

SIDELIGHTS ON —THE— PASSING SHOW

FROM THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Dr. Perry, the Unitarian minister, was walking up Clinton street on high gear, having just finished a game of handball and a plunge in the swimming pool at the university gymnasium. He was evidently feeling fine and cool. "Man," said I, "don't you know it is 108 in the shade on Shrader's corner today?" He shifted to low gear in a hurry, and I could almost see the heat wave strike him. But he had not realized it before.

That is what a university professor would call a psychological reaction, I suppose. It set me to thinking. Do we really feel warmer when we talk about the heat, and cooler when we keep our minds away from it? Can we measure a rise in the temperature every time we complain about the state of the thermometer? If so, why not sing about Greenland's icy mountains for a change?

I met Paul Korab early yesterday morning. He was feeling at peace with himself, the world, and the results of the school election.

It was interesting to watch the ladies vote Wednesday. Nearly 700 of them turned out to the school election. It was the finest looking lot of first voters ever seen in Iowa City. No disrespect was shown the women around the polls, and all the proceedings were orderly and unexciting. The argument that in some way it would not be consistent with womanly dignity to vote with the men was badly disabled by the practical demonstration this week.

And the women had fewer spoiled ballots than the men.

A communication to The Citizen advocates the erection of plain and substantial buildings. Doubtless that is the idea of the school board. We can very well do without gingerbread ornamentation, but the buildings should be as nearly fireproof as possible, and built to last. I do not think we are in danger of spending much money for unnecessary decoration, because the modern taste runs to simplicity, particularly in school buildings.

One feature of the proposition that has not received much attention is the fact that the board of education originally planned to spend only \$200,000 and increased the amount because a large group of business men expressed the opinion that it would not be enough. But the fact that authority has been given to issue \$250,000 in bonds does not mean that the board will be required to spend that much. A member of the board assures me that they hope to secure all the buildings needed at this time for less than the sum available. The extra amount is regarded by them as merely a safeguard against emergencies.

Victor Lovejoy, who runs a column of comment in the Jefferson Bee, says the Citizen is mistaken in saying that the republican party is united this year, and proves it by giving the vote of Harding in the wet counties of the state in the last two elections. But Vic should remember that many democrats will vote for any republican rather than for a pronounced prohibitionist on their own ticket, and in both of these cases Mr. Harding was opposite a prohibition democrat who by some chance got on the ticket. The policy of a good many democratic voters is to discipline the party for playing for the prohibition vote, and in pursuance of that theory they will refuse to vote

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for Meredith this year. But that is not in itself a reason for dissension among republicans, who will certainly not refuse any assistance so kindly offered them.

Societies, Clubs and Social Life

P. E. O.

Meets Saturday

The P. E. O. will meet Saturday afternoon with Mrs. W. L. Bywater at her home on the West Side. Mrs. Ferson will assist Mrs. Bywater as hostess.

Friendship

Guild Picnic

The Friendship Guild of the Methodist church will picnic at the city park Monday evening.

Party for

Ray Canott

Wednesday evening a number of Ray Canott's friends gave a surprise party for him in honor of his sixteenth birthday at the Canott home.

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