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RAY-MALING PACK ONE OF GREATEST

12 1/2 Per Cent of Stock of Two
States Packed Here

MORE ACREAGE IS NEEDED

**New Warehouse and Two Nine-
Hour Shifts Planned by
Cannery Officials**

The Ray-Maling Cannery packs 12 1/2 per cent of the total pack of Oregon and Washington, according to information gathered by Bert Maling, manager of the local cannery. The pack of Oregon and Washington in 1925 was approximately double that of 1920, whereas the Ray-Maling pack was more than ten times greater than that of 1920. There are 58 plants in the two states.

Payroll \$250,000

The value of this pack of the local business institution is in excess of \$1,250,000 for the year, declared Mr. Maling. The payroll is over \$250,000. The raw products supply cost in excess of \$550,000, and less than \$130,000 went to local growers, while the balance went to Salem, Hubbard, Oregon City, McMinnville, Tillamook, Yakima, Hood River and other Northwest berry and fruit centers.

"Every pound of our raw product could be grown within seven miles of the plant satisfactorily and successfully," stated Manager Maling. "We could easily handle twice the amount of the raw product but the penalties are too stiff. It cost us \$65,000 to bring in the raw products last year."

He went on to explain how the cannery served as a selling agent for the local grower and the laborer.

Keeps Money Here

A quarter of a million is spent in the east for sugar and cans while more than \$1,000,000 remains in the Northwest, explained Mr. Maling. He explained this to show how the canning industry was doing its share to keep the money in the West, rather than for it to go back to the money centers of the East. The cannery manager said that the most of this one million dollars should stay right within a radius of seven miles of Hillsboro and that it could be done if more acreage could be secured to fill the needs. Mr. Maling said that pears can be grown as successfully here as at Yakima or Medford.

Two men are going out in the field next Monday to try and sign up 2710 acres for long term contracts so that the needs may be filled at home.

Maling Goes East

Mr. Maling leaves Monday for his annual Eastern selling trip. He goes to Seattle Monday to attend the meeting of the Northwest Cannery Association and will then go to San Diego and from there on east.

Arthur Reiling of the cannery

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Cut and Sales of G. H. P. Increased

Mill Operates Steadily and Employs Large Force of Men During Year

Notwithstanding that this has been a hard year for the lumber industry of this city, has manufactured and shipped nine million feet of lumber production. This year's cut and sales have exceeded any prior year in the mill's history and the sale of high priced "uppers," better known as "clears," has eclipsed, perhaps, for the year, any year of sales in the past. While there has been no big money in the lumber business, the mill has operated steadily and employed its usual number of men, employing from thirty-three to forty-five continuously. This has been one mill that has not reduced the price of labor, paying more than the general run of mills in this section, thus giving the mill employees more money.

While the big slump in lumber has been the agency of bankrupting many of the smaller mills, and work of great hardship on many of the larger concerns, the G. H. P. Lumber company has gone along in the even tenor of its way, made some profit, and held its rail customers of years' standing.

The operation of the mill through the trying times has been a matter of much benefit to the many men employed, the majority of whom own their own homes in Hillsboro.

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Berry and Fruit Growers to Meet

Problems Connected With the Culture of Small Fruit Will be Discussed

A meeting to discuss berry growing and problems connected with small fruit culture will be held at Cornelius city hall January 5 at 1:15 p. m. C. L. Long, horticultural specialist of O. A. C., will be the principal speaker.

At 10:00 a. m. of the same day a pruning demonstration will be held in the Charles LaFollette peach orchard at Cornelius.

On January 6 similar meetings will be held at Rex Community hall.

Business Houses Co-operate

The co-operation given the retail trade committee in the matter of window decorations and lighting effects has been greatly appreciated by this chamber of commerce committee. Hillsboro looked better during this holiday season than ever before.

Submit Name for Director

The name of L. C. Steele of Metzger has been submitted for a member of the board of directors for the proposed Tigard union high school. The election will take place January 9.

E. O. Lengacher of Portland was a Hillsboro visitor Monday.

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Happy New Year

1925 DECLARED GOOD BY LOCAL BUSINESS

**Christmas Trade Is Best Ever
Say the Merchants**

DAIRYMEN FARE BETTER

**Commercial Institutions Here
Are Looking for a Big
Year in Business**

The Christmas trade in Hillsboro was way beyond expectations and the year 1925 has been a banner one in business. This and many other statements from local business men when a representative of the Argus called on them Monday indicate better things for Hillsboro in the future.

"The Christmas trade was bigger than ever before and 1925 is the best year we have had since coming to Hillsboro," declared R. W. Weil of the Weil's Department store. Their plans call for bigger things in 1926.

"Our business is way ahead of last year and our Christmas trade was beyond our expectations," said John Golecki, manager of the local Skaggs store. "We did \$900 more business during Christmas week this year than last year and since I came here a few months ago the business has increased \$300 per week. We are going to continue to run our advertising in the Argus and beginning the first of the year we are going to run a canned goods sale at wholesale prices. Watch the Argus for the ads."

"Better Christmas than ever," answered Ed Jones, Miller Mercantile company manager. He said that 1925 was good and expressed enthusiasm over what is coming up for next year.

"We are going into 1926 with our stock below the average and this is a mighty good sign for the coming year," declared Harry Hill, district manager of the Carnation Products company. "The year 1925 was much better than last year and the prices have been better for the dairymen."

"The prices in the lumber market have not been so good," replied G. Garthoffner, president of the G. H. P. Lumber company. "Yes, we are hoping for and expect it will be better in 1926."

C. B. Buchanan of the Buchanan Grain and Feed company said that he was no prophet but couldn't see anything that wouldn't indicate a good year. The year 1925 saw an increase for them.

The Ray-Maling Co., Inc., pack was doubled in 1925 over that of 1924. Bert Maling, manager, said that plans were being laid to avoid increase in expenses but that two nine-hour shifts would be run in the cannery during 1926. They also plan to build a new warehouse 90 by 192 feet.

The new Venetian theatre is becoming very popular and is enjoying a good patronage from the local com-

Fractured Arm Is Carried Two Days

Eva Duren, the little two-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Duren of Cherry Grove, suffered a fractured arm while playing Christmas Day and two days went by before the condition was noticed. The mother examined it but could find nothing wrong. She was playing about the next day and in striking the arm it became deformed. Dr. Hyde reduced the fracture.

TRIAL ON LARCENY CHARGE INTERESTS

**Assess Liquor Law Violators
Heavy Fines**

PAROLES ARE EXTENDED

**Wills Being Tried on Boze
Charge for Second Time;
Jury on Mays Case**

The trial of Dan Mays in circuit court Monday and Tuesday on a larceny charge attracted considerable attention and the court room was crowded. The case was submitted to the jury a little after 5 o'clock Tuesday night and no verdict had been returned when the Argus went to press a day early. Everything pointed to a possible disagreement on the part of the jury.

Cow Girl Witness
May was accused of taking two sacks of sugar from the station at Manning. Teddy Gloss, a witness for the state, is in the movies in the South and has appeared with a number of wild west shows as a cow girl.

Joe Lubich on three liquor indictments was fined 500 and given a six months term on the first, \$3000 fine and 12 months on the second and \$3000 and 12 months on the third, the jail sentences to run concurrent. He was paroled during good behavior provided he paid \$800 and costs on indictment two. John Topich received the same treatment.

A. Holmgren pleaded guilty to possession and was given the usual \$500 and six. He was paroled during good behavior on payment of \$100. T. Sorenson received a like sentence and paroled.

Gets \$6,500 Fine
Tony Polich was paroled during good behavior on payment of \$500 after receiving a sentence of 500 and six months. T. D. Stevens pleaded guilty to possession and was fined \$500 and given the six months jail term. He was paroled on payment of \$100. W. Robinson pleaded guilty and was given \$500 and six on the first indictment and \$400 and six on the second. He was paroled on payment of \$500 on first and \$100

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Car Fails to Make Turn, Two Jailed

**Sheriff's Office Busy During
Holidays Enforcing Dry
Laws in County**

The turn on Tenth street at the park affords thrills a-plenty for Geo. W. Douglas and Bert Chase in their newly purchased used car Monday afternoon and nearly caused their death. Liquor is said to have been mixed up in the deal and when they tried to navigate the turn their speed was such that they kept right on going and tried to climb a tree about 40 feet away. They were badly cut up but not so much that they couldn't be taken to the Hotel Reeves of the court house Monday night. They were bound over to the grand jury under \$1,000 bonds.

H. O. Kinsler and Catherine Kinsler were taken in a raid south of Orenco Wednesday night of last week by Sheriff Reeves and Deputies Weckert, Duley and Larson. Indications point to the fact that they had been in the business for some time, say the officers.

W. F. Read was taken the same night up on Cooper Mountain and faces a charge of selling and possession. Oscar Henry was also arrested there later in the evening.

H. E. Hargitt was arrested last Thursday afternoon and faces a charge of driving while intoxicated. He bumped into the Arthur Shute car at Second and Main streets.

Frank Nimchink and Mrs. Frank Nimchink were taken into custody last Thursday and are charged with having a still up on Cooper Mountain.

Peter Reuter was arrested at the Read place last Thursday on Cooper Mountain and faces a liquor charge.

William J. Stitt was arrested in Beaverton Saturday on a charge of possession. Two Juveniles were arrested at Forest Grove Monday on a charge of stealing auto accessories from the garage of E. L. Ross.

Hear Telephone Rates

The public service commission will hold a hearing on the matter of the investigation and suspension of the rates, rules, charges, practices and regulations of the Hillsboro Telephone company affecting farmer line switching service, in the court house Friday, January 15, at 10 o'clock.

L. J. Creps, Native Son, Dies Suddenly

**Illness Overcomes Former Res-
ident of County While
Visiting at Banks**

Banks, Oregon, December 30—L. J. Creps passed away Monday evening at the John Prickett home from a stroke of apoplexy.

Mr. Creps has been working in a mill at Toledo and came home to spend the holidays with relatives. He had been to Portland with the Pricketts and they had just returned home. He started to walk from the car to the house but remarked that he guessed that he would have to have a little help as he didn't feel just right. They helped him into the house and Dr. Walker, who was there, summoned Dr. Smith of Hillsboro, but before the doctor arrived Mr. Creps had died.

Loren J. Creps was born on Hillside near Greenville, and lived nearly 54 years. He had always lived in the vicinity of Banks and up to about a year ago was a farmer.

He was a widower and is survived by a sister, Mrs. John Prickett, and three brothers, Frank, Buford and A. W. Creps, all of Banks.

Man Struck by Burglar Cornelius Resident Wakes to Find Burglar at Bedside

Cornelius, Oregon, December 30—A. S. Hatch was awakened at 2 o'clock Saturday morning by a man standing beside his bed. Hatch jumped up and ordered the man out. The man said not a word but turned around, hit him in the face, knocking him unconscious, and ran out of the house.

Mrs. Hatch heard her husband fall. It was sometime before she could bring him to. His face was badly cut and bleeding. Nothing was stolen.

H. S. Girls Win
The high school girls basketball team defeated the Franklin high girls Monday night in Portland, 17 to 15.

Chamber Expresses Appreciation
The chamber of commerce wishes to express its appreciation for the splendid co-operation given them by the various organizations and individuals in putting across the annual community Christmas tree.

YEAR IS ONE OF BIG DEVELOPMENT IN THIS COMMUNITY

**Building Operations Exceeded
All Previous Years**

BUILD MANY RESIDENCES

Theatre, School, Garages, Telephone Building Among New Structures

(By Edward C. Robbins, Special
Argus Correspondent)

New projects in Hillsboro for 1926 cost \$289,435, according to figures compiled by the writer this week. This amount represents new assessable wealth that has developed in the community during the past year. There were nineteen homes erected at a cost of \$90,300.

The largest single project erected during 1925 cost approximately \$75,000. It is the Phelps' Venetian theatre. Permit for the building was issued in March, according to city hall records. Actual construction began in April and was completed in early September. Local citizens owe a lot of respect to the community spirit of Orange Phelps for the wise judgment he used in erecting the theatre. Where possible, he always bought his material from Hillsboro sources and employed citizens of the community.

The Telephone company has spent more than \$25,000 during the past year. The underground conduits erected along Second street between Baseline and Main streets cost approximately \$10,000. The new building, which, according to an announcement of Manager Chas. Wells made here Tuesday, will be completed within the next 30 days, will cost more than \$15,000, including the cost of the basement and the constructing of lead-in lines through the basement. In this structure Manager Wells has employed local labor and used local material when possible.

The field of education has been a participant in the community growth during 1925. The new four-room addition to the grade school on the high school campus was erected at a cost of \$13,000. Two weeks ago the school board met in the building and formally accepted it from the contractor. The Telephone company has not been the only public utility represented in community development. The Puget Sound Power & Light company has spent \$30,000 in building new lines and working over its old transmission system in the community.

Two large garages are on the 1926 building program of the city. They are the MacKenzie Ford garage, completed in August at a cost of \$15,000, and the Peterson Buick garage, now under construction, which will probably cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000. Regarding the small residential garages, the city records show that \$2,135 worth of construction has been carried on in the outbuilding class—mainly residential garages—in the year, according to the building permits filed. In May a permit was issued to Kenneth Linklater to erect a \$1,000 storage garage.

Mayor M. P. Cady, City Manager C. G. Reiter, and their city staff as well as members of the council on behalf of the municipality have taken an active part in the community development. A sum of \$35,000 has been spent on roads and highways and sidewalks during the year.

Churches have not escaped representation in the growth. Last February the Catholic church spent \$4,000 on a new basement, heating plant and general remodeling of the building. All Saints Mission, the local Episcopal church, spent several hundred dollars in remodeling its chapel recently.

By the number of homes which have been erected in the community during the year the point is well illustrated that Hillsboro is not an apartment city.

It is doubtful whether these facts regarding the homes are complete in every detail because complete and detailed records for home building are not available. For example, building permits were not issued by the city department before April 1 of this year. This makes the research in revealing the estimates all the more difficult. Incidentally the writer is in debt to Mrs. Helen McDaniels, city recorder, who spent Tuesday morning with him in patient research to get all the facts straight.

Mrs. Eva Bridges started construction on her \$3,500 home on Third street near the Christian church in February. M. E. Vannet erected a \$3,500 home on Oak near Eighth street last winter. A. W. Walker was another builder earlier

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