

Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., Begin Operation With Dawn of New Year

Willamette Valley and Salem Placed on Industrial Map of the Nation in Bigger Letters Than Ever Before by Establishment Here of Large Scale Linen Production—Spacious Building Covering an Acre Houses Ideally Arranged Factory—Raw Material Comes From Company's Plant at Stayton, Operated Past Year, and From State Plant—Seven Spinning Frames and 63 Looms Included in Equipment—Factory Has Own Power Plant and Water Supply—Crash Toweling Is First Finished Product—Some Yarns To Be Shipped Out—Local People Hired

Foresight Is Exercised In Planning For Future

Space Left For More Frames and Looms—Completion of Plant Is Result of Vision Long Nurtured by Salem's Industrial Leaders—Kay and Livesley Among Officers

Manufacturing a product which is destined soon to put Oregon on the Willamette valley and Salem on the industrial map in bigger letters than ever before, Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., is beginning operation of its new linen mill which represents the biggest forward step of the past year in Salem's progress as an industrial city.

The spacious concrete building which houses this modern factory covers an acre of ground, and is so constructed as to afford that ideal arrangement which up to date industries of all kinds are seeking, straight line production.

The raw material, line fiber, and spinning tow which has already been processed at the company's scutching plant at Stayton, or at the state plant, enters the mill at the southwest corner, facing on Madison street.

Down the west side of the building are the seven double spinning frames which manufacture linen yarn. This product when finished is at the north end of the building, from which that part of it which is to be made into cloth now moves back along the east side to the 63 looms which constitute the first unit of this part of the factory.

Electrically Operated

From the looms the cloth goes on to the finishing room and the bleaching room, which are in the east wing of the building. The bleaching is done chemically with the aid of a generous use of water, which comes from the well at the plant and which is stored in the large tank near the power plant.

From the bleaching room, the finished linen cloth is conveyed to the shipping room, which is in the rear of the office building east of the main building.

All machinery is operated by electricity, the wires being imbedded in the concrete floor of the factory and controlled by

switch panels near the machines, the main switch board being in the power house. Each machine is operated by an individual motor. The factory is ventilated by an air blower system.

At the west side of the plant is the general storage warehouse, with space in the basement for storing 100 tons of raw material, which must be kept to a uniform temperature and humidity. A spur railroad track leads to the warehouse.

The power house is at the north end of the plant, east of the warehouse, and above it looms the 100,000 gallon water tank already mentioned. The well is in the power house. Here also is the steam boiler, with space left for a second one to be installed when the plant is enlarged to necessitate it.

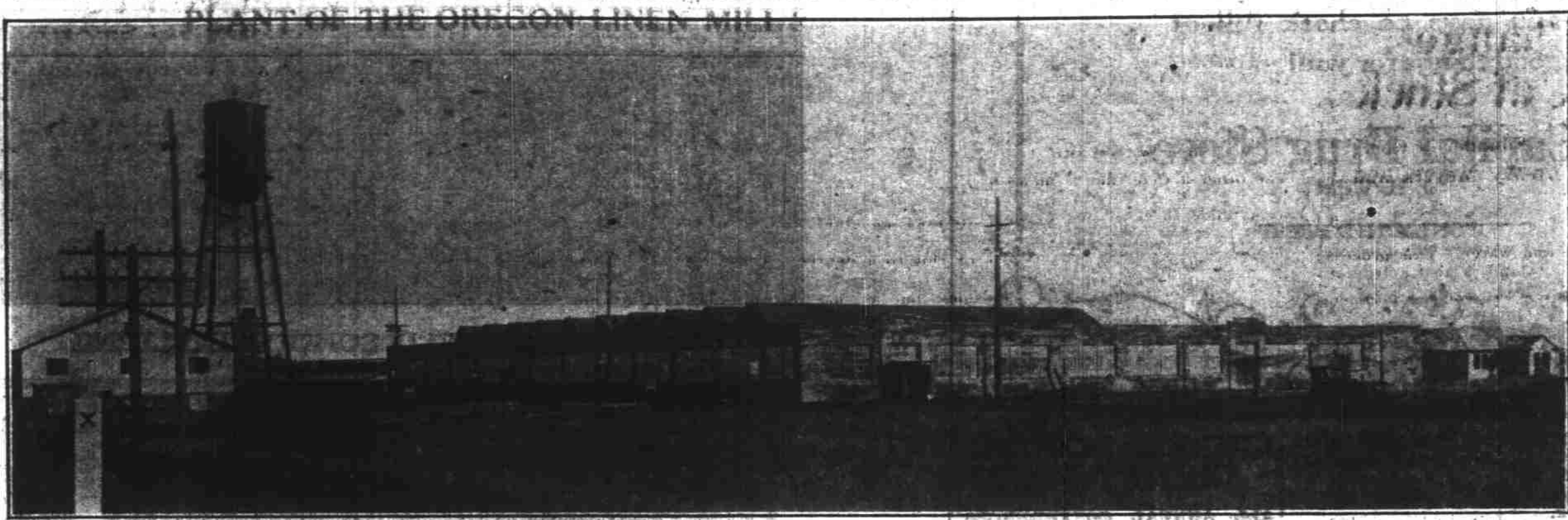
Will Ship Some Yarn

Products of the plant at first will consist of crashes for toweling and glass checks, as well as yarn which may be shipped out to be manufactured elsewhere. In other sections where linen is manufactured extensively, the yarn is usually manufactured at one plant the weaving done by another company and the bleaching by still a third. Here all three processes are carried on under one roof, but part of the yarn may be shipped elsewhere for weaving.

In an average eight hour shift after the plant is running smoothly and the workers are well trained, 5000 yards of linen cloth will be turned out. Sixty-five persons will be employed, of whom 60 per cent will be women and girls.

The board of directors of the company has decided that one eight hour shift will be started at first, and that a second shift will be added as soon as operators can be trained. This will not be until late in the year.

PLANT OF THE OREGON LINEN MILLS, INC., JUST BEGINNING OPERATION



This picture shows the main spinning and weaving room, and also the power plant and the huge water tower above it. The plant is complete as far as it will be built at the present, but additions are to be made later.

All Labor Skilled

The board's policy is to employ local people as operators, bringing in only enough skilled workers to act as instructors. Spinning and weaving linen is a skilled occupation and one that can be learned only after several months of training, if it is to be done at a standard rate of speed. For this reason the plant will be barely 50 per cent efficient until the workers acquire this training.

The company's scutching plant at Stayton has been operated during the past season, and the state has a supply of tow on hand sufficient to insure steady operation of the linen mill for a full year. The company has contracted for more flax for the coming season, and the state also.

Completion of this plant fulfills the vision which progressive business men here and elsewhere in the Willamette valley have had for several years, and which resulted in the organization of Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., a little over a year ago. Construction of the plant was begun early in the summer.

Hon. T. B. Kay, state treasurer, is president of the company, and T. A. Livesley, Salem's incoming mayor, is vice president. Other directors are James Riddle of Monmouth, M. G. Gunderson of Silverton, Julius L. Meier and Nathan Straus of Portland, and Col. W. B. Bartrum and John H. McNary of Salem. R. O. Snelling is secretary-treasurer and Col. Bartrum is field superintendent.

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BUSINESS SCHOOL IS IN NEW HOME

ENROLLMENT IS INCREASED OVER ONE-THIRD

Thorough Course in Business Fundamentals Offered to Students Here

Capital Business College, located in Salem since 1889, entered upon a new era of its usefulness within the past year, when on September 1 it moved to its new quarters in the Chambers building at 383 North High street, near the corner of Chemeketa, the entire upper floor of which was especially constructed to give ideal and adequate accommodation for the commercial education which the institution offers.

Coincident with its opening in these new quarters, the business college this term enjoys an increase in enrollment of one-third in the day school and one-half in the night school, over last year's figures. To its equipment, it has added since the opening of the fall term, 20 new typewriters.

Since 1890, one year after it was established, Capital Business College has been under the direction and ownership of W. I. Staley who is not only a thorough educator in his chosen field, but a man who is keenly interested in the success and welfare of the young men and women who come under his direction, and whose aim is not only to fit them for positions, but for advancement and the highest business and social usefulness.

Toward this end, the school's policy is to encourage its students to complete the full business course, which includes work in bookkeeping, commercial law, commercial arithmetic, penmanship, business English, spelling, rapid calculation, shorthand, typewriting, office or secretarial training, accounting, salesmanship and business efficiency.

For the same reason the effort is made to surround the student at all times with an actual business atmosphere, and to require that every piece of work done be accomplished with the same degree of accuracy, dispatch and fidelity as is required in modern business offices.

The result of these policies is that when graduates of Capital Business College go out into business offices, they are not required to serve an apprenticeship—they

are able to proceed with their work intelligently because of the practical nature of their training. More than that, they know the underlying principles of business and how to apply them.

The faculty includes A. W. Cooper, who has charge of the business department; Mrs. Ora F. McIntyre, instructor in shorthand and typewriting; and Mrs. Mona Yoder, English and other subjects.

AFFORD SAVING IN FUEL

Automatic Stoker Now Available for All Homes

Much has been heard in the last two years about automatic coal burners for large buildings and practically every larger building in Salem built in the last two years, like the Y. M. C. A. Capitol theater, First National Bank building, and many others, which were installed by the Hillman Fuel company of this city.

Announcement is made by this concern that this convenience is now provided for the average home. These home burners are inexpensive, absolutely safe, there being no danger of explosion or backfire like oil burners, and will give the lowest cost heat that is known.

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Information may be had in the offices of that company at the First National Bank building, or by telephone request.

LIKES U. S. ACTRESSES

Novelist Says American Girls Have More Kick

LONDON.—(AP)—American actresses have more "kick" in them than English actresses, observes Gilbert Frankau, the novelist, who has just returned from a tour of the United States.

Addressing the O. P. club, made up of theatre going "first nighters," Mr. Frankau said there was no doubt that American actresses were better than the English.

"The English actress is good at comedy," he said, "and very good at back chat across the stage, but when it came to 'tearing it,' as they called it in America, and getting over great emotional scenes, something went wrong with the actresses of England. There are hundreds of actresses in the United States who can really shove over big emotions

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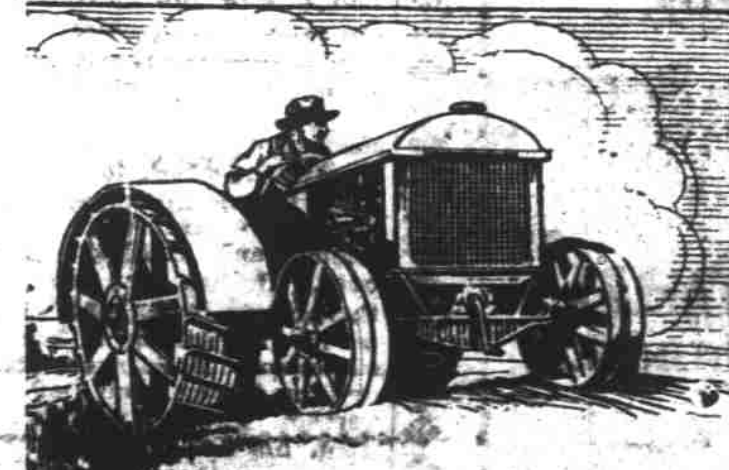
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