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What Is a Republican?

I was elected a Republican; I'm still a Republican."

Councilman John E. King with these words explained the death blow he proposes to administer to the proposal of Ben H. Thompson, city council president, to further the cause of a fair municipal election by appointing an equal number of election inspectors in the 225 precincts from the two parties.

The voters are rather curious why being a Republican necessitates prevention of a fair election. One never reads an unfair election plank in the Republican platform.

Surely, no fair-minded citizen would object to allowing Democrats an equal show with Republicans in counting the ballots the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Thompson shed some light on the problem when he announced his move was designed to correct a rotten condition existing at present.

This rotten condition, William E. Clauer, Democratic city chairman, elucidates, is the quaint custom of stealing elections, of manipulating the ballots so that a certain candidate wins.

Certainly Councilman King has no desire to encourage practices of that nature. There is certainly opportunity and there should be the desire to change the position he announced today.

King's vote is the only one needed among the majority faction of council to adopt Thompson's move. Thompson, himself a Republican, broached the proposal. The three Democratic members, who are in the minority faction, naturally favor the innovation.

A few recent remarks of Thompson illuminate the municipal political situation, as viewed by the average voter.

"They say 'what's the difference whether I go to the polls or not; the gang gets what they want; it's so rotten and dirty I don't want to participate in it.'

Perhaps participation in municipal affairs would be more alluring under the city manager form of government.

Doughboy Still King

AT last somebody has said it: When there's a war on, it's the jolly old Maj. Gen. Charles P. Summerall, senior officer of the United States Army, was testifying before the President's special aircraft board.

In time of emergency, he said, neither the airplane nor any other mechanical device can take the place of the "dogged determination and the will to win" of the American infantryman.

"War is a merciless thing," he went on, "and knows only force. And its object will always be to destroy the enemy's army." Because man lives on land he must control the land and it takes land power—masses of fighting infantry—to accomplish that end.

Suppose we went to war with some great power overseas—and all the great powers are overseas, you know—how could we defeat it? First, we would have to clear the seas of their ships or war and gain supremacy in the air. But that would only be preliminary. Victory would be ours only after we had broken the enemy's manpower.

We might bombard their coasts until they looked like the battlefield of the Somme. We might subject the interior to intense aerial

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When and how did Gene Stratton Porter die and at what age? When was her first book published?

Gene Stratton Porter was killed in an automobile accident on Dec. 6, 1924. She was 54 years of age at the time. Her first book was published in 1902, but she had been actively engaged in magazine and newspaper work for some time.

How much gold is consumed each year in the industrial arts?

For the calendar year 1923 it is estimated at \$69,292,245, of which \$40,013,175, was new material.

Do all serpents lay eggs?

Many serpents lay eggs, but the most venomous ones and many of the common species are viviparous, that is, they bring forth their young alive.

What is meant by an epoch-making period in history?

By this is meant a period which marks a change of great importance from an older set of conditions to a better or different one; a period of great events which change the future course of history. The discovery of America marked an epoch of this kind; the American Revolution marked the rise of a new nation which was to become a great power on the earth; the Civil War

Tom Sims Says

When a man rests on his laurels he crushes them.

Is there any section of the United States where pneumonia is the most prevalent?

Statistics of deaths in the United States from pneumonia show a fairly even distribution of the disease in proportion to the population.

It is doubly hard to bear your cross when it is caused by some friend double crossing you.

Great oaks from little acorns grow, and their friends criticize them for not bearing other kinds of trees.

All the optimists are not dead.

Someone stole twelve electric fans in St. Louis in October.

If the man who stole a dozen electric fans in St. Louis is caught he will be sent to the cooler.

People who talk in their sleep should stay awake in church.

Movies are educational. In New Orleans, La., a little boy hit a policeman with a pie.

Wrist watches may come and go, but the ankle watch at the street corner goes on forever.

What is the meaning of the name Zona?

It probably comes from the Greek name Zenobia, Queen of Palmyra in 264 A. D., and means full of life or vivacity.

Who was Nathaniel Greene in American history?

He was the famous general of Revolutionary War fame, who led the Rhode Island troops to Boston in defense of the colonies in 1775.

What is the meaning of the names Harold and Delilah?

Harold means champion and Delilah means delicate.

SEEK TO LEARN IF MALE IS MORE EMOTIONAL SEX

By David Dietz
NEA Service Writer

THE old question of whether men or women are more intelligent is giving way to the question of whether men or women are more emotional.

The development of laboratory methods of measuring intelligence, enabled the psychologists to demonstrate that in general there is no difference between men, taken as a class, and women as a class.

The idea that women were more emotional than men has persisted. And now psychologists are turning their attention to this subject.

Dr. Donald A. Laird and Dr. Thomas McClumpha of the Psychological Laboratory of Colgate University, have undertaken a study of the alleged differences of emotion between sexes.

These two investigators conducted tests with 600 college men and 400 college women.

These tests revealed greater emotional instability among the women than among the men.

But despite the results of the tests, these two investigators are unwilling to believe the matter as settled and come forward themselves with valid objections to any general opinion based on their own tests.

FIRST of all, they call attention to the fact that their tests dealt entirely with college people and they raise the question

whether it might not be a fact that the women who are most likely to go to college are the ones who are the most emotional, or to use the investigators' language, possess the greatest emotional instability.

This is a fact that can be settled only by comparative tests between college and non-college women.

A second question raised by the investigators is whether an emotional difference between men and women may not be entirely the result of training and in no way an inherent difference. They call attention to the fact that almost from birth, the training of a girl differs from that given a boy.

AIRD and McClumpha have also set about investigating insane asylum figures as a means of comparing emotional stability which is so extreme as to result in insanity.

They find that in general the ratio of asylum inmates in comparison to population, is higher for men than women.

However, when allowance is made for men whose insanity can be traced directly to physical forces such as accident, shock or social diseases, the ratio becomes slightly higher for women.

This would tend to support the results of the tests with college students.

RIGHT HERE IN INDIANA

By GAYLORD NELSON

RUBBERNECK BUSES PLANNED

THE Indianapolis Street Railways Company has petitioned the city park board for permission to operate sightseeing buses over Indianapolis boulevards. The board is investigating the matter.

Whether the application is granted or not is proved that Indianapolis is growing up. It is deemed sufficiently important for the development of a local rubberneck industry.

Indianapolis has no Chinatown like New York, perpetual Congressional investigations like Washington, or sacred, gilded codfish atop its Statehouse like Boston, to beguile popeyed tourists and strain their neck ligaments. Still it has something to show sight-seers.

There are other points of interest besides the Monument and the downtown section which is all too many visitors see of the city. There is Riverside park, the sunken gardens in Garfield park, the homes of our great and near great, beautiful residential sections and charming drives.

Then there is Pleasant Run bubbling joyfully amid its tin cans—where typhoid germs sit on their haunches and bay at the moon. Also the Pleasant Run boulevard curled up snugly in the city engineer's office. The visitor should also see the Marion County courthouse, with its antique bond issue, the mayor and some of our other noble Roman ruins.

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