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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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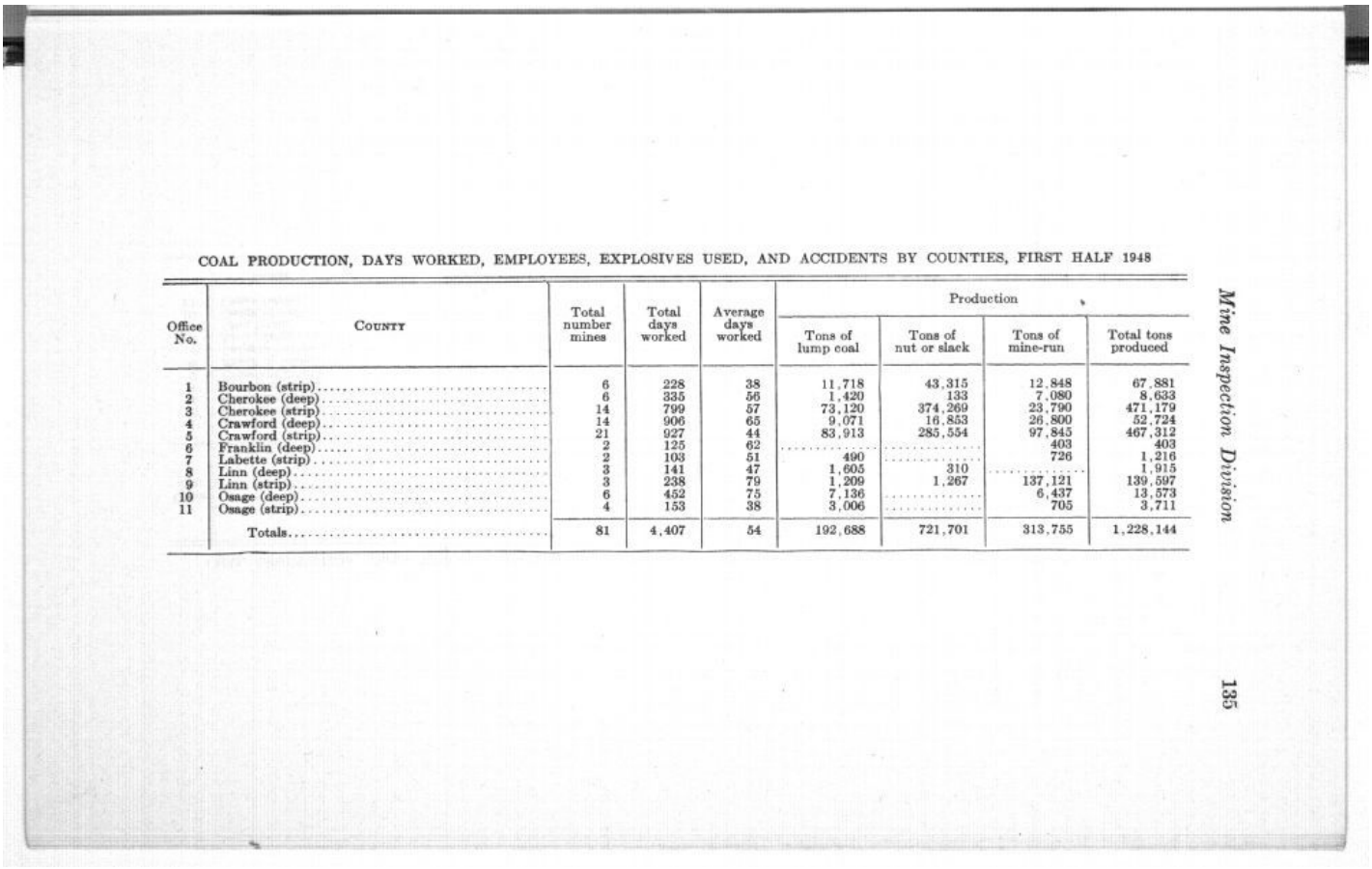
PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR DEEP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, FIRST HALF 1948

Office No.	Name of Company	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents	
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number of miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top-men	Total men employed	25-pound kegs of powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Non-fatal
1	Bell Coal Co. No. 4	75	2,130	.....	.....	2,130	10	3	13	1	14	.....	300	.....	.....	.....
2	Central Coal Co. No. 2	72	2,247	.....	.....	2,247	10	6	16	1	17	.....	200	.....	.....	.....
3	Central Coal Co. No. 3	100	1,992	.....	.....	1,992	9	5	14	2	16	.....	250	.....	.....	.....
4	J. C. Coal Co	82	.....	.....	4,364	4,364	28	4	32	1	33	.....	775	.....	.....	.....
5	Kansas Coal Co	43	767	.....	.....	767	8	3	11	1	12	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
6	Parre Bros. Coal Co	80	.....	.....	2,073	2,073	2	1	3	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Totals	452	7,136	.....	6,437	13,573	67	22	89	7	96	.....	1,675	.....	.....	.....

PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, FIRST HALF 1948

Office No.	Name of Company	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents	
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number of miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top-men	Total men employed	25-pound kegs of powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Non-fatal
1	Carbondale Coal Co	36	.....	.....	705	705	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	Graham Coal Co	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	H. A. Rogers & Sons Coal Co	75	1,421	.....	.....	1,421	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	300	.....	.....	.....
4	Superior Coal Co	42	1,585	.....	.....	1,585	.....	.....	.....	7	7	.....	300	.....	.....	.....
	Totals	153	3,006	.....	705	3,711	.....	.....	.....	13	13	.....	600	.....	.....	.....

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COAL PRODUCTION, DAYS WORKED, EMPLOYEES, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES, FIRST HALF 1948

Office No.	County	Total number mines	Total days worked	Average days worked	Production			
					Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced
1	Bourbon (strip)	6	228	38	11,718	43,315	12,848	67,881
2	Cherokee (deep)	6	335	56	1,420	133	7,080	8,633
3	Cherokee (strip)	14	799	57	73,120	374,269	23,790	471,179
4	Crawford (deep)	14	906	65	9,071	16,853	26,800	52,724
5	Crawford (strip)	21	927	44	83,913	285,554	97,845	467,312
6	Franklin (deep)	2	125	62	.....	.....	403	403
7	Labette (strip)	2	103	51	490	.....	726	1,216
8	Linn (deep)	3	141	47	1,605	310	.....	1,915
9	Linn (strip)	3	238	79	1,209	1,267	137,121	139,597
10	Osage (deep)	6	452	75	7,136	.....	6,437	13,573
11	Osage (strip)	4	153	38	3,006	.....	705	3,711
	Totals	81	4,407	54	192,688	721,701	313,755	1,228,144

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Office No.	County	Employees					Explosives			Accidents	
		Total number miners	Underground daymen	Total underground	Topmen	Total men employed	25-pound kegs powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal
1	Bourbon (strip)	.....	.....	.....	52	52	.....	60,000	1,600	.....	5
2	Cherokee (deep)	38	8	46	8	54	87	1,550	6,950	.....	.....
3	Cherokee (strip)	.....	.....	.....	264	264	.....	271,825	14,737	.....	25
4	Crawford (deep)	181	78	259	33	292	178	8,510	27,230	1	11
5	Crawford (strip)	.....	.....	.....	405	405	.....	298,390	3,250	.....	37
6	Franklin (deep)	6	.....	6	2	8	.....	110	.....	.....	.....
7	Labette (strip)	.....	.....	.....	55	55	.....	.....	1,400	.....	.....
8	Linn (deep)	8	6	14	2	16	.....	160	5,600	.....	.....
9	Linn (strip)	.....	.....	.....	38	38	.....	150	4,100	.....	1
10	Osage (deep)	67	22	89	7	96	.....	1,675	.....	.....	.....
11	Osage (strip)	.....	.....	.....	13	13	.....	600	.....	.....	.....
	Totals	300	114	414	829	1,243	265	642,970	64,867	1	79

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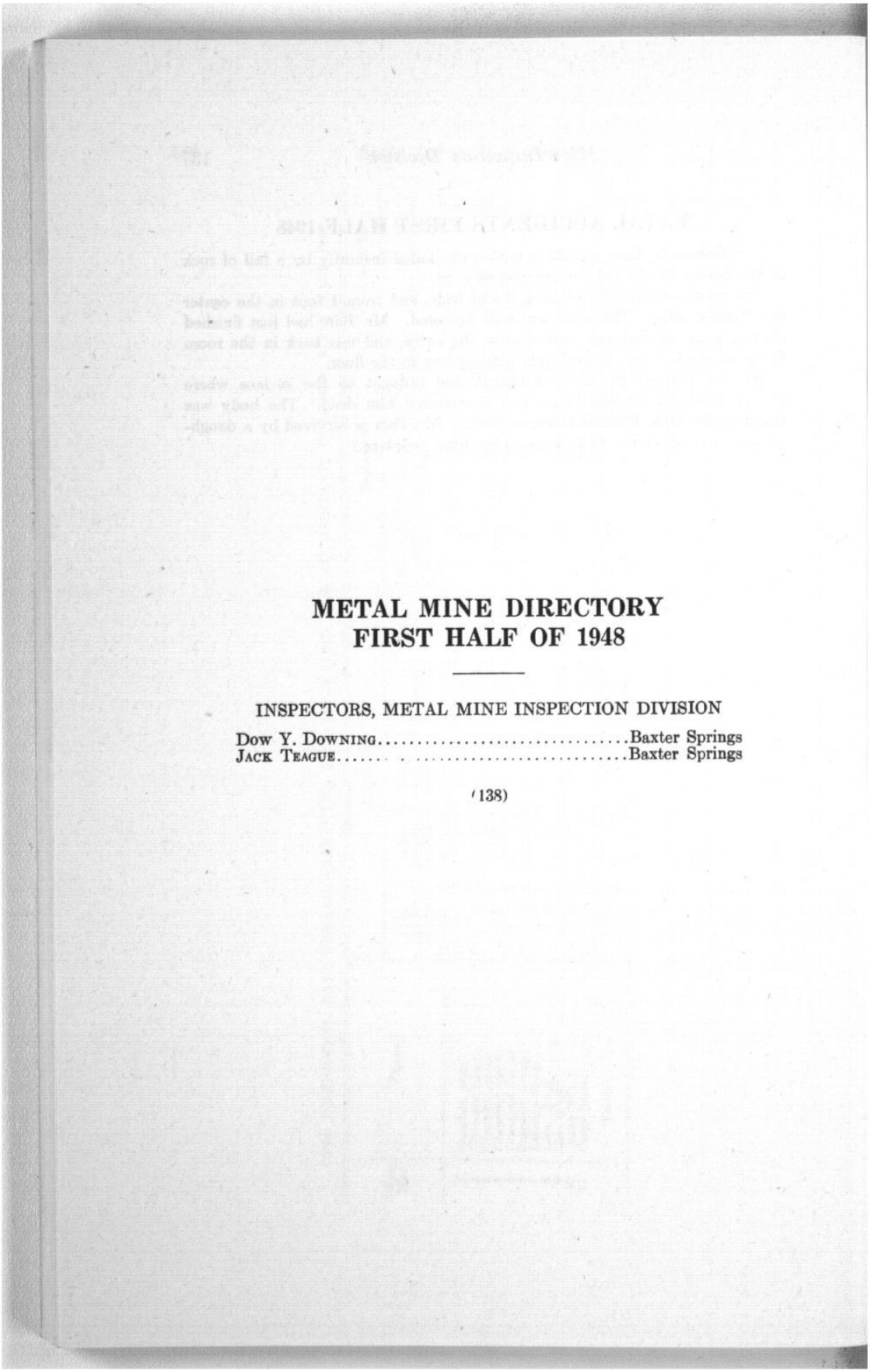
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FATAL ACCIDENTS FIRST HALF 1948

1. Clarence G. Barr, age 59, a miner, was killed instantly by a fall of rock at the Square Deal Coal Co. about 8:00 a. m.

The rock measured 8 feet long, 3 feet wide, and from 1 foot in the center to a feather edge. The room was well timbered. Mr. Barr had just finished loading a car of coal and pushed it to the entry, and was back in the room fixing his track when the rock fell, pinning him to the floor.

He was rescued by fellow workmen and brought to the surface where Doctor Rinehart examined him and pronounced him dead. The body was taken to the Siple Funeral Home at Arma. Mr. Barr is survived by a daughter and four brothers. (Investigated by John Delplace.)



METAL MINE DIRECTORY
FIRST HALF OF 1948

INSPECTORS, METAL MINE INSPECTION DIVISION

Dow Y. Downing.....Baxter Springs
Jack Teague.....Baxter Springs

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SUMMARY OF METAL MINE REPORT

FIRST HALF OF 1948

The total production of lead and zinc from the metal mines and tailing mills in the state of Kansas for the first half of the year ending June 30, 1948, was 39,043 tons.

There were 41 metal mines in operation during the first half of the year, in which 700 men worked an average of 106 days, and used 703,570 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, 43 lost-time accidents, and 256 no-lost-time accidents, making a total of 299 nonfatal accidents.

The two tailing mills in operation during the first half of the year produced 305 tons of zinc and no lead, a total of 305 tons. There were 54 men employed who worked an average of 13 days. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

TOTAL LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION IN BOTH METAL MINES AND TAILING MILLS, FIRST HALF OF YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1948

	Zinc	*Lead*	*Total*
1. Metal mines	33,343	5,395	38,738
2. Tailing mills	305	....	305
Totals	33,648	5,395	39,043

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METAL MINE AND TAILING MILL DIRECTORY AND PRODUCTION, FIRST HALF OF 1948

METAL MINE DIRECTORY OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, 1948

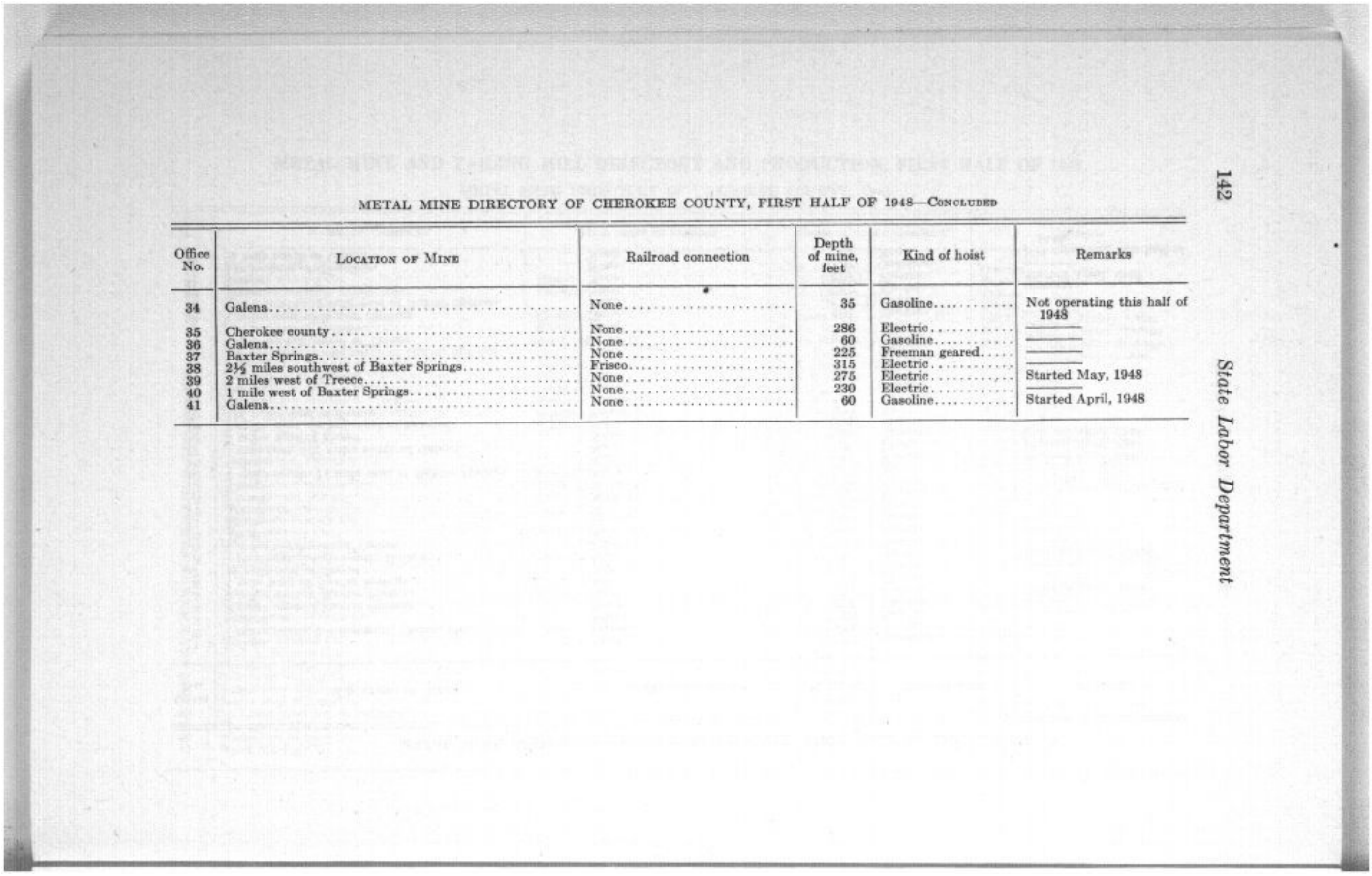
Office No.	Name of Company	Mine name or number	Name of superintendent	Address
1	Alexander Mining Co.		Carl Alexander	Galena
2	Bilhartz Mining Co.	Muncie	O. W. Bilhartz	Baxter Springs
3	Childress-Murphy Mines, Inc.	Murphy	W. L. Childress	Treece
4	C. K. & E. Mining Co.		W. L. Childress	Treece
5	Contact Mining Co.	English O	William Hale	320 S. Connell, Picher, Okla.
6	Dines Mining Co.	Hartley No. 1	H. G. Weidman	216 E. Ninth, Baxter Springs
7	Dines Mining Co.	Stoskoph	H. G. Weidman	216 E. Ninth, Baxter Springs
8	Dry Gulch Mining Co.	No. 1	Gale Fletcher	R. R. 1, Carl Junction, Mo.
9	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Big John	F. J. Cuddeback	Cardin, Okla.
10	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Foley No. 3	Carl Williams	Cardin, Okla.
11	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Leopard	Bert Paul	Cardin, Okla.
12	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Webber	Carl Williams	Cardin, Okla.
13	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Westside No. 2	Carl Williams	Cardin, Okla.
14	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Wilbur	Carl Williams	Cardin, Okla.
15	F. & G. Mining Co.		W. T. Graham	Box 478, Baxter Springs
16	Fry Mining Co.		Melvin Fry	Galena
17	Galena Lime Products Co.		Murrial Gandy	Box 20A, R. R. 2, Galena
18	G. & H. Mining Co.	Bendelari	O. B. Gregory	Box 123, Cardin, Okla.
19	Glen Richey Mining Co.	Grasselli No. 4	Glen Richey	1327 W. Austin, Webb City, Mo.
20	Grace-Jarrett Mining Co.	Tulsa-Quapaw-DeArman	Allison Childress	Picher, Okla.
21	Hard Head Mining Co.	No. 1	G. Workman	Galena
22	Hard Way Mining Co.		Charles Shead	Galena
23	Harris Mining Co.	Golden Rod	Loren Keenan	Baxter Springs
24	Iron Clad Mining Co.		Louis Edmond	Baxter Springs
25	Laviron Mining Co.	Garrett	Jack Gilbert	517–19 Joplin St., Joplin, Mo.
26	Little Ben Mining Co.		Earl Childress	1101½ Military, Baxter Springs
27	L. & S. Mining Co.	Cooper Hollow	C. E. Lucas	Box 222, Galena
28	MacArthur Mining Co.	MacArthur	A. E. Campbell	Baxter Springs
29	Martin Mining Co.		W. H. Martin	2323 Bird Ave., Joplin, Mo.
30	Mark Twain Mining Co.	Blue Mound	W. J. Childress	Treece
31	Mark Twain Mining Co.	Naylor	H. L. Childress	Treece
32	Mescave Mining Co.		C. H. Murray	Galena
33	O. & A. Mining Co.		E. O. Gaede	Galena
34	Old Shoe Mining Co.		Everitt James	Treece
35	Robinson Mining Co.	Douthitt	O. K. Tucker	Picher, Okla.
36	Rosenberry Mining Co.		C. Rosenberry	Galena
37	Sonny Boy Mining Co.		J. R. Masson	Baxter Springs
38	St. Louis Smelting & Refining Co.	Ballard No. 8	S. C. Sandusky	Baxter Springs
39	Thompson Mining Co.	Jarrett	T. M. Thompson	Galena
40	Wade-Rea Mining Co.	Hunter	Otis Wade	Baxter Springs
41	Ward Mining Co.		Buford Ward	Baxter Springs

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METAL MINE DIRECTORY OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, FIRST HALF OF 1948

Office No.	Location of Mine	Railroad connection	Depth of mine, feet	Kind of hoist	Remarks
1	Galena	None	60	Gasoline	———
2	7 miles north, 3 miles west, Picher, Okla.	Frisco	238	Electric	———
3	Galena	Frisco	80	Electric	———
4	8 miles west of Baxter Springs	None	377	Electric	———
5	2 miles west of Baxter Springs	None	350	Electric	Started April, 1948
6	1 mile west of Baxter Springs	None	265	Electric	———
7	⅕ mile east of Treece	None		Electric	———
8	1 mile east, 1 mile south, Galena	None	72	Gasoline	Started March, 1948
9	2 miles northwest of Treece	Frisco	296	Electric	———
10	Treece	N. E. O.	455	Electric	———
11	Treece	Frisco	304	Electric	———
12	Treece	N. E. O.	330	Electric	———
13	Treece	N. E. O.	387	Electric	———
14	Treece	N. E. O.	298	Electric	———
15	2 miles south, ⅕ mile west of Baxter Springs	None	225	Air	———
16	Galena	None	74	Windlass	Started April, 1948
17	1 mile east, 1¾ miles south of Galena	None	28	Diesel	Started April, 1948
18	2 miles west of Treece	None	350	Gasoline	Started April, 1948
19	2 miles west, ½ mile east of Lawton	None	184	Electric	———
20	1½ miles west of Treece	Frisco	300	Air	———
21	Galena	None	50	Gasoline	———
22	Galena	None	30	Gasoline	———
23	1 mile west of Treece	None	250	Electric	———
24	Galena	None	60	Gasoline	———
25	6 miles west, 1 mile north of Baxter Springs	None	440	Electric	———
26	1½ miles northwest of Treece	N. E. O.	280	Electric	———
27	½ mile east of Galena	None	45	None	———
28	4 miles west of Baxter Springs	None	400	Electric-Air	———
29	1 mile north, ¼ mile west of Baxter Springs	None	160	Electric	———
30	Treece	None	293	Electric	———
31	Treece	None	320	Electric	Started April, 1948
32	4 miles east of Crestline	None	90	Gasoline	———
33	½ mile north of Galena	None	60	None	Not operating this half of 1948

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METAL MINE DIRECTORY OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, FIRST HALF OF 1948—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Location of Mine	Railroad connection	Depth of mine, feet	Kind of hoist	Remarks
34	Galena	None	35	Gasoline	Not operating this half of 1948
35	Cherokee county	None	286	Electric	———
36	Galena	None	60	Gasoline	———
37	Baxter Springs	None	225	Freeman geared	———
38	2½ miles southwest of Baxter Springs	Frisco	315	Electric	———
39	2 miles west of Treece	None	275	Electric	Started May, 1948
40	1 mile west of Baxter Springs	None	230	Electric	———
41	Galena	None	60	Gasoline	Started April, 1948

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PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR METAL MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, FIRST HALF 1948

Office No.	Name of Company	Mine name or number	Number of days worked	Production		
				Tons of zinc	Tons of lead	Total tons of lead and zinc
1	Alexander Mining Co.					
2	Bilhartz Mining Co.	Muncie	152	1,881	403	2,284
3	Childress-Murphy Mines, Inc.	Murphy	150	2,393	230	2,623
4	C. K. & E. Mining Co.		107	810	75	885
5	Contact Mining Co.	English O	61	240	82	322
6	Dines Mining Co.	Hartley No. 1	28	1,116	33	1,149
7	Dines Mining Co.	Stoskoph	145	1,577	105	1,682
8	Dry Gulch Mining Co.	No. 1	120	9	11	20
9	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Big John	151	1,129	301	1,430
10	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Foley No. 3	156	2,187	237	2,424
11	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Leopard	34	197	35	232
12	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Webber	156	2,243	563	2,806
13	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Westside No. 2	158	4,145	742	4,887
14	Eagle-Picher Mining & Smelting Co.	Wilbur	152	641	211	852
15	F. & G. Mining Co.		128	313	104	417
16	Fry Mining Co.					
17	Galena Line Products Co.		97			
18	G. & H. Mining Co.	Bendelari	63	404		404
19	Glen Richey Mining Co.	Grasselli No. 4	150	423		423
20	Grace-Jarrett Mining Co.	Tulsa-Quapaw-DeArman	144	222	447	669
21	Hard Head Mining Co.	No. 1	100		10	10
22	Hard Way Mining Co.		160		4	4
23	Harris Mining Co.	Golden Rod	120	750	150	900
24	Iron Clad Mining Co.	No. 1	180		9	9
25	Laviron Mining Co.	Garrett				
26	Little Ben Mining Co.	Oscar Bennett	150	113		113
27	L. & S. Mining Co.	Cooper Hollow	120	35	281	316
28	MacArthur Mining Co.	MacArthur	107	577	142	719
29	Martin Mining Co.		100		4	4
30	Mark Twain Mining Co.	Blue Mound	94	1,149	303	1,452
31	Mark Twain Mining Co.	Naylor	140	1,128	134	1,262
32	Mescave Mining Co.		138	5	3	8

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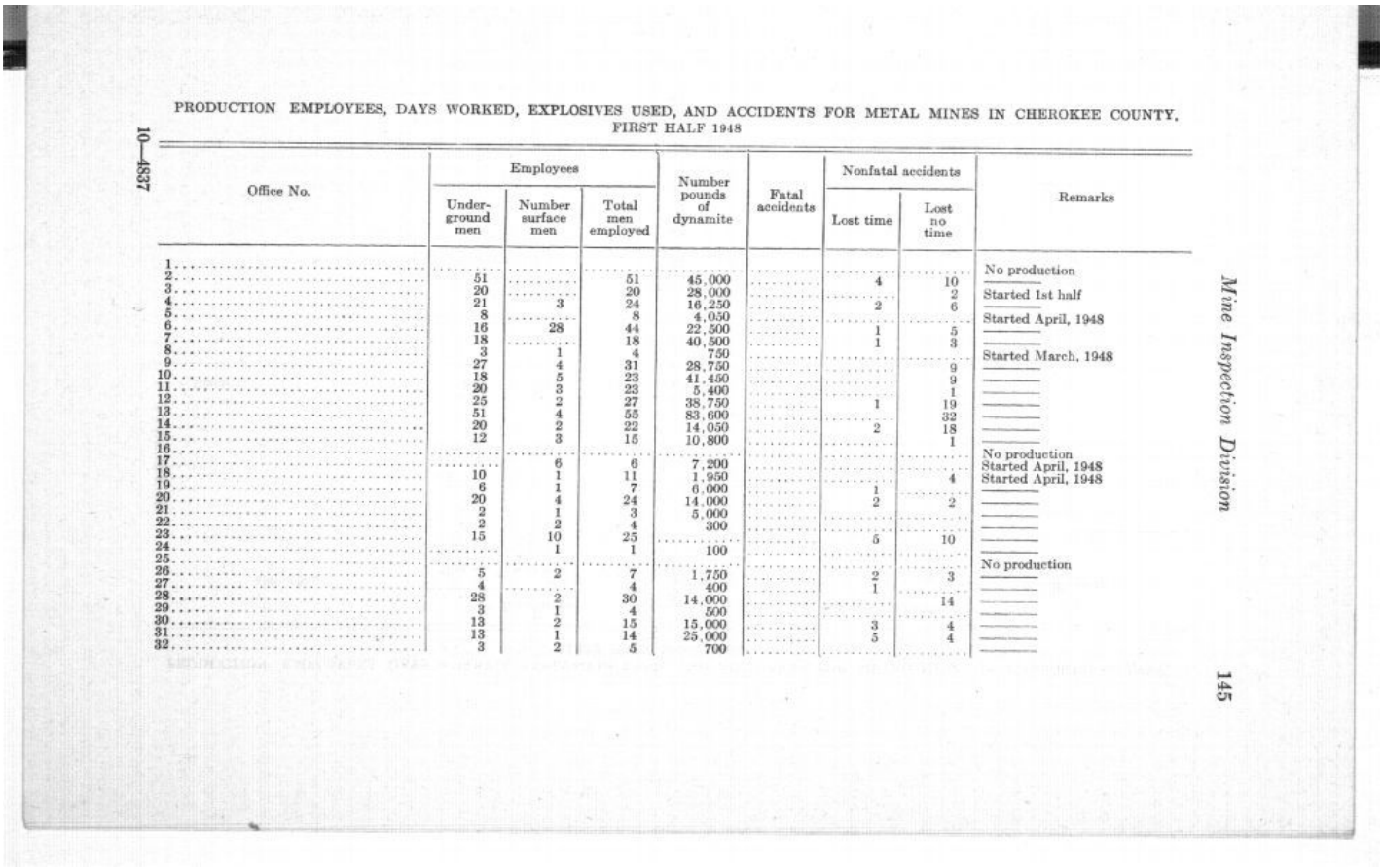
PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR METAL MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, FIRST HALF 1948—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Name of Company	Mine name or number	Number of days worked	Production		
				Tons of zinc	Tons of lead	Total tons of lead and zinc
33	O. & A. Mining Co.					
34	Old Shoe Mining Co.					
35	Robinson Mining Co.	Douthitt	156	208	7	215
36	Rosenberry Mining Co.		20		2	2
37	Sonny Boy Mining Co.		130	32	18	50
38	St. Louis Smelting & Refining Co.	Ballard No. 8	153	9,280	714	9,994
39	Thompson Mining Co.	Jarrett	156	64	24	88
40	Wade-Rea Mining Co.	Hunter	120	64	10	74
41	Ward Mining Co.		30	8	1	9
	Totals		4,336	33,343	5,395	38,738

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PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR METAL MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, FIRST HALF 1948

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Office No.	Employees			Number pounds of dynamite	Fatal accidents	Nonfatal accidents		Remarks
	Underground men	Number surface men	Total men employed			Lost time	Lost no time	
1								No production
2	51		51	45,000		4	10	
3	20		20	28,000			2	Started 1st half
4	21	3	24	16,250		2	6	
5	8		8	4,050				Started April, 1948
6	16	28	44	22,500		1	5	
7	18		18	40,500		1	3	
8	3	1	4	750				Started March, 1948
9	27	4	31	28,750			9	
10	18	5	23	41,450			9	
11	20	3	23	5,400			1	
12	25	2	27	38,750		1	19	
13	51	4	55	83,600			32	
14	20	2	22	14,050		2	18	
15	12	3	15	10,800			1	
16								No production
17		6	6	7,200				Started April, 1948
18	10	1	11	1,950			4	Started April, 1948
19	6	1	7	6,000		1		
20	20	4	24	14,000		2	2	
21	2	1	3	5,000				
22	2	2	4	300				
23	15	10	25			5	10	
24		1	1	100				
25								No production
26	5	2	7	1,750		2	3	
27	4		4	400		1		
28	28	2	30	14,000			14	
29	3	1	4	500				
30	13	2	15	15,000		3	4	
31	13	1	14	25,000		5	4	
32	3	2	5	700				

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PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR METAL MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, FIRST HALF 1948—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Employees			Number pounds of dynamite	Fatal accidents	Nonfatal accidents		Remarks
	Underground men	Number surface men	Total men employed			Lost time	Lost no time	
33								No production
34								No production
35	3	1	4	1,800				———
36	1		1	20				———
37	3	1	4	400				———
38	78	76	154	233,450		13	100	———
39	4	1	5	600				———
40	4	1	5					———
41		2	2	50				———
Totals	527	173	700	703,570		43	256	———

FATAL ACCIDENTS

No fatal accidents occurred during the first half of 1948.

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TAILING MILL DIRECTORY, FIRST HALF OF 1948

Office No.	Name of Company	Mill name or number	Name of superintendent and address	Location of mill, miles from—
1	Cardin Mining & Milling Corp.	Captain	H. H. Hartzell, Box 35, Picher, Okla.	¼ mile west of Treece
2	Lucky Seven Milling Co.		Ervin Thompson, Box 565, Picher, Okla.	½ mile north of Picher

PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR TAILING MILLS, FIRST HALF 1948

Office No.	Name of Company	Mine name or number	Number of days worked	Production		
				Tons of zinc	Tons of lead	Total tons of lead and zinc
1	Cardin Mining & Milling Corp.	Captain	26	305		305
2	Lucky Seven Milling Co.					
	Totals		26	305		305

PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR TAILING MILLS, FIRST HALF 1948—Concluded

Office No.	Employees			Number pounds of dynamite	Fatal accidents	Nonfatal accidents		Remarks
	Underground men	Number surface men	Total men employed			Lost time	Lost no time	
1		54	54	200				Not operating
2								
Totals		54	54	200				

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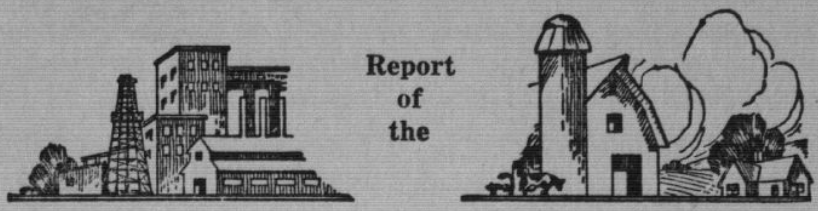
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E. A. Scammon	July, 1883
E. A. Scammon	1884
E. A. Scammon	1885
John R. Braidwood	July, 1885
John R. Braidwood	1886
G. W. Findlay	1887
G. W. Findlay	1888
G. W. Findlay	1889
John T. Stewart	August, 1889
John T. Stewart	1890
John T. Stewart	1891
John T. Stewart	1892
John T. Stewart	1893
A. C. Gallagher	April, 1893
A. C. Gallagher	1894
A. C. Gallagher	1895
Bennett Brown	July, 1895
Bennett Brown	1896
George T. McGrath	1897
George T. McGrath	1898
Edward Keegan	1899
Edward Keegan	1900
D. R. Casselman	1901
D. R. Casselman	1902
James A. Orr	January, 1903
James A. Orr	1904
Frank Gilday	July, 1904
Frank Gilday	1905
Frank Gilday	1906
Frank Gilday	1907
Frank Gilday	1908
Frank Gilday	1909
Frank Gilday	1910
Leon Besson	1911
Leon Besson	1912
Francis Keegan	1912
Francis Keegan	1913
Francis Keegan	1914
Francis Keegan	1915
John Pellegrino	May, 1915
John Pellegrino	1916
John Pellegrino	1917
Fred Green	May, 1917
Fred Green	1918
Fred Green	1919
James Sherwood	1920
James Sherwood	1921
James Sherwood	1922
James Sherwood	1923
Leon Besson	1924
James Sherwood	1925
James Sherwood	1926
James Sherwood	1927

James Sherwood	1928
James Sherwood	1929
James Sherwood	1930
James Sherwood	1931
William P. Keegan	November, 1931
William P. Keegan	1932
William P. Keegan	1933
William Glennon	September, 1933
William Glennon	1934
William Glennon	1935
William Glennon	1936
William Glennon	1937
Dan J. O'Donnell	May, 1937
Dan J. O'Donnell	1938
Dan J. O'Donnell	1939
John Delplace	July, 1939
John Delplace	1940
John Delplace	1941
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John Delplace	1946
John Delplace	1947
John Delplace	1948

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MINE INSPECTION SECTION

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of the

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STATE OF KANSAS

HONORABLE FRANK CARLSON
Governor

JOHN DELPLACE
Chief Mine Inspector

P. G. BAIRD
Labor Commissioner

January 1, 1948, to June 30, 1950

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STATE OF KANSAS

FROM JANUARY 1, 1948, TO
JUNE 30, 1950

P. G. BAIRD
State Labor Commissioner

JOHN DELPLACE
Chief Mine Inspector

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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—Ernest Shaw, Robert Archibald, Dow Y. Downing (deceased October, 1948), Jack Teague, 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.*

TRANSMITTAL

PITTSBURG, KAN., July 1, 1950.

Mr. P. G. Baird, State Labor Commissioner, Topeka, Kan.:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to submit to you the report of the Mine Inspection Section and the Superintendent of the Mine Rescue Station of the State Labor Department for the state of Kansas for the period January 1, 1948, to June 30, 1950.

Respectfully,
JOHN DELPLACE, *Chief Mine Inspector.*

TOPEKA, KAN., August 10, 1950.

Hon. Frank Carlson, Governor, State of Kansas:

YOUR EXCELLENCY—I have the honor and pleasure to transmit to you the report of the Mine Inspection Section and Mine Rescue Station of the State Labor Department for the state of Kansas as submitted by Chief Mine Inspector John Delplace.

This report is for a period of thirty months beginning with January 1, 1948, and ending June 30, 1950.

Cordially yours,

P. G. Baird

Commissioner of Labor.

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PERSONNEL OF COAL MINE INSPECTION SECTION STATE OF KANSAS

Chief Mine Inspector

John Delplace ..... Arma

Deputy Inspectors

Robert Archibald ..... Burlingame
Dow Y. Downing ..... Baxter Springs
Ernest Shaw ..... Weir
Jack Teague ..... Baxter Springs

Superintendent, Mine Rescue Station

John Cartwright ..... Roseland

Stenographer-Clerk

Elizabeth Foster ..... Pittsburg

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

Dow Y. Downing deceased October, 1948.
Jack Teague employed to serve full time in June, 1948.

EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR 1948

Salary of chief mine inspector	$3,178.00
Salary of stenographer-clerk	1,477.16
Salary of rescue station superintendent	2,750.00
Salary of four deputy inspectors	7,518.00
Traveling expense	3,009.26
Telephone	101.35
Postage	45.00
Water and lights	104.02
Supplies, repairs, equipment	246.85
Total	$18,429.64

EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR 1949

Salary of chief mine inspector	$3,402.00
Salary of stenographer-clerk	1,723.00
Salary of rescue station superintendent	2,904.00
Salary of three deputy inspectors	8,368.00
Traveling expense	3,576.37
Telephone	116.10
Postage	75.00
Water and lights	97.91
Supplies, repairs, equipment	296.50
Total	$20,558.88

EXPENDITURES DURING FIRST HALF OF 1950

Salary of chief mine inspector	$1,764.00
Salary of stenographer-clerk	900.00
Salary of rescue station superintendent	1,452.00
Salary of three deputy inspectors	4,164.00
Traveling expense	1,800.25
Telephone	62.26
Postage	20.00
Water and lights	48.38
Supplies, repairs, equipment	49.09
Total	$10,259.98

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MINE INSPECTION SECTION
RECORD OF INSPECTIONS

MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

JOHN DELPLACE, Chief Mine Inspector

1948	Inspections and investigations					Miles traveled
	General	Special	Scale	Accident	Total	
January	4	10	3	2	19	1,308
February	1	11	4	1	17	805
March	2	19	3	0	24	1,173
April	6	11	3	0	20	1,377
May	4	12	3	0	19	1,091
June	2	10	2	1	15	1,368
July	6	11	2	1	20	1,115
August	9	10	3	0	22	1,095
September	5	11	4	0	20	1,071
October	3	13	3	0	19	1,056
November	3	9	5	1	18	1,250
December	5	10	4	0	19	1,357
Totals	50	137	39	6	232	14,066

1949	Inspections and investigations					Miles traveled
	General	Special	Scale	Accident	Total	
January	3	11	5	1	20	896
February	2	13	4	0	19	1,061
March	9	10	2	0	21	1,295
April	4	9	4	0	17	965
May	3	13	3	1	20	1,009
June	4	11	3	1	19	853
July	7	13	1	0	21	1,172
August	8	12	3	0	23	1,128
September	6	11	4	0	21	987
October	11	7	2	1	21	1,014
November	8	11	1	0	20	1,214
December	2	10	9	0	21	1,071
Totals	67	131	41	4	243	12,665

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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONCLUDED

JOHN DELPLACE, Chief Mine Inspector

1950	Inspections and investigations					Miles traveled
	General	Special	Scale	Accident	Total	
January	7	10	3	0	20	1,286
February	3	13	3	0	19	932
March	4	13	4	1	22	1,416
April	6	9	2	1	18	1,355
May	6	10	0	1	17	1,064
June	3	19	0	0	22	1,312
Totals	29	74	12	3	118	7,365

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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

ERNEST SHAW, Deputy Mine Inspector

1948	Inspections and investigations					Miles traveled
	General	Special	Scale	Accident	Total	
January	7	3	8	0	18	862
February	8	4	7	0	19	781
March	7	5	6	0	18	847
April	8	2	9	0	19	874
May	7	4	1	0	12	878
June	3	1	7	0	11	828
July	8	1	7	0	16	831
August	4	4	5	3	16	855
September	8	3	6	0	17	801
October	9	3	7	0	19	911
November	7	0	10	0	17	833
December	8	2	9	0	19	860
Totals	84	32	82	3	201	10,161

1949	Inspections and investigations					Miles traveled
	General	Special	Scale	Accident	Total	
January	9	1	7	0	17	854
February	8	1	7	0	16	802
March	4	5	7	0	16	929
April	4	8	3	1	16	873
May	3	4	9	0	16	800
June	4	3	4	0	11	597
July	5	4	7	0	16	829
August	5	6	8	0	19	875
September	4	2	8	0	14	667
October	5	5	5	1	16	843
November	4	3	7	0	14	784
December	7	2	4	1	14	852
Totals	62	44	76	3	185	9,705

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MINE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS—CONCLUDED

ERNEST SHAW, Deputy Mine Inspector

1950	Inspections and investigations					Miles traveled
	General	Special	Scale	Accident	Total	
January	4	3	8	0	15	762
February	3	7	6	0	16	757
March	6	7	3	1	17	850
April	5	3	7	0	15	864
May	8	4	5	0	17	817
June	6	8	1	0	15	798
Totals	32	32	30	1	95	4,848