

Location sheet filed.

Location by Parkes notebook 651 p. 35-247  
Map 4102 i.s. 1-88

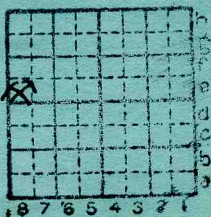
Field notes by Wanless book #732

Also by WMS 7/30/58

Date this mine operated is unknown.

Fisher

Co # 8



9 E 8

14 N

10 W

Morgan

Mine originally operated by: (1)

Date

Fisher Mine

Original name or number:

Illinois Coal Report

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LATER OPERATORS

Date

Operator

Name or No.

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Located by B.C.P. 2910 from S line  
#70 from W line. cov 613.0 HL.

Visited by Wanless 1930; said  
had not been worked for 5 or 7 yrs  
(Wanless N Book 732) From the  
size of the gob pile it might have operated about 10 years.

Visited 7/30/58 with EK Norman  
large Gob pile & old shaft opening visible  
took sample of coal from Gob  
for Norman to make spore analysis

Sampled ls ~~out~~ cropping out  
at creek level nearby. found  
Fusulinids in upper part of this  
unit. Not certainly in place -

\*Also owners

#See ownership sheet

Railroad, Wagon, Strip, Idle, Abandoned

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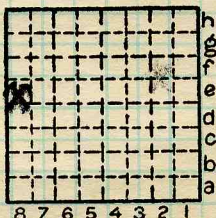
County No. 8

Coal No.

Coal Report No.

Quad. Jacksonville

County MORGAN



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T. 14 N.

R. 10 W.

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COAL MINE OPERATOR

(92753-1M-6-54)



Local. Shaft Mine # abandoned

Mine originally operated by: (1)

Date

Original name or number:

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LATER OPERATORS

Date Operator Name or No.

2 Visited by J A Simon & W H Smith  
3 march 17-1959 -

4 Mr Shepard who lives nearby & Mr  
5 Winter believed (recalled) the  
6 mine to be about 60' deep.  
7 Mr Winter (80 yrs old) remembered  
8 the mine operated about 1927  
9 to 1933. and was about 60' to  
10 34" to 36" of coal - he also recalled  
11 nodules & "horsebacks" that occur  
12 in the coal. The mine was operated by  
13 a Mr Frye who is now deceased.  
14 Coal Reports show a mine with  
Jacksonville address ~~oper~~ with  
reported production of 1000+ tons  
per year in 1932-33. This operated  
as Illinois Colliery Co. Jacksonville  
Ill.

ET 13 & EET Report in field notebook a 30" coal  
at 65'. Sulfur band in middle of coal.

\*Also owners

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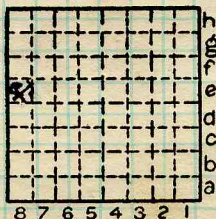
Coal No. 82

Coal Report No. \_\_\_\_\_



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COAL MINE OPERATOR

Collingswood field notes (in AH Bell Notebook)  
give memory log of this shaft - (in Tech files)  
& published in Coop Bull 25. The depth  
here is 53' to coal.

Culver also comments concerning  
the limestone quarried on hill  
slopes near this mine.

The mine was operated at one  
time by H. E. Frye - 509 W main St.  
Jacksonville.

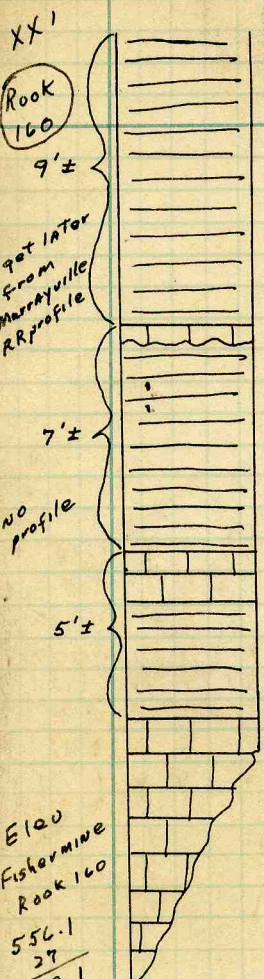
Below From AH Bell Notebook ps 418

Big Sandy Mining Co.  
50916 (Frye's name) Examined mine dump. Black shale  
in rather irregularly shaped chunks. These fall to pieces  
at a touch. They contain abundant plant remains and  
a winged pelecypod whose shell seems to be  
replaced with pyrite. No Ostracodes seen. In general  
this shale does not resemble the black slate which  
overlies coal no 2. More probably an upper coal

The name "Fisher Mine" may be a misnomer  
for the Co. No. 8 mine. Its origin has not  
been found. The mine seems to have  
been operated by Frye under the name  
"Big Sandy Mining Co."

W-45-8-1-59

Notes on Fisher Mine  
Continued



Copied from Collingwood field notes # 511  
Section in branch at Fisher Mine

fossiliferous calc shale  
fossil at base

15 lenses, v. fossiliferous, may be edge of PIASA ls, no fusulinids seen

lt colored clay shale - weathers white, almost a clay -

ls, no fossils, weathers brown, platy

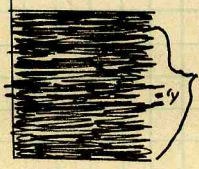
shale or clod, white clay reported

8"-8' fusulina qert. ls

2'± clod

— clay  
— coal  
— clay

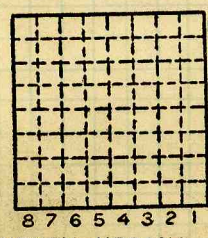
4' coal seam w/ clay seam in center



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8-31-23 T.B.R.

Copied from Collingwood field notes #511

Morgan  
4 mi E of  
Manchester, 18<sup>th</sup>  
R.P.  
#160

Ls rock

Fishers Coal Mine

No profile

Clod

Elev  
556.1

2 1/2'

8'-8'

Rock - ls - Small fat Fusulina

2 1/2'

Clod

clay parting  
thin coal  
clay parting

4'

Coal, clay band in middle

2-3'

Fire clay

Dips to  
NE ?

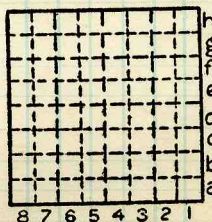
Rock - reported 11'  
thick - Ls

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Form 180

Jacksonville

August 6, 1959

W.H. Smith and D.J. Berggren

Talked with Mr.S.S. Retzer, a retired rural mail carrier, at his farm two and one-half miles S. of Jacksonville on Route 67. He was familiar with some of the history of the county no. 8 mine.

He said that Frye operated the mine until about 1925, and then it sat idle until about 1935. In 1935<sup>or 1934</sup> some miners from Farmington, Ill. re-opened it, and worked the 65 foot level for a while. Later they deepened the shaft to about 90 feet and found a 3 foot vein of coal. The coal had so many horsebacks that the mining was discouraged. The roof at the lower level was bad also, being reported as a soft, flakey shale by Mr. Retzer. The mine was apparently abandoned shortly after the lower level was opened, and has not operated since that time.

Sec 9  
14 N  
10 W

*File with  
mine notes*

Memorandum

To : Bill Smith  
From : Bob Kosanke  
Subject : Mine dump sample from Morgan County, Illinois  
Date : June 12, 1959

This is the sample you collected from Section 9, Township 14 N., Range 10 W., and your question was whether the coal could represent the Herrin (No. 6) Coal.

Unlike core or column samples, dump samples do not necessarily provide significant data with regard to abundance of genera and species. This certainly is true in the case of this sample. The only significant data is based entirely on what species and genera are present. Spores were fairly numerous and for the most part they were the long ranging forms common to many of the coals in this part of the section. There were two exceptions that are important and suggest that you could be right in considering that this could be the Herrin (No. 6) Coal. One is a genus which ranges from the Briar Hill (5a) to the Scottville Coal. The other is a species which ranges from the Herrin (No. 6) well up into the McLeansboro.

I am certain that the spores extracted from this sample do not represent the total spore flora of this coal. However, there is good evidence although not abundantly so, that the Herrin (No. 6) Coal is a real possibility.