

Young Men Hard To Find For Mines

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PITTSBURGH (UP)—Because of mechanization, the coal industry is becoming a young man's game. The industry is spending considerable time and money trying to get the young men interested.

But you won't find high school boys overflowing with enthusiasm about coal mining as an occupation, especially those whose fathers did nothing else for years.

"I'm definitely not interested," said Ted Guza, 17, a high school senior at Liberty, Pa., and the son of a coal miner. "I want to go to college and amount to something."

One of Ted's classmates, John McClymont, 18, is not decided on what to do after high school but "coal mining would be the last resort." His father is a coal miner too.

Industry Confident

Despite apparent general apathy on the part of the youngsters toward coal mining, the industry is confident of recruiting all the young replacements it will need in the future. Employment service officials said that at present they have little difficulty finding men to fill openings.

Better wages, mechanization of mining processes and improved working and safety conditions are depended upon to keep the coal companies supplied with labor personnel, they report.

Mechanization, combined with the closing of worked-out mines, is rapidly cutting down the number of employes because one machine can do the work of several men. Bituminous coal employed 600,000 men 20 years ago; today, 400,000.

The industry's problem now, however, is to get the youngsters into the fold because it finds the older miners (the average age of a miner is about 40) lack physical strength and technical know-how to handle the intricate machines of modern-day mining.

New Type Sought
"It is evident that a new class of miner will be required to meet the new conditions," said M. D. Cooper, director of mining engineering education of the National Coal Association, the "chamber of commerce" of the bituminous industry.

"He will be a highly skilled mechanic, able to operate or maintain equipment that is both heavy and fast moving. To be successful, he will need a thorough training in the mechanics of machinery and the application of electricity."

That is the prospect the industry is setting before high school and college youths.

"The National Coal Association,"

AS DR. SANDER WENT TO TRIAL



SMILING AT WELL-WISHERS, Dr. Hermann N. Sander (center), with his wife and lawyer, arrives at Hillsborough County Courthouse in Manchester, N. H., for the opening of his "mercy killing" trial. He is charged with fatally injecting air into the veins of Mrs. Abbie Borroto, a cancer victim as she lay dying and in agony in a hospital. (International)

said John D. Battle, its executive vice president, "is actively carrying on a campaign directed toward alleviating the shortage of properly trained technical personnel available for employment in the industry."

Training Promoted

Cooper devotes all his time to the promotion of mine training courses in colleges and high schools throughout the soft coal belt. The anthracite industry has also made a start in that direction.

Class members usually are sons of coal miners because "they are familiar with the working and living conditions of coal mining."

Results of the program so far convince the coal operators that they still have a lot of "selling" to do as far as the youngsters are concerned.

The Hudson Coal Co. of Scranton, Pa., said that of 18 youths graduated from its high school mining course at Blakely, Pa., not one went into coal mining.

60 Per Cent Join Up

Out of a soft coal training course in western Pennsylvania, only 60 per cent of a recent class took coal jobs. That was regarded as a good rate, however, considering that all the boys insisted while they were taking the course that they were doing it simply because it was "interesting" and had no intention of taking jobs in the industry.

Coal company officials admit that many youths will take a job in coal mining as a matter of expediency. The wages are higher than in some other industries.

The high school principal at Liberty, Pa., warns the senior boys that they will stand a better chance eventually of finding the job they want if "you don't make the mistake of marrying right after you leave high school."

You don't have to scrape or pare carious—they may be scrubbed clean with a stiff brush.

NOTICE OF NEW REGISTRATIONS IN FINES CREEK PRECINCTS NOS. 1 AND 2

Formal and legal notice is hereby given that the Haywood County Board of Elections in meeting duly held and upon motion and resolutions duly passed has and does order new registrations of voters in Fines Creek Precincts Nos. 1 and 2 and that the same will be held according to law.

This the 24th day of February, 1950.

HAYWOOD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
By Jerry Rogers, Chairman.
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NOTICE OF CHANGE OF VOTING PLACE IN IVY HILL TOWNSHIP

Formal and legal notice is hereby given that the Haywood County Board of Elections in meeting duly held and by resolution duly and unanimously passed has changed the voting or polling place in Ivy Hill Township from the present location voting or polling place to the Maggie School House and has designated and established the Maggie School house as the new voting or polling place.

This the 24th day of February, 1950.

HAYWOOD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
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NOTICE OF NEW REGISTRATION IN SOUTH WARD WAYNESVILLE NOW KNOWN AS WAYNESVILLE NUMBER 2

Formal and legal notice is hereby given that the Haywood County Board of Elections in a meeting duly held and upon motion and resolution unanimously passed has changed the name of the "South Ward Waynesville" to Waynesville Number 2, and that a new registration will be had in said Waynesville No. 2, according to law.

This the 24th day of February, 1950.

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By Jerry Rogers, Chairman.
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NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF WAYNESVILLE PRECINCT NO. 3 AND OF THE POLLING PLACE OF WAYNESVILLE PRECINCT NO. 3 AND NOTICE OF NEW REGISTRATION IN PRECINCT NO. 3 WAYNESVILLE

This is formal and statutory notice that the Haywood County Board of Elections in a meeting duly held has created and established a new voting precinct in Waynesville Township and has designated it as Waynesville Number 3, and that said Precinct No. 3 includes and consists of the Balsam, Hyatt Creek, Saunook, Allen Creek and Country Club areas, and described as follows by bounds:

Coast Water Shortage Nearing Acute Stage

Bergmann recently reported that the water shortage "already is becoming acute on the West Coast and the use of ocean water is seriously being explored."

Science already has accomplished the trick of taking salt from salt water, but on a small and expensive scale.

"The solution," according to Bergmann, "would be to derive both minerals and the water from the oceans."

Also the sea water contains small organisms known as plankton—food that the fish, including whales, eat. He said it was not too remote that man some day may be eating plankton "burgers."

Ocean, Seas Contain Bountiful Material
Bergmann estimated that there are 300,000,000 cubic miles of water in all the oceans, and that "we could dry out one such cubic mile of water, we could get a mountain of salt, containing 117,000,000 million tons of common salt."

Besides the salt, Bergmann says the following could be taken from a cubic mile of sea water:

Six million tons of magnesium, 4,000,000 tons of potash, 300,000 tons of bromine, 2,200 tons of iodine, 200,000 tons of borate, 900 tons of iron, 450 tons of copper, 70 tons of uranium, 15 tons of silver, and a "nice hunk of gold."

For the time being, according to Bergmann, land resources of metals are holding out and no "ocean mining" is necessary.

However, some countries in the world may start tapping the ocean to avoid importing materials. One day, he believes, coastal and near coastal stretches of desert may be converted into "productive lands" as a result of turning salt water into fresh.

ITALIAN COMMUNISTS AWAIT TRIAL AS RIOTERS



TALKING THROUGH BARS with relatives and friends, Italian Communists are shown in the Court of Justice at Florence, Italy, shortly before they went on trial on charges of rioting. The disturbances occurred last July, following the attempted assassination of Palmiro Togliatti, Communist Party leader. (International)

SOLON FACES EX-BOXER'S CHARGES



READY TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL, Rep. Frederick Crawford (R-Mich.) is shown outside the Upper Marlboro, Md., courthouse in custody of Elton Turner, police lieutenant of Prince Georges County. The 62-year-old congressman is charged with striking Ray Hanbury, a former boxer and now a student, who worked on Crawford's farm. (International)

NOTICE OF SUMMONS IN SUPERIOR COURT

NORTH CAROLINA, HAYWOOD COUNTY, DOROTHY MOODY, Plaintiff,

-vs- GEORGE MOODY, Defendant.

The defendant, George Moody, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina, against said defendant for judgment in favor of the plaintiff for an absolute divorce on the grounds of two years separation. That said defendant will further take notice that he is required to be and appear at the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina, in the courthouse in Waynesville, on or before the 25th day of March, 1950, or within 20 days thereafter and answer or demur to the Complaint of the plaintiff filed in this action, or the plaintiff apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

This the 27th day of February, 1950.

C. H. LEATHERWOOD
Clerk of Superior Court.
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