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J. D., 1956

Citizens C.C.

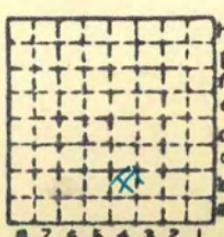
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mi. # 617

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A+B

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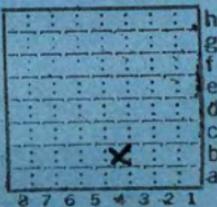


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T.	16
R.	5
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Citizens Mng. + Sales Co.
Mine "B"

M.i. #617

S - 2



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Sec. 31
16 N.
T. S.
R. W.
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Mine originally operated by: (1)

Date Citizens Coal Co.

1897

Original name or number: B.

Illinois Coal Report 1897 p.

LATER OPERATORS

Date	Operator	Name or No.
2 1925	Buckley Coal Co.	#B
3 1928	Mine B Coal Co.	#B
4 1939	Reopened 1304311, spfed	
5 1945	Citizens Mining & Sales Co. (Local Mine)	
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
11		
12		
13		
14		(Local 1946)

Also owners

#See ownership sheet

Railroad, Wagon, Idle, Abandoned Shaft 210'

C.S.&St. L., C.&A., Wabash

IDENTIFICATION

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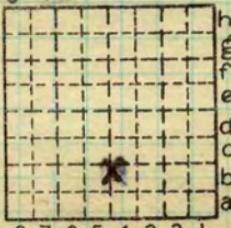
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COAL MINE OPERATOR

(Sheets)

COAL PRODUCTION

(Sheet)

No.	Period						Tons
	Mo.	Day	Year	Mo.	Day	Year	
2	1	1	1936	12	31	1936	1935
2	1	1	1937	12	31	1937	429160 161744
							22 395
							1940 302 979
S-2	1	1	1941	12	31	1941	97 476
S-2	1	1	1942				376 384
							1943 259 615
							1944 21 340
							1945 (local) 2943
							1946 19 767
							1947 48 794
							1948

SUMMARIES

No.	to	No.	
1897		1935	7 400470

Railroad, Wagon, Idle, Abandoned

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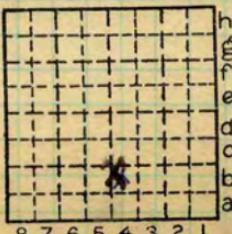
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COAL MINE—PRODUCTION

LOCATION AND ELEVATION

Location :

side

R. R.

side

R. R.

side Highway No.

on top. map

Location sheet Map Files #12-83-13D

Elevation: Method, 1. Est. () ft.

2. Inst. (kind) Plane Table () 611.1 ft.

By W.B.Roe NB 602 p.3-19 Data sheet

DEPTH

Authority

To coal

206 ft.

Authority

Rail to rail

ft.

Top of coal above rail. (Est. Rule)

To coal

ft.

ft.

ALTITUDE OF TOP OF COAL

By estimated data

ft.

By instrumental data

Thickness

Max.

in. Min.

in. Aver.

in.

66

GEOLOGICAL DATA

Mine notes, date

1934

ft.

Coop No.

Pyr. inv.

Coal Ash inv.

CHEMICAL DATA

Analyses Face

U. I.

B. M.

Others 6

Car

U. I.

B. M.

Others

Org. Sulf

U. I.

B. M.

Others

Ash fusion

U. I.

B. M.

Others

Ash anal.

U. I.

B. M.

Others

U. I.

B. M.

Others

#617

Classification

R. I. 120

UC. I. 145

Misc. tests: Coking.

Cleaning

Boiler

Published descriptions:—

Railroad, Wagon, Idle, Abandoned

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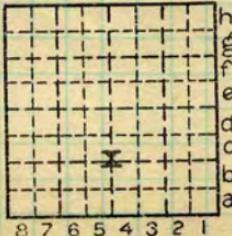
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T. 16 N.

S. ~~E~~

R. 5 W.

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COAL MINE LOCATION AND DATA

(34215-1M-3-30) 

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Location and Elevation Data

Location:

Exact

Approximate

(Approximate only if no trace or record of original exists)

Location by

W. B. Roe

Date

4-22-31

Notebook No. 602

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Map files No. 12-83-13d

Description of location

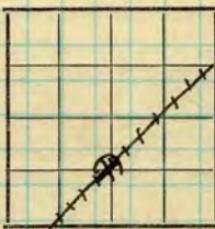
Position in sec., $\frac{1}{4}$ sec., 40 acres

feet from North line

feet from East line

1250 feet from South line

feet from West line



Sec. 31

T. 16

N.

S.

E.

R. 5

W.

Farm

No.

Company

Mine "B" Coal Co.

No.

County No. ~~31~~

Other description:

Formerly Citizens
"B" Mine

Working

Elevation 611.1 ft.

By W. B. Roe.

Method: Level, transit, alidade, hand level

Alidade

Rail at shaft.

Elevation of

Height of point above ground

Date 4-22-31

Notebook 602

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Map files No. 12-83-13d

Description of item: (drill hole, mine, etc.)

Mine shaft.

203'- R. to Rail

Folio - gives 210

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Springfield

Quadrangle

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Town, Springfield

Local Authority,

Level: Auth., Bull 20

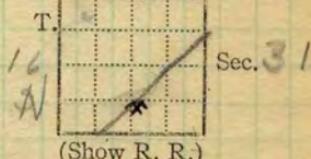
Method,

R. R., C.P. & St. L.

Location: authority, See folio

Surface alt., ft.
 Depth to coal, ft.
 Alt. top coal, ft.
 Thickness: Av. 69 in.
 Max. in., Min. in.

R. 5 N.



Sec. 31

Operator

Mine Name or No.

1926

Citizens Coal Mining Co. B

Successor to

Date

✓ Succeeded by Buckley Coal Co. Springfield. "B"

Date

Succeeded by

1929 Date

Mine B. Co PRODUCTION, Springfield. Q-0

U. S. No.

1926	235	947
1927	304	808

1930 #3

Geol. Notes? *yes*

Coop. No.

Coal secs.? +

Analyses No.

~~X513~~

Ref.

Examined by

Coal bed name: Local

County Sangamon

Survey No.

Index No.

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K.—ACTIVE SHIPPING OR LOCAL COAL MINE.

Operator, Central Illinois Coal Mining Co. Date February 21, 1934
 Mine, Mine B Sec. 31 T. 16 N R. 5 W
 Location in mine, Face of Main 2nd off Main North
 400' from W line, 675' from N line, sec 36, T 16 N, R 6 W

GRAPHIC SECTION		DESCRIPTION OF SECTION (AT POINT SAMPLED)	
In.	No.	No.	(Note character and thickness of roof)
			Roof: Black shale, non-fissile, firm 30"
	1.		Coal $\frac{3}{8}$
	2.		Fusain $\frac{5}{3}$
	3.		Coal 1 $\frac{1}{4}$
	4.		Vitrain $\frac{1}{4}$
	5.		Coal 3 $\frac{3}{8}$
	6.		Fusain $\frac{1}{4}$
	7.		Coal 4 $\frac{3}{8}$
	8.		Vitrain $\frac{5}{32}$
	9.		Coal $\frac{3}{32}$
	10.		Vitrain $\frac{1}{32}$
	11.		Fusain $\frac{1}{32}$
	12.		Coal 5 $\frac{1}{16}$
	13.		Fusain $\frac{7}{32}$
	14.		Coal 4 $\frac{7}{32}$
	15.		Fusain $\frac{1}{8}$
	16.		Coal $\frac{1}{32}$
	17.		Vitrain $\frac{3}{16}$
	18.		Coal 3 $\frac{5}{32}$
	19.		Vitrain 1 $\frac{5}{32}$
			Over
			(Note character and thickness of floor)
			Total thickness of coal. 62 $\frac{3}{8}$

Condition, Dry Time, ~~5~~ hr. 50 min.

Wt. Gross, lbs. Net, lbs.

What Nos. shipped by Co? 1-22, 24-30, 32-38, 40

Excluded from sample: No. 23, 31, 39

Sample represents $6\frac{1}{32}$ in. tons.

Impurities? How do they occur? Pyrite mainly in fusain layers here, nodules in entry 6" x 18" Pyrite

(1 division=3 in.)

Sample No.	Can No. 39(1044)	Lab. No.
Collector, E.T. Benson & R.A. McClevey		Coal: Survey No. 5
Mine, Mine B	Co. Sangamon	Index No. D931.5a
R.—COAL SAMPLE SHEET.		(12759—1000—2-29) 7

21	Vitrain		$\frac{5}{16}$
22	Coal	2	$\frac{3}{32}$
23	Pyritic fusain		$\frac{7}{16}$
24	Coal	2	$\frac{1}{2}$
25	Vitrain		$\frac{3}{16}$
26	Coal	1	$\frac{7}{8}$
27	Vitrain		$\frac{3}{8}$
28	Coal	3	$\frac{3}{16}$
29	Vitrain		$\frac{1}{8}$
30	Coal	1	
31	Pyritic fusain		$\frac{1}{8}$
32	Coal	1	$\frac{23}{32}$
33	Fusain		$\frac{3}{32}$
34	Coal		$\frac{25}{32}$
35	Vitrain		$\frac{1}{8}$
36	Coal	4	$\frac{1}{4}$
37	Vitrain		$\frac{13}{32}$
38	Coal	5	$\frac{7}{32}$
39	Pyritic and boney coal		$\frac{1}{32}$
40	Coal	1	$\frac{1}{8}$
Total		62	$\frac{3}{8}$

Floor: Fireclay, gray - quite thick apparently

Operator, Central Illinois Coal Mining Co. Date February 21, 1934
 Mine, B Sec. 31 T. 16 N R. 5 W
 Location in mine, Face of Main West entry
 1200' from S line, 340' from E line, sec 35, T16N, R6W

GRAPHIC SECTION		DESCRIPTION OF SECTION (AT POINT SAMPLED)	
In.	No.	No. (Note character and thickness of roof)	Inches
		Roof: Shale, black, firm	24 - 30
1	Coal		1 $\frac{7}{16}$
2	Vitrain		$\frac{9}{32}$
3	Coal		$\frac{3}{16}$
4	Durain		$\frac{1}{2}$
5	Coal		1 $\frac{1}{16}$
6	Vitrain		$\frac{3}{16}$
7	Coal		$\frac{5}{32}$
8	Vitrain		$\frac{5}{32}$
9	Coal		2 $\frac{1}{4}$
10	Durain		$\frac{5}{16}$
11	Vitrain		$\frac{3}{16}$
12	Durain		$\frac{1}{4}$
13	Coal		2 $\frac{9}{32}$
14	Durain		$\frac{3}{8}$
15	Vitrain		$\frac{9}{32}$
16	Coal		3 $\frac{15}{32}$
17	Fusain		$\frac{1}{16}$
18	Coal		2 $\frac{1}{16}$
19	Pyrite		$\frac{1}{16}$
(Over)			
(Note character and thickness of floor)			
Total thickness of coal.			67 $\frac{1}{4}$

Condition, Dry Time, 1 hr. min.

Wt. Gross, 40 lbs. Net, lbs.

What Nos. shipped by Co.? 1-18, 20, 22-27, 29, 31-33,

35-41, 43, 45-55, 57, 59, 61-63

Excluded from sample: No. 19, 21, 28, 30, 34, 42, 44, 56, 58, 60

Sample represents 66 $\frac{1}{32}$ in. tons.

Impurities? How do they occur? Pyrite in thin bands and stringers, pyritic fusain; calcite facings

(1 division=3 in.)

Sample No. 2

Can No. 40(1045)

Lab. No.

Collector, E.T. Benson & R.A. McClevey

Mine, B Co. Sangamon

Coal: Survey No. 5

Index No. 0931.5c

R.—COAL SAMPLE SHEET.

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21	Boney fusain	$\frac{1}{32}$	43	Coal	1	$\frac{1}{32}$
22	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{32}$	44	Pyrite	1	$\frac{1}{16}$
23	Coal	$\frac{5}{16}$	45	Coal	1	$\frac{1}{32}$
24	Fusain	$\frac{1}{8}$	46	Vitrain	1	$\frac{3}{32}$
25	Coal	$\frac{31}{32}$	47	Coal	1	$\frac{5}{8}$
26	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{8}$	48	Vitrain	1	$\frac{7}{32}$
27	Coal	2	49	Coal	3	$\frac{1}{4}$
28	Pyrite	$\frac{1}{8}$	50	Vitrain	1	$\frac{5}{32}$
29	Coal	$\frac{9}{16}$	51	Coal	1	$\frac{1}{8}$
30	Pyrite	$\frac{1}{16}$	52	Vitrain	1	$\frac{3}{32}$
31	Coal	1	53	Coal	1	$\frac{3}{8}$
32	Vitrain	$\frac{5}{8}$	54	Vitrain	1	$\frac{1}{4}$
33	Coal	1	55	Coal	4	$\frac{3}{16}$
34	Pyrite	$\frac{1}{16}$	56	Pyrite	1	$\frac{1}{8}$
35	Coal	$\frac{5}{8}$	57	Coal	3	$\frac{5}{16}$
36	Fusain	$\frac{1}{16}$	58	Pyrite	1	$\frac{5}{8}$
37	Coal	1	59	Coal	4	$\frac{1}{16}$
38	Vitrain	$\frac{9}{32}$	60	Pyritic fusain	1	$\frac{1}{4}$
39	Clarin	$\frac{3}{8}$	61	Coal	4	$\frac{29}{32}$
40	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{16}$	62	Durain	1	$\frac{3}{16}$
41	Clarin	$\frac{1}{2}$	63	Coal	5	$\frac{15}{16}$
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Total						67 $\frac{1}{4}$

Floor: Fireclay, dark to light gray

Operator, Central Illinois Coal Mining Co. Date February 21, 1934
 Mine, B Sec. 31 T. 16 N R. 5 W
 Location in mine, Face of Main South of Mine B
 1800' from E line, 2900' from N line, sec 6, T 15 N, R 5 W

GRAPHIC SECTION		DESCRIPTION OF SECTION (AT POINT SAMPLED)	
In.	No.	No. (Note character and thickness of roof)	Inches
		Roof: Shale, black, hard, many concretions	30
1	Coal		$\frac{1}{16}$
2	Vitrain		$\frac{1}{4}$
3	Coal		$\frac{7}{8}$
4	Vitrain		$\frac{1}{32}$
5	Coal		$\frac{1}{32}$
6	Durain		$\frac{5}{16}$
7	Vitrain		$\frac{7}{16}$
8	Coal		$\frac{9}{32}$
9	Vitrain		$\frac{5}{16}$
10	Coal		$\frac{23}{32}$
11	Fusain		$\frac{7}{32}$
12	Coal		$\frac{1}{16}$
13	Vitrain		$\frac{3}{16}$
14	Coal		$\frac{3}{14}$
15	Fusain		$\frac{7}{8}$
16	Coal		$\frac{3}{4}$
17	Fusain		$\frac{1}{16}$
18	Coal		$\frac{5}{16}$
19	Vitrain		$\frac{5}{16}$
Over		(Note character and thickness of floor)	
Total thickness of coal.			67
$\frac{1}{2}$			

Condition, Moist Time, 1 hr. min.
 Wt. Gross, 40 lbs. Net, lbs.
 What Nos. shipped by Co.? 1-22, 24-30, 32-34, 36-38
 40-42, 44, 46-52, 54-62

Excluded from sample: No. 23, 31, 35, 39, 43, 45, 53
 Sample represents $66\frac{3}{16}$ in. tons.

Impurities? How do they occur? Pyrite in bands and
 stringers and mineralizing fusain; calcite facings

(1 division=3 in.)	Sample No. 3	Can No. 41 (1046)	Lab. No.
Collector, Mine, <u>B</u>	E.T. Benson and R.A. McClevey Co. Sangamon	Coal: Survey No. 5	Index No. 0931 Sc
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R.—COAL SAMPLE SHEET.			

21	Fusain	$\frac{1}{16}$	43	Pyritic fusain	5
22	Coal	1	44	Coal	$\frac{9}{16}$
23	Hard, pyritic fusain	$\frac{9}{32}$	45	Pyritic fusain	$\frac{3}{16}$
24	Coal	1	46	Coal	$\frac{5}{8}$
25	Vitrain	$\frac{3}{16}$	47	Vitrain	$\frac{5}{16}$
26	Coal	1	48	Coal	$\frac{5}{8}$
27	Fusain	$\frac{1}{16}$	49	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{16}$
28	Coal	1	50	Coal	3
29	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{16}$	51	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{16}$
30	Coal	1	52	Coal	2
31	Pyrite	$\frac{1}{8}$	53	Pyrite	$\frac{1}{8}$
32	Coal	1	54	Coal	$\frac{1}{16}$
33	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{8}$	55	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{16}$
34	Coal	3	56	Coal	3
35	Pyritic fusain	$\frac{3}{32}$	57	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{32}$
36	Coal	2	58	Coal	1
37	Vitrain	$\frac{5}{16}$	59	Soft and hard fusain	$\frac{1}{8}$
38	Coal	$\frac{7}{8}$	60	Coal	1
39	Pyrite	$\frac{1}{16}$	61	Vitrain	$\frac{1}{32}$
40	Coal	2	62	Coal	1
41	Vitrain	$\frac{7}{16}$			$\frac{1}{8}$
<hr/>					Total 67 $\frac{1}{16}$

Floor: gray, slightly rusty fireclay

Operator, Central Illinois Coal Mining Co. Date February 21, 1934
 Mine, B Sec. 31 T. 16 N R. 5 W

Location in mine, Face of 2nd S off 6th W off 8th S
 2640' from N line, 200' from E line, sec. I, T 15 N, R 6 W

GRAPHIC SECTION		DESCRIPTION OF SECTION (AT POINT SAMPLED)		
In.	No.	No.	(Note character and thickness of roof)	Inches
			Roof: Black shale, hard to keep up	30" +
	1	Coal		2 $\frac{7}{8}$
	2	Fusain		3 $\frac{3}{32}$
	3	Coal		1 $\frac{1}{32}$
	4	Fusain		1 $\frac{1}{32}$
	5	Coal		2 $\frac{3}{16}$
	6	Vitrain		3 $\frac{1}{16}$
	7	Coal		5 $\frac{2}{32}$
	8	Vitrain		7 $\frac{1}{16}$
	9	Coal		1 $\frac{1}{16}$
	10	Fusain		5 $\frac{1}{32}$
	11	Coal		2 $\frac{1}{32}$
	12	Fusain		1 $\frac{1}{16}$
	13	Coal		1 $\frac{1}{32}$
	14	Vitrain		3 $\frac{1}{16}$
	15	Coal		1 $\frac{5}{16}$
	16	Vitrain		1 $\frac{15}{32}$
	17	Coal		6 $\frac{21}{32}$
	18	Vitrain		7 $\frac{3}{32}$
	19	Coal		3 $\frac{25}{32}$
			Over	
			(Note character and thickness of floor)	
			Total thickness of coal.	67 $\frac{5}{8}$ "

Condition, Moist Time, 1 hr. min.

Wt. Gross, 40 lbs. Net, lbs.

What Nos. shipped by Co.? 1-19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31-33,

35, 37-41, 43-45

Excluded from sample: No. 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 34, 36, 42

Sample represents 66 $\frac{13}{16}$ in. tons.

Impurities? How do they occur? Pyrite in stringers and bands; mineralized fusain; calcite facings

(1 division = 3 in.)

Sample No. 4 Can No. 1029 - Ground in mine
 Lab. No. 42(1047)

Collector, E.T. Benson & R.A. McClevey
 Mine, B Co. Sangamon

Coal: Survey No. 5
 Index No. 0931. 5c

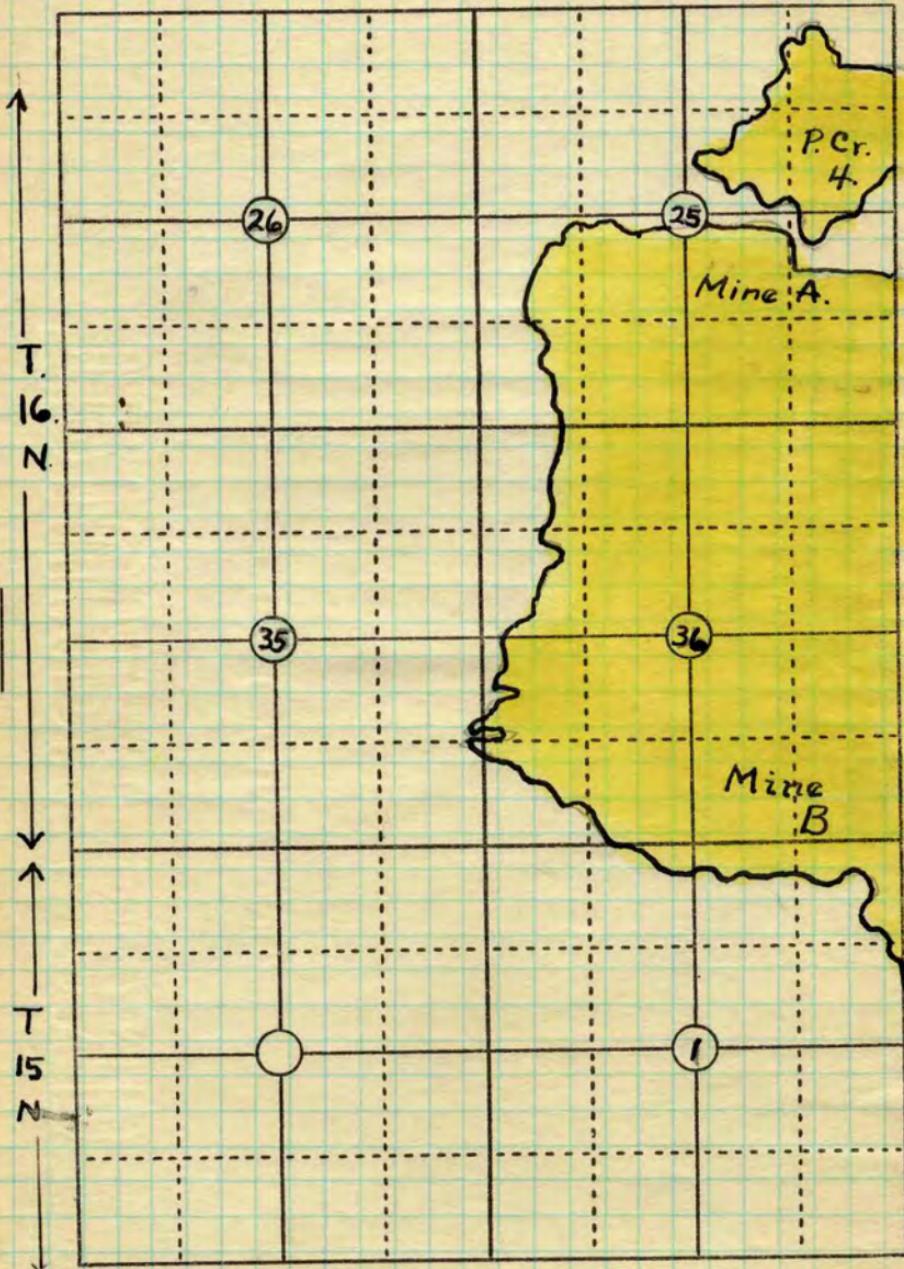
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R.—COAL SAMPLE SHEET.

20	Pyrite		$\frac{1}{32}$
21	Coal	4	$\frac{1}{8}$
22	Pyrite		$\frac{3}{32}$
23	Vitrain		$\frac{5}{32}$
24	Pyrite		$\frac{1}{16}$
25	Coal	7	$\frac{7}{32}$
26	Pyrite		$\frac{1}{16}$
27	Coal		$\frac{1}{16}$
28	Pyrite		$\frac{1}{16}$
29	Coal		$\frac{11}{32}$
30	Pyrite		$\frac{1}{16}$
31	Coal	4	$\frac{17}{32}$
32	Vitrain		$\frac{5}{32}$
33	Coal	5	$\frac{29}{32}$
34	Pyrite		$\frac{3}{32}$
35	Coal		$\frac{1}{8}$
36	Pyrite		$\frac{3}{32}$
37	Coal		$\frac{15}{32}$
38	Vitrain		$\frac{1}{4}$
39	Coal		$\frac{1}{2}$
40	Vitrain		$\frac{11}{32}$
41	Coal		$\frac{1}{4}$
42	Pyritic fusain		$\frac{1}{4}$
43	Coal	6	$\frac{15}{16}$
44	Vitrain		$\frac{3}{16}$
45	Coal	3	$\frac{15}{16}$
Total		67	$\frac{5}{8}$ "

5.6"

Floor: fireclay, gray, very soft



Date

Operator

Name or No.

County

Sangamon.

Index No. 0932

Citizens Coal Co. A & B

E.T. Benson

Mine A & B Springfield

February 21-22

Mine properties owned by Citizens Coal Mining Co. of Peoria.

John H. Bontgis, President

Properties leased to Central Illinois Coal Co. of Springfield, Wm. Ryan, President
 Leases on the two properties were for 10 years,
 will lapse in a year or two so Bontgis is interested
 in getting available coal supplies to west and
 south of mines A and B for future development.

Bontgis keeps two men at the mines in a supervisory capacity - accompanied us on sampling trip
 Jack Scattergood - Springfield
 Walter Becker - Peoria

Mine A - 202' deep R to R - working confined to west face
 Superintendent - Pat Dooner

Employ about 350 men - 1700 T average daily prod.
 Mine B - 210' deep - R to R - working faces now advancing west, south, and southeast.

Employ about 550 men - average about 2400 T on working days - record 1811 cars on January 21, 1934

Superintendent - Oscar Falsetti

Mine manager - John Lawless

Falsetti is having trouble with bad roof conditions on the SW part of mine B - the roof is the typical black shale of the district but it does not stand up like it does over most of the area, it breaks down when coal is shot, and has to be loaded out. It also requires a lot of timbering, so mining costs in this area are high. Would like to know if this condition will continue. Company has about 100 acres of coal down in this area.

Falsetti also interested to know how far west coal No. 5 extends and what mining conditions are in this direction. Coal seems thinner and has fewer horsebacks than is typical in the Springfield district.

He would like to know if this change of character means that they might be running out of coal toward west where company has greatest reserve acreage.

Send him copies of any drill holes to the south and west of Mine B, and Coop. Bull. 26, also folio if it has helpful information.

Mr. Bentzel would like information on coking qualities of various Illinois coals. Send any data which Survey might have.

These two mines are old-fashioned in their methods of operation. They have electric hoists, but have small cage hoists. Both mines do not undercut but shoot right off the solid. Haulage is electric, with excellent haulage roads, to the partings, from which mules are used for gathering purposes. The only modern equipment noted in the mines were:

Mine A: Electric doors on Main North motor road on each side of airshaft. These doors open automatically either inward or outward when motor trips approaches about 50 feet from them.

Mine B: Hand-speaker device from bottom to tipple to check dumps, cagings, etc. Used quite frequently as caging speed at this mine is very fast.

Of the two mines Mine A appeared to be operated most efficiently and kept in better condition. Their motor roads were the best, and their entries more efficiently timbered. Many of their partings have had roof of shale pulled down so that limestone caprock forms roof of entry at parting. However, they are over two miles from the ~~face~~ shaft to their working faces, and it is becoming increasingly difficult to ventilate their active sections sufficiently. May possibly sink a new air shaft.

Mine B has poorest working conditions, but has shorter hauls from face to shaft. Motor roads good but, in some cases, very crooked.

Mine B- Springfield

February 21, 1934

Sample
No. 1

Can No. 39 (1044)

Main 2nd off Main North

400' from W line, 675' from N line, sec 36, T16N, R6W

Thickness of section cut (by rule) = 68"

Thickness of section cut (by tape) = 62 $\frac{7}{8}$ "

Roof at this place is black shale, iron-flecked, firm and fairly hard - 30" thick

Floor is gray fireclay - estimated by Scattergood as 15-20 feet thick. Probably too thick.

Many large pyrite lenses in coal at this place - one to left of sampling point is 6" x 18" at face. - is a pure pyrite nodule

also a large concretion in roof just to left of sampling point.

Coal here essentially dry - not much moisture

Sample
No. 2

Can No. 40 (1045)

Face of Main West entry

1200' from S line, 340' from E line, sec 35, T16N, R6W

Height of section cut (by rule) = 67"

Height of section cut (by tape) = 67 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

Roof here is black shale; much like that at previous place - 24" to 30" thick

Floor here is fireclay varying from dark gray to light gray

Not as many pyrite nodules and lenses here as in north part of mine - pyrite confined to few stringers in coal

Coal here is dry also - no visible moisture

Sample

Can No. 41 (1046)

No. 3

Face of Main South of Mine B

1800' from E line, 2900' from N line, sec 6, T15N, R5W

Height of section cut (by rule) = 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ "Height of section cut (by tape) = 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Coal here is damp with quite a bit of visible moisture on face; roof is also damp with dripping moisture

Roof: black shale with many concretions - hard

Floor: gray, slightly rusty fireclay - not color may be due to greater moisture

Pyrite in stringers only - no large lenses or nodules

Mine B (Page 2)

February 21, 1982

Sample can No. 42 (1047)

No. 4

face of 2nd S off 6th W off 8th S

2040' from N line, 200' from E line, sec 1, T15N, R6W

Height of section cut (by rule) = 67"

Height of section cut (by tape) =

Duplicate sample cut done here and ground in
mine - Sample in quart can = 1029; this sample
cut 6" away from sample cut into can

Roof: black slate very hard to keep up; apparently
no different than shale elsewhere but it comes
down very easily and has to be loaded out -
requires extensive timbering also; high falls have
revealed gray shale above - apparently no cap
rock; black shale has only appearance and is wet,
dripping considerable moisture; above where samples
are taken the roof is firm and standing up
well but it apparently grades into black shale,
which is very hard to keep up, with no apparent
change in lithology

Floor: very soft, grey fireclay

Coal here is moist with considerable surface moisture

Illinois State Geological Survey

From Illinois State Journal

11/9/39 Mine B reopens after being closed
2 years due to labor dispute

4/12/44 - Mine B will not reopen, due to
a fault at the active face
now classified as "worked out,"
abandoned and otherwise inactive.
has been closed since Feb 29th

9/9/45 - Carl Elshoff, leased from
Citizen's, closed Feb 44, will be
reopened

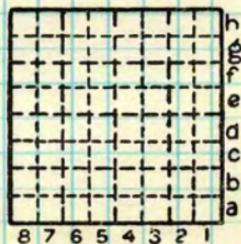
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A bad break

Mine subsidence claims another house — and in a hurry

By SARAH ANTONACCI

STAFF WRITER

3/16/97 Sybil.
When Mal Hildebrand noticed minor cracks in his foundation walls and small cracks in his drywall Sunday, he was hoping they might be attributed to the change of season.

By Sunday night, he knew. It was mine subsidence.

The family lives in the 4000 block of Hollyhock Drive in Meadowbrook West subdivision — an area where at least three dozen houses have experienced some kind of subsidence during the past decade.

Hildebrand, director of the state Legislative Space Needs Commission and a construction manager, said he has learned never to assume anything. But as the day progressed, the fact his house was succumbing to mine subsidence became more and more clear.

"The whole house started going down immediately," he said.

"There was a considerable drop in the southeast elevation of the house. It's being pulled in three directions. Every room in the house has torn drywall, the floors are dropping off radically. There's a huge slope in it."

Hildebrand said he spent the day marking cracks in the foundation with a pencil. As the day progressed, doors began opening on their own or refusing to open at all, and cracks appeared near the windows. The house was having major problems.

"It makes you a little ill," he said. "It's such a crying shame what's going on out here, because it's a wonderful, wonderful neighborhood."

All of Springfield, except for about a 12-block area downtown, rests on abandoned mines at least 125 feet below the surface. If the rooms or tunnels in the underground maze collapse, damage to a house above can appear as quickly as 24 hours afterward.

"There's a higher incidence here, but this is happening all over the city. No one is immune," Hildebrand said.

Phil Smith, an environmental protection geologist with the Department of Natural Resources' Division of Abandoned Mines, said the agency monitors land shifts in the Meadowbrook West subdivision because of how often subsidence occurs. But, he said, it doesn't make it easier to predict.

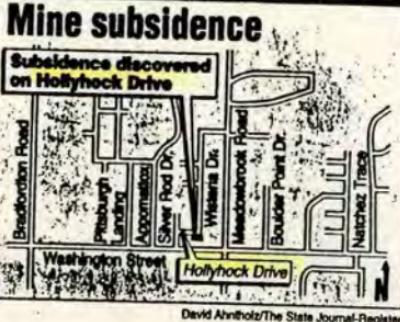
"Sometimes you may go long periods without one and then you'll see several in a year," he said. "There's no way to prepare."

The last reports of subsidence in the area were in January on Wisteria Drive.

DNR's emergency services section goes to homes suffering from mine subsidence to determine if damage to the structures threatens the life and safety of the occupants.

If so, DNR will draw up specs to shore up the structure, accept bids on the project and see that the building gets repaired. If not, the owner's insurance company foots the bill.

The Hildebrands had DNR representatives at their house Wednesday and Thursday trying to make that determination.



David Ahnholt/The State Journal-Register

On Monday, the family spent the day removing china from china cabinets, checking gas lines and taking other precautions.

Their house is in precarious position, Hildebrand said. Half rests on stable land. The other half is over a hole. All they can do is ride out the experience.

"The house is going to go where it's going to go, and there's not much you can do about it," he said.

"The house at this time seems safe, although it's totally structurally deficient. We're not worried about the whole thing collapsing on top of us. Subsidence is usually a slow process — you just notice a lot at first."

Sarah Antonacci can be reached at 788-1529.

MINE "B"

CITIZENS MINING & SALES CO.
(Post Office - Springfield, Ill.)

DEC 10 1946

Operator mgr - Mr. Bontje, Peoria.

Subt. Dec. 10, 1946 - Mr. Fallecity, Springfield.

Nelson's note → 16 N - 5 or 6 W near south.

This is filed in sec. 35, T. 16 N., R. 5 W. under
Peabody No. 57, but this may be wrong. AJD
11/19/91

MINE INDEX NO. S-2
SANGAMON, COUNTY.

Dec. 10, 1946
R.W. Roter.

Initial Inspection

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1945 Coal Report gives:

Hoisted = 2,943 tons

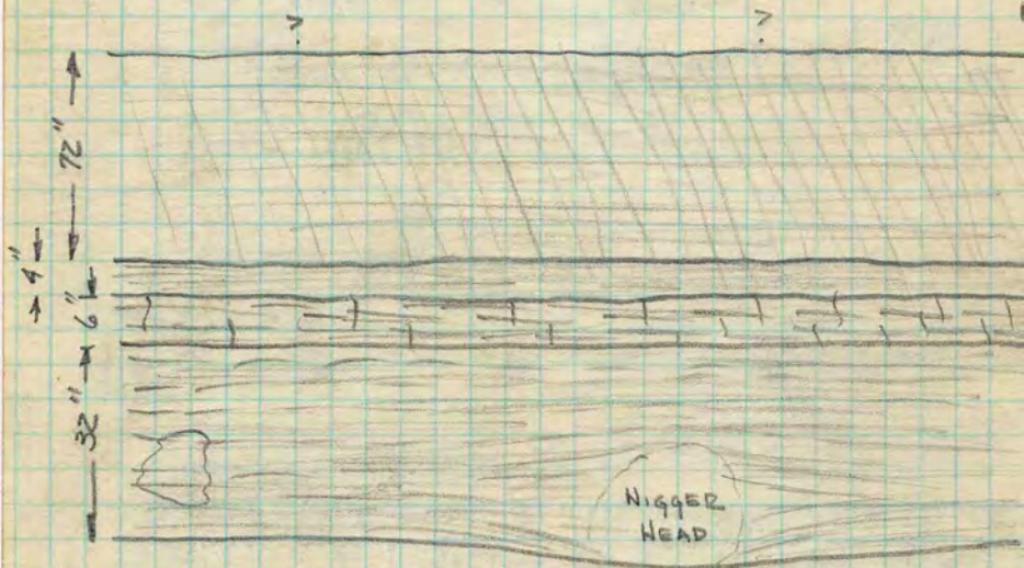
100% truck trade
except for local use at

(this represents 23 days work with 28 employees.)

shooting was with a total of 900# Permissible.

100% machine mine. lists 3 mining mach. & 2 ho

Section in Top - near mine bottom.



I never did see the material they described as sandrock unless it was that material a. in the above section. - Don't know where it is in the section inside or at the face.

Samples

- (1) 1. normal slate - this sample is taken from a point about 1' above the coal as is typical of the overlying netw.
- (2) 2. more or less typical housebank taken at the face. The features extend both up and down from the Coal. But I couldn't determine to what extent they cut the other beds.

~~Two sections shown on the preceding page some samples and remarks were:~~

BEC 101

Zone -

Huttonian

(a.) This zone was stated to be a sandstone but it was impalpable and appeared to be only a bedding contact and actually there, the same as the underlying shale.

① Grey to grey green shale - Brittle when hand held when dry. Many concretionary zones, jointed @ ± 20° from vertical.

1. (The same jointing pattern was found in Zone 4. See below)

② Rather soft grey sh. (Miners would say "Soapstone" in Madison Co.) might be Calcareous. Verify on next visit.

③ Hard black to dark grey material (looks like ls.)

Irregular top and bottom contact. Quite a lot of secondary calcite. Sometimes calcite stringers cross the contact of zone 3 to zone 4 below.

④ Dark grey slate - Concretionary to some extent but especially toward top & bottom. Badly jointed with same pattern as zone 1. - Some slips - these sure do not cross contacts either above or below.

General:

The slips in evidence do not come across any contacts but they have a marked effect upon the timbering making it almost impossible (jointing helping to support the roof) for long periods.

The entire bottom has fallen to the zone(s) and it is very heavily timbered. Using steel bars with heavy wooden logs.

Remark. - It would seem doubtful whether or not such heavy timbering as was evidenced on the bottom is necessary.

The bar legs were very small in comparison to the base and in one case of a "King Bar" on the bottom, there were 4 14" I beams resting on a 10" King bar.

and // Mathematical Calculations should be used to determine the size of timbering needed to give the same strength to legs as to base.

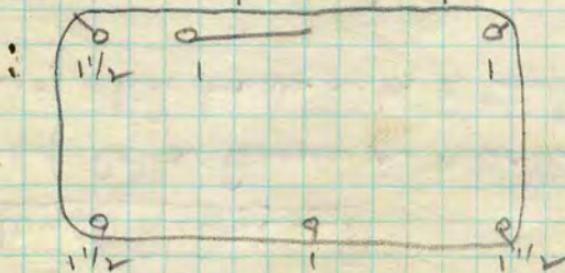
Hoisting is mostly Goodman Dumbells & result
seen to be excellent. Layout is good and supervision
appears to be good - morale at the face is especially high.

Inside work to date to the slate and good results
are apparent everywhere. Face timbering is limited
to occasional props and more or less routine rounding.
Bore & digger are used for more permanent installations.

Entry Shooting

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Calcutta. P. 86



Number of sticks of
Permissible
Powder
~~after~~

This is definitely over-shot - but Sup't. said
they hoped to reduce as soon as possible. Hope to
get other Representative to handle powder.

Top Coal tends to hang badly - sometimes
a thin S. layer at top intact is present. When in
present shape coal come better and causes better
roof control.

Bastard lie as shown in sketch on page 1 is locally
absent - if failure develops in slate then falls continue
(if not timbered) until arch develops and above knows
how high this would be.

Coal thickness varies between 5 & 6 feet with 12-15 feet of V.C. that gives a lot of trouble by causing muddy streaks - etc - general troubles.

Cutting is made so that some bottom coal is left but cutter keeps climbing so that every few cuts a stop is made to take up the bottom.

Shooting does not seem to affect the top as much as does the horseback. Around the bases of these fillings the top seems to be most difficult to handle.

Men underground complain that methane gas seems in slots causes quite a lot of choking and failure.

Results in complete Shear failure at Rib when it develops.

Practically every kind and method of timbering common to coal mining is used. And properly so. One thing noticeable by its absence is sufficient collar bracing on Motor Road Timbers. With is there any protection for timber on Motor Roads.

Would Recommend

Use of Collar Braces on Motor Roads.

Use of slide boards on M.R. timbers.

3-cutting, sealing panel method.

Ventilate Ventilation at face - and blowers used in cutting work.

To Date - Seems to be very fine operation

next Visit:-

1. Is zone 2 on page 1 Calenour? }
2. Is zone 3 on page 1 " ? } Verify.
3. more detail on shooting
4. Layout sketch
5. Operat. face names & addresses.

Recommendations:

1. softer shooting:
 - a. increase bimbyield,
 - b. less damage to top,
 - c. powder consumption, and air.

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2. Improved Ventilation:
 - a. perhaps new air-shafft
 - b. Up inside ventilation - so go to reduce time lost in blowing out ploughs.

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