

GAIN OF 18 MILLION IN NON-FARM JOBS HIGHLIGHTS U. S. GROWTH SINCE 1939

One of the major changes in the American economy, affecting the way millions of persons live and earn their livelihood, has been the gain of 18 million jobs in nonfarm employment in the last decade and a half.

This has been particularly pronounced outside the heavily industrialized East and Middle West, and noticeably so in areas which had been predominantly agricultural and where living standards, as measured by per capita income, had been below the average for the country as a whole. This change has more than compensated for the long-term downturn in farm employment. It has likewise contributed to the progress of the economy by the broadening of employment opportunities on a nationwide basis.

Triple the Rise in Population

Figures compiled by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics show that the total number of jobs in nonfarm occupations increased from some 30 million in 1939 to just under 48 million in 1952. This represented a gain of about 58 per cent, and it was more than triple the rise in the U. S. population in the period.

Even more striking than this gain itself in the number of nonfarm jobs has been its geographical distribution. While all states and regions showed increases, the advance was led percentage-wise by a group of states in the Far West and South, in many of which farming had been the dominant source of income in the past. The great majority of these Far Western and Southern states scored increases in nonfarm employment that exceeded the national average. In six of them—Texas, California, Florida, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona—the increase was more than 100 per cent.

Conversely, the New England and Middle Atlantic States showed gains in nonfarm employment of less than the average for the nation as a whole in the 1939-52 period. The increases in the interior of the country, the East and the West North Central regions, were about equal to the national figure. While 1953 figures are not yet available, indications are that the same broad employment pattern prevailed last year as well.

State and Regional Features

The big gains in California and Texas were particularly significant in view of the number of jobs involved. Total nonfarm employment in these two states alone increased by 3 million between 1939 and 1952. Together they accounted for nearly 6 million jobs in 1952, about one out of every eight in the country.

The most fundamental change regionally was the narrowing of the gap between the Great Lakes States (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin) and the Middle Atlantic group (New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania) for nonfarm employment leadership. The latter region had long occupied the No. 1 position in this respect, reflecting the historical development of the country and the original concentration of population and industry along the Atlantic seaboard.

In 1939 the Middle Atlantic states accounted for the largest proportion of employment in every one of the eight major industry classifications of nonfarm jobs. By 1952 the Great Lakes states had gone out ahead in construction and in the important area

of manufacturing employment. Thus the center of nonagricultural employment in the United States, along with that of the population itself, is continuing to move westward.

Factors in Change

A number of factors, some broad and evolutionary and others more specific, have combined to bring about the employment distribution that is found in the country today. Included among these are the economic impact of two wars in the last decade, accelerated development of our natural resources under the spur of zooming production, rapid population growth, and technological improvements and new products resulting from research and development.

There were specific influences as well in a number of states and areas. Nonfarm employment in New Mexico, for example, has reflected the state's becoming a center for development of atomic energy. The big expansion in use of petroleum has been the great stimulus in Texas and Louisiana, while Florida has benefited from becoming a winter vacation and retirement "paradise". Other examples are the growth of aircraft production in Kansas, Michigan and the West Coast, and hydro-electric development with the industrial complexes resulting from it in Tennessee and Oregon.

SURPRISE FAREWELL PARTY IN HONOR OF JUDY KNIGHT

Miss Vida Lane, Miss Marlene Layden, Miss Carolyn Lane and Jimmy Jordan were hostesses at a farewell party on Wednesday night, January 27, at 7:15 o'clock in honor of Miss Judy Knight, a departing classmate of the Sophomore Class of Chowan High School.

The Center Hill Community Building was beautifully decorated in colors of green and yellow. After the games were played and enjoyed by all, refreshments were served. They consisted of nuts, candy, cupcakes, marshmallows and punch.

Those present were: Miss Judy Knight, honoree, Thelma Hare, Herbert Ray Lane, Jeanette Chandler, Leon Privott, Jeanette Bunch, Joann Lane, Dallas Bunch, Willie Evans, Sidney Perry, Nellie Lassiter, Robert Jordan, Berlyn Ward, Virginia Lassiter, Whitt Parks, Ray Griffin, Shelby Parrish, Waverly Belch, Barbara Howell, Graham Farless, Lionel Byrum, Peggy Turner, David Bateman, Stuart Hollowell, Mabel Wilson, Talbert Jackson, Mary Louise Nixon, Floyd Johnson, Carolyn Lane, Frank Riddick, Marlene Layden, Earl Spivey, Vida Lane, Wilford Goodwin, Jimmy Jordan, Miss Willoughby and her escort were chaperones.

BIBLE CLASS MEETS TUESDAY

The Young Woman's Bible Class of the Baptist Church will meet Tuesday night, February 9, at the church at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. M. L. Bunch, president, urges all members to attend.

TAX COLLECTIONS

Sheriff J. A. Bunch reported to the County Commissioners Monday that collection of 1953 taxes in January amounted to \$39,122.67. This amount brought total 1953 taxes collected to date to \$132,736.22.

Edenton Aces Win From Plymouth 64-56

Edenton's Aces tucked its fourth basketball victory under their belts Tuesday night when they defeated the Plymouth Panthers in the local school gymnasium 64-56. To date the Aces have won four games and lost eight.

Ray Rogerson ran wild on the court to score 37 points and was followed by Buddy Batton with 10, Carroll Jones with 7, Sonny Wright 6, Lyn Bond 3 and Chan Wilson 1.

Leading the Plymouth scoring was Lilly with 15, Simpson 10 and Alexander 9.

The Edenton girls, yet to win their first game of the season, lost to their

Plymouth girls by a score of 57-31. Betty Byrum led the Edenton scoring with 13 points, followed by Faye Haste with 12, Evelyn Bunch 5 and Lois Privott 1. McNair led the Plymouth girls with 21 points, followed by Riddle with 16.

Joseph Samuel Corbitt Dies After Long Illness

Joseph Samuel Corbitt, 69, died at his home in the Yeopim section Monday night at 6 o'clock after a long illness. Deceased was a native of Perquimans County, but lived in Chowan County 22 years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Emmie J. Corbitt; three sons, J. S. Corbitt, W. H. Corbitt and C. P. Corbitt, all of

Norfolk; a stepson, J. S. Goodwin of Portsmouth; five daughters, Mrs. Earl Morse and Mrs. Wallace Benton of Hertford, Mrs. David Newby of Norfolk, Mrs. Lloyd Bass of Edenton and Mrs. Sterling Colson of South Mills; five stepdaughters, Mrs. C. B. Jethro, Mrs. F. B. Miller and Mrs. H. W. Nixon of Edenton, Mrs. H. V. Wilson of Colerain and Mrs. G. S. Anders of Baltimore. Twenty-two grandchildren and five great grandchildren also survive.

He was a member of the Yeopim Baptist Church, where funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. Leonard Miller, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Colon Jackson, Jr. Burial was in the Berea Church of Christ cemetery in Perquimans County.

MOVED TO NEW LOCATION

Jackson Radio Service, which for a number of years was located on East Church Street, this week moved to the building formerly occupied by the Kennan & Corey Plumbing Co., at 105 West Eden Street.

Customers and friends are cordially invited to visit the concern in its new quarters.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold a stated communication to night (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Court House. W. M. Rhoades, master of the lodge, urges all members to be present and extends a cordial invitation to visiting Masons to attend.

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Knox Gelatine Pkg. 22c

McCormick Black Pepper 1-Oz. Can 21c

ALL PRICES IN THIS AD EFFECTIVE THRU SATURDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 6th.

NANCY CARTER RECIPES

DATE STICKS

6 tablespoons sifted flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
2 Pick of the Nest Eggs
2 teaspoons grated orange rind
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup pitted dates, chopped
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Confectioner's sugar

Sift flour once, measure and mix with salt, cinnamon, baking powder. Beat eggs thoroughly, add sugar and beat well. Add sifted dry ingredients; stir in orange rind, nuts, dates, vanilla. Blend well and pour into greased, paper-lined 8-inch square pan. Bake in moderate oven, 325 degrees, for about 40 minutes, or until done. Cut into strips and sprinkle with Confectioner's sugar. Makes 18 date sticks.

For complete recipes, homemaking or cooking information, write: Nancy Carter, Director of Home Economics, Colonial Stores, Inc., P. O. Box 498, Atlantic, Ga.

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