

## NEW MINES.

The following are the new or reopened mines:

*Marshall County.*—George H. Chrisman & Sons, Lewis Nisonger, James Fogarty, Sparland; Harvey E. Neighsanger, Henry.

*Menard County.*—East View Coal Company, Greenview.

*Peoria County.*—Martin & Clark, Brimfield; Pautz & Spenny, Trivola; Charles E. Pratt, Enoch Snider, jr., Edwards; Fred Appleby, Peoria; Abe Lonsdale, Harding & Doubit, Hanna City; R. J. Scott, Oak Hill.

## ABANDONED MINES.

The following mines were not in operation this year and are temporarily closed or permanently abandoned:

*Marshall County.*—Fulton Coal Mining Co., No. 1, and Illinois Valley Coal Co., No. 3, Sparland.

*Menard County.*—Menard County Coal & Mining Co., Tallula; Wabash Coal Co., No. 2, Athens; Greenview Mining Co., Greenview.

*Peoria County.*—Newsam Brothers, No. 3, Kingston; Frank Richiger, Mapleton; Wyman & Culberson, Brimfield.

*Tazewell County.*—Eastern Coal Co., East Peoria; J. J. Schmidt Coal Co., Peoria.

## CHANGE OF NAME.

Green & Boeker to Golladay Brothers; John P. Grosboll to Ewing & Calvert; Peter Mutchler to E. Potter & Son; George White to McKinley & Wiley; LaMarsh Coal Co. to Harry Bramer; Baker Bros. to Umholtz & Johnson; W. Martness to Manhattan Coal Co., and William Grant & Sons to David Grant.

## IMPROVEMENTS.

The Collier Cooperative Coal Company, Bartonville, Peoria County, has sunk a new air shaft near the face of the working which greatly improves the ventilation at this mine.

South Mountain Coal Company, Petersburg, Menard County, has installed a new shaker screen.

Pautz & Elliot, Trivoli, Peoria County, have put in a new set of stairs in the escape shaft.

Johnson Valley Coal Company, Fancy Prairie, Menard County, has built a new tippie, retimbered the main shaft about 30 feet, installed new set of Fairbanks scales, and put in two new cages and sheave wheels.

Brewster & Evans Coal Company, Peoria, Peoria County, has installed a new 100 K. W. generator set, one 8-ton haulage locomotive and 50 roller-bearing mine cars.

Wenona Coal Company, Wenona, Marshall County, has completed the installation of an entire new boiler system, which includes stokers and water purifiers, and four new lines of steel rail guides in the hoisting shaft.

## MINE FIRES.

June 29, 1914, the entire top plant of the Wohlschlag Cooperative Coal Company's mine, located at Straesser Station, was destroyed by fire. The origin is unknown. The company has since rebuilt the plant of concrete and steel, and has installed an automatic crossover dump, 12-foot diameter steel fan, new electric pump, 42-foot railroad track scale, hopper tippie scale, new shaker screen and 100 new mine cars. The plant is now being operated by electricity.

## FATAL ACCIDENTS.

August 17, 1914, John Madalazo, miner, age 36 years, married, was killed by a fall of slate in the Tazewell Coal Company's mine, Pekin, Tazewell County. Deceased was cleaning up his working place when he was caught by a fall of slate. He leaves a widow and two children.