

Employment In U. S. Continues To Show Gain

Expansion Seen In Coal Mining And Textile Operations; Work For Farm Hands

Improved Conditions Of Previous Three Months Maintained During October

Further increases in several major industries and maintenance of improved employment conditions of the previous three months were reported in the monthly review of the United States employment service.

The service pointed to expansion in coal mining and a decided improvement in textile mill operations as among the factors leading to a feeling of encouragement.

"A digest of the industrial employment reports of the various states received by the United States employment service for October," said the announcement, reveals that the improvement in employment which obtained during the preceding three months was well maintained. An encouraging feature was the further increase to forces that occurred in several of the major industries.

"Coal mining expanded in both the anthracite and bituminous fields, additional mines were reopened and many mine workers were recalled. Activities in connection with metalliferous mining, except that of gold, continued on a subnormal basis.

"A decided improvement was made in the textile mills producing knit goods, shirts, worsted hosiery, woolen and cotton goods and rayon. Many of these factories reported an increase in the forces engaged and in several instances, departmental overtime prevailed.

"Some increase in activity occurred in concerns manufacturing jewelry and novelties in preparation for the holiday trade.

"While little change occurred in the boot and shoe industry as a whole employment gains were noted in some of these plants.

"There was a slight increase in certain of the iron and steel mills but operations generally remained on a curtailed basis. Employment in the automobile industry and allied lines remained restricted. Part time generally prevailed in the plants producing rubber tires.

"Seasonal operations were well underway in the beet sugar factories and thousands of skilled and unskilled laborers were absorbed in this industry during the month.

"Harvesting and other fall agricultural work provided employment for large numbers of farm hands.

"Federal aid and state and county highway construction continued as the means of employment for large forces of men. The volume of private and commercial building decreased somewhat as compared with the September level."

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Those Little "Whatcha-Call-Ems" — By Albert T. Reid



The First Christmas

MATTHEW 1:18-2:15.
Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

But when he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is God with us.

Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name Jesus.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod, the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are

come to worship him.

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

And when he had gathered all the priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written by the prophet,

And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judea, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a vision that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

When he arose, he took the young child and its mother by night, and departed into Egypt.

And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were sore afraid.

10. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

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MAN KILLED
Laurinburg. — David Phipps, East Laurinburg young man, was instantly killed when struck by a hit-run driver on Highway 20. His body, badly broken and mangled, was found shortly after 7 o'clock lying on the side of the road. An investigation by county officers and a coroner's jury failed to establish any clue as to the identity of the driver of the car that killed young Phipps.

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