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Land Reclamation Progress

Although some travellers about Clearfield County and the Moshannon Valley may be inclined to dispute the claim, the report issued this week by the Central Pennsylvania Open Pit Mining Association of reclamation work carried on by strip mine operations during 1952 is evidence that definite progress is being made toward restoration of the land ripped up in search of coal. The figures, presented by the Association's executive secretary, G. Albert Stewart, were taken from records of the State Departments of Mines and of Forests and Waters and hence are not unsubstantiated claims.

The inclination of some to dispute the progress being made comes from the sight of spoil banks about the aera that are still barren of grass or trees and which as a result stand out like sore thumbs. However, two things should be remembered: (1) party membership, tomorrow or that work already done toward reclamation of stripped land is next month the government might likely to be less noticeable under the camouflage of already planted trees and grass, and, (2), as noted in Mr. Stewart's statement, land reclamation cannot be accomplished until several years after mining operations; many of the spoil banks now marring the landscape are of recent vintage or are from operations still under way.

Figures cited by the Association Executive Secretary cover the period from the effective date of the Bituminous Coal Open Pit Mining Conservation Act to December 1, 1952, and include, with comments from Mr. Stewart:

Total Strip Mine Operators Registered Under the Act: 1,294. (An increase of 75 since September 15, 1951. However, it is estimated that only about 700 are now operating.)

Amount of filing fees paid to the Department of Mines, used by the Department of Forests and Waters for foresting or reclaiming lands affected by strip mining prior to the passage of the Act: \$477,800.00. (Of this total \$186,200 was paid in since September 15, 1951.)

Amount of Collateral deposited with the State by Operators cution under this part of the act to assure the Commonwealth that the areas affected by strip mining would be backfilled, leveled and planted: \$2,169,937.00. party. (An increase of \$326,146 since September 15, 1951.)

Amount of Surety Bonds deposited with the State by Operators to assure the Commonwealth that areas affected by strip forceful overthrow of the governmining would be backfilled, leveled and planted: \$4,734,200.00. ment. This act which Congress put (An increase of \$834,630 since September 15, 1951.)

Total Amount of Bonds Deposited: \$6,904,137.00. (An increase of \$1,160,776 since September 15, 1951.)

day the government might decide Total Acreage Restored by Strip Mine Operators for Which to use it against Communists. Bonds Have Been Released: 15,821 acres. (7,135 acres of the above total was reclaimed during 1952. This acreage is almost equal to the total acreage reclaimed during all the years of the operation of the Open Pit Conservation Act.)

Total Amount of Bonds Which Have Been Released Covering Acreage Restored as Required by Law: \$2,752,917.00. (The above figures indicate that \$1,190,505 in bonds was released during the past year due to acreage having been restored.)

Amount forfeited by operators which has been transferred to the Bituminous Coal Open Pit Mining Reclamation Fund: in their own minds. \$87,864.00. (Forfeitures amounted to only \$28,694 during the past year and this would represent an area of only about 100 Fifth Amendment not because acres.)

World Today || Europe and The Middle East || By JAMES MARLOW Through An Editor's Eyes WASHINGTON (A)- Witness after witness is asked this question

By JOHN BIDDLE by congression i investigating com mittees: "Are you now or have (15th Of A Series ye ever been a member of the

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia The most dramatic moment we The witness is in bad shape if he says simply: "I refuse to an experienced in this Communist country was the arrival of the For that flat statement, a token of American military cited for contempt of Congress. prosecuted and, if convicted, jailed aid still to come. The most interesting was our

and fined. visit to a collective farm and a But he comes under the protecworker-owned foundry-machine tion of a Supreme Court ruling if he offers the reply given by witshop.

Communist party?"

swer."

a crime?

leral ways.

conviction.

While the party is not actually

outlawed, and no federal law

makes membership. illegal, there

are some laws, particularly the

Smith Act passed in 1940, under

which a party member could be

That act says it is unlawful to

conspire to teach forceful over-

hrow of the government. A num-

ber of first and second-string Com-

munist officials have been convict-

ed for such conspiracy. And the

Supreme Court has upheld their

The government may prosecute

others on the same grounds, even

though the party itself has not

been declared illegal. So a witness

might claim fear of future prose-

if he admitted belonging to the

Another part of the same act

says it's unlawful to be a mem-

ber hi apparty whose purpose is

on the books 13 years ago didn't

And no one has been tried under

that part of the act yet, but some

So a man who ducks behind the

Fifth Amendment today to avoid

answering about party member-

name the Communist party.

tried and convicted.

We received special invitations ness after witness: "I involke the Fifth Amendment to the Constitu- to attend the ceremony of the tion and refuse to answer because planes' arrival at the airport. We needed specially - signed it might incriminate me." passes to "crash the gate." There The Fifth Amendment says a

was more Yugoslav brass present an can't be compelled to testify against himsell in a criminal case. than you can imagine, as well as And the Supreme Court has said diplomats of other countries and, of course, all U. S. Embassy a witness cannot be forced to testify about his Communist activipeople.

The day dawned bright and But how can a map incriminate with clouds scudding cold, himself by admitting he is, or was. across the sky and before we a member of the party when there left for the airport we heard is no federal law banning the par the weather was unfavorable. ty or making membership in it The jets were due at 11:30 but

a heavy overcast set in and time Because he can argue that, if dragged on, Meanwhile, it starttoday he admits present or past ed to snow - a damp, clinging snow that was accompanied by rain and cold, penetrating wind. decide to prosecute in one of sev-

one stood at attention, officers of 12:30 passed and then 1 o'clock. both nations saluting and we Still no planes. We searched the civilians with our hats off, desskies anxiously in the direction pite the snow and rain. Excuse from which they were expected, the sentimentality, but a lump but dashed back into the hangers came in our throats as the strains most of the time. First, because of the national anthem rolled out you couldn't stand the cold too over a foreign airport for from long and, second, because the

word

hospitable Yugoslav officials had home. prepared a typical party of that A collective farm, in some respects, doesn't look too much country, with slivowicz, coffee. canapes and cakes. It if hadn't different from a large farm at been for that, I think we'd have home. There are plenty of sheds and buildings but most of the We were talking to the French people who own the collective wi**fe** of one of the embassy

live in the nearby village. Those officials when a sudden, tremenwho live near the farm are in dous whine and swish right over quarters that would certainly be the hangers heralded the arrival sub-standard by American meaof the jets and, like all good surement. However, it is unfair acrobat pilots, they had "rolled to judge them by what we have their wheels over the roof of the known. Later, we were told that this

There followed a show collective farm was a "model" aerial acrobatics that will forbut, again, I though that in ever linger in my memory. The America, too, we like to put our pilots flew in tight formation, best foot forward and always show to visiting "firemen" our banked, dipped and peeled off and then took turns buzzing the best plants, most successful field. You can't believe it unless businesses and prettiest homes you saw it. We were all darn The farm had originally been proud to be Americans when 42 farms, all turned into one big we watched those pilots swoop area of 1050 acres with 195 down within six feet of the families living from this land ground right in front of the and 225 workmen taking an hangars and then swish off into active role in its cultivation and the sky with a terrific whining management. As you can easily figure out, the per capita accrage The look of amazement mixed is very low when compared to

ship can plead it might lead to with admiration on the part of jail for him at some future time. How many people have refused the Yugoslavs was something to see and, I imagine, was only exto talk about party membership ceeded by our own looks. because they really feared jail in

roar.

folded up.

hangar."

Finally, the snow came down the future is something only they so thick and fast that the jets themselves know in their own landed and quickly taxied up to greatly increasing her industrial the hangers, where they assumed production. She has a real po-In some cases they may use the straight-line formation and

plastic cockpit cover and, with Editor, Huntingdon Daily News the typical informality and cockiness which all good pilots should possess, called out: "Couldn't you do any better with the

weather around here" His home is in Johnstown, Pa. Welcarned later that they had aken a short cut across territory

not supposed to be in their flight plan, which saved them 17 minutes. Well, the four "boys" lined up

and were joined by Col. John Reagan, air attache for the U.S. Embassy, and a formal ceremony followed in which State Secretary for National Defense Col. Gen. Ivan Gosnjak accepted the plans for his country following an address by Ambassador George Allen, General Gosnjak's speech had been transcribed and James Monroe and Robert R. started off: "Excellency, ladies Livingston for the U.S. and and gentlemen." This part had Barbe-Marbois for France. been mimeographed, but typed

Carved from the vast territory into each copy was the additional were the states of Louisiana. "comrades." I couldn't Missouri, Arkansas, Iowa, North figure out whether this meant and South Dakota, Nebraska and comrades in the meaning of Oklahoma in their entirety and "brother" or in the communist most of Kansas, Colorado, Wyosense. Guess it doesn't make ming, Montana and Minnesota. much difference.

Stamp collectors desiring first When it was all over, a Yugoday cancellations of this new slav army band played "The stamp may send self-addressed Star Spangled Banner," everyenvelopes to the Postmaster at St. Louis, Mo., with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamp to be affixed. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers."

> Postmaster General Summerfield also announced six new commemoratives to be issued this year. They will honor: the golden anniversary of aviation; centenary of Commodore Perry's negotiations with Japan; 75th anniversary of the American Bar Association; 25th anniversary of Future Farmers of America; Gen. George S. Patton; 100th anniversary of Gadsden Purchase.

After viewing all the sights we got back into our bus and thought we were bound for the Hotel Majestic. In the village we stopped again and the leadets said: "Oh, you MUST get out here" So, out we got and lo' and behold! the collective had prepared a party for us in the group headquarters.

what we know about farming. Again, bottles of slivowicz and In fact, the hope of Yugoslavia maraschino cordial were "brokto become more a "have" nation, en out" and home-made lebanoninstead of one so poor, is to type bologna sandwiches were increase farm production, thus passed around. Toasts were freeing men for factories, and proposed, in a very genuine fashion. to Yugoslav-American relations and we all gulped with tential to accomplish this, for her a will. I glanced around and suddenly realized I was standing right

Weekend Radio Log

in the News By SYD KRONISH

Stamps.....

Morning: 7:58 Sign On: 8 World Far sighted planners of our News; 8:15 Richard Leibert; 8:30 early republic consumated a bold Gospel Echoes; 9 Dr. Charles E. venture 150 years ago. They (Jef-Fuller; 10 World News; 10:05 ferson, Madison, Monroe et al.) Music; 10:15 Masterworks from purchased from France a large France: 10:45 Christian Missionportion of west central U.S. for ary Alliance Church; 11:45 I Hear \$11,250,000 plus assumed claims the Southland Singing. amounting to an additional \$3,-Afternoon: 12 Harris Breth and 750.000. The entire purchase, in-

WCPA

Sunday

he Great Outdoors; 12:15 Mocluding interest, figured at about hawk Restaurant Screnade; 12:30 four cents an acre. This deal was World News; 12:45 It Happened called "The Louisiana Purchase." Last Week; 1 Italian Melodies; To commemorate the sesqui-1:30 Cavalcade of Music; 2 Rev. centennial of the occasion, the Lloyd B. Dunn; 2:30 Rabbi Mil-U. S. will issue a special 3-cent ton Schlinski; 2:45 Guest Star; 3 stamp on April 30. The place of initial issue will be St. Louis, Mo. Album; 4 Ave Maria Hour; 4:30 The central design of the com-Hour of Charm; 5 World News; memorative stamp shows the 'Signing of the Louisiana Trans-Upper Room Radio Parish: 6:00 fer in Paris." The signers were

nade; 6:15 Sign Off.

Monday

10:25 Highway Safety-Don Con-

Selected programs for week end -Radio tonight: NBC-8:30, Medicine U. S. A., documentary; 9:30. Grand Ole Opry; 10:30, Music Room . . . CBS-7:30, Vaughn Monroe Music; 8:30, Tarzan, "Arena of Proudly We Hail; 3:30 Favorite Death;" 10, Country Style ... ABC -7:30, Dinner Music: 8. Dancing

Party ... MBS-7:30, Down You 5:05 Concert Hall of the Air; 5:45 Go; 8:30, Barn Dance; 10, Chicago Theater of Air. Radio Sunday: NBC-4 p. m., GI World News; 6:05 Sunset Sere-Joe. documentary; 7:30, Henry Al-

will have a 3 p. m. spot through

the week. In competition, under the

same schedule, NBC-TV is reviving

Break the Bank, recently discon-

Television will visit the Taber-

nacle Lutheran Church in Philadel-

phia at 12 noon Sunday for Palm

Sunday services, going via NBC-

TV ... A new radio show for MBS

is Music of the People at 10:30

p. m. Sunday, to comprise folk

melodies from around the world.

tinued on CBS-TV Sundays.

drich: 9:30, Theater Guild, "Brass Ring:" 10, Barrie Craig, "Confes-CBS-2:30, N. Y. Phil-

Morning: 6:57 Sign On: 7:00 sion." Bunkhouse Reveille: 7:15 Seven harmonic: 4:30. Godfrey Hour of Fifteen Express; 7:30 News and Recordings; 7. Jack Benny; 8, Ed-Weather; 7:35 Seven Fifteen Ex- gar Bergen; 9:30, Escape Drama press, Continued; 7:45 Sports; ... ABC-12:30 Piano Playhouse; 7:50 Music; 7:55 According to the 5:30, Greatest Story, "The Betray-Record; 8 World News; 8:15 Eddy al;" 7, Music Hall; 9:30, Adventur-Arnold; 8:30 Devotions; 8:45 Air er in Africa; 10:30, World and the Lane Trio; 9 World News; 9:05 West ... MBS-6, Nick Carter, Novatime; 9:15 Bing Crosby; 9:30 "The Unlikely Guest;" 7:30, Pass-Guy Lombardo; 9:45 Fashion over drama, "The Empty Chairs;" Shopper; 9:50 Kwickie Kwiz; 10 8:30, Enchanted Concert; 9:30, An-World News; 10:05 Education and swers for Americans, Sen. McCarthe News; 10:20 Polka Parade; thy; 10, Great Day Quiz.

rad; 10:30 Emile Cote Glee Club; 10:45 Keynotes by Carle; 11:00 Area News; 11:05 In Movieland; Political 11:15 Keynotes on Fashions; 11:20 Joe's Show.

Announcements Afternoon: 12:00 Pennsylvania News; 12:05 World News: 12:20 Polka Rhythm; 12:25 Sports; The Progress has been auth-12:30 Rhythm Rendezvous; 12:45 Farm Time: 1 World News; 1:05 orized to announce the fol-Who's Talking?; 1:30 Melody Magic; 2 Moshannon Valley News; lowing candidates in Clear-2:15 Who's Talking?; 2:45 Musifield County at the Primarcal Matinee; 3 World News; 3:05 ies, Tuesday, May 19. Songs by Jo Stafford; 3:15 Dr.

George W. Crane; 3:30 Upper Room Radio Parish; 3:45 Concert For SHERIFF Gems; 4:00 Here's to Vets; 4:15 Church in the Wildwood; 4:30 JAMES A. GAFFNEY of DuBois, Henry Jerome: 4:45 Accordian subject to the rules of the Repub-Capers; 5 Music of Manhattan; lican Party. 5:15 Joe's Juke Box; 5:30 World News; 5:45 Speaking of Sports; 6

Ernest P.-Swales, R. D. 1, Clearfield, subject to the rules of the Along the Baseball Trail; 6:05 Republican Party. Pipes of Melody; 6:15 Sign Off.

For DISTRICT ATTORNEY NEW YORK (P-A couple of the TV giveaway shows are changing spots. The Big Payoff, which hands JOSEPH A. DAGUE of Clearfield, out mink coats, will transfer from subject to the rules of the Repub-NBC-TV to CBS TV on Monday. It lican party WASHING - LUBRICATION

IOSEPH S. AMMERMAN, of Curwensville Borough, subject to the rules of the Democratic Party.

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proudest possessions of the collective farm had a decidedly capitalistic touch — a beautiful race horse. The man who rode her around while we were there was a "jockey," it was explained. and the horse had been raced in

Vienna.

Trees and Shrubs Planted by Operators: 13,800,000. (Here again we find a brgiht spot in the report and a notable accomplishment by operators. Plantings during the past year by operators total 7,947,000 trees and shrubs. A total of better than 2,000,000 above the total for all years up to September 15, 1951.

Acres planted by operators with trees and shrubs: 10,500 acres. (As predicted about a year ago, plantings made a great increase during the past year.)

Acres planted by Operators with grasses: 3,780 acres. (Acres planted by operators with grass also took a nice jump. 1,417 acres were thus planted during the past year.)

Trees and Shrubs planted by the Department of Forests and Waters with monies from the Bituminous Coal Open Pit Mining Reclamation Fund: 8,609,000. (This is an item in the re port not to be overlooked. The important thing is that all of these millions of trees+were planted using money provided by the industry.)

Acres planted with trees and shrubs by the Department of Forests and Waters from monies in Reclamation Fund: 7,236 acres. (Not only does the total of trees and shrubs show up impressively but here we have a vast area of 7,236 acres now planted by the state with operator provided monies. Acreage planted this year total 1,092.)



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personal fear of prosecution but Major Michael Smolen, leader natural resources are great, being through reluctance to tell about of the group, threw back his the richest European nation in others they knew in the party,

past or present. When a witness does not invoke the amendment for himself and the Fifth Amendment and admits then later try to use it to protect part membe, ship he cannot then others.

The Supreme Court has ruled refuse to answer questions about other people who might have been that a witness can't use the Fifth Amendment to protect injone but ir the party with him. He couldn't waive protection of himself.

Hal Boyle's Americana

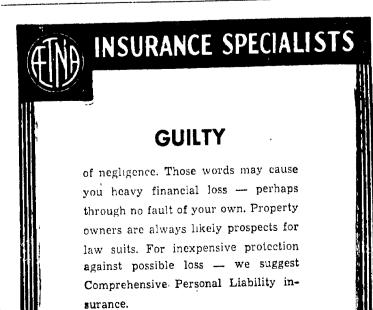
NEW YORK (P---Now a mole can | Now man . . . with his atom bomb has made a fugitive of himself hugh at a man. . . and he is a vulnerable fugitive, In the new atomic age the mole is safer . . . The test in the Nevada huddled in vast herds in vast cities ... as vulnerable as the old buffalo desert proved that. Man's greatest enemy always has herds that once blackened the

plains. been himself. . . In the new civilization he has From the dawn of time the weap erected, man is less-ecuipped for ons he created to kill lesser animais, either for food or in selfsurvival than the woodehuck, the fox, the earthworm . . . or the mole defense, also were used to war igainst his fellow men. They have their burrows dug.

The club ... the spar ... the And if they have any real sense pow and arrow .. the rifle .. of humor they might get a wry they all served this dual purpose. laugh at the tinal foolishness of man . . . caught in a web spun out Each new weapon he invented gave him a greater edge over all of mutual fear.

four-tooted creatures. To survive The energy in the atom can be they had to dig deeper in the earth used to turn the earth into a garden .. plunge farther into the wilds .. until at last man, who had de. of plenty ... or a wasteland in which all men become fugitives stroyed them for his own nourishfrom their own ingenuity.

ment or safety, came to hunt them The mole . . . the woodchuck . . for sport. He made a fugitive of every form the fox. .. they wait in their of life that wouldn't become his burrows ... either way they are ready ... mankind definitely isn't. pet.



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non-ferrous metals. She is badly in front of the picture of Lenin in need of technicians and also leading the revolution! I whisof capital. How much incentive pered to Harry Pore of Monessen. this regime would offer to risk Pa : "If this gets back home to capital would probably not be Pennsylvania, our reputation is too great at this time. But, I ruined!" I never thought I'd be feel, Yugoslavia is moving in the in that position. But, it points up right direction to attract it. this fact: Yugoslavia is on our To get back to the farm. There side, Djilas declared that if Ruswas more of the "old country" sia moved on the western world, sort of deference when we Yugoslavia would immediately alighted at the farm. Caps were declare war. Some people doubt tipped and cordial smiles and this. But a high American source. bows greeted us. (This had been whose opinion I value, doesn't lacking at the machine plant doubt it. I'm sold on the idea where workers had ben much myself. more greatly indoctrinated, in

changing now).

sheds.

The other feature of the day years past, in communist docwas the visit to the machine trine and the idea of "capitalistic shop. A lot of the machines were U. S. A." As I said, that is German-made -- war reparations. One was made in Con-We were shown through the necticut. Things were humming cow barn where a Swiss type of in the shop, but in the foundry. cattle is raised. Then we visited not too many people were doing the horse barn and implement

anything for the last half hour The stock, generally, looked before quitting time. A good many shovel - leaners, and it good and it was well cared for. looked as if a first-class pro-However, one old gray mare, duction sup't, was needed. Maywith a foal at her side, had her ribs protruding so sharply on be too many people responsible both sides that she should have is nobody responsible. That's been "pensioned off" years ago what I've always heard in the Oddly enough, one of the U.S.A.

