



Above, left: Fort Vancouver as it appeared ninety years ago. On the right is the old Hudson's Bay Company fort, for many years headquarters of the Columbia District, where trading was carried on until 1866. On the plateau is the U.S. Army barracks. Mount Hood rears its snowy head in the distance, above the broad Columbia. From "Explorations for a Route for a Pacific Railroad," by Governor Stevens, 1855.

Above: Hudson House, a group of apartment blocks housing over five thousand bachelor workers from the Vancouver, Washington, shipyards of the Kaiser Company. The yards themselves are only a third of a mile south of the old fort site, while Hudson House is a mile distant.

Left: McLoughlin Heights, where the married workers and their families are housed.

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THE striking aerial views above and to the left show developments that have taken place in the past year near the site of old Fort Vancouver. Above is "the world's largest hotel," a group of two-storey blocks built by the famous Kaiser Company to house their bachelor employees who work at the Vancouver shipyards. Named "Hudson House" on account of the city's historical connections with the Hudson's Bay Company, these temporary dormitories together house over five thousand men. Each building has four lounges for recreation; for meals the residents go to a separate building, where the dining room seats 1200 at once.

Standing a mile southeast of the old fort site, this huge project was built last year in fifty days, at a cost of \$4,500,000. The building on the plateau, in the

upper left hand corner, is the hospital. Note the men near the C-shaped building, and the cattle in the fields.

The picture on the left shows a comparable housing project for the families of married workers in the Kaiser shipyards. These bungalows, containing from one to four bedrooms, house in all about 25,000 people. Erected at a cost of nearly sixteen and a half million dollars, they are mostly prefabricated and demountable, so that they can be quickly taken apart, moved to another site, and re-erected. Others are permanent dwellings. Note that almost every house has its victory garden. The eleven-hundred-acre site has been named "McLoughlin Heights," in honour of the celebrated Chief Factor Dr. John McLoughlin of Fort Vancouver and Oregon.

