

tory in the election lay in the vast body of discontented and resentful men and women, sore and angry after the years of depression. But the Governor has never stooped to play upon their passions or to inflame their animosity against the Hoover Administration. Imagine what would have been done by a man like WILLIAM J. BRYAN with such combustible material ready for him to fire! There would have been hot talk about a revolution, and hints that rioters would soon be laying their hands on the only remedies available to them. Nothing of this kind has come from Governor ROOSEVELT. He has dealt with unemployment as a difficult problem to be solved, not as an incitement to political vengeance. His great aim in all this business he has tersely defined as "work and security." The people have seen, in these ways, that there is nothing of the unscrupulous agitator in FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

He has carried a winning personality into his campaigning, but has not degraded his standards as a high-bred and educated man. He has preserved both his official and his individual dignity. With the tide visibly flowing in his favor, it has been easy for him to shun anything like the tricks of a political mountebank. If the end crowns the work in his case, the example which he has set ought to be full of instruction, as well as of warning, to politicians anxious to learn the secrets of their trade.

THE ROOSEVELT CAMPAIGN.

Whatever the result next Tuesday, the campaigning methods of Governor ROOSEVELT will long furnish an interesting study in American politics. Let it be said at once that he has shown himself to be a skillful politician. He has made no bad blunders whether in speech or in personal attitude. Two or three imprudent phrases have fallen from his lips which his political opponents, night and day on the watch for a slip by him, have pounced upon and sought to wrest to his hurt, but these things were trifles which have hardly counted. Some Presidential candidates have been made by their incessant travel and much speaking during a campaign; others have been broken by them. Governor ROOSEVELT emerges from this severe test with a reputation enhanced. No novice at the game of politics, his years of experience in previous Presidential elections, and in two electoral contests as Governor of New York, have taught him what to do and what to avoid. For both he must be credited with a high mark this year.

One motive for his frequent political journeys and appearances before great crowds has been tacit rather than expressed. It was to demonstrate to the people that he is a man of fine physical stamina and rude health. This was the best way of setting at rest the whispered gossip about the danger of having a semi-invalid in the White House if he were elected President. No strain upon him there could be greater than the one to which he has voluntarily subjected himself during the past few weeks, and which he came through with every evidence of abundant vigor and great reserves of bodily strength. Millions of people have had ocular proof that he is physically fit to take up the burdens of the Presidency.

More important is his intellectual approach to the big governmental questions now pressing upon the country for an answer. He has kept their discussion on a high level. Disclaiming any superhuman powers, he has set before the nation the ideals for the attainment of which he pledges himself to strive. His frankness has been transparent. In his first address to the discouraged farmers, he warned them that he had no infallible remedy for all their troubles. He merely indicated a few things that might be done to help them. Some of his promises of aid were clothed in vague or ambiguous language. More than once he has spoken of giving the farmers an equivalent of the "tariff benefit." But what benefit does a tariff of 42 cents a bushel on wheat confer upon the farmer, when wheat is selling at a price scarcely higher than the duty itself? Mr. ROOSEVELT has, in fact, taken both sides of the question of the protective tariff. Perhaps he felt that he could do nothing else in view of the divided state of opinion within his own party, and of the confusion at present in the public mind about the whole subject. On it his speeches have not indicated clear and strong and burning convictions. It may be said, however, that they have been nicely adjusted to the political situation and that he has exhibited the sagacity of a seasoned politician.

Of his poise and restraint throughout the campaign little but praise can be said. He must have been as fully aware as the next man that his chance of vic-