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The Welch Grape Juice Company,
Westfield, New York



THE BUSINESS "BOOM"

An editorial which appeared in the New York Herald of February 13, created much comment in Washington. On request of Senator Simmons of North Carolina it was read before the senate and again read in the house by Representative Hardwick of Georgia. It was in part as follows:

"In this country, in spite of croakers, the upward movement of American securities continues steadily. This steadiness is a most encouraging feature. The improvement in Wall street is no mere flash in the pan. On the contrary, it is continuous, irresistible and general. It is based on the increasing prosperity of our business conditions all around, to which the Herald has repeatedly called attention.

"A few disappointed speculators and disgruntled politicians have shown a disposition to cavil at the Herald's optimistic reports, and, as might be expected, the bears remain as active as ever, and, like wolves in a hard winter, are more than usually enterprising in their campaigns.

"But the public refuses to be intimidated by either bear raiders or

political croakers, and improvement in every department of American business activity continues unabated.

"Workshops all over the country are returning to full time conditions. The latest monthly report of the United States Steel corporation shows that the unfilled orders on the books at the end of January amounted to 4,614,000 tons, an increase of 332,000 tons as compared with the unfilled orders on the books at the beginning of the year. Indications that such satisfactory conditions are improving still further is contained in the fact that while the daily average of orders booked in January amounted to 40,000 tons the daily average since the beginning of February has increased to 50,000 tons.

"Big manufacturing concerns are assured of working to the full extent of their capacity for two and in some cases four months. The railways, the country's business barometer, also show that a great development of traffic is at hand by the extensive measures they are taking to increase their supply of rolling stock.

"Another detail of great significance is the enormous trade balance

in favor of this country that is disclosed in the official report just issued for the six months ending December 31. It shows an increase as compared with the same period of 1912 of \$38,401,934, or a little more than 10 per cent. It is noteworthy also that this increase is not due to greater export of foodstuffs, but to greater exports of manufactured articles. This indicates not only great industrial activity at home but also the steady development of American market abroad.

"Still another indication of the business prosperity now existing in this country is the general advance of American securities. Since the beginning of the year this movement has been gaining strength, and almost without exception securities today stand from 5 to 7 points higher than at the end of December. * * *

"Improvement, in fact, reveals itself in every branch of industry and commerce, and the boom is only just beginning."

WILSON, THE TIE THAT BINDS

President Wilson stated specifically the confidence and affectionate admiration that he and others of the administration feel for Mr. Bryan. It was a gracious tribute. It was particularly a happy tribute because its words have been so abundantly anticipated by the acts and the "atmosphere" of this administration.

And what the president says of the secretary of state the entire country will immediately apply to practically all of the group who, with Mr. Wilson, are giving such a notably efficient and harmonious administration.

These two adjectives go together and explain one another. The country is getting the benefit of efficiency that comes from harmony of purpose and of performance.

Mr. Bryan will certainly not deem it ungracious that comment on the president's deserved tribute to him should be turned to comment also on the remarkable personality which from the White House must exert the influence of harmony, must furnish the incentive to united efficiency.

The "togetherness" of this administration has been its dominant characteristic. And only a dominating personality which (at the same time that it dominates) does inspire personal liking and personal trust can achieve such a result. The fine service the nation has received in the past year has been most distinctively an administrative service. For, aside from the definitely administrative acts that have served it, the leadership of legislation has had administrative source and direction. Even jealous legislative spokesmen, even the heads of opposition groups have acknowledged by deed and often by words the tactful, masterful leadership of the executive.

Surely, in union there is strength. One can use the president's felicitous expressions and say of his whole official family that it seems to be bound together by ties of confidence and affectionate admiration. And that feeling that binds it into such an effective instrument of service is more and more inspiring a like feeling for it among all the people of the United States.—Kansas City Star.

HOW FREE WOOL LOOKS NOW

New York Evening Post, Ind.: Ex-Congressman Hill of Connecticut was one of the leading prophets of disaster under the Underwood tariff. The dispatches informed us, however, a few days ago that his own mills are now busier than they have been in a long time. Probably Mr. Hill has no personal objection to prosperity thus alighting upon his own head, despite the fact that it falsifies his predictions. But even more notable is the news from Phila-

delphia and elsewhere that woolen manufacturers are having something like a boom. They were in the most doleful of anticipatory dumps when the tariff bill was pending, but now seem to be discovering that their fears, in so far as they were not feigned, were groundless. They even talk bravely about not only holding the domestic market, but selling manufactures of wool abroad! Free wool with lowered duties on finished goods was a monster of frightful mein a year ago, but soon we may see even the American Woolen Co. embracing it.

THE MONEY MARKET

"Two months ago," one of Iowa's most successful manufacturers said yesterday, "I was losing sleep wondering where I was going to get money enough to meet my bills and my \$11,000 weekly pay roll.

"Now hardly a day passes but some banker calls me to the phone to offer all the money I want at 4 1-2 per cent." A local banker last week was asked to take Minneapolis warehouse receipts at 3.75. He took them at four. Chicago brokers are offering only 4 per cent for the best paper.

The Iowa manufacturer, who has made a close study of it, attributes the changed situation to the currency bill. "It has," he said, "literally freed business by opening up the channels of money. It is one of the greatest boons that ever blessed the country."

Cheap money means enlarged industry, increased activities in every line, prosperity generally.—Dubuque (Ia.) Telegraph-Herald.

The man who can control his appetites is the master of human destinies.

NOT A MIRACLE Just Plain Cause and Effect.

There are some quite remarkable things happening every day, which seem almost miraculous.

Some persons would not believe that a man could suffer from coffee drinking so severely as to cause spells of unconsciousness. And to find relief in changing from coffee to Postum is well worth recording.

"I used to be a great coffee drinker, so much so that it was killing me by inches. My heart became so weak I would fall and lie unconscious for an hour at a time.

"My friends, and even the doctor, told me it was drinking coffee that caused the trouble. I would not believe it, and still drank coffee until I could not leave my room.

"Then my doctor, who drinks Postum himself, persuaded me to stop coffee and try Postum. After much hesitation I concluded to try it. That was eight months ago. Since then I have had but few of those spells, none for more than four months.

"I feel better, sleep better and am better every way. I now drink nothing but Postum and touch no coffee, and as I am seven years of age all my friends think the improvement quite remarkable."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Write for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Postum now comes in two forms: Regular Postum—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c packages.

Instant Postum—is a soluble powder. A teaspoonful dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 30c and 50c tins.

The cost per cup of both kinds is about the same.

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