**3.7. National Union of Mineworkers (South Wales), Area 2 (Neath and Afan valleys), Summary of Silicosis / Pneumoconiosis Cases for 1945.**

Note: Under the Workmen’s Compensation legislation, workers needed to be certified as being disabled as a result of silicosis / pneumoconiosis by the Silicosis Medical Board before they were eligible for compensation.

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| Glenavon | 8 | 1 | 5 |  | 3 | 1 |  | 9 |
| D. Rhondda | 46 | 1 | 27 | 2 | 16 | 1 |  | 46 |
| N. Rhondda | 9 |  | 4 |  | 5 |  |  | 9 |
| Torymynydd | 2 |  |  |  | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Nantewlaeth | 74 | 1 | 35 | 4 | 35 |  | 1 | 75 |
| Garth | 2 |  |  |  | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| South Pit | 72 | 2 | 35 |  | 37 |  | 2 | 74 |
| West End | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Graigavon | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Glyncastle | 46 | 2 | 26 | 4 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 47 |
| Aberpergwm | 100 | 4 | 46 | 2 | 52 | 4 |  | 104 |
| Rock | 12 |  | 5 | 1 | 6 |  |  | 12 |
| Empire | 94 | 5 | 65 | 4 | 25 | 3 | 1 | 98 |
| Ynisarwed | 31 | 1 | 21 |  | 10 |  | 1 | 32 |
| Skewen Main | 2 |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  | 2 |
| Farmers | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Glyncastle Mech. |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Rhigos | 14 |  | 2 | 1 | 11 |  |  | 14 |
| Garth Merthyr | 5 |  | 3 |  | 2 |  |  | 5 |
| Glynneath | 10 |  | 3 | 1 | 6 |  |  | 10 |
|  | 530 | 18 | 279 | 19 | 230 | 10 | 7 | 545 |

Two members included in Column 1 died before examination.

One case included in Column 2 refused by Board as no P.M. Conducted

North Rhondda: One Certificate of No Impairment included in Column 5 and one Cert. of No Impairment refused by workmen included in Column 5.

Ynisarwed: One Certificate of No Impairment refused by workman included in Column 5.

Nantewlaeth: One Certificate of No Impairment refused by workman included in Column 5.

Glyncastle: One Certificate of No Impairment included in Column 3.

Empire: Four Certificates of No Impairment included in Column 3 and one Certificate of No Impairment refused by workman included in Column 5.

South Pit: Six Certificates of No Impairment included in Column 3.

No. of applications to Board: 545 Certificates issued 308 (56.5%)

Certificates refused 237 (43.5%)

Source: SWMF / NUM (South Wales) Area No.2 [Neath and Afan valleys], Correspondence and papers re. pneumoconiosis, 1934-1953 (South Wales Coalfield Collection, Swansea University, WCC/MNA/NUM/3/8/17(h))