

Alabama Power Company Coal Mines

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Summary Information

Repository:	University Libraries Division of Special Collections, The University of Alabama
Title:	Alabama Power Company Coal Mines
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Date [inclusive]:	1941-1968
Physical Description:	0.4 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Variety of reports from Alabama Power Company's Gorgas, Marvel, Blocton, and Cahaba coal mines in the mid-19th century.

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Biographical / Historical

The Alabama Power Co. operates its Gorgas mine in Walker County, Alabama, immediately adjacent to its steam plant. The coal mine property consists of some 19,000 acres of fee and mineral ownership lands, and all of the production from the mine—approximately 2500 tons per day—is utilized at the company's adjoining steam plant. The company is presently considering the purchase of additional acreage adjoining its present holdings which acquisition will almost double its reserves. The coal is transported from the mine over a short railroad spur in the company's own equipment, either directly to one of the large plants at Gorgas or to a storage pile. The longest haul is about 1 1/4 miles.

from OneMine.org (<http://www.onemine.org/search/summary.cfm/Greater-Coal-Production-at-Gorgas-Mine-By-Roof-Bolting-and-Continuous-Miner?d=349B0535D8973B1FC263599DABCCF51711B12834BEEF676DF9DA62BCF768A69232465>)

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Scope and Contents

The collection contains operations reports of Gorgas mines from 1941 to 1957; technical reports circa 1950s (memos, reports, diagrams); reports on Marvel No. 3, Blockton No. 1, and Southern Cahaba Coal Fields; budget estimates for 1968; and reports examining mining equipment in West Virginia, Kentucky, and Pennsylvania

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- Alabama -- Industries

- Coal mines and mining
- Business records
- Business and Labor
- Alabama
- Gorgas mines
- Southern Cahaba coal fields
- Mineral industries
- Alabama Power Company

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Coal Mines	box 3123