

By the Act of 1920, Chapter 676, a Board of Boiler Rules was created consisting of the Commissioner of the State Bureau of Labor and Statistics, who shall be Chairman; the Attorney-General and the Chairman of the State Industrial Accident Commission.

This Board is created for and charged with the duty of formulating rules and regulations governing the proper construction and installation of boilers of over fifteen pounds to the square inch, for sale or use in this State, and to enforce such rules and regulations and the continued maintenance of them on a basis of proper safety.

Inspections.

During the year 1930 a total number of 23,942 inspections were made in the different divisions coming under the supervision of this Bureau. Of this number 1071 were Child Labor inspections; 6104 were Ten Hour Law inspections for Women; 2433 Factory and Homeworkers inspections, and 331 Steam Boiler inspections. There were, also, 14,003 General inspections; these were establishments visited where no women and children were found employed, and canning and other establishments to which the Ten Hour Law does not apply. The total number of people employed under the various inspections was 289,200.

Under the Child Labor Law our inspectors found 2723 children employed in 776 establishments in Baltimore City and 1213 children employed in 270 establishments in the counties of Maryland. The total number of cases handled in the Baltimore Permit Department was 11,925. The County cases amounted to 1891.

Each year during the canning season the Bureau concentrates its efforts to inspections in the counties with very satisfactory results.

BUREAU OF MINES.

Chief Mine Engineer:

John J. Rutledge.....22 Light Street, Baltimore

District Mine Inspectors:

Frank T. Powers.....Allegany County.....Frostburg

Clyde J. Rowe.....Westernport

Stenographer and Clerk:

Miss Julia E. Jefferson.....22 Light Street, Baltimore

The Bureau of Mines was created in the State Board of Labor and Statistics by the General Assembly of 1922. The Chief Mine Engineer was appointed by the Governor from a list of eligibles prepared by the State Employment Commissioner. The Act became effective October 1, 1922.

The Act was prepared by a special commission appointed by the Governor and supersedes the several local laws which governed mining operations in this State prior to the enactment of this law.