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SEEK ETERNAL THINGS:—We look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. II Corinthians 4:18.
PRAYER:—Open thou our eyes, O Lord, that we may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

ANOTHER HOPE BLASTED

The boozy-woozys and their seconds talk about Canada as the land where 4.4 beer is satisfactory. They are so sure of it that they almost smell and taste it. They think it, cherish the thought and almost live it.

But here is disappointment and near despair. A congressional committee has just completed investigation of the Ontario government's booze plan and here is the report of the chairman Hon. Grant M. Hudson:

"We asked whether 4.4 beer had satisfied those who wanted a stronger alcoholic beverage than the old 2.5 beer. We were told that after a trial of it the people turned away from it."

"Our next question was whether the sale of 4.4 beer had decreased the sale of bootleg liquor. The universal reply was that it had increased rather than decreased it. Also we inquired whether the beer had weaned the drinker of hard liquor to the mild beverage, and we learned that it had not. In fact, virtually every person we interviewed declared the whole system most unsatisfactory."

What a jolt for the friends of the booze buzzing gentry and the other foes of prohibition who have been using Ontario's percentage of alcoholic content of booze as an argument in favor changing the Volstead act to include the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer with just enough alcohol content to make men and women drunk.

NEEDED, STRONGER LAW MAKERS

October Sunset, in an editorial approaches the problem of legislative dignity and supposed indignity of wholesale use of the governor's veto. We say "supposed indignity," without objecting to the word. There is surely a loss of effort by the legislature, in passing of several hundred bills, only to have them pocket vetoed. At best, it gives some vague prestige to the governor. Most of the people have little idea of what bills he killed. And it does but vague injury to the legislature. That body has 120 members, among whom any reproach for vicious or futile legislation is easily evaded or lost. A legislature, to use the old phrase, has neither body to burn nor soul to damn. The editorial in question is somewhat long. But it will be interesting to those who concern themselves with state government and law making.

The Sunset suggests that the cure for the veto problem is to have the legislature composed of fewer members, these to sit almost continuously. Thus, if they passed laws up to the governor, they would still be in session when he was forced by the lapse of time to veto them, and could still exercise the prerogative of passing over the veto.

"IS THAT SO?"

The best athletes live in cool climates." This assertion is made by Guillermo Hoxmark of the Buenos Aires weather bureau, following a study of records in the international Olympic games.

So he masses his statistics and gives Norway first place, Finland second place and the United States thirteenth hole. His method is to take the number of points won by any country along with the population and thence deduce the rank. He seems to find that the rank coincides with the thermometer.

He fails to consider the distance traveled. He makes no allowance for any peculiar conditions of times and methods of selection. Like most statistics his findings are somewhat debatable.

His principle seems to be that soft countries make soft men. This makes a good aphorism; but the question is, is it true?

He does not seem to appreciate the fact that the Greek athletes, who originated the Olympic games, had a genial climate. The young Greeks were as gods in physical perfection.

The Roman gladiators had few equals. Wild beasts were their prey. The Norsemen of that day were brought down for exhibition purposes and the Romans' play.

Then some one arises and says that the great books and works of art are produced north of a certain latitude. They worship degrees of latitude.

But again it has to be said that the classics came from the soft countries. And the first civilization sprang up under tropic skies.

There is an exodus of artists and authors and athletes at this golden hour from all over the world to the Pacific Coast. Big trees, big bodies and big brains seem to flourish better where the sun shines.

• The best athletes of the 1924 Olympic contenders

from America came from the Pacific Coast. Soft countries make soft men! "Is that so?"

AMERICAN HOMES STANDARD OF COMFORT

It has been said that the United States has no distinctive type of art, literature, architecture and other things which the old world claims as its own. We will not argue this question but we would like to point out a step in progress toward human comfort which is distinctly American, namely, the age of electrical conveniences.

What American would want to live in the average European dwelling or farm house? Even the hotels, except the more expensive ones, have few or none of the conveniences or luxuries which in this country are considered necessities in the smallest homes. While we may not have developed a distinctive national type of architecture in the United States, we have developed a standard of house comfort which will be referred to in history as the "electrical home" period.

KILLING THE FARMERS' FRIEND

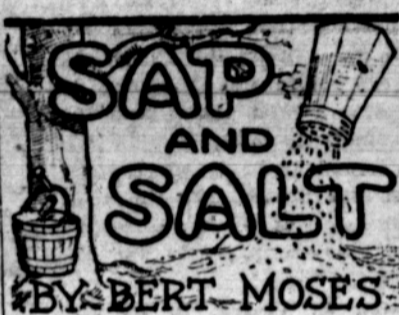
When an Iowa farmer complained that the pheasants were eating his corn, the game department killed two of the birds, examining their crops, and found 200 outworms—and no corn. Almost without exception, when the scientists investigate such cases they find the same result. The farmer owes his crop to the feathered police that keep down the bugs, insects and worms. With continuing slaughter of every form of bird life, the insect loss will be heavier and farm work harder. The nation could train an army of riflemen in a comparatively short time, but it couldn't in a century restore the bird armies that are the farmers' allies in raising food to feed the country.

Governor Pierce had a report on prison conditions at Salem prepared, according to report, and now is holding it back. If the report had been favorable to Pierce or his appointees, he no doubt, would not be holding it back.

A man claiming to own the Oregon capitol was placed in the insane hospital. A man who would even consider such an expensive investment should be adjudged insane.

Snoring is reported as an alibi in a Kentucky murder case. We have thought snoring was sometimes justification of murder.

Do you let the feet of peddlers wear down your door steps?



SAP AND SALT
BY BERT MOSES

You can't have a big country if little men run it.

The average man is about fifty per cent logical and fifty per cent zo-ological.

So long as you have it, "Society" doesn't bother about how you got it.

To know what life isn't is really more important than to know what life is.

Happiness depends a great deal upon its possessor being more or less ignorant.

Rats are wise, because they waste no time gnawing a hole bigger than is necessary for them to get through.

Hes Heck says: "All my observations goes to prove that the devil knows a lot more about human nature than the preachers."

HOOVER SAYS AID COMMERCIAL FLYING

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(U. P.)—Commercial aviation has a bright future in the United States, but it must be fostered by the United States government with the aids and with services such as the nation now provides to ocean navigation, Secretary of Commerce Hoover today told the aircraft investigation board.

Hoover outlined a plan which he said would develop commercial aviation, for national defense and other purposes at "an actual saving to the government." He recommended the establishment of an aviation bureau in the department of commerce, with an appropriation of \$400,000 annually, the farming out of the carriage of air mail to private air corporations, and the establishment of air ports in the important cities throughout the country.

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SUMMER ENDING WED. SHOWED QUEER STORMS

By S. P. HOLLINGSWORTH (United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—(U. P.)—Summer made its departure at 8:44 a. m., yesterday, according to the astronomers.

If the equinox has anything to do with weather phenomena, which the meteorologists doubt, there should be something very unusual in the way of a storm arranged to usher out this particular summer season, as it has provided almost every other kind of freak weather in the calendar.

Since the intense heat wave which preceded the coming of summer early in June, the three months since June 21, have been marked by the wierdest succession of weather occurrences in the annals of the weather bureau.

The United States has had during 1925 a complete change in the trend of temperatures and precipitation. Rainfall has been below normal for the year, while, with few exceptions, the temperature has been moderate. The past summer has averaged several degrees below normal though the winter months and early spring indicated warmer weather than usual.

Not only in this country but throughout the world this summer has played havoc with the calculations of weather prophets who take the average sensational record for their predictions.

A glance at the weather chart discloses among the many phenomena that haven't as yet been classified the following:



Are there some other birds butting in?

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The state of Texas has been burning up with drought in the eastern section while the west has the distinction of being soaked thoroughly.

The Rio Grande River is on the rampage from flood conditions started by rains in the southwest plains and mountains. The weather bureau closed its river station a few years ago at El Paso because the Rio Grande wasn't showing any signs of giving trouble year in and year out.

Thunder storms have been almost totally absent in sections of the country such as the south depending upon a supply to keep the crops from burning up. The result has been head and drought.

The north, east and west have been refreshed by periodical blasts coming down from the polar region in the form of "cool waves" and while an occasional cool spell in the summer is not regarded as unusual, the frequency and persistency of them this past summer has been one of the most abnormal developments in the weather.

Much of this condition throughout the United States has been due, it was said, to the failure of the hurricane season to materialize in the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean waters. Where there have been half a dozen hurricanes on record most previous years this summer, has been conspicuous by their absence.

Another unusual condition has been reported from the west in states like Nevada, virtually desert where abundant rainfall has come as a Godsend to the ranchmen.

Then there remains to be accounted for in some way the bad weather reported by the MacMillan expedition which made it necessary to call off the exploration program over the Arctic wastes. In some respects, the reports indicate, the Arctic summer this year was no better than winter. An explanation of this may help to solve some of the weather conditions this summer in the temperate zone.

With the arid regions of the west enjoying a rainy season, comes the report from India that the monsoon, the answer to a hundred thousand prayers for

rain is delivering a double supply this summer, and all India is joyful. Had the rainfall been slack, the East Indian farmers would have regarded it as a natural occurrence but this summer gave them the first real drenching for years.

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