## DEL-MAR-VA The Peninsula of Plenty

## **Industries**

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HE Peninsula is in an enviable position as regards the growth of industries already established as well as new industries that require proximity to city or seaport delivery. Labor is plentiful both white and colored. The canning

industry on the Peninsula is an institution and has been the leading industry for more than two generations. In 1925 the Peninsula led the world in canning oysters and tomatoes. It produced more than one half of the world's supply of canned oysters and fell short only by a small number in producing one half the world's supply of canned tomatoes. It leads all other sections in canning sweet potatoes, string beans, and spinach. It is close to Iowa and Illinois in canning corn, and only surpassed by Wisconsin in canning peas. A greater variety of fruits and vegetables are canned on the Peninsula than in any other section save New York and California. In a single season the Peninsula cans in quantity twenty-eight separate products, consisting of oysters, eighteen varieties of vegetables, and nine varieties of fruits. The total value of the canned goods on the Peninsula has averaged between thirty and forty million dollars annually in the last ten years. The world's largest single canning plant for tomatoes is located on the Peninsula. The boat building industry is a natural reflection of the unusual seaports and waterways. One of the world's largest manufacturers of tin cans, is on the Peninsula. Most of the baskets which hold the Eastern Atlantic seaboard market products are made from the gum logs on the Peninsula. The lumber interests constitute one of the leading industries with a vast acreage of virgin timber in pine, cypress, and gum. The section contains several of America's largest manufacturers of underwear. The world's largest single canning plant for oysters and the world's most productive oyster beds are located on the edges of Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean inlets of the Peninsula.

On the Peninsula are found:

The world's largest and best known manufacturers of explosives and allied products.

The largest cotton dyeing and finishing works in the world.

The largest manufacturer of braided rubber hose in the world.

The world's center of the manufacture of vulcanized fibre.

The world's center of glazed kid and morocco leather manufacturing.

In one county the muskrat industry amounts to more than \$500,000 a year.

The largest manufacturer of wooden spoons in the world.

A company manufacturing dental filling materials and specialties with the widest distribution in the world for products of its kind.

For the manufacturer large or small, Del-Mar-Va offers complete coördination of road, rail, river, and ocean transportation.



