

## Labor helps returning Vet find Right Job

The returning veteran can count on the Department of Labor to help him find the right job when he returns to civilian life.

Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz said the Department is offering "all of its services" to helping the new veteran find "the job best suited to him and to his hopes for the future."

The Department of Labor is prepared to help the veteran whether he is interested in re-employment, in obtaining a first or new civilian job, or whether he would like to talk over personal training needs and his job potential.

Ways in which the Department can help the half a million new veterans expected to return annually to civilian life over the next five years are included in a new Department pamphlet entitled "The Right Job."

The pamphlet outlines the kind of "concrete help in getting a fresh start" to which President Lyndon B. Johnson referred upon signing the Veterans' Readjustment Benefits Act on March 3, 1956.

That Act—commonly referred to as the "Cold War GI Bill"—provides the same wide range of special help to the new veteran as did the first GI Bill and later the Korean GI Bill.

In addition to educational and other provisions, the law extends the job counseling and placement benefits to the public Employment Service to those who served on active duty in the Armed Forces after January 31, 1955.

The veteran who needs help in getting his old job back, finding a new job, or in obtaining free training should go to the nearest public employment service office. There, he will find job experts ready to serve him free.

One of the 1,900 full-time local offices of the Federal-State employment service system can be located under "State employment service" in the local directory, by asking the local postmaster, or by writing to the employment service office in the State capital.

Offshore Plateau yields Manganese

Existence of a "smooth black pavement" consisting primarily of manganese oxide along a 150-mile by 100-mile area off the southern coast of the United States was reported today by the Aluminaut, world's deepest diving submarine.

A large portion of the Blake Plateau, a relatively flat underwater terrace extending to depths of 3,000 feet off North Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina, is covered by the manganese oxide pavement, according to Arthur L. Markel, vice president and general manager of Reynolds Sub-Marine Services Corporation, operators of the Aluminaut. The deep-diving submersible is owned by Reynolds International, Inc.

Samples picked up by the Aluminaut's "arms" included one 198-pound specimen believed to be the largest ever raised off the ocean bottom. Although the specimens have not yet been assayed, Reynolds Metals Company geologists indicated their belief that the samples were better than minimum standards for commercial grades of manganese oxide.

"The Gulf stream currents evidently keep the pavement swept clean of sediment," Mr. Markel said. "So that it resembles a black top road. The Aluminaut actually rode on

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## NY Businesses expand during '66

The continuing business expansion in New York State, which began in 1962, is headed for another record year in 1966, according to the Business Fact Book—New York State, 1966 Supplement, just issued by the State Commerce Department.

In a foreword to the 20-page illustrated book, Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller says that "the State's favorable business climate and its natural and other resources are an unbeatable combination for attracting new industry and helping businessmen expand their New York State operations."

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New York is on the move—and we are determined that the State will continue to progress."

The Fact Book gives a complete economic summary, substantiated by charts and tabular data, of business activity in the State in 1965. It points out that the seasonally adjusted Index of Business Activity—a measure of the State's total private production of goods and services unaffected by price changes—reached an all time high of 128 (1957-59=100) in November and December. The average for the year was up five points from the 1964 level and 28 points above that in 1958.

Among the many key economic indicators reaching new peaks during the year were factory output, employment, hourly earnings, retail sales and steel production.

Industrial expansion in the

its wheels along the deposits just as though it was on a country road."

The pavement was found to be continuous over a large portion of the Blake Plateau. It is bordered on one side by phosphate concretions and nodules which blend into the primary manganese pavement.

On the ocean side, the manganese pavement blends into nodules of various sizes consisting mostly of manganese.

Over 600 pounds of samples were recovered by the Aluminaut manipulator device which consists of two nine-foot long arms.

Other samples of phosphate pavement, phosphate nodules, manganese and gray sand were recovered.

The Aluminaut returned today to Miami from a ten-day company-sponsored exploration cruise on the Blake Plateau.



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State has been greatly assisted by the New York Job Development Authority, which, the supplement observes, approved more than \$10 million in financial assistance to industry in 1965 to help establish new plants and expand existing facilities.

The book also notes that:

More people held jobs in New York State in 1965 than ever before—total employment averaged 7,500,000. Unemployment dropped well below year-earlier levels throughout 1965 and in October reached the lowest point in seven years.

The U.S. Department of Commerce removed Utica-Rome from the list of areas classifi-

ed as having substantial unemployment so that, at year's end, none of the State's seven major labor market areas were so classified.

Manufacturing employment rose 42,000 from 1964 to reach 1,837,000, the first significant expansion of the labor force since 1962. Earnings of manufacturing workers were higher

than ever before—average weekly wage rose to \$106.27 in 1965, an increase of \$3.83 over 1964.

The value of construction contracts in the State rose to \$3.9 billion, \$600 million above the 1964 total. State highway contracts awarded reached a new record of \$445 million in

1965 and will involve construction or improvement of 2,300 miles of road.

Retail business in the State outpaced the previous year's volume by three per cent, and the value of foreign trade gain was 11 per cent more than in 1964.

Over 60 new or expanded re-

search facilities were planned, under way or completed in 1965.

Electric power producers in the State generated a record 73.2 billion kilowatt-hours of electric energy in 1965, 4.6 billion more than in 1964, according to the Federal Power Commission.

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