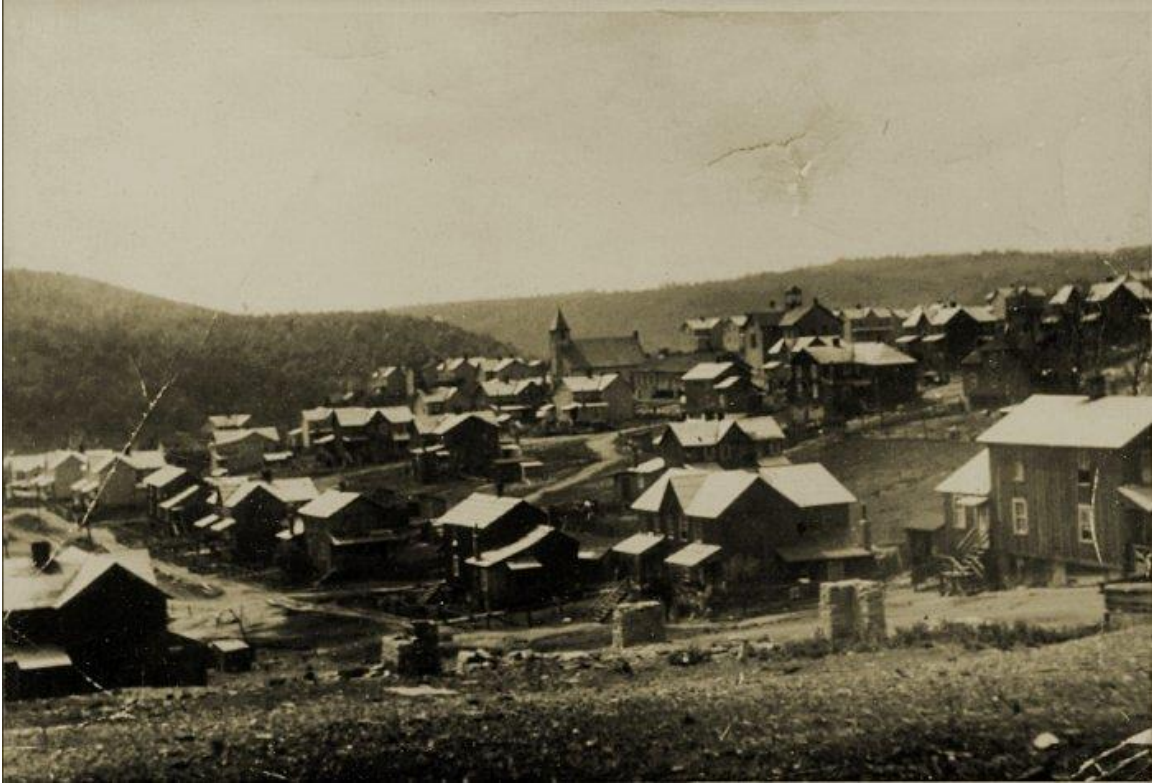


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**History of the Coal Mines of
Eleanora Mines & Coke Works,
Eleanora, McCalmont Twp.,
Jefferson Co., PA
“Another Coal Mining Ghost town:”**



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**Dedicated to Anthony A. Washlaski, my father, who spent 42 years underground,
working in the Harmarville Mine, Allegheny Co., PA**

And

**Peter E. Starry, Jr., whose desire to record the history of Salemville, Pa was the
spark that got me started on "The Old Miner" Project.**

**And to "Lucy"
A Swiss Mountain Dog
My Baby, My Buddy, My Friend and Companion
You will always be in our hearts.
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Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, McCalmont Township, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania

A Tribute to the Coal Miners that mined the Bituminous Coal seams of the Eleanora Mines, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Eleanora Mines

(Eleanor P.O.), McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

[A coal company patch town in McCalmont Twp., Jefferson County, Pennsylvania.]

[Eleanora was named after Eleanora Iselin, wife of Adrian Iselin who owned the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company.]

[Located on the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway, and the Punxsutawney Electric Railway, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora P.O., McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA]

[The Eleanora Shaft Mine was opened in ca.1894 and closed in ca.1924. Eleanora was a small town but the Punxsutawney Electric Railway trolley stopped at Eleanora and there was a large coal company store and other businesses and churches. For the most part Eleanora was a coal company patch town existing because of the mine. Eleanora, PA contained the mines, power houses and associated mine buildings, mine office, approximately 89 coal company double family houses, with their coal houses and closets [outdoor toilets], for the miners and their families, a superintendent's house, a coal company store The Mahoning Supply Company, a recreation hall, a baseball field, several school houses and several churches, a Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway station and a trolley stop shelter.

[Jefferson Traction Company was formed from the merger in 1902 of the Punxsutawney Street Passenger Railway of 1892, the Reynoldsville Traction Company of 1899, and the Jefferson Street Railway Company of 1901. There were 39 miles of track and served the towns of Punxsutawney, Big Run, Reynoldsville, Sykesville, Walston, Adrian, Anita, Florence, Wishaw, Soldier, and Eleanora. The United Traction Company provided routes to Dubois and Falls Creek.]

When the Eleanora Mines closed, workmen torn down the Mahoning Supply Company's store at Eleanora and the material was transfered immediately to Adrian Mines where it will be used in the construction of a store to supplant the store building destroyed by fire there. Many of the miners' houses were torn down and the town just about disappeared. Almost nothing remained of Eleanora, PA ca.2006. Eleanora has become another coal mining patch ghost town, in western Pennsylvania.]

See:

Eleanora No. 1 Mine (Eleanora Shaft Mine),

Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA
Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA
Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

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Eleanor Shaft Mine, Eleanora Mines, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

Desire, Henderson Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

[Some of the miners from the nearby Eleanora Mines lived in Desire, PA. The coal
company patch town of Eleanora, PA contained approximately 89 miners' houses, and an
independent town named Desire, PA developed nearby to house the population overflow
from the main mining community. Only a few houses and a cemetery remain in Desire,
PA]

See:

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Eleanora No. 1 Mine (Eleanora Shaft Mine) (ca.1889-1924),

Located on the Eleanora Branch line of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway, and
the Punxsutawney Electric Railway, Eleanora Mines, Eleanor P.O., McCalmont Twp.,
Jefferson Co., PA

[Disasters - on April 27, 1905 an explosion in the Eleanora Mine killed 13 miners.]

Owners:

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(ca.1915- ?), Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA
(ca.1924- ?), Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA

Eleanora No. 2 Mine & Coke Works (ca.1890-1924),

Located on the Eleanora Branch line of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway, and the Punxsutawney Electric Railway, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora P.O., McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

[Eleanora Mines had 201 bee-hive coke ovens in ca.1897, 1900.]

[Eleanora No. 2 and No. 3 mines contained 201 bee-hive coke ovens ca.1907.]

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(ca.1924- ?), Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA

Eleanora No. 3 Mine & Coke Works ca.1901-1924), (ca.1941-1942?)

Located on the Eleanora Branch Line of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway, and the Punxsutawney Electric Railway, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora P.O., McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

[Eleanora No. 3 Coke Works contained 201 bee-hive coke ovens ca.1901.]

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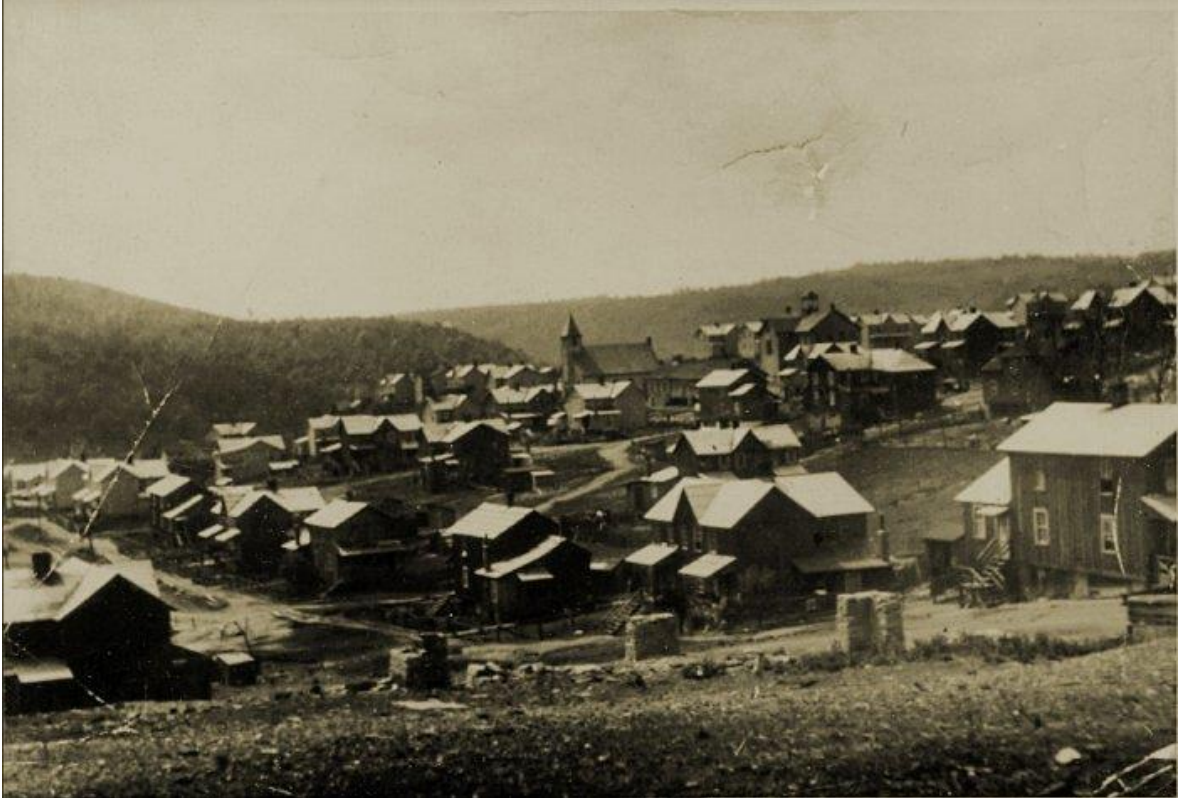
(ca.1905- ?), Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA

(ca.1915- ?), Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA

(ca.1941-1942?), leased by Dr. F. A. Lorenzo, of Punxsutawney from the Rochester and Pittsburgh Co.,

Bulldog Mine (ca.1923-1930),

Located at one of the original mine shafts at Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA



An overview of a portion of the town of Eleanora, McCalmont Township, Jefferson Co., PA. The photo shows one of the churches, center, and what appears to be a school house, center right and the coal company store. (Photo courtesy of Ron Pollock, Ohio.)



Location of Eleanora, in Jefferson Co., PA

HISTORY: Eleanora, PA

In December, 1889, the Board of Directors of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company completed transactions securing the purchase of still more coal lands. This entailed "the purchase of certain lands, coal rights, and coal situated in McClamont Township, Jefferson County, known as 'Eleanora Property.'" The purchase price totalled \$350,000 in the Coal Company bonds.

The mining patch town of Eleanora, McCalmont Township, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania, was named in honor of the wife of Adrian George Iselin, Sr., Eleanora Iselin. The mining patch of Eleanora, PA came into existence in December, 1887, but work at the location proceeded slowly until the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company's purchase of the lands from the Iselin family.

Construction at Eleanora Mines of some 80 double family miners' houses and various support buildings' began in February, 1888, for the new mining community and by the next year most of the buildings were completed and fully occupied by the miners and their families.

In December, 1889, yet, another string of bee-hive coke ovens appeared on the landscape of Jefferson County, this time at Eleanora Mines.

Within months, the bee-hive coke ovens at the Eleanora were producing 100,000 tons of coke annually. This tonnage, combined with that of Walston Coke Works, Walston, Jefferson Co., PA and Adrian Coke Works, Adrian, Jefferson Co., PA found a ready market in the developing iron and steel industry along the Great Lakes. Coke from Jefferson County was particularly suited to foundry use, and markets for it extended as far west as the Mississippi River. Still more shipments traveled, by rails, as far as Chicago.

The Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company made its first shipment from the Eleanora Mine in December, 1889. In ca.1890 the inspector of Mines noted in his annual report for the State of Pennsylvania that the Eleanora No. 1 Mine, although a new one, "was in first-class condition as to draining and ventilation." The plan adopted for this mine, with separate and fresh air for each heading or section of work, was "the only true and proper method of ventilating mines," The inspector concluded in his report that "until this plan is universally adopted, ventilation and drainage will not be what they should by in regard to healthfulness for men,"

Eleanora Mine output for the first full year of production was listed at 143,607 tons of coal. By ca.1894 Eleanora No. 1 Mine and Eleanora No. 2 Mine were being mined by mining machines of the Ingersoll-Sergeant compressed air type. To furnish the air to operate the machines, two Norwalk Compressors were installed by Heyl & Patterson Company of Pittsburgh, PA. These cutting machines eliminated a great deal of hand pick work in undercutting the coal. A long cut about 6 inches wide and the length of the coal face was cut into the bottom of the coal seam, so when the coal was blasted it would fall away from the coal seam. Mules, of course, were still used to transport the empty mine

cars from the slope to the face, and to return the loaded mine cars to the slope and then they were pulled to the tipple.

(Historical text adapted from *"Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company, The First One Hundred Years"* by Eileen Mountjoy Cooper, ca.1982. used with permission of Eileen Mountjoy.)

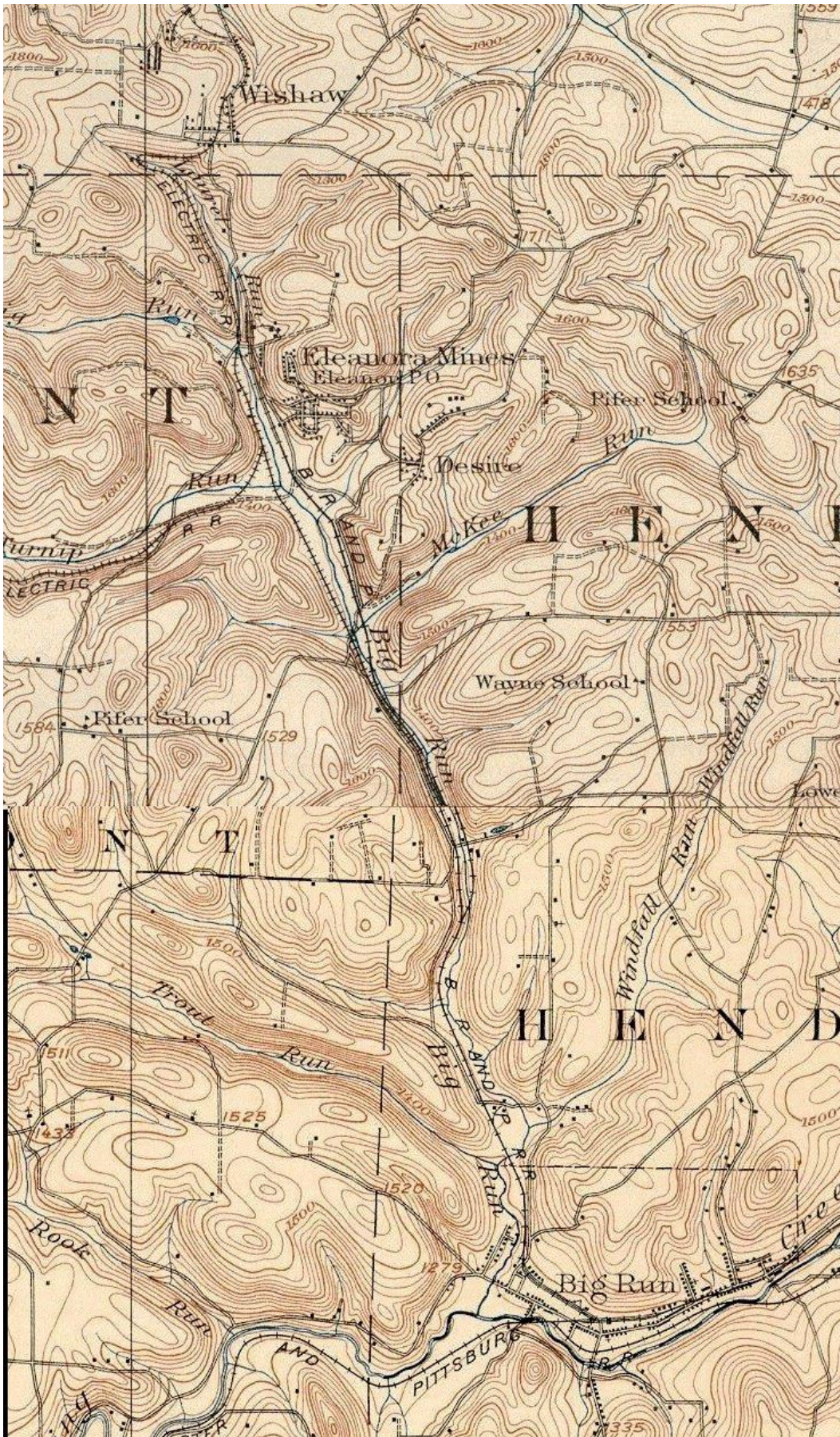
The Eleanora Cemetery was known as "Sugar Hill," it was located at the end of a street in Eleanora, PA. You had to walk up a hill to get to the Cemetery. The Eleanora Cemetery is now, ca.2011, known as the Desire Cemetery, or International Order of Odd Fellows Cemetery, at Desire, PA.

According to the story that was told to Ron Pollock by his relatives that lived in Eleanora, "The coal company built a road from Eleanora to the 'Sugar Hill Cemetery,' so that the miners did not spend too much time going to and fro to the cemetery during burials, so they wouldn't be away from work too long."

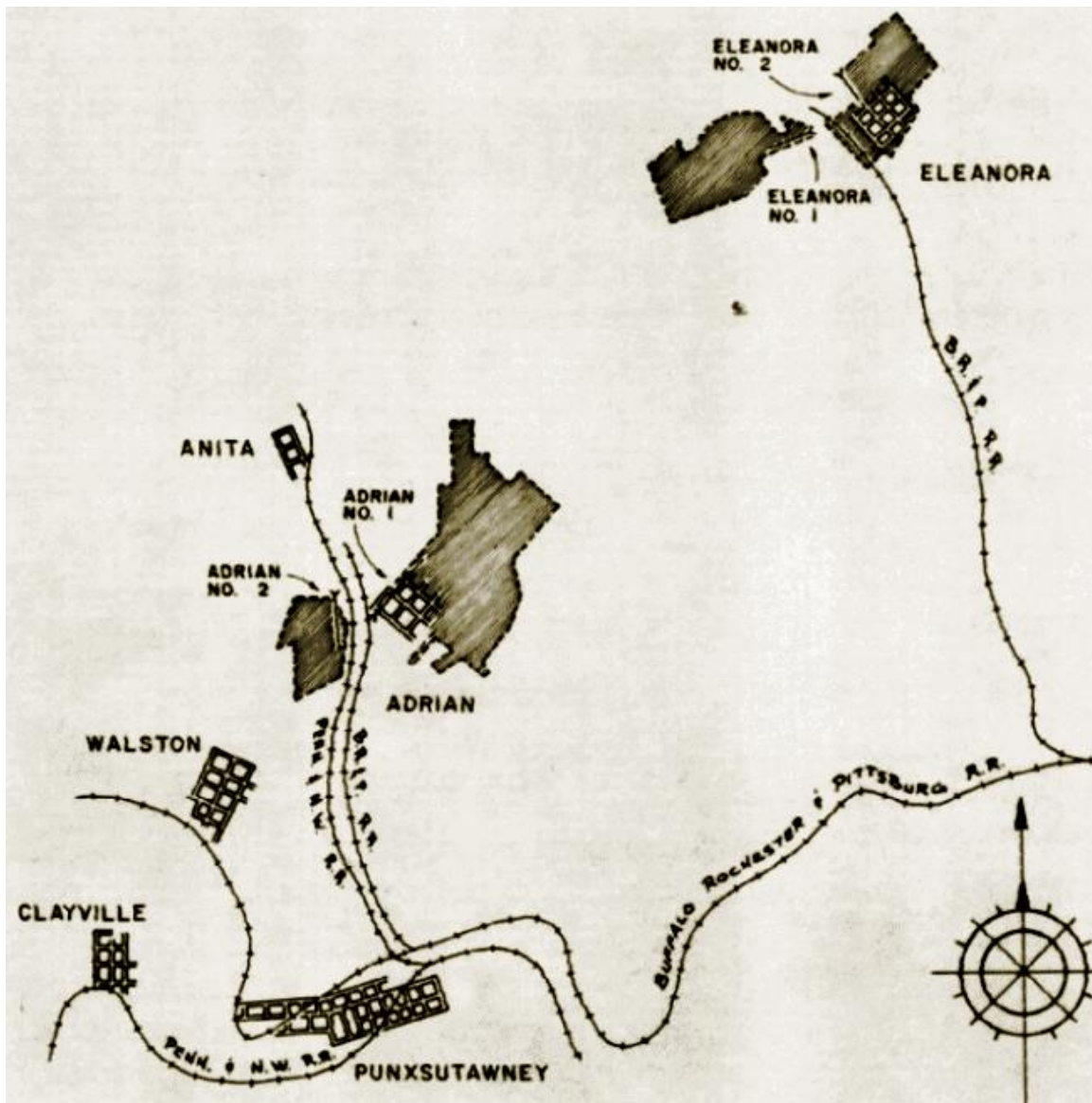
In August, 1930, orders were given for the withdrawal of mine pumps and equipment, for the dismantling of the miners' houses remaining in the town of Eleanora, and for the tearing up of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway railroad spur running into the Eleanora plants from Big Run.

Ira S. Smith, who has been operating the "Bulldog" mine at Eleanora since the shutting down of the larger operation, has sold his interest in the plant, to the parent coal company, and work there will necessarily be suspended. About fifty men had employment with Mr. Smith.

The larger mining operation at Eleanora of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company has not worked for about seven years. It closed during the dispute over the payment of the Jacksonville scale and had never run since. In this since the present orders will have little direct effect now, for the flow of money from that source ended long ago. It is only as it affects the future employment in that region that it is threatening.

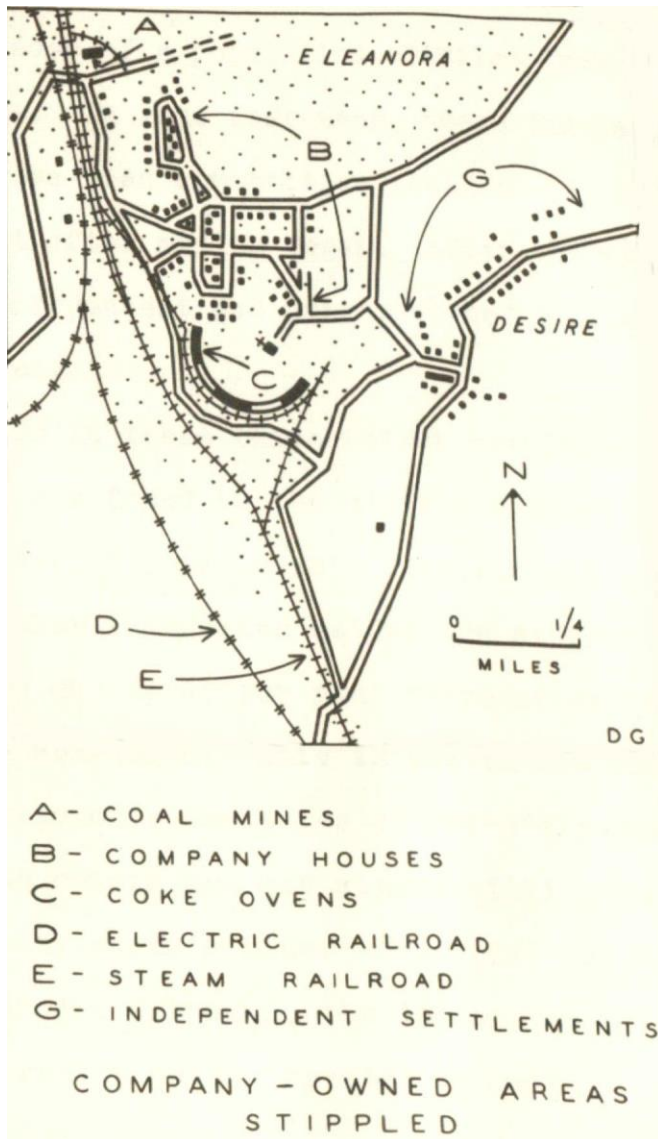


The top of the map is a portion of the U.S.G.S. 15 min. DuBois quad map ca.1924ed. The bottom part of the map is a portion of the U.S.G.S. 15min. Punxsutawney quad map ca.1906ed. The two maps combined show the Eleanora Branch of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway. Eleanora and Big Run were also served by the Jefferson County Electric Railway system.
(Courtesy of the U.S. Geological Survey, Washington, D.C.)

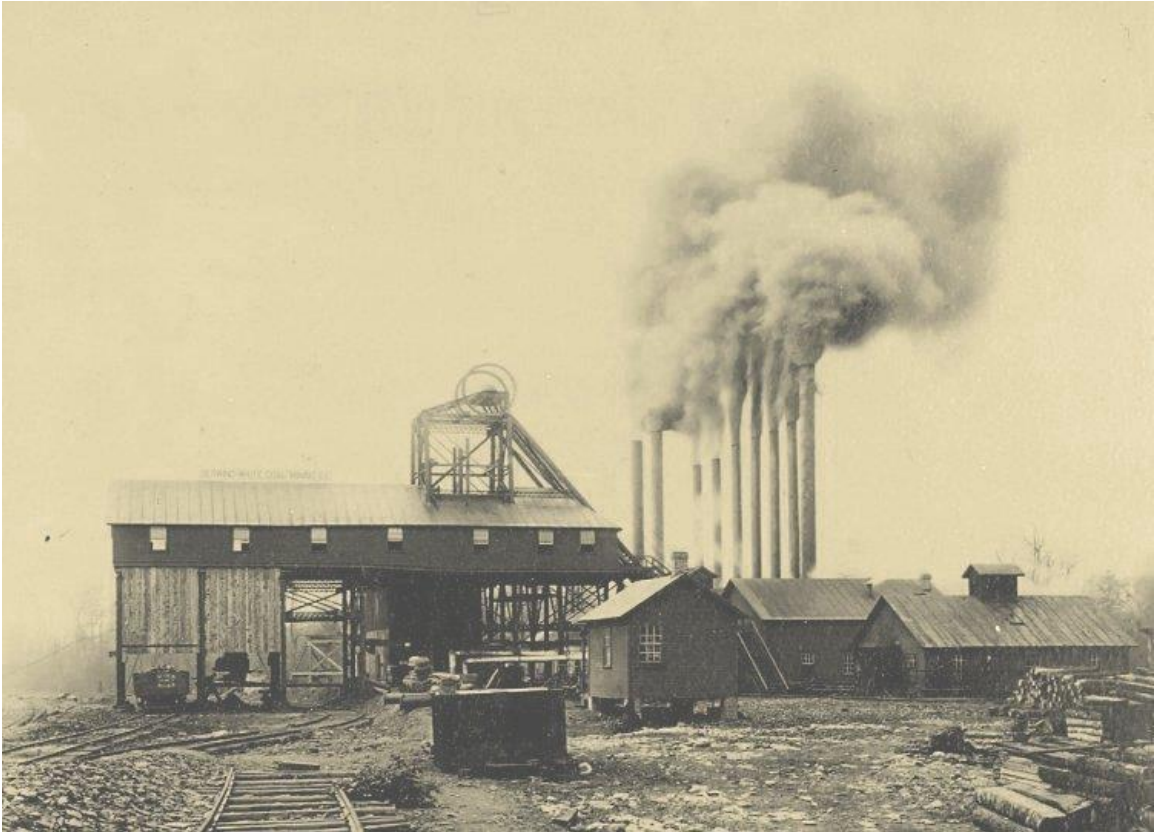


Sketch map of the Adrian Mines & the Eleanora Mines ca.1896. The Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway lines and the Pennsylvania & Northwestern Railroad that serviced the mines are also shown.

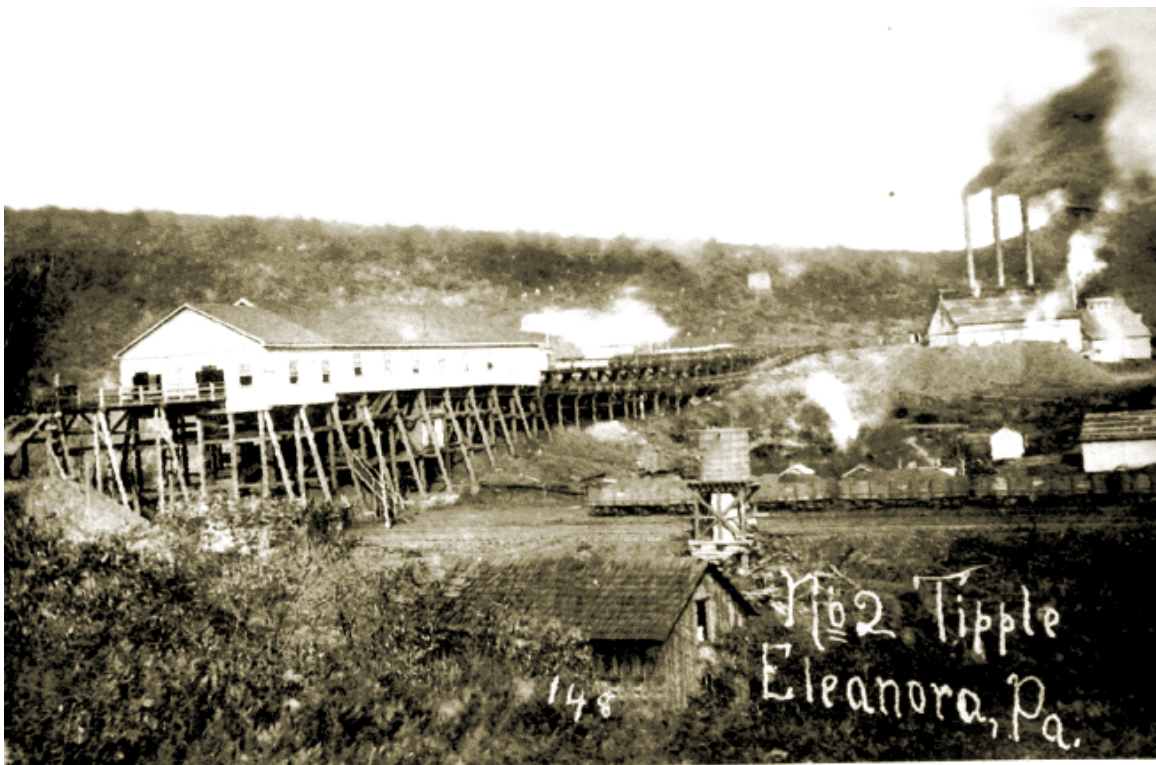
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A sketch map of the Eleanora Mines & Coke Works, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA
 Showing the location of the Eleanora Mines and Coke Ovens, the electric railway and the
 Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway, and the layout of the town site.
 (The Map is from the Engineering Masters Thesis at Penn State on the Bituminous Coal
 Operations in Jefferson County by Don Gasper, a mining Engineer that worked for the
 Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company. Courtesy of Don Gasper, Fox Chapel, PA)



The Eleanora Mine tipple and power house.
 (Photo courtesy of Ron Pollock, Ohio, who had relatives that lived in Eleanora.)



The tipples of Eleanora No. 2 Mine and power house to the right, at Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA. Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway cars loaded with coal are awaiting shipment.

(Photo courtesy of the Jefferson County Historical Society, Brookville, PA.)



Tippie workers at the Buffalo, Rochester, Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company's Eleanora mines loading the railroad cars with coal. (Photo courtesy of Sam Mennetti and "Home Town Magazine," Punxsutawney, PA.)



The bee-hive coke oven battery at Eleanora Mines with the town of Eleanora, PA in the background. The large building in the background is the Mahoning Supply Company the

coal company store. The company store in Eleanora was torn down and rebuilt at Adrian Mines, PA, to replace a store that had burned down, when Eleanora mine was abandoned.

(Photo courtesy of the Jefferson County Historical Society, Brookville, PA.)



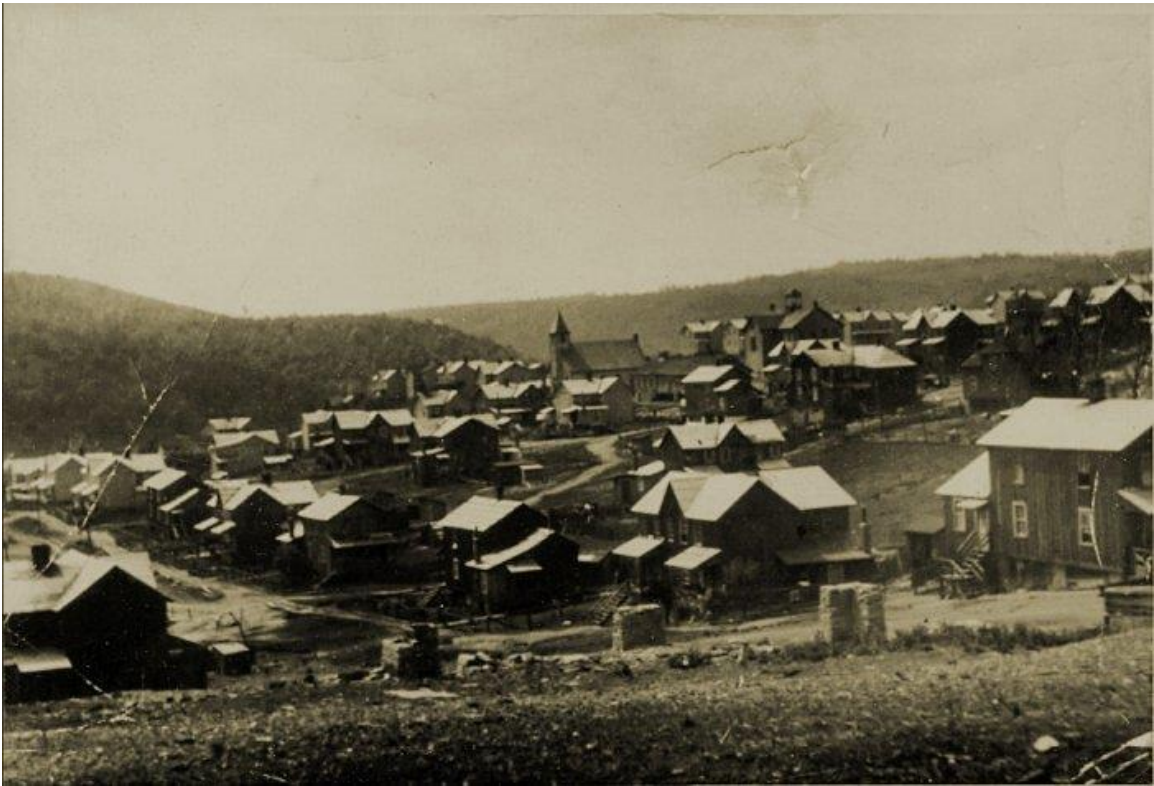
The coal company houses dotted the hillside at Eleanora Mines. The smaller outbuildings were the coal houses and water closets [outhouses].

(Courtesy of the Punxsutawney Genealogical & Historical Society.)



An overview of the mine patch town of Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA founded ca.1887, showing the various styles of housing built by the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company in the coal patch town. One of the towns' churches is on the hill, to the left. The large building center right probably is the company store, the Mahoning Supply Company. The railroad tracks of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway can be seen center left. Almost nothing of this coal company town remains ca.2008.

(Photo courtesy of "*Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company, The First One Hundred Years*" by Eileen Mountjoy Cooper, ca.1982.)



An undated view of mine patch town of Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA
(Courtesy of the Punxsutawney Genealogical & Historical Society.)



Mahoning Supply Company, the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company Store at Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA. This building in Eleanora was

dismantled in ca.1926, and moved to Adrian, Jefferson Co., PA, and reassembled to replace the Mahoning Supply Company store that burned down at Adrian.
(Courtesy of the Punxsutawney Genealogical & Historical Society, Punxsutawney, PA.)



One of the double family houses in Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA
The house is the one Ron Pollock Grandparents, his father, his brother and sister lived in. I am pretty sure they lived on the right side. This house was in Eleanora, PA. and was standing back in the 1970's, Ron Pollock. (Courtesy of Ron Pollock, from Ohio.)



Baseball was one the pastimes of the miners, most mining towns had a baseball team, usually with the support of the mine superintendent. There are reports of a miner being hired because he was a good baseball player, from many of the mining towns.
(Courtesy of the Punxsutawney Genealogical & Historical Society, Punxsutawney, PA.)



Electric Trolleys lines served the Eleanora Mines and other mining towns from DuBois to Punxsutawney.

(Photo courtesy of the Jefferson County Historical Society, Brookville, PA.)



Miners and outside workers with loaded mine cars outside the Eleanora Mine, Eleanora, McCalmont Twp., Jefferson Co. PA.

(Photo courtesy of the Jefferson County Historical Society, Brookville, PA.)



The Eleanora Juvenile Brass Band gathered in 1909. Youngsters of the immigrant miners learned to play music together and the juvenile bands were organized in many of the mining communities. These bands were the training ground for their community bands. (Photo courtesy of Sam Mennetti and the Punxsutawney Area Historical and Genealogical Society Punxsutawney, PA.)



An artifact found by Eric Baker, on the site of the former mine patch town of Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA. Is a metal name tag from a "Yough Wood Lined Mine Pump," these were pumps used to pump water out of the mines, the pump was built by Boyts, Porter & Co., in Connellsville, PA
(Courtesy of Eric Baker.)





Another artifact found by Eric Baker from the site of the mine patch town of Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, is a metal or medallion that may at one time been attached to a ribbon, probably belonging to one of the miners from Austria or Germany that served in their army. It is a metal showing two soldier shaking hands and over the top of the soldiers are two heads. One head is Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany and the second head that of Franz Joseph of Austria. The date on the metal is 1914. This metal shows the World War I pact between Germany and Austria.
(Courtesy of Eric Baker.)



A view of some of the abandoned buildings in Eleanora, after the mines were shut down. (Courtesy of Ron Pollock, from Ohio.)



Eleanora Baseball Team, undated. (Courtesy of Bryon Brinson.)

MINING HISTORY; TIME LINE:

Eleanore Mines, Eleanora, McClamont Twp., Jefferson Co., PA

Eleanora Mining History as recorded in the Newspapers of the day.

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[from "*The Evening Bulletin*," Maysville, KY, June 6, 1890.]

STRIKE BROKEN.

The Soft Coal Miners In Western Pennsylvania Nearly all at Work.

Buffalo, N.Y., June 6.

The backbone of the strike of the soft coal miners in western Pennsylvania is practically broken. The mines of the Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Iron Company, at Walston, Adrian and Elenora are all at work. The men employed by the Fairmount and Bell Lewis and Yates mines refused to go out, and about fifty strikers at their other mines at Soldier Run returned to work on Tuesday, and additions are being made daily. The men employed at the Shawmut mines of the Shawmut Coal company decided to go back, but the owners were not ready to let them return, and the men are still out.

[from "*The Evening Bulletin*," Maysville, KY, June 6, 1890.]

1891

[from the "*Indiana County Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Aug. 5, 1891.]

The coal trade of the Ryensville, Pa., region is reported very dull.

The Bell, Lewis & Yates Coal Company have shut down their Sandy Lick mine and will close one of their Reynoldsville mines. Work is also very slack at the Rochester, Buffalo & Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company's Adrian, Elnora and Walston mines, and one of the Beech Tree mines has been closed down. The Helvetia Coal Company has also suffered from lack of orders and its mines have not been worked much for a month past. Operators, however, are preparing for a good winter trade.

The Bell, Lewis & Yates Coal Mining Company will build at Rathmel, in the Reynoldsville region, the largest and finest colliery known to the soft coal business in the United States. By some big work at present in the draining line an area of coal will be had to run the mines for from 25 to 35 years. The company is driving a tunnel from Sykes to Rathmet. It is not yet finished and will not be until the spring of 1892. By that time it is the intention to have six parallel headings driven into the hill at the Rathmet side. From these six main headings it is proposed to take daily 6,000 tons of coal. Mining machine will dig the coal and all of the improved appliances will be used, regardless of the cost.

[from the "*Indiana County Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Aug. 5, 1891.]

1894

By ca.1894 Eleanora No. 1 Mine and Eleanora No. 2 Mine were being mined by mining machines of the Ingersoll-Sergeant compressed air type.

[from the "*Titusville Herald*," Titusville, PA, April 20, 1894.]

THE BIG COAL STRIKE

**1,500 Jefferson County Coal Miners Quit Work Yesterday -
4,000 Now Out - 200,000 May Follow Suit Tomorrow.**

Rochester, N.Y., April 19.

The coal miners' strike in the mines of Bell, Lewis & Yates has spread to the other mines of the company and also to those owned by the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. The strike promises to be one of the greatest that has occurred in many years. The men employed in the Big Soldier mine, at Reynoldsville, Pa., numbering about 1,500, walked out at noon today and at the same hour those employed in the Adrian & Walston mines quit work.

The men at the Elnora, Beach Tree and Helvetia mines continued at work, but at 6 o'clock tonight announced their intention of not returning tomorrow. This puts at least 4,000 out of work.

It is claimed that when the 200,000 men go out on Saturday double that number will be affected in associated industries.

At the convention of the miners a resolution was adopted in which they stated they regretted the circumstance which led to a suspension being necessary, but they were ready to meet with the operators for the purpose of adjusting mining rates upon a living basis, and entering into another agreement which will give stability to their trade and assure peace and tranquility between employers and employees in all mining communities. The strike will especially affect the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh, whose principal business is the running of coal trains. This company handles over 500 cars a day. This coal is transported by rail to the connecting lines, and is used principally for railroad locomotives. The company delivers to the New York Central daily eight to ten cars

which are sent to the yards along the road, and for the past week the railroad has been laying in an extra large supply in anticipation of the trouble. All of the trestles are filled and there are hundreds of loaded cars in all of the yards.

Their coal supply for the Lyon's trestle comes over the Fall Brook, which will be tied up. The Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg and the Western New York and Pennsylvania will be practically tied up by next Monday night.

[from the "*Titusville Herald*," Titusville, PA, April 20, 1894.]

[from the "*New York Times*," New York, NY, June 25, 1894.]

[The 1894 Coal Miners Strike at Walston Mines.]

[The Bell, Lewis & Yates Company brings in scabs to replace the striking coal miners.]

Dissuaded by the Strikers

Men Engaged for the Walston Mine Refuse to Go to Work.

Punxsutawney, Penn., June 24, 1894.

Some time during last night twenty-five private police of the Bell, Lewis & Yates Company, who had been stationed at the Eleanora Mine, were taken through this place and stationed at Walston Mine. At 6:30 o'clock this morning sixty Poles and Slavs were brought here from Rochester and Buffalo and were immediately taken up to Walston. On their arrival there they were met by a crowd of miners composed mostly of their own people. The police stationed there made an attempt to prevent the miners from talking to them, but the crowd increased so rapidly and took such a determined stand that the police withdrew and called on the troops. The commanding officer with twelve men, who were doing guard duty, went to the scene, but found no disorder. The miners, as soon as the police left, explained to the new men that they had been brought there to take their places and, if possible, break the strike. The new men in reply said that they had been hired to work on the railroad at \$2.25 per day, and that they had no intention of taking the strikers' places. The striking miners took them to their houses, and are now feeding them. Some time to-night there will be more new men sent to Walston. The miners say that they do not intend to offer any violence, but they are determined to talk to the men and, if possible, persuade them not to go to work. Late this afternoon two passenger coaches filled with private police passed through here for Walston. The situation at this mine looks very grave, and it is possible that there may be a conflict within twenty-four hours between the miners and the police. At the Adrian Mine the company's old houses are being filled up with a large number of bunks and they are making other preparations for receiving new men. At the two camps of the National Guard everything is quiet. About 1,000 persons visited the camp of the Sixteenth Regiment at Walston to-day, a large part of them being miners.

[from the "*New York Times*," New York, NY, June 25, 1894.]

1896

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 11, 1896.]

Killed in Mine.

A foreigner who had been in this country two or three months, was killed by a fall of coal in the mines at Eleanora last Friday afternoon. His remains were buried in the cemetery at Eleanora Saturday afternoon. Rev. Metzenthin, of Reynoldsville, conducted the funeral services.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 11, 1896.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, July 8, 1896.]

John H. Hill, of Eleanora, charged with assault, who escaped from Brookville jail early in May, along with Dave Trainor, was recaptured at Peale. Clearfield county, last Saturday by the constable of Kylertown. He is again in Brookville jail after a vacation of just two months.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, July 8, 1896.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Aug. 26, 1896.]

Killed in the Mines.

Clyde Hawkinberry, aged eighteen years, a driver in the Eleanora mine, was killed while at work Monday night by being caught between the cars.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Aug. 26, 1896.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Sept. 16, 1896.];

[from "*The Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Sept. 19, 1896.]

Two Hundred New Ovens

Work was begun this morning on two hundred new coke ovens at Eleanora Mines. Two hundred ovens added to the already enormous coke plant of the R. & P. Company, which now has close to two thousand ovens, will add considerably to the importance of this community as a coke producing centre.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Sept. 16, 1896.];

[from "*The Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Sept. 19, 1896.]

1897

[from "*Iron & Machinery World*," Vol. 81, 1897, St. Louis, MO.]

It is announced that the Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Iron Company will build 200 new coke ovens at Reynoldsville, Pa., as soon as the fifty ovens now under way at Eleanora shall be completed.

[from "*Iron & Machinery World*," Vol. 81, 1897, St. Louis, MO.]

Eleanora No. 2 & No. 3 Mine a tail rope haulage system, about 3,000 feet long has been installed. Thirty-four new coke ovens were built. Fifteen houses for the workmen were built.

Eleanora Mines had 201 beehive coke ovens ca.1897.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 24, 1897.]

Buried in Beulah.

John Welsh, an old soldier who served in the late war in Co., H. 55th Pa. Volunteers, was killed in the mines at Eleanora last Thursday afternoon by a fall of coal. He and his room-mate had fired a shot and were loading a car when a loose end broke from the face and fell, striking him in the stomach knocking him down. Both legs were broken near the thigh. His right hip bone was broken and he was injured internally. He died instantly and without uttering a word. His remains were buried in Beulah cemetery Sunday forenoon under military honors, conducted by the John C. Conser Post No. 192, G. A. R.

of Reynoldsville. Conrades Joseph Shaffer and R. D. Beer drove to Eleanora Sunday morning and took charge of the remains of the departed comrade. The Post met the funeral procession at the outskirts of town and joined in the march to the silent city of the dead to pay respects to one who had served his country faithfully three years.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 24, 1897.]

[from the "*Hornellsville Weekly Tribune*," Hornellsville, NY, Fri., March 26, 1897.]

A dispatch states that the Punxsutawney police have arrested Alexander Russell, who is wanted in McKean county for committing a robbery in December. The man was staying with his brother at Eleanor Mines, and when the officers entered the house he tumbled out of a second-story window. Constable Record pursued, and after an exciting race of three quarter of a mile caught him. Last December Russell held up two Italians at Clermont, robbing them of jewelry and money.

Bradford Era.

[from the "*Hornellsville Weekly Tribune*," Hornellsville, NY, Fri., March 26, 1897.]

[from the "*Paterson Daily Press*," Paterson, N.J., Aug. 12, 1897.]

Many Mines Working.

Dubois, Pa., Aug. 12.

All mines in this section are working except at Reynoldsville. Vigorous efforts have been made throughout the region by agitators to induce the miners to join the strikers in other sections, but without avail. During the past week meetings have been held at every colliery of the Clearfield and Jefferson Coal Mining company and have been addressed by labor leaders and resolutions adopted favoring a strike, but work continues notwithstanding the efforts and resolutions to get the men out. At Reynoldsville the miners struck because one of their number was discharged. It is claimed by the strikers that the man was discharged because he took a prominent part favoring the strike. The Shawmut, Brickport, Toby Valley, Eleanora, Helvetia, Adrian, Walston, Coal Glen, Rochester and London mines are working.

[from the "*Paterson Daily Press*," Paterson, N.J., Aug. 12, 1897.]

[from "*The Milwaukee Journal*," Milwaukee, WI, Aug. 28, 1897.]

JOIN THE STRIKERS.

Miners Gain Recruits and Start a Big Movement.

DuBois, Pa., Aug. 28.

The Eleanor miners joined the strikers this morning and with the Reynoldsville miners are marching 600 strong to Walston and Adrian. The Eleanor miners were originally very much opposed to striking, but such strong pressure was brought to bear that they quit work. The Reynoldsville miners camped at Eleanor last night and the marchers left that place at 4 o'clock this morning.

The Walston and Adrian miners will probably strike today and this will preclude the possibility of the miners here holding a meeting Monday to reconsider the question of returning to work. General Manager Robinson is in New York city consulting with the owners of the mines but is expected home today.

[from "*The Milwaukee Journal*," Milwaukee, WI, Aug. 28, 1897.]

[from the "*Boston Globe*," Boston, MA, Aug. 28, 1897.]

ELEANORA MINERS QUIT.

Strikers 600 Strong March on Walston and Adrian.

Men at These Mines Are Expected to Join Ranks Today.

This Precludes Holding of Meeting to Consider Resumption.

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[from the "*Boston Globe*," Boston, MA, Aug. 28, 1897.]

[From "*New York World*," New York, NY, Aug. 29, 1897.]

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[From "*New York World*," New York, NY, Aug. 29, 1897.]

[from "*The Daily Star*." Fredericksburg, VA, Sept. 3, 1897.]

Settlement Afar Off.

Dubois, Pa., Sept. 3.

The mines represented at the convention here yesterday were the Rochester, London and Sandy Lick, of this place, and Adrian, Walston, Eleanora, Helvetia, Rathmet and Reynoldsville, which mines are all on strike and are operated by the Jefferson and Clearfiueld Coal and Iron company. The delegates represented 5,000 to 6,000 miners, who have formulated demands which place the miners and operators apparently further apart than ever, and the prospect of settlement is remote. The rate asked is 32 cents for machine mining and 40 for pick. General Manager Robinson has offered 40 cents for pick mining and 24 cents for machine.

[from "*The Daily Star*." Fredericksburg, VA, Sept. 3, 1897.]

1898

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 9, 1898.]

Killed at Eleanora.

Last Saturday evening a Swede named A. G. Carlson was fatally injured while crossing the B. R. & P. tracks at Eleanora. He was employed in the mines, and had just drawn his pay, when he started across the road from the store, and while walking along the railroad track, two cars, which were being shifted, came along at a rapid gait and struck Carlson. His arm was cut off at the shoulder, and he was badly crushed and bruised generally. He

was taken to the Adrian hospital, where he died soon afterwards for his injuries.
[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 9, 1898.]

By ca.1898, Eleanora Mines also had bee-hive coke ovens and produced 100,164 tons of coke that year. For the period ended December 31, 1898, Eleanora Mines produced 232,123 tons of coal, and the total number of men and boys employed had grown to 902.

1899

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 22, 1899.]

The *Ridgeway Star* says Hyde, Murphy & Co., have closed a deal to build forty-five double tenement houses in the coal mining town of Eleanora and Adrian. Over a million feet of hemlock lumber will be used in the construction of the buildings.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 22, 1899.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, May 10, 1899.]

Joseph Facemier, of Eleanora, aged about thirty years, died at the Adrian Hospital on Tuesday morning of appendicitis. He leaves a wife and two children.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, May 10, 1899.]

[from "*The Pittsburgh Press*," Pittsburgh, PA, July 17, 1899.]

A report from the central field was today received from the chairman in charge of the relief work, at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers. It states that the Bloomington company's mines are still idle, as also are Rinn's two mines, on account of strike. The pick miners have been offered a 2-cent advance on the ton, which brings the price up to 30 cents, still 15 cents below the scale of 45 cents a ton. This offer has been refused. Still it would be less by 4 ½ cents a ton than what the machine miners of the B. R. & P. railroad men are getting.

At these latter mines work had been resumed with the exception of two men, who will not permit the other to remain idle or strike on their account, even if they cannot go to work, they being on the blacklist.

At the Eleanora mines the men are joining the organization very fast. The hall where the meetings are usually held is too small to accommodate the crowds, so two local unions have been formed. There are several fields to hear from, but the indications are that this will be a bog month for increase in membership in all the mining districts.

[from "*The Pittsburgh Press*," Pittsburgh, PA, July 17, 1899.]

1900

The mining town of Eleanora contained approximately 89 miners houses, and an independent town named Desire developed nearby in Henderson Twp. to house the population overflow from the main community.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.]

A fellow from Eleanora was arrested Saturday night for driving a mule up and down Main Street too fast. He was fined \$8.00.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.]

TWO MEN KILLED.

An Empty Car Collided With a Loaded Trip at Eleanora Saturday.

James Potts and William Ruddick were instantly killed, and Mose Methuine serious injured in No. 2 mine at Eleanora early Saturday morning. On account of something being wrong with the rope haulage Friday evening the last trip of loaded cars was not hauled out of mine and Saturday morning the three men mentioned got into an empty car to ride into the mine to bring out the trip of loaded cars. Part of the distance they had to ride the grade was very steep and they lost control of the car, but expected to gain control again before they reached the loaded cars. The grip rider had entered the mine another way and started the trip out after the empty car had started into the mine and the car made so much noise that the men could not hear the rope running and did not know the danger they were in. The empty car and loaded trip collided on the steep grade and the men had no chance to escape. Ruddick was from Beechtree and his body was taken there for burial. Potts was buried at Eleanora. The odd Fellows had charge of his funeral. Ruddick was 35 years old and Potts was 32. Methuine, who is from Coal Glen, was not expected to live for a time but he will recover.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.]

1902

[from the "*New Bethlehem Vindicator*," New Bethlehem, PA, Fri., Jan. 24, 1902.]

Briefly Mentioned.

Seven hundred men employed at Eleanora mines by the Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Iron Company are on strike because an electric hauling system has been installed there, and the operators, it is said, refuse them the use of mules for inside work, compelling them to push the cars both ways to the mine headings.

[from the "*New Bethlehem Vindicator*," New Bethlehem, PA, Fri., Jan. 24, 1902.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 5, 1902.]

Wishaw

Charley Dickey, who has been working at the Eleanora Mines for the last three months, has resigned his position at that place. He intends going South.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 5, 1902.]

[from the "*Titusville Herald*," Titusville, PA, Wed., May 28, 1902.]

Fatal Mine Explosion.

Punxsutawney, Pa., May 27.

An unknown Hun was killed and three others badly burned by an explosion in the Eleanora mine. Samuel Bell, one of the injured, will probably die.

[from the "*Titusville Herald*," Titusville, PA, Wed., May 28, 1902.]

[from the "*Connersville Evening News*," Connersville, IN, Wed., May 28, 1902.]

Mine Explosion.

Punxsutawney, Pa., May 27.

An unknown Hungarian was killed and three others badly burned by an explosion in the Eleanor mines.

[from the "*Connersville Evening News*," Connersville, IN, Wed., May 28, 1902.]

[from the "*New Castle News*," New Castle, PA, May 28, 1902.]

Pittsburg, Pa., May 28.

An explosion of gas in a new heading being driven in the slope at Eleanor Mines eight miles from here, where five men were at work yesterday, killed a Hungarian miner and badly burned three of his countrymen. Samuel Bell, an American miner, who was working at the same place, was also seriously burned about the head and face and may die.

[from the "*New Castle News*," New Castle, PA, May 28, 1902.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, May 28, 1902.]

GAS EXPLOSION AT ELEANORA

One Miner Killed, Three Badly Injured – Miraculous Escape of Others.

A gas explosion occurred in the coal mine at Eleanora about 7:30 a.m. yesterday, May 27. Andrew Karmsik, a Slav, was instantly killed and Samuel Bell, a driver, had his hands and face badly burned. Mike Copic and Peter Zerzeh, Hungarians, suffered from inhaling gas. These three men were taken to Adrian Hospital. We learned over the 'phone this morning, direct fro hospital, that the three men are getting along nicely and will recover. Copic and Zaerzeth will be able to walk around to-day.

The explosion occurred about two miles in the mine, along the rope haulage No. 2. There were seventeen men working in the room when the explosion occurred and it was almost a miracle that they were not all killed. Ball happened to be standing behind his mule when the blast came and that is what saved him from meeting the same fate as Karmsik. The mule was killed. After the explosion the men were left in total darkness. Ball thought of the air line and called to the men to feel for it and they crawled along the air line on their hands and knees about eighty yards to safety, but were almost exhausted.

It was the first reported in Reynoldsville that eighteen men had been killed by the explosion and that eight dead bodies had been taken from the mine. This report naturally raised considerable excitement in town. It was not until noon that the true facts in the case were known at this place.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, May 28, 1902.]

[from the "*New Bethlehem Vindicator*," New Bethlehem, PA, Fri., May 30, 1902.]

Briefly Mentioned.

A man was killed and two others dangerously injured by a gas explosion at Eleanora Mines on Tuesday. All three are Hungarians.

[from the "*New Bethlehem Vindicator*," New Bethlehem, PA, Fri., May 30, 1902.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 17, 1902.]

Wishaw

Walter King met with a very painful accident while working in the mines at Eleanora, he cut off the second finger of his left hand and an ax. Walter you want to be more careful with such a sharp instrument like that.

Isaac Butson, of Eleanora, was in town on last Sunday.
[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 17, 1902.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Oct. 15, 1902.]

Sunday Excursion to Eleanora.

On the afternoon of next Sunday, October 19, at 3 o'clock, the new bell of the Eleanora Catholic church will be solemnly blessed in front of the church with all the beautiful and impressive ceremonies prescribed for such an occasion. A number of societies and neighboring priests have already promised to assist at the ceremony. Excursion trains will be run from Rathmel and Reynoldsville via Falls Creek, DuBois, Sykes and Big Run. Also from Punxsutawney, Walston and Adrian....

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Oct. 15, 1902.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Oct. 15, 1902.]

Killed at Eleanora.

Peter Johson, a Swede, who was employed on the rock gang in mine No. 2 at Eleanora, was killed at about 5:30 p.m. on Saturday. He had just fired a shot rock with the result as stated above. He leaves a wife and five small children to mourn his loss. He was a faithful employee of the company for nearly twenty years. Johnson formerly resided in Reynoldsville.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Oct. 15, 1902.]

1903

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Aug. 26, 1903.]

MET AWFUL DEATH.

Albert Swanson Scaled to Death at the Bottom of the New Eleanora Shaft.

Albert Swanson, of near Eleanora, who was employed as engineer on the pumps at the bottom of the new shaft, met a horrible death while 278 feet underground last Wednesday night. Mr. Swanson went to the shaft as usual, and entering the bucket in the man hole was lowered to the bottom. Mr. Swanson was due to return in about fifteen minutes, but when that time had expired no signal was given. Conductor Milliren, who is notified by an electric bell when anyone is waiting to be brought up, stood at his post but heard no sound. Finally he became alarmed, and after a conference with the engineer, decided to bring the bucket to the surface. The sight which met their gaze when the bucket came to the surface, was an awful one. Swanson's body hung lifeless over the edge of the vessel, the unfortunate man having been literally boiled to death in hot steam. An investigation revealed the fact that when Swanson had gone to the bottom, and before he alighted from the bucket, a large steam hose had burst knocking him senseless, after which the scalding steam soon burned him to death.

The deceased was about 45 years old and is survived by his widow and seven children. His remains were interred in the cemetery at Sugar Hill on Friday. It is understood that the coal company bore the funeral expenses and presented the widow a check for \$1,000.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Aug. 26, 1903.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

Killed in Mine.

Frank Kristolik, a Hungarian, was killed in the coal mines at Eleanora last Friday by a fall of rock.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

Hurt in the Mines.

Mike Swellen, aged 16, who works in No. 3 Eleanora mine, had his right leg broken above the knee, and the tibia or large bone of the same leg broken above the ankle, by falling between moving coal cars. He was brought to the Punxsutawney hospital where it was found that he had suffered a severe wound on his back also. The young man is the only support of a widowed mother and six brothers and sisters, in consequence of which the accident last Thursday is a serious set-back to the Swellen family.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

Killed by Fall of Rock.

Frank Rustovick, a machine operator in No. 3 Mine, Eleanora, was crushed to death by a fall of rock last Thursday at 12:30 p.m. The unfortunate man had just finished a cutting and was in the act of removing the machine when a boulder of solid rock, which measured 20 feet in length, 10 feet in width, and 7 feet in thickness, and weighed about 200 tons, came crashing down from directly overhead. When the shovelers, who barely escaped instant death also, turned to look for their companion, it was found that he had been covered. Owing to the enormous size of the rock it could not be moved and the men who came to the rescue found it necessary to mine under it to get the body. When the point was reached where Rustovick was standing when the rock fell the miners became ably horrified, as the body of their unfortunate companion had been almost annihilated. The work of collecting the fragments was a gruesome task and was extremely difficult to accomplish. The remains were interred in the Catholic Cemetery at Lindsey on Saturday, Rev. Father Weinker officiating at the funeral. The deceased, who was about 40 years of age, is survived by a widow and four children. He was one of the first miners to strike a pick at Eleanora, and was highly esteemed by his associates and the residents of the community where he lived.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

Mike Sulim, aged sixteen years, a trapper in the coal mines at Eleanora, had his right leg broken in two places, near thigh and below the knee, last Friday by being caught under a coal car. He is in the Adrian Hospital.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.]

1904

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 2, 1904.]

Peter Liptaz, a miner at Eleanora, died of grip Friday night, aged 40 years and was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at that place on Sunday.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 2, 1904.]

1905

A disaster occurred at the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905, an explosion in which 13 miners were killed.

[from the "*Santa Fe New Mexican*," Santa Fe, New Mexico, Fri., April 28, 1905.]

SIXTEEN MINERS KILLED.

The Result of an Explosion of Dangerous Gases in Eleanora Mine in Pennsylvania.

Dubois, Pa, April 28.

Sixteen men were killed and one will die as the result of an explosion at the Eleanora shaft near Big Run. The shaft is located one half mile from Big Run, twelve miles south of here. It is in an isolated place and the explosion which occurred some time last night was not known in the city until this afternoon. The mine is owned and operated by the Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Iron Company and is a comparatively new shaft, having been opened about two years ago. The mine was thought to be free from dangerous gases. The night shift was small or there would have been more fatalities.

Every man who was in the mine at the time of the explosion, except one, is reported as being killed. Three bodies have thus far been recovered.

[from the "*Santa Fe New Mexican*," Santa Fe, New Mexico, Fri., April 28, 1905.]

[from "*The Piqua Daily Call*," Piqua, OH, April 28, 1905.]

SIXTEEN MEN KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION

Only One of the Men at the Mine Escaped Death and He Was Probably Fatally Injured.

Dubois, Pa, April 28.

Sixteen men were killed and one will die as the result of an explosion at the Eleanora shaft near Big Run. The shaft is located one half mile from Big Run on the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railroad, 12 miles south of here.

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The mine was thought to be free from dangerous gases. The night shift was small or there would have been more fatalities. Every man who was in the mine at the time of the explosion, except one, is reported as being killed. Three bodies have thus far been recovered. Two of them were brothers named Kirkwood. The men were English speaking and resided at Eleanor, a small mining village 2 miles from the shaft.

[from "*The Piqua Daily Call*," Piqua, OH, April 28, 1905.]

[from the "*Bluefield Daily Telegraph*," Bluefield, WV, Sat., April 29, 1905.]

Explosion in Mine; Thirteen Missing.

BuBois, Pa., April 28.

An explosion occurred in the Eleanora mine of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company this morning. Thirteen miners are missing and it is believed they are dead. Three bodies have been recovered by a rescuing party.

[from the "*Bluefield Daily Telegraph*," Bluefield, WV, Sat., April 29, 1905.]

[from "*The Washington Post*," Washington, District of Columbia, Sat., April 29, 1905.] ;

[from "*The Evening Record*," Greenville, PA, Sat., April 29, 1905.]

TWELVE DIE IN MINE

Workers Killed in an Explosion Near DuBois, Pa.

DISASTER IS A MYSTERY

Eleanora Shaft Said to Have Been Particularly Free of Gas.

Theory of the inspectors Is that a Blast Was Prematurely Discharged - Brattice Work was Blown Down and Rescuers Had Hard Work in Reaching the Scene of the Explosion - Death Came Instantly to the Working Miners.

Dubois, Pa, April 28.

The mine disaster that occurred at Eleanora shaft last night is the worst that has taken place in this region since 1896 when thirteen men were killed in the Brewind-White shaft near this city. Last night twelve were killed and one had both legs and both arms broken. He will probably die. The explosion last night occurred at 9 35 o'clock but for unaccountable reason word was not sent to surrounding towns until this morning.

The dead, so far as known are:

George Kirkwood, married, six children.

Adam Kirkwood, married, four children.

Joe Lonna, married, five children.

Frank Schrum, married, three children.

August Westcavich, single.

Martin Westcavich, married.

Nick Fromansky, single.

John Fromansky, wife and three children.

John Hopkins, trap boy

Also two foreigners whose names could not be learned.

Injured.

Harry Mohny, arms and legs broken, married and had family.

Rescue Work Slow

Although it was known at the time that the accident was an appalling one and that the death list would be great, the news did not become generally known in the little village until this morning. Superintendent Fleming was notified and organized a small rescuing party. It was slow work because the brattice work had been blown down and had to be replaced as they proceeded. At 12 o'clock last night the rescuers found Harry Mohny, motorman. He was unconscious, and did not revive until this morning when he was taken to the Adrian Hospital.

It was not until 9 o'clock this morning that any more victims were found, John Hopkins, the trapper boy was the first and his body was taken to his home a few rods from the tittle. Others were brought to the surface frequently until the last was recovered late this afternoon. An examination of the bodies as they were laid on the floor of the shop building near the shaft indicated that death had come instantly. Those that had black dust washed from their bodies showed evidence of having been burned, scarlet spots showing all over their bodies. Their clothing tore as though made of paper. There could

not have been much flame however, as the hair of the victims was not scorched.

Cause Unknown

Assistant Superintendent Driscoll telephoned this morning to Mine Inspector Hampson but up until 3 o'clock this afternoon he had not arrived until the official investigation has been made it cannot be said what caused the explosion. The mining officials are emphatic in their assertions that it was not caused by gas. It is claimed that this shaft was exceptionally free from gas although there was some present. It is the theory of the officials that the charge that caused the disaster was put in a hole surrounded by hard material probably slate that was extra heavy and resisted the powder, blowing the charge out of the hole or it may be that it was not properly tramped although this is conjecture. Superintendent Fleming and Assistant Superintendent Driscoll were all through the mine Wednesday and there was no gas present at that time. Mr. Driscoll made another trip yesterday and everything seemed to be in good shape. Fire Boss Rue was in the west heading near where the explosion took place thirty five minutes before it occurred and says there was not the slightest indication of the presence of gas.

Thirty two men were working in the mine when the explosion took place. Those who were uninjured had no difficulty in reaching the surface.

[from "*The Washington Post*," Washington, District of Columbia, Sat., April 29, 1905.]

[from "*The Evening Record*," Greenville, PA, Sat., April 29, 1905.]

[from the "*Lock Haven Express*," Lock Haven, PA, April 29, 1905.]

Appalling Accident in Eleanora Shaft Not Disclosed Until Day Following – Imprefect Handling of Charge Probably Responsible.

DuBois, April 29.

Twelve were killed and one man was perhaps mortally wounded in an explosion at the Eleanora shaft of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg company, twelve miles south of here Thursday night.

The disaster is the worst that has taken place in this region since 1890, when thirteen men were killed in the Berwind-White shaft, near this city. The explosion occurred at 9:35 Thursday night, but for some unaccountable reason word was not sent to surrounding town until Friday morning.

The dead so far know are:

George Kirkwood, married, six children; Adam Kirkwood, married, four children;

Joseph Leona, married, five children;

Frank Schrum, married, three children;

August Westcavitch, single;

Martin Westcavitch, married;

Nick Promansky, single;

John Fromansky, wife and three children;

George Tansky, single; John Hopkins, trap boy;

also two foreigners, whose names could bit be learned.

Injured: Harry Mahoney, arms and legs broken, married and has family, will likely die.

News Travels Slowly.

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[from the "*Lock Haven Express*," Lock Haven, PA, April 29, 1905.]

[from the "*Logansport Reporter*," Logansport, Indiana, April 29, 1905.]

DEATH IS MET IN MINE EXPLOSION.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER OCCURS NEAR DUBOIS, PA.

A DOZEN MEN ARE KILLED.

ONLY ONE IS INJURED, BUT HE MAY DIE –

OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION WILL BE REQUIRED TO DETERMINE CAUSE.

Dubois, Pa., April 29.

The mine disaster that occurred at Eleanora shaft Thursday night is the worst that has taken place in this region since 1896, when 12 men were killed in the Berwind-White shaft, near this city. Twelve were killed and one had both legs and both arms broken. He will probably die. The explosion, occurred at 9:35, but for some unaccountable reason word was not set to surrounding towns until morning.

The dead, so far as known, are:

GEORGE KIRKWOOD, married, six children.

ADAM KIRKWOOD, married, four children.
JOE LONNA, married, five children.
FRANK SCHRUM, married, three children.
AUGUST WASTCAVITCH, single.
MARTIN WESTCAVITCH, married.
NICK FROMANSKY, single.
JOHN FROMANSKY, wife and three children.
GEORGE TANSKY, single.
JOHN HOPKINS, trap boy.
Also two foreigners whose names could not be learned.

Injured:

HARRY MOHNEY, arms and legs broken, married and has family.

At midnight the rescuers found HARRY MOHNEY motorman. He was unconscious, and did not revive until morning, when he was taken to the Adrian Hospital. He could not talk, however. It was not until nine o'clock in the morning that any more victims were found. JOHN HOPKINS, the trapper boy, was the first, and his body was taken to his home, a few rods from the tipple. Others were brought to the surface frequently until the last was recovered late in the afternoon. An examination of the bodies as they were laid on the floor of the little building near the shaft indicated that death had come instantly. Those that had the black dust washed from their bodies showed evidences of having been burned, scarlet spots showing all over their bodies. Their clothing tears as though it were made of paper. There could not have been much flame, however, as the hair of the victims was not scorched.

Until the official investigation has been made it cannot be said what caused the explosion. The mining officials are emphatic in the assertions that it was not caused by gas. It is claimed that this shaft was exceptionally free from gas, although there was some present. It is the theory of the officials that the charge that caused the disaster was put in a hole surrounded by hard material, probably slate that was extra heavy and resisted the powder, blowing the charge out of the hole, or it may be that it was not properly tamped, although this is conjecture.

[from the "*Logansport Reporter*," Logansport, Indiana, April 29, 1905.]

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, May 1, 1905.]

Mine Victims Buried.

Services Over the Bodies of Seven Unfortunates Were Held Yesterday.

Seven of the 13 victims of the explosion at the Eleanore Shafts near Big Run were buried in Punxsutawney yesterday.

The funerals of George and Adam Kirkwood, two other victims, were held at Sugar Hill today. A boy named Hopkins was also buried today.

The mine where the explosion occurred is owned by the Jefferson & Clearfield company.

This company operates the mines at Ernest and Iselin in this county.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, May 1, 1905.]

[from the "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Wed., May 3, 1905.]

Seven Funerals on Sabbath.

Seven of the victims of the explosion at the Eleanora mine of the B. R. & P. near Punxsutawney were buried Sunday last. They were all foreigners. Three others, Americans, were buried Monday. The explosion occurred Thursday from what cause will likely never be known as all working in that part were killed outright. Nigh fore boss had made his tour of inspection only a few minutes before and pronounced all right. Possibly it was an explosion of dust caused by a premature discharge of a blast.

[from the "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Wed., May 3, 1905.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Oct. 25, 1905.]

Killed in the Mines.

Michael Zarboski, a Polander, aged 23 years, was caught by a string of cars that had jumped the track in Eleanora shaft Friday night and fearfully crushed, living about an hour after the accident. He, with a companion, was on his way out of the mines when a trip of cars coming toward them jumped the tack, Zarboski's companion had time to escape but the other was caught and drawn under the wheels, crushing his legs and bruising and cutting his body so badly that he lived only a short time. The remains were taken to Sprankle & Elwood's where they were prepared for burial. Interment took place in the Anita Catholic Cemetery Sunday afternoon.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Oct. 25, 1905.]

[from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, Nov. 29, 1905.]

BURGLAR IS KILLED.

Broke into Home of Hardware Clerk, Who Used His Weapon.

Punxsutawney, Pa., Nov. 28.

Jack Butler, a miner at the Eleanora shaft, was shot and instantly killed by J. B. Beam in Big Run. At midnight Mrs. Beam was awakened by a noise down stairs. She aroused her husband. Peering down the stairway he saw a man at the landing. The stranger was challenged, but he continued to ascend the stairs. Beam fired two shots into the wall, expecting to frighten him away.

The burglar followed Beam into the latter's bedroom, where, during a tussle, Beam fired again. The bullet struck the man's heart and he fell dead. Beam is a clerk in the Campbell hardware store at Big Run, and having taken the day's receipts home with him it is supposed Butler's motive was robbery.

[from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, Nov. 29, 1905.]

[from the "*Wellsboro Gazette*," Wellsboro, PA, Nov. 30, 1905.]

THIRD SHOT IS EFFECTIVE

Hardware Clerk Tried to Frighten Burglar Before Killing Him.

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[from the "*Wellsboro Gazette*," Wellsboro, PA, Nov. 30, 1905.]

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[from the "*Rake Register*," Rake, IA, March 8, 1906.]

Miscellaneous.

Because her hair was turning gray, Mrs. William Thomas, a young matron of Eleanora, Pa, committed suicide. She swallowed caustic potash, and when a doctor was called threatened to kill him if he would not let her die.

[from the "*Rake Register*," Rake, IA, March 8, 1906.]

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 21, 1906.]

Killed in Mines.

Two Hungarians were killed in No. 2 mine at Eleanora about noon last Saturday by a fall of rock. One was killed instantly and the other one died after he was taken of the mine.

Both men were married. Their wives are in the old country.

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 21, 1906.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 21, 1906.]

KILLED AT ELEANORA

Two Miners Met Death by Fall of Rock Saturday.

Steve Teher and Anthony Sucosh, Hungarian miners, were caught in a fall of rock in the Eleanora Slope Saturday at about 12:30 o'clock, p.m., and were so badly crushed that Teher died soon after and Sucosh expired about an hour after the accident. About five tons of rock descended upon the unfortunate men. Teher's head was crushed into a mass and Sucosh's body was almost severed at the abdomen. Both men are survived by widows and two children each, who live in the old country. Teher was 34 and Sucosh was 38 years old. The former was buried in the Old Cemetery at Desire Sunday at three o'clock, p.m. and the latter in the Catholic Cemetery, Soldier, at 9 o'clock, a.m. L. H. Reed, undertaker of Desire, conducted both funerals. Teher carried insurance amounting to \$700.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 21, 1906.]

[from "*The New York Times*," New York, NY, June 5, 1906.]

CORNERED BEEF POISONS FORTY

Miners Thought at First It Was Firedamp and Bosses Said Poison.

Punxsutawney, Penn., June 4.

Forty miners employed at the Eleanor shaft became suddenly ill Saturday and were obliged to quit work.

The men at first believed that were affected by firedamp, while coal company officials thought that poison was put in the men's dinner pails by strikers.

Late to-night the statement was made that they were poisoned by eating corned beef. All will recover.

[from *"The New York Times,"* New York, NY, June 5, 1906.]

[from the *"Indiana Democrat,"* Indiana, PA, Aug. 29, 1906.]

NEW OFFICERS WILL INCREASE OUTPUT.

Many Improvements Are to be Made in the Mines of the J. & C. Company

A.W. Calloway who, August 1, became General Superintendent of the Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company, Monday completed the reorganization of the management of the company's operations by announcing the appointment of the following superintendents: T. S. Lowther, superintendent of Walston Mines, vice T. R. Johns, resigned; Earl E. Hewitt, superintendent of Adrian Mines, to succeed Mr. Calloway; Robert B. Dick to be superintendent of mines at Florence. The superintendents at Helvetia Shaft, Eleanora Shaft and Helvetia, have been retained.

All of the mines of the R. & P. and J. & C. Coal and Iron companies and subsidiary companies are in full blast, the daily production, about 31,000 tons, being the largest in the history of the companies. The output of the mines shipping coal over the B. R. & P. railroad will increased all along the line by increasing the present facilities and making new openings. Plans are also being prepared for a new mine at Homer City, Indiana county, and another opening will be made at Iselin which will be known as Mine No. 3. The new openings will be provided with the latest and most improved equipment and machinery known to modern mining and it is stated that be January 1, 1907, the output of the mining operations of which L. W. Robinson is president, will be increased to 50,000 tons daily.

[from the *"Indiana Democrat,"* Indiana, PA, Aug. 29, 1906.]

[from the *"Indiana County Gazette,"* Indiana, PA, Wed., Nov. 28, 1906.];

[from the *"Wellsboro Agitator,"* Wellsboro, Tioga Co., PA, Nov. 28, 1906.]

TEACHER IS SHOT BY ANGRY PUPIL

When Forbidden to Go Hunting Lad Fires Shot into Prof. Kohler and Assistant.

HE WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Punxsutawney, Pa., Nov. 22.

Because his teacher refused to grant him permission to go hunting, James Dougherty, Jr., the 16 year old son of James Dougherty of Eleanora mines, near Punxsutawney, last evening shot and seriously wounded Prof. J. E. Kohler, principal of the Desire schools, and Prof. Meade Snyder, assistant principal, as they were on their way home from school.

Dougherty ran home and, securing a shotgun, approached the two principals and asked again to go hunting. On being again refused he fired, Professor Snyder receiving part of the charge of buckshot in his face, body and legs.

Snyder was taken to his boarding house by Professor Kohler who was only slightly wounded in the right leg. Snyder is in critical condition. Young Dougherty was taken into custody.

[from the *"Indiana County Gazette,"* Indiana, PA, Wed., Nov. 28, 1906.];

[from the *"Wellsboro Agitator,"* Wellsboro, Tioga Co., PA, Nov. 28, 1906.]

[From the *"Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1906."* Harrisburg, PA].

Eleanora Nos. 1 and No. 2 Mines were found in good condition. In Eleanora No. 2 Mine they are pushing the heading toward the shaft night and day. They meet with difficulties in the way of water, and sometimes rolls. This heading is going to the dip, and when connection is made with the heading from the shaft the water will drain to that point. Since the strike Eleanora No. 3 Mine has not worked, the men having been transferred to Eleanora No. 2 Mine.

In ca.1906 the Eleanora Mines produced 476,026 tons of coal and 55,394 tons of coke and employed 657 men and boys and 29 horses and mules.

Fatal Accidents

Falls of Coal, Slate and Roof.

March 17, Steve Fahier and Andy Lucash, Slavonians, miners, working in a heading in Eleanora No. 2 Mine, were killed by a fall of slate. They had just finished loading the car when the slate fell from between two slips and both were caught under it. The accident was unavoidable.

Electricity

May 31, Simon Kodel, Russian, miner, at Eleanora 2 mine, was killed by electricity. He was going to work with a lot of other miners, and in trying to avoid stepping in a pool of water between the rails, he lost his balance and came in contact with the electric wire and was shocked to death. The accident was due to his own carelessness.

September 12, Thomas Forsythe, American, motorman, in Eleanora shaft, was killed by electric shock. He was working on the night shift, and took an empty trip into the pump heading, where the wire had fallen out of the hanger and was hanging down around the heading curve. The driver that was with him wanted him to adjust the wire hanger, but Forsythe said he could get the motor out of the heading without fixing it. He attempted to come out without reversing his trolley pole and was pushing the pole ahead, and as he came on to the curve the pole slipped off the wire, and the wire fell down striking him on the back of the neck and killing him instantly. The accident was due to his own carelessness, as he should have taken time to adjust the wire.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1906.*" Harrisburg, PA].

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from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, April 10, 1907.]

Boy Stabbed.

A christening at Eleanora last Saturday night resulted in the injury of three, one a boy but fifteen years of age, who, for a time it was feared, was seriously injured.

After the ceremony had been performed the guests proceeded to enjoy themselves and as a result a free-for-all fight was started, during which Mike Tote stabbed Steve Vargo, a fifteen year-old boy just above the heart, the blade of the knife striking a rib and breaking. Mike was also rather badly scratched up as was one other of the participants.

The state police were called Sunday morning to arrest Tote, and a detail consisting of Privates Haas, Keogh, Richards and Florentin was at once sent out. They arrested their man about twelve o'clock at Eleanora shaft.

Monday morning Andy Tote, step-father of the injured boy and Andy Vargo, an uncle, came down to make information against the prisoner, who in turn had the informants arrested. After talking it over they agreed not to prosecute and settled all cost among themselves.

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, April 10, 1907.]

[from the "*DuBois Courier Express*," DuBois, PA, June 8, 1907.]

[from the "Looking Back" column of the "*DuBois Courier-Express*," DuBois, Pa, Friday, June 8, 2007.]

Thursday, June 6, 1907

Eleanora and Desire Being Abandoned

Eleanora and Desire are not of the importance which they once were. These towns lying as they do on the line of the trolley nearly midway between Reynoldsville and Punxsutawney, at one time gave much trade to the two towns named. Now, it is said, they scarcely mine twenty-five percent of the coal tonnage which they once did. The people are moving away and the houses are standing idle.

[from the "*DuBois Courier Express*," DuBois, PA, June 8, 1907.]

[from the "Looking Back" column of the "*DuBois Courier-Express*," DuBois, Pa, Friday, June 8, 2007.]

[from "*The Coal Trade Journal*," Vol. XLVI, January 1st to Dec. 31st, 1907, New York New York.]

Some time ago a resident of Big Run, Jefferson County, invented what was to be a way of using the heat of coke ovens for making the power which runs the mine. It was at once seen that an arrangement of this kind would be a great saving, and while the idea was given a practical test, there were some things which were not perfected about it enough to make it success. The originator of the idea has been working for the Rochester & Pittsburgh C. & I. Since the first trial of his idea was made at the Eleanora coke ovens, and it is said he has it so perfected at this time that it will be a success, although there is no date given when the second trial is to be made.

[from "*The Coal Trade Journal*," Vol. XLVI, January 1st to Dec. 31st, 1907, New York New York.]

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[from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, Wed., July 29, 1908.]

ALLEGED MURDERERS OF ROBERT TOZER SAID TO HAVE MADE A CONFESSION.

Two Foreigners in County Jail

Tell Contadictory Stories of Killing of the Blind Veteran.

Blaming the actual killing of Robert Tozer, the partially blind veteran who was murdered in a field near Glen Campbell on Saturday, July 18, upon each other, Bruno Carbino and Joe Veltra, prisoners in the county jail are said to have admitted they killed and robbed the helpless man. The partial confession of the crime was secured by the severe questioning of County Detective Josiah Neal, Undertaker Charles McCrady and others at Glen Campbell the night following the capture of the two men at Logan.

A visit to the home of Jim Farino, where the prisoners were found, resulted in finding secreted in the bedclothes a thirty-eight calibre revolver, three \$20 bills and the watch the aged veteran carried at the time of his death.

Both prisoners admit that they met Tozer Saturday forenoon on board the train from Punxsutawney, that they induced him to leave the train with them at McGees, where he

brought drinks for the party. He was then lured to Martin's woods, where the crime was committed. They admit the man was shot twice, first in the head and then in the back, but each blames the act of firing the shots upon the other.

The web of evidence which has been spun about these men by their own admissions makes the outlook for them dark, indeed, and while there were no witnesses to the crime everything points to the two men being the heartless slayers of the aged and helpless soldier. Their case will, in all probability, come up for trial in September.

The body of the murdered man was taken to Baxter, Jefferson Co., his home, on Tuesday night of last week by N. M. Muller. Mr. Muller declares Tozer had fully \$800 upon his person when he left home on July 17, but the prisoners insist that but \$80 was taken from their victim.

Carbino and Veltra, the two prisoners, were employed at the Eleanora mines, near Punxsutawney, until recently. Carbino, who is an average sized man, is said to have been implicated in the Black Hand cutting affray at Heilwood last year, when an alleged member of the notorious society was killed. Veltra is short and stout and carried a large scar over one eye.

[from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, Wed., July 29, 1908.]

[from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, July 29, 1908.]

KILLED BY FALL OF SLATE

Rossiter Man Met With Fatal Accident on Saturday.

James O'Brien, who had been employed in the mines at Rossiter but a few week, was instantly killed by a fall of slate while at work on Saturday morning.

O'Brien was alone at the time of the accident. The falling slate struck him on the back of the neck and the impact drove his face against the shovel with which he had been working, causing the blade to be pushed through his nose and into his face a considerable depth.

The deceased was one of the best known miners in the bituminous district. He had been employed at the Eleanora shaft and had been working at Rossiter but a short time. He was 52 years of age and is survived by his wife and several children.

[from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, July 29, 1908.]

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[From the "*Department of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1909*." Harrisburg, PA].

Condition of Mines

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company

Eleanora Nos.1 and 2.

Drainage and ventilation were always up to the standard.

Eleanora Shaft.

Eleanora Shaft is worked exclusively with locked safety lamps and the number of lamps in use runs from 150 to 170 per day; a few employes are at work on the night shift. They have put in a sprinkling system in the headings going to the west and north, and have the system partly installed on the east side of the shaft and in the shaft and the headings leading off these. They sprinkle the faces, sides, and slack coal in the rooms. There are also shot-firers employed to do the shooting and one of the permissible explosives, Coalite, is used, but so far as I can see there is no difference in the size of the coal

blasted, as it is a question of gauging the proper amount of powder for each shot, which cannot always be done. The general condition of the mine was good, and everything was being done to keep the mine safe.

[From the "*Department of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1909.*" Harrisburg, PA]

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[from "*The Star,*" Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 16, 1910.]

ELECTROCUTED AT ELEANORA

John Bell Motherwell, oldest son of Mrs. Alice Motherwell, of Reynoldsville, and grandson of John H. Bell, of Punxsutawney, formerly of this place, was electrocuted in the Eleanora mines, at 9:45 Saturday night. Mr. Motherwell was a tracklayer in the mines and he and three or four other men were working Saturday night so that they would not have to work Sunday. They had just eaten their lunch and the other men had gotten up and Mr. Motherwell was talking about now soon they would finish their work and be ready to go home and then he raised up from sitting position, where he had lunched, and the back of his neck came in contact with the electric wire, killing him instantly.

Deceased was a married man and resided at Eleanora, but the body was brought to home of the mother on Thirteenth street, Reynoldsville. Where funeral service was held at 2:00 P.M. yesterday. Conducted by Dr. A. J. Meek, pastor of the Baptist church, and interment was made in the Reynoldsville cemetery beside the father,, David Motherwell, who died in March, 1908, two years ago next month.

John B. Motherwell was born in West Virginia January 8, 1883, and was 27 years old last month. His parents moved to Reynoldsville when he was ten years old. December 19, 1905, John Motherwell and Miss Sadie Ellenberger, daughter of William Ellenberger, of Worth street, were united in marriage. The wife and two small children, Edith Gertrude and Clyde Irvin, survive the husband and father.

[from "*The Star,*" Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 16, 1910.]

1911

[from "*Journal of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Session Begun at Harrisburg on the Third Day of January, 1911,*" Harrisburg, PA.]

House No. 1165.

"An act making an appropriation to reimburse N. C. Rudolph, of Big Run, Pennsylvania, for moneys expended by him in the suppression of a smallpox epidemic, at Eleanora, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania,"

[from "*Journal of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Session Begun at Harrisburg on the Third Day of January, 1911,*" Harrisburg, PA.]

[from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit,*" Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 15, 1911.]

FIRE AT ELEANORA

A double house in the blocks at Eleanora was totally destroyed by fire yesterday. The blaze is believed to have originated in a clothes press from a defective flue and was in its infancy when discovered, but so fast did the frame building go up that all endeavors proved futile. The building was occupied by two families who succeeded in removing all their household goods with the exception of a few small articles. Several people were

slightly burned in carrying furniture from the burning building. The house was owned by the R. & P. Coal and Iron Company, and the loss is about \$2,500.

[from "*Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 15, 1911.]

[from the "*Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 15, 1911.]

Joe Chicoski, who has been employed in the mines at Eleanora, was brought to the Adrian Hospital here Wednesday afternoon with a crushed pelvis. He is in a serious condition from shock, and the hospital physicians are unable to ascertain whether or not he is suffering from internal injuries.

[from the "*Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 15, 1911.]

1912

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1912*." Harrisburg, PA].

Condition of Mines

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company

Eleanora No. 2.

Ventilation good. Drainage satisfactory.

Eleanora No. 3.

Idle.

Eleanora Shaft.

Ventilation was good, except in No. 2 split, where it was not sufficient to maintain the proper standard of sanitation. Drainage was good in the operating section.

Improvements

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company

Eleanora Shaft

Built 10 stone stoppings. Installed 4 new automatic gates at first landing top of shaft.

Eleanora No. 2

Built 35 stone stoppings and 12 brick stoppings. 1 concrete and steel overcast, and also a stone tool house. Cleaned up and enlarged airways on main slope. Installed new Robinson 6 foot reversible fan, driven by a new 125 horse power Ridgeway engine. Two boilers were equipped with the Parson system of force draft.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1912*." Harrisburg, PA].

1913

[from the "*New Castle News*," New Castle, PA, Wed., May 28, 1913.]

SPRING HATCHES CHICKS.

Big Run, Pa.,

Twenty-one healthy chickens were hatched in a basket which contained 23 eggs when placed over a hot spring in a dry room of the Eleanor mine here by Supt. London. The temperature of the unique incubator varies less than a degree, the year round.

[from the "*New Castle News*," New Castle, PA, Wed., May 28, 1913.]

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1913*." Harrisburg, PA].

Improvements

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company

Eleanora No. 2.

Built 39 stone stoppings and one overcast. Built mine foreman's office and machine shop inside, using brick and steel in the construction of them. Cleaned airway leading from fan shaft into interior of the mine and placed radiators at top of stairway compartment of shaft. Improvements were made on the outside as follows: Erected iron and concrete bridge, 6 by 28 foot span, from street car station to mine and store, making ash walk between these points. Installed fire plugs in the following places: Two 2 inch plugs for tipple and boiler house, five 2 inch plugs at various points in the town of Eleanora, and one 2 inch plug for the McKee Run boiler plant. Erected pump room, 10 by 12 by 10 feet, for town water supply, equipped with Yough pump, 14 by 17 by 18 inches. Erected brick building, 12 by 12 by 20 feet, for foundry and casting purposes; also erected brick building, 6 by 8 by 8 feet, for storing naptha.

Eleanora Shaft.

Built 40 stone stoppings and 3 overcasts. Cleaned airway for a considerable distance in left side of mine. Large pump room at bottom of shaft under construction is partly completed and will be arched and finished with brick and cement. Installed one 300 K. W. generator driven by a Harrisburg engine, 24 by 24 inches. Installed on 2 inch fire plug for boiler house.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1913.*" Harrisburg, PA].

1914

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1914.*" Harrisburg, PA].

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company**Eleanora No. 2.**

Ventilation and drainage in fair condition.

Eleanora No. 3.

Idle during the year except in few days in January.

Eleanora Shaft.

Ventilation and drainage in good condition.

Improvements**Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company****Eleanora No. 2.**

Built 46 stone stoppings and 1 overcast.

Eleanora Shaft.

Built 27 stone stoppings and 1 overcast.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1914.*" Harrisburg, PA]

1915

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1915,*" Harrisburg, PA.]

Eleanora Shaft Mine, 230 Employes

Eleanora No. 2 Mine, 200 Employes

Eleanora No. 2 Mine & Coke Works, 201 coke ovens in operation.

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company

Eleanora Shaft - Built 2 overcasts of cement and stone, and 25 stoppings of cement, stone and iron. Replaced all wood in the motor pit with cement, stone and iron. Cut 100

shelter holes on the haulage roads. Replaced 15 air punching machines with 4 of the Goodman type 12 E shortwall mining machines.

Eleanora No. 1 - Built 2 overcasts and 62 stoppings of cement, stone and iron, Cut 230 shelter holes on the main slope. Replaced 5,000 feet of 2-0 wire on the main slope and all wooden timbers that were supporting the trolley wire on the main slope with 2-inch iron pipe, 2,000 feet of 1-0 round wire with 4-0 grooved wire, all air driven pumps with 1 Deming and 5 Aldrich vertical triplex electrical pumps, 20 air puncher machines with 3 Goodwin type 12 E shortwall mining machines and 5 pneumatic puncher machines. Laid 1,500 feet of wooden pipe line to siphon water from No. 11 right to No. 16 right off main slope.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1915*," Harrisburg, PA.]

1916

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Sat., Oct. 23, 1916.]

ELEANORA MINE WAS EXPLODED

Work of Some Person With a Fancied Grievance Is the Belief Expressed.

Punxsutawney, Pa, Oct., 23.

The Eleanora mine of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company at Eleanora Slope, eight miles from here, was blown up Saturday night. So far as ascertained, no one was killed or injured.

The wrecked mine with seven others of the company, had been idle since last Monday noon, when the miners walked out on strike. The explosion occurred fully two miles back from the mouth.

One supposition of the Coal company management is that it is possible that the fire boss when returning from the mine, neglected to pull the switch. There is also a supposition on the part of the Coal company, that some person with a fancied grievance, disturbed the practices in some manner caused the air courses to change, and that the gas accumulated had been set off with a time fuse. A rigid investigation is being made.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Sat., Oct. 23, 1916.]

[from the "*Lock Haven Express*," Lock Haven, PA, Mon., Oct. 23, 1916.]

IDLE COAL MINE WRECKED BY MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION.

Punxsutawney, Pa., Oct. 23.

An explosion of mysterious origin that shook buildings and was heard miles away wrecked the Eleanora mine of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal company Saturday night.

The mine is one of seven owned by the company in which the miners walked out on strike last Monday. Whether any lives were lost had not been determined last night as after-damp and debris made it impossible to penetrate far into the workings. The mine has been idle since Monday.

Immediately after the explosion, Dr. F. Furnish and Dr. P. R. Thomas headed a rescue squad that entered the mine. They forced their way through debris several hundred yards and then had to withdraw. The damage amounts to thousands of dollars. The company does not blame strikers, but are investigating.

[from the "*Lock Haven Express*," Lock Haven, PA, Mon., Oct. 23, 1916.]

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Mon, Oct. 23, 1916.]

CLARK ANSWERS DEMANDS OF THE STRIKING MINERS

All Demands Are Refused; Will Sue for Damages;

Company Says Miners Have Absolutely Violated Their April Agreement

LOSS AT PRESENT

Following is a comprehensive summary of the answer given by B. M. Clark, of Punxsutawney, assistant to the President of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Co., to the demands of the striking employees of the Adrian, Helvetia, Trout Run, Big Soldier, Eleanor, Florence and Walston Mines in Jefferson county, as given to the Punxsutawney Spirit for publication:

A careful analysis of your new scale demands will result in a total cost for labor of between \$1.40 and \$1.50 per ton, which cannot be granted for the reason that this cost exceeds the price at which we are under contract to sell the coal. We are therefore forced to absolutely refuse your demands.

We take this opportunity to inform you of our present position, view, and policy in this controversy and all other like controversies that may arise in the future. On the 15th of April, 1916, the Association of Bituminous Coal Operators of Central Pennsylvania, of which the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company, and Jefferson and Clearfield Coal and Iron Company are members and the United Mine Workers of America of District No. 2, of which you are members, executed a contract or wage scale agreement covering a period of two years from April 1st, 1916 to April 1st, 1918, wherein you received a substantial advance or increase of wages and are now being paid under this contract, the highest wages that were ever known to be paid by the mining industry of Pennsylvania or elsewhere. You were represented in the negotiations and execution of this contract, through delegates selected by your local unions to the convention which selected your committee to negotiate this contract with full power to make and execute the contract subject to a referendum vote to be taken by the members of the United Mine Workers of America of District No. 2, to either accept or reject the executed contract.

This vote was taken and a majority of your membership voted in favor of ratifying the contract, which made it a valid and binding contract for a period of two years. This procedure for the negotiation and execution of a scale agreement has been the regular custom for many years. This contract provides that:

"Should differences arise between the Operators and Mine workers as to the meaning of the provisions of this agreement, or about matters not specifically mentioned in the agreement, there shall be no suspension of work on account of such differences but an earnest effort be made to settle such differences immediately.

First, Through the management of the mine and the Mine Committee.

Second: The first method failing the matter shall be referred to the Operators' Commissioner and the Mine Workers' Commissioner, Permanent Commissioners to be appointed by each of the parties hereto to serve during the life of this agreement. These two officials shall proceed at once to carefully investigate the cause or causes of the difficulty and endeavor to settle the point of points in dispute. The decision of these Commissioners shall go into affect at once and remain in effect unless the permanent Board of Arbitrators, to which both parties have the right to appeal.

"Pending a decision of Commissioners no employe shall cease work because of any dispute and any agreement reached at any stage of the proceedings shall be binding on

both parties thereto, and not subject to revision or reversal by any other party of branch of either association, except the permanent Board of Arbitrations."

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Mon., Oct. 23, 1916.]

[from the "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Oct. 25, 1916.]

Mystery surrounds an explosion in the Eleanor mine of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, 8 miles from Punxsutawney, Sabbath nigh. The mine, together with seven others belonging to the company, has been idle since Monday owing to a strike. The explosion occurred about two miles from the entrance and was heard for miles. An emergency squad at once entered the workings to ascertain if anybody had been caught by the blast, but was unable to get near the scene of the explosion owing to wreckage.

[from the "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Oct. 25, 1916.]

[from the "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Wed., Nov. 1, 1916.]

Exploring parties on Tuesday were still unable to penetrate the Eleanor mine of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal Company at Eleanor, which was wrecked by a mysterious explosion on Saturday night. Owing to the strike in progress at the mine for the past week, it is believed there were no persons in the mine at the time of the explosion and the authorities are conducting an investigation to ascertain the cause.

[from the "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Wed., Nov. 1, 1916.]

1917

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1917*," Harrisburg, PA.]

Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company

Eleanora Shaft Mine, 189 employes.

Eleanora No. 2 Mine, 175 employes.

Eleanora No. 3 Mine, 28 employes.

No coke ovens were listed as being in operation ca.1917.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1917*," Harrisburg, PA.]

1918

[from "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Thurs., Oct. 24, 1918.]

Coal Production.

Coal production in the Central Pennsylvania district for the week ending October 5, was 1,203,942 tons which is 102,466 tons less than was produced the previous week.

Spanish influenza is directly responsible for the decrease, its inroads having completely closed many mines in seven places, while as many more had their output restricted 50 per cent. Wishaw, Eleanora, Florence, Soldier, McIntyre, Coal Run and Conifer mines were closed; the operations are Ernest, Finleyville, Clymer, Clymer, Dixonville, Rossiter and in the Broad Top regions were heavily cut, while practically every mine in the field was affected to some degree.

Conditions are improving in most of the towns, according to reports from the State Health Department, and Charles O'Neill, production manager for the Central.

Pennsylvania district, has requested miners living in places not affected by the epidemic, to increase their output so that the coal so vital to the success of the war may be produced.

[from "*Indiana Weekly Messenger*," Indiana, PA, Thurs., Oct. 24, 1918.]

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1918*," Harrisburg, PA.]

Eleanora Shaft Mine, 195 employes.

Eleanora No 2 & No. 3 Mines, 177 Employes

No coke ovens where listed as being in operation ca.1918.

[From the "*Inspector of Mines of Pennsylvania Report for 1918*," Harrisburg, PA.]

1920

[from "*The Coal Catalog, Combined With Coal Field Directory For the Year 1920*,"

Keystone Consolidated Publishing Co., Pittsburgh, PA.]

Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Co., Punxsutawney, Pa, Eleanora No. 2, Eleanora, Pa., B. R. & P. Railroad, 201 Bee Hive Coke Ovens.

[from "*The Coal Catalog, Combined With Coal Field Directory For the Year 1920*,"

Keystone Consolidated Publishing Co., Pittsburgh, PA.]

1921

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, July 7, 1921.]

SYKESVILLE MAN DROWNED THURS- NEAR DUBOIS

Seeking Relief From Heat When He Sank Beneath Waters.

Andy Pollock, aged 35, of Sykesville, was drowned Wednesday evening about six o'clock in the old dam between Eleanora and the Eleanora shaft near DuBois. Pollack and six other men who were bathing at the shaft, went up to the dam to get cooled off.

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, July 7, 1921.]

1923

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, Fri., June 22, 1923.]

CLERK SHOTS YEGG HE DISCOVERS AT WORK ON BIG SAFE

A man giving his name as John Walton of Detroit, was shot and seriously injured early Thursday morning at Eleanora by Charles Curry mine clerk while he was working about the safe in the Eleanora Company store. He is in the Adrian hospital in a serious condition, the bullet having penetrated the groin.

The Eleanora Company Store, of the Mahoning Supply Company, is supplied with a burglar alarm which rings in the home of the manager of the store, C. F. Himes. The gong sounded about 2:00 o'clock am and Mr. Hines and Charles Curry, equipped themselves with guns and went over to the store. Through a window they saw a man working at the safe combination. He was ordered to throw up his hands, but instead ran.

Mr. Curry and Mr. Hines fired at the man, who started for the second floor, but missed him. They fired again as he passed a widow on the second floor and missed again. At this point Mr. Hines's gun stuck and he went back for another one, leaving Curry to watch. The man ran from the second floor to the third floor and thence to the roof. Curry fired again but the maruader started to climb down a drain pipe. As he neared the ground

Curry ordered him to throw up his hands again, but he tried to escape and a shot from Curry's revolver brought him to the ground.

He was immediately taken to the Adrian Hospital where he is under medical attention. Examination of his body disclosed a bullet wound in the groin. In his cap was found a parole from the Western Penitentiary.

While Walton may live, his condition is reported as serious by the hospital authorities. If he recovers the law will deal with him.

Mr. Curry has not been apprehended, as the case is a clear cut one. Curry is a Clearfield county product, hailing originally from "Puseyville." He is a brother of John Curry, formerly stenographer in the office of Nurry & Smith, and now with the Buffalo, Rochesteer & Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company at Indiana, and is well known in this section.

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, Fri., June 22, 1923.]

1924

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Tues., July 22, 1924.]

DEATHS

Elmer E. Hinderliter

Funeral services for Elmer E. Hinderliter, well known Eleanora resident, who died Friday in the DuBois hospital, of cancer of the liver, were held Sunday at Eleanora.

The funeral was one of the largest ever held in the community. Members of the Ku Klux Klan were in charge of service and carried out the Klan ritual at the grave. Approximately 400 Klansmen in full regalia attended and led the procession from the home to the church, where Rev. Caupp conducted services, and hence to the I.O.O.F. cemetery. Members of the I.O.O.F. of which the deceased was also a member, attended. The deceased was born May 8, 1867 at Ringfold, this county, and had lived in Eleanora the past 20 years. He had been employed as assistant superintendent and supply boss at the R. and P. mines, Eleanora, for many years. He leaves his widow, Mrs. Emma Hinderliter, three daughters and three sons.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Tues., July 22, 1924.]

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Wed., Aug. 13, 1924.]

R. & P. COMPANY CLOSES MINES AT

ADRIAN, ELEANORA AND HELVETIA

2,000 AFFECTED BY ORDER JUST PROMULGATED

Inability to Compete with Non-Union Mines Given As Reason for Suspension of Work for Probably Two Years

OFFICIAL WORD

Declaring its inability to compete with non-union mines, therefore having no business and qualifying their statement with the announcement that "when we have no orders you have no work; we are mutually affected," Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company, through its president, B. M. Clark, has served notice on their employes of the Adrian and Eleanora mines in Jefferson County and the Helvetia mine in Clearfield County, of the immediate cessation of all work, probably for a two year period. The order, which is effective at once, will affect some 2,000 men. It is also announced

that it is the intention of the company to close not only the mines completely, but the towns located at the mines, as well. The notice and explanation, which follows is given in order that the miners may have immediate opportunity to move to other places where they can secure employment.

The formal order follows:

"We are sorry to announce that Helvetia Mines (Similar notices to Andrian and Eleanora) will not resume work for probably two years. We feel that you are entitled to know the real conditions in order that you may seek other employment. The explanation is short. We are on an impossible wage scale basis. The vast tonnage coming into our markets and competing with our coal is sold at from 50c to \$1 per ton less that it costs us to produce it. We cannot compete with the non-union mines; therefore have no business. When was have no orders you have no work. We are mutually affected.

After a careful investigation and study of the coal market conditions we have reached the conclusion that the non-union fields can and will for several years to come be able to furnish practically all of the coal that the country demands and that the consumers will not pay us from 50c to \$1 more per ton than they can buy it elsewhere. We are, therefore, compelled to permanently close down our high cost mines.

The conditions above recited are easily understood and as we see the matter a complete shut down of this mine is the only business like method to pursue. We expect to close not only the mines completely but the towns located at this mine. We are giving you this notice and explanation in order that you can move to other places where you can secure employment. Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Co. By B.M. Clark, President.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Wed., Aug. 13, 1924.]

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, Thurs., Aug. 14, 1924.]

MINES AT ADRIAN, ELEANORA AND HELVETIA CLOSE

"An Impossible Wage Scale"

Reason Given by Company in Closing For At Least 2 Years.

TOWNS TO CLOSE

The Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company has mailed notification to employes at Adrian, Helvetia and Eleanora stating that the mines owned by the company at those places will be closed for "Probably two years," due, says the notification "to an impossible wage scale basis."

N. M. Clark, president of the company, stated this morning that the Helvetia, Eleanora and Adrian mines are among the oldest and largest mines operated by the company. This fact, he says, makes the overhead expense in the operation of these mines many times greater than that of the mines opened within recent years.

Not only are the mines to be closed but the towns themselves, which means that the company stores and other company enterprises in the various towns will shut up shop. Employes are advised to seek employment elsewhere.

The three mines involved are among the oldest operations in this section. All have been in operation 25 years or more and have been among the heaviest producing mines of the company. Considerable coal remains in each of the three sections and permanent abandonment is not considered, it is said.

Mr. Clark stated this morning that the company had not yet decided whether or not the pumps at the three mines would be pulled," although, he stated, this would probably be done.

The policy adopted by the company will affect approximately 3,000 miners employed at the mines during normal production.

The announcement will probably mean a general exodus from the three towns, all of which are among the largest mining towns in this section.

The following is a copy of the notification sent to the Adrian mines:

(Notice to the company employes at Helvetia and Eleanora is the same.)
Indiana, Pa, August 11, 1924

To Former Employes

Eleanora, Pa.

"We are sorry to announce that Adrian Mines will not resume work for probably two years. We feel that you are entitled to know the real conditions in order that you may seek other employment. The explanation is short. We are on an impossible wage scale basis. The vast tonnage coming into our markets and competing with our coal is sold at from 50c to \$1 per ton less that it costs us to produce it. We cannot compete with the non-union mines; therefore have no business. When we have no orders you have no work.

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Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Co.

By B.M. Clark, President.

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, Thurs., Aug. 14, 1924.]

1926

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Thurs., Sept. 2, 1926.]

REMOVE STORE FROM ELEANORA

Lumber to Be Used for Construction of New Building at Adrian.

Workmen this morning began tearing down the Mahoning Supply Company's store at Eleanora and the material is to be transferred immediately to Adrian where it will be used in the construction of a store to supplant the store building destroyed by fire there a few weeks.

Demolition of the company store at Eleanora is rather disheartening since it means that there is little of no prospect of resuming mining operations there for several years at least.

There is still a great quantity of coal to be mined at Eleanora and eventually it will be

taken out, but the tearing down of the store would indicate that the resumption of operations at Eleanora is to be long delayed.

The Adrian and Eleanora stores were practically twins. Both were three story structures with basements, the Adrian store being 20 feet longer, however, than the Eleanora store.

The reconstructed store at Adrian will almost duplicate the burned building, 45 feet wide, 80 feet long and three stories and basement. In the rear of the store building proper will be built a single story additional structure, 20 by 35 feet to house the company butcher shop. The facilities offered by new building will be on a par with those afforded by the old structure.

It is expected that the Adrian store will be ready for occupancy within ninety days.

Meanwhile the residents of Adrian are being supplied from the store at Florence.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Thurs., Sept. 2, 1926.]

1927

[from "*The DuBois Courier*," DuBois, PA, Dec. 24, 1927.]

Repairing At Helvetia and Soldier

That the mines of this city are still potent factors is evident from the fact that work is under way in two of the shafts within ten miles of this city, that have been frequently mentioned in discussions concerning the exhaustion of the coal supply in this vicinity. They are the Helvetia and Soldier shafts.

The R. & P. C. & I. Co., owners of the shafts, are making extensive repairs at both plants and, while officials declare the present repairs do not mean that there will be an immediate resumption upon the maximum basis of these mines, it is apparent that the plants are each held high enough by the owners to be considered worth spending good sums upon in order to return them to general good repair.

At the Soldier mine, which has been idle more than four years, crushed pillars are being removed and new timbers are being installed. The coal being removed is sold locally, although a car was loaded Wednesday and was shipped to market. The wear and tear of idleness in the mines has been great and the work of repair will occupy a Considerable period. About eight men are now at work in the mine.

At Helvetia a crew of about 35 men is at work making repairs. This mine has also been practically idle the past four years. Numerous pillars have been crushed in the mine and as a result a considerable quantity of coal has been removed and placed on the market. An official of the R. and P. Company stated yesterday that the coal market was such that it did not warrant placing any additional coal on the market, but that to prevent losing the Soldier and Helvetia mines altogether the present repair work was a necessity. The Eleanora mine of the same company, idle the past three years, is not being repaired at this time but it is probable that the same procedure will be followed there within the next year, to prevent caves and the like that would make it impracticable to open the mine when the market warrants.

The coal at Soldier and Helvetia is of exceptional quality and the supply in each mine, it is estimated, will last several years under full operation.

[from "*The Dubois Courier*," DuBois, PA, Dec. 24, 1927.]

1928

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, Jan. 20, 1928.]

Former Resident Dies.

Charles C. Curry, for many years a resident of Eleanora and well known and highly regarded in this city, a brother of John Curry, who was killed in an automobile accident in Indiana a few months ago, died Tuesday evening in the Indiana hospital of pneumonia after a week's illness. Mr. Curry had been in the employ of the R. and P. Coal and Iron Company over a long period of years. He was employed as mine clerk at the Eleanora mine of the company and while serving the company in that capacity took a leading part in the athletic and civic affairs of Eleanora. He was an enthusiastic good roads advocate and left no stone unturned to secure an improved road leading to the community. He managed the various athletic teams of the community and took as enthusiastic interest in all that pertained to wholesome sport. Five years ago he moved to Indiana where he continued as an employee of the R. and P. Coal and Iron Company.

He was born and raised on the old Lemen Curry homestead, near Ansonville and lived at Madria and Clearfield before joining his brother in Jefferson county.

He was about 40 years of age and his funeral took place at Indiana Today.

Punxsy Spirit.

[from the "*Clearfield Progress*," Clearfield, PA, Jan. 20, 1928.]

1930

[from "*The DuBois Courier*," DuBois, PA, Aug. 15, 1930.]

43 Year-Old Eleanora Mine To Be Abandoned At Once

Notwithstanding the fact that there is sufficient coal remaining to maintain operations for 20 or 30 years, the plant of the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company at Eleanora is to be abandoned.

Orders have been given for the withdrawal of pumps and equipment for the dismantling of the houses remaining in the town, and for the tearing up of the railroad running into the plant from Big Run.

Ira S. Smith, who has been operating the "Bulldog" mine at Eleanora since the shutting down of the larger operation, has said his interest in the plant, to the parent coal company, and work there will necessarily be suspended. About fifty men had employment with Mr. Smith.

The larger operation of the company has not worked for about seven years. It closed during the dispute over the payment of the Jacksonville scale and had never run since. In this since the present orders will have little direct effect now, for the flow of money from that source ended long ago. It is only as it affects the future employment in that region that it is threatening.

Eleanora was first opened in 1887 and was for many years one of the largest mines in this part of the state. It gave employment at one time to over 1,000 men. Many of the houses there were owned by the company, but there were also many privately built. It brought prosperity to the farmers roundabout also. It was the largest of the three mining towns of that section --Wishaw, Desire and Eleanora, the first to be established and the last to be abandoned.

There has been a persistent rumor that an opening is to be made at the lower end of Big Run by which the coal is to be removed. Development may confirm this belief. It is stated that it would be much less expensive to take coal out through a new shaft.

[from "*The DuBois Courier*," BuBois, PA, Aug. 15, 1930.]

In August, 1930, orders were given for the withdrawal of mine pumps and equipment, for the dismantling of the miners' houses remaining in the town of Eleanora, and for the tearing up of the B. R. & P. railroad spur running into the Eleanora plant from Big Run.

1934

[from "*The Pittsburgh Press*," Pittsburgh, PA, Oct. 17, 1934.]

I DARE SAY

Would They Trade Places?

By Florence Fisher Parry

"UP OUR WAY" the hills used to be crowned with tiaras of "coke ovens." Against the pit-like sky they glowed like miniature volcanoes, each one. The smoke rose gun-metal gray, and defiled the landscape.

The roots of the trees were bare, and stood out from the ground like twisted bones. No grass was anywhere, and when it rained the water ran down through deep scars on the hillside.

Here and there great sunken patches of land, like shell-holes, showed where abandoned mines stretched underneath, their pillars collapsed, and dangerous to tread on. I remember how, as we drove along the road near these great holes, my heart was in a panic lest, suddenly, the ground would yawn beneath us and swallow us, horse, buggy and all.

The creeks were yellow with sulphur; no swimming hole was near. The sport of fishing was unknown, and the Blight of soot was everywhere upon the land. An artist would have condemned it. Beauty was nowhere to be seen, unless one fled the coal lands.

Bonanza

Yet the artist would have been wrong. Beauty flourished. Not in the landscape, perhaps, but in the hearts of its people; for the earth was yielding up its first rich veins of coal, and this was Bonanza to the miners who kept migrating there.

From Hungary and Italy they came in hundreds, thousands. They settled joyously in this great Land of Plenty. Their slanting shanties took on rainbow colors, only to fade into a sooty gray. Anita, Adrian, Florence, Eleanora, these became Little Italies, little Hungaries.

We averted shocked eyes when the dark nude cupids toddled by. But that was because we did not know what Heaven this America was to those who's fled the dark slave-driven mines of Hungary.

What! They would have protested, had we questioned them: Why, these were Palaces compared to what they'd left! And were their men not getting a dollar a day PAY, for a few hours? A dollar a day! What great wage for a miner!

Age of Soaring Prices

Later, when the great factories of Prosperity began to open, and coal became the national fuel, the dollar was doubled, tripled. And when the rumble of War reached our ears, and coal sold at a premium to the highest bidder, the miner's wage was four, five, six dollars a day, and were more.

The shanties of Eleanora and Anita became show-places for Kitchen ranges, pianos, three-piece overstuffed suites and radios. Elaborate "Stills," neat garages, and the streets

lined with honking cars, became the order of the day in mining towns. Dance halls, movie houses, pool rooms; nothing was too fine, nothing too expensive.

To be a coal-miner's wife was to be favored among women.

Of course, the Paradise did not endure. It, in the light of what we know now, was a fool's Paradise. For Blight far greater than the blight of dying fish and dying verdure came upon the land of Promise.

One by one the coal mines shut down. Water flooded them, for the engines could no longer afford to pump them dry. Coal operators could not mine their coal and pay the wages the miners had been educated to expect.

The miners struck. They kept on striking. And that most delicate of all instruments of Prosperity, the scale of Supply and Demand, lost its cunning, and could not be made to function.

Strike and Hunger

Oh, I dare say you could get a bitter enough story now, if you were to go into the homes of those idle miners and talk with them about the Life that's now theirs. Month after month of idleness, and no relief in sight.

And if you talked with the shabby men who used to be the leading citizens of their communities; those who were the "mine operators" of the Boom days.... They, too, could tell a story. Their properties gone; their mines flooded; their assets shrunken to less than zero; broken, ruined men who once were the great Factors in their town.

It doesn't help the miners, it doesn't help the operators, to see the hills all green again, and overgrown with lovely grass to catch and soak the rain. The creeks are clear now, fishes cavort; and there where the coke-ovens rimmed the valley's craters are lacy, slim new trees.

So Soon Forgotten.

BUT EVEN SO – do you suppose one of those miners cowering there in their rotting shanties is wishing himself back in Hungary? Do you suppose one of those weary-hearted coal operators would change places with the desperate men at Tecs, Hungary, who at last had to give quarters to the 1,200 men driven to threats of suicide?

For 100 hours crazed men huddled there in the bowels of the earth without light or food or water or hope.

Why? Because they would rather die than mine coal for 33 cents a day.

They were asking for 58 cents a day with which to keep their families alive against the coming winter.

And theirs was not the only desperate cry. Listen to the operators who in desperation released them: "We have 15,000,000 tons of coal we cannot sell! With what shall we pay this added wage?"

[from "*The Pittsburgh Press*," Pittsburgh, PA, Oct. 17, 1934.]

1941

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1941.];

[from the "*Lebanon Daily News*," Lebanon, PA, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1941.]

DORMANT MINES TO BE REOPENED

Long dormant soft coal mines in western Pennsylvania are being reopened, the State Department of Commerce today announced.

Closed since the early part of December, 1937, the Whitsett plant of the Pittsburgh Coal Company has resumed operations with 195 men employed in two shifts. Initial output is said to be about 800 tons daily but is expected to increase to 1200 tons daily.

Shut down since a strike 17 years ago, the No. 3 Slope of the old Eleanora mine in Jefferson county soon will start operations that are expected to produce upwards of 300 tons daily. Although it has not been used since 1924 the mine, leased by Dr. F. A. Lorenzo, of Punxsutawney from the Rochester and Pittsburgh Company, is reported to be in most perfect condition for quick operation. About 30 men will be employed at the start and the estimated 150,000 to 200,000 tons of coal remaining in the mine are expected to furnish steady employment for the men for several years. Although all coal was pick-mined when the mine was working, operations to be started shortly will be by power driven machinery.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1941.];

[from the "*Lebanon Daily News*," Lebanon, PA, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1941.]

1974

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, July 18, 1974.]

Wishaw A Soccer "Hot Bed"

During the recent world-wide excitement over the World Cup soccer playoffs it was pointed out by many people, including Sec. of State Henry Kissinger, that the United States just wasn't a good soccer country. That's a definite truism but some old timers may recall that Jefferson County was once a soccer "Hot Bed", from what we understand it was a very good brand of soccer. The game was played, as we are told, in the period from the 1920's until around the start of World War Two and the small mining villages such as Wishaw, Big Soldier, Helvetia, Elnora and Kramer were the centers. The players were usually miners who were either immigrants from soccer-crazy Europe or first generation Americans who learned the game and the love of soccer from their fathers.

Rivalry games such as those between the Wishaw and Big Soldier teams reportedly drew big crowds. World War Two, when the younger generation left home for the army and became acquainted with baseball and football, probably helped more than anything to end soccer's brief reign in the area.

[from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, July 18, 1974.]

Today, ca.2014, only a very few houses remain at the former site of the coal company town of Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA

Eleanora, McCalmont Twp, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania is now a coal mining ghost town.

Eleanora Remembered:

By Ron Pollock

On a sentimental note, I was just thinking all those people who lived there at one time are all gone and there is probably not much history recorded on the town and the people. It would be nice to have a book available to read about the town. I regret not recording everything my grandfather told about the place. His memory was unbelievable, he could recall the smallest of details from back then. But back in the late 1970s and early 1980s we just never thought about recording it. What we would have had would have filled volumes. Even myself I can remember the trips we took back to Eleanora and looking at the remains of mine openings, my grandfather would always look for the stone, with the date on it, that was over the entrance to the mine he worked in. We would stop and look at the house they lived in. The foundations of the hotel, company store, the remains of the coke ovens, the ball field on which my grandfather pitched for the Eleanora team. My grandfather had the opportunity to join and pitch for the Pittsburgh Pirates back in that time, but as he said "family came first".

We have items, related to that area, photos including my grandfathers baseball team with names on the back, his Fire boss certificate 1923 that measures 12" x 18". A thermometer mounted on wood with the name of a firm in one of towns from over there (have to get it out to see the name. Since we have no family to pass the material unto we must decide which historical society should receive it. We have hopes to move south within the next year and have decided it be best to donate the items now to ensure that they make into the desired location.

We hope to make a trip over to that area in October, my cousin was over that way last year and she said the town is completely gone. We want to visit "Sugar Hill Cemetery" which is located in Desire. That is where my great grandparents on my grandmothers side are buried.

Ron Pollock, from Ohio

[from "*Punxsutawney Hometown Magazine*," Punxsutawney, PA, No. 137, March, 2012.]

Mine Superintendent, Baseball, Unrented Houses.

The Problys Men 'Gave Their All,' for Freedom, Family and Coal.

By PRIDE, for Hometown Magazine.

When coal mining was the area's largest industry, the mine superintendent was the interface between management and the workers. It was a unique position that combined the need for maintaining production with the management of the human element in the mining industry.

Much has been written about the tonnage produced in the mines, the maintenance of equipment, the introduction of new technologies, the quality of the coal shipped to customers and, in general, the work.

Some has been written about the social condition of the mines. Most of what is written plays on the negative factors in the mining communities. These writings tend to stress the poverty of miner and his family, including substandard housing, low wages, many non-work days, and the tyranny of the company.

A recently acquired archive of materials from the Adrian Mines of The Rochester & Pittsburg Coal and Iron Company by the Punxsutawney Area Historical and Genealogical Society reveals a more compassionate aspect of the company: the Mine Superintendent.

John C. White at the Eleanora Mine sent his annual report of improvements for 1912, in which he reported his maintenance activities at the Number 2 Mine. These improvements included the replacement of many wood fixtures at the mine with noncombustible material such as stone or brick, which were required by the Mine Safety Act of June 9, 1911.

It also included maintenance on the houses, (See Chart Below) their adjacent coal houses, closets [toilets] and improvements to the water system.

Eleanora No. 2 Mine

35 stone Stoppings.....	\$560
12 Brick Stoppings.....	\$215
1 Overcast airway stone.....	\$150
Repairs on slope airway.....	\$550
Track Men tool house, stone.....	\$20
Timber men tool house, wood.....	\$20

	\$1516

OUTSIDE Eleanora No. 2 Mine

- Shaker Screen
- Shaker Screen Engine
- Stone Wall under #2 Boiler House
- 25 houses painted.
- 100 Coal houses repaired & roofed.
- 100 Closets repaired & roofed
- 4: Water Line laid for town uses.
- 1 new Pump House for Town.
- 1 new J. R. Robinson 6' fan. (reversible feature) at McKees Run.
- 1 New Ridgeway 125 HP Engine at McKees Run
- 1 New telephone Line put in the mines.

The maintenance of the houses and utility services for the town was important to the company and necessary to maintain the acceptability of the housing for the miners. W. Calloway, the General Manager of the company based in Indiana monitored the status of housing at the mines. In a letter, dated July 1, 1913. to R. B. Dick, the Division Superintendent at Adrian, he stressed the importance of insuring the occupancy and maintenance of the housing:

"I am very much surprised to know that you have eight empty houses at Eleanora and cannot help but think that this is due to lack of attention in the employing of men or perhaps in not keeping them in condition to rent. In any event our town is a very important part of our operation and we can ill afford to let these houses stay empty particularly at the older mines, and I wish you would follow the matter up vigorously with a view to getting them occupied as quickly as possible.

"I also want you to follow up the same proposition at Walston in line with our conversation of last evening, and as soon as you fill them and are in position to do so, I would like to have a report stating what you think of the possibility of renting more of them, and what the condition of the houses is that are empty at Walston. My

judgment is that they are being gradually torn down and taken away by mischievous persons, but I may be mistaken in this."

R. B. Dick shared the information with his mine superintendent and a reply from Superintendent White revealed some of the problems:

As soon as one is filled there is another one empty. As to employing the men, there is very few married men looking for work at the present time."

What is not expressed is the fact that federal immigration policy now limited the number of immigrants permitted to enter the United States. No longer were the unlimited numbers of unskilled laborers entering the country. Unions, which had fought for and won rights for miners to have more choices in where they lived and bought their goods, had made it possible for the miners to buy their own homes. And, manufacturing was now competing with mining for laborers. In fact, manufacturing had begun to siphon laborers from the mines. Men with families opted for occupations with a steady income and fewer hazards than working in the mines. This was the beginning of the great out migration of labor from the Punxsutawney area to the industrial areas in Michigan, Ohio and western New York.

The mine superintendent was also responsible for the morale among the workers. One of the most unifying activities among the miners and their families was baseball. The teams needed money to purchase uniforms, supplies, and for traveling to the communities where they played. R. B. Dick wrote, requesting permission to take up a collection to support the teams at Adrian and Eleanora.

"You would be surprised at the interest taken by the majority of the men in the doings of their Ball Club, and the general impression amongst them is that a collection will be taken up to help the Club out, and they are favorable to this course being taken. Take last year for instance, the collection was a good one, nearly all gave something, and there was no unfavourable comment made afterwards. The men attended the practice of the team in the evening, and line up strong when a game is played, thus showing their interest in, and their appreciation of what their team is doing, and I feel fully assured that no harm would result in the collection being allowed to go through."

Permission was granted for a payroll deduction to be made to support the team. Many exceptional baseball players, some who went on to play on national teams, got their start with these Adrian and Eleanora baseball teams.

Another letter found among this archive prompted further investigation and the discovery of a family that paid the ultimate price for coal and for freedom. The letter was written by R. B. Dick, July 9, 1913 and addressed to A. W. Calloway.

"Acting upon your suggestion, I had young Problys come to the office and had a good talk with him, I offer'd to place him on the tippie and give him a chance to make something of himself, but he refused to entertain any offer to work on tippie, and expressed desire to go into the mines and work with his father, but I find that he is not yet 16 years of age, and wont be until August, so thought it best to advise you of the facts, and wait your further advise upon the matter."

A hand written note at the bottom of the letter read:

"RBD I have told his sister to tell him to take whatever offered him. AWC, 7/18."

Here was an example of the Mine Superintendent functioning as a social worker with a young man in the community, at the request of the General Manager.

Michael Problys came from Poland in the 1880's and worked in the mines in Tioga County where he met and married Elizabeth Sarrata, also from Poland. They had children, six girls and two boys. They were Clara, Mary, Helen, the twins Mildred and Catherine, Stanley, Joseph and Anna. About 1903, they moved from Tioga County to Young Township in Jefferson County where Mr. Problys was employed at the Adrian mine. By 1910 their children were reaching young adulthood. Their two eldest daughters were married. Helen and the twins were working as servants in private homes. Mildred, who was 18, worked in the home of D. H. Calloway then on Union Street in Punxsutawney. Stanley, the eldest Problys son had gone to Detroit to live with one of his sisters and to find work. Joseph and Anna, the two youngest were still at home.

The Subject of Superintendent Dick's letter was Joseph, who would have been at the age where he was to young to be a man and too old to be a child. Company records show that in 1916, Joseph was employed as an outside man at the Adrian Mine. He played baseball for the Adrian Team, where he was known by the nickname, "Hobo." In 1920 he married Julia Dusha. They had two children: Irene and Joseph, Jr.

It appears that R. B. Dick was successful in his counseling with young Problys, and this should have been the happy ending. However there is more to the story of the Problys family.

When the United States entered World War I in 1918, Stanley Problys was among the first to voluntarily enlist in the Army. He was sent overseas and on July 15, 1918, he was killed at Chateau Thierry, France.

On May 20, 1921, Mike Problys, now seventy years old and still working, was killed in a large rock slide in the Adrian mine. The slide which covered him and his coworker, Frank Swick, occurred in the southwest heading about three miles from the opening. It took nearly 12 hours for the rescue workers to retrieve the bodies.

The body of Stanley Problys did not arrived in Punxsutawney from France until August 5, 1921. Funeral services were conducted for him by the Problys-Brennab Veterans of Foreign War Post. This was the first VFW post formed at Punxsutawney. The post had been named jointly for Problys and Corporal Eugene Brennan, another young man from Punxsutawney who lost his life in France.

Seventeen years later, on May 18, 1938, almost to the day of his father's death, Joseph Problys lost his life when he was accidentally electrocuted in the Adrian Mine. He came into contact with the electric trolley cable and was killed. The young man, who had been counseled by the mine superintendent, had achieved his goal of getting in the mines, only to die at the young age of 38 years.

The three Problys men gave their all, Stanley gave his life for his country, and was honored by the naming of the Problys-Brennen Veterans of Foreign War Post. Michael and Joseph gave their lives in the pursuit of mining. The Punxsutawney Area Coal Memorial will hold the memory of their sacrifice.

The mine superintendent, who spent each day as the interface between management and their workers, worked to make the mining towns communities of people as well as places of production. The Punxsutawney Area Coal Memorial will hold the memory of their work.

(Editor's Note: PRIDE is a nonprofit organization which brings together residents, business people, community leaders and civic organizations, to improve the business

districts in Punxsutawney. Contributions to support the development of a Coal Memorial and Welcome Center for the Punxsutawney Area are appreciated.)

Coal Miners Memorial

Eleanora Mines,

Eleanora No. 1 Mine,

Eleanora No. 2 Mine & Coke Works

Eleanora No. 3 Mine & Coke Works,

Eleanora Shaft Mine,

Eleanora Mines

(Eleanor P.O.), Desire,
McClamont Twp.,
Jefferson County,
Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

[A]

Allen, John

(American Miner Boy, Blacksmith ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 17, single.)

Allen, William D.

(Scottish Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 53, married, wife Elizabeth Allen, age 46, 1 son.)

Andrews, James

(Scottish Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, married, wife Janet Andrews, age 24, 4 children.)

Andrews, James

(Miner, ca.1904, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade, ca.1904. Received his Certificate ca.1904.)

Angeletti, Michael

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Maria Corinaldesi Angeletti.)

Arms, Walter T.

(Superintendent, ca.1896, ca.1897, ca.1899, of the Eleanora No. 1 Mine & Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, for Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company.)

Armstrong, James H.

(English Miner, Blacksmith ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27, married, wife Mazia Armstrong, age 21, 2 children.)

Augustine, Tony

(Polish Miner, Machine Miner ca.1917, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married.);

(Injured. Leg fractured by a fall of roof at the face of a room, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan. 15, 1917.)

[B]

Baguzik, Nick

(Slavic Miner, Pick Miner ca.1922, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Killed when he was electrocuted by coming in contact with the trolley wire on a heading, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Feb. 9, 1922.)

Bain, William

(Scotch Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, (Injured. Hips and back squeezed by a fall of coal from a pillar, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, March 12, 1904.)

Balara, Frank

(See: Balarca, Frank.)

Balarca, Frank

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 26, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905.);

(See also: Balara, Frank.);

(Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.)

Baldauf, August

(Austrian, Mason ca.1885, Eleanora Coke Works, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(August Baldauf contracted to build coke ovens at the Eleanora Coke Works and at most of the other coke works in Jefferson Co., PA.)

Ball, James

(English Miner, Mule Driver ca.1901, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22.);

(Injured. Injured by an explosion of dynamite, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Oct. 15, 1901.)

Ball, Sam

(American Miner, Mule Driver ca.1902, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32.);

(Injured. Injured by an explosion of gas, in the Eleanora Mine, May 27, 1902.)

Bare, Joe

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1906, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, single.);

(Injured. Shoulder bruised. In pushing his empty mine car the car jumped the track, knocking out a prop, and the bone coal fell on him, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Aug. 8, 1906. Accident due to his carelessness.)

Barnard, Montrose

(General Superintendent, ca.1904, ca.1905, Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA, Eleanora No. 1 & No. 2 Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Barney, John

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1897, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 33, married.);

(Injured. Thumb and finger of left hand blown off; while he was preparing a dynamite shot he pressed the cap too hard, when it exploded in his hand, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug. 21, 1897.)

Bazine, Daniel

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1901, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, April 13, 1901.)

Bell, Joseph

(Scotch Miner, Pick Miner ca.1906, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 47, married.);

(Injured. Two ribs broken by a fall of coal and rock, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 27, 1906. Accident due to his negligence.)

Bellen, Jake

(Italian Miner Boy, Scraper ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 25, 1909.)

Bellum, Jake

(Italian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35.);
(Injured. Injured by a explosion of a blast, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 8, 1909.)

Bellum, Pete

(Italian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23.);
(Injured. Injured by a explosion of a blast, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 8, 1909.)

Benedict, Frank

(Italian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 1, 1909.)

Benkholz, Gustav

(German Miner, Runner ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 26, single.);
(Injured. Hip dislocated, he was caught between two loaded trips of mine cars, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 11, 1904.)

Berash, Steve

(Hungarian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36, married.);
(Injured. Leg broken and head cut by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Aug. 23, 1904.)

Berkner, Gejza

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Helen Gresh Berkner.)

Bihara, Margu

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1910, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, single.);
(Injured. Injured by an explosion of a blast, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 8, 1910.)

Bijon, Labristo

(Italian Miner, Laborer ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 37, married.);
(Injured. Leg hurt by mine cars while caging, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 14, 1904.)

Bowers, P. E.

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1903, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of rock, in the Eleanora Mine, Dec. 10, 1903.)

Bowser, Charles

(American Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19.);
(Injured. Injured by an explosion of powder, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 9, 1902.)

Braro, Steve

(Hungarian Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 18, single.)

Braro, Vince

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 20, single.)

Bresna, James

(Slavonian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36, married.);
(Injured. Leg broken by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Aug. 4, 1905.)

Brewer, M. D.

(Miner, ca.1904, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Carrie Viola Rupert Brewer.)

Brewer, Myrian

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21, married, wife Carrie Brewer, age 20.);
(See also: Brewer, Myrion.)

Brewer, Myrion

(See: Brewer, Myrian.)

Brisbone, Mike

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, single.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Jan. 11, 1896.)

Brodkin, Charles

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 26, single.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905.);

(Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.)

Bruket, Mike

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1907, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married, 4 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of draw slate in a cross-cut, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan 29, 1907.)

Brumbaugh, James C.

(Employee, Carpenter, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Buin, William

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 67.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, March 12, 1904.)

Bure, Joe

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1906, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug. 8, 1906.)

Butcoskey, John

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22, single.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905.);

(Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.)

Butcoskey, Stanley

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, single.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905.);

(Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.)

Butler, Dan

(Canadian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married.);

(Injured. Leg broken by a fall of bone coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Dec. 2, 1905.)

Butler, Jack

(Miner, ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Killed. Shot and killed, by J. B. Beam, a hardware store clerk, when he was caught in the act of robbery of Beam's house in Big Run, Nov. 28, 1905.

Butson, Isaac

(Miner, ca.1902, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 17, 1902.]

[C]**Caldwell, Robert**

(Scottish Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.19091, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 15.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of rock, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Nov. 16, 1901.)

Calloway, A. W.

(General Superintendent, ca.1906, Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA, Eleanore No. 2, No. 3 & Eleanora Shaft Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Cantwell, James

(Miner, ca.1915, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1915. Received his certificate ca.1915.)

Capleto, Joseph

(Polish Miner, Scraper ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23, single.);

(Injured. Burned by a blown-out shot. Put too much dynamite in a short hole, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 22, 1905.)

Carbino, Bruno

(Italian Miner, ca.1908, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co. PA.);

(Arrested for the murder of Robert Tozer, on July 18, 1908. [from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, Wed., July 29, 1908.])

Carbstrom, Earl A.

(Swedish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1907, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 39, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of mine roof, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 25, 1907.)

Carlson, A. G.

(Swedish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1898, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Killed. Fatally injured while crossing the railroad tracks at Eleanora, two cars, which were being shifted, came along at a rapid gait and struck Carlson. His arm was cut off at the shoulder, and he was badly crushed and bruised generally. Died at the Adrian Hospital, Feb., 1898. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 9, 1898.])

Carpon, Mike

(Slavonian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 43, married.);

(Injured. Leg broken, coal fell and struck him while he was shearing the coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Dec. 31, 1904.)

Chapan, Paul

(Danish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1906, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, single.);

(Injured. Leg broken. A mine car jumped the track and caught him, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Aug 20, 1906. Accident was due to his own carelessness.)

Chapmen, Homer

(American Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1911, Eleanora No. 1 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 2, 1911.)

Chapmen, James

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1911, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 50.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 2, 1911.)

Chase, John

(Canadian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, married.)

Chicoski, Joe

(Miner, ca.1911, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Injured. Was brought to the Adrian Hospital here Wednesday afternoon with a crushed pelvis. [from the "*Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 15, 1911.])

Choco, Mike

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, married.);

(Injured. Hurt across the back by a piece of coal striking him, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Feb. 1, 1904.)

Clark, Howard

(Miner, ca.1915, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1915. Received his certificate ca.1915.)

Colko, Mike

(Polish Miner, Machine Runner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.);

(Injured. Burned by a blown-out shot. He put too much dynamite in a short hole, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 22, 1905.)

Collins, Mr.

(Miner, ca.1919 – 1923, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Collins, Thomas J.

(Miner, ca.1918, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Annie Lewis Collins.)

Combs, Edward

(English Miner, Pick Miner ca.1910, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Killed by mine cars on the haulage road, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, May 23, 1910.)

Conrie, James

(American Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.)

Conrie, Joseph

(American Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, single.)

Conrie, Thomas

(American Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, single.)

Corrella, Thomas

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1916, Eleanore Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, June 16, 1916.)

Corrigan, Peter

(Miner, Mule Barn Boss ca.1918, Eleanora Nos. 2 & 3, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 51, married, 8 children.);

(Killed. Fatally injured by being kicked by a mule while working among the mules in the barn. Outside the Eleanora mines, March 20, 1918.)

Covaskie, John

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.12907, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Nov. 2, 1907. His leg was broken by a fall of mine roof in a room.);

(See also: Covaski, John.)

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Cowie, George

(Scotch Miner, Employe ca.1909, Eleanore No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, married.);

(Injured. Collar bone broken by a fall of coal at the face of a room, in the Eleanore No. 2 Mine, Jan. 9, 1909.)

Cowie, George

(Miner, ca.1915, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1915. Received his certificate ca.1915.);

(Miner, ca.1900 - 1924, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Crooks, John W.

(Miner, ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his Examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade ca.1912. Certificate received ca.1912.)

Crooks, Joseph

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1906, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21, single.);
(Injured. Leg broken. Struck his leg against a loaded mine car, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine.
Accident unavoidable.)

Curran, James

(American Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 41, widower.)

Curry, Charles C.

(Employee, Mine Clerk ca.1920s, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Moved to Indiana, PA ca.1923, he was an employe of R. & P. Coal Company, in Indiana, PA.);
(d. Jan., 1928 in Indiana, PA.)

Curry, John

(Employee, ca.1923, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Killed in an automobile accident in Indiana, Pa., ca.1928.)

[D]**Danielson, Daniel S. F.**

(Miner, ca.1912, a.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, lived in Desire, PA.);
(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1912. Received his certificate ca.1912.);
(Passed his examination for Assistant Mine Foreman, ca.1912. Certificate issued ca.1912.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, First Class, ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Davis, Thos.

(Miner, Mule Driver ca.1897, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22, single.);
(Injured. Leg injured by a mine car, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug. 27, 1897.)

Depremo, S.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Desanto, Pedro

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 51, single.);
(Killed. Fatally injured by a fall of roof at the face of a room, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, June 9, 1917.)

Dickey, Charley

(Miner, ca.1902, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA. Moved South ca.1902. [from "*The Star*,"
Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 16, 1910].)

Dickey, Lester L.

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 20, single.)

Diewes, John

(Miner, ca.1894, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 56.);
(Injured. Injured in a mining accident in the Eleanora Mines, Nov. 10, 1894.)

Dobruski, Antony

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1912, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof at the working face, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Nov. 25, 1912.)

Doctor, John

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Prosecuted for Violations of the Mining Laws: July 28, 1913, John Doctor, miner, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. Charge: Injured safety lamp carelessly and intentionally in a section of the mine worked with locked safety lamps. Plead guilty April 12. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$25.00 and costs.)

Domim, Brension

(Austrian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36, married, 5 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of bone coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 27, 1904. He was working on a pillar and was taking a skip from it. The accident was due to his own carelessness.)

Dougherty, James

(Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married. [from the "*Indiana Evening Gazette*," Indiana, PA, Nov., 22, 1906])

Dricoll, Mr.

(Assistant Superintendent, ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.]);
(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Dugan, Mike

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1913, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of slate at the working face, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 25, 1913.)

[E]

Edgar, Thomas

(English Miner, ca.1888, Eleanora Mines, Desire, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Annie Edgar.)

Egan, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Egelski, Mr.

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1913, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married.)

Elder, D. S.

(American Miner, Electrician ca.1924, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Rochester Pittsburgh Coal Company, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 46, married.);
(Injured when he fell changing electrical wires on a pole, outside the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan. 12, 1924.)

Evans, John

(American Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19, single.)

[F]

Facemier, Joseph

(Miner, ca.1899, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson, Married, 2 children.);
(Died of an appendicitis at the Adrian Hospital, May, 1899. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, May 10, 1899.])

Facemeyer, Charles

(Miner, ca.1905, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Attended the Miner's Examination for Mine Foreman & Fire Boss, at the Municipal Building, Punxsutawney, PA, May, 1905. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, May 24, 1905.])

Facemyer, Charles

(Miner, ca.1905, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade ca.1905. Received his Certificate ca.1905.)

Facemyer, George

(Miner, ca.1912, ca.1915, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1912. Received his certificate ca.1912.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade, ca.1915. Received his certificate ca.1915.)

Facemyer, Matthew J.

(Miner, ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his Examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade ca.1912. Certificate received ca.1912.)

Fahier, Steve

(Slavonian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1906, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married, 4 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate. They were working in crosscut near the face of the heading and had just finished loading the mine car when a large body of slate fell from between two slips and both men were caught under it. Unavoidable, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 17, 1906.);

(March 17, 1906, Steve Fahier and Andy Lucash, Slavonians, miners working a heading in Eleanora No. 2 Mine, were killed by a fall of slate. They had just finished loading the mine car when the slate fell from between two slips and both were caught under it. The accident was unavoidable.)

Fanerack, Joseph

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 37, single.);

(Killed. Killed by a falling timber, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Nov. 27, 1909.)

Fike, Daniel

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1892, Eleanora Mine, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Sarah Foltz Fike.)

Flannagan, Owen J.

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his Examination for Fire Boss ca.1913. Certificate received ca.1913.)

Fleeger, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married.)

Fleming, David

(Superintendent, ca.1900, ca.1904, ca.1905, of the Eleanora No. 1, No. 2 & No. 3 Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, for Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA.);[from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

(Superintendent, ca.1906, of the Eleanora No. 2 & No. 3 & Eleanora Shaft Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, for Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA.);

(David Fleming was reared and educated at Arnot and attended the Mansfield Normal School, and finished the short mining course at Ohio State University. He began his business career with the engineering corps of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company at Punxsutawney, Pa. In 1892 he was made superintendent of the Beech Tree mines at Beech Tree, Pa., and was later transferred as superintendent to the Adrian mines, which were owned by the same company. His next position was as superintendent of the Pinnicinic Coal Company, Clarksburg, W. Va., after which he served as manager of the Crescent Coal Company at Clinton, Ind., and at the same time manager of the Delaware Coal Mining Company near Danville, Ill., and in 1897 was appointed assistant superintendent of the Berwind-White Coal Company at Windber. In 1900 he went with the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company as superintendent of mines at Eleanora, Pa.)

Fleming, Russell B.

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1910, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Maria Lehman Fleming.)

Folta, Mike

(Slavonian Miner, Machine Cutter ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23, single.);

(Injured. Burned by gas explosion, a shot opened a small gas feeder, and Mike Folta and Zims were clearing it out, when it ignited at their lamps, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Sept. 7, 1904.)

Forsythe, Thomas

(American Miner, Employee, Motorman, ca.1906, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Killed by an electric wire. He was motorman and had taken an empty trip into the pump heading and was coming out with the empty motor. The trolley wire had fallen out of the hanger at the curve and hung down. He thought he could get the motor out all right without fixing the wire. He attempted to come out without reversing the trolley pole and was pushing the pole ahead. As he came on to the curve the pole slipped off the wire and the wire fell down striking him on the back of the neck and killing him instantly. Accident due to his own carelessness. In the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Sept. 12, 1906.)

Foster, Alexander

(American Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married, wife Julia Foster, age 31, 1 child.)

French, James

(Miner, ca.1915, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1915. Received his certificate ca.1915.)

Fromansky, John

(See: Hunoskey, John. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].)

Fromansky, Nick

(See: Hunoskey, Julian. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].)

Foreigners, 2 Miners Unknown

(Miners, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

[G]

Gaborik, George

(Miner, ca.1896, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Mary Busha Gaborik. [from the "*New Castle News*," New Castle, PA, Nov. 9, 1966.].)

Gae, Frank

(See: Goe, Frank.)

Gall, Frank

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1910, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jan. 22, 1910.)

Gan, Steve

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1903, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 26.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 19, 1903.)

Gibroskey, Joseph

(Polish Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19, single.);

(Injured. Leg broken. Coal rolled over on him, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, April 19, 1905.)

Goe, Frank

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 42, single.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905.);

(See also: Gae, Frank.)

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Gomolok, George

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896,Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married.);
(Injured. Leg and arm broken by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Nov. 17, 1896.)

Graniko, George

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, single.)

Grannet, Michael

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married,
wife Durran Grannet, 2 children.)

Gray, Robert

(Miner, ca.1904, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade, ca.1904. Received his Certificate
ca.1904.)

Greenhalgh, John T.

(English Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 56, married, wife
Charlott Greenhalgh, age 43, 3 children.)

Grube, John

(See: Grubo, John.)

Grubo, John

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married, 4
children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west
heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated
in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft
Mine, April 27, 1905.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*);

(See also: Grube, John.)

[H]**Haddock, J. W.**

(Miner, ca.1905, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade ca.1905. Received his Certificate
ca.1905.)

Haggerty, Thomas

(Scottish Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Later he became a union organizer for the United Mine Workers of America. [from the "*Indiana
Gazette*," Indiana, PA, July 18, 1981.].)

Hamilton, James

(Miner, ca.1920's, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Hamilton, Richard

(Miner, ca.1920's, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Hanoskey, Alex

(See: Hunoskey, John Alex.)

Hanoskey, Julian

(See: Hunoskey, Julian "Nick".)

Harvey, David

(Miner, ca.1905, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade ca.1905. Received his Certificate
ca.1905.)

Harvey, Robert

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, widower.)

Harvey, Robert

(Miner, ca.1905, ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade ca.1905. Received his Certificate ca.1905.);

(Passed his Examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade ca.1912. Certificate received ca.1912.)

Hass, Calvin

(American Miner Boy, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16, single.)

Hass, William

(Employee, Carpenter ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married, wife Catherine Hass, age 37, 8 children.)

Hawkinberry, Clyde

(Miner Boy, Mule Driver ca.1896, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 18.);

(Killed. Killed when he was caught between mine cars, in the Eleanora Mines, Aug., 1896. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Aug. 26, 1896].)

Hill, John

(Slavonian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24, married.);

(Injured. Head and back hurt by a fall of stone, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Aug. 19, 1904.)

Himes, C. F.

(Employee, Manager ca.1923, Mahoning Supply Company Store, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Hinderliter, Elmer E.

(American Miner, Assistant Superintendent ca.1924, Supply Boss ca.1924, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Emma Snick Hinderliter, 6 children.);

(b. May 8, 1867 - d. July 22, 1924.)

Hinderliter, DeVere

(American Miner Boy, Spragger ca.1920, Eleanora Mine, Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19, single.);

(Injured. Injured by mine cars, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug. 28, 1920.)

Hockenberg, Clyde

(Miner, Mule Driver ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.);

(Killed. Fell in front of a loaded mine wagon while coming down grade with a loaded trip of cars, and was found dead under the mine wagon, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug. 25, 1896.)

Hockenberry, George Freeman

(Miner, ca.1890's, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Hockenberry, Robert

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24, married, wife Carrie Hockenberry, age 29, 2 children.)

Hopkins, John

(Irish Miner, Stationary Engineer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 52.)

Hopkins, John

(American Miner Boy, Trapper Boy, Door Boy ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 14.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);
(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Howels, B.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Howels, W.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Humes, James

(American Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 18, single.)

Hunoskey, John Alex.

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Fromansky, John.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Hunoskey, Julian "Nick"

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23, single.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Fromansky, Nick.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Hunt, James

(Miner Boy, Doorboy ca.1892, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 13, single.);

(Killed. Killed while trying to jump on the head of a trip in the mine, his foot slipped and he fell under the mine cars, in the Eleanora Mine, July 28, 1892.)

Hunt, Harry

(English Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 14.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal, at the working face, in the Eleanora Mine, June 14, 1902.)

Hutchison, John

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.)

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[J]

Jacobs, John

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Prosecuted for Violations of the Mining Laws: February 12, 1913, John Jacobs, miner, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. Charge: Taking smokers' articles into mine worked with locked safety lamps. Plead guilty April 15. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$25.00 and costs.)

Jastem, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Jeffrey, Robert

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1897, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 41, married, 6 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 29, 1897.)

Johnson, Charles

(Swedish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, single.)

Johnson, Peter

(Swedish Miner, Laborer ca.1902, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married, 5 children.);

(Killed. Fatally injured by mine cars, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Oct. 11, 1902.)

Jones, Thomas

(Miner, ca.1898, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22, single.);
(Killed. Fatally injured in the mines at Eleanora, by a fall of rock He was carried out of the mine in an unconscious condition and died in a few minutes, Jan. 12, 1898. Thomas Jones had worked at Eleanora mines only three weeks, and spent Sunday with his parents in Horatio, PA. Interred at the Horatio Cemetery, Horatio, PA. [from "*The Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Jan. 12, 1898.])

Jonia, Anthony

(Lithuanian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1915, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21, single.);
(Injured. Two ribs broken by a fall of slate at the face of a room, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, May 26, 1915.)

[K]

Karmsik, Andrew

(Slav. Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanore No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);(Injured.
(Injured. Injured in an explosion of gas along the rope haulage No. 2, in the Eleanora Mine, May 27, 1902. The men crawled on their hand and knees about eighty yards along an air line in total darkness to safety. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, May 28, 1902.])

Katamarick, Andrew

(Slavic Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married, 2 children.);
(Killed. Killed by an explosion of gas, in the Eleanora Mine, May 27, 1902.)

Kearpon, Mike

(Slavic Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 48.);
(Injured. Injured by an explosion of dynamite, in the Eleanora Mine, July 17, 1901.)

Kernloct, Joseph

(Miner, ca.1914, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Prosecuted for Violations of the Mining Laws: November 4, 1914. Joseph Kernloct, miner, Eleanora Shaft, Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. Charge: Taking matches into safety lamp mine. November 11, plead guilty. Sentenced to pay all costs.)

Kickoski, Steve

(Hungarian Miner, Laborer ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, married, 1 child.);
(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, June 1, 1904.)

King, Hose

(Miner, ca.1912, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1912. Received his certificate ca.1912.);
(Passed his examination for Assistant Mine Foreman ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

King, Walter

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Injured. He cut off the second finger of his left hand and an ax, in the Eleanora Mine, Sept., 1902. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 17, 1902.]

Kingavitch, Paul

(Slavic Miner, Laborer ca.1904, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 44, married, 1 child.);
(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora Mine, April 19, 1904.)

Kirkwood, Adam

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married, 4 children.);
(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.]);
(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Kirkwood, Daniel

(American Miner, Day Laborer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, single.)

Kirkwood, George M.

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36, married, 6 children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine coal dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Kirkwood, Harvey

(American Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16, single.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of roof in a room, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Oct. 2, 1917.)

Klenbeck, Joseph

(German Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36, single.);

(Injured. Burned by a blown-out shot. They put too much dynamite in a shallow hole, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jan. 6, 1905.)

Klinger, Oscar

(American Miner, Stationary Fireman ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23, married, wife Effie Klinger, age 22, 1 child.)

Klingo, Jno.

(Austrian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1901, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 37, married.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora No. 2, May 2, 1901.)

Klubeck, Joseph

(German Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36.);

(Injured. Injured by an explosion of dynamite, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jan. 6, 1905.)

Kodel, Simon

(Russian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1906, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, single.);

(Killed. Killed by a electric wire. In company with a party of men he was walking along the heading, going to work, and in avoiding a pool of water between the rails, he lost his balance and came in contact with the electric wire. Accident was due to his carelessness. In the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, May 21, 1906.)

Kolfeltz, William

(English Miner, Machine Miner ca.1923, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21, single.);

(Injured. Injured when he was caught between a mine car and a heading haulage rope, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 20, 1923.)

Kotvatch, Daniel

(Hungarian Miner, Rock Man ca.1911, Eleanora No. 2 Slope Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 42.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof on a heading, in the Eleanora No. 2 Slope Mine, Nov. 21, 1911.)

Kovach, Michael

(Hungarian Miner, ca.1905, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);

(This could be the same man as Mihaly Kovacs.)

Kovacs, Mihaly "Michael"

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);

(This could be the same man as Michael Kovach.)

Kringovitch, Paul

(Slavonian Miner, Laborer ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 44, married, 1 child.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate. The men were taking coal off a clay vein in the pump room when a mass suddenly gave way and he was buried under it, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 19, 1904.)

Kristolik, Frank

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1903, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of rock, in the Eleanora Mines, Nov., 1903. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.])

[L]

Ladno, John

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married, 5 children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905.[from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Lonna, Joe.)

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Lake, Joe

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1921, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 43, married, 7 children.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of rock on a heading, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan. 12, 1921.)

Laird, Robert

(Scottish Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1901, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 17.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Sept. 11, 1901.)

Lanchander, James

(Scottish Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1903, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan. 31, 1903.)

Laporene, Labore

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanora Mine Jefferson Co., PA, Age 33, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of a "horseback," in the Eleanora Mine, Oct. 30, 1896.)

Laskowski, B. W.

(See: Laskowski, Boleslaw Walenty.)

Laskowski, Boleslaw Walenty

(Polish Miner, Electrician ca.1917, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);

(See also: Laskowski, B. W.; Laskowski, William John; Brock, Tom.)

Lawkowski, William John

(See: Laskowski, Boleslaw Walenty.)

Lazorchak, Michael

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Elizabeth Shema Lazorchak.)

Legaso, Steve

(Austrian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1901, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 48, married, 1 child.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, May 2, 1901.)

Lennox, Charles

(American Miner, Motorman ca.1918, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 33, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Instantly killed. Two motors were pulling a trip of 15 loaded mine cars from the heading. The second motor pushed leg out from under the crossbar, causing the rock to fall on the motorman, breaking his back, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Dec. 3, 1918.)

Lenox, Charles, Jr.

(Scotch Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19, single.);

(Injured. Hips squeezed by a fall of mine roof, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 11, 1904.)

Lewis, Charles J.

(Miner, ca.1918, Eleanora Mines, lived in Desire, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss ca.1918. Received his certificate ca.1918.)

Lewis, Edward

(American Miner Boy, Trapper Boy ca.1911, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 14.);

(Injured. Injured by mine cars on an entry, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Aug. 25, 1911.)

Lewis, Jno.

(Welsh Miner, Gripman ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, married.);

(Injured. Bone in ankle broken by mine cars striking him, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Oct. 9, 1900.)

Linderman, Grand

(Miner, Rope Rider ca.1897, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21, married.);

(Injured. Squeezed about the thighs by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora Mine, Nov. 11, 1897.)

Linnemuth, Miles

(American Miner, Stationary Engineer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 29, married, wife Mary Linnemuth, age 27, 4 children.)

Liptaz, Peter

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40.);

(Died of the grip, March, 1904. Interred at the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Eleanora, PA. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 2, 1904.])

Lipsie, Alexander

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1901, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of rock, in the Eleanora Mine, Sept. 28, 1901.)

Lipsie, James

(Miner, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Assistant Mine Foreman ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Lobash, Pete

(Slavic Miner, Coal Loader ca.1901, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Nov. 4, 1901.)

Lockhart, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Logan, Antonia

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1907, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal from a pillar, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Oct. 2, 1907.)

Lonna, Joe

(See: Ladno, John.)

Love, George

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 41, married, wife Isabella Love, age 23, 2 children.)

Lowling, Mike

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married.);

(Injured. Two ribs broken by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Nov. 17, 1896.)

Lucas, William

(Polish Miner, Scraper ca.1906, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, single.);

(Injured. Hip bruised. Struck by loose rock, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Dec. 1, 1906. Due to his carelessness.)

Lucash, Andy

(Slavonian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1906, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate. They were working in crosscut near the face of the heading and had just finished loading the mine car when a large body of slate fell from between two slips and both men were caught under it. Unavoidable, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 17, 1906.);

(March 17, 1906, Steve Fahier and Andy Lucash, Slavonians, miners working a heading in Eleanora No. 2 Mine, were killed by a fall of slate. They had just finished loading the mine car when the slate fell from between two slips and both were caught under it. The accident was unavoidable.)

Lydick, Van

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);

(Family moved to Indiana, PA and then the Iselin, PA.)

[M]**Madden, James J.**

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his Examination for Fire Boss ca.1913. Certificate received ca.1913.)

Madden, Thomas

(Miner, ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his Examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade ca.1912. Certificate received ca.1912.)

Madroski, Joseph

(Lithuanian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1908, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 16, 1908.)

Mahoney, Harry C.

(American Miner, Motorman ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, married, children.);

(Injured. Arms & Legs broken and burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. Will likely die. [from the "Washington Post," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Mohny, Harry C.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Maifer, Sandy

(Italian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 26, 1909.)

Majka, Tony

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Prosecuted for Violations of the Mining Laws: July 28, 1913, John Doctor, miner, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. Charge: Injured safety lamp carelessly and intentionally in a section of the mine worked with locked safety lamps. Plead guilty April 12. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$25.00 and costs.)

Malone, James

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1912, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 70.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof, at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 10, 1912.)

Malone, Jomas A.

(Miner, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, lived in Desire, PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Malone, Joseph H.

(Miner, ca.1900 - 1924, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Markis, John

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, single.)

Marruk, Thomas

(Italian, Shoe Maker ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40.)

Matsz, Stanley

(Slavic Miner, Pick Miner ca.1910, Eleanora Slope Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 46.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of rock, in the Eleanora Slope Mine, May 12, 1910.)

McChinsey, Warren

(American Miner, Laborer ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 26, single.);

(Injured. Injured when he was struck by a cable, outside the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 9, 1917.)

McClure, J. B.

(Miner, ca.1902, Rossiter Mines, Indiana Co., PA. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, March 5, 1902].)

McDonald, James

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 46, married, wife Isabella McDonald, age 52.)

McGinniss, Thomas

(Miner, ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss, ca.1912. Received his certificate ca.1912.)

McKay, Alexander

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 25, single.)

McKillep, James

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 29, married, wife Alice McKillep, age 25.)

McKlevy, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

McNiskie, John

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 43, married.);

(Injured. Leg fractured by a fall of slate near the face of a pillar, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 20, 1917.)

Meschavich, Martin

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Prosecuted for Violations of the Mining Laws: February 13, 1913, Martin Meschavich, miner, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. Charge: Taking smokers' articles into mine worked with locked safety lamps. Plead guilty April 15. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$25.00 and costs.)

Methuen, Moses

(English Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, married.);

(Injured. Severely injured by a collision of mine cars, in the Eleanor No. 2 Mine, Sept. 22, 1900.);

(See also: Methuyne, Mose.)

Methuyn, Mose

(Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Injured. The empty car the men were riding in and a loaded trip collided on the steep grade and the men had no chance to escape, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 22, 1900. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.].);

(See also: Methuen, Moses.)

Michael, Tony

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Prosecuted for Violations of the Mining Laws: July 28, 1913, Tony Michael, miner, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal and Iron Company. Charge: Tampering with and trying to open a locked safety lamp in a gaseous section of the mine. Warrant issued, but defendant so far has avoided arrest)

Miller, Agustin

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married.)

Miller, John

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1897, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 33, married, 4 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 20, 1897.)

Mohney, Harry. C.

(See: Mahoney, Harry.)

Molnar, Steve

(Hungarian Miner, Sandman ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 48, married.);

(Injured. Left leg lacerated and bruised between mine cars. Outside the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Aug. 25, 1917.)

Monaghan, Bernard

(Irish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1907, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22, single.);

(Killed. Killed by an explosion of a blast, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, May 1, 1907. He was working alone in a room and had poor success in shooting down his coal, for he had fired one or more shots. He lighted another shot, and it must have hung fire. He went back to see what was the matter and the shot went off, and he was killed by it.)

Mooney, John

(Scottish Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 31, single.)

Morgan, Mike

(Hungarian Miner, Laborer ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 42, married.);

(Injured. Hips and head injured by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 19, 1904.)

Morran, James M.

(Miner, ca.1913, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his Examination for Fire Boss ca.1913. Certificate received ca.1913.);

(Passed his examination for Assistant Mine Foreman ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Motherwell, John

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1910, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, married, 2 children.);

(Killed. Killed by an electric shock, in the Eleanora Mine, Feb. 12, 1910.)

Motherwell, John Bell

(Miner, Tracklayer ca.1910, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27, married, wife Sadie Ellenberger Motherwell, 2 children.);

(Killed. Killed when he was ready to go home and then he raised up from sitting position, where he had lunched, and the back of his neck came in contact with the electric wire, killing him instantly in the Eleanora Mine, Feb., 1910. Interred at the Reynoldsville Cemetery. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 16, 1910.].)

Motley, Mr.

(Miner, ca.1904, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Motty, F.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Motty, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

Murphy, Thomas

(American Miner Boy, Motor Boy ca.1911, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 17.);

(Injured. Injured by a mine motor at the foot of the mine shaft, in the Eleanora Mine, Nov. 18, 1911.)

Murray, William

(Miner, ca.1913, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade, ca.1913. Certificate received ca.1913.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.);

(Passed his examination for Assistant Mine Foreman ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

[N]

Naffin, Moses

(English Miner, ca.1902, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 50, married.);

(Injured. Injured by an explosion of gas, in the Eleanora Mines, May 3, 1902.)

Neilson, James

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade ca.1913. Certificate received ca.1913.)

Nerlino, Giuseppe

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1912, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 57, married.)

Nesbit, Mr.

(Miner, ca.1922, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Nichols, John

(English Miner, Employee ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 36, married.);

(Injured. Leg broken by mine cars jumping the track, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, June 8, 1904.)

Niskie, Jon

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 43.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 20, 1917.)

North, James B.

(American, Teamster ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co. PA, Age 50, married, wife Matilda North, age 5 1, 4 children.)

North, Morris

(American Miner Boy, Day Laborer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 17.)

[O]

O'Brien, James

(Miner, ca.1908, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 52, married, several children.);

(James O'Brien was killed in the Rossiter Mine, July 25, 1908. [from the "*Indiana Progress*," Indiana, PA, July 29, 1908.])

Ogden, Warren

(American Miner, Employee ca.1908, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, married, 1 child.);

(Killed. Killed by a mine motor, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan. 17, 1908.)

Olch, George

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1913, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, married, 1 child.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Nov. 12, 1913.)

Olson, Andy

(Swedish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1907, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 54, married.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Oct. 10, 1907.

His ankle was broken by a fall of slate in pillar work.)

O'Rourke, Frank

(Scotch Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27, married.);

(Injured. Leg broken by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 12, 1904.)

[P]

Pardoe, Frank

(General Superintendent, ca.1915, ca.1917, ca.1918, Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Park, Alexander

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 42, married, wife Agness Park, age 34, 4 children.)

Patterson, Gilbert

(Miner, ca.1904, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Injured. Compound fracture of the left leg, near the thigh, by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine,

[from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Aug. 26, 1896.]

Patterson, Gilbert

(American Miner Boy, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine Jefferson Co., PA, Age 18, single.);

(Injured. Leg broken by a fall of bone coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 9, 1904.)

Patterson, Robert

(Miner, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, lived in Desire, PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Percoskie, John

(Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, March 7, 1896.)

Peskavage, Joseph

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, married.);

(Injured. Testicles and leg injured by mine cars, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 22, 1905.)

Pittsley, Frank

(Miner, ca.1908, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24, married, 1 child.);

(Killed. Fatally injured when he was run over by a line of coal cars, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Nov. 30, 1908. Died of his injuries, Dec. 1, 1908. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Dec. 9, 1908.]

(b. ca.1884 - d. Dec. 1, 1908. Interred at Circle Hill Cemetery, Punxsutawney, PA)

Polasco, John

(Hungarian Miner, Rockman ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, married.);

(Injured. Scalp lacerated and shoulder and back bruised by a fall of rock at the face, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 6, 1917.)

Pollock, John

(Miner, Fire Boss, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);

(John Pollock started working in the mines as a "Door Boy," he worked his way up from miner to Fire Boss at the Eleanora Mines. After the Eleanora Mines closed the Pollock family moved to Ohio. d. ca.1985, at the age of 95.);

(John Pollock was a pitcher for the Eleanora Mine baseball team ca.1919 –1923. We have the photo of the time and each player is identified (my grandfather only marked the last names). As a

side note my grandfather was a darn good pitcher at that time and said the Pittsburgh Pirates wanted him to sign with them, but he chose family over playing professional baseball. We often wondered if he had signed, where it would have taken him.)

Pollock, Robert

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 22, 1905.])

Potts, James

(Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32.);

(Killed. The empty car the men were riding in and a loaded trip collided on the steep grade and the men had no chance to escape, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 22, 1900. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.])

Potts, James

(American Miner, Gripman ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by mine cars, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 22, 1900.)

Powilaitia, Tony

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1917-1918, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Died of the Spanish flu ca.1918.)

Pryde, John

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 43, single.)

Pryde, William

(Miner, Mule Driver ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24, married.);

(Injured. Leg injured by being caught between two loaded mine cars, in the Eleanora Mine, Sept. 10, 1896.)

Purcell, Patrick

(Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Attended the Miner's Examination for Mine Foreman & Fire Boss, at the Municipal Building, Punxsutawney, PA, Feb., 1906. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 7, 1906.])

Purcell, Patrick

(Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade ca.1906. Certificate issued ca.1906.)

Purm, Mr.

(Miner, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(A player on the Eleanora Mine Baseball Team.)

[Q]

Quinn, Thomas

(Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Attended the Miner's Examination for Mine Foreman & Fire Boss, at the Municipal Building, Punxsutawney, PA, Feb., 1906. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 7, 1906.])

[R]

Raffey, Carl

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1917, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 39, single.);

(Injured. Leg fractured and head cut by the fall of roof in a heading, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Feb. 5, 1917.)

Ramazzotti, Paolo

(Italian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1917, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Madalena Ramazzotti.)

Randolph, John H.

(American, Shoemaker ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 29, married, wife Lizzia Randolph, age 29, 2 children.)

Rantoich, Andy

(Slavonian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1915, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 63, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of roof at a room neck on a heading, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 13, 1915.)

Raybuck, Lester H.

(Miner, Boiler House Fireman ca.1920, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Laura Raybuck.)

Rearidge, John

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 29, married, wife Mary Rearidge, age 26, 3 children.)

Regino, Dominic

(Italian Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1909, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19, single.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal from a stump, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, July 19, 1909.)

Reveze, Mike

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1907, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Lanionagie Reveze.)

Robeisko, Jos

(Slavonian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married.);

(Injured. Hips badly squeezed by a fall of coal while mining to coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, March 18, 1904.)

Roberts, George

(Miner, ca.1912, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his Examination for Mine Foreman, First Grade ca.1912. Certificate received ca.1912.)

Robertson, Charles H.

(Miner, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Fire Boss ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Robinson, Thomas

(English Miner, Day Laborer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA Age 38, single.)

Rotasky, Joseph

(Polish Miner, Company Man ca.1914, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24, married.);

(Killed. Killed by being electrocuted on an entry, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 14, 1914.)

Ruddlick, William

(Miner, ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35.);

(Killed. The empty car the men were riding in and a loaded trip collided on the steep grade and the men had no chance to escape, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 22, 1900. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Sept. 26, 1900.].);

(See also: Ruddock, Thomas.)

Ruddock, Alexander

(Scottish Miner, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Injured. Injured in a mining accident, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine.)

Ruddock, Thomas

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Killed. Instantly killed, crushed between mine cars, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Sept. 22, 1900.);

(See also: Ruddlick, William.)

Rudolph, John

(American Miner, Laborer ca.1917, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 26, single.);
(Killed. Fatally Injured. Struck by reel of copper cable. Outside the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 9, 1917.)

Rundolph, Thomas

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married.);
(Injured. Two ribs broken by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Jan. 14, 1896.)

Rush, James

(Russian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora No. 1 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married.);
(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of mine roof, in the Eleanora No 1 Mine, Dec. 13, 1900.)

Rustovick, Frank

(Miner, Machine Operator ca.1903, No. 3 Mine Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, married, 4 children.);
(Killed. Killed when a boulder of solid rock, which measured 20 feet in length, 10 feet in width, and 7 feet in thickness, and weighed about 200 tons, came crashing down from directly overhead, crushing him to a pulp. Interred at the Catholic Cemetery at Linsey, PA. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.])

[S]**Salniski, Vesanti**

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, single.);
(Injured. Ignoto Stetslan and Vesanti Salniski were burned from a blown shot. They were working in a cross cut and did not have the coal properly mined and the hole was too shallow, in the Nov. 15, 1904.)

Salvis, Daniel A.

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married, wife Sarah M. Silvis, age 47, 5 children.)

Sancavitch, John

(See: Sencavitch, John.)

Savenchick, Steve

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1912, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married, 5 children.);
(Killed. Killed by a fall of mine roof at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Dec. 6, 1912.)

Schopf, Daniel

(American Miner, Day Laborer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 49, single.)

Schrammel, Franz

(See: Shomell, Frank.)

Schrum, Frank

(See: Shomell, Frank.)

Scott, W. M.

(Superintendent, ca.1917, ca.1918, of the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, for Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA.)

Secoskie, John

(Slavic Miner, Coal Loader ca.1911, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof and the working face, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Feb. 8, 1911.)

Sencavitch, John

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1907, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, married.);
(Injured. Injured his hip when it was squeezed between a mine car and a pillar, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, July 30, 1907.);

(See also: Sancavitch, John.)

Shea, Frank L.

(Miner, ca.1918, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade, ca.1918. Received his certificate.)

Shepherd, Mr.

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Sheppard, James

(Scottish Miner Boy, Pick miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 15, single.)

Sheppard, John

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 28, single.)

Sheppard, Peter

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24, single.)

Sheppard, William

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, age 26, single.)

Sherba, Harry

(Slavic Miner, Pick Miner ca.1912, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 47, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of mine roof at the working face, in the Eleanora No.2 Mine, July 6, 1912.)

Shomell, Frank

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married, 3 children.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Schrum, Frank; Schrammel, Franz.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Shotts, William

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 45, married, wife Maggia Shotts, age 26, 2 children.)

Shuntusky, Phillip

(Polish Miner, Motorman ca.1913, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 32, married.);

(Killed. Killed when he was eletrocuted by the trolley wire, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, May 23, 1913.)

Smelko, Tony

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35, married.);

(Injured. Pelvis fractured by being struck by a fall of coal at the face of a room, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jan. 4, 1909.)

Smith, Harry

(American Miner Boy, Mule Driver ca.1914, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 18.);

(Injured. Injured by mine cars, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Aug. 7, 1914.)

Smith, James

(Scotch Miner, Employee ca.1906, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 20, single.);

(Injured. Leg bruised. Caught between dummy and mine cars, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Nov. 23, 1906. Due to carelessness.)

Smith, John C.

(American Miner, Laborer ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 41, married, wife Annie L. Smith, age 31, 3 children.)

Smitko, Lewy

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 35.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Jan. 5, 1909.)

Sollaway, Arthur

(English Miner, Pick Miner ca.1914, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 29, married.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jan. 16, 1914.)

Somidy, Vincent

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1915, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 52, married.);

(Injured. Arm broken by being caught between a loaded mine car and a prop near the face of a room, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, May 17, 1915.)

Stableton, Patrick

(Scottish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 37, single.)

Stanquist, Joseph

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1907, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30.);

(Injured. Injured by a fall of mine roof, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, March 26, 1907. Foot bruised by a fall of mine roof in a heading.)

Stetslan, Ignoto

(Polish Miner, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married.);

(Injured. Ignoto Stetslan and Vesanti Salniski were burned from a blown out shot. They were working in a cross cut and did not have the coal properly mined and the hole was too shallow, in the Nov. 15, 1904.)

Stevon, Verion

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 21, single.)

Styhero, Orey

(See: Styres, Orey.)

Styers, John A.

(American Miner Boy, Door Boy ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 13.);

(Son of Melvin Styers.)

Styers, Melvin

(American Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married, wife Elizabeth H. Styers, age 42, 7 children.)

Styres, Orey

(American Miner Boy, Coal Loader ca.1909, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 19, single.);

(Injured. He broke his leg jumping from a mine car on the slope, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jan. 19, 1909.);

(See also: Styhero, Orey.)

Suckoski, Steve

(Hungarian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 30, married, 1 child.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of bone coal. His shot failed to bring down the coal, and he was working at it when the bone coal suddenly fell and broke his leg, severing an artery, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, June 1, 1904 and he died as he was being taken to the hospital. Accident was due to his own carelessness.)

Sucosh, Anthony

(Hungarian Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married, widow and two children in the old country.);

(Killed. Caught in a fall of rock in the Eleanora Slope Saturday at about 12:30 o'clock, p.m., and was so badly crushed that Sucish died soon after, in the Eleanora Slope Mine, March, 1906. Interred at the Catholic Cemetery, Solider, PA. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 21, 1906.]

Sulim, Mike

(Miner Boy, Trapper ca.1903, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16.);
(Injured. Had his right leg broken in two places, near thigh and below the knee, last Friday by being caught under a coal car, in the Eleanora Mines, Nov. 1903. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.])

Sulin, Mike

(Slavic Miner, Mule Driver ca.1912, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 24.);
(Injured. Injured by mine cars on an entry, in the Eleanora No 2 Mine, Jan. 29, 1912.)

Sulin, Mott

(Slavic Miner, Spragger ca.1912, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22.);
(Injured. Injured by mine cars on an entry, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Aug. 27, 1912.)

Swanson, Albert

(Miner, Pump Engineer ca.1903, Eleanora New Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, married, 7 children.);
(Killed. Scaled to death when a steam line burst at the bottom of the new shaft, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug., 1903. He was literally boiled to death. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Aug. 26, 1903.])

Swanson, Arthur

(American Miner Boy, Boorboy ca.1907, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 14.);
(Injured. Injured testicle, when he was caught between a mine motor and a door, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 9, 1907.)

Swartz, Charles E.

(Miner, Fireman ca.1896, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);
(He relocate to Ohio from DuBois after a few years and became a mechanical engineer.)

Swellen, Mike

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1903, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16, single.);
(Injured. Had his right leg broken above the knee, and the tibia or large bone of the same leg broken above the ankle, by falling between moving coal cars, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Nov., 1903. He was the soul support of a widowed mother and 6 brothers and sisters. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 4, 1903.])

[T]

Tansky, George

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, single.);
(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.]);
(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Teher, Steve

(Hungarian Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married, widow and two children in the old country.);
(Killed. Caught in a fall of rock in the Eleanora Slope Saturday at about 12:30 o'clock, p.m., and was so badly crushed that Teher died soon after, in the Eleanora Slope Mine, March, 1906. Interred at the Old Cemetery, in Desire, PA. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, March 21, 1906.])

Terascavich, Joe

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1918, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 37, married, 2 children.);
(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of rock in pillar workings while, working off the face of heading pillars, in the Eleanore No. 2 Mine, June 19, 1918.)

Thompson, George

(Scotch Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23, single.);

(Killed. Instantly killed by mine cars, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Dec. 30, 1900.)

Tichert, Charles

(German Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 34, married.);
(Injured. Burned by a blown-out shot. They put too much dynamite in a shallow hole, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jan. 6, 1905.)

Tippens, George

(American Miner Boy, Pick Miner ca.1904, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 16, single.);
(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Oct. 25, 1904.)

Tokar, John

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1900, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 27, married.);
(Injured. Ankle bone fractured and cut on left leg by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Nov. 18, 1900.)

Turek, Michal

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904 - ca.1907, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Brother of Piotr Turek.)

Turek, Piotr "Peter"

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1904 - ca.1907, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife in the old country.);
(Brother of Michal Turek.);
(Piotr Turek worked at the Eleanor Mine until ca.1907 when he returned to Poland [Austria] to bring back his wife, in ca.1908. He then moved to Chicago, IL, then Johnston City, IL, dying in St. Louis, MO in ca.1920 at age 39 from tuberculosis.)

[U]

Urko, Tony

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1909, Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, married, 3 children.);
(Killed. Killed by a fall of mine roof while pulling heading stumps, in the Eleanora No. 3 Mine, Sept. 14, 1909.)

[V]

Varp, John

(Hungarian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1916, Eleanore Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 47.);
(Injured. Injured by a fall of coal at the working face, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Nov. 28, 1916.)

Veltra, Joe

(Italian Miner, ca.1908, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co. PA.);
(Arrested for the murder of Robert Tozer, on July 18, 1908. [from the *"Indiana Progress,"* Indiana, PA, Wed., July 29, 1908].)

Verbose, Mike

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanore Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 38, single.);
(Injured. Severely injured by a fall of slate, in the Eleanora Mine, Jan. 13, 1896.)

Violansky, Mr.

(Miner, ca.1913, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

[W]

Waik, John

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1896, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 54, married, 4 children.);
(Killed. Instantly killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Aug. 20, 1896.)

Wargo, Lewis

(Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1915, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 42, married.);

(Injured. Hip fractured by a fall of slate at the face of a room, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jan. 9, 1915.)

Warren, W. B.

(Miner, Foreman, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.)

Waslaskie, Joseph

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1897, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 53, single.);

(Killed. Killed by a fall of coal, in the Eleanora Mine, Oct. 8, 1897.)

Wastcavich, August

(See also: Westcavich, August. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See: Wastcavitch, August.)

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Wastcavich, Nick

(See also: Westcavich, Martin. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See: Wastcavitch, Nick.)

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Wastcavitch, August

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, single.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Westcavich, August.);

(See also: Wastcavich, August.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Wastcavitch, Nick

(Austrian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, married.);

(Killed. Fatally burned by an explosion of gas. The miners working at the face of north-west heading fired a shot, and it blew out and ignited the fine dust and gas that must have accumulated in the vicinity, as a door had been left open and the air current was cut off, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, April 27, 1905. [from the "*Washington Post*," Washington, D.C., April 29, 1905.].);

(See also: Westcavich, Martin.);

(See also: Wastcavich, Nick.);

(*Eleanora Mine Disaster of April, 27, 1905.*)

Welch, Thomas

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1892, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40.);

(Injured. Leg broken by a piece of rock sliding down in him, from a fall, in the Eleanora Mine, March 26, 1892.)

Welsh, John

(Miner, ca.1897, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);

(Killed. killed in the mines at Eleanora last Thursday afternoon by a fall of coal. He and his room mate had fired a shot and were loading a car when a lose end broke from the face and fell, striking him in the stomach knocking him down. Both legs were broken near the thigh. His right hip bone was broken and he was injured internally. He died instantly and without uttering a word. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, Feb. 24, 1897.].)

Wering, John

(American Miner, Boiler House Fireman ca.1900, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 40, married, wife Esther Wering, age 26, 1 child.)

Westcavich, August

(See: Wastcavitch, August.)

Westcavich, Martin

(See: Wastcavitch, Nick.)

White, James

(American Miner, Runner ca.1907, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22, single.);
(Killed. Killed by a fall of slate at the working face of his room, in the Eleanora No. 2 Mine, April 10, 1907.)

White, James J.

(Miner, Mine foreman ca.1914, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 56, single.);
(Killed. Died of pneumonia May 15, 1914. Interred at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Punxsutawney, PA.)

White, John L.

(Superintendent, ca.1915, of the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, for Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Punxsutawney, PA.)

White, Wilbert E.

(Miner, ca.1913, ca.1914, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his Examination for Fire Boss ca.1913. Certificate received ca.1913.);
(Passed his examination for Assistant Mine Foreman ca.1914. Certificate issued ca.1914.)

Williams, David J.

(Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Attended the Miner's Examination for Mine Foreman & Fire Boss, at the Municipal Building, Punxsutawney, PA, Feb., 1906. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Feb. 7, 1906].)

Williams, David J.

(Miner, ca.1906, Eleanora Mines, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Passed his examination for Mine Foreman, Second Grade, ca.1906. Certificate issued ca.1906.)

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[Y]

Yatsco, Joe

(Hungarian Miner, Mule Driver ca.1920, Eleanora Mine, Rochester Pittsburgh Coal & Iron Company, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 20, single.);
(Injured. Injured by mine cars, in the Eleanora Mine, Nov. 22, 1920.)

[Z]

Zarboski, Michael

(Polish Miner, Pick Miner ca.1905, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 23.);
(Killed. Killed on his way out of the mines when a trip of cars coming toward them jumped the track, Zarboski's companion had time to escape but the other was caught and drawn under the wheels, crushing his legs and bruising and cutting his body so badly that he lived only a short time, in the Eleanora Shaft mine, Oct., 1905. [from "*The Punxsutawney Spirit*," Punxsutawney, PA, Oct. 25, 1905].)

Zaczyk, Frank

(Miner, Pick Miner ca.1916, Eleanora Mines, Eleanora, Jefferson Co., PA, married, wife Catherine Krystofik Zaczyk.)

Zerzed, Peter (Hungarian Miner, Pick Miner ca.1902, Eleanora No. 2 Mine, Jefferson Co., PA.);
(Injured. Injured in an explosion of gas along the rope haulage No. 2, in the Eleanora Mine, May 27, 1902. Hands and face badly burned. His mule was killed. The men crawled on their hand and knees about eighty yards along an air line in total darkness to safety. [from "*The Star*," Reynoldsville, PA, May 28, 1902].)

Zims, Andy

(Slavonian Miner, Machine Cutter ca.1904, Eleanora Shaft Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22, single.);

(Injured. Burned by a gas explosion, a shot opened a small gas feeder, and Mike Folta and Zims were clearing it out, when it ignited at their lamps, in the Eleanora Shaft Mine, Sept. 7, 1904.)

Zions, Cindy

(Slavic Miner, Coal Loader ca.1904, Eleanora Mine, Jefferson Co., PA, Age 22.):

(Injured. Injured by an explosion of gas, in the Eleanore Mine, Sept. 7. 1904.)