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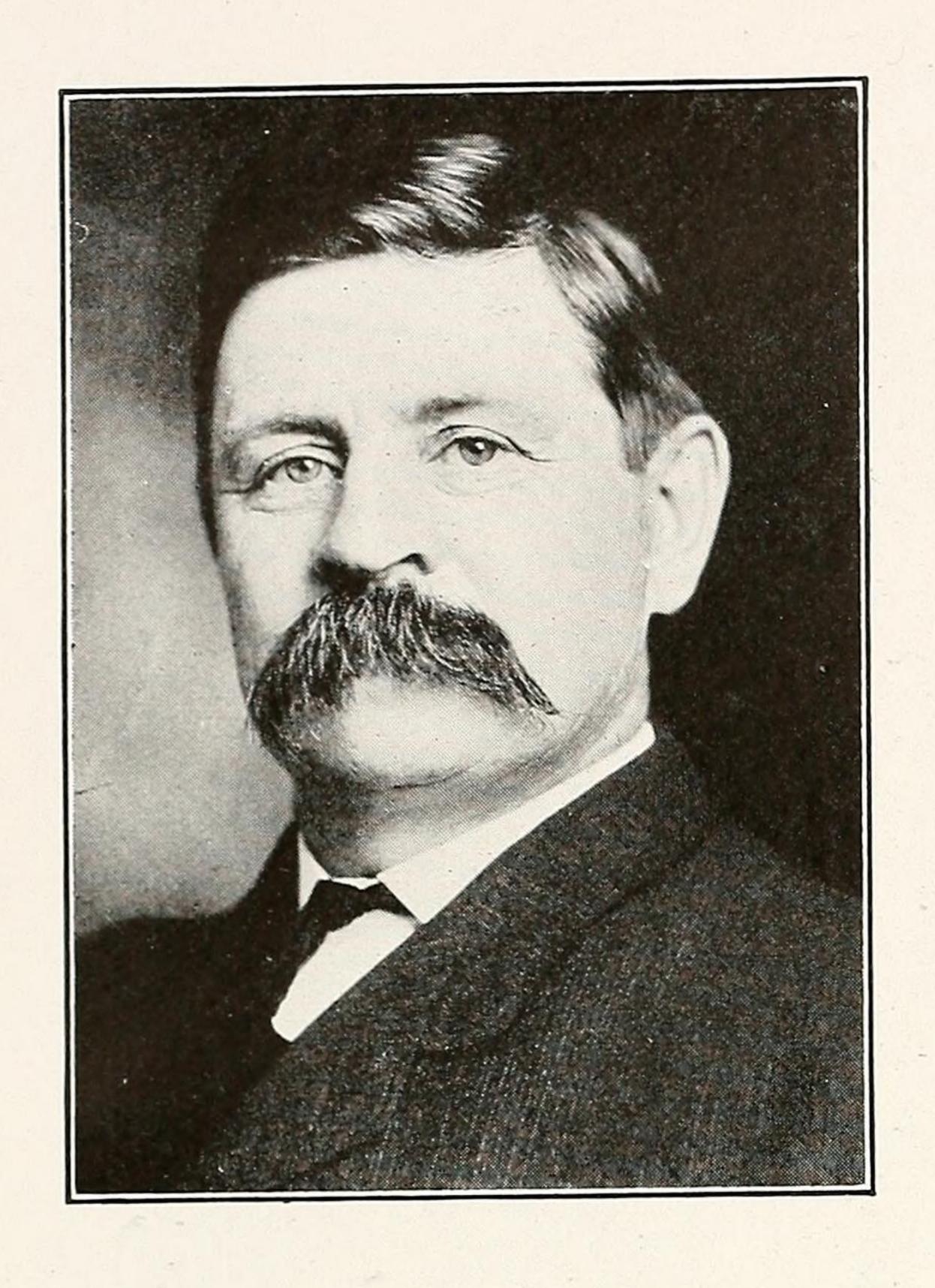
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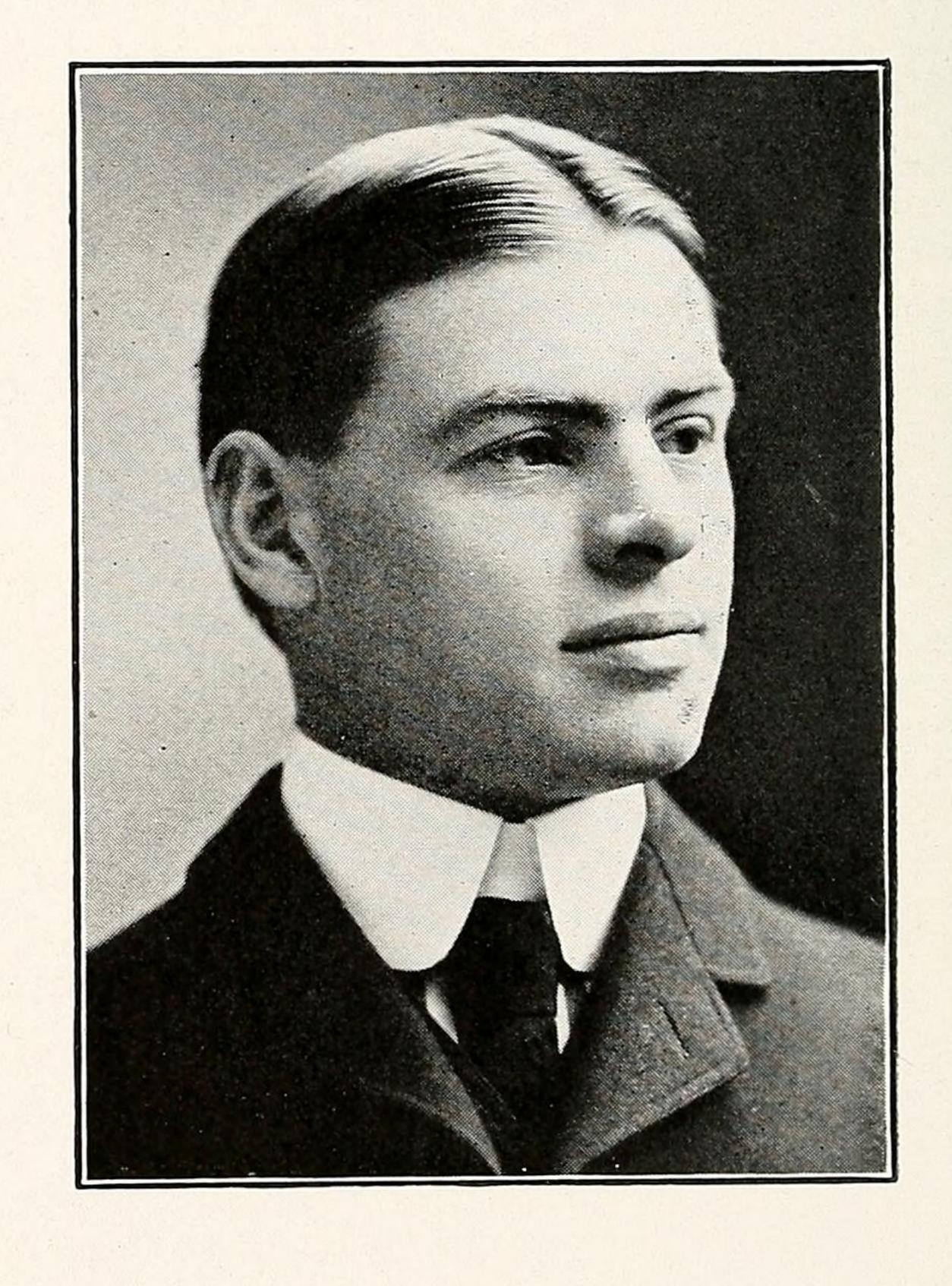
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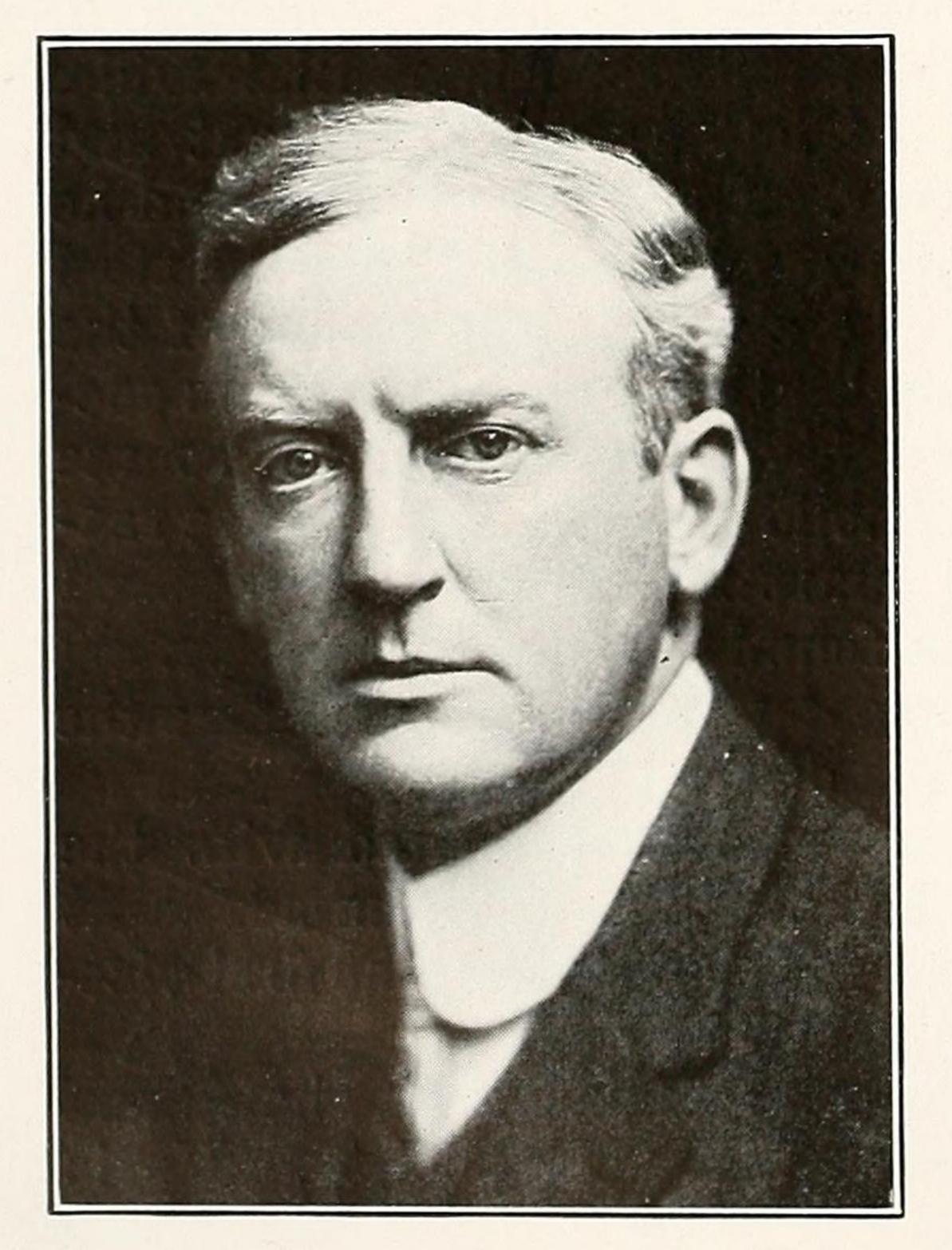
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John R. Byrne, coal miner, newspaper publisher and business man, was born April 23, 1858, at Barnettstown, Huntingdon county, Pa. His JOHN R. parents were John L. Byrne and Mary BYRNE. Byrne. After attending the public schools Mr. Byrne went to work in a coal mine at the age of 14 years. In 1874 he moved to Fayette county, Pa., and in 1881 quit the mines. A year later he established the Scottdale Independent, a weekly newspaper. Still later he organized the News Publishing Company, of Uniontown, and took over the Standard, now the News-Standard. For three years he conducted a shoe store in Scottdale, Pa. He organized the Everson & Bradford Street Railway Company, now part of the West Penn lines. He organized the Webster, Monessen, Bellevernon & Fayette City Street Railway Company and built the road. Mr. Byrne is vice-president of the Broadway National Bank of Scottdale, and treasurer for the Connellsville Mutual Coke Company and the Byrne Coal & Coke Company. He served for one term as member of the Pennsylvania State Legislature. He is married and has 12 children.

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