

MINING INDUSTRY BOOMS IN INDIANA

Outlook In Knox County Best In Years; Many Men Put To Work

Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 8. — (United Press.)—The outlook for the mining industry in Knox county is brighter today than it has been in several years.

American mine No. 1 of the Knox Consolidated Coal company opened up its north workings, giving employment on a full time basis to all of its men.

From several months previous to today, the mine had been open only on the south workings and the miners were employed nine days on and nine days off.

Reopening of the north workings gives full time employment to approximately one thousand miners. In other mines in Knox county large forces of men are at work.

American mine No. 2 is working 500 men while the Indian Creek mine has 650 men on its payroll. The number of men employed by other large mines in the county are: Park-wall, 250; Martin, 200; Knox, 300; and Westphalia, 225.

Coal mined in Knox county is in good demand at fair prices, according to mine officials.

The anthracite strike has contributed indirectly to the renewed prosperity of the local mines, which were hard hit the past two or three years by the competition of coal mined in the non-union fields of West Virginia.

The amount of anthracite coal used in Indiana is not sufficiently large for the calling of a hard coal strike to result in a scramble for substitutes in this state.

Exhaustion of substitutes in the anthracite consuming states of the east, however, has created a broader market for the Indiana bituminous coal.

With the opening up of the American No. 1 mine, a daily hoist of nearly 7,000 tons is expected. With only the south side working, a daily hoist of 4,100 tons has been made during the last few weeks.

This mine holds a record of a 7,300 ton hoist in one day, a record exceeded in the United States only by a mine at Ziegler, Ill., which made a hoist of 7,700 tons for one day.

The record of 7,300 tons for the American mine meant an average of four dumps a minute over a period of eight hours from a hoisting distance of approximately 375 feet.

Offer \$2,500 In Prizes At State Potato Show

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 8.—\$2,500 in prizes is being offered to exhibitors in the Indiana Potato Show, the most complete of its kind in the Corn Belt, which is to be held at Purdue University January 11 to 16, the week of the annual Agricultural Conference. Any potato grower is eligible to compete in the Purdue show, and entries are already coming in for the event.

In order to get a chance at the prize money it is necessary to meet the following requirements:

1. All exhibits in this show shall consist of one peck or 30 potatoes. Send a few extra.

2. All potatoes must be entered in the class and variety to which they belong. Only one entry in each class by the same person.

3. No entry fee shall be charged, but all exhibits entered for prizes will become the property of the show. No shipping charges will be paid by the management of the show.

4. Exhibition potatoes should be wrapped with several thicknesses of paper, packed securely in wooden box, prepaid to E. R. Lancashire, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.

5. Be sure to enclose the name and address with the potatoes, also state in which class the potatoes are to be entered.

6. Ship potatoes well ahead of show date to insure them arriving in plenty of time. The management will store all potatoes received and place all exhibits as instructed.

7. Entries close Monday night, January 11, 1926. Send them now. Send story and record of management to Prof. Z. M. Smith, Purdue University at least two weeks previous to show.

Following the above rules will insure an exhibit of a place in the show and a chance of a prize ranging in value from \$1.00 up to \$300.00. For Potato Show catalog write to extension department Purdue university or apply to your County Agent.

Daily Democrat Want Ads Get Results

Indiana Co-eds Are Not Heavy Smokers

Indianapolis, Dec. 8. — (United Press.)—In spite of the moaning of reformers that the girls of Indiana are headed straight for ruin because of indulgence in cigarettes and booze, there is very little smoking or drinking among the co-eds at Indiana's largest universities.

This was revealed in statements issued today by Carolyn Shoemaker, dean of Women at Purdue University and Agnes Wells, dean of women at Indiana University.

Although there is no iron-clad rule against the use of cigarettes by the co-eds at Indiana less than 100 of the 1,444 students enrolled there use tobacco, it was said.

Those who do occasionally take a "drag" on a cigarette never light up on the campus or in the sorority houses.

There is a national rule against smoking in sorority houses and not once in the history of Indiana has a girl been accused of smoking in a chapter house or in any building on the campus.

"The wish of President Bryan that girls do not smoke at Indiana is almost universally respected," Dean Wells said.

At Purdue, likewise, there is no hard or fast rule against the use of nicotine by the co-eds but such rules are not necessary because there is little or no smoking among the girls, according to Dean Shoemaker.

"It is not commonly known," the dean continued, "that Purdue's campus is one of the few of the country where tradition rules there shall be no smoking within the confines of the University grounds by anyone."

"I feel that this tradition, which is lived up to religiously by all, has its effect on my girls."

"Sororities at Purdue pride themselves that there has never been a necessity for a rule prohibiting smoking by co-eds and I feel that there is less indulgence in the practice here than in any similar institution in the country."

The statements of these deans of women sum up almost exactly the sentiments voiced by the deans of women at other Indiana colleges.

All admitted there may be some few who occasionally puff a cigarette, but these few do it on the sly.

It also is the belief of the deans that the girls who do smoke do not do it for any real enjoyment but merely to "be good fellows and appear smart."

SHRAPNEL FRAGMENT TRAVERSES MAN'S BODY

Grant City, Mo., Dec. 8. — (United Press.)—Lieut. J. B. Spainhower received a shrapnel wound just below his left elbow in an engagement with the Germans just before the armistice, seven years ago.

Hospital surgeons refused to dig deep to remove every piece but said that if there was any left in his arm it would gradually work out.

Last Thursday as Spainhower was collecting taxes he noticed something under his right thumb nail. Examination by a physician revealed it to be the piece of shrapnel the surgeons failed to remove seven years previous.

State Normal Approved By Columbia University

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 8.—A letter has been received by President L. N. Hines of the Indiana State Normal school from Adam Leroy Jones, director at Columbia University, advising him that the Indiana State Normal school had been placed upon the approved list by Columbia University. This will be welcome news to Normal students throughout the state.

The text of this letter follows: "I take pleasure in advising you that the Indiana State Normal school at Terre Haute has been placed upon the list of normal schools and teachers colleges approved by Columbia University for admission to the Teachers College of Columbia University."

"While we request that complete records be supplied for each candidate for admission, the natural assumption is that every such candidate will be able to complete the minimum residence requirements for a Master's degree in the normal period of one year, assuming that the work done by the student has been completed in the institution whose degree the candidate holds. Our regulations do not permit the recog-

nition of correspondence work nor of advanced credit assigned on the basis of state examinations or state certificates only."

Lack Of Trained Men Hurts Signal Corps Says Annual Report

Washington, Dec. 8. — (United Press.)—Development in the network of army communication activities throughout the United States has resulted in an increase of nearly 300 per cent in the amount of traffic handled during the past year as compared with a similar period in 1922, according to the annual report of Major General C. McK. Saltzman, Chief Signal Officer, made public here today.

"A critical situation exists, however," Saltzman said, "in the proper functioning of the signal corps due to lack of trained enlisted men in sufficient numbers to operate and maintain the government radio and telephone system and for operating other signal corps activities of the army."

Saltzman declared that development of new communication equipment and appliances is being neglected for lack of funds, and that funds efficiently spent during peace times are insurance

taken out against waste in time of war. "If the Signal Corps is to keep abreast of the world in modern means of communication, it must necessarily spend money in the research and development of new equipment and new designs of old equipment if adequately conducted in time of peace, it can be subordinated to other activities in time of war."

Sharpsville — Most people consider themselves lucky to have two grandmothers, but Peggy Jeanne Zinn, of Tulsa, Okla., who is visiting here, has five, including a great grandmother and all living.

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