatherland. The date of his birth is June 12, 1888.

Sieck's first show of originality was evidenced when he designed a hoist and passed a shaft between the arms of a gear wheel, in his Sophomore year. He has had the idea patented.

When William became a Junior he was asked one day by one of the laboratory professors if he wrote his reports with a tooth-pick! Really, now, don't you see that is the Dutch of him, his ink is like his blood, thick and stein-like in nature. It is peculiar that, being Dutch, he does not like refinement; as a consequence, he hates the Physics Lab like—the second decimal place.

Sieck is another one of the gas bugs, or hot air bugs, just as you prefer. This does not mean that he is in love with Professor Frith's "coffee mill"; although he would like to run Fisk and Quarry with gas engines. Last summer he was chief hunky on an installing crew,—can we wonder why it is that he knows so much about gas engines?

Bill is a master machinist. He built an Alden Dynamometer for his engine and did such good work that he did not have to make it over again. When there is anything going on in the Gas Lab, you may be sure to find Sieck there. He can give more advice to the square inch per second than anyone could carry out in a month. He surely is there with the advice, real or imaginary, whether you want it or not.

It will surely be a sad day when we can no longer see him drinking that stuff at Cap's that spoils his beautiful complexion.

*"Knowledge is Power."*