

C. P. BRINTON, BARNESBORO ENGINEER, IS SPEAKER AT 16th ANNUAL CONVENTION

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 25 — With the trend rapidly increasing to mechanization, the tangible thing for the coal operating companies to do is to plan a system of education for their key men and supervisory force, C. P. Brinton, Mining Engineer, Barnes and Tucker Company, Barnesboro, Pa., advocated today in an address before the 16th Annual Coal Convention and Exposition of the American Mining Congress.

He cautioned coal mining men that there is a growing scarcity of young engineers entering coal mining courses in colleges and universities throughout the nation and emphasized that since engineering studies in the coal mines of today are becoming more and more important a demand for the technical men in the coal industry will be recreated.

Speaking on the subject "Engineering Studies and Conveyor Cost Analysis" he said, "It is assumed that the management has obtained knowledge of their local problems, namely, studies of seam characteristics, grades, friability of coal as related to type of conveying equipment, and past or present work practices in dealing with labor, and other items that relate to local conditions."

"Engineering studies must deal with specific facts that may be presented or described as a preliminary study. The data for the above may be original or obtained from operations where conditions are similar to the one about which you are making the study; if such is the case, a detail study of the various main items should be made, by careful analysis as provided for in time study form sheets. Usually the initial conveyor installation in hand-made as to location, best conditions in the mine, and new equipment in use; however you are going through the trial stage in the use of the new equipment, in the training of a supervisory force, and the breaking in of new labor."

"The single unit study requires detail analysis, for upon the efficiently working single unit depends the success of all occupations, whatever the grouping or arranging of units. If bad roof conditions occur, it is necessary to reduce room centers. If roly conditions with sharp dips and rises are encountered, it may be necessary to have hold-down strips on your flight conveyor. The type of unit that functions properly and delivers the coal to the room neck at discharge point and not along the conveyor is important. At any mine where conveyors are being operated, performance studies should be made at regular intervals. Items listed should correspond with the American Mining Congress' Coal Division Conveyor Committee Standard Time Study Form Sheet. This form sheet, carefully made out, should be used as a medium of exchange of reliable information between operating companies, also for comparison of corresponding tasks as provided in this section of your mine by this crew of workmen. Interested workmen are efficient. They are desirous to know if they complete their tasks in less time than members of other crews. Efficient crew members have their own individual task to perform and some special forms of recognition should be provided for individuals who suggest or bring into practice improved methods of performing their tasks."

He then presented a descriptive drawing of a multiple installation and called attention to the need for study of mine tract arrangement, mine ventilation system, wire layout, and the timbering scheme.

"In any study dealing with production," he said, "safety must be given important consideration. The presence of machinery requires certain specific rules for safely performing tasks. Certain supplies are necessary for the performance of these tasks in a safe manner. The convenience of the crew members must be considered."

Mr. Brinton proposed that the groundwork for the education of key men and mine supervisory forces be firms developed by committees of the Coal Division of the American Mining Congress. "Your State Colleges and Universities under the Mineral Industries Extension Division may be willing to help organize and supervise in the instruction."

"By the organization of such a

AMERICAN MOTHER



Mrs. Elias Compton of Wooster, Ohio, has been chosen the "American Mother for 1939" by the Golden Rule foundation. Mrs. Compton is the widow of Dr. Elias Compton, and mother of Karl Taylor Compton, Boston; Wilson M. Compton, Washington, D. C.; Arthur Holly Compton, University of Chicago, and Mary Compton, wife of Dr. Herbert Rice of India.

MINE DEADLOCK SEEN AS THREAT TO RELIEF ROLL

Harrisburg — State officials this week viewed the shutdown of bituminous coal mines pending negotiations between operators and employes as a threat to Pennsylvania's unemployment relief rolls.

Howard L. Russell, secretary of public assistance, said the industrial deadlock already had contributed new families to the population of relief, which had been declining during the past six weeks.

Another state agency, the Unemployment Compensation Division, ruled the mine negotiations, affecting soft coal fields in Western Pennsylvania, did not constitute an "industrial dispute," and that jobless miners would be able to obtain benefit payments at the end of three weeks.

Lewis G. Hines, secretary of labor and industry, said they would not have to wait the six-week period prescribed by law in "industrial disputes." Relief statisticians expected the ruling would aid state relief rolls, but looked for an influx of new cases in western counties should a prolonged strike ensue.

Russell said direct relief rolls continue to decline up to mid-April, with a drop of more than 5,000 persons in the last reported week.

"Private employment was the largest single factor in the week's case load reductions," he said.

Private industry took approximately 2,500 persons from the state dole, WPA added 1,236, and unemployment compensation benefits removed 1,654.

The total number of persons dependent on state aid was approximately 744,000, about 64,000 less than the winter peak in February.

Expenditures cost the state \$1,718,516, about \$35,350 less than the preceding week.

Forty-six counties showed a decrease in the number of relief cases, 19 reported increases, and Forest and Centre Counties showed no change.

Counties with the greatest reduction in cases were Philadelphia 364, Luzerne 160, Allegheny 165 and Westmoreland 114. Greene County showed the largest number of new cases with 124.

GENERAL WORK wanted, Inquire Joseph Martin, General Del., Carrolltown, Pa.

training, two objects may be obtained, namely: the selection of men to take the course and to offer colleges and universities a more intimate contact with men who may desire to complete a college course."

JACKIE COOPER, FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW STARRED

Tomorrow's heroes are the boys of today! From the carefree ranks of the boys who now spend their lives in sport and play must come the men who will "run the world" tomorrow.

How some these boys are trained for leadership and courage forms the dramatic theme of Universal's "Spirit of Culver," which will show at the Grand Theatre, Patton on Sunday and Monday of next week with Jackie Cooper and Freddie Bartholomew in co-starring roles.

Told in fast moving and graphic scenes, the screenplay shows what happens to Cooper, a homeless vagabond when he is awarded a scholarship and given the chance to prove himself at Culver.

Freddie Bartholomew, who has abandoned his white Eton collar for a trim military uniform in the picture, has the role of Cooper's English roommate. He is the young cadet who steeps himself in the traditions and ideals of the famous school and helps Jackie forget his grudge against society.

Screen favorites heading the supporting cast include Andy Devine, Henry Hull, Tim Holt, Gene Reynolds, Walter Tetley, Jackie Moran, Kathryn "Sugar" Kane and Marjorie Gateson.

From the moment that he started his first plans for production of "Spirit of Culver," Burt Kelly, the associate producer, took steps to assure an authentic picture of "young America," and entirely different from any former youth spectacle.

More than a thousand boys were interviewed before the company was recruited to appear in the drama with Bartholomew and Cooper.

Brigadier General L. R. Gignilliat, distinguished head of Culver Military Academy was invited to Universal Studios as technical advisor on the picture.

"Blondie Meets The Boss" is Attraction at Grand, Patton

Blondie, Dagwood and Baby Dumpling return to the screen of the Grand Theatre on Saturday of this week in Columbia's "Blondie Meets The Boss," a second picturization of the adventures and misadventures of the Bumstead clan, that lovable, irrepressible young family whose foibles are daily found in the comic pages of the nation. The new film has been hailed as more lovable and funnier than its predecessor, "Blondie."

Peggy Singleton is again to be seen in the role of Blondie, the Chic Young cartoon character which she created for the screen. Arthur Lake, who made

the perfect Dagwood, again plays the role of Blondie's blundering husband. As Baby Dumpling, Columbia has again cast little Larry Simms, that chubby four-year-old whose performance in "Blondie" was praised by the film and cartoon fans everywhere.

"Blondie Meets The Boss" opens on a note characteristic of Dagwood. He has just threatened to resign because his boss has cancelled Dagwood's long-awaited vacation, and the boss has accepted the resignation!

Blondie's efforts to win Dagwood's job back for him result only in her receiving the position herself. As a result, Dagwood minds house, while Blondie rushes to the office every morning.

Dagwood's determination to be the man of the house, and his hilarious escape on and from a fishing trip create complications of the humorous quality expected of the young husband. "Blondie Meets The Boss" reaches its climax in a jitterbug contest, which Dagwood accidentally wins.

Baby Dumpling's antics lend a familiar and characteristic touch to the picture, and Daisy, the dog, has another major role. The supporting cast includes Skinny Ennis and his Band, Dorothy Moore, Jonathan Hale, Linda

Winters, Joel Dean, Stanley Brown, and America's Jitterbug Champions, Ray Hirsch and Patti Lacey.

3,800 POUNDS TREE SEEDS FOR SOWING

Harrisburg — A total of more than 3,800 pounds of forest tree seeds will be planted in three of the four forest tree nurseries operated by the Department of Forests and Waters.

All forest tree seed sown in the nurseries of the department must be certified as to quality and origin. This is necessary to insure the seed is fresh so that the optimum germination may be expected.

The following list shows the species, amount of seed to be used and the origin of seed:

Red pine, 500 pounds, New York State; White pine, 600 pounds, New York State; Norway spruce, 300 pounds, Central Europe; White pine, 90 pounds, Canada; pitch pine, 90 pounds, one-half New York State, one-half Pennsylvania; Japanese larch 200 pounds, Japan; Scotch pine (H. B. Special), 75 pounds, Germany, Banks pine, 40 pounds, The Lake States; Hemlock, 25 pounds, Pennsylvania, and black locust, 100 pounds, Central Europe.

It's Romance on the Run for Collegian



Goldfish bowls were put aside for the nonce when a San Francisco State college student started his "kissathon caper." Capturing feminine victims on the run, Marshall Blum, right, made good on his wager to kiss 30 coeds in 20 minutes, and much to the astonishment of Jim Fitzgerald, clocker, did it in five minutes. Betty Welch, victim, seems slow to appreciate the opportunities of this history-making event.

NOTICE

"The Proposed School Budget for the term of 1939-40 is now ready for inspection. Anyone interested may see the same by calling at the office of the Secretary."

Yours very truly,
Ellen C. Detrick,
Secretary.

NOTICE

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY hereby gives notice that on the 6th day of April, 1939, it filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C., an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity permitting abandonment of that portion of the so-called Stevens branch extending from a point near valuation station 33 plus 00 to the terminus of said branch at valuation station 83 plus 68, a distance of approximately 0.96 mile, all in Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY.

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE

Estate of Ella Mansfield, late of the Borough of Chest Springs, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters of administration on said estate have been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same, will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned, residing at No. 1208, 18th Street, Altoona, Pa.

ADA J. GRIMES, Administratrix.
C. J. McCullough, Attorney,
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