

TENTH INSPECTION DISTRICT—1923

Hon. Robert M. Medill, Director.

SIR: I have the honor of submitting to you the annual report of this district, comprising the coal producing county of Franklin.

The following is a summary of the items shown in the report:

Number of counties producing coal.....	1
Number of shipping mines.....	27
Number of local mines.....	0
Number of employees underground.....	14,420
Number of employees on surface.....	1,811
Total number of employees.....	16,231
Tons of coal produced.....	12,845,459
Days of active operation, shipping mines, average.....	162
Days of active operation, local mines, average.....	0
Number of fatal accidents.....	27
Number of non-fatal accidents.....	663
Number of employees to each fatal accident.....	601
Number of employees to each non-fatal accident.....	24.5
Tons of coal produced to each fatal accident.....	475,756
Tons of coal produced to each non-fatal accident.....	19,375
Ratio of fatal accidents per 1,000 employees.....	1.66
Ratio of non-fatal accidents per 1,000 employees.....	40.85

County	1923		1922		Increase		Decrease	
	Mines	Tons	Mines	Tons	Mines	Tons	Mines	Tons
Franklin.....	27	12,845,459	25	9,999,917	2	2,845,542

NEW MINES

The Chicago, Wilmington and Franklin Coal Company has opened a new mine near West Frankfort, known as Orient No. 2; The Franklin Coal and Coke Company reopened the No. 2 mine at Royalton.

CHANGE OF NAME

Benton Coal Company mines 1 and 2 to C. W. and F. Coal Company; By-Products Coke Corporation No. 18 to Peabody Coal Company and No. 19 to Industrial Coal Company.

FATAL ACCIDENTS

August 4, 1922, Walter S. Mooneyham, laborer, age 41 years, married, was killed while in the employment of the C. W. and F. Coal Company at Benton No. 1 mine. Deceased was hauling timbers from the air shaft to the main shaft, the wagon wheel dropped into a hole in the road, causing him to fall off, and two wheels passed over his back. He leaves a widow.

August 25, 1922, Joe Bill, machine helper, age 38 years, single, was killed in Old Ben Coal Corporation's No. 9 mine, by falling coal.

September 16, 1922, Lloyd Crain, trip rider, age 19 years, single, was killed by pit cars in Taylor Coal Company's No. 5 mine.

September 20, 1922, Hosea Denton, motorman, age 24 years, married, died from injuries received by being crushed between two motors 18 days earlier in the Valier Coal Company's mine. He leaves a widow and one child.