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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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ACTIVITIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MINE RESCUE STATION, 1941

January 18, 1941, at 2 o'clock p.m., Mr. Mike Simone, superintendent, Simone Coal Co., called, in person, at the Mine Inspection Department office at Pittsburg, Kan., stating that they had cut into an abandoned mine igniting the methane gas. Mr. John Delplace, chief mine inspector, and myself, John Cartwright, mine rescue superintendent, went to the mine at once. Upon arriving at the room in which the gases were burning we found they had not cut into the abandoned mine but had cut a gas feeder, causing a mine fire. The fire was extinguished as quickly as possible with no serious loss.

March 12, 1941, Mr. Bilhartz, superintendent of the Bilhartz Mining Co., called at the Rescue Station stating his company was pumping out old mines in the Baxter Springs District; and after getting the water lowered to three hundred feet, it was so contaminated with acids the oxygen was depleted from the air as fast as it was forced into the mine. Pumping was stopped as it was impossible to enter the mine. We advised him we had Gibbs Breathing Apparatuses available for such work.

On March 14, three men, equipped with Gibbs breathing apparatus, were lowered into the mine. After two hours of labor, with the apparatuses on, the men had the pumps lowered and pumping was resumed. The pumps were lowered every second day until March 26 at which time all water was pumped from the mine and the air was pure, so, work was resumed without the use of breathing apparatuses.

May 12, 1941, on Monday evening, about 4:01 p.m., Mr. Cartwright received a call from mine No. 22 of the Western Coal and Mining Co., located one mile north of Arma, advising him of an explosion. After notifying Mr. John Delplace, chief mine inspector, and Mr. Barney Moore, deputy mine inspector, Mr. Cartwright went to the mine. Upon arriving, Mr. Cartwright learned from Mr. Keegan that the shot-firers were still in the mine and the cages were out of order due to the explosion. Mr. Cartwright; George McQueen, mine foreman; Elmer Perard, boss driver; and Robert Steele, started to descend by the man-way stairs. After descending about 240 feet the stairs gave way and Mr. Cartwright fell to the bottom of the mine, being injured. The other men returned to the surface. In the meantime the cages were repaired and H. P. Burke, one of the shot-firers came to the surface. A rescue crew, composed of Mr. John Delplace, George McQueen, Elmer Perard, Robert Steele, George Bell and John Lepo went into the mine and found Mr. Joe Suschnick face down in room No. 3 on the straight east entry about 700 feet from the bottom of the mine where he had been overcome by the fumes from the explosion. He had apparently been dead about an hour when found.



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COAL PRODUCTION FROM 1869 TO 1931

AVERAGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES. AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAYS WORKED.
NUMBER OF TONS PRODUCED FOR EACH FATAL ACCIDENT, AND NUMBER
OF FATAL ACCIDENTS

Year.	Number of fatal accidents.	NAME OF MINE INSPECTOR.	Tonnage.	Average number of men employed.	Average number of days worked.	Number of tons produced for each fatal accident.
1869*			36,891			
1870*			32,938			
1871*			41,000			
1872*			44,800			
1873*			56,000			
1874*			85,000			
1875			150,000			
1876*			225,000			
1877*			300,000			
1878*			375,000			
1879*			460,000			
1880*			771,000			
1881*			840,000			
1882*			750,000			
1883*			900,000			
1884	3	E. A. Scammon.....	1,100,000			336,666
1885†	9	J. R. Braidwood.....	1,440,000	4,175		160,006
1886†			1,350,000			
1887†	7	G. W. Findlay.....	1,570,000			224,297
1888†	††	J. T. Stewart.....	1,700,000			
1889†	12	J. T. Stewart.....	2,112,166	5,956	210	176,013
1890†	8		2,516,054	4,523	222	314,506
1891†	13		2,753,722	6,201	224	211,824
1892†			3,007,276	6,559	208	
1893	15	A. C. Gallagher.....	2,881,931	9,851	147	192,128
1894	26	A. C. Gallagher.....	3,611,214	10,088	164	138,893
1895	10	Bennet Brown.....	3,190,843	9,021	161	319,084
1896	12	Bennet Brown.....	3,191,748	8,807	170	265,979
1897	6	George McGrath.....	3,291,806	8,699	152	549,467
1898	17	George McGrath.....	3,881,931	8,122	170	227,094
1899	16	Edward Keegan.....	4,096,895	10,198	186	256,056
1900	20	Edward Keegan.....	4,269,716	10,673	193	212,845
1901	10	Edward Keegan.....	4,896,121	9,506	180	479,612
1902	30	D. R. Casselman.....	5,230,433	9,315	170	174,347
1903	36	D. R. Casselman.....	5,540,647	9,972	186	153,907
1904**	16	James A. Orr.....	2,732,499	10,347	92	170,781
1905	36	James A. Orr.....	6,374,671	12,109	183	176,322
1906	30	Frank Gilday.....	5,754,616	10,175	166	191,820
1907	52	Frank Gilday.....	6,591,013	11,957	204	126,750
1908	31	Frank Gilday.....	5,588,016	11,334	179	180,258
1909	38	Frank Gilday.....	5,727,653	10,542	190	150,728
1910	25	Frank Gilday.....	5,135,391	10,619	165	205,415
1911*	††	Leon Besson.....	6,254,228	10,918		
1912	37	Leon Besson.....	6,350,396	11,364	197	171,578
1913	28	Francis Keegan.....	7,090,579	12,506	196	253,235
1914	34	Francis Keegan.....	7,186,918	12,498	200	211,380
1915	28	John Pellegrino.....	6,687,521	11,451	176	238,840
1916	54	John Pellegrino.....	6,775,076	11,775	192	125,468
1917	30	John Pellegrino.....	7,250,000	11,421	194	241,066
1918	30	Fred Green.....	7,250,000	11,600	198	241,066
1919	26	James Sherwood.....	5,400,312	10,500	182	207,704
1920	26	James Sherwood.....	6,130,341	10,509	202	235,782
1921	14	James Sherwood.....	4,028,624	10,416	151	287,758
1922	9	James Sherwood.....	3,518,243	9,626	139	390,915
1923	19	James Sherwood.....	4,650,479	10,459	118	244,762



COAL PRODUCTION—FATAL ACCIDENTS—CONCLUDED

Year.	Number of fatal accidents.	NAME OF MINE INSPECTOR.	Tonnage.	Average number of men employed.	Average number of days worked.	Number of tons produced for each fatal accident.
1924	7	Leon Besson.....	4,491,069	9,743	120	641,581
1925	11	James Sherwood.....	4,813,088	9,471	122	437,553
1926	16	James Sherwood.....	5,562,955	8,130	144	285,185
1927	10	James Sherwood.....	3,585,764	7,073	139	258,576
1928	8	James Sherwood.....	3,355,408	6,048	150	419,426
1929	14	James Sherwood.....	3,546,144	5,577	138	253,296
1930	10	James Sherwood.....	2,603,156	5,514	108	260,315
1931	6	Wm. P. Keegan.....	2,247,636	4,316	100	374,606
1932	11	Wm. P. Keegan.....	2,348,140	4,150	93	213,467
1933	9	Wm. Glennon.....	2,411,584	4,233	94	267,953
1934	12	Wm. Glennon.....	2,550,684	4,340	97	212,557
1935	9	Wm. Glennon.....	2,773,450	4,253	113	308,161
1936	8	Wm. Glennon.....	3,147,225	4,206	113	393,403
1937	3	Dan J. O'Donnell....	3,148,401	4,283	107	1,049,467
1938	2	Dan J. O'Donnell....	2,789,684	3,585	102½	1,394,842
1939	6	John Delplace.....	3,007,349	3,503	95½	501,225
1940	5	John Delplace.....	3,693,455	3,348	94	738,691
1941	10	John Delplace.....	4,048,080	3,091	105½	404,808

* Production of coal from 1869 to 1884 and for 1911 taken from the United States Geological Survey.

† One report made for two years.

‡ No report made; statistics for that year taken from the United States Geological Survey.

** One-half year's report. Reports changed from the calendar year ending December 31 to fiscal year ending June 30.

†† Explosion at mine No. 2, Frontenac. No record was made of loss of life, but it is known that forty-five lives were lost.

‡‡ Records destroyed.



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STATE OF KANSAS

For the Year Ending
December 31, 1942

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1942

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Commissioner of Labor

JOHN DELPLACE
Chief Mine Inspector

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FEBRUARY 1, 1943.

Hon. Andrew F. Schoeppel, Governor, State of Kansas:

DEAR SIR—In accordance with the provisions of G. S. 49-210, I am transmitting herewith the 1942 annual report of the Coal and Metal Mines and the Mine Rescue Station, as submitted by John Delplace, Chief Mine Inspector.

Respectfully submitted,

A. V. LUNDGREN, *Commissioner of Labor.*

A. V. Lundgren, Commissioner of Labor, Topeka, Kan.:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to submit to you the report of the Mine Inspection Division and the Superintendent of the Mine Rescue Station for the state of Kansas for the calendar year ending December 31, 1942.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN DELPLACE, *Chief Mine Inspector.*

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PERSONNEL OF COAL-MINE INSPECTION DIVISION STATE OF KANSAS

Chief Mine Inspector

John Delplace Arma

Deputy Inspectors

Robert Archibald Burlingame

Dow Y. Downing Baxter Springs

Barney Moore Pittsburg

Ernest Shaw Weir

Stenographer-Clerk

Marie Brennan Pittsburg

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL, 1942

MARIE BRENNAN, transferred March 14, to succeed NORMA McQUEEN,
resigned.

DOW Y. DOWNING, appointed December 22, to succeed W. E. BUT-
TRAM, deceased.



ACKNOWLEDGMENT

In submitting this report, I desire to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all those who have in any way assisted me in the performance of the duties of this office, and especially to the deputy inspectors and to the superintendent of the mine rescue station—Barney Moore, Ernest Shaw, Robert Archibald, W. E. Buttram, Dow Y. Downing, and John Cartwright, who so efficiently assisted me through their coöperation and untiring efforts in the discharge of their duties.

JOHN DELPLACE, *Chief Mine Inspector.*

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REPORT OF COAL-MINE INSPECTION DIVISION

Total coal production in the state of Kansas for the year ending December 31, 1942, was 4,209,386 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons, an increase of 161,306 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons over 1941. There were 3,593,368 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons produced from the strip mines, and 616,018 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons produced from the shaft mines.

There were 85 shaft, slope and drift mines, and 56 strip mines in operation during the year, a total of 141 mines. These mines gave employment to 2,668 men, who worked an average of 139 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, an increase of 33 $\frac{3}{4}$ days over the average of the previous year.

There were 1,096 men employed in the strip mines, and 1,572 men employed in the deep mines. The total amount of explosives used was 9,704 kegs of powder, 2,740,119 pounds of dynamite, and 1,687,569 pounds of pellet powder. Four fatal accidents occurred during the year. The total number of nonfatal accidents reported for the year was 175.

The Crawford county strip mines produced 1,412,972 tons, an increase of 81,983 tons over last year's production. The Crawford county strip mines were first in the production of coal in the state. There were 21 mines in operation employing 464 men an average of 129 days during the year. The amount of explosives used was 3,015 kegs of powder, 792,523 pounds of dynamite, and 86,926 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 60 nonfatal accidents.

The Crawford county deep mines produced 433,412 tons of coal during the year, a decrease of 125,311 tons under the previous year. There were 28 mines in operation in which 630 men were employed an average of 167 days during the year. The amount of explosives used was 5,185 kegs of powder, 28,422 pounds of dynamite, and 936,150 pounds of pellet powder. There were 3 fatal accidents and 65 nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

Cherokee county strip mines produced 1,266,023 tons of coal during the year, an increase of 212,895 over the previous year. There were 15 mines in operation in which 375 men were employed an average of 150 days during the year. The amount of explosives used was 668 kegs of powder, 57,225 pounds of pellet powder, and 1,710,069 pounds of dynamite. There was 1 fatal accident and 22 nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

The Cherokee county deep mines produced 13,597 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons of coal during the year, a decrease of 5,846 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons under that of the previous year. There were 15 mines in operation in which 45 men were employed an average of 71 days. The amount of explosives used was 665 kegs of powder, 525 pounds of dynamite, and 15,266 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal, but there were 3 nonfatal accidents reported during the year. This is the eighth consecutive year that the deep mines in Cherokee county have operated without a fatality.

Bourbon county strip mines produced 189,644 tons of coal, an increase of 22,923 over the previous year. There were 6 mines in operation in which 79 men were employed an average of 147 days during the year. The amount of explosives used was 45 kegs of powder, 170,950 pounds of dynamite, and



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9,350 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 5 nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

Franklin county produced 16,936 tons of coal, an increase of 10,109 tons over that of the previous year. There were 8 mines in operation in which 49 men worked an average of 179 days. The amount of explosives used was 7,527 pounds of dynamite; no keg powder or pellet powder was reported. There were no fatal accidents, but there was 1 nonfatal accident reported during the year.

Labette county produced 11,833 tons of coal, a decrease of 2,871 tons under that of the previous year. There were 4 mines operating which employed 20 men an average of 148 days. The amount of explosives used was 50 pounds of dynamite and 5,050 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal, nor nonfatal accidents reported.

Leavenworth county produced 46,586 tons of coal, a decrease of 1,987 tons under that of the previous year. There was one mine operating which employed 486 men an average of 293 days. The amount of explosives used was 2,100 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there was 1 nonfatal accident reported during the year.

Linn county deep mines produced 22,277½ tons of coal, a decrease of 22½ tons under that of the previous year. There were 14 mines operating, in which 72 men were employed an average of 128½ days. The amount of explosives used was 69 kegs of powder, 650 pounds of dynamite, and 39,337 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 2 nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

Linn county strip mines produced 709,513 tons of coal, a decrease of 26,089 tons under that of the previous year. There were 4 mines in operation in which 141 men were employed an average of 127 days. The amount of explosives used was 25 kegs of powder, 18,241 pounds of dynamite, and 538,065 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 13 nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

Osage deep mines produced 81,831 tons of coal, an increase of 6,809 tons over that of the previous year. There were 18 mines in operation in which 286 men were employed an average of 152 days. There were 6,352 pounds of dynamite used during the year. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 3 nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

Osage County strip mines produced 3,383½ tons of coal, a decrease of 964½ tons under that of the previous year. There were 6 mines in operation in which 17 men were employed an average of 76 days. The amount of explosives used was 32 kegs of powder, 710 pounds of dynamite, and 200 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal, nor nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

Wilson county had one strip mine in operation which produced 1,378 tons of coal, and in which 4 men were employed an average of 250 days during the year. There were 2,000 pounds of dynamite used. There were no fatal, nor nonfatal accidents reported during the year.

As in the past, we have in this field, a great many men who go into the old strip mines and scrape their own coal. This individual operation amounts to considerable tonnage. Men with trucks also get this coal and sell it on the open market. This division is unable to obtain an accurate record of this tonnage.



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RECORD OF MINE INSPECTIONS

MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

JOHN DELPLACE, Chief Mine Inspector

1942.	Inspections and investigations.					Miles traveled.
	General.	Special.	Scale.	Accident.	Total.	
January.....	6	6	2	7	21	931
February.....	4	9	3	0	16	565
March.....	6	12	0	2	20	910
April.....	5	12	2	1	20	769
May.....	8	8	2	3	21	796
June.....	8	12	1	1	22	534
July.....	6	14	2	4	26	1,399
August.....	7	11	0	3	21	834
September.....	6	13	0	2	21	847
October.....	9	11	0	2	22	1,011
November.....	6	10	2	1	19	746
December.....	6	11	2	1	20	1,232
Totals.....	77	129	16	27	249	10,574

MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

BARNEY MOORE, Deputy Mine Inspector

1942.	Inspections and investigations.					Miles traveled.
	General.	Special.	Scale.	Accident.	Total.	
January.....	6	13	0	0	19	815
February.....	5	15	0	0	20	567
March.....	2	20	0	0	22	952
April.....	4	16	0	0	20	834
May.....	4	17	0	0	21	723
June.....	9	13	1	1	24	416
July.....	5	22	1	0	28	1,198
August.....	13	8	7	0	28	783
September.....	6	14	11	2	33	790
October.....	1	19	4	2	26	780
November.....	5	15	1	0	21	801
December.....	6	16	2	0	24	811
Totals.....	66	188	27	5	286	9,470

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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

ERNEST SHAW, Deputy Mine Inspector

1942.	Inspections and investigations.					Miles traveled.
	General.	Special.	Scale.	Accident.	Total.	
January.....	9	13	4	0	26	784
February.....	3	17	4	0	24	602
March.....	11	7	7	0	25	703
April.....	3	13	4	0	20	516
May.....	4	17	2	0	23	666
June.....	3	19	4	0	26	398
July.....	9	8	10	2	29	1,160
August.....	3	14	11	0	28	751
September.....	8	14	2	2	26	691
October.....	6	12	9	0	27	630
November.....	1	13	11	0	25	719
December.....	4	12	11	0	27	780
Totals.....	64	159	79	4	306	8,400

MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

ROBERT ARCHIBALD, Deputy Mine Inspector

1942.	Inspections and investigations.					Miles traveled.
	General.	Special.	Scale.	Accident.	Total.	
January.....	4	16	1	0	21	716
February.....	12	7	0	1	20	555
March.....	9	9	0	1	19	921
April.....	0	23	0	0	23	492
May.....	1	20	0	0	21	766
June.....	4	18	0	0	22	678
July.....	5	15	0	0	20	632
August.....	9	12	0	0	21	714
September.....	6	12	0	0	18	611
October.....	10	10	1	1	22	520
November.....	4	16	0	0	20	813
December.....	4	18	0	0	22	707
Totals.....	68	176	2	3	249	8,125



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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

W. E. BUTTRAM, Deputy Mine Inspector
* Dow Y. DOWNING, Deputy Mine Inspector

1942.	Inspections and investigations.					Miles traveled.
	General.	Special.	Scale.	Accident.	Total.	
January.....	5	12	0	1	18	469
February.....	5	4	0	0	9	235
March.....	10	14	0	1	25	264
April.....	1	8	0	0	9	225
May.....						
June.....						
July.....						
August.....						
September.....						
October.....						
November.....						
December*.....	4	4	0	0	8	425
Totals.....	25	42	0	2	69	1,618

TOTAL INSPECTIONS AND MILES TRAVELED

Total Number of Inspections and Investigations, and Miles Traveled by all Inspectors
During the Year 1942

NAME OF INSPECTOR.	General.	Special.	Scale.	Accident.	Total.	Miles traveled.
John Delplace.....	77	129	16	27	249	10,574
Barney Moore.....	66	188	27	5	286	9,470
Ernest Shaw.....	64	159	79	4	306	8,400
Robert Archibald.....	68	176	2	3	249	8,125
W. E. Buttram.....	21	38	0	2	61	1,193
Dow Y. Downing.....	4	4	0	0	8	425
Totals.....	300	694	124	41	1,159	38,187



EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR 1942

Salary of chief mine inspector.....	\$2,200.00
Salary of stenographer-clerk	960.00
Salary of rescue station superintendent.....	1,600.00
Salary of four deputy inspectors.....	6,309.68
Traveling expense	2,696.15
Telephone	128.40
Postage	40.10
Water and lights	133.27
Supplies, repairs, equipment	263.56
Total	<u>\$14,331.16</u>

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COAL-MINE DIRECTORY

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COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN BOURBON COUNTY FOR 1942

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				City or town.
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	Bunker Hill Coal Co.	John C. Jones	Arcadia, R. R. 1				2				Garland
2	Double Eagle Coal Co.	Warren Little	Fort Scott.				8				Fort Scott
3	Garrett Coal Co.	Ray Garrett	Fort Scott, 123 W. 18th.				1½				Drywood
4	Kelly-Carter Coal Co.	George Mack	Pittsburg, 1102 S. Broadway.				¼	½			Garland
5	Puritan Coal Co.	Emile Ferneti	Garland.						2		Garland

COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN BOURBON COUNTY FOR 1942—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of mine.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
					Feet.	Inches.	
1	None	Strip	Steam	14	1	4	
2	None	Strip	Steam	14	1		
3	Mo. Pac.	Strip	Steam	15	1	3	Formerly Pellett Coal Co.
4	St. Louis-San Francisco	Strip	Electric	15	1	6	
5	None	Strip	Steam	10	1	2	Started operating 4th quarter.



COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY FOR 1942

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				City or town.
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	Atkinson Coal Co.	Tom Atkinson	Scammon	13	32	23	1			1/2	Scammon
2	B and B Coal Co.	Roy Bennett	Scammon				1/2				Scammon
3	Cunningham Coal Co.	Duncan Cunningham, Sr.	Columbus, R. R. 4								Turk
4	Devine Coal Co.	Dan Devine	Pittsburg, 401 N. Warren					1/2			Kirkwood
5	Endicott & Son	J. F. Endicott	Columbus							1/4	Mason Road
6	Keirl & Grant Co.	Fred Keirl	Scammon							1/2	Crowe 10
7	Keirl Bros. Coal Co.	Phil Keirl	Scammon	13	32	23		2		1/2	Scammon
8	Ketterman & Shirley Coal Co.	D. L. Ketterman	Columbus, R. R. 2	19	32	24				1/2	Turk
9	Martin Coal Co.	James Martin	Columbus, R. R. 4	13	32	23				1/4	Crowe 10
10	Myers & Son Coal Co.	Dave Myers	Weir	13	32	23		1/2		1 1/2	Scammon
11	Patton Coal Co.	Walter Patton	Columbus, R. R. 4						1/4		Crowe 10
12	Roberts Coal Co.	Tom Roberts	Scammon	13	32	23		2		1/4	Scammon
13	Rummer Coal Co.	Clyde Rummer	Columbus, 509 N. Indiana	26	32	23				1/4	Turk
14	Seven Coal Co.	Glen Shriver	Scammon, R. R. 1							3 1/2	Weir
15	Smith Coal Co.	Erwin Smith	Scammon	17	32	24		2		1/2	Scammon

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COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY FOR 1942--CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of mine.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
					Feet.	Inches.	
1	Frisco.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	40	3	4	
2	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	121	3	4	
3	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	25	3	8	Mine finished in February
4	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	20	4		
5	None.....	Shaft.....	Truck.....	30	3	6	Formerly Corkle & Henderson
6	Frisco.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	38	3	8	No production
7	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	30	3	6	No production
8	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	34	3	4	
9	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	28	3	8	No production
10	None.....	Shaft.....	Buick.....	38	3	4	Mine worked out in September
11	None.....	Drift.....	Gas.....	28	2	4	
12	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	35	3	4	No production
13	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	20	4		Mine closed 4th quarter
14	None.....	Shaft.....	Steam.....	115	2	8	
15	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	35	3	8	No production



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Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				City or town.
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	Black Diamond.....	Henry Denham.....	Pittsburg, R. R. 3.....						4		Weir
2	Commercial Fuel Co.....	John I. Clemens.....	Pittsburg, 407 W. Webster....	30	31	24	1	1			Cherokee
3	Centerville Coal Co.....	William Jameski.....	Cherokee.....				1½		3		Cherokee
4	Hurst Coal Co.....	Mr. Hurst.....	Picher, Oklahoma.....						1		Mason Road
5	Inhoff Coal Co.....	Fred Inhoff.....	Cherokee.....	30	31	24	1	1			Cherokee
6	Johnson Coal Co.....	Sidney Johnson.....	Weir, R. R. 1.....	30	31	24	1	1			Cherokee
7	Largen Coal Co.....	Walter Largen.....	Galena.....						4		Columbus
8	Maplewood Coal Co.....	Martin Mishmash.....	Pittsburg, 211 W. Adams.....	21	31	23			1		Cherokee
9	Markley Coal Co.....	Perry Markley.....	McCune, R. R. 2.....	2	31	22				3	McCune
10	Pittsburg-Midway Coal Co., No. 15..	Geo. Nettles.....	Pittsburg, 311 W. Jefferson....	8	32	23					Mineral
11	Pittsburg-Midway Coal Co., No. 18..	Geo. Nettles.....	Pittsburg, 311 W. Jefferson....	26	31S	22E					Mineral
12	Mineral Products Co.....	Geo. Nettles.....	Pittsburg, 311 W. Jefferson....								Mineral
13	Walker Coal Co.....	William Walker.....	Pittsburg, 428 W. 4th.....							1½	On Quincy St.
14	Wilkinson Coal Co.....	Cliff Wilkinson.....	Weir.....				5	1½			Weir

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Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of shovel.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
				Feet.	Inches.	
1	None.....	Steam.....	.....	1	2	.....
2	Friseo and Mo. Pac.....	Electric.....	30	1	10	.....
3	Friseo.....	Steam.....	20	1	4	Formerly Hamilton Coal Co.
4	None.....	Gasoline.....	32	3	6	.....
5	None.....	Team.....	.....	2	.....	Abandoned
6	None.....	Truck.....	.....	.....	.....	Scrapping at Commercial Fuel Co.
7	None.....	Steam.....	12	1	2	Quit operating after 1st quarter
8	None.....	Steam.....	8	1	3	.....
9	None.....	Steam.....	14	1	10	.....
10	M. K. T.....	Electric.....	.....	1	6	.....
11	A. T. & S. F.....	Electric.....
12	M. K. T.....	Conveyor.....
13	Mo. Pac.....	Steam.....	14	2	8	No production
14	None.....	Steam.....	12	1

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Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town.
1	A. & G. Coal Co.	Andrew Gesslein	Mulberry							2	Mulberry
2	Arabia Coal Co.	John Arabia	Pittsburg, 724 E. 20th							$\frac{1}{2}$	Litchfield
3	Cherry Creek Coal Co.	William Thompson	Scammon	13	31	24				$\frac{1}{2}$	Cherokee
4	Coalvale Coal Co.	Otis Harris	Pittsburg, 314 W. Kansas								Coalvale
5	Cox Creek Coal Co.	William Gardner	Franklin				2			$\frac{1}{2}$	Croweburg
6	Custom Coal Co.	F. M. Waddell	Mindenmines, Mo., Box 36			1					Yale
7	DeGasperi Coal Co.	A. B. DeGasperi	Pittsburg, 726 W. Euclid.	23	30	24	1			3	Pittsburg
8	Dittman-Wachter Coal Co.	Pete Wachter	Frontenac	10	30	24				3	Frontenac
9	Gaskell Coal Co.	Ubaldo N. Ribacchi	Mulberry	33	29	25	2		1		Frontenac
10	Hillside Coal Co.	Will John	Mulberry				2			$1\frac{1}{2}$	Mulberry
11	McGrath Coal Co.	Geo. T. McGrath	Pittsburg, 608 N. Locust	14	30	24	2			2	Pittsburg
12	Perko Coal Co.	Louis Perko	Pittsburg, R. R. 2						$1\frac{1}{4}$		Chicopee
13	Puritan Fuel Co.	Gus Deirka	Girard	7	31	24	1				Cherokee
14	Q. & Q. Coal Co.	Mel Moore	Pittsburg, R. R. 1.	14	31	25	1			$4\frac{1}{2}$	Pittsburg
15	Quality Coal Co.	Andrew Allen	Arma				1			$\frac{3}{4}$	Arma
16	Racey Coal Co.	Clifford Racey	Pittsburg, R. R. 3	12	31	24		4		$1\frac{1}{2}$	Pittsburg
17	Short & Fox Coal Co.	Chris Fox	Pittsburg, R. R. 2	10	31	24		5		3	Pittsburg
18	Simone Coal Co.	Mike Simone	Weir	14	30	24				3	Pittsburg
19	South Radley Coal Co.	Gene Scassellati	Radley	10	30	24			1		Radley
20	Sunset Coal Co.	Bob Cronister	Pittsburg, 613 E. 9th.							$\frac{1}{2}$	20th, Pittsburg
21	Umbria Coal Co.	John Animobone	Mulberry	12	28	25			$1\frac{1}{2}$		Arcadia
22	Victor Fuel Co.	Victor Loss	Pittsburg, 416 N. Chestnut	36	29	24	$4\frac{1}{2}$			2	Pittsburg
23	Wallace & Jones	Andy Wallace	Weir, R. R. 1.				3				Weir
24	Western Coal & Mining Co., No. 24.	Francis J. Keegan	Franklin	29		25	7		$2\frac{1}{2}$		Pittsburg
25	Williamstown Coal Co.	James Green	Pittsburg, 1317 N. Broadway	10	30	25			$1\frac{1}{2}$		Frontenac
26	Wyatt Coal Co.	Art Wyatt	Mulberry, R. R. 1.	26	28	25			$1\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	Gross

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Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of mine.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
					Feet.	Inches.	
1	J. & P.	Deep	Electric	115	2	8	Formerly Black Crown Co.
2	None	Shaft	Gasoline	17	3	6	
3	Frisco	Shaft	Steam	158	3		Abandoned in March
4	None	Shaft	Gas	40	2	6	Abandoned in June
5	Frisco	Deep	Gas	55	2	10	
6	None	Deep	Gas	57	3		Worked out in September
7	J. & P.	Shaft	Electric	122	3		
8	A. T. & S. F.	Shaft	Electric	135	3		
9	A. T. & S. F.	Shaft	Electric	114	2	8	
10	None	Slope	Gas	20	2	8	
11	None	Shaft	Electric	117	3	2	
12	None	Shaft	Gas	45	3	6	No production
13	Frisco	Deep	Electric	128	3		Formerly Puritan Coal Co.
14	None	Shaft	Gas	22	3	2	
15	Missouri Pacific	Shaft	Steam	285	3		
16	None	Drift	Team	18	3	6	
17	None	Shaft	Gas	45	3	4	No production
18	None	Shaft	Electric	140	3		
19	Frisco	Shaft	Electric	150	2	8	
20	None	Shaft	Electric	50	3	6	
21	Frisco	Slope	Electric	60	2	6	
22	A. T. & S. F.	Shaft	Electric	140	2	10	
23	None	Shaft	Gas	24	3	4	Formerly Geo. Mertz Coal Co.
24	Missouri Pacific	Shaft	Electric	128	3	2	
25	None	Shaft	Gas	80	3	2	
26	None	Slope	Gas	50	2	8	



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Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town.
1	Apex Coal Co.	H. W. Compton	Pittsburg, Nat'l Bank Bldg.	9	31	24		3		3½	Pittsburg
2	Atlas Coal Co.	J. J. Nesch	Pittsburg, 510 W. 1st								Kirkwood
3	Barbero Coal Co.	Pete Barbero	Pittsburg, R. R. 2	9	31	24		3		3½	Pittsburg
4	Cliff-Carr Coal Co.	Clifford Carr	Mulberry, R. R. 2								Croweburg
5	Crescent Coal Co.	E. D. Brennan	Mulberry	15	28	25	1			1	Mulberry
6	Dauben Coal Co.	Howard Dauben	Garland, R. R. 1	6	33	25	6				Arma
7	Eagle Cherokee Coal Co.	Tom Quinn	Pittsburg, 214 W. Adams	32	29	24	3			2	Pittsburg
8	Elm Branch Coal Co.	Boyd Spencer	Mulberry	35	28	25	3			1	Mulberry
9	Huston Coal Co.	R. L. Huston	Pittsburg, R. R. 2					4	2		Girard
10	Jonnum Coal Co.	O. O. Jonnum	Pittsburg, R. R. 3					2	4½		Pittsburg
11	Liberty Coal Co.	Julius Wilbert	Pittsburg, 710 W. 3d					2½			Chicopee
12	Mackie-Clemens No. 22	Geo. E. Elliot	Pittsburg, Globe Bldg.				2				Mulberry
13	Mackie-Clemens No. 23	Geo. E. Elliot	Pittsburg, Globe Bldg.	22	29	25	7		1½		Pittsburg
14	Menghini Coal Co.	Pete Menghini	Frontenac	4	30	25	½		½		Frontenac
15	Morris Brothers Coal Co.	J. R. Morris	Arcadia, R. R. 2				6½			½	Arma
16	Neher Coal Co.	Ruben Neher	McCune	11	31	22			2		McCune
17	Palmer Coal Co.	Ira Palmer	Mulberry					1		1½	Mulberry
18	Pioneer Coal Co.	F. E. Perkins	Pittsburg, Nat'l Bank Bldg.	16	28	25	3				Croweburg
19	Star Coal Co.	W. M. Starnes	Arcadia, R. R. 1					4		1	Garland
20	Henry Wilson Min. & Leas. Coal Co.	Henry Wilson	Pittsburg, 1706 N. Bdwy	15	30	25	2			1½	Pittsburg

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Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
				Feet.	Inches.	
1	J. & P.	Conveyor	20	1	2	
2	None	Electric	12	3	6	
3	None	None				
4	None	None				Scrapping at Apex Coal Co.
5	Frisco	Steam	14		10	
6	None	Steam	24	1	5	
7	J. & P.	Steam	32	1	2	
8	None	Electric	20	1	6	
9	None	Steam	18	1		Moved to Missouri
10	None	Tractor	15	1	6	No production after 1st quarter
11	None	Steam	12	1	3	
12	Frisco	Steam	12	2	6	Abandoned
13	Missouri Pacific	Electric	40	2	8	
14	A. T. & S. F.	Electric	35	1	6	
15	None	Steam	20	1	10	
16	None	Steam	8		8	Started operating in August
17	None	Steam	24	1	2	
18	J. & P., Frisco, Mo. Pac.	Steam	10	1	4	
19	None	Electric	18	1	6	
20	None	Steam	10	1	2	Formerly A. B. C. Coal Co
		Gas	17	3	4	

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				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town.
1	Bush Coal Co.	Walt Bush.	Quenemo.				4	1½		Quenemo	
2	Cable Coal Co.	John Cable.	Williamsburg.			1¾		1¾		Williamsburg	
3	Couch Coal Co.	Oliver Couch.	Williamsburg.			2	¾	1		Williamsburg	
4	Fogle Coal Co.	Walt Fogle.	Williamsburg.			2		1		Williamsburg	
5	Hess Coal Co.	A. R. Hess.	Williamsburg.					½	½	Williamsburg	
6	Parkins Coal Co.	John Parkins.	Ottawa.							Williamsburg	
7	Reed & Huddleston Coal Co.	C. Reed.	Williamsburg.			1		2		Williamsburg	
8	Sweetwood Coal Co.	Frank Sweetwood.	Williamsburg.			2		1		Williamsburg	

COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY FOR 1942—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of mine.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
					Feet.	Inches.	
1	None	Slope		18	1	6	
2	None	Drift		25	1	6	No production
3	None	Shaft	Electric	82	1	6	
4	None	Shaft	Gasoline	65	1	6	
5	None	Drift		40	1	4	Formerly Shaeffer Bros. Co.
6	None	Shaft	Gasoline	65	1	6	
7	None	Drift		1	1	2	Abandoned in March
8	None	Drift		16	1	5	

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COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LABETTE COUNTY FOR 1942

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				City or town.
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	Chetopa Coal Co.....	James Reed.....	Chetopa.....				2			1	Chetopa
2	Stokesberry & Simmons Co.....	W. D. Stokesberry.....	Chetopa, Box 105.....	5	35	21		1		1½	Chetopa
3	Tullis Coal Co.....	Arthur Tullis.....	Chetopa, R. R. 1.....				3			3	Chetopa
4	Vanduker Coal Co.....	Frank Vanduker.....	Columbus, 621 W. Maple.....					2			Oswego

COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LABETTE COUNTY FOR 1942—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
				Feet.	Inches.	
1	None.....	Steam.....	24	1	5	_____
2	None.....	Gas.....	16	1	2	_____
3	None.....	Gas.....	14	1		_____
4	None.....	Steam.....	16	1		_____



COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN LEAVENWORTH COUNTY FOR 1942

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				City or town.
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	Kansas State Prison Mine.....	M. F. Amrine.....	Lansing.....								Lansing

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Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of mine.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
					Feet.	Inches.	
1	Union Pacific and Santa Fe...	Shaft.....	Steam.....	720	1	9	

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Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.						
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—			
							N.	S.	E.	W. City or town.
1	Berry Coal Co.	C. Berry	La Cygne						4	La Cygne
2	Black Diamond Coal Co.	Matt Golob	Pleasanton						5	Pleasanton
3	Cirese Coal Co.	Lawrence Wurts	La Cygne						4	La Cygne
4	Galbraith Coal Co.	M. D. Galbraith	Pleasanton						3½	Pleasanton
5	Goode Coal Co.	C. S. Goode	Amsterdam, Mo.					2	1½	Amsterdam, Mo.
6	Hutcherson Coal Co.	B. N. Hutcherson	Pleasanton, R. R. 1						4½	Pleasanton
7	Kelly Coal Co.	Dave Tebo	Pleasanton						4½	Pleasanton
8	Mack Coal Co.	Malcolm McCallum	Pleasanton						5	Pleasanton
9	Noel Coal Co.	W. J. Obermeir	La Cygne, R. R. 1						6½	La Cygne
10	Red Oak Coal Co.	John Hromek	La Cygne						½	La Cygne
11	Schirard Coal Co.	A. N. Schirard	La Cygne, R. R. 1						1½	La Cygne
12	Star Valley Coal Co.	J. S. Shelton	La Cygne					3	2½	La Cygne

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Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of mine.	Kind of hoist.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
					Feet.	Inches.	
1	None.....	Shaft.....	Steam.....	40	3	.....	Did not operate after 1st quarter
2	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	50	2	8	Formerly Hutchinson Coal Co.
3	None.....	Shaft.....	Electric.....	40	3	6	.....
4	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	50	2	8	.....
5	None.....	Shaft.....	Steam.....	50	2	8	.....
6	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	75	2	7	.....
7	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	50	2	6	.....
8	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	45	2	6	Formerly Jones Coal Co
9	None.....	Shaft.....	Steam.....	70	3	.....	Did not operate after 3d quarter
10	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	60	2	6	Did not operate after 1st quarter
11	None.....	Slope.....	Gas.....	30	3
12	None.....	Shaft.....	Gas.....	50	2	6

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Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Name of superintendent.	City and address.	Location of mine.							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town.
1	Bonner Coal Co.....	A. B. Ryder.....	Mound City.....								
2	Hume-Sinclair Coal & Mining Co....	T. L. Kelce.....	Pleasanton.....						¾	Mound City	
3	Malgard Coal Co.....	O. H. Malgard.....	Prescott.....						6	Pleasanton	
4	Sutter Coal Co.....	Mr. Sutter.....	Amoret, Mo.....						4	Prescott	
									1½	Amoret, Mo.	

COAL-MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LINN COUNTY FOR 1942—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection.	Kind of shovel.	Depth of mine, feet.	Height of coal.		Remarks.
				Feet.	Inches.	
1	Mo. Pacific.....	Steam.....	15	1	5	
2	R. C. S. and Mo. Pacific.....	Electric.....		2	6	
3	None.....	Steam.....		2	4	
4	None.....	Steam.....	15	2	8	No production

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