

Cutback In 17 North Carolina Firms

RALEIGH, Aug. 22. — Cutbacks and layoffs in 17 North Carolina firms in 10 North Carolina centers, devoted primarily to war production, will reduce the numbers of workers from about 26,550 to about 14,200, involving layoffs or approximately 12,350 workers, Dr. J. S. Dorton, State

director of the War Manpower Commission, has figured.

These workers have been laid off, or will be within the next few days, Dr. Dorton reports, adding that a few hundred other workers in other plants may be added to the number.

In many of these plants little or no layoff is expected, since some have already converted to civilian production and others are expected to complete the reconver-

All Manpower Controls Removed

Raleigh, Aug. 22.—All manpower controls in North Carolina were automatically removed at the moment last week when President Truman announced the end of the war with Japan, Dr. J. S. Dorton, State director of the War Manpower Commission, said in a statement issued at that time. He discussed the State's future in this statement:

"Lifting all manpower controls means that all ceiling and employment stabilization regulations, including the 48-hour work-week, are removed and all employers may hire as many workers as they want and can get. Workers are permitted to accept any job they may choose and to change jobs as they wish.

"While controlled referrals of males no longer exists, we offer full and complete service of our trained and specialized personnel throughout the State to both employers and workers alike and pledge our continued efforts and cooperation toward a sound program of reconversion and full employment for all North Carolinians.

"With the relaxation of controls and the tremendous workload that this involves, more time will be made available for our personnel of more than 500 in 92 U. S. Employment Service Offices in developing job opportunities and in placing returning veterans and returning war workers on peace-time jobs.

"North Carolina, with the WMC USES daily list of job openings known as NC-10, which is current in each office in the State, is in a strategic position to find and publicize job opportunities thru all local offices in the State.

"Our offices are also equipped to flash to each local office the qualifications and experience of those who for any reason are not able to find suitable employment in their local office areas. This system offers any person in the State seeking employment an opportunity to have his or her qualifications listed and available to every employer in the State who may be in need of the services of just such a man or woman.

"We can contemplate the post-war future of North Carolina with satisfaction. It is undoubtedly true that we will have some unemployment, due to change-over from war to peace-time production. But, it is our considered opinion that North Carolina has less to fear in that respect than any State in the Union. The reason is obvious. Our war-time industries are our principal peace-time industries, such as textiles, logging and lumbering, and the like, whose peace-time products were merely changed to war and war-supporting products.

Needs for both textiles and

sion process in short periods. Also, Dr. Dorton states, all of workers could be readily absorbed in North Carolina industry if they had the proper skills at were at the right places. As it is, only a few of the laid off workers are expected to be out of jobs for long. North Carolina plants could readily absorb immediately two to three times the numbers now being laid off, Dr. Dorton said.

lumber will continue to increase rather than decrease. These two industries alone could absorb between 30,000 and 35,000 workers without difficulty. Hundreds of our other industries can readily absorb another 35,000 workers.

"Those purely war-time industries, such as shipbuilding, shell loading, and other munitions manufactures, if closed entirely, would release approximately 14,000 workers, all of whom could be readily absorbed into peace-time industries. In addition, scores of new industries are ready and waiting for the go signal to begin operations in the State. The demands for these new industries and expansion programs of hundreds of our established industries will require thousands of additional workers.

"Moreover, North Carolina's present employment, with all of the extra women and over-age and under-age workers, not normally employed, is still 100,000 below the normal peace-time employment in this State.

"These figures do not include agricultural workers, who constitute about one-half of the State's employed workers.

"The backlog of need for more workers should prevent any serious unemployment of a permanent nature in North Carolina for a long time.

"It now becomes the duty and responsibility of both management and labor, working harmoniously and cooperatively, to see that such unity of purpose exists as to assure confidence on the part of both that new jobs and better jobs are provided, not only for our returning veterans, but for all who would have a part in building a greater State and Nation. This will assure that the winning of the peace is as worthy a cause as has been the winning of the war.

"To this cause and purpose the efforts of our entire personnel and our Management-Labor Committee are dedicated."

Six-Inch Sermon

† REV. ROBERT H. HAMPER †

Jacob Adjusts Personal Relationships. Lesson for August 26: Genesis 35:1-11; 17-20.

Memorize Verse: Romans 14:19. In the period following the time of the narrative of the last lesson, Jacob had spent 20 years in the service of Laban, his father-in-law. At length, because of friction between himself and Laban, Jacob departed for Canaan with all his household and his flocks. Having appeased the wrath of the pursuing Laban, who turned back, Jacob was disturbed to hear that Esau was coming to meet him, with 400 men.

He had reason to fear the brother whom he had wronged. But there was nothing left out to start and meet the issue. Having arranged his camp as wisely as he could, he went forth to meet Esau. Doubtless he was utterly surprised and overjoyed when Esau ran to meet him, embraced him, kissed him, and wept.

Esau here appears in a noble light—also afterward when he insisted on not receiving the gift which Jacob had made to him. But Jacob insisted and the gift was finally accepted. The brothers separated the following day—Esau returning to Mt. Seir and Jacob moving on slowly toward Shechem.

His personal relationships adjusted, Jacob desired a permanent home. He bought the parcel of ground outside the city where his tent was pitched, and then upon his own soil built an altar unto God. But better than any permanence he might have secured in his own home was Jacob's permanence of desire to do God's will. Since his wondrous wrestling at Peniel, Jacob was a changed man—redeemed of God and forgiven by his brother, he found permanence of spirit.

MAKE ICE-CREAM
At home—Any flavor—Delicious—Smooth—No ice crystals—No cooking—No whipping—No scorching—Very inexpensive—20 recipes in each 15¢ pkg. Please send this ad for free full-size sample offer, or buy from your grocer.

LONDONDERRY
Brand Homemade Ice Cream
• STABILIZER •
LONDONDERRY—525 HOWARD, SAN FRANCISCO 7, CALIF.

MONEY TO LOAN

Drive your car to Homesley Chevrolet Co., and bring your title

HOMESLEY Chevrolet Co.
Cherryville, N. C.

Back To School We Go



YES, before you know it you'll be sending them off to school again. And now is the time to get their wardrobes ready. Our complete stock of school clothes will make your shopping easy. Sturdy, good looking wearables for both girls and boys. At prices you'll applaud.

- FOR THE GIRL**
- SWEATERS \$2.95 to \$5.95
 - SKIRTS 2.95 to 4.95
 - BLOUSES 1.94 to 3.95
 - SOX 19c to 48c
 - OXFORDS 2.95 to 4.95
- DON'T FORGET WE CARRY A COMPLETE LINE OF DOROTHY PERKINS COSMETICS AT ALL TIMES.**

- FOR THE BOY**
- OXFORDS \$1.94 to \$3.95
 - SWEATERS 1.94 to 3.95
 - BOY'S SOX 25c to 39c
 - SPORT SHIRTS - 97c to 2.95
 - DRESS SHIRTS - 97c to 1.39
 - LONG PANTS 1.94 to 4.95
 - SHORT SETS 1.94 to 2.95
 - Leather Jackets-9.95 to 12.95
 - SPORT COATS-5.95 to 14.9
 - Sport Coats 5.95 to 14.95
 - Mackinaw Coats 8.95 to 12.95

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

ALL DOGS THAT DO NOT HAVE A VACCINATION TAG AND CITY DOG TAG AND ARE RUNNING LOOSE WILL BE KILLED.

PAUL D. TIMMONS
CHIEF-OF-POLICE

When it's "Goodbye Rationing!"

There'll be bliss ahead when you can tour again... to brand new sights... to grand old playspots... Your car will go with new-day power, when you can get NEW-DAY CONOCO BRONZ-Z-Z GASOLINE. For here is the coming of new high-octane!... New hushed power and panther-like getaway.

Credit this great advance to all the research knowledge intensively applied to our war-winning gasolines. And out of it all—as soon as peace permits—will come your NEW-DAY CONOCO BRONZ-Z-Z GASOLINE... unsurpassed! Continental Oil Company

CONOCO
Drive in today

where you see the big red Conoco triangle. That's Your Conoco Mileage Merchant's Station Identification. It's your sure sign of gasoline faithfully made to come up to the highest specifications now permitted.

RATION FREE CASUAL SHOES

FOR BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS

DO YOUR SCHOOL SHOPPING NOW

School Opens September 5

Belk-Matthew's
"WE SELL IT FOR LESS"