

BUSINESS IS SAFE

Little Prospect of Discontinuance of Present Prosperity.

Chicago Tribune Takes Issue With Republican Spellbinders—Also Admits That Illinois is an Extremely Doubtful State.

The Chicago Tribune, stalwart Republican, prints a story by Eugene Hector, financial editor, which says "Wars' End Will Not End Trade Boom." This is in direct contradiction to the Republican spellbinders, including Hughes, Fairbanks, Beveridge and the rest of them. The financial story has created a sensation in political circles, following, as it did, an article by the political editor of the Tribune announcing that Illinois is a very doubtful state.

The Hector article says: "It is now the general belief that following the end of the war there will be for a period of one or two years a continuation of the present activity which it has brought about. In support of this view it is noted that men conspicuous in the economic affairs of the countries at war give public utterance to the forecast that, the war over, their countries will seek raw materials to replace those destroyed. These expressions are found in discussions of the demands that will be made on the United States for such raw materials. While there may be a large variety, the conspicuous articles needed will be copper, cotton, leather and certain steel products.

"This current view of after the war is the opposite of that held out one year ago and is lending stability to business sentiment. But after two years and two months manufacturing conditions, wages and earnings have been adjusted, and, at the same time, predicted earnings have become accomplished facts. In the matter of profits they have been realized and are in the treasuries of the companies. Ending of the war could not take from this country such profits, which already have been in part distributed."

After giving the figures showing the enormous growth of the exports of this country, the Tribune adds: "In addition the volume of gold which has come to this country has reached roundly \$1,000,000,000. About one-third of the free gold in the world is now lodged in the United States. The domestic business of the United States has shown a reversal as reflected in the earnings of the railroads. These are now making new high records. The era of a few years ago, when the railroads found it necessary to sell short-term notes at high rates to meet their needs, has passed."

Free Wool Proves a Boon.

In spite of the Republican predictions that Democratic rule would ruin the sheep raisers of the West, the textile exports of the United States in 1915 increased \$41,000,000, or 68 per cent over those of 1913, and in 1916 they showed a further gain of \$70,000,000 or 70 per cent. Under Republican tariff laws, in spite of the heavy tax on wool, there was no exportation of woolen goods manufactured in the United States except a little wearing apparel and woolen rags.

The farm producer and the general consumer as well as the textile worker and the manufacturer, have profited by the development of the manufacturing industry that has resulted through the importation of free wool under the Underwood tariff law enacted by the Wilson administration. The enormous increases that have resulted from the beneficial legislation conceived and carried out by the Wilson administration are without equal in American history.

How to See Wilson in "Movies."

"The President and His Cabinet—the U. S. Government at Work," a motion picture history of the Wilson administration, is in such demand by managers of "movie" houses that 50 prints of the pictures have been ordered from Chicago by the Moving Picture Forum.

"We cannot supply the demand," said Sam Spedon, who brought the pictures to Chicago. "The exhibitors tell me that the pictures of Wilson get the applause when they are shown in the weeklies, and as they are always quick to sense the wants of their patrons they are grabbing at these new films."

"The picture is of great historic value and shows President Wilson and his cabinet and the heads of the various bureaus and what they have done."

Would Put Cannonism Back.

The victory of the Republicans would mean the return to power of the Cannon despotism in the house. It has existed so far as the minority's government of its own affairs is concerned, through these years of enlightenment. Leader Mann still chooses all minority committee members, just as Cannon did for the majority in the heyday of his power.

Enormous Profits for Farmer.

The price of American farm crops and live stock products in 1915 reached the enormous total of \$10,500,000,000, a gain of \$1,200,000,000 since 1912. This result was achieved in the face of the fact that the war in Europe cut off the foreign market for 30 per cent of the exportable surplus of our cotton crop, reduced the price from 12.5 cents per pound in 1913 to 7.3 in 1914 to 12.2 in 1915, and also caused a heavy shrinkage in the 1915 acreage, amounting to \$300,000,000.

ARE STRONG FOR WILSON

Nebraska Leaders of Progressives Announce Their Intention of Supporting the President.

Judge Arthur G. Wray of York, Neb., who organized the Progressive party in that state and acted as chairman of its two state conventions, besides being a delegate to the national convention in Chicago, at which he served as a member of the resolutions committee, has come out for Wilson in an interview which he declared was inspired by hearing the president's speech at Omaha.

"From a Progressive standpoint," said Judge Wray, "the passage of the eight-hour law is right in line with our 1916 platform. President Wilson has nearly carried out the Progressive platform, not only as to the eight-hour day, but also the planks on child labor, taking the tariff out of politics, and other matters.

"I never had seen President Wilson till he spoke at Omaha. I am now more favorably impressed with him than ever. A large number of our leading Progressives in Nebraska are for him, and there is good reason why they should be.

"I have a high regard for Judge Hughes as a man, but he appears to have no constructive program, and his insistence on repealing the present tariff law and going back to the old-fashioned high tariff dictated by men like Smoot, Penrose and Crane, does not appeal to the Progressives. His apparent opposition to the income tax and the inheritance tax likewise are unsatisfactory to them."

Among other Progressive leaders in Nebraska who have come out for Wilson are these: G. O. Stanmeter, secretary of the Bull Moose state committee in 1912; W. G. Broatch, three times mayor of Omaha, a lifelong Republican till 1912 and Bull Moose nominee for state treasurer in 1914; J. C. Hapham and Will S. Jay, Progressive nominees two years ago for state railway commissioner and secretary of state respectively.

The Mark Hanna Crowd.

President Wilson performed a public service the other day when he pointed out that what the Republican managers really want is a return of the "good old days of Mark Hanna," when the trust which didn't see what it wanted asked for it, and got it on a golden platter. In spite of all the pussy-footing at one end of the Republican lineup and drum-beating at the other, a glance at the general staff directing operations tells the story. Cannon, Penrose, Reed Smoot, Murray Crane and the Microscopic Mann—the triumph of these men means government of the people, by the politicians, for the special interests.

"The people of the United States have frequently been fooled," said Mr. Wilson, "but they have not often been fooled several times in the same way." It is not likely that they will vote for a return of the methods and conditions which they found intolerable and repudiated in the middle of the Taft administration six years ago.

Commends President Wilson.

The Peoria Journal says: "The Topeka Capital is an 'old line' Republican newspaper. Its editor, Arthur Capper, was elected governor of Kansas as a Republican and is a candidate for re-election. But the Capital repudiates the attempts of Hughes and Roosevelt to make a political issue out of the passage of the eight-hour law and the stopping of the threatened strike. In a long editorial the Capital not only shows the necessity for legislative action, but concedes the justice of the eight-hour measure. It recognizes the stupendous calamity which would have resulted without such action as was taken by the president and congress."

Wisconsin Progressives for Wilson.

Governor Charles G. Brough of Arkansas, who has been on a speaking tour of Wisconsin, while at western Democratic headquarters in Chicago said:

"Developments of the campaign in Wisconsin are highly encouraging to the Democrats. The 'skin-'em-alive' speech of Roosevelt at Battle Creek is having its logical effect, and the sensible element of the German population is turning from Hughes to Wilson with quiet determination. The Progressives of all parties are supporting Wilson for president."

Would Find Truth Better Part.

The Wilson administration has done more for foreign commerce than all the Republican administrations since the Civil war put together. When Mr. Hughes threw overboard his fairness and his judicial truthfulness, he parted company with something which he sadly needs to keep from making a "holy show" of himself. To tell candidly whoppers without emulating the melodious ass requires a degree of practice which he has had no time to acquire. Cramping and confining as the truth would necessarily be, Mr. Hughes had better return to it.

Hughes No Friend of Labor.

Eight hours on the railroads today mean eight hours in the steel mills tomorrow. That is the heart and center of the Tory attack on President Wilson. Mr. Hughes may not know it, but when he raves about "coercion" and denounces the Adamson law as a "wage measure," he is merely uttering the words which the steel trust puts into his mouth, and making himself the defender of the 12-hour day, the seven-day week and the 18-hour shift in the trust works at Gary.

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Cost of Art Treasures.

If a man in these days has only \$1,000,000 he cannot expect to own a gallery of masterpieces. At the prices they are bringing nowadays three or four pictures would use up his fortune. A Franz Hals is reported to have sold lately for \$500,000, and Rembrandt's portrait of a Dutch merchant has been bought by an American multimillionaire for \$250,000.

Indians as Slaves.

That a large number of Indians were once held in slavery at a settlement on Gray's harbor, Puget sound, a fact not generally known, is recalled by the death there of Schickulash Pete, former slave and another of the multitudinous "oldest residents of the Northwest," having lived 110 years, more or less.

An Indian Word.

Probably no Indian word has attained a greater connotation of polite distinction than Tuxedo, derived from Ptakuseetough, "the place of the bears," and conjuring, as it does, visions of collar advertisements, dinner-jacketed young men playing billiards and gaily clothed outdoor blades betting on blooded horses.

Small Staying Power.

The household encouraged the little servant girl to go to the pictures. They felt that her life needed brightening. She went, and they asked her afterwards whether she had enjoyed herself. "Yes," she said rather dubiously, "but I can't stick them long. I only stayed two hours."—Exchange.

Harboring Pain.

A Japanese proverb says: "When you take poison, don't lick the plate." How much happier a place the world would be if that advice were taken! The principal reason the lower animals suffer less than man is that they do not think about their sufferings.—Harper's Weekly.

His Future.

"When I was your age I worked fourteen hours a day," said the worried father. "Well, what of it?" replied the young man who squanders. "Nothing much. Only when you get to be my age that is probably what you will have to do."

What Rust Is.

Nothing can rust unless it has iron in it. Rust is made by iron touching moist air. The oxygen in the moist air acts on the iron and forms what we call "oxide of iron," or rust, which crumbles away and spoils the iron.

For a Sore Throat.

A cleansing gargle for the throat when suffering from tonsillitis or an attack of quinsy can be prepared from bicarbonate of soda. Dissolve a heaping teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda in a coffee cup of boiling water and add to this two drops of the essence of peppermint. Use the gargle while it is quite hot—not enough to burn the throat. Repeat the treatment every four hours. Do not go out of doors after using a gargle, as there is danger of aggravating the condition in the throat.

Get Salt From the Ocean.

Guam has no salt deposits unless the great Pacific ocean which surrounds it can be called such. All the salt consumed in the island is evaporated from sea water in kettles in the age-old fashion employed by the natives of all sea-coast countries and islands. When a "boiling" is in progress the natives take occasion to produce a quantity of sugar as well as salt, the sugar being derived from evaporating the sap from the coconut tree.

A Remarkable Lottery.

Perhaps the most remarkable lottery was that in France in 1660, when the conclusion of peace and the marriage of Louis XIV were celebrated. It was drawn publicly and under the inspection of the police, and the first prize 100,000 livres, was won by the king himself. He would not accept it, however, and it was left over to the next lottery in which he had no ticket.

What He Would Do.

"What would you do, Jimson," asked Professor Brainfar, "if you saw a man fall dead in the street without apparent reason?" "I really wouldn't know what to do, sir," answered the young student. "I think I should just let him lie there. It would certainly be wrong of an man to drop dead in the street without first giving his reasons for doing so."

Look Trouble in the Face.

It is well to learn to look physical trouble in the face; to cheerfully order one's life for better living, without making too much fuss about it; to take care of one's health as a simple obligation to one's self, to one's family and to the community; but not to regard every ache and pain as a national calamity.

The Boyish Woman.

I think it is the boyish woman, curt and kind and impersonal, who gains the confidence of other women.—"Staking a Larkspur," by Anne Douglas Sedgwick in Century Magazine.

Little John Had It Right.

The twelve-year-old twins learned a lesson in gift making when they poked fun at their five-year-old brother. Little John was, with great ceremony, presenting his mother with a tiny gift which he himself had purchased. The twins laughed, but John quieted them when he said: "Well, mamma knows it isn't the much, but the feeling that counts."

Love Flies From Demand.

So far from there being anything divine in the low and proprietary "Do you love me?" it is only when you leave and lose me, by casting yourself on a sentiment that is higher than both of us, that I draw near, and find myself at your side; and I am repelled, if you fix your eye upon me, and demand love.—Emerson.

Close to the Truth.

A friend came to visit us one evening and became much attached to my little niece, who is three years old. She was asked: "How would you like to visit me some time, dear? I live in a big boarding house." The child replied quickly: "Oh, I know what that is. You sit alone in one room and eat in the basement."—Exchange.

Would Repair the Damage.

One day a small boy living next door carried a quantity of soft mud upon our back walk and was busily engaged in making mud pies. I suggested to him that he play some place else, as I did not like mud on my walk. He replied, gallantly: "Well, I'll broom it."—Chicago Tribune.

Daily Thought.

Let not things future trouble thee. For if necessity so require that they come to pass thou shalt (whenever that is) be provided for them with the same reason, by which whatsoever is now present is made both tolerable and acceptable with thee.—Marcus Aurelius.

Brier is Really Heath.

Brier pipes are not made from the wild rose brier. The name is a corruption of the French word Bruyere (heath). The earliest brier pipes were introduced into England in 1859 and were made from the roots of the French white heath (Erica arborea).

Why Teachers Go Insane.

"There were no Christians among the early Gauls," was one answer received in a recent grammar school history examination, "they were mostly lawyers." Said another: "A blizzard is the inside of a hen."

Breathe Well and Keep Well.

To breathe well helps to keep well. To live longer and better make it a habit to take some breathing exercise each day. Are you aware that ordinarily you use only one-tenth of your lung space? Is it any wonder that diseases of the respiratory tract are contracted so easily?

Easy Way to Use Liniments.

Put the liniment in an atomizer, such as is used for perfumes, and when needed to use just squirt the liniment on the affected parts and rub with the tip ends of the fingers. I have tried this for some time and find it not only very convenient, but it is a great saving of the liquid.

Ready for Him.

George (nervously)—"Madge, dear, I am about to ask you to—" Madge (breaking in)—"Wait just a minute while I fix my hair." (She runs out of the room, and returns holding a dictagraph behind her.) "Speak loudly, dear, I've got a cold."—Siren.

Worth Knowing.

To remove rust from steel rub the rusted part well with sweet oil and allow it to stand for 48 hours. Then rub with a piece of soft leather and sprinkle with finely powdered unslaked lime until the rust disappears.

Their Reasons.

When a man is jealous of a woman it is because he loves her. When a woman is jealous of a man it is because her monopoly of him is threatened.

The Suicide Age.

According to an Italian scientist who has classified 4,000 cases of self-destruction, more suicides occur between the ages of fifteen and twenty-six than at any other period in life.

Can't Ex Dens.

"It's me" is an "idiom," says a Harvard professor, and is allowable. It is allowable largely for the reason that we haven't standing army enough to suppress it.—Houston Post.

He Probably Would.

"I am looking," remarked Diogenes, "for an honest man." "And what will you do when you find him?" "I dunno. I'll probably have to lend him money."

Daily Thought.

Our grand business is, not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.—Caryle.