

## LOCAL PLANTS ALL RUNNING; LABOR SCARCE

Shortage of Skilled Workers  
Exists Here, U. S. Department Reports.

*Times Washington Bureau.*  
1525 New York Avenue.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Employment conditions in Indiana are growing better steadily, according to the employment bulletin of the Department of Labor, out today.

Increases are noted in the iron, steel, auto, mining and building industries. The surplus of common labor labor almost entirely has disappeared, it was said.

All plants are running in Indianapolis, and a shortage of skilled workers faces employers in many industries, the report says. In other industries there still is a small surplus, which is being rapidly absorbed. Considerable building is being done and building workers are scarce.

At Evansville furniture factories are operating full time and the employment outlook is better than for many months. There is still a small surplus of common labor, however.

At Terre Haute a surplus of coal miners still exists, although the miners are operating on increased schedules and many miners have left the district. At Clinton about 1,500 miners are on part time.

At Terre Haute about 90 per cent of the plants are operating 75 per cent full time, the report says. Optimistic reports were received from virtually all other large Indiana employment centers.

## RIVERSIDE NOW TAGGART PARK

Board Votes to Honor Ex-Mayor.

Riverside Park is no more. The name is Tom Taggart Park. Park board members Thursday voted to change the name, in honor of former Senator Thomas Taggart, who was mayor of Indianapolis when the city acquired the ground for the park.

Suitable markers at park entrances will designate the new name. A board committee is considering a proposal of women to use part of the Garfield Park shelter house for a children's museum.

### ROAD BONDS SOLD

*By Times Special*  
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Dec. 18.—The county treasurer sold a road bond issue for \$10,500 Thursday afternoon to the First National Bank here for par, accrued interest and a premium of \$60. Several Indianapolis firms competed.

## Winter Will No Longer Handicap His Trade



William Nelson

### GAS RATE CUT MARCH 1

## THIEVES LOOT MOVING TRAIN

### Merchandise Thrown From Express Cars.

*By United Press*  
JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 18.—Merchandise carried in two freight cars of an Erie Railroad train operated by an express company from Jersey City to Chicago was thrown from the cars last night by thieves who apparently had secreted themselves in the train before it got under way.

Railway detectives, after the robbery had been discovered, found scores of packages strewn along the right-of-way. The robbers were believed to have had confederates in motor trucks who were following the train.

Total value of the loot is reported to be \$100,000.

### MILLERS HOLD ELECTION

H. C. Sceare of Mooresville today is the new president of the Indiana Millers' Association, succeeding John A. Shields of Seymour. Frank C. Hutchinson of Lawrenceburg was named vice president and Charles B. Riley, Indianapolis, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

## YOUNGER MEN FOR MITCHELL

Ft. Harrison Officer Says  
Opinion is Divided.

Younger officers of the Regular Army favor Colonel Mitchell, dismissed from the service for insubordination, a captain at Ft. Benjamin Harrison said today.

The name of the officer is not

given, because he has no desire to follow Colonel Mitchell to civil life.

"The opinion is pretty well divided," the captain said. "Older officers bitterly oppose Mitchell's tactics as detrimental to the standards of discipline and spirit of the service, but the officers of shorter period of service believe he is in the right."

The captain, however, said many officers believed Mitchell should have resigned before exposing the shortcomings of the national air service.

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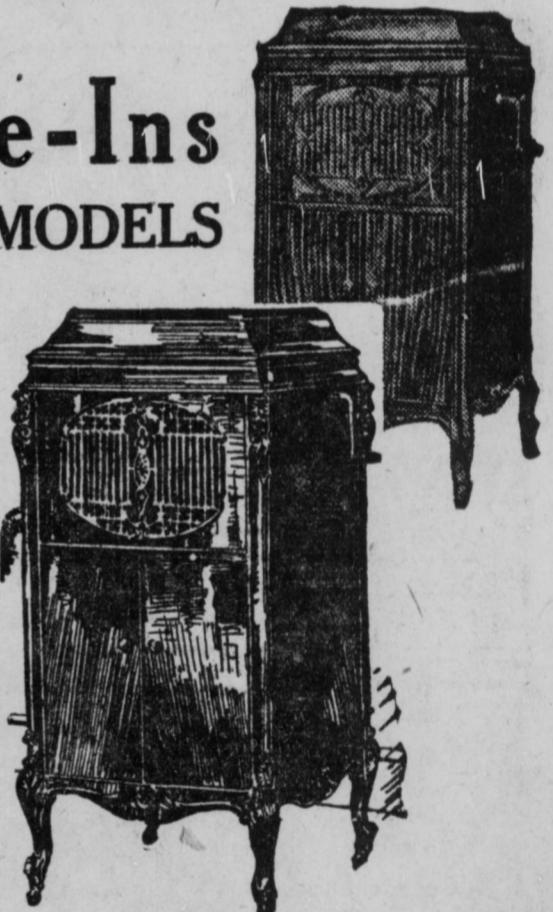
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