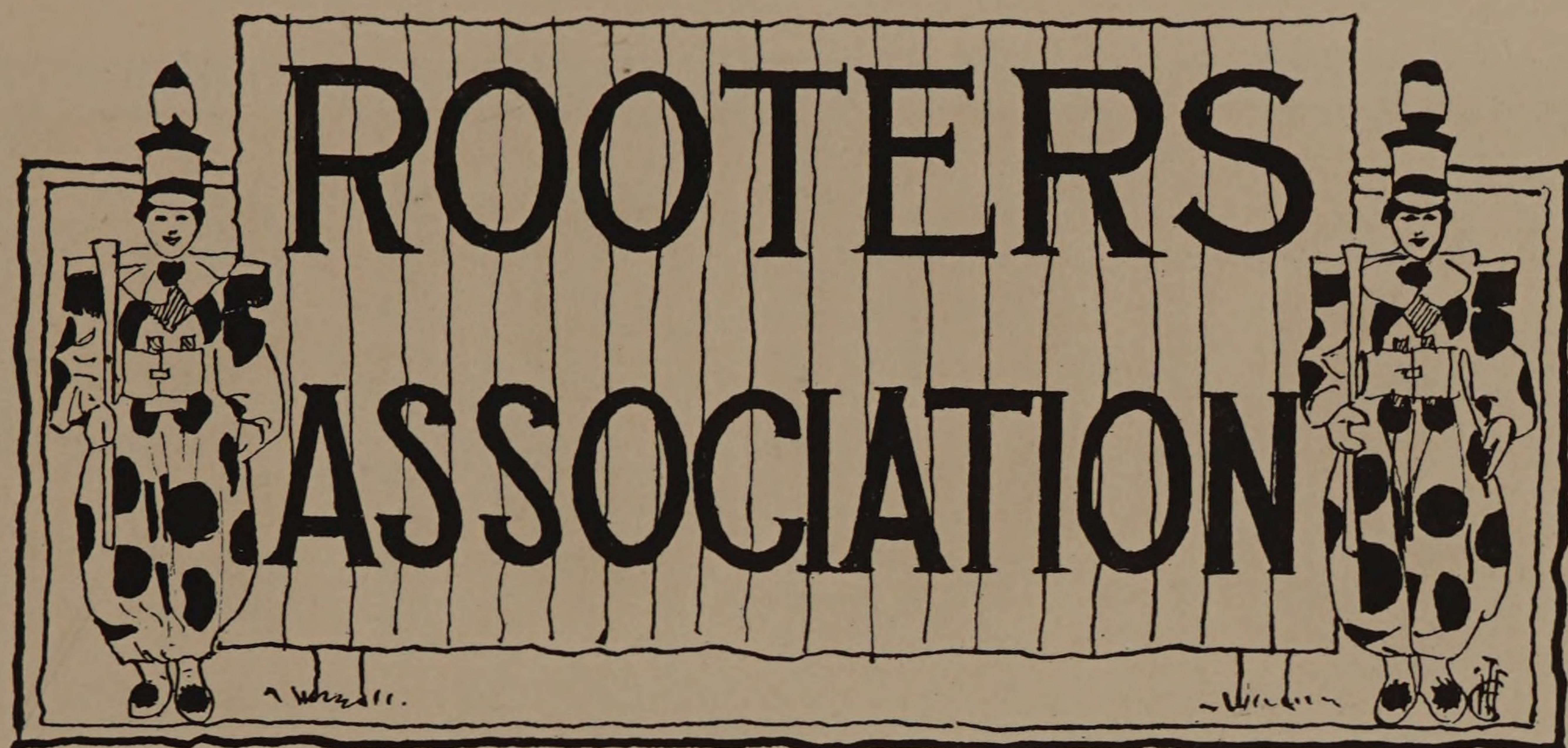


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At Armour the athletic situation is very different from that at most colleges, inasmuch as the fellows do not have the time to spend in the various departments of the sports. It seems also that the fellows do not take the interest that they should in the athletic events either by going into them or by giving their support in attending. It was to get around just this situation that the Rooters Association was founded. The primary object of this body was to install a feeling of proudness, or rather patriotism into the fellows about the athletics of their Alma Mater.

The first thing is to get the students to come out and attend the games and track meets that are held throughout the year. After they do this and get enthused with the spirit of things, they will then generally come out and go in for the events themselves. The Rooters Association has done a great deal for this situation, and through its endeavors many more fellows have come out for the athletic end of things than ever before. Nothing is more inspiring to a man than to have a good, stiff Rooters meeting just before a large game or track meet, and talk things over, pro and con, and always agree that no team has the chance that our team has.

The Rooters Association is the very backbone of all of the school events held at Armour. It supports the men who have gone into athletics, and makes them feel that they are working for something. Everybody knows that just a small amount of cheering will spur a man on to give all that is in him, especially if he knows that the school is watching him. The rewarding of the prizes for the various meets, etc., held, are awarded at the meeting of the Association, and the men are given their just praise where it should be given.

This next year the Rooters Association of Armour is going to be carried out on a larger scale than it ever was before. One of the first steps to be taken is to decide upon a button which will be symbolical of the object of this Association, and then let the fellows know that they are supposed to wear it at all times, especially at the games and other events. These badges can be of small cost, and still do the work that they are intended for. It will soon be that a man will not appear at any school function without one of them on. If he did, it would mark him down as a fellow who did not have any interest in school affairs. So why not help, join the Rooters Association, attend all of the school functions, go into every athletic event that you are fitted for, and help boost our Alma Mater.

Just to show what a little enthusiasm will do, take the example of the Basketball Team. Until this year our team has not beaten Beloit in a game of basketball since 1911, but due to the activities of the Association there was a large attendance at the game with Beloit this year, and Armour won as she always should. It might be well to add here, that the cheering of the spectators played no small part in this victory. So, come on now, fellows, and when we come back next fall let's all join the Rooters Association, make up our minds not to miss a single meeting, a single game or school function.