



RUFUS SAMUEL CLaar

Thesis: *Design of Combined Sewer System and Disposal Station for Arlington Heights, Illinois.*

Phi Kappa Sigma	College Baseball Manager (3)
Radical X	Class Treasurer (3)
Armour C. E. Society	Social Committee (4)
Nebraska Club	Class Pin Committee (4)
Class Basketball (1), (2)	Class Baseball (1), (2), (3), (4) Manager (3), (4)
Class Bowling (1), (2)	Junior Play

Rufus S. Claar was born in the thriving town of Blair, Nebraska, in 1887, and passed the years of his preparatory course in its grammar and high schools. He finally decided that he would become a stenographer, inasmuch as he had all the desired requirements, being a natural blond. Accordingly, he entered the Commercial College where he studied, or at least tried to study, for five months. He evidently came to the conclusion at this stage that stenography was only a lady's work, and consequently he set out to fill a man's job, entering the service of the Northwestern Railroad for a year and a half. After this period was up he decided to take one more whirl at railroading and signed up with the Union Pacific, but after a little over a year's labor he finally came to the conclusion to come East, attend Armour Institute and delve into the science of Civil Engineering.

It was not long before the Phi Kappa Sigmas spotted this social lion from Blair and pledged him to their society. Fame was not slow in following "Rufe's" foot-steps. He was also snatched into the folds of the Radical X Society and Nebraska Club. With such a start Rufus found social success easy going. He was not only sought after for many class offices but his merits were noted by the school at large and he was awarded the position of Baseball Manager for the Tech team in 1911. Rufe is somewhat of a star along athletic lines himself as can be seen by the various positions he has filled during his career at Armour. As an actor in the Junior Play he was certainly a star of the first magnitude.

To say the least about this unassuming blonde from the west, we may state as a final prediction that Rufe will make "some" engineer, be-le-e-eve me, provided he does not turn his steps toward the footlights and become a matinee idol.