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Box 46 - Welch



Photos of Grape Processing and Welch Plant



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A typical grape delivery wagon, period of 1910-1918, 902.54

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Setting Carboys in 1915 at Welch's second Stratfield plant 902.28

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A Welch fleet of 1909 proudly advertises the fact that the company was then producing 1 million gallons of grape juice, compared with 50 thousand gallons in 1897, the first year in Stratfield. Today Welch processes 50 million gallons of juice a year. 902.24

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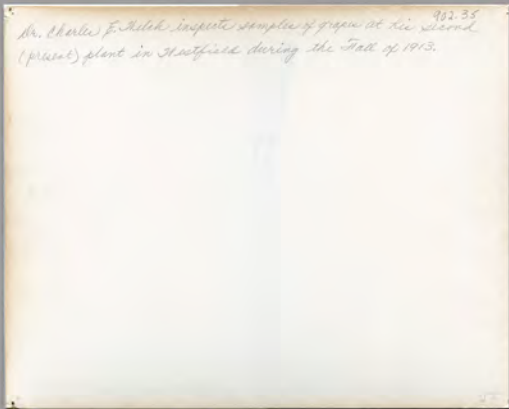
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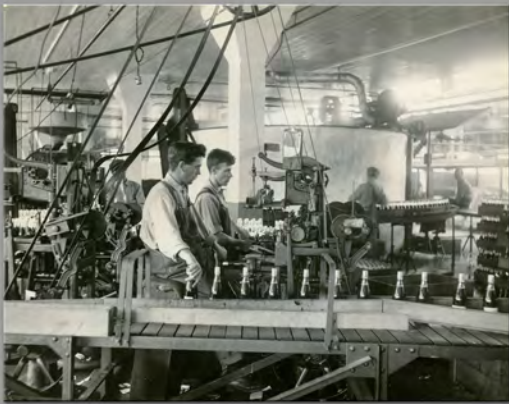
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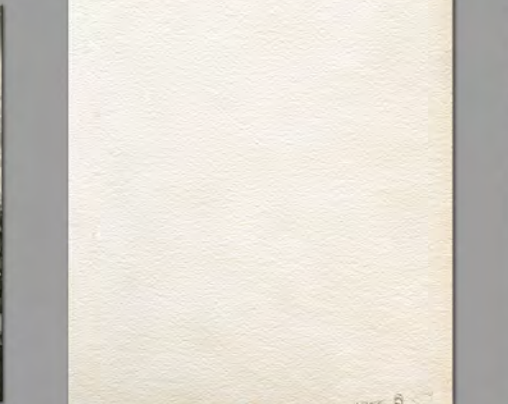
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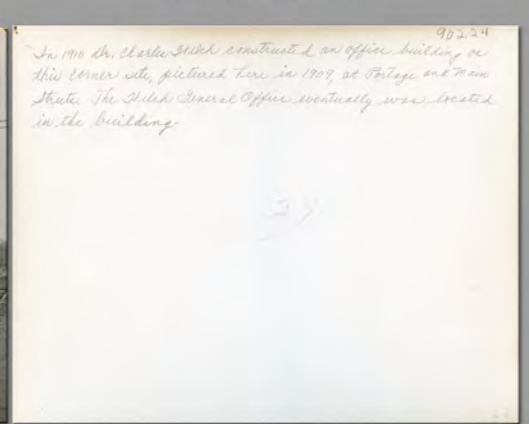
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Stehle's first Steinfeld plant nears completion in September of 1897. By October 22, 1897, the Stehle Company was pruning grapes at the plant. Equipment had to be installed before the roof was finished in order to meet the harvest date.
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Five-gallon barrels being filled and sealed in the Fall of 1906. Man in the foreground is putting cork in barrels.

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William Jennings Bryan, right, prominent Washington speaker, political orator, and former Secretary of State during one of his frequent meetings with Dr. Charles F. Stehle. The meeting was in October of 1919. Bryan triggered an enormous flow of publicity for Stehle by serving grape juice at state dinners in Washington instead of the customary wine.
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The Stehle Grape Juice Company of 1907. Best Steinfeld plant in the foreground and second plant in the background. Dr. Stehle is seen at the corner of the first plant.

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Bottles being worked at Stehle's second Steinfeld plant in 1914.

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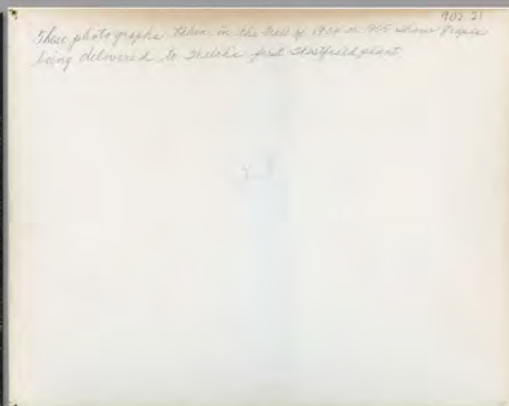
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The bottling line at Stehle's second Steinfeld plant in 1914.

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