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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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*Quapaw Mining Corporation (Chubb).*

27. C. Workman, rope rider; left foot bruised by being caught between can and car which turned over; April 3, 1930.

MAY.

*Consolidated Lead and Zinc Company, Mine No. 14.*

28. Lute Emmonds, floatman; left side of chest bruised and internal injuries by trying to replace belt, and fell from line shaft; May 3, 1930.

*Eagle-Picher Lead Company (Bendelari).*

29. Ralph Roten, mule skinner; second finger of right hand fractured by bail of can falling on hand; May 14, 1930.

*Federal Mining and Smelting Company (Jarrett).*

30. Robert Hamblin, shoveler; piece of rock in eye while breaking boulder; May 6, 1930.

*Mid-Continent Lead and Zinc Company.*

31. Gilbert Chandler, bruno man; muscles of back strained by loading boulder in can; May 16, 1930.

32. Arthur Chew, shoveler; muscles of back strained by loading boulder in can; May 16, 1930.

*St. Louis Smelting and Refining Company.*

33. James Griffin, driller; right eye injured by helper thrusting spoon in his eye while preparing to spoon hole; May 8, 1930.

JUNE.

*Consolidated Lead and Zinc Company, Mine No. 14.*

34. L. H. Rowland, tub hooker; right hand severely injured by empty can falling on hand; June 16, 1930.

*Eagle-Picher Lead Company (Bendelari).*

35. Elden White, shoveler; right side of abdomen strained; started to lift boulder into car; June 9, 1930.

35a. N. E. Horton, shoveler; muscles of back strained while lifting a loaded can that had capsized; June 13, 1930.

*Quapaw Mining Corporation (Chubb).*

36. J. Morrison, shoveler; third finger of left hand bruised and cut by tub bail falling on right hand while loading boulder; June 10, 1930.

37. W. Souders, machine man; first and second fingers of right hand broken by an explosion of shot while loading hole; June 28, 1930.

JULY.

*Federal Mining and Smelting Company (Jarrett).*

38. J. S. Montgomery, hooker; three toes of left foot bruised; uncoupling car and same run over foot; July 1, 1930.

AUGUST.

*Commerce Mining and Royalty Company (Pazson).*

39. L. A. Madden, hoisterman; fracture of right thumb by being caught between bar and engine; August 18, 1930.



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#### *Federal Mining and Smelting Company (Jarrett).*

40. Jess Vandergrift, trackman; left wrist injured while throwing ground car off track and nail in car caught wrist cutting flesh to bone; August 3, 1930.

#### *Pottluck Mining Company (Kansouri).*

41. Arnold Moreland; mule driver; right leg cut and bruised by empty can falling off car and catching his leg between can and wall; August 29, 1930.

### SEPTEMBER.

#### *Commerce Mining and Royalty Company (Keith).*

42. L. Hensen, shoveler; trimming rock from wall and bruised hand; September 25, 1930.

#### *Consolidated Lead and Zinc Company, Mine No. 14.*

43. Jim Haley, roof trimmer; right arm and right foot injured while trimming roof and boulder fell on him; September 3, 1930.

44. Calvin Nave, mule driver; right foot injured by stepping on nail; September 12, 1930.

#### *Eagle-Picher Lead Company (Bendelari).*

45. J. B. Akins, trimmer and trackman; left foot severely injured by boulder rolling over it; September 11, 1930.

46. J. D. Taylor, shoveler; right arm fractured while pulling boulder; September 16, 1930.

47. Roy E. Hatfield; ligaments of shoulder strained while lifting machine; September 29, 1930.

48. Jack Smith, screen man; great toe on left foot fractured when boulder rolled from screen; September 30, 1930.

#### *Federal Mining and Smelting Company (Jarrett).*

49. Bob Townsend, drill man; right hand bruised while cleaning out hole by bumping it against wall of drift; September 29, 1930.

#### *Pottluck Mining Company (Kansouri).*

50. Alex Russell, machine helper; strained back by assisting to carry ground car; September 12, 1930.

### OCTOBER.

#### *Eagle-Picher Lead Company (Bendelari).*

51. Jess Anderson, machine man; left eye injured while collaring a hole, and piece of rock flew into eye; October 4, 1930.

52. Bill Havner, machine man; muscles of back strained while tightening bolt on machine; October 9, 1930.

53. Paul Madden, mule driver; instep of left foot sprained while pushing loaded car, and mule behind him ran loaded car against left foot; October 14, 1930.

54. Arthur Scott, shoveler; great toe on right foot bruised by boulder rolling down stope, striking right foot; October 15, 1930.

55. Elmer Scott, welder helper; inflammation of eye while using welding torch; October 25, 1930.

#### *Federal Mining and Smelting Company (Jarrett).*

56. Ola Carlgram, shoveler; third finger of right hand mashed by being caught between rock and side of can when loading rock; October 17, 1930.



NOVEMBER.

*Eagle-Picher Lead Company (Bendelari).*

57. Marion Headly, shoveler; right index finger lacerated while whipping boulder; November 8, 1930.

58. Paul Kirby, shoveler; instep of right foot strained and bruised by dropping boulder on foot while loading boulder; November 11, 1930.

59. Linlow May, shoveler; second finger of right hand severely injured by dropping can bail on hand; November 27, 1930.

*Federal Mining and Smelting Company (Jarrett).*

60. H. Paddy, shoveler; left arm cut and bruised while loading rock in can; November 1, 1930.

*Potluck Mining Company (Kansouri).*

61. Grover Rayston, bruno man; left forearm cut and bruised by piece of boulder striking arm; November 19, 1930.

*St. Louis Smelting and Refining Company.*

62. Fred Dillon, hoistman; left great toe lacerated and bruised by being caught under wheel of car while pulling loaded can; November 8, 1930.

DECEMBER.

*Eagle-Picher Lead Company (Bendelari).*

63. Joe E. Fare, screen man; loading boulder on car when another rolled off from car onto left foot; December 5, 1930.

64. Charles McCorkle, machine man; right foot injured by boulder striking it; December 9, 1930.

65. J. T. Patrick, shoveler; back strained while prying boulder with pick which slipped throwing him back striking can; December 29, 1930.

*Century Zinc Company (Hartley-Grantham).*

66. H. J. Miller, shoveler; right shin cut, which became infected, while breaking rock; December 5, 1930.





**PART THREE.**

**REPORT OF MINE RESCUE DEPARTMENT.**

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PERSONNEL OF STATE MINE RESCUE STATIONS.

*Central Rescue Station.*

WILLIAM HISLOP ..... Pittsburg.

*Arma Rescue Station.*

WILLIAM BEVERIDGE ..... Arma.

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### Activities of Mine Rescue Departments.

The past year experienced a great interest in first-aid work by the following companies: Kansas Gas and Electric Company, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and the Central Coal and Coke Company.

William Hislop, superintendent of the Central Mine Rescue Station and William Beveridge, superintendent of the Arma Rescue Station, conducted the training for these companies. There were also several students who received training during the year of 1930.

A safety meeting was held in Picher, Okla., in June, 1930, for the purpose of holding a tristate first-aid contest comprised of teams from all industrial organizations. Delegates from Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri attended this meeting and it was decided to hold the contest in Joplin, Mo., sometime during the month of August, 1930. Subsequently a decision was made to offer cash prizes for the contesting teams which would invariably stimulate interest in first-aid training.

Mr. Hislop and Mr. Beveridge immediately organized first-aid teams to participate in this contest. There were five teams organized, namely: two from the Kansas Gas and Electric Company; two from the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and one from the Central Coal and Coke Company.

Due to the poor working conditions in the metal mine district, it was an impossibility to keep the members of the different teams together, and consequently the plans for a contest had to be abandoned. Nevertheless, it is hoped that a first-aid contest can be held in the near future.

The Kansas Gas and Electric Company has held several safety meetings this year for the sole purpose of keeping their first-aid teams in training. A first-aid demonstration was featured at the annual picnic of the Kansas Gas and Electric Company, which was highly commended by the officials and employees of the company.

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company requires their employees to receive additional training each year, which is virtually a review of the regular first-aid course.

Mr. Hislop has attended several safety meetings during the past year with the employees of the Kansas City Southern Railway Company. It is our supposition that his lectures and demonstration of artificial respiration will be the means of creating more interest in the safety movement and the prevention of accidents.

The following are those who received training in first-aid during the year 1930:

Arabia, Edith; student; Girard.  
Bringle, R. E.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Blenkinsop, Wm. E.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Downey, Ben; student; Arma.  
Downey, Ralph; student; Arma.  
Dillman, F. A.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Evans, Cleon; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Esposito, Mary; student; Arma.  
Gurs, Preston A.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Griffiths, Fred; Central Coal and Coke Company; Ringo.  
Gross, Paul; auditor; Fort Scott.  
Hull, Henry C.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Hizar, Ben; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Heimdale, Leonard; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Jackson, Carl J.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Kisse, Troy Leo; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Logneou, Therie; student; Arma.  
Lomeou, Marguerite; student; Arma.  
Logneou, Felix; student; Arma.  
Longstaff, Ralph; K. G. & E.; Pittsburg.  
Matson, Glen; K. G. & E.; Pittsburg.



Morse, Paul F.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Miller, Robert; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Mahan, Fred D.; Carpenter; Fort Scott.  
Shaw, Mark T.; student; Weir City.  
Spielman, Jesse D.; K. G. & E.; Pittsburg.  
Shackelton, Oscar; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Statham, Fred; Central Coal and Coke Company; Ringo.

Additional training given to:

Booe, D. H.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Buergey, Elmer V.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Bell, Thomas; Central Coal and Coke Company; Ringo.  
Curteman, A. L.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Davis, Charles; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Ellis, T. A.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Frazer, Ray E.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Graham, B. C.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Hizar, Paul; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Jones, Randolph C.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Matson, C. E.; K. G. & E. Co.; Pittsburg.  
Overman, John O.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Pittser, C. L.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Wilson, C. R.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Webster, J. L.; Bell Telephone; Pittsburg.  
Zimmerman, Clarence; Central Coal and Coke Company; Ringo.  
Zurek, William; Base Line Coal Co.; Ringo.



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### EXPLOSIONS IN COAL MINES.

FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1930.

There were three explosions in the Kansas coal field during the year 1930 in which there was one loss of life. The explosions were caused by "windy" shots," and the assistance of the mine rescue department was required in only one of these explosions.

(Investigated by Shaw.) There were two local explosions in mine No. 18 of the Champ Coal Company, on January 20 and 23, 1930, consecutively. An investigation was made on January 24, 1930, by Ernest Shaw, deputy mine inspector. When the gas man entered the mine on January 21, 1930, about 5 a. m., he discovered a fire in the mine and immediately called Gus Champ at his home to come to the mine at once. When Mr. Champ arrived at the mine they extinguished the fire and began investigating to determine the origin of the fire. It was discovered that a "windy shot" in room No. 1 in the first south back entry caused an explosion which ignited a trapdoor and about 300 mine-track ties, which were totally destroyed. The fire also caused the entry to cave about 35 feet along the main north haulage. The "windy shot" was inspected and it was found that when the hole was being drilled it passed beyond a hidden roll in the coal seam which would be termed as a "tight shot." When the shot was fired it blew the tamping out and generated a sufficient amount of heat to ignite the coal dust which is suspended in the mine air. After the wreckage of the explosion and fire had been repaired, shots were again prepared in room No. 1 in the first south back entry, and when they were fired the second "windy" occurred, but did no damage. It was undoubtedly the use of rock dust which confined the force of the explosion in this small area and prevented its spreading and gaining force, which would probably have killed the shot firers who were on the other side of the mine when the "windy" occurred. Recommendations were left that no shots be fired in this section of the mine until all coal dust had been loaded out and all rooms and entries thoroughly rock-dusted.

On February 17, 1930, a call was received at the Central Mine Rescue Station in Pittsburg at about 7 p. m., stating that an explosion had occurred at mine No. 51 of the Central Coal and Coke Company. Mr. William Hislop, superintendent of the Central Mine Rescue Station, and William Glennon, deputy mine inspector, immediately repaired to the mine. On arriving at the mine they were informed that one of the shot firers was still in the mine and the other two shot firers had arrived safely on top. At this time Mr. Robert Murray, mine foreman of the mine, with two other men were in the mine in search of the missing shot firer. Mr. Hislop and Mr. Glennon, with three other men, entered the mine to assist in locating the shot firer. Shortly afterwards William Beveridge, superintendent of the Arma Rescue Station, and Mr. James Sherwood, chief mine inspector, joined the rescue crew, and Mr. Garbin was found at 10 p. m. about 45 feet inside of the sixteenth west entry off the back north on the east side. Indication of the body showed he had died from gas generated after the explosion.

(Investigated by William Glennon on February 18, 1930.) An investigation of the explosion which occurred on the evening of February 17, 1930, at mine No. 51 of the Central Coal and Coke Company, disclosed that a "windy shot" had been the cause of the explosion which killed Louis Garbin, shot firer. The three outside rooms in the back north had not been fired and the fourth working room to the inside had a shot in a horseback at the face in center of the room and on the right side of the room which seemed to be all right. In the second room from the face there appeared to be three shots. The left



shot was about 6 feet deep and 7 feet wide at back. This shot had kicked back and evidently created a volume of wind. The other shots had been drilled too far, but had worked all right. An investigation farther than the second room from the face was not made because we were satisfied that the trouble originated in this entry. Mr. Robert Murray, mine foreman of mine No. 51, Central, accompanied Mr. Glennon on this investigation.

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### PERSONNEL OF COAL MINE INSPECTION DEPARTMENT, STATE OF KANSAS.

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#### *Chief Mine Inspector.*

WILLIAM P. KEEGAN..... Franklin

#### *Deputy Mine Inspectors.*

WILLIAM CURLEY..... Pittsburg

JOHN L. DUNN..... Weir

W. J. MILLER..... Burlingame

#### *Statistical Clerk.*

ELIZABETH ANN KOTZMAN..... Frontenac

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### CHANGES IN OFFICIALS DURING 1931.

William P. Keegan, chief mine inspector, was appointed November 1, 1931, to succeed James Sherwood.

William Curley, deputy mine inspector, was appointed November 1, 1931, to succeed William Glennon.

John L. Dunn, deputy mine inspector, was appointed November 1, 1931, to succeed Ernest Shaw.

One position of deputy mine inspector was temporarily suspended, affecting George White, Arma, effective May 1, 1931.



### LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

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PITTSBURG, KAN., February 15, 1932.

*Hon. C. J. Beckman, Commissioner of Labor, Topeka, Kan.:*

DEAR SIR—I wish to submit to you herewith, and through you to the Hon. Harry H. Woodring, governor of the state of Kansas, report of the Coal Mine and Metal Mine Inspection Departments and Mine Rescue Department for the state for the calendar year ending December 31, 1931.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. KEEGAN,

*State Mine Inspector.*

### LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

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TOPEKA, KAN., February 15, 1932.

*Hon. Harry H. Woodring, Governor of Kansas:*

DEAR GOVERNOR—I have the honor to submit to you herewith report of William P. Keegan, state mine inspector in charge of the Mine Inspection and Mine Rescue Departments for the Calendar year ending December 31, 1931, containing data covering the coal- and metal-mining industry of Kansas.

Very respectfully,

C. J. BECKMAN,

*Commissioner of Labor.*

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COMMISSION OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY  
STATE OF KANSAS

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ANNUAL REPORT *of*  
**COAL MINE AND METAL MINE  
INSPECTION**  
*and* MINE RESCUE DEPARTMENTS



1931

**WILLIAM P. KEEGAN**  
*Chief Mine Inspector*

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## PART ONE.

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### REPORT OF COAL MINE INSPECTION DEPARTMENT.

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### EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR 1931.

#### MINE INSPECTION AND MINE RESCUE DEPARTMENTS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1931.

Fund No. 7. Salary of chief mine inspector.....	\$2,700.00
Fund No. 8. Salary of three deputy mine inspectors.....	5,400.00
Fund No. 8. Salary of one deputy inspector (discontinued May 1, 1931) .....	600.00
Fund No. 9. Salary of statistical clerk in mine-inspection office...	1,500.00
Fund No. 10. Salary of two rescue superintendents.....	3,600.00
Traveling and incidental expenses of chief inspector,	997.43
Traveling expenses of deputy inspectors.....	1,445.70
Traveling and incidental expenses of rescue super- intendents .....	290.70
Mine-rescue stations equipment.....	269.91
Mine-inspection equipment .....	32.85
Total salaries and expenses, Mine Inspection and Rescue Depart- ments, year 1931.....	\$16,836.59



### Report of Coal Mine Inspection Department.

#### INTRODUCTORY.

The total coal tonnage for deep and strip mines of the state of Kansas for the year ending December 31, 1931, was 2,247,636, a decrease of 355,520 in comparison with the production of 1930.

A total of 211 mines were operated during the year—168 deep mines and 43 strip operations. These mines employed 4,316 men, of whom 2,791 were classified as miners, 570 as underground day men and 955 as top men. The average number of days worked for 1931 was 100.

The coal mines of Kansas consumed 31,949 kegs of powder, 349,507 pounds of dynamite and 811,645 pounds of pellet powder. There were 6 fatalities and 150 nonfatal accidents in the coal mines during 1931.

Crawford county strip mines rank first in the matter of coal production of the state of Kansas. There were 22 strip mines in operation, which produced 908,865 tons of coal, giving employment to 454 men and working an average of 126 days. These mines consumed 3,436 kegs of powder, 124,825 pounds of dynamite and 58,250 pounds of pellet powder. The average height of coal is 1 foot 10 inches, with an average overburden of 16 feet. There were 8 nonfatal accidents in the strip mines of Crawford county during the year 1931.

Crawford county deep mines produced 661,737 tons of coal, employing 2,326 men. There were 64 shaft and slope mines in operation, which worked an average of 88 days. There were 4 fatalities and 141 nonfatal accidents in the deep mines of Crawford county. These mines consumed 15,123 kegs of powder, 216,769 pounds of dynamite and 750,110 pounds of pellet powder. The average height of coal is about 2 feet 10 inches, with an average overburden of 82 feet.

The strip mines of Cherokee county rank third in coal production. Fourteen strip mines produced 198,135 tons of coal, employed 114 men and worked an average of 86 days. The consumption of powder was 2,098 kegs, dynamite 850 pounds and pellet powder 300 pounds. The average height of coal is 2 feet 7 inches, with an average overburden of 15 feet.

The deep mines of Cherokee county produced 57,202 tons of coal, employed 225 men and worked an average of 76 days. There was a consumption of 5,050 kegs of powder, 2,578 pounds of dynamite and 2,785 pounds of pellet powder. There were only 2 nonfatal accidents reported to this office from the deep mines of Cherokee county during the year of 1931. The average height of coal is 3 feet 6 inches, with an average overburden of 46 feet.

The Kansas State Prison mine and Home Riverside Coal Mines Company in Leavenworth county produced 95,750 tons of coal. These mines employed 596 men and worked an average of 190 days during the year. There was one fatality in this county, which occurred at the Home Riverside Coal Mines Company. The coal averages 1 foot 10 inches, with an average overburden of 720 feet.

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There were 31 mines operating in Osage county, producing 48,416 tons of coal. The mines in this county employed 418 men and worked an average of 80 days during the year. There were 5,430 pounds of dynamite used by these mines. The coal averages 2 feet 9 inches, with an average overburden of 72 feet.

Eleven mines in Linn county reported a production of 5,917 tons of coal and employed 82 men during the year. There were 553 kegs of powder, 200 pounds of dynamite and 200 pounds of pellet powder used by these mines. The coal averages 2 feet 9 inches, with an average overburden of 45 feet. The mines worked an average of 66 days.

The production of the Bourbon county mines for 1931 was 18,822 tons of coal. There were 6 shaft and 7 strip mines in operation during the year, employing 77 men and working an average of 99 days during the year. A total of 259 kegs of powder and 1,485 pounds of dynamite was consumed by these mines. There was one fatality in Bourbon county, which occurred at the Double Eagle strip mine. The coal will average about 1 foot 8 inches, with an average overburden of 18 feet.

There were twelve small slope mines in operation in Neosho county, which produced 2,792 tons of coal, employed 24 men and worked an average of 89 days.

An estimate of 250,000 tons of additional coal production is made, covering mines which fail to report their production.





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### RECORD OF INSPECTIONS.

TOTAL NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS AND MILES TRAVELED  
BY ALL INSPECTORS DURING THE YEAR 1931.

NAME OF INSPECTOR.	Accident.	Special.	General.	Scale.	Total.	Miles traveled.
James Sherwood.....	3	32	8	2	45	2,461
William P. Keegan.....	2	42	9	0	53	1,990
William Glennon.....	5	208	52	11	276	4,543
William Curley.....	2	10	37	3	52	946
Ernest Shaw.....	2	108	28	6	144	3,167
John L. Dunn.....	2	6	61	0	69	941
Geo. H. White.....	2	56	6	3	67	1,052
W. J. Miller.....	1	43	144	24	212	7,141
Totals.....	19	505	245	49	918	22,241

### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS.

Made by Chief Mine Inspector James Sherwood during January, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Jan. 5	Home Riverside Coal Mines Co.....	.....	Special.....	342
2	6	State Penitentiary mine.....	.....	Special.....	
3	12	Dairy Center Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	
4	12	Godfrey-Fort Scott Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	104
5	12	Double Eagle Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	
6	15	Jonnum Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	
7	15	Galbraith Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	182
8	15	Jarred Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	
9	17	Krempush Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	
10	17	C. A. Mason Coal Co.....	.....	Special.....	11
11	27	Central Coal & Coke Co.....	49	Special.....	12
12	28	Central Coal & Coke Co.....	49	Special.....	20
Total miles traveled.....					691

Total number of accident investigations.....	0
Total number of special inspections.....	12
Total number of general inspections.....	0
Total number of scale inspections.....	0

Total inspections and investigations..... 12



MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, April, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Apr. 3	Menghini Coal Co.....		General.....	16
2	6	Mary Ann Coal Co.....		General.....	40
3	13	Mertz Coal Co., William.....		Accident.....	14
4	14	Kelley-Carter Coal Co.....		Special.....	30
5	23	Linn County Coal Co.....		General.....	164
Total miles traveled.....					264
Total number of accident investigations.....					1
Total number of special inspections.....					1
Total number of general inspections.....					3
Total number of scale inspections.....					0
Total inspections and investigations.....					5

MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, May, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	May 1	Reeves Coal Co.....		Special.....	80
2	16	Three Coal Co.....		Accident.....	10
3	25	Mary Ann Coal Co.....		General.....	40
4	26	Jones Coal Co.....		General.....	50
Total miles traveled.....					180
Total number of accident investigations.....					1
Total number of special inspections.....					1
Total number of general inspections.....					2
Total number of scale inspections.....					0
Total inspections and investigations.....					4

MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, June, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	June 1	Sheridan Coal Co.....	12	Special.....	44
2	9	Standard Coal Co.....		Special.....	10
Total miles traveled.....					54
Total number of accident investigations.....					0
Total number of special inspections.....					2
Total number of general inspections.....					0
Total number of scale inspections.....					0
Total inspections and investigations.....					2



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#### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, July, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	July 13	Ovinich Coal Co. ....		General. ....	157
2	13	Galbraith Coal Co. ....		General. ....	
3	16	Ovinich Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
Total miles traveled. ....					314

Total number of accident investigations. ....	0
Total number of special inspections. ....	1
Total number of general inspections. ....	2
Total number of scale inspections. ....	0
Total inspections and investigations. ....	3

#### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, August, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Aug. 7	Ovinich Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	157
2	10	Ovinich Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	157
3	27	Three Coal Co. ....		Accident. ....	10
4	29	Mason Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	10
Total miles traveled. ....					334

Total number of accident investigations. ....	1
Total number of special inspections. ....	3
Total number of general inspections. ....	0
Total number of scale inspections. ....	0
Total inspections and investigations. ....	4

#### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, September, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Sept. 3	D. & N. Coal Co. ....		Scale. ....	16
2	3	Krempusch Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
3	8	Standard Coal Co. ....		General. ....	
4	15	Last Chance Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	42
5	15	Garrett Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
6	15	Ridge Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
7	17	Fort Scott & Godfrey Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	70
8	23	Jenkins Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	42
9	24	Last Chance Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	42
10	25	Hill Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	36
11	29	Levy Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	168
12	29	Boswell & Turner Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
Total miles traveled. ....					426

Total number of accident investigations. ....	0
Total number of special inspections. ....	10
Total number of general inspections. ....	1
Total number of scale inspections. ....	1
Total inspections and investigations. ....	12



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#### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

James Sherwood, October, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Oct. 1	La Cygne Coal Co.....		Special.....	130
2	9	Leksha Coal Co.....		Scale.....	34
3	10	Leksha Coal Co.....		Special.....	34
Total miles traveled.....					198

Total number of accident investigations.....	0
Total number of special inspections.....	2
Total number of general inspections.....	0
Total number of scale inspections.....	1
Total inspections and investigations.....	3

#### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

Made by Chief Mine Inspector William P. Keegan during November, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Nov. 6	Mines in vicinity of Arcadia.....		Special.....	60
2	9	M. & M. Coal Co.....		Accident.....	44
3	9	Kelley & Carter Coal Co.....		Special.....	54
4	10	Jones Coal Co.....		Special.....	40
5	10	Pioneer Coal Co.....		Special.....	32
6	12	Mobley Coal Co.....		Special.....	44
7	12	Peerless Coal Co.....		Special.....	24
8	13	Williamson Coal Co.....		Special.....	44
9	13	Fulton Coal Co. (Prairie).....		Special.....	36
10	14	Gust & Lord Coal Co.....		Special.....	36
11	14	Jenkins Coal Co.....		Special.....	36
12	16	Pittsburg Block Coal Co.....		Special.....	40
13	16	Fulton Coal Co.....	51	Special.....	34
14	17	W. H. Coal Co.....		General.....	32
15	18	Last Chance Coal Co.....		Special.....	144
16	18	Two Six Coal Co.....		Special.....	28
17	19	Pittsburg-Midway Coal Co.....		Special.....	
18	19	Commercial Fuel Coal Co.....		Special.....	
19	20	Apex Coal Co.....		Special.....	
20	20	Mary Ann Coal Co.....		Special.....	
21	23	Leksha Coal Co.....		Special.....	
22	24	Bonny Blue Coal Co.....		Special.....	
23	24	Lightning Coal Co.....		General.....	
24	25	Jones Coal Co.....		General.....	
25	25	Galbraith Coal Co.....		General.....	
26	25	Fox Coal Co.....		General.....	
27	25	Moody Coal Co.....		General.....	
28	30	Military Coal Co.....		Special.....	
Total miles traveled.....					692

Total number of accident investigations.....	1
Total number of special inspections.....	22
Total number of general inspections.....	5
Total number of scale inspections.....	0
Total inspections and investigations.....	28





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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William P. Keegan, December, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Dec. 2	State Penitentiary mine.....		General.....	160
2	3	State Penitentiary mine.....		General.....	
3	4	Home Riverside Coal Co.....		General.....	
4	5	Mines in Osage County.....		Special.....	280
5	6	Mines in Osage County.....		Special.....	
6	8	Mariano Coal Co.....		Special.....	
7	9	Sheridan Coal Co.....	-21	Special.....	30
8	9	Englevale Coal Co.....		Special.....	30
9	11	Eleventh Street Coal Co.....		Accident.....	4
10	14	Reed Coal Co.....		Special.....	108
11	14	Patch Coal Co.....		Special.....	
12	14	Nantukee Coal Co.....		Special.....	
13	15	Mines in vicinity of Pittsburg.....		Special.....	30
14	18	D. & M. Coal Co.....		Special.....	18
15	18	Richardson Coal Co.....		Special.....	
16	18	Victor Fuel Co.....		Special.....	
17	21	Prescott Deep Mines Coal Co.....		Special.....	110
18	28	Mines in Franklin County.....		Special.....	153
19	29	Mines in Osage County.....		Special.....	207
20	30	Mines in Osage County.....		Special.....	
21	31	Black Diamond Coal Co.....		Special.....	
22	31	Baker Coal Co.....		General.....	168
23	31	Vantyle Coal Co.....		Special.....	
24	31	Gerard Coal Co.....		Special.....	
25	31	Turner & Boswell Coal Co.....		Special.....	
Total miles traveled.....					1,298

Total number of accident investigations.....	1
Total number of special inspections.....	20
Total number of general inspections.....	4
Total number of scale inspections.....	0
Total inspections and investigations.....	25



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#### MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

Made by Deputy Mine Inspector William Glennon during January, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Jan. 2	Seivert Coal Co.		Special	
2	2	C. & P. Coal Co.		Special	13
3	2	D. & N. Coal Co.		Special	
4	3	Brown & Crowe Coal Co.		Special	13
5	3	Black Diamond Coal Co.		Special	
6	3	Feiden & Boyd Coal Co.		Special	
7	5	Richardson Coal Co.		General	13
8	5	Deep Mine Coal Co.		Special	13
9	6	D. & N. Coal Co.		General	15
10	7	Morris Bros. Coal Co.		General	13
11	8	Standard Coal Co.		Special	15
12	9	Rolla Young Coal Co.		Special	
13	9	Mel Moore Coal Co.		Special	20
14	12	Fern Bros. Coal Co.		Special	15
15	12	Gubbio Coal Co.		General	15
16	13	Three Coal Co.		General	15
17	13	Commercial Fuel Co.		General	15
18	14	W. E. Mason Coal Co.		General	15
19	15	Wm. Mertz Coal Co.		General	180
20	15	C. O. D. Coal Co.		Special	
21	16	Dairy Center Coal Co.		Special	15
22	16	O. & O. Coal Co.		Special	
23	16	Custer Bros. Coal Co.		Special	16
24	19	Lone Oak Coal Co.		General	16
25	19	Ryals Coal Co.		Special	24
26	20	Menghini Coal Co.		Special	22
27	20	Sunshine Coal Co.		General	16
28	21	Fern Bros. Coal Co.		General	13
29	22	Western Coal & Mining Co.	24	General	24
30	23	Western Coal & Mining Co.	20	Special	13
31	26	South Ragley Coal Co.		General	24
32	27	De Gasperi Coal Co.		General	13
33	28	Western Coal & Mining Co.	24	General	13
34	30	Broadhurst Coal Co.		Special	
Total miles traveled					499
Total number of accident investigations					0
Total number of special inspections					22
Total number of general inspections					11
Total number of scale inspections					1
Total inspections and investigations					34





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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennon, February, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Feb. 2	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	Scale .....	22
2	3	Fern Bros. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
3	4	Frank Mertz Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
4	5	John B. Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Scale .....	28
5	6	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
6	10	Two Six Coal Co. ....		General .....	20
7	11	Three Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
8	12	Mel Moore Coal Co. ....		Special .....	15
9	13	Rolla Young Coal Co. ....		Special .....	18
10	13	Morris Bros. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
11	16	Pittsburg Block Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
12	17	Stephenson & Fenimore Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
13	18	Richardson Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
14	19	Square Deal Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
15	19	Seivert Coal Co. ....	51	Special .....	28
16	20	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Special .....	28
17	25	Fulton Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
18	26	Feiden & Boyd Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
19	26	Black Diamond Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
20	27	McGrath Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
21	28	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
Total miles traveled .....					311
Total number of accident investigations .....					0
Total number of special inspections .....					18
Total number of general inspections .....					1
Total number of scale inspections .....					2
Total inspections and investigations .....					21



MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennon, March, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Mar. 2	D. & W. Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
2	3	Wm. Mertz Coal Co.....		Special.....	14
3	4	Fulton Coal Co.....	51	Accident.....	28
4	6	Barrett & Cronister Coal Co.....		Special.....	13
5	6	Farnsworth & Boyd Coal Co.....		Special.....	
6	9	Fulton Coal Co.....	51	Special.....	28
7	10	Fulton Coal Co.....	51	General.....	28
8	11	Two Six Coal Co.....		General.....	20
9	12	Gubbio Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
10	13	Stephenson & Ferimore Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
11	13	Lone Star Coal Co.....		General.....	
12	16	Standard Coal Co.....		General.....	13
13	17	Crawford County Coal Co.....		Special.....	16
14	18	South Radley Coal Co.....		Special.....	16
15	19	W. E. Mason Coal Co.....		Special.....	16
16	20	Mel Moore Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
17	20	Rolla Young Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
18	23	Richardson Coal Co.....		Special.....	13
19	23	Deep Mine Coal Co.....		Special.....	
20	24	Morris Bros. Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
21	25	Commercial Fuel Coal Co.....		General.....	13
22	26	Moore & Tripp Coal Co.....		Special.....	13
23	26	Half & Half Coal Co.....		Special.....	
24	27	Gubbio Coal Co.....		Special.....	15
25	30	Western Coal & Mining Co.....	24	Special.....	24
26	31	D. & W. Coal Co.....		General.....	15
Total miles traveled.....					375
Total number of accident investigations.....					1
Total number of special inspections.....					19
Total number of general inspections.....					6
Total number of scale inspections.....					0
Total inspections and investigations.....					26





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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennon, April, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Apr. 2	Eagle Cherokee Coal Co.		General.	15
2	3	South Radley Coal Co.		Special.	16
3	6	Black Diamond Coal Co.		General.	16
4	7	McGrath Coal Co.		Special.	13
5	7	De Gasperi Coal Co.		Special.	13
6	8	Mines on Wilson Lease.		Special.	13
7	9	Western Coal & Mining Co.	20	Special.	22
8	10	Fern Bros. Coal Co.		Special.	16
9	13	Two Six Coal Co.		General.	20
10	14	Central Coal & Coke Co.	51	Special.	28
11	15	Standard Coal Co.		Special.	13
12	16	Western Coal & Mining Co.	20	General.	22
13	17	Western Coal & Mining Co.	20	Scale.	22
14	20	D. & N. Coal Co.		Special.	13
15	20	De Gasperi Coal Co.		Special.	13
16	20	Richardson Coal Co.		Special.	13
17	21	Mines on Wilson Lease.		Special.	13
18	22	Central Coal & Coke Co.	51	Special.	28
19	23	Lone Star Coal Co.		Special.	13
20	23	Three Coal Co.		Special.	13
21	24	Barrett & Cronister Coal Co.		Special.	13
22	24	Farnsworth Coal Co.		Special.	16
23	27	Rolla Young Coal Co.		Special.	16
24	27	Mel Moore Coal Co.		Special.	16
25	28	Western Coal & Mining Co.	20	Accident.	22
26	29	South Radley Coal Co.		Special.	16
27	30	Gubbio Coal Co.		Special.	15
Total miles traveled.					365

Total number of accident investigations.	1
Total number of special inspections.	21
Total number of general inspections.	4
Total number of scale inspections.	1

Total inspections and investigations. 27



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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennon, May, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	May 4	Central Coal & Coke Co. ....	51	Special .....	28
2	5	Brennan Coal Co. ....		General .....	25
3	6	Menghini Coal Co. ....		General .....	13
4	7	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Special .....	24
5	8	Pittsburg Block Coal Co. ....		Special .....	17
6	11	Fern Bros. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
7	12	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
8	13	D. & W. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	15
9	14	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Special .....	28
10	15	Eagle-Cherokee Coal Co. ....		Special .....	15
11	18	Deep Mine Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
12	18	Richardson Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
13	19	Square Deal Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
14	19	Krempseh Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
15	20	Lone Star Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
16	21	Seivert Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
17	21	Black Diamond Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
18	22	Fiegen & Boyd Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
19	22	Brown & Crowe Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
20	25	Arkan Coal Co. ....		General .....	40
21	26	South Radley Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
22	27	Crawford County Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
23	28	Two Six Coal Co. ....		Special .....	20
24	29	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special .....	13
Total miles traveled .....					364
Total number of accident investigations .....					0
Total number of special inspections .....					21
Total number of general inspections .....					3
Total number of scale inspections .....					0
Total inspections and investigations .....					24





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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennor, June, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	June 1	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Special .....	22
2	2	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Special .....	28
3	3	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	General .....	22
4	4	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	Accident .....	22
5	5	M. & M. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	40
6	8	Rolla Young Coal Co. ....		Special .....	18
7	8	Mel More Coal Co. ....		Special .....	
8	8	Morris Bros. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	
9	9	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Special .....	28
10	9	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Scale .....	
11	10	Eagle-Cherokee Coal Co. ....		Special .....	15
12	11	Two Six Coal Co. ....		General .....	20
13	12	Leksha Coal Co. ....		Special .....	30
14	15	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Special .....	22
15	15	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Scale .....	
16	16	McGrath Coal Co. ....		Special .....	17
17	17	Brennan Coal Co. ....		Special .....	25
18	18	Pittsburg Block Coal Co. ....		Special .....	17
19	22	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	General .....	22
20	23	Deep Mine Coal Co. ....		Scale .....	13
21	24	South Radley Coal Co. ....		Special .....	16
22	25	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	Special .....	22
23	29	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Accident .....	28
24	30	D. & W. Coal Co. ....		Special .....	15
25	30	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Special .....	22
Total miles traveled .....					464
Total number of accident investigations .....					2
Total number of special inspections .....					17
Total number of general inspections .....					3
Total number of scale inspections .....					3
Total inspections and investigations .....					25



MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennon, July, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	July 1	Eagle-Cherokee Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	15
2	2	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	18
3	2	Menghini Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
4	6	Gubbio Coal Co. ....		General. ....	
5	7	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Special. ....	22
6	8	Baker Coal Co. ....		General. ....	17
7	9	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	Special. ....	22
8	10	Two Six Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	20
9	13	Mines on Wilson Lease. ....		Special. ....	17
10	14	Mines in Litchfield. ....		Special. ....	17
11	15	Lone Star Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
12	15	Three Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
13	16	Jonnum Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
14	17	Pittsburg Block Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	114
15	20	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	Special. ....	17
16	20	Kelly-Carter Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	72
17	21	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	24	Special. ....	
18	22	Central Coal & Coke Co. ....	51	Special. ....	
19	23	Arkan Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	40
20	24	McGrath Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
21	24	DeGasperi Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
22	27	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
23	28	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	13
24	29	Western Coal & Mining Co. ....	20	Scale. ....	13
25	30	South Radley Coal Co. ....		General. ....	22
26	31	Litchfield Mines. ....		Special. ....	16
Total miles traveled. ....					571
Total number of accident investigations. ....					0
Total number of special inspections. ....					22
Total number of general inspections. ....					3
Total number of scale inspections. ....					1
Total inspections and investigations. ....					26





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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONTINUED.

William Glennon, August, 1931.

No.	Date.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine No.	Nature of inspection.	Miles traveled.
1	Aug. 4	Williamson Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	32
2	5	South Radley Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	18
3	5	Eagle-Cherokee Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	20
4	6	Two Six Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	84
5	7	Quality Coal Co. ....		General. ....	86
6	10	Davis Coal Co., and other mines on Saxer lease. ....		Special. ....	35
7	11	Mary Ann Coal Co. ....		General. ....	32
8	11	Last Chance Coal Co. ....		General. ....	44
9	12	Williamson Coal Co. ....		General. ....	58
10	13	M. & M. Coal Co. ....		General. ....	40
11	13	Small Coal Co. ....		General. ....	17
12	14	Jones Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
13	14	Mobley Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	28
14	15	Kelly-Carter Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
15	15	Peerless Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	28
16	17	Richardson Coal Co. ....		General. ....	17
17	17	Deep Mines Coal Co. ....		General. ....	17
18	18	Pittsburg Block Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	28
19	19	Fulton Coal Co. ....	51	Special. ....	17
20	20	D. & W. Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
21	20	South Radley Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	28
22	21	Wilson Lease Mines. ....		Special. ....	17
23	22	Central Coal & Coke Co. ....	51	Accident. ....	17
24	24	Lone Star Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	19
25	24	Three Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	28
26	25	Ferns Bros. Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
27	25	Standard Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	17
28	26	Central Coal & Coke Co. ....	51	Scale. ....	17
29	27	McGrath Coal Co. ....		General. ....	18
30	27	DeGasperi Coal Co. ....		General. ....	22
31	28	Victor Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
32	28	Lone Oak Coal Co. ....		Special. ....	
33	31	North Arma Coal Co. ....		General. ....	
Total miles traveled. ....					694

Total number of accident investigations. ....	1
Total number of special inspections. ....	20
Total number of general inspections. ....	11
Total number of scale inspections. ....	1
Total inspections and investigations. ....	33