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The bolsheviks, to use a racing term, took the pole from the Poles.

The sky is the limit for the contributions to the Democratic national campaign fund, but no kited checks will be received.

Seizure of several gallons of whiskey being transported at Seymour, Conn., in a hearse had no special significance perhaps, only it may have prevented a funeral for John Barleycorn.

The list of bad roads being issued occasionally by the state highway department is a valuable guide to motorists who are over-careful of their vehicles; but the motorists who wish to get to a certain destination are willing to take a chance at almost anything—once at least.

Gov. Roberts of Tennessee does not fear those pledged votes for suffrage in his legislature as Gov. Clement professes to fear them in Vermont, for Gov. Roberts will call his legislature together notwithstanding that enough votes are said to be pledged to ratify the woman's suffrage amendment to the national constitution.

If New England is assured of coal under a priority order there will be one serious obstacle removed from the pathway of progress during the coming fall and winter. Another serious handicap still exists in the shape of poor shipping facilities, due to cluttered situations or lack of freight cars, but that situation may be expected to be cleared up before long. With that latter problem solved there should be little to block a season of marked prosperity for this section of the country.

A statement in the Rutland News that "building operations are completely paralyzed throughout Vermont" does not apply to Barre, in which city there is quite a volume of construction work going on at the present time. Contracts started or nearing completion would probably aggregate over a hundred thousand dollars, at a conservative estimate. The building operations have been good for a year and promise to continue so for the remainder of the present at least.

The Hartness section of the Vermont press professes to see many straws showing a trend of public sentiment in favor of the Springfield man for governor. It is perhaps possible that Hartness is picking up some votes as the time for the primaries approaches, but it is certainly just as true that the other candidates are gaining supporters as the nearness of the primaries forces the voters to make a choice. The question is, which one is picking up votes the fastest. It would be our idea that Hartness was about third man in the process of gathering votes.

One of the many surprises of the census of Vermont, already revealed and to be revealed, is the announcement that Grand Isle county, which had been counted as among those likely to lose in population, was actually a gainer, having added 23 people to its population since the census ten years ago. The island county thus arrested the decline which set in remarkably strong from 1900 to 1910 when the population dropped off 701. Grand Isle is the smallest county in the state and is also one of the finest in some respects.

If any of that party of horseback vacationists now visiting Vermont are gifted with the bump of observation, together with the faculty for putting their impressions into words, they could present a very interesting description of the beauties of Vermont as seen from horseback. Cantering along at a comfortable gait, they are in a position to see many of the beauties which are denied to motorists, whose one object seems to be to cover as much ground as possible and who cannot, therefore, observe the wonderful natural attractions of the region through which they are traveling. A horseback vacation tour is somewhat old-fashioned but for that very reason is likely to come back into fashion to a considerable extent.

That Vermont's roads, even the main highways, are too curving to permit of fast driving or automobile safety, was shown by the collision between Richmond and Jonesville yesterday of a large machine, registered in the province of Quebec, and a small machine owned and driven by a Bolton man. The main highway between Barre and Burlington contains many sharp curves, some of them flanked by steep embankments, and there are comparatively few straight, open stretches of highway. To those unaccustomed to the windings of the road, fast driving is dangerous both to the strangers and to the other users of the highway. Per-



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haps the only way to acquaint the strangers with the dangers is to place large signs which cannot be overlooked. That action, supplemented with court treatment as cases arise, may serve to reduce a menace to the least possible degree. Vermont people desire to be courteous to their visitors but they expect the same treatment from their visitors.

THE AMERICAN OLYMPIC TEAM.

It goes without saying that the American athletic team, which leaves this afternoon for Belgium to participate in the 1920 Olympics at Antwerp, will be one of the leading contestants in the great international meet. The team has some of the best talent that can be gathered together from one end of the continent to the other; and some of them, in addition to having given remarkable performances in their own land, have taken part in other Olympic games, thus giving them the benefit of experience in international arenas. There is no disposition to be unduly boastful of the athletic manhood of the United States, but there is appreciation of the fact that the United States has not yet entered upon a stage of decline in athletics, which stage, so the students of history declare, marks the decline of national preeminence as well. The American athletic star is yet in the ascendancy. Therefore, it is expected that the United States will give a good account of herself in the international competition. The athletes depart for the foreign shore with the best wishes and a good measure of confidence of the American people. May each and everyone of them strive to the utmost even though the odds may seem to be against some of them. Doing that, there is a possibility that the banner of victory will come back to the United States. In any event their competitors will know that they have been in a real contest.

CURRENT COMMENT

A Candidate's Perfect Day.

While Senator Harding grumbles that life is just one conference after another, and Gov. Cox must brave a Washington midsummer, Gov. Coolidge continues to set a holiday pattern for statesmen.

He rises at 6—railroad or daylight time not stated—and mows a bit for breakfast appetite. Vermont fields are small and set edgewise, but as a real "dirt farmer" he tools a mowing machine. In the forenoon the busy movie men get around and he is filmed with his sons as pupils in the district school, Mrs. Coolidge again in teacher's chair. Liking the swing of an ax, he splits all the logs carefully saved for winter fireplace use. Father Coolidge being absent. Boys will be boys!

Along about 4 o'clock trout ought to be bitin', and the Coolidge boys go down to the creek and get a mess of 22 legal length. Gov. Coolidge is no fisherman. He can be silent when he has nothing to say without holding a split bamboo rod and blaming his reticence on the fish. After milkin' time neighbors may drop in, but before 9 all Plymouth, man and beast, is bedded down for the night. Sleep is certain. In helping his father get the summer work done, Gov. Coolidge enjoys himself and gets beautiful exercise. It is just the kind of vacation, barring the reports and movie men, that the governor of another great state, New York, has urged upon men of affairs. The advice is good, the example admirable.—New York World.

Fostering Industry.

Professional pike fishing in Lake Champlain may never loom large in the industrial activities of Vermont but it is a good example of what a little foresight eight years ago on the part of the state fish and game department has accomplished. Pike were hard to get until then when fry were placed in the lake at selected spots.

To-day, the professional fishermen are said to be averaging \$4 a day even in the off summer season and a large number are fishing daily about the reefs and in the deeper waters. The big pike harvest, of course, is in the winter when they are caught through the ice and the price is better.

Fishing in Lake Champlain is now declared to be profitable and an increasing number of people each year are making it their principal source of livelihood. With further encouragement, the industry can be made of still greater assistance in furnishing livelihood to the men who go down to the lake in ships. Fresh water fishermen in the Great Lakes are not only earning good money pleasantly for themselves but they are making a valuable contribution to the food supply of this country and Canada. A little vision of future possibilities in other industrial lines may "turn the trick" again.—Rutland Herald.

Coolidge Among Old Friends.

"Coolidge day" in Plymouth, Vermont, was a halcyon, and a victorious occasion. Some three thousand Vermonters took the trouble to go to the birthplace of the lieutenant governor that has been, the governor that is, and the vice-president that hopes to be. One sees the house, the "modest farmhouse" with its "little porch." Old farmhouses in which the greatness of the future was cradled were always modest. All porches whereupon one's old friends and neighbors congratulate the eminent, illustrious emigrant are necessarily small. They are so chosen. So they contrast with the spacious vistas and lordly arcades of political distinction. "Vermont is my birthright," said the governor, with entire felicity.

"Here," Mr. Coolidge said, with that fine poetry which is innate or imported among all virtuous Green mountaineers, "one gets close to nature in the mountains, in the brooks, the waters of which hurry to the sea; in the lakes, shining like silver in their green settings; fields tilled, not by machinery but by the brain and hand of man." One sees the charming country in one of the most delightful of July days. The old folks, the old friends, may not have known Mr. Coolidge too intimately in the past. Now he is famous, deservedly so, and they all like to put the good old honest Vermont hands, hard with the steering wheel, into his. "He was a steady boy," says his father, "not given to drinking and carousing like some folks." It is possible that even the unsteadfast of Vermonters are pretty fairly steady now, not drinking nor carousing to excess or by habit. But Governor Coolidge is the kind of character that is forcible and respected everywhere. Vermont raises a lot of people with the salient characteristics and mental and moral protuberances that are his.

A curious race to our assimilative and imitative New Yorkers, Vermonters have their own thoughts, live their own lives; on the whole, don't care a rap for the rest of us. It seems that they are in a golden, an Elysian youth of the world still. For Mr. Coolidge emits these purple joys: "My folks are happy and contented. They belong to themselves, live within their income and fear no man."

The old happy age of the world. Still by the wild vine surks the bee where Amaryllis lives in state, whether in Vermont or in Trinacria. Some of us may be happy enough to fear no man, contenting ourselves with merely fearing the right woman. Some of us may belong to ourselves. All of us ought to be happy and contented. The golden lads and lassies and all the people that are able to live within their income in these austere times must be a wonder and a joy. Few of us on this tightened and suffering island can appreciate the inimitable happiness of Governor Coolidge's Vermonters. They can live within their income. If Mr. Coolidge can communicate to the rest of us the secret of that art, he will be elected vice-president and president and everything else as good.—New York Times.

The Right of Inheritance.

The "governor gave but a brief speech" at Plymouth, Vt., the other day. It will be remembered that Lincoln gave but a brief speech at Gettysburg; but the world knows that little speech by heart to-day. Governor Coolidge's few remarks at Plymouth are likely to be remembered long. They went to the heart of a matter that all men and women feel. They brought up the country air, the country faith, the country sincerity, and all the things that go with the country inheritance. "It is a great heritage to be reared here in the hills of Vermont," said Governor Coolidge; "to be given the thrift, and understanding, and all that is noblest to mankind. The farmer—and especially the farmer on the New England hills—does every stroke of his work in the eye of nature and her promises. If he had not faith as well as thrift, he would not farm at all. In a sense, he has to be born to it in order to do it, or to do elsewhere the things that are founded upon it. The grit comes by inheritance. "And I am here, as you know," the

The Mighty Dollar! We hear it often said that a man's success in the world to-day is measured very largely by the amount of wealth that he may possess—but it is an accurate statement? We all know that few truly great men have been rich men, or at least, men who would be called rich to-day, and we even know of instances where great wealth has been a handicap to professional leadership, but in spite of all this, history supplies ample proof to the fact that all great men have recognized the importance of thrift as a vital force in their own lives and a contributing factor to success. Carnegie, Rockefeller, Sage, Field, and countless others, have been wise philanthropists because they knew from the school of experience the value of thrift. They drew inspiration from the virtues of thrift without being slaves to its vices; they paid respect without practicing idolatry. Save first and then spend wisely! An account in our Savings Department will help you.

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