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These reports of the Kansas State Mine Inspector mostly concern coal mining, though by 1929 the scope of the reports broadens to include metal mines. The content of individual reports will vary. The reports address mining laws and mining districts; industry production and earnings; fatal and non-fatal accidents; accident investigations and transcripts of oral interviews; labor strikes; mine locations; mining companies and operators; and proceedings of mining conventions. The reports document the political, economic, social, and environmental impacts of more than seventy years of mining in southeastern Kansas.

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Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

100. Harry Yarber, dayman; right foot bruised; January 2, 1924.
101. John Carsini, miner; right eye injured; January 5, 1924.
102. Tom Kelley, miner; big toe on left foot cut; January 7, 1924.
103. Carl Bouch, miner; chest bruised by being caught between car and corner of room neck; January 7, 1924.
104. Joe Kochoski, miner; back bruised and nose broken; January 8, 1924.
105. Ray Hawkins, dayman cager; right side ruptured; January 10, 1924.
106. Joe Ciardullo, miner; right eye bruised; January 14, 1924.
107. Steve Plenty, miner; left leg sprained; January 14, 1924.
108. Pleny Wickle, miner; back of neck and right arm burned by gas; January 15, 1924.
109. John Mossam, miner; back and left side injured; January 16, 1924.
110. Louis Capute, miner; left hand bruised; January 19, 1924.
111. Frank Leroy, driver; sprained back; January 21, 1924.
112. Pete Baratone, motorman; left eye bruised; January 24, 1924.
113. Paul Martin, miner; left knee bruised; January 24, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

114. J. B. Williams, miner; both knees bruised; January 14, 1924.
115. (Investigated by Shaw.) Lee Phelps was seriously injured by fall of rock in the second west back entry off the southwest, on January 28, 1924, at about 3:40 p.m. The rock was 11 feet long, 6 feet wide and 12 inches thick. This man was preparing to set other props under this rock when it fell. Mr. Phelps was injured about the back and sustained a broken arm.

Wear Coal Company, Mine No. 21.

116. (Investigated by Shaw.) Willis Newberry, miner, was injured by fall of rock in the first room off the sixth north back entry on January 30, 1924, at about 11:15 a.m. The rock was 6 feet long, 4 feet wide and about 16 inches thick and tapering to featheredge on both sides. At the time of the accident Mr. Newberry was shoveling out coal that he had just mined off. He was removed from under the rock and placed in an empty car and taken to the top, where a doctor immediately treated him.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

117. Tony Dubray, miner; third finger of left hand injured by lifting chunk of coal; February 1, 1924.
118. Lawrence Dubray, miner; face and arms burned by gas; February 13, 1924.
119. George Stutzman, miner; tooth loosened by prop falling back in face; February 13, 1924.
120. Wylie Lilley, miner; left knee injured by lump of coal falling on knee; February 13, 1924.
121. Tom Sidwell, timberman; both hands injured by pulling rock down on them; February 16, 1924.
122. Pete Bond, miner; face, neck and arms burned by gas; February 19, 1924.
123. (Investigated by Clark.) Matt O'Donnell, airman, was slightly injured by being caught between a trip of car and rib on the tenth east off southwest angle of mine on February 20, 1924. Mr. O'Donnell was bruised about the body.
124. Henry Plomier, miner; right shoulder injured by fall of piece of rock while mining shot; February 29, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 48.

125. Cesino Salgado, section man; right leg broken by, catching leg on frozen ground while on motor car; February 20, 1924.
126. Joe Fatley, topman; piece of dirt in left eye; February 23, 1924.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 49.

- 127. Howard Moats, miner; ruptured by lifting car on track; February 7, 1924.
- 128. Morris Pauline, miner; left leg injured by piece of rock falling on same; February 7, 1924.
- 129. Henry Krerbar, miner; while lifting chunk of coal on car, injured third finger and sprained back; February 8, 1924.
- 130. Robert Young, cager; back and left leg injured, caused by holding on bell pipe in shaft; it broke and he fell back into the mine; February 16, 1924.
- 131. John Strahotta, cager; left foot bruised by car running over it; February 18, 1924.
- 132. Ignoseo Rosena, miner; hand injured; February 25, 1924.
- 133. John Cann, miner; wrist sprained while pushing car; February 25, 1924.
- 134. J. F. Ballard, miner; left wrist broken by fall of small piece of rock; February 26, 1924.
- 135. J. B. King, section man; cinder flew in right eye; February 29, 1924.
- 136. Roger Frere, miner; while digging shot, the pick bounced back and hit him in the ear; February 29, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

- 137. John Harrigan, miner; while cutting rock, a piece of sulphur flew in eye; February 1, 1924.
- 138. George Gibson, miner; while mining shot, a rock fell on his right shoulder, bruising it; February 1, 1924.
- 139. Fred Hudson, miner; while tamping shot, a piece of sulphur hit left eye; February 6, 1924.
- 140. F. Appino, driver; third finger of right hand mashed while pushing car; February 8, 1924.
- 141. Martin Kotzen, miner; piece of rock flew in left eye; February 16, 1924.
- 142. Leo McAllister, miner; index finger of right hand hurt by being caught between two cars; February 19, 1924.
- 143. C. Roshay, blacksmith; toe injured by mule stepping on it; February 20, 1924.
- 144. I. Bartocci, miner; face and head burned by gas; February 20, 1924.
- 145. Frank Beranchi, miner; back and side bruised by car running back on him; February 21, 1924.
- 146. Chas. McNickle, miner; back hurt by fall of rock; February 21, 1924.
- 147. John Grimes, driver; mule kicked dirt in left eye; February 22, 1924.
- 148. Mike Stimac, miner; left hand cut while sharpening drill; February 27, 1924.
- 149. F. Flannel, miner; piece of coal in eye; February 27, 1924.
- 150. George Hughes, driver; lifting car on track and injured back; February 29, 1924.
- 151. Joe Mane, miner; coal dust in left eye; February 29, 1924.

Jackson-Walker Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 17.

- 152. Milton Freil, miner; strained right side by lifting loaded car on track; February 20, 1924.

Sheridan Coal Company, Mine No. 18.

- 153. L. Baratone, driver; third and fourth fingers of right hand bruised by car jumping track and catching fingers on rib; February 7, 1924.
- 154. V. Sitler, miner; palm of right hand bruised; February 15, 1924.

Sheridan Coal Company, Mine No. 19.

- 155. James Bousfield, miner; right ear infected by coal flying in it; February 1, 1924.
- 156. Ike Griffith, miner; right eye injured by coal flying in it; February 8, 1924.

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157. F. Long, miner; infected left knee by scratching knee on coal; February 23, 1924.

158. Joe Bierboldt, miner; sprained wrist while pushing loaded car; February 24, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

159. (Investigated by Glennon.) Mike Crain, driver, was injured on February 3, 1924, by being caught under a motor trip. He had pulled a bunch of loaded cars out to the bottom and was going to make a flying switch, and went to kick a latch, and as the trip was coming too fast, it caught him and threw him under the trip. His left side and left arm were injured; February 3, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

160. Gotleb Kein, miner; burned about the left side of face, nose and arms by gas; February 4, 1924.

161. Frank Bazin, miner; sprained back while lifting car; February 4, 1924.

162. James Arthur, miner; right eye injured; February 12, 1924.

163. Godfrey Tehiltch, miner; piece of sulphur struck him in right eye while cutting coal; February 18, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

164. John Keegan, topman, piece of coal in right eye; February 4, 1924.

165. H. Cabott, driver; sprained back by lifting car on track; February 8, 1924.

166. Wm. Rollins, timberman; side strained; February 8, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 19.

167. Joe Herman, miner; right leg injured; February 8, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

168. Pearl Freek; miner; while mining off shot, a piece of coal hit the blade of the shovel and the handle hit him on the jaw; February 1, 1924.

169. Joe Lebean, miner; left knee injured; February 11, 1924.

170. Laurence Bronatti, miner; right third-finger nail taken off; February 18, 1924.

171. Joe Coraro, miner; injured while setting prop; piece of rock fell on leg; February 21, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

172. Felix Rice, miner; finger of right hand bruised; February 4, 1924.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

173. Joe Pavise, miner; left side injured by shoveling coal; March 9, 1924.

174. Frank Dowe, miner; piece of coal flew in right eye while mining shot; March 11, 1924.

175. Marco Alberto, miner; coal flew in left eye; March 20, 1924.

176. S. Stimac, miner; sprained back by pushing car; March 26, 1924.

177. John Craddock, miner; back sprained by pushing car; March 29, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 48.

178. Duck McKnight, driver; left shoulder and rib injured by tail chain; March 2, 1924.

179. Jake Selach, miner; piece of sulphur flew in right eye; March 3, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 49.

180. August Bork, topman; while climbing on car, shaker hit him on head, cutting it; March 3, 1924.

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- 181. Arthur Williamson, coupler; back sprained by lifting empty car on track; March 10, 1924.
- 182. Pete Spineto, driver; tail chain became loose and caught finger when trying to catch it; March 28, 1924.
- 183. Sam Variot, engineer; hit on head with wrench; cut over left eye; March 28, 1924.
- 184. Louis Tarlot, miner; third finger of right hand bruised by being caught between car and roof; March 29, 1924.
- 185. George Morey, driver; sprained left ankle by holding cars back; March 31, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

- 186. Angelo Battidori, miner; injured about body by fall of rock; March 1, 1924.
- 187. George Rogers, miner; sprained back while loading car; March 3, 1924.
- 188. Frank Grudinia, miner; right arm cut by pulling rails; fell on point of frog; March 4, 1924.
- 189. Burt Reed, engineer; piece of steel flew in left eye; March 4, 1924.
- 190. John Cowan, driver; finger broken by being caught between two cars; March 5, 1924.
- 191. William Harriston, driver; finger caught between rib and car, mashing it; March 5, 1924.
- 192. Pasgale Pisa, miner; back bruised and sprained by fall of rock; March 5, 1924.
- 193. John Miller, miner; rock flew in eye while setting up prop; March 13, 1924.
- 194. Mike Kelly, miner; back sprained while lifting car on track; March 13, 1924.
- 195. Ed Barrett, miner; while lifting car on track, the other end came up and hit him in the mouth, breaking several teeth; March 13, 1924.
- 196. Ed. Brooks, miner; back sprained by fall of rock; March 13, 1924.
- 197. E. Harris, miner; pick point hit upper part of right eye; March 15, 1924.
- 198. Jacob Wettstein, miner; coal flew in left eye; March 17, 1924.
- 199. (Investigated by Clark.) Angelo Battidori, miner, was injured by fall of rock in the first room off the second west off the second north on the west side of the mine on March 18, 1924, at about 1:30 p. m. The place where the accident occurred was driven up 149 feet from the entry. The roof was good throughout the length and width of the room and fairly well timbered. The rock that fell was 11 feet long, 8 feet wide and about 2 inches thick. Mr. Battidori was engaged in mining off a standing shot when he was injured.
- 200. James Conrad, miner; left foot mashed by being caught between bumpers; March 20, 1924.
- 201. Pete Corsin, miner; face and side bruised by mule walking over him; March 20, 1924.
- 202. Jacob Yenke, miner; arms and shoulder bruised while mining shot; a rock fell on him; March 24, 1924.
- 203. F. Per, miner; sprained ankle by being caught between two cars; March 24, 1924.
- 204. Steve Burt, miner; back sprained by lifting car on track; March 24, 1924.
- 205. Leo Sadia, miner; piece of coal in left eye; March 24, 1924.
- 206. David Murray, motorman; back sprained by pushing car; March 27, 1924.
- 207. George Rogers, miner; back injured by moving rock; March 27, 1924.
- 208. Fred Rosati, miner; back sprained by lifting car; March 27, 1924.
- 209. Frank Fiormonti, miner; piece of coal hit eye; March 28, 1924.
- 210. John Grimes, driver; mule squeezed him against rib; March 29, 1924.
- 211. John Poretti, miner; back sprained by being hit with rock; March 29, 1924.
- 212. Frank Flannel, miner; right eye injured by piece of coal striking it; March 29, 1924.



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213. L. Murriel, miner; right knee injured; slipped while pushing car; March 29, 1924.

Cherokee Coal Company, Mine No. 1.

214. Richard Brown, miner; neck and ear cut by fall of rock; March 13, 1924.

215. Edgar Lemson, trip rider; right ankle sprained by fall of rock; March 16, 1924.

Jackson-Walker Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 17.

216. James Marando, miner; face, neck and hands burned by gas; March 28, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

217. Mike Costa, miner; third finger of right hand injured by lifting rock; March 18, 1924.

218. Mike Costa, miner; back injured by fall of rock; March 25, 1924.

Sheridan Coal Company, Mine No. 14.

219. (Investigated by Glennon.) C. A. Hall and his son George Hall were burned by an explosion of a premature shot on March 20, 1924, at about 3:20 p. m., in the second room from the face of the fifth south back off the third west on the main south. The hole from which the explosion occurred was 5 feet 2 inches deep and had a chance of 4 feet 3 inches. A charge of 4 feet had been made in two cartridges, and they did not know whether or not both cartridges were in the hole. There was no unexploded powder in the place, but there was some partly burned paper. No sulphur was found in the hole and no trace of gas.

Sheridan Coal Company, Mine No. 18.

220. J. Sewechal, miner; left eye cut by piece of sulphur hitting it; March 3, 1924.

Sheridan Coal Company, Mine No. 19.

221. Luther Cook, miner; fingers of left hand mashed by being caught between car and rib; March 6, 1924.

222. John Ludwa, miner; overcome by bad air; March 7, 1924.

223. Cleve Cummings, miner; overcome by bad air; March 8, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

224. P. Pennick, miner; right hand and forefinger bruised; March 3, 1924.

225. John Roycht, miner; bruised finger of right hand while drilling; March 21, 1924.

226. Frank Presterneck, timberman; left eye injured; March 21, 1924.

227. C. R. Mitchell, miner; left shoulder, hand, arm and foot bruised by rock fall; March 31, 1924.

228. C. Hensley, miner; while cutting to place a prop, the pick struck sulphur and hit him in the left eye; March 31, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

229. Camel Laurent, miner; right wrist sprained; March 11, 1924.

230. Mike Antonetti, motorman; small finger of right hand cut; March 13, 1924.

231. Wm. Boyer, driver; mule kicked him on head; March 15, 1924.

232. Pete Brackett, miner; coal struck right eye; March 19, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

233. Wm. Dorman, miner; abdomen strained; March 3, 1924.

234. David Pugh, cager; right hand severely bruised; March 3, 1924.

235. Martin Banahan, miner; ribs of left side injured; March 11, 1924.

236. John Klimek, miner; while mining coal, piece flew from pick and hit right eye; March 18, 1924.

237. Sam Giordana, miner; right knee injured; March 19, 1924.

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- 238. Thomas Slack, miner; left hip and side injured by lifting car; March 24, 1924.
- 239. Joe Lafuria, miner; right thumb injured; March 24, 1924.
- 240. Jacob Kawasnik, miner; piece of coal hit his right knee while mining shot; March 27, 1924.
- 241. Ed Cogee, miner; large piece of coal fell on right foot; March 27, 1924.
- 242. George Dibble, driver; left foot injured; while holding back a trip, he slipped and fell under it; March 29, 1924.
- 243. Alexander Fruit, miner; left eye injured; March 31, 1924.
- 244. Bert Sinden, miner; left arm injured; March 31, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

- 245. Wm. Bagan, mule boss; right eye injured; March 2, 1924.
- 246. Joe Baxin, miner; right ankle injured; March 5, 1924.
- 247. Lawson Hannah, miner; left knee bruised; March 17, 1924.
- 248. Robert Ramage, driver; back sprained by pushing car; March 22, 1924.
- 249. Angelo Menello, driver; while coupling on a trip of cars, he got his hand caught between bumpers; March 28, 1924.
- 250. John Grech, miner; while mining a shot, a piece of rock fell on his leg and as he turned around he sprained his back; March 29, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

- 251. L. Krovanija, miner; left side of face slightly burned; March 3, 1924.
- 252. John Keegan, topman; piece of coal in left eye; March 7, 1924.
- 253. Frank Martinache, driver; hit head on cross-bar; March 15, 1924.
- 254. Frank Pennick, driver; while driving, the mule slipped and a piece of coal hit him in the right eye; March 22, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 19.

- 255. Sam Barberi, miner; left knee bruised; March 3, 1924.
- 256. Stanley Hut, miner; while pushing car of coal, slipped and sprained left foot; March 24, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

- 257. William Latwaitis, miner; left eye bruised; March 5, 1924.
- 258. Fred Waltby, miner; back bruised; March 6, 1924.
- 259. Martin Gorenc, miner; bruised knee; March 7, 1924.
- 260. John Thomas, miner; right leg bruised; March 12, 1924.
- 261. Antone Lancellotti, miner; chest bruised; March 13, 1924.
- 262. Frank Morando, miner; bruised his left thumb with his sledge; March 14, 1924.
- 263. Clarence Atell, miner; first finger of left hand bruised; March 17, 1924.
- 264. E. Galord, miner; while pushing a car, a piece of coal struck him on middle finger of right hand; March 19, 1924.
- 265. Paul Givonelli, miner; piece of coal struck him in right eye; March 19, 1924.
- 266. Charlie Worlop, miner; while loading car, a piece of rock fell and struck him on back and right foot; March 20, 1924.
- 267. Harry Smith, miner; back sprained; March 21, 1924.
- 268. Jack Pompele, miner; right knee bruised; March 24, 1924.
- 269. John Tira, driver; middle finger of right hand injured; March 25, 1924.
- 270. Ralph Kermashek, miner; back sprained while pushing loaded car; March 27, 1924.
- 271. John Delonce, miner; piece of coal hit him in right eye; March 27, 1924.
- 272. Charlie Bouch, miner; left eye bruised; March 27, 1924.
- 273. John Lampy, miner; finger of right hand bruised by hitting it with drilling-machine crank; March 28, 1924.
- 274. George Rice, driver; while coupling a car the mule started up, injuring two fingers of left hand; March 28, 1924.
- 275. Frank Bachak, miner; sprained back by while car; March 31, 1924.

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Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

- 276. Felix Rice, waterman; injured right side; March 4, 1924.
- 277. Neil Smith, trackman; head injured by fall of piece of rock; March 5, 1924.
- 278. Ed. Lyons; miner; index finger of right hand bruised; March 13, 1924.
- 279. Frank Holland, miner; struck by piece of coal; March 14, 1924.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

- 280. J. Francott, timekeeper; side bruised; May 3, 1924.
- 281. John Oapek, miner; mashed first finger of left hand while mining shot; May 23, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

- 282. Frank Dunstan, blacksmith helper; ankle bruised by fall of piece of rock; May 26, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 112 (Shovel).

- 283. George Houghton, engineer; sprained foot by throwing switch; May 12, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

- 284. Francis Keegan, yardman; while weighing coal, large piece of coal fell from top of car on his left foot; May 9, 1924.
- 285. Aaron Keck, cager; while hitching a car which hung up on cage, a piece of coal fell down the shaft and struck him on back; May 14, 1924.
- 286. Steve Slusser, miner; while lifting a rail, a sharp edge of it cut the forefinger of right hand; May 15, 1924.
- 287. Antone Iaclosky, miner; mule squeezed him between two cars; May 15, 1924.
- 288. J. W. Whitehead, miner; piece of rock fell on his left shoulder; May 19, 1924.
- 289. Tony Polsac, miner; mashed finger against top of car while loading a car of coal; May 26, 1924.
- 290. Francis Keegan, yardman; while riding a car from under tippie, a piece of canvas struck his right eye; May 27, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

- 291. W. H. Frere, miner; dust flew in right eye while putting in new guides; May 23, 1924.
- 292. Ignatz Vusik, miner; while drilling a hole, the crank slipped from thread bar and bumped right hand on rib, breaking nail on right thumb; May 27, 1924.
- 293. Frank Wereholtz, miner; slipped and sprained back while pushing car; May 27, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

- 294. John Johnson, miner; mule turned around at parting and pushed him against rib, bruising chest and face; May 9, 1924.
- 295. B. Getto, miner; right foot bruised by piece of coal falling on it; May 12, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 19.

- 296. George McGill, driver; while hauling a load of rails down hill, the car jumped the track and threw him against the coal and injured his left side; May 31, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

- 297. William Johnson, miner; while pushing a car out of his place, he caught a finger of his right hand; May 8, 1924.



298. T. W. Teadale, miner; while pulling empty car out of his place, he caught his elbow on the rib, which caused his wrist to be sprained; May 12, 1924.

299. Antone Lancellotti, miner; while pulling down some brushing, a piece struck him on the left foot and bruised it; May 12, 1924.

300. Hubert Besson, miner; empty car struck him on left leg; May 14, 1924.

301. James Lavery; sprained his leg while mining a shot; May 22, 1924.

302. George Rodch, section laborer; wheel of motor car struck him; May 27, 1924.

Wear Coal Company, Mine No. 21.

303. (Investigated by Joe Clark.) Thomas Kelly, tracklayer, was injured by an explosion of gas in the third east entry off the fifth north on May 11, 1924, at about 10:30 a.m. From the evidence that was obtained, it seems that Mr. Kelly was looking for a sledge hammer with which to pull a switch, when he unknowingly stepped over a gas mark left by the gas man, and his lighted pit lamp came in contact with a small accumulation of gas, causing a slight explosion. He threw himself to the ground when the gas went off, and his side was slightly injured and his face, hands and neck were burned.

JUNE.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

304. Jules Goldina, miner; sprained back while pulling rail; June 4, 1924.

305. E. W. Edmonds, miner; while pushing a car, slipped and strained his side; June 16, 1924.

306. Marion Wilson, miner; overcome by gas; June 17, 1924.

307. W. J. Mellish, miner; caught finger of right hand under wheel of car; June 18, 1924.

308. William Snider, miner; piece of coal flew in eye; June 19, 1924.

309. A. D. Haynes, miner; burned by gas; June 20, 1924.

310. John Kuss, miner; piece of rock fell on left leg, injuring it; June 24, 1924.

311. John Harvey, miner, sprained back while lifting piece of rock; June 26, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

312. James Kelley, miner; right foot injured by fall of coal; June 2, 1924.

313. William Harriston, miner; mule kicked him on right leg; June 3, 1924.

314. James Saccane, miner; caught finger while pushing car of coal; June 6, 1924.

315. Harry Sandwith, miner; right knee injured while pushing car; June 7, 1924.

316. Antone Pagisek, miner; burned by gas; June 17, 1924.

317. Rudy Grudnick, miner; caught hand in door of car; June 20, 1924.

318. F. Hudson, miner; strained himself while lifting car on track; June 25, 1924.

319. Robert Bell, tracklayer; left eye injured by piece of rail which he was cutting; June 26, 1924.

320. Frank Fiormonti, miner; piece of sulphur flew in right eye while digging; June 27, 1924.

Dittman-Wachter Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

321. Elmer Geier, driver; fingers mashed; June 25, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

322. Leo Bersline, miner; while riding in pit car tool box got caught on the rib and injured his right side; June 30, 1924.

Reliance Coal Company.

323. (Investigated by William Glennon.) William Jenkins was injured by a premature explosion on June 23, 1924, at about 1:30 p.m. This explosion was caused by a defective fuse. His ankle was sprained and some coal dust shot up into his eyes.

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Standard Coal Company, Mine No. 12.

324. (Investigated by William Glennon.) Andrew Allen, miner, was burned by gas in the sixth east, south side, on June 18, 1924. He was crawling over a fall of rock when the accident occurred. He was burned on the back of his left hand and his face was scorched. It was found that it had not been a practice to run this mine for gas, and it was ordered that a man be put on at once for this purpose.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

325. William Caldwell, airman; burned about the face and hands by gas; June 5, 1924.

326. Joe Zerngast, shot-firer; bumped his knee and bruised it; June 5, 1924.

327. John Lenassi, tracklayer; came in contact with trolley wire, which knocked him down and caused him to bruise his face and nose; June 21, 1924.

328. Joe Gintner, miner; bruised right knee while loading car; June 25, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

329. John Ricci, miner; sprained his back while cleaning rock out of room; June 17, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

330. Jacob Amercheck, miner; while cutting coal, a piece of sulphur struck his right eye; June 1, 1924.

331. John Klimik, miner; left foot injured by fall of rock; June 5, 1924.

332. H. C. Forester, sprinkler; injured right hand while hitching mule to water tank; June 15, 1924.

333. George Price, miner; piece of sulphur struck right eye; June 17, 1924.

334. Egisto Bianchi, miner; hernia of left side, caused by unloading car of coal; June 21, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

335. Guido Paffi, driver; second and third fingers of right hand injured by being kicked by mule; June 4, 1924.

336. A. Coleman, miner; hit with pick while mining shot; June 10, 1924.

337. Harry Boyce, driver; knee injured by jumping into empty car; June 10, 1924.

338. John Tolliver, tracklayer; wrenched his back while lifting car on track; June 14, 1924.

339. Frank Koser, miner; while cleaning up brushing shot, he slid and injured right leg; June 25, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

340. Tom Dozier, miner; hit back of hand on prop; June 3, 1924.

341. J. Maghe, miner; slipped and injured knee; June 4, 1924.

342. Dave Hughes, miner; cut second finger of left hand with coal drill; June 10, 1924.

343. Henry Cabbot, driver; caught foot under car while holding back on trip of cars; June 12, 1924.

344. R. Ceccotti, miner; while pushing empty car, slipped and fell on left knee; June 13, 1924.

345. C. A. McKay, miner; while mining shot, a piece of rock fell on left leg; June 16, 1924.

346. John Biama, driver; left hand cut when car jumped the track; June 16, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 19.

347. John McQueen, miner; while loading rails from cage, one fell and hit his right foot across the toes; June 21, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

348. Wright Gamble, miner; sprained back by lifting piece of rock; June 2, 1924.

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- 349. Andrew Seecombe, dayman; first and second fingers of left hand caught while coupling cars; June 2, 1924.
- 350. Gus Herby, miner; while cutting in coal, a piece of coal struck left eye; June 2, 1924.
- 351. Tom Devlin, miner; dirt and rock fell and struck him on left leg, breaking it above the knee; June 3, 1924.
- 352. Ray Hawkins, cager; piece of coal fell and struck cage and glanced back and struck him in right eye; June 3, 1924.
- 353. Joe Yordan, miner; while shoveling coal back in his room, struck right elbow on rock and bruised it; June 6, 1924.
- 354. Lue Rees, miner; while pushing loaded car out of room, slipped and strained his right side; June 9, 1924.
- 355. Dan Moore, miner; knife slipped and cut the first finger of left hand while cutting fuse; June 10, 1924.
- 356. Jim Carisara, miner; struck back of right hand on rock and cut it; June 11, 1924.
- 357. Arch Mossom, driver; while coupling cars on trip, mule started up and caught finger in link of drawbar; June 19, 1924.
- 358. John Braxton, driver; finger of right hand cut off at joint when piece of coal fell off car; June 25, 1924.
- 359. John Johnson, miner; lit gas between two horsebacks and slightly burned his neck and left arm; June 26, 1924.

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- 360. Pat Quinn, miner; bone broken in right foot by piece of coal falling on same; June 3, 1924.
- 361. Mike Pryor, miner; piece of steel flew in right eye; June 26, 1924.
- 362. John Murnin, machinist; foreign object in right eye; June 5, 1924.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

- 363. Frank Krashoc, driver; while crawling over trip, hit nose on crossbar; July 2, 1924.
- 364. William Sarley, driver; piece of rock fell on arm while coming out with trip; left arm cut; July 5, 1924.
- 365. Steve Sarley, miner; back sprained by pushing car up hill; July 5, 1924.
- 366. Frank Brookaman, miner; piece of rock fell on left foot while mining shot; left foot injured; July 9, 1924.
- 367. Henry Plouvier, miner; while mining off shot, a piece of coal fell on right knee, injuring it; July 15, 1924.
- 368. Joe Umek, miner; piece of coal flew in right eye; July 16, 1924.
- 369. Joe Appino, miner; while lifting car on track, injured left shoulder; July 17, 1924.
- 370. Robert Young, miner; sprained back while pushing car; July 23, 1924.
- 371. J. P. Francott, top boss; head and shoulder injured by pump rod falling on same; July 23, 1924.
- 372. Frank Heskett, miner; right foot injured by fall of rock; July 25, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 48.

- 373. Antonio Rodriguez, section laborer; third finger of right hand mashed by being caught under scale beam; July 18, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

- 374. Alex Potter, yardman; piece of sulphur flew in right eye; July 8, 1924.
- 375. Bryan Zurek, miner; first finger of right hand injured by being hit by piece of wedge; July 8, 1924.
- 376. Joe Boyce, miner; sprained back by lifting car on track; July 11, 1924.
- 377. John Billiard, miner; piece of rock flew in right eye while mining shot; July 11, 1924.



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- 378. A. Bowen, miner; strained back by pushing car of coal; July 11, 1924.
- 379. Jerian Ekurek, miner; right eye injured by piece of sulphur striking it; July 15, 1924.
- 380. Marco Sepick, miner; eyeball cut by piece of rock striking eye; July 16, 1924.
- 381. Dan Anderson, miner; right foot injured by fall of piece of rock; July 22, 1924.
- 382. Bryan Zurek, miner; cut left wrist on drill July 22, 1924.
- 383. R. A. McGee, miner; bumped his head on a rock; July 23, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 112 (Shovel).

- 384. E. F. Rosenteil, blacksmith; piece of iron flew in eye; July 30, 1924.

Jackson-Walker Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 17.

- 385. Paul Folgerico, miner; index finger of right hand mashed; July 5, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

- 386. (Investigated by Glennon.) Emil Anselmi was burned by gas on July 16, 1924, at about 8 a. m. He had gone into his place to begin work and had just got to the horseback when he lit the gas. His hands, face, neck and back were burned.

- 387. John Roycht, miner; right leg and thigh bruised by piece of coal coming down on him while mining coal; July 23, 1924.

- 388. Fritz Lenassi, miner; while lifting rock, another piece fell on the piece he was lifting and mashed finger of right hand; July 31, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

- 389. James Patterson, topman; slipped on water and soap on floor of wash-house and sprained his back; July 3, 1924.

- 390. Pete Brackett, miner; slipped and bruised left knee while pushing loaded car; July 17, 1924.

- 391. Cormie McCabe, tracklayer; rail struck left leg between knee and ankle while unloading rails; July 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

- 392. John Stanson, miner; sprained back by lifting large piece of rock; July 1, 1924.

- 393. Luke Dorman, miner; large piece of coal fell on left side of forehead; July 5, 1924.

- 394. George Deverse, miner; slipped and bruised left knee while pushing loaded car of coal; July 10, 1924.

- 395. Mike Paulin, miner; a large piece of coal fell on right foot, bruising it; July 10, 1924.

- 396. Chas. Burke, miner; piece of coal fell on his left foot; July 12, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

- 397. Attilio Palango, miner; neck, right shoulder and back injured by fall of piece of rock; July 8, 1924.

- 398. Frank Slopper, miner; sprained his back while pushing loaded car over switch; July 21, 1924.

- 399. Charles Busset, miner; sprained back by pushing loaded car; July 23, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

- 400. Henry Cabbot, driver; nail of right first finger pulled off; July 7, 1924.

- 401. Steve Lason, driver; while uncoupling tail chain from trip, the mule turned, and chain hook caught his heel and run hook through leg; July 9, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

- 402. John Bonock, miner; while pushing loaded car out of his place, strained his left side; July 11, 1924.

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403. Charles Odip, coupler; first and second fingers of right hand caught when he went to stop car with block; July 15, 1924.

404. Lorenzo Runge, driver; while lifting a car of coal on track with a mine tie, the mule started up and tie struck him on right side, bruising it; July 16, 1924.

405. Bill Knoulls, tracklayer; right foot injured by stepping on nail; July 19, 1924.

406. James Cochran, laborer; while building overcast he moved around and stepped on sharp nail which was protruding through board; July 19, 1924.

407. Jim Johnson, miner; piece of coal struck left eye; July 25, 1924.

408. Joe Termune, miner; while mining coal, small piece fell and struck him on right leg; July 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

409. M. L. Walters, miner; ligaments torn loose on left side by falling down; July 1, 1924.

410. Charles Doly, miner; while pushing loaded car out, he caught a finger of right hand between coal and roof; July 1, 1924.

411. Bernard Fern, driver; little finger of right hand cut by colliding with another driver at the fifth south off the southwest angle; July 7, 1924.

412. John P. Ferns, driver; sprained left ankle by stepping on a tie while running after a mule; July 19, 1924.

413. R. R. Mobley, foreman; while grinding chisel on emery wheel piece hit right eye; July 19, 1924.

414. Joe Florio, miner; while using prop to rerail car, the prop slipped and tore off end of first finger; July 22, 1924.

415. John Boyd, miner; while standing on empty car the mule started up and he fell over and hurt his left side; July 23, 1924.

416. Arthur Doty, miner; two men were at rear of car and Doty was pulling at the front when car run over his foot and crushed it; July 28, 1924.

AUGUST.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

417. Tony Rider, miner; sprained back while working in room; August 1, 1924.

418. Deck McKnight, miner; piece of rock fell on hand and injured finger; August 6, 1924.

419. Shady Jones, miner; back injured by pushing car; August 8, 1924.

420. Pete Ponte, miner; head injured by rail falling on it; August 8, 1924.

421. Mike Cassidy, miner; rock fell and slightly injured back; August 14, 1924.

422. Joe Dunn, miner; got blister on left hand while mining shot; August 17, 1924.

423. Pete Vagnassi, timberman; left eye injured and back sprained by carrying timber and falling; August 22, 1924.

424. James Kelley, miner; while mining shot, piece of coal flew in right eye; August 22, 1924.

425. Leon Griggs, miner; sprained back while working in room; August 27, 1924.

426. Louis Zibert, miner; left shoulder injured by fall of rock while mining shot; August 28, 1924.

427. Red Thomas, miner; sprained back while working in room; August 28, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

428. Frank Par, miner; mashed thumb while taking rails off car; August 2, 1924.

429. John Cepak, miner; back sprained while pushing car; August 2, 1924.

430. Martin Katcen, miner; sprained back while pulling car; August 4, 1924.

431. Tom Gillard, motorman; piece of rock fell on his back and injured it; August 4, 1924.

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- 432. Joe Lanny, miner; side injured by pushing car; August 6, 1924.
- 433. C. E. Williams, miner; fingers of right hand mashed by falling rock; August 11, 1924.
- 434. John Wettstein, miner; right wrist injured by fall of piece of rock; August 13, 1924.
- 435. Joe Stuss, miner; while lifting a chunk of coal it broke and fell on leg, injuring knee; August 15, 1924.
- 436. John Long, gasman; while fixing door with wrench, infected forefinger of right hand; August 17, 1924.
- 437. Joe Delforge, miner; while lifting with bar it slipped and hit elbow; August 20, 1924.
- 438. (Investigated by Clark.) Thomas Edwards, miner, was injured by fall of rock in the first south back entry on the west side, on August 20, 1924, at about 11:20 a. m. The rock was 6 feet long and 3 feet 7 inches wide, and his back was injured when it fell.
- 439. John Ogborn, yardman; loading props, and one fell back and cut his eye; August 20, 1924.
- 440. Pete Goldina, miner; pushing car and strained himself in groin; August 22, 1924.
- 441. Frank Appino, driver; injured right hand while pulling rock from under wheel of pit car; August 28, 1924.
- 442. Wm. McKnight, night fireman; right leg injured while pushing slack car; August 29, 1924.
- 443. Paul Boyce, miner; slightly burned by shoveling coal and lit gas; August 30, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 112 (Shovel).

- 444. George Houghton, engineer; got caught and bruised chest while coupling cars; August 28, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

- 445. Geo. Micello, miner; left hip and back injured by fall of rock; August 7, 1924.

Mackie Fuel Company, Mine No. "J."

- 446. George Dillingham, driver; hand mashed by being caught between door and car; August 18, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

- 447. Tony Rugar, miner; bruised left knee while pushing car; August 18, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

- 448. W. F. Hartman, miner; piece of coal struck left eye; August 6, 1924.
- 449. Wm. Ballack, blacksmith; while sharpening drills on emery wheel a piece of steel struck left eye; August 6, 1924.
- 450. George Theys, miner; while pushing empty car in his room he slipped and bruised his knee; August 29, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

- 451. Wm. McQueen, miner; middle finger of left hand injured while lifting car on track; August 4, 1924.
- 452. Alex Fruit, miner; right shoulder and right hip bruised by fall of piece of coal while mining shot; August 13, 1924.
- 453. Albert Zueck, miner; while shoveling rock aside, bumped his left arm against the rib; August 13, 1924.
- 454. James Hunter, miner; pushing loaded car and sprained his back; August 15, 1924.
- 455. George Kiwasky, miner; little finger of right hand injured by closing door of car on it; August 15, 1924.
- 456. Doyle McLauchlin, miner; while riding out in empty trip, bumped back of head against rib of entry; August 18, 1924.

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- 457. Martin Scalarone, roadman; right ankle sprained and chest and back bruised by fall of rock; August 18, 1924.
- 458. Albert Gulay, miner; while riding in trip, bumped his head against brushing; August 18, 1924.
- 459. Paul Price, miner; middle finger of right hand lacerated by being run over by an empty car; August 18, 1924.
- 460. Luke Dorman, miner; while stepping out of car, caught on bolt and fell and broke right forearm; August 19, 1924.
- 461. Chas. Mautirer, cager; overcome by smoke; August 22, 1924.
- 462. Raphael Farabi, miner; slipped and fell while pushing car, bruising left knee; August 23, 1924.
- 463. James Tomany, miner; while sitting on loaded car, mule got frightened and kicked rail against his head; August 25, 1924.
- 464. Ed Reeves, miner; right knee injured by empty car jumping track and jamming his legs against timber; August 26, 1924.
- 465. Mike Paulin, miner; while digging rock, piece fell on left leg, injuring it; August 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

- 466. O. Slusser, miner; while mining shot, part of it broke off and fell on right leg and injured it; August 4, 1924.
- 467. Casper Leskovitz, miner; while pushing car, fell on left knee; August 8, 1924.
- 468. P. Kilemar, miner; while cutting coal, dust was ignited and set gas afire; August 9, 1924.
- 469. A. Kelly, driver; while sitting on mine car, rock fell from top and hit him on head; August 13, 1924.
- 470. Tom Maltby, miner; while pushing car out, lump of coal fell and hit thumb of right hand; August 15, 1924.
- 471. V. Esgorsheck, miner; left foot slightly injured by fall of piece of rock; August 23, 1924.
- 472. Austin Maltby, spragger; spragging trip of cars and spraggs caught finger of right hand; August 23, 1924.
- 473. Thomas McEwan, dayman; ruptured by lifting rock; August 25, 1924.
- 474. Walter Row, driver; car he was riding jumped track and injured right leg; August 25, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

- 475. I. Gasteaun, miner; while pushing car, he fell and injured left wrist; August 20, 1924.
- 476. A. Kemp, driver; left side injured while coupling entry cars; August 23, 1924.
- 477. Hailey Mahnes, driver; mule squeezed arm between rib and mule; August 27, 1924.
- 478. R. Fossman, miner; pushing car and caught right foot between ties; August 27, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

- 479. Joe Moore, miner; while pushing loaded car, his foot slipped and he fell, bruising right knee; August 4, 1924.
- 480. John Dewine, miner; accidentally lit fuse while tamping shot, and pulled it out and was burned between first and second fingers; August 5, 1924.
- 481. A. Debus, miner; piece of coal struck left eye; August 7, 1924.
- 482. Jack Pompelli, miner; piece of coal struck his left eye; August 13, 1924.
- 483. John McGill, miner; while pushing loaded car, a piece of coal struck roof and fell on his left hand; August 15, 1924.
- 484. Joe Griarmida, miner; back sprained by pushing loaded car; August 19, 1924.
- 485. George Lancellotti, miner; struck left elbow on rib of entry, bruising it; August 21, 1924.

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486. Pete Perard, miner; mining coal and piece struck toe of left foot; August 27, 1924.

487. August Boucher; miner; mining coal and piece struck his left eye; August 27, 1924.

488. Frank Merciez, miner; piece of coal struck left eye; August 27, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

489. Tom Heenan, miner; piece of rock struck left eye while he was making a brushing hole with pick; August 8, 1924.

490. William Grady, miner; piece of coal fell and struck right side and hip while mining shot; August 11, 1924.

491. Francis Fern, driver; ankle of right leg bruised by being caught between trip and timber; August 21, 1924.

492. Alex Brown, miner; hurt his right arm while shoveling cross-handed; August 23, 1924.

SEPTEMBER.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

493. Charles Russell, miner; face slightly burned by igniting small amount of gas; September 6, 1924.

494. Fred Griffiths, miner; back sprained when he slipped while pushing loaded car; September 8, 1924.

495. Matt O'Donnell, topman; dust flew in right eye; September 10, 1924.

496. John Susnek, miner; piece of sulphur in eye; September 10, 1924.

497. Frank Krochan, driver; injured both arms while getting on trip; September 15, 1924.

498. William O'Brien, miner; right big toe injured by car running over it; September 19, 1924.

499. John Simmons, miner; while pulling car, got caught between props and injured chest; September 20, 1924.

500. Tony Cherich, miner; piece of coal flew in left eye; September 25, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 50.

501. Toney Kranker, dayman; shoulders and head injured by fall of rock; September 20, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

502. V. Duthy, miner; back sprained by fall of rock while loading car; September 3, 1924.

503. James Adamson, miner; while pulling down rock, small piece fell on right hand and injured it; September 5, 1924.

504. John Pothlopeck, miner; while carrying rails, he ran into cars and bruised right eye; September 6, 1924.

505. R. Catalano, miner; right hand bruised by fall of rock while pushing car; September 6, 1924.

506. Harry Sandwith, miner; piece of coal flew in eye; September 6, 1924.

507. Robert Laws, miner; while scraping coal out of cutting, bruised first finger of right hand; September 6, 1924.

508. John Appino, miner; face and hands burned by gas; September 8, 1924.

509. H. E. Graham, miner; got finger caught while lifting car; September 8, 1924.

510. John Appino, miner; face slightly burned by gas; September 8, 1924.

511. I. Michel, miner; little finger bruised by getting it caught while pushing car out of room; September 8, 1924.

512. (Investigated by Clark.) Clyde Harvey, miner, was injured by fall of rock in the third east back entry on September 11, 1924, at about 11:30 a. m. The rock that fell on Mr. Harvey measured 4 feet 6 inches long, 1 foot 4 inches wide and about 6 inches thick in center, tapering out to featheredge on both sides. Mr. Harvey was bruised about the body.

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513. Pete Billiard, miner; while mining a shot, a piece of coal flew in right eye; September 10, 1924.

514. Bryan Zurek, miner; while drilling, the crank slipped and bruised his elbow; September 10, 1924.

515. Eric Schietzel, electrician; sprained his left ankle while switching a car; September 10, 1924.

516. Edward Harris, miner; ribs, back and chest injured by motor car jumping track; September 11, 1924.

517. (Investigated by Clark.) Toney Simoncic, miner, was injured on September 11, 1924, at about 11:20 a. m. This accident happened on the first northwest entry. He was following up a loaded trip that was being hauled by a team of mules; one of the mules fell down and the loaded trip started back onto Simoncic. He must have tried to dodge into an open cross-cut, as he was caught between the trip and rib. His right leg was badly bruised.

518. Grati Alterant, miner; chest and left arm bruised by fall of rock while riding in car; September 11, 1924.

519. Bert Read, engineer; while hoisting, a piece of iron flew in left eye; September 11, 1924.

520. John Wettliien, miner; hurt wrist while mining shot; September 13, 1924.

521. Harry McClure, miner; piece of coal hit left eye; September 23, 1924.

522. Pasquale Pisa, miner; while mining off shot, a coal flew in both eyes; September 24, 1924.

523. Tom Fanello, miner; left foot injured by striking it with pick; September 25, 1924.

524. Fred Rosata, miner; right hand injured by hitting it against coal; September 27, 1924.

525. Paul Boyce, miner; burned about body by gas; September 30, 1924.

526. J. B. King, section laborer; injured right first finger by dropping tie on it; September 11, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

527. Andrew Palozari, driver; foot badly injured by being dragged under car; September 8, 1924.

528. P. Mamarelli, miner; injured side by pushing loaded car; September 8, 1924.

529. John Billiard, miner; while pushing car out of room his foot slipped and he hit his knee on rail; September 22, 1924.

Quality Coal Company, Mine No. 1.

530. (Investigated by Glennon.) Willard Ewan, weighman, was badly injured on September 17, 1924, at about 1:15 p. m. This accident occurred about 250 feet west of the tippie and was caused by a defective brake stand. He was riding a loaded nut car down, and in applying the brake the brake stand slipped out of socket and threw him to the ground. His right leg was taken off at the knee and his left leg was very badly mashed.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

531. Emile Castellani, miner; while digging off shot, a piece of coal struck right eye; September 9, 1924.

532. Walter Boyer, miner; strained his side while pushing car out of room; September 19, 1924.

533. James Alivetti, miner; overcome by bad air; September 19, 1924.

534. Ray Jones, motorman; finger of right hand cut by being caught on end of car; September 23, 1924.

535. Rennie Laurent, miner; while drilling coal, he pulled drill out and struck his right wrist against sharp end, cutting it; September 26, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

536. Raymond Knap, miner; hurt his left side while pushing car; September 8, 1924.

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537. Nick Vegnatelli, miner; piece of coal struck his right eye; September 11, 1924.
538. Joe Burgin, motorman; ligaments in neck torn loose by coming in contact with live wire; September 11, 1924.
539. S. M. Shipley, topman; large piece of coal rolled over and struck his right knee; September 13, 1924.
540. Joe Szczepauski, driver; wheel of car ran over left thumb and bruised it badly; September 13, 1924.
541. Frank Prenk, miner; piece of coal struck his right eye; September 17, 1924.
542. Seamilau Viventi, miner; piece of sulphur struck left eye; September 22, 1924.
543. Peter Falletti, motorman; right shoulder bruised and back sprained by being thrown against rib of entry when car jumped track; September 25, 1924.
544. Raymond Supple, miner; right knee bruised while mining shot; September 26, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

545. Frank Kosmer, miner; while cutting coal, sulphur struck right eye; September 6, 1924.
546. Levi Statham, miner; two ribs fractured by slipping and striking against coal while pushing car; September 6, 1924.
547. F. Dubray, driver; foot injured by being caught between two cars; September 8, 1924.
548. R. Keck, miner; while coupling cars, the mule started up, mashing a finger of left hand; September 9, 1924.
549. Joe Bratkonick, miner; piece of coal struck left eye while cutting coal; September 12, 1924.
550. Frank Pernot, miner; sprained back while pushing car; September 24, 1924.
551. Adolph Francq, miner; while lifting car of coal, the bar slipped, causing rupture of right side; September 27, 1924.
552. Mike Weytko, miner; slipped while washing and fell against steam pipe and burned his right arm between elbow and wrist; September 28, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

553. E. Ard, miner; piece of rock fell off rib and cut second finger of right hand; September 5, 1924.
554. Dominic Nizzio, miner; piece of rock fell and cut back of left hand while shoveling coal; September 6, 1924.
555. Pete Sartori, miner; while mining shot, a piece of coal fell on his right foot and bruised it; September 10, 1924.
556. Victor Fabro, miner; while mining a shot, a piece of sulphur flew in his left eye; September 10, 1924.
557. Frank Martinache, miner; piece of dirt got into left eye; September 11, 1924.
558. Dave Haddon, gasman; while going through curtain, something flew into his eye; September 25, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

559. Ludwig Blasso, miner; fall of rock bruised his left leg; September 3, 1924.
560. Charlie Bouch, miner; piece of rock struck him on head and back; September 4, 1924.
561. Victor Bruniau, miner; piece of coal struck left eye; September 4, 1924.
562. Harry Yarber, timberman; cut finger of left hand by striking hand against rock; September 8, 1924.
563. Jack Grodisnick, miner; struck his hand on the rib while drilling hole in coal; September 11, 1924.
564. H. Mahanes, dayman; right arm bruised by door of mine car striking it; September 15, 1924.

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- 565. Moses Jones, miner; slipped and sprained his back while pushing loaded car; September 16, 1924.
- 566. S. Lancellotti, miner; while cutting coal, piece struck him in left eye; September 16, 1924.
- 567. John Miller, miner; piece of rock fell and struck his right leg and side; September 16, 1924.
- 568. Martin Gorenc, miner; sprained his back lifting rock; September 16, 1924.
- 569. Lue Markovitz, miner; left leg bruised by rail he was using to tear down some rock; September 18, 1924.
- 570. A. Burnett, miner; neck and arms slightly burned by an explosion of gas; September 22, 1924.
- 571. Tony Pontella, miner; while drilling brushing hole, hit his left wrist on rib, cutting it; September 28, 1924.
- 572. Charlie Morrison, miner; bruised his left leg while pulling down piece of horseback; September 29, 1924.
- 573. Joe Decato, miner; back bruised by fall of small piece of rock; September 29, 1924.
- 574. Tony Paulich, miner; small cut over left eye; September 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

- 575. Beryl Sine, miner; hit left wrist with sledge while setting wedge in rack; September 3, 1924.
- 576. George Mobley, driver; while heating oil, it boiled up and hit him in left eye; September 6, 1924.
- 577. Francis Fern, driver; mule kicked right arm; September 22, 1924.
- 578. Jim Davidson, driver; breast badly injured by mule kicking him; September 22, 1924.
- 579. Frank Holland, miner; back injured by falling back when drill broke; September 23, 1924.
- 580. Westley Wooten, miner; large chunk of coal fell and hit him on the left knee while mining shot; September 24, 1924.
- 581. J. F. Haley, driver; hips and back squeezed by being caught between two cars and timber; September 24, 1924.
- 582. Frank Crain, engineer; picked up prop and got splinter in little finger of left hand; September 24, 1924.
- 583. Jaun Cerina, section laborer; caught end of forefinger of left hand between ties and mashed it; September 2, 1924.

OCTOBER.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

- 584. Wm. Masterson, miner; left leg injured by jumping pit car; October 1, 1924.
- 585. John Maricinci, miner; neck and arms burned by gas; October 2, 1924.
- 586. Pete Bualle, miner; slipped and sprained hip while pushing car; October 7, 1924.
- 587. Clark Ratcliffe, driver; piece of coal flew in left eye; October 7, 1924.
- 588. Wm. Leigh, miner; piece of sulphur flew in eye; October 7, 1924.
- 589. William P. Jones, fireman; shoulder and legs hurt by falling off ladder and hitting against boiler; October 7, 1924.
- 590. (Investigated by Clark.) Frank Dawe, miner, was injured by fall of rock in the sixth room on the seventh west on October 8, 1924, at about 2:30 p.m. The rock that fell on him measured 8 feet long and 4 feet wide and was about 8 inches thick. This accident occurred while he was mining a shot. His left hip was injured.
- 591. Joe Bertoncino, miner, was injured about the body by fall of rock; October 13, 1924.
- 592. Fred Griffith, miner; head, neck and back injured by fall of rock while shoveling coal; October 14, 1924.



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- 593. Joe Festen, miner; injured his back and neck shoveling coal; October 15, 1924.
- 594. Howard Mast, topman; cut on top of head by piece of coal falling from car; October 20, 1924.
- 595. Edward Van Brabant, miner; two toes fractured by rail falling on foot; October 27, 1924.
- 596. A. McAllister, shotfirer; injured about shoulder, hip and little finger by fall of rock; October 29, 1924.
- 597. Alphonse Bandoux, miner; injured finger of left hand by striking it with pick; October 30, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

- 598. Ben Mitchell, miner; sprained his back by lifting car on track; October 1, 1924.
- 599. L. Laccanna, miner; hands, face and arms burned by gas; October 2, 1924.
- 600. Geno Rosatia, miner; left knee injured while crawling over coal; October 2, 1924.
- 601. A Potter, topman; slack dust flew in left eye; October 2, 1924.
- 602. Jacob Wettstein, miner; piece of rock fell on head; October 7, 1924.
- 603. James Matthewson, driver; left hand injured by fall of small piece of rock; October 9, 1924.
- 604. Antone Potisek, miner; rock struck left eye; October 10, 1924.
- 605. Fred Snider, miner; left knee injured by falling and striking knee on rail; October 13, 1924.
- 606. John Rauciri, driver; right side bruised when cars collided; October 14, 1924.
- 607. John Harrigan, miner; hands, neck and head burned by gas; October 15, 1924.
- 608. Joe Kidwell, miner; cut left hand on door iron; October 15, 1924.
- 609. Virgil Keith, miner; right-knee injured by fall of coal while mining shot; October 15, 1924.
- 610. O. DeRidder, miner; injuring right side by lifting car on track; October 16, 1924.
- 611. Harry McClure, miner; right eye injured by piece of rock striking it; October 23, 1924.
- 612. A. Schietzel, electrician; right eye injured by acid from battery; October 23, 1924.
- 613. Felix Jersic, miner; bruised left knee by slipping and falling; October 25, 1924.
- 614. John Allen, miner; overcome by gas; October 28, 1924.
- 615. John Mitchell, miner; back sprained while pushing car; October 28, 1924.
- 616. Charles H. Harvey, miner; shoulder, side and back injured while shoveling rock; October 29, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 112 (Shovel).

- 617. George Crockett, teamster; big toe mashed by shovel tie falling on it; October 11, 1924.

Dittman-Wachter Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

- 618. Dominic Macari, miner; thumb cut by fall of rock; October 16, 1924.
- 619. Bert Kraner, miner; badly squeezed through abdomen and left ankle by cars; October 16, 1924.
- 620. John Krashoe, driver; cut on big toe by car; October 20, 1924.
- 621. Barney Balma, miner; bruised thigh by fall of small piece of rock; October 29, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

- 622. Pete Denorie, miner; back hurt by fall of rock; October 6, 1924.
- 623. Paul Cresto, miner; slightly burned by gas; October 15, 1924.

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624. Enrico Pasqual, miner; right thumb scratched by piece of coal, and wound later became infected; October 20, 1924.

625. Ludwick Rûgel, miner; back and left groin injured by pushing loaded car in his room; October 27, 1924.

Litchfield Coal Company, Mine No. 110 (Shovel).

626. E. O. Simon, groundman; left leg broken between knee and ankle by a large lump of earth rolling from bank; October 16, 1924.

Mackie Coal Company, Mine No. "J."

627. (Investigated by Shaw.) Otto Howell, pit boss, was injured on October 4, 1924, at about 3 p.m. He was cleaning out a sump when a pit car fell on him. His back was injured and two ribs were broken.

628. (Investigated by Shaw.) William Moody, miner, was injured by fall of rock on October 16, 1924, at about 1:30 p.m. The rock that fell on him was 4 feet wide, 6 feet long and 8 inches thick. Mr. Moody was injured about the head and breast.

Reidy Coal Company, Mine No. 8.

629. (Investigated by Glennon.) John Kalusha, Jr., miner, was injured by fall of rock in the second north back off the fourth east back on October 2, 1924, at about 1 p.m. The rock that fell broke in three pieces: 3 feet 2 inches by 3 feet 10 inches and 3 inches thick; 4 feet 2 inches by 3 feet 7 inches and 3½ inches thick; 2 feet and 2 inches by 3 feet 7 inches and 3 inches thick. The room was 23 feet 3 inches wide where the rock fell. Mr. Kalusha was bruised about the body.

Sheridan Coal Company, Mine No. 18.

630. (Investigated by Clark.) J. B. Barnwell, miner, was injured by fall of rock in the second room off the third southeast entry on October 21, 1924, at about 9 a.m. The rock that fell was a pot rock and measured 5 feet long, 5 feet wide and 10 inches thick.

Superior Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 2.

631. Al Scott, teamster; left leg injured; October 13, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

632. Tony Podloger, miner; back sprained while pushing out loaded car; October 22, 1924.

633. William Smith, driver; top of head, left knee, back and breast bruised by fall of rock; October 25, 1924.

634. Wm. Morrow, miner; index finger on left hand injured by chisel; October 25, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

635. W. H. Hartman, miner; knee bruised while pushing car; October 1, 1924.

636. L. M. Montée, miner; piece of coal in right eye; October 10, 1924.

637. William Ballack, blacksmith; cinder in right eye; October 14, 1924.

638. John Connell, miner; overcome by bad air; October 31, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

639. Fred Newberry, miner; sprained his back while helping a driver lift a car on the track; October 4, 1924.

640. Evan Morgan, miner; cleaning up rock and piece rolled over on middle left finger and bruised it; October 6, 1924.

641. Alex Finetti, miner; trip got off track and bumped him against side of entry and injured right side of chest; October 9, 1924.

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642. Albert Zureke, miner; cut his forehead very badly by bumping it against the roof; October 16, 1924.

643. Emile Fernetti, miner; piece of rock broke in his hands, causing his left hand to bump against rib; middle left finger cut; October 18, 1924.

644. Sylvester Potter, miner; strained his back while trying to move a large piece of rock; October 18, 1924.

645. George Dibble, driver; rib on left side broken by fall of rock; October 18, 1924.

646. George Deverse, miner; strained his back while pushing loaded car out of his room; October 20, 1924.

647. A. Whitehead, miner; car ran onto his right foot; October 22, 1924.

648. Emile Nanni, miner; piece of rock fell from roof on right foot, bruising his ankle; October 22, 1924.

649. Francis Rollins, miner; while cutting coal, a piece flew from pick and struck his left eye; October 23, 1924.

650. Antone Poznajajak, miner; piece of loose coal fell on his right hand; October 24, 1924.

651. Steve Slusser, miner; right hand bumped against rib while digging coal; October 29, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

652. John Greech, miner; lump of coal fell from car and hit a finger of right hand; October 10, 1924.

653. Dante Ceccotti, miner; bumped against side of entry and injured left side of back; October 15, 1924.

654. Fred Overman, tracklayer; sprained his back while moving rock; October 16, 1924.

655. Charles Buset, miner; piece of coal hit middle finger of right hand; October 16, 1924.

656. Jule Russian, miner; ears, neck, face and hands burned by gas; October 16, 1924.

657. Pete Yanko, miner; piece of coal hit him in right eye; October 31, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

658. Fred Frantin, miner; caught legs between cars as he went to get into car; October 7, 1924.

659. Jules Gilletti, driver; caught thumb of left hand on door of car; October 21, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

660. Rudy Blozie, miner; back bruised by fall of rock; October 3, 1924.

661. Francis Pennick, dayman; piece of rock struck his right eye while striking rock with hammer; October 5, 1924.

662. William Latweitis, miner; sprained back while trying to lift car that had jumped off track; October 7, 1924.

663. Frank Eisentrout, miner; left cheek slightly burned by gas; October 8, 1924.

664. Fred Willimetz, miner; sprained his back while pushing a loaded car; October 14, 1924.

665. John Deurne, miner; sprained his back lifting a piece of rock; October 20, 1924.

666. John Thomas, miner; thumb of right hand injured by piece of rock; October 27, 1924.

667. H. Mahanes, blacksmith helper; mule kicked him on right side of face; October 27, 1924.

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668. Lorenzo Runge, driver; left leg sprained when chain on a mule caught on a rail; October 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

669. Jim Porto, miner; slipped and hurt his back while pushing car of coal; October 10, 1924.

670. Henry Woodward, miner; jumped back to get out of way of falling shot and twisted his right leg; October 13, 1924.

671. Joe Riafel, miner; right knee sore and swollen from kneeling; October 13, 1924.

672. Frank Marshal, weigh boss; while letting down sheet on shaker, cut second finger of right hand; October 15, 1924.

673. Will Price, miner; wrenched his back pulling empty car out of switch; October 20, 1924.

674. Frank Pause, miner; left shoulder bruised by fall of piece of rock; October 21, 1924.

675. Ed Rice, timberman; runaway car knocked a timber out from under rock, striking him on the back; October 24, 1924.

676. Leo Scholo, miner; slipped and hurt his right side while pushing empty car; October 24, 1924.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

677. Wm. J. Meeks, boss driver; ruptured by lifting car on track; November 1, 1924.

678. Walter Edmonds, miner; sprained himself while working; November 1, 1924.

679. Walter Roberts, miner; left side injured by fall of rock; November 5, 1924.

680. August Dowe, miner; sprained arm while pushing a load; November 6, 1924.

681. Joe McAllister, shotfirer; left shoulder injured by slipping while getting into car; November 7, 1924.

682. Joe Werniah, miner; injured right leg while pushing car; November 10, 1924.

683. Pete Bond, miner; burned about face and arms by gas while cutting in horseback; November 10, 1924.

684. Vernon Marshall, driver; car jumped track and knocked rock down on him, injuring his left ankle; November 10, 1924.

685. Frank Krashoe, driver; mule stepped on left foot, injuring big toe; November 12, 1924.

686. Carl Morelo, miner; piece of steel flew in left eye; November 24, 1924.

687. Tony Rider, driver; injured back while pushing water baxes; November 25, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

688. Harry McClure, miner; dirt in right eye; November 1, 1924.

689. Pete Carsini, miner; piece of coal flew in right eye; November 1, 1924.

690. A. L. McIntyre, miner; overcome by bad air; November 3, 1924.

691. Frank Dumstan, blacksmith helper; foreign object in right eye; November 6, 1924.

692. L. Hibernik, miner; while fixing track, injured finger of left hand; November 6, 1924.

693. Syd Gillard, driver; got cinder in eye while running mule; November 6, 1924.

694. John Harrigan, miner; right lung injured by gas and draft; November 6, 1924.

695. P. Berger, miner; skinned fingers of right hand on rock while shoveling; November 10, 1924.

696. James Colbordine, miner; back sprained while pushing car; November 12, 1924.

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697. William Benbran, miner; strained back while working in room; November 15, 1924.

698. Mike Hanisak, miner; caught left foot in drawbar; November 17, 1924.

699. William Wykle, miner; left eye injured; November 20, 1924.

700. I. Jersic, miner; became sick while shoveling coal; November 24, 1924.

701. Frank Klinhon, miner; right eye injured while breaking rock; November 24, 1924.

702. Pete Appino, miner; right knee injured while mining shot; November 24, 1924.

703. O. A. Taylor, miner; left knee injured by slipping while pushing dust car; November 25, 1924.

704. James Kennedy, miner; while lifting rock, it slipped, injuring middle right finger; November 26, 1924.

705. Edward Barrett, miner; left hand cut with rock; November 28, 1924.

Hamilton Coal and Mercantile Company, Mine No. 6.

706. Frank Bowen, miner; pit car jumped track and hit him, breaking his right leg below the knee; November 1, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

707. John Billiard, miner; hit elbow on pit car while loading it; November 25, 1924.

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708. John Romondo, miner; back bruised by fall of rock; November 14, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

709. Jack Wahorich, miner; right foot squeezed; November 12, 1924.

710. D. Wapples, miner; right fingers mashed; November 13, 1924.

711. Joe Bahorich, miner; thumb and palm of right hand cut; November 20, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

712. Louis Travel, miner; left foot injured; November 28, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

713. John Tomany, motor tailer; right leg and hip injured when he fell between two cars and car ran over him; November 1, 1924.

714. William Hnaup, miner; coal struck him on right arm; November 3, 1924.

715. Lester Phelps, miner; right eye injured; November 14, 1924.

716. John Klimek, miner; left ankle sprained; November 15, 1924.

717. Sam Haslan, miner; left eye injured; November 18, 1924.

718. Ashel Wanther, track-layer; right side injured; November 18, 1924.

719. Matt Mitchell, miner; left foot injured; November 20, 1924.

720. Henry Shoonover, miner; right elbow injured; November 24, 1924.

721. Henry Maltby, miner; left foot injured; November 24, 1924.

722. Ed Cogee, miner; left eye injured; November 25, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

723. Martin Gaydo, miner; left side injured; November 3, 1924.

724. John Pernot, miner; ruptured right side; November 7, 1924.

725. John Cleland, miner; left thumb injured; November 7, 1924.

726. Dan Ferns, miner; back slightly injured by fall of rock; November 8, 1924.

727. Mike Wetko, miner; back injured; November 28, 1924.

728. John Davidson, engineer; first finger of left hand slightly bruised; November 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 18.

729. Wm. Simmons, miner; left eye hurt; November 15, 1924.

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Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

- 730. John Seccombe, miner; left eye injured; November 5, 1924.
- 731. E. Skoodles, miner; right eye bruised; November 6, 1924.
- 732. Louis Maurizzi, miner; left knee bruised; November 7, 1924.
- 733. Jim Mays, weighman; chest bruised; November 15, 1924.
- 734. Jim Price, miner; right leg bruised; November 17, 1924.
- 735. Albert Hopper, blacksmith; right eye cut; November 21, 1924.
- 736. Plennie Wyile, miner; chest bruised; November 24, 1924.
- 737. Victor Berto, timberman; head and foot bruised by prop; November 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 21.

- 738. John Galindo, laborer; forefinger of right hand cut; November 6, 1924.
- 739. George Rodch, section laborer; sprained back and upper part of abdomen while lifting rails; November 8, 1924.
- 740. J. C. Doty, miner; piece of sand rock struck him in eye; November 10, 1924.
- 741. John Lowery, laborer; index finger of left hand injured; November 14, 1924.
- 742. Tony Morellim, section laborer; right eye injured; November 20, 1924.
- 743. Leo Margrove, carpenter; finger of left hand injured; November 24, 1924.

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Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 45.

- 744. James Manion, miner; while pushing car, slipped and broke two ribs on right side; December 2, 1924.
- 745. Joe Malli, miner; right arm injured by being pulled into the hopper; December 5, 1924.
- 746. Tom Marrell, miner; injured right foot while lifting timber off car; December 7, 1924.
- 747. S. Stimac, tracklayer; slipped and injured right arm while getting off car; December 15, 1924.
- 748. Joe Mariucci, miner; injured ankle while mining shot; December 17, 1924.
- 749. Ed Benchi, dayman; stepped out of car and sprained ankle; December 17, 1924.
- 750. Ed Bond, miner; sprained muscles in groin while pushing car out of room; December 18, 1924.
- 751. Frank Sterisha, miner; fell while pushing car, injuring right side; December 22, 1924.
- 752. Joe Pause, miner; while drilling a shot, a rock fell and injured him about the body; December 22, 1924.
- 753. Cecil Mabilo, miner; burned face and arms by gas; December 27, 1924.
- 754. William Surley, driver; when trip jumped track, he fell off and bruised right eye, shoulder and thumb; December 29, 1924.

Central Coal and Coke Company, Mine No. 51.

- 755. Antone Basso, miner; inhaled bad air and black damp; December 3, 1924.
- 756. Frank Davstan, blacksmith helper; arm broken when crowbar slipped while drilling; December 4, 1924.
- 757. John Kramer, miner; fell, injuring abdomen while pushing car; December 8, 1924.
- 758. E. E. Harvey, miner; while tamping a shot, a rock fell and injured his right foot; December 10, 1924.
- 759. Mike Defrance, miner; right eye injured while mining shot; December 11, 1924.
- 760. Attilio Marconi, miner; rib and back injured by slipping while pushing car; December 11, 1924.



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- 761. Simon Klimek, miner; burned slightly by gas; December 13, 1924.
- 762. John Brooks, shot-firer; hand and face burned by explosion of gas; December 17, 1924.
- 763. Harry Casebeer, shot-firer; burned about body by explosion of gas; December 17, 1924.
- 764. Noah Baney, section foreman; left side injured while getting down off car; December 19, 1924.
- 765. J. H. Adamson, miner; left eye injured while mining shot; December 20, 1924.
- 766. Tony Sackman, miner; left side injured by slipping while pushing cars; December 23, 1924.
- 767. Ignatz Jersic, miner; lifted empty pit car and sprained right side of back; December 24, 1924.
- 768. John Tomasik, miner; rock fell on left hand; December 26, 1924.
- 769. Frank Koyele, miner; back injured by lifting car on track; December 27, 1924.

Handy Coal Company, Mine No. 1.

- 770. Robert Harrison, miner; leg broken by fall of rock; December 8, 1924.

Katy Coal Company, Mine No. 2.

- 771. Spero Billiard, miner; pushing a loaded car from room and sprained his left side; December 12, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 13.

- 772. G. Bartalatto, miner; left eye injured; December 1, 1924.
- 773. Ed Slavins, motorman; back injured; December 8, 1924.
- 774. Frank Kurda, miner; right eye injured; December 11, 1924.
- 775. Foust Martina, miner; left forearm bruised; December 15, 1924.
- 776. J. Shry, miner; right knee bruised; December 23, 1924.
- 777. F. Planko, miner; right hand cut; December 24, 1924.
- 778. Harry Irwin, miner; back sprained; December 28, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 14.

- 779. Thomas Castolini, miner; left knee injured; December 10, 1924.
- 780. Bert Boyer, pumpman; right knee injured; December 11, 1924.
- 781. James Potter, miner; back and hips injured; December 26, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 15.

- 782. William Whitner, miner; right side and back injured; December 5, 1924.
- 783. Ashel Wanthier, miner; left eye injured; December 8, 1924.
- 784. Charles Wanthier, cager; fourth finger of right hand bruised; December 10, 1924.
- 785. Richard Sopak, miner; right knee bruised; December 12, 1924.
- 786. William Queen, roadman; left shoulder cut by fall of rock; December 21, 1924.
- 787. Jake Stockinger, miner; finger of right hand cut; December 22, 1924.
- 788. Elmer Perard, boss-driver; left leg injured; December 30, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 16.

- 789. Steve Junior, miner; right eye injured; December 1, 1924.
- 790. Scassellatti, miner; back injured; December 1, 1924.
- 791. Joe Suhodolcan, miner; face and arms badly burned by gas; December 3, 1924.
- 792. Charles Suhodolcan, miner; right arm burned; December 3, 1924.
- 793. V. Suhodolcan, miner; face, head and arms badly burned by gas and right leg broken; December 3, 1924.
- 794. Charles Ferns, miner; right arm injured; December 6, 1924.
- 795. Frank Winans, miner; left arm and left rib injured; December 8, 1924.

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- 796. Frank Goodnick, miner; right knee slightly injured; December 8, 1924.
- 797. Frank Studdard, miner; left leg bruised; December 8, 1924.
- 798. Vincent Vehar, miner; thumb nail torn off; December 11, 1924.
- 799. Onfer Slusser, miner; back slightly injured; December 19, 1924.
- 800. Allie Coleman, miner; toe of right foot injured; December 22, 1924.
- 801. Charles Lampin, miner; back slightly injured; December 29, 1924.

Western Coal and Mining Company, Mine No. 20.

- 802. Frank Widmer, miner; left side injured; December 1, 1924.
- 803. Syndon Stoddard, miner; left side strained; December 2, 1924.
- 804. Sam Caravillia, miner; left side of head cut; December 3, 1924.
- 805. John Wlekus, miner; back injured; December 6, 1924.
- 806. George Bell, driver; right knee bruised; December 9, 1924.
- 807. Pete Golleher, miner; right knee bruised; December 18, 1924.
- 808. Joe Jordan, miner; left wrist cut; December 20, 1924.
- 809. Frank Morando, miner; bruised over left eye; December 30, 1924.
- 810. Alphonse Mariaux, miner; left breast injured; December 31, 1924.
- 811. John Bath, miner; left leg bruised; December 31, 1924.
- 812. Vincent Grant, miner, left wrist sprained; December 31, 1924.
- 813. Albert Stanton, laborer; cut right cheek and right side of face; December 31, 1924.

PROPOSED MINING LAWS.

The mining laws of Kansas should be amended so that the lead, zinc, salt and gypsum mines would come under the jurisdiction of this department. The chief inspector or any of his deputies should be given full authority to visit these mines and make recommendations that would bring about better conditions of work for these men.

Especially is this true in the lead and zinc mines, where the miners are compelled to work during all hours of the day in dynamite smoke or fumes. I would recommend that a law be passed at the next session of the legislature that shooting of shots be done once on each shift, and that no men be allowed to work in smoke.



PART TWO.

REPORT OF STATE MINE RESCUE DEPARTMENT.

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

PITTSBURG, KAN., March 28, 1925.

*Mr. L. T. Hussey, Chairman, Public Service Commission,
Topeka, Kan.:*

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to submit to you herewith, for transmittal to Hon. Ben S. Paulen, governor, and the legislature of the state of Kansas, report covering the activities of the Kansas State Mine Rescue Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1924.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON BESSON,

Ex Officio Superintendent Mine Rescue Stations.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

TOPEKA, KAN.

Hon. Ben S. Paulen, Governor, Topeka, Kan.:

DEAR SIR—I beg to submit herewith report of Leon Besson, *ex officio* superintendent of Mine Rescue Stations, which report sets forth the activities of the Mine Rescue Department of the state of Kansas during the calendar year ending December 31, 1924.

Respectfully submitted,

L. T. HUSSEY,

Chairman, Public Service Commission.

PERSONNEL OF STATE MINE RESCUE STATIONS.

Ex Officio Superintendent of Rescue Stations.

LEON BESSON Pittsburg.

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Report of Mine Rescue Department.

FIRST-AID AND MINE RESCUE WORK IN KANSAS DURING 1924.

FIRST-AID MEETING.

There was a meeting held at the mine-inspection building on the evening of February 11, 1924, for the purpose of promoting a first-aid meet. James Sherwood, state mine inspector, was elected chairman of this meeting, and W. L. O'Hara, clerk of the Mine Inspection Department, was elected secretary.

A roll call of the members present was taken, as follows: John M. Young, W. D. Ryan, William Glennon, Prof. J. A. Yates, Fred Dittman, Peter Wachter, Frank McGavran, James McQueen, Sr., Robert Morrison, Rhinold Wilbert, Walter Brennan, James McQueen, Jr., and Frank Thomas.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the chairman appoint a committee to arrange a meeting with the Frontenac Chamber of Commerce to make plans for the first-aid meet to be held on May 17, 1924. The motion was unanimously carried.

The committee appointed by the chairman was as follows: Peter Wachter, Joseph Fletcher and W. L. O'Hara.

There was considerable discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of permissible powder, and fatal and nonfatal accidents, during the course of this session. John M. Young led the discussion on these subjects, and many interesting and useful points were brought out in the discussions. The chairman also brought out some very good suggestions on these subjects, stating that a great number of the accidents caused by rock fall are due to negligence on the part of the workman in not properly timbering his place.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the chairman appoint a special committee to arrange for the financing of the contemplated first-aid meet. The motion was unanimously carried.

The chairman appointed on the special finance committee, John M. Young, Frank Thomas and Fred Dittman.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p. m. until again called into session by the chairman.

MINE RESCUE WORK.

A telephone call was received at the Central Rescue Station about 8:15 p. m. on August 12, 1924, from Central Coal and Coke Company mine No. 51, stating that the shot-firers had not yet came out of the mine. The person calling, who was the night watchman, said he would wait a while longer and if they did not come out he would call for the rescue crew. About 8:50 p. m. he again called and said the shot-firers were still in the mine and that the crew had better come out. Robert Morrison, rescue superintendent, and William Glennon, deputy inspector, immediately started to Mine No. 51 in the

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Central Rescue Station truck. Upon reaching the mine they were advised that the shot-firers had come out of the mine without injury. Upon questioning these two men, Morrison was told that the smoke from some of the shots had backed up into the workings where they were firing, which caused their delay in getting out.

A call from the Knott Coal Company mine No. 21 was received on October 18, 1924, at about 5:15 p. m., stating that an explosion had occurred in the mine. Immediately Robert Morrison, rescue superintendent, and William Glennon, deputy inspector, hastened to the mine in the Central rescue truck with full equipment. When reaching the mine they found that one of the shot-firers had come up to the surface, but had gone back into the mine in search of his companion. Glennon and Morrison immediately put on breathing apparatus, but had not yet entered the mine when the shot-firer returned to the surface. He said everything was all right below and that his companion was still firing, as he could hear the reports of the shots. Glennon and Morrison waited until this other shot-firer finished shooting and had come to the surface, then returned to the station.

A call was received from the Herman Kreeger Coal Company mine No. 1, at Cherokee, about 4 p. m. on December 9, 1924. Robert Morrison, rescue superintendent, William Glennon, deputy inspector, and W. L. O'Hara, clerk, immediately started for this mine in the Central rescue truck. Upon arriving at the mine it was learned that the shot-firers were still in the mine, but were on the intake of the air where it was fresh, near the air shaft. The cage was blown from the bottom of the mine up to the shieve wheel and out the side of the tibble by the force of the explosion. This condition made rescue work very difficult, as the stairway had also been blown out of the airshaft. Hoisting equipment was improvised through the use of a wire cable, a sinking tub and a snatch block, with which the two shot-firers were hoisted to the surface by the crew, assisted by many other men who had gathered at the scene of the explosion. One of the shot-firers after being brought to the surface seemed to be somewhat sick from the effects of the afterdamp of the explosion. He was immediately placed under a physician's care, and the crew returned to the station.

There was no loss of life due to explosions during the year 1924. The Mine Rescue Departments appreciate very much the hearty coöperation between the operators of the mines and the Mine Inspection Department, which without a doubt has minimized explosions, thereby minimizing the loss of life due to them.

A complete list of persons receiving first-aid and mine-rescue certificates from the State Mine Rescue Department follows: