

DRY ROASTED PEANUT INVENTED IN FRANKLIN



In the 1940's and 50's, Samuel Buel Slade, grandson of Dr. Julian Buel, developed the first dry roasted peanut. His business was called Franklin Foods Incorporated and the dry roasted peanut was invented in a shed behind the family home.

A group of Franklin men bought the small business from Sam Slade and formed a company to market it nationally. The "Royal Gem Peanuts with no Grease" were sold to Chicago, Seattle and San Francisco in prestigious stores.