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## OREGON AFFAIRS TERSELY TOLD

Portland—Cocoanut meat from the South Sea islands need not seek other than a local market, despite the removal of the Palmolive Soap company to other parts. Business men here have organized the Portland Vegetable Oil Mills company with a capitalization of \$1,000,000 and will build a plant to handle copra and other products. Building and equipment will probably cost \$1,500,000.

A tract of nine acres with trackage and river frontage has been secured for a site. Concrete buildings, a bulkhead and a modern dockage to be put in here. The location on deep water is an economic advantage, for cargo can be delivered direct to conveyors for the plant. Annual consumption of the copra is estimated at 25,000 tons.

A definite local market for the copra assures a larger amount of other trade, for vessels bringing it return with lumber and would not otherwise make the Oregon port with empty hulls.

In addition to making soap from

the copra, the residue after pressing is valuable for food for cattle.

Salem—Millions and millions of prunes are destined to pass through the new cannery and drying plant being completed for F. A. Kurtz in Salem. It is a complete two line cannery and the capacity of the drying room alone is the largest of any in the state.

Portland—A link saw that weighs just 84 pounds, yet can cut 1050 feet of timber per minute and saws through a 28 inch bone dry log in 50 seconds is to be turned out by the Peninsula Iron works. The company has just contracted to handle the output of Wolf saws for falling and bucking timber.

Silverton—Loganberries for jam and pies and other culinary dainties are to be run through the new factory of the Silverton Canning company, which will soon be ready for operation. It will handle other seasonal fruits.

Roseburg—Down in the Rogue River Valley people don't have to buy brooms any more. They can slip over into a handy corn patch and help themselves to at least the "makings". Corn raised in that sec-

tion yields 1000 pounds of broom material of the finest quality. The Rogue River Broom company, which has been in operation one year, is probably the fore-runner of a whole chain of such factories.

Hillsboro—Ripe, luscious cherries will be the first fruits to go through the new plant of the Hillsboro Canning company, which is being placed in running condition at a cost of \$150,000. The factory covers 368 by 80 feet of ground and will probably produce 30,000 cases of fruits this year.

Portland—Architects may well groan when they look upon the plant of the Fenner Manufacturing company, now receiving extensive additions. The company, which is the oldest making ready-built in the west and has the most complete equipment on the coast, turns out six complete houses weekly.

Portland—With the installation of new equipment in the St. Johns iron works Portland now has one of the most complete foundries and machine shops in the Northwest. Three new transformers, a two ton electric furnace and two jarring machines to save handwork in making moulds

make up the additional machinery. The plant occupies an entire block and employs as high as 100 men.

Portland—A one-man mechanical davit for handling life boats is to be the product of the United States Marine Equipment corporation, just organized here. The device, which is said to be the only one of its kind was invented by Frank J. Super of Portland and is to be patented in six foreign countries. The new concern has a capitalization of \$500,000.

Portland—Plans are now under consideration whereby the Columbia Digger company will acquire possession of property on the east side of the river for the erection of a new warehouse to handle building material. The company has an invested capital of \$250,000 and is extensively engaged in river enterprises, as well as producing sand and gravel.

Roseburg—Many new fixtures and a large refrigerating system have just been installed in the Douglas county creamery, which has received many medals for its butter in state dairy competitions. The company supplies its product to several of the state institutions.

Portland—Large contracts for welded dredge pipe for the port of Portland are being filled by the King Brothers' boiler works in this city. The plant, which has greatly expanded since its organization in 1910, has recently turned its energies to local needs instead of giving the greater attention to shipbuilding equipment.

Portland—With no longer an excuse for being idle, the Monarch Lumber company resumed operations in May after having been closed down for two years. It cuts 250,000 feet per day.

Eugene—About \$40,000 is to be spent in getting in condition the old Saubert sawmill at Acme on the lower Siuslaw river before it is put in operation again after it had been closed for many years. It has recently changed hands.

Portland—An apple in any other box would taste as good but it probably wouldn't be packed half as efficiently as when in a made-to-order container. The Bede Lumber company, working with an organization of apple growers in Yakima valley, has taken a 10 year lease on a two acre tract in North Portland and is commencing work on a box factory there. It will turn out a million boxes this year for the Yakima valley and will be operating within from four to six weeks.

Portland—Five million dollars worth of candy! This is the annual output of six big companies in Oregon employing at least 1000 people, according to figures just compiled here. These do not include the hundreds of small retail manufacturers. Oregon, the leading candy state in the west, ships its sweets to Alaska, China, Japan, New Zealand, Australia, South America, Central America, Porto Rico and Cuba and eight states.

Pendleton—Wheat as it comes from the fields and as it finally emerges from the flour mills was shown the people who attended the formal opening of the Collins flour mill last week. This new plant has an output of 1000 barrels daily.

Portland—So enormous has been demand for cans used in fruit preserving become that the American Can company is preparing to erect in this city a \$1,500,000 factory. It is to be of reinforced concrete three stories high and will cover practically a city block.

Portland—Fire, which swept part of the North Portland industrial area last week, has checked for only a short time the activities of the North Portland Box company, which is to be immediately rebuilt. The loss of \$300,000 was entirely covered by insurance.

Portland—Even St. Peter's business has some good points and has been responsible for H. J. Blaessing's announcement that he will double the capacity of the Blaessing Granite

company. The tombstone firm is celebrating its 25th birthday.

Portland—Architects are working on plans for the new power plant to be erected by the Barnes-Lindsley Manufacturing company on the O. W. R. & N. tracks. This portion of the factory is to cost \$35,000

Portland—Equipment for the canning companies is being installed by the Schaefer copper works of Portland, which has just contracted to supply \$35,000 worth of metal fittings.

Portland—Sheet metal products and machinery are to be the output of the newly organized Union Retinting and Metal works. The corporation is capitalized at \$100,000.

A quarter of a million dollars per annum is being spent in advertising dehydrated fruits and vegetables in this state.

Portland—A ready built building company on the down town blocks to the automobile committee week.

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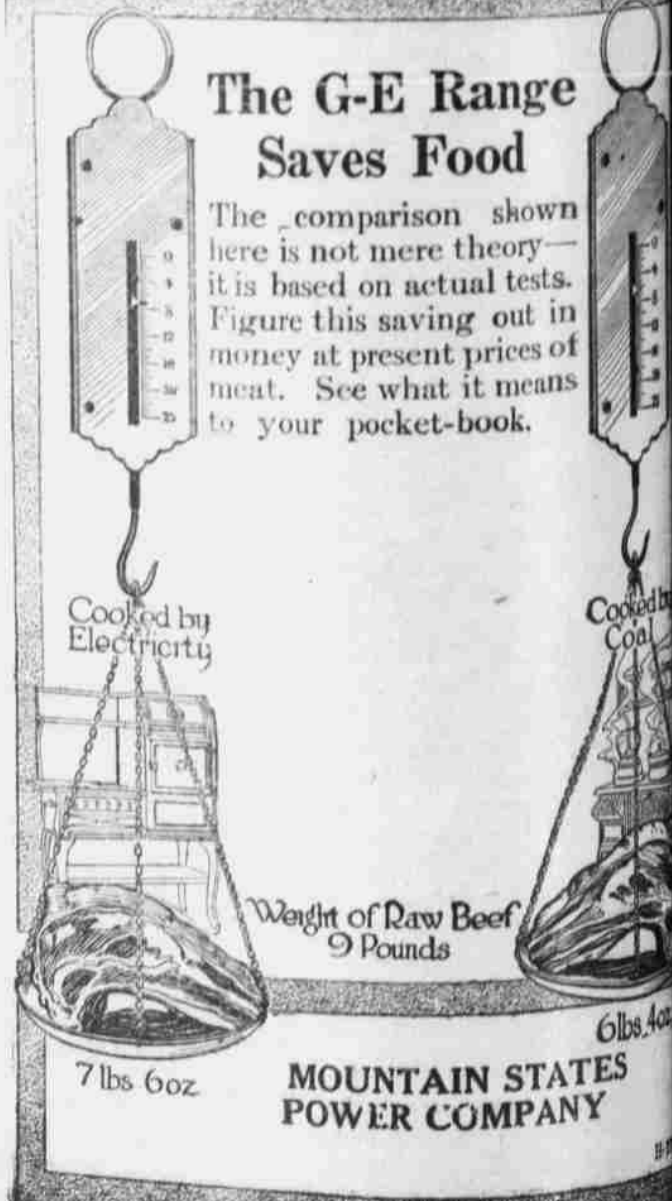
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