

**Southern Golds Options Venerable Gold Mine**

The Venerable custom built gold mill, located at Smyrna, S. C., is undergoing over hauling by the Southern Golds, Ltd., who have for the past two years been mining the old Terry mine in that section.

The Southern Gold Mining Co. at the Terry mine has been the chief producer of ore for the Capps Hill mine for the past year, in which mill they are part owner, but as an auxiliary, were not affected by the Capps mine receivership.

The Venerable recovery plant was built by a Mr. Venerable, a coal miner of Marston, W. Va. in the early thirties as a fifty ton custom mill. But after operating a few months it was found to need some supplementary machinery to eliminate copper and arsenic found in the ores.

will add any needed processing equipment to recover or eliminate miseria's that characterize their ores. But it is not learned of they expect to do custom work.

**CAR LOAD OF GOLD ORE SHIPPED FROM FERGUSON**

Other mining enterprises in the Carolina state-line gold belt section, is that the old Ferguson mine, in the Battleground section, has been dewatered and a car load of its gold ore shipped from Kings Mountain, N. C., by a new Canadian group, not in anyway connected with the Capps mine and Southern Golds. The ore from the Ferguson mine has always been fairly high grade and the mine has enjoyed a good record with a very promising future.

A number of other properties are reported under option in the Kings Mountain and Smyrna section, including the old Kings Mountain, or Catawba mine near here, by New Jersey and New York interest, also Tennessee capital.

**Influenza On Increase**

Raleigh, May 22.—Last month's influenza toll in North Carolina was 119, as compared with 48 in April, 1938, according to a report compiled by Dr. R. T. Stimpson, director of the State Board of Health's Bureau of Vital Statistics. Homicides also were up, with forty-one as compared with 23 the corresponding period last year.

There was an increase of eight in the total number of deaths in the State, while the birth-rate jumped from 22.2 to 22.7, indicating an increase of 206 in the number of babies born last month over April, 1938.

The infant mortality rate for the month, including babies under one year of age, dropped from 56.2 to 52.2, while the maternal death rate fell from 5.7 to 5.5 for the month. Diarrhea and enteritis claimed only 13 children under two years of age last month, as compared with 35 a year ago, the report of Dr. Stimpson shows. There were ten deaths from measles, compared with 46 last April.

Preventable accidents claimed 96 victims, against 91 a year ago, including, in 1939: automobile fatalities, 65; deaths from automobile and railroad collisions, 5; other railroad accidents, 7; burns, 19; drowning, 6; traumatism by firearms, four. There were no sharp differences in deaths from the above causes for the two years.

Pulmonary tuberculosis deaths dropped from 165 to 139, while pneumonia deaths dropped from 223 to 207.

Dr. Bones sees totalitarian nations having reached height of power and started on decline.

**Large Pig Crop Seen In 1939 By Hostetler**

Indications for spring and fall pig crops in 1939 amounting to 80,000,000 head or more shows the need for careful selection of rations to reduce costs in feeding and thereby increase the chance for a margin of profit, says Earl H. Hostetler, professor of animal husbandry at State College.

Feeders also should bear in mind that the firm, medium type hogs that are well finished will bring a premium over those that are either unfinished or excessively fat, he added.

Through research by State College agencies, plus practical experience, North Carolina hog raisers are able today, to feed more efficiently and economically than in the past, Prof. Hostetler continued.

For efficient feeding, but is lacking on most farms except on those that have skim milk or butter milk available.

However, this important food element can be supplied economically by using cottonseed meal in combination with tankage or fish meal. An efficient protein supplement for dry lot feeding consists of forty pounds of cottonseed meal, forty pounds of tankage or fish meal, 16 pounds of ground legume hay of good quality, three pounds of bone meal, and one pound of salt. If mineral is not included in the supplement, a mixture of two parts of steamed bone meal, two parts of finely ground limestone, and one part salt is an excellent mixture to keep available at times.

In conclusion, Prof. Hostetler said grain is an important part in all hog rations, but they should be coarsely ground if pigs are to utilize their full value. He recommends corn, threshed grain, sorghums, wheat and brewer's rice. Oats are excellent for growing animals but are too bulky for young pigs and fattening hogs.

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**'First 50 Families'**

Smiths Lead Social Security Lists With 418,000 And the Johnsons Are Second.

Smith — the name that appears so many times in telephone directories — also is the No. 1 name of the Social Security Board.

A survey of the Board's 44,000,000 old age insurance accounts revealed today that that name appears more often than any other.

The Board's list of the "first 50 families" showed 418,000 separate accounts for Smiths. They were followed by the Johnsons with 350,000 the Browns with 254,750, the Williamses with 250,312, the Millers with 240,180, and the Joneses with 235,540.

Other names among the First Fifty were: Anderson; Bailey; Baker; Bell; Bennett; Black;

Brooks, Burke, Butler, Cohen, Davis, Edwards Ellis; Evans; Fisher; Foster; Green; Hall, Haarris, Jackson, James, Jenkins, Johnston; Jordan, King, Lewis Martin, Moore; Nelson Phillips, Roberts, Robinson Rogers; Taylor; Thomas; Turner; Walker, White and Wilson.

"The first names were found principally in Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida," the Board continued. "The Burkes, Cohens and Elliots come principally from the state of New York. The Adams, Balley, Jenkins and Nelson families are most numerous in Ohio, Kentucky, and Michigan, while Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey have a majority of only one of these groups, the Moores.

The general picture is fairly constant. When it is considered that hundreds and even thousands of persons among the 43,000,000 for whom

the Bureau has set up accounts have not only the same family name, but also the same first name, the absolute necessity of accurate identification will be realized. This is why each applicant is asked to give his exact name, age, and other identifying information, and why each is then assigned an individual account number.

Take the Thompsons as an example. There are only 110,000 of them in the Bureau's files; but of these, 5,000 are named John; 3,000 George; and 2,700 Charles; while 34 have as a given name Woodrow Wilson. Among the 43,000 Bennetts, there are 2200 Johns, and almost equal number named William or one of its variants.

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