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The Bureau of Mines continued to collect and publish data on Pennsylvania anthracite, lignite, coke, fuel briquets and packaged fuel, and peat. Data on anthracite and semianthracite outside of Pennsylvania are included in Bituminous Coal Division statistics for Virginia.

In addition, special war work on Pennsylvania anthracite, lignite, and coke was conducted as follows:

Pennsylvania Anthracite: Canvasses beginning April 1, 1942, were conducted by the Bureau of Mines for the Solid Fuels Administration for War to form a basis for an equitable distribution program of the available supplies of anthracite during the period of fuel shortages occasioned by the war. Results of the canvasses have been published as Solid Fuels Distribution Reports, SFD 1, parts I-VI, with a supplement, and SFD 2, parts I-V; all may be obtained free of charge upon application to the Bureau of Mines.

Coxe: Capacity of byproduct and bechive coke ovens as of December 31, 1940; beehive- and byproduct-coke prices and prices of coke byproducts; requirements, sources, and stocks of coking coal; shipments of reclaimed beehive coke; coke and byproducts produced from coal-gas retorts; consumption of coke at blast-furnace plants; consumption of foundry coke in 1941; and monthly distribution of byproduct, beehive, and reclaimed coke for domestic use, and ultimate destinations of export shipments of coke by sizes and uses. Summaries of canvasses conducted at the request of the War Production Board, Office of Price Administration, and Solid Fuels Administration for War are included in the Coke chapters of the Minerals Yearbook series.

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The Weekly Coal Report was begun July 21, 1917; Nos. 1 to 415 were issued by the Geological Survey; Nos. 416 (July 3, 1925) to 1041 (June 26, 1937) were issued by the Bureau of Mines; Nos. 1042 (July 3, 1937) to 1146 (June 30, 1939) were issued by the National Bituminous Coal Commission; Nos. 1147 (July 8, 1939) to 1361 (August 21, 1943) were issued by the Bituminous Coal Division; Nos. 1362 (August 28, 1943) to 1400 (May 20, 1944) were issued by the Solid Fuels Administration for War; and beginning with No. 1401 (May 27, 1944) the report has been published by the Bureau of Mines.

The Coal-Stock Report, with charts, was first issued April 24, 1919, by the Geological Survey and then quarterly by the Bureau of Mines from July 1, 1925, to July 1, 1932, when it was discontinued as a separate report and included upon a monthly basis in the Weekly Coal Report. It shows the total tonnage of bituminous coal in the hands of consumers estimated from reports furnished by a selected list of approximately 10,000 large consumers; stocks in terms of days' supply classified by types of consumers and districts of the country and includes detailed figures of reserves on the upper Lake docks; and the monthly consumption of bituminous coal. Reports are sunplied free of charge upon application to the Bureau of Mines.

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Advance summaries on the annual production and distribution of Pennsylvania anthracite, lignite, fuel briquets and packaged fuel, and peat (based upon detailed reports collected from each producer at the close of the calendar year) were issued for 1940 and 1941 as annual supplements to the Weekly Anthracite-Beehive-Coke Reports and the Monthly Coke Reports. Beginning in 1942 the summaries are published as Mineral Market Reports as soon as the compilations are completed. Detailed tables and analyses are published later in chapters on these subjects in the Minerals Yearbook. Reports and supplements are supplied free of charge upon application to the

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DISTRIBUTION OF COAL SHIPMENTS. This report, with charts, was first issued August 20, 1931. From July 1937 to June 1939 the report was published by the National Bituminous Coal Commission; from July 1939 to August 1943 by the Bituminous Coal Division; from September 1943 to May 1944 by the Solid Fuels Administration for War; and since June 1944 by the Bureau of Mines. It summarizes the distribution of bituminous-coal shipments by water and rail. Reports are supplied free of charge upon application to the Bureau of Mines.

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19. MOTION-PICTURE FILMS

Motion-picture films of the Bureau of Mines, listed below, are loaned to educational institutions, industries conducting training classes, engineering and scientific societies, civic and business associations, and other responsible organizations. The films depict phases of coal mining and related subjects and are produced and circulated under the direction of the Office of Mineral Reports, Bureau of Mines, Washington 25, D. C. The main distribution center for the films is the Bureau of Mines Experiment Station, 4800 Forbes Street, Pittsburgh 13, Pa., where

a complete library of all pictures is maintained and where requests for loans of films or further information should be addressed to Louis F. Perry, Graphic Services Section.

The list includes silent types of 16- and 35-millimeter widths. The 16-millimeter is designated by A after the title, and so indicates 35-millimeter films. It is important when requesting a loan to specify the width of film as well as the film number which is given beside the title.

The approximate shipping weight of silent films is as follows:

	16-millimeter	35-millimeter
1 reel	4 lb,	13 lb.
2 reels	5½ lb.	19 lb.
3 reels		26 lb.
4 reels		32 lb.

The cost of transportation may be ascertained from your local express or post

FILMS

\$1518. Bureau of Mines and the Linde Air Products Co. Modern Metal Working with the Oxyacetylene Flame (161). A @

Reel 1 illustrates how acetylene is produced by chemical action of water and calcium carbide. Depicts production of oxyacetylene flame by burning oxygen and acctylene in a specially designed blowpipe. Animated photography explains construction and operation of the oxyacetylene equipment and operation of oxygen and acetylene regulators. Shows widely used injector-type blowpipe; use of different welding heads for various welding conditions; and use of special goggles to protect operator.

Reel 2 shows oxyacetylene process in use on a steel construction job: in repairing automobile fenders; laying oil pipe lines; pipe installations; welding joints in stands and in automobile bodies. Illustrates value of oxyacetylene welding in repairing base of huge press. lawn mower, and plowshare. Shows specimen under tensile test with break occurring outside the weld. Reel ends with views showing oxyacetylene cutting scrap steel and risers from eastings; production of special shapes by templet; and severing steel several feet thick with

oxygen lance.

BUREAU OF MINES AND THE UNITED STATES STEEL CORP. The Making and 519.

Shaping of Steel—Raw Materials (170).

Shows open-pit iron mining with steam shovel, crushing ore, and loading into cars. Pictures underground mining-mine shaft, drilling face, blasting, crushing and sampling iron ore, transporting it to docks, and loading and unloading lake steamers. Shows mining of limestone, essential in the production of pig iron: Loading stone in mine with shovel. haulage to rotary dump, crushing, screening and loading at tipple. Depicts making of coal into coke, an essential raw material in transforming iron ore into iron; charging and pushing coke ovens, coarse screening, and loading of railroad car from belt.

Raw materials (iron ore, limestone, and coke) are assembled at blast furnace where smelting operation reduces them to molten iron and slag. Shows operation of blast furnace by means of animated drawings. Reel ends with molten iron being transported to another

shop for refining into steel.

BUREAU OF MINES AND THE WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC & MANUFACTURING Co. "Wildwood," A 100-Percent-Mechanized Mine (142). A The story of a 100-percent-mechanized Pennsylvania coal mine. All electrical apparatus used at the working face is approved as "permissible" by the Bureau of Mines.

Reel I pictures fireboss testing for explosive gas by observing flame of safety lamp and testing roof for weak places; miners going into mine after obtaining electric cap lamps; rock-dusting entry to prevent explosion of coal dust; and drilling, undercutting, and shooting coal.