

# DEL-MAR-VA *The Peninsula of Plenty*



*Dutch Bulb. A new horticultural industry*

*Blossom time is a nice time to visit this section*

*Peninsula Peaches are the choicest peaches in the world*



*Picking strawberries. They can be grown with consistent profit of \$300 to \$700 per acre*



*Grape growing is an expanding fruit industry*

## Horticulture



THREE conditions are essential in the production of ideal fruit trees, strawberry plants, and general nursery products. They are: a long growing season, the peculiar soil these products demand, freedom from drought, and wide variations in temperature and efficient labor. All of these essentials are found in all of the peninsula's fourteen counties. *As a result peninsula products are naturally preferred.*

Because of Del-Mar-Va's horticultural supremacy, an automobile trip over the peninsula's great highways during the apple and peach blossom season is a never-to-be-forgotten treat. Hundreds of the peninsula's permanent residents made their first visit there during the blossom season, which laid its spell upon them, and held them with its annual miracles of beauty.

The peninsula on every hand presents the visible evidences of its horticultural supremacy. The world's largest single grower of fruit trees is located there. In his orchards there are at the present time 60,000 bearing peach trees and 40,000 bearing apple trees.

When it comes to strawberries the peninsula produces more of them, so far as Atlantic Seaboard markets are concerned, than all other sections of the country combined. It boasts the world's largest single commercial grower of strawberry plants. The peninsula's strawberry record is due to the fact that strawberry culture pays. They can be grown with a consistent profit of from \$300 to \$700 per acre. When it comes to apples and peaches the peninsula leads all other sections east of the Mississippi in their production. It naturally follows therefore that it has a number of concerns which are national distributors of nursery stocks.

The Peninsula is especially suitable for grapes and small berried fruits. A nursery farm was recently established by a New Jersey nurseryman. When asked why he chose to extend his nursery operations to the Peninsula, he said that the peculiarly favorable natural conditions were the influencing factors. One of the largest plantings of daffodils in America is located on the Peninsula. This is a new industry there. Nowhere in America are conditions better for growing dahlias, delphiniums, roses, peonies, and other horticultural specialties.

## Poultry



AS YET the poultry industry on the Peninsula is in its infancy. But despite this fact the total value of the poultry products of the Peninsula runs into millions of dollars. Everyone is familiar with the term "Maryland Turkey" on the city restaurant menu. There are several highly successful poultry farms in operation, but there is opportunity for hundreds additional. The mild climate in which one side of the poultry house can be left open during the entire year, the well drained soil, and the access to city markets, insure quick success in poultry raising. It is especially practical to combine poultry with the small fruit farm.

