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"DEEPEST TONED OF ALL"



ONCE upon a time a king ruled over a fair city. Only young people lived in this city and they loved their king with a deep reverence. After many years these people hung chimes in their tallest tower. The largest, deepest, fullest and most resonant bell was dedicated to their king and now it sounds the whole land through, telling the love these people bear this man.

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FOREWORD TO CHIMES EDITION.

Illinois is singing, singing with the thrill of "Loyalty," with the victorious cry of "Os-kee-wow-wow" and with the deep sentiment, the melting chords of "Hail to the Orange." What we shall remember most when the red spike of Library tower becomes a memory is Illinois singing, singing songs of the campus, at the evening meal, on the sorority lawn, or beside the fireplace. To fill the need for words and music of our favorites, the Illinois Union publishes the Illinois Sing Songs.

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"Don't send my boy to Harvard,"
A dying mother said;
Don't send my boy to Michigan,
I'd rather he were dead;
But send my boy to Illinois,
'Tis better than Cornell;
But rather than Chicago,
I'd see my boy in ———.

In the evening by the moonlight
You can hear those banjo's ringing;
In the evening by the moonlight
You can hear those darkies singing.

Os-kee-wow-wow, Illinois,
Our eyes are all on you;
Os-kee-wow-wow, Illinois,
Wave your Orange and your Blue.

Then cheer that good old Illini line,
Spur them on to victory;
Let's give them nine mev, cheer all the time,
We'll show our loyalty.
Then fight, fight, for its victory of die,
Keep that Orange and Blue waving high,
All you good Illini,
Cheer all the time,
Cheer that Illini line.

HAVE COURAGE ILLINOIS.

The time has come when we must fight, oh! Illinois!
A battle stern which tests our might, my Illinois!
We've always been true to the Orange and Blue,
There's none of us who'll ever prove untrue rah! rah!
Thy sons have kept your honor bright, oh! Illinois!
So fight now for victory,
And we swear that we're true, and we're loyal to you
So now in time of trial we'll see you thru.

CHORUS.

Have courage! have courage! have courage Illinois
Keep fighting! keep fighting! keep fighting Illinois
And some day we'll find those dark clouds rolling by,
But till that day let's vow to do or die
Be steady! stand ready! oh dear old Illinois
Be faithful staunch and true
Let's sing old Loyalty and "carry on."
Have courage! have courage! have courage Illinois!

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A TOAST TO THE ORANGE AND BLUE.

Health to the west with pride of halls and towers,
Wealth to the east, with pride of days gone by ;
Sweets to the sweet, and garlandry of flowers,
But brimming toast of friendship to old Illinois.

CHORUS:

Here's to the State that hath no peer of sisters,
Here's to our Alma Mater, ever true
Here's to the pride of toil and hope and future,
Here's to the Orange and Blue.

Crown of the State whose proudly tasselled prairies
Nurtured the best of all our nation's sons,
Fruit of the soil whose virtue never varies,
To thee our song of honor and friendship runs.

CHORUS:

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