

WELLS BORED ALIVE

Big Explosion Wrecks Shaft of an Oklahoma Coal Company.

ALL BELIEVED TO BE DEAD

Rescuers Begin at Once on the Work of Clearing Out the Debris in Effort to Reach the Workers.

WILBERTON, Okla., April 30.—Thirteen miners were entombed and probably killed by an explosion early today in the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Coal Company's mine No. 12, four miles west of here. There is little prospect of their bodies being recovered for several days. They are:

B. F. Steiner, foreman; Mike Wynn, Ralph Fisher, Ben Smith, William Atkinson, C. Golden, Joe Morine, all white, and Gus Phillips, Knox Lynch, J. D. Byrd, Mike Duvall, R. F. Cales and William Edwards, colored.

The men went into the shaft at midnight. Foreman William Ray, of the shaft that left the mine at that hour, states that the mine was in good condition and a gas explosion was hardly probable. His shaft left a shot hanging which the new shaft may have fired.

It is suggested, from the force of the explosion, which could be heard for miles around, and which tore heavy timbers aside and piled tons of dirt into the shaft, that a bad shot had set off some dynamite which has been stored conveniently for use in pushing the work. The shaft is 360 feet deep, and it was 300 feet to the place where the men were working.

The men were supplied with air from the shaft, and by means of compressed air tubes. It is the general opinion that the air pipe was burst by the explosion, but air has been steadily pumped in all day, with the remote hope that some of the entombed men may have escaped the force of the explosion and the after-damp.

The rescuers began work within a few minutes after the explosion. An attempt at fanning air in with canvas was abandoned when the condition of the shaft became apparent. Four shafts have since worked, taking out the debris and timber. At 6 o'clock tonight the workers were still 20 feet from the bottom of the shaft. The condition of the timbers indicate that it will be necessary to recase the mine, in which event the bodies may not be reached before Wednesday or Thursday.

It is the opinion of experienced miners that all of the men are dead. Foreman Steiner was killed at the bottom of the shaft. He had returned to the surface a few minutes before the explosion to look after Bud Cole, a negro belonging to the preceding shift, whose leg had been cut off by a trip. He had, according to the survivors, barely reached the bottom of the shaft when the explosion occurred. The heels of his shoes were torn off and thrown to the top of the shaft.

BANQUET AT THE ELYSEE

King Edward Is the Guest of President Loubet.

PARIS, April 30.—The exchange of official visits between King Edward and President Loubet this afternoon was marked with the utmost cordiality. The conversations on each occasion lasting 20 minutes. President Loubet previously had received Foreign Minister Delcasse, to whom King Edward afterwards accorded a long audience.

President Loubet's dinner in honor of King Edward at the Elysee this evening was a brilliant function, entirely non-political in character. There were 120 guests, and nearly the entire diplomatic corps were present, including the British, American, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish and Austrian Ambassadors, while MM. Rouvier, Etienne, Bismarck, Delcasse and Thomson represented the French Cabinet.

At King Edward's right sat Mme. Loubet, Count de Mont, wife of the Spanish Ambassador; Lady Bertie, wife of the British Ambassador, and Prince Radolin, the German Ambassador. At his left sat Marquis del Monte, wife of the Spanish Ambassador; General Horace Porter, the retiring American Ambassador; Mme. Rouvier and M. Neldoff, the Russian Ambassador. At President Loubet's right were Countess Torrelli and Count Khevenhuller-Metach, the Ambassador for Austria-Hungary, and at the President's left Prince Radolin, Marquis de Belmont, Mme. Delcasse and Sir Francis Bertie. No speeches were delivered.

PLACE VICEROY IN COUNCIL

Imperial Rescript Also Commutes Sentences of Officers.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 30.—An imperial rescript summons Count Verotzoff Dashkoff, Viceroy in the Caucasus, to the Council of the Empire and appoints him a member of the Council of Ministers, and charges Baron Nolke, Secretary of State, to represent the Viceroy in the Council's deliberations.

Another rescript appoints the following to membership in the Council of the Empire: General Ortenberg, Senator Tageroff, Prince Obolenski and Messrs. Lazarevich, Schuman and Krasnoff, and appoints Prince Ourouff Ambassador at Vienna and Professor Martens member of the International Court to the Alexander Nevski order.

The rescript also commutes the sentences of the officers concerned in the incident of the firing during the ceremony of the blessing of the waters of the Neva.

Ambassador Meyer Moves In.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 1.—(12-9 A. M.)—Ambassador Meyer has moved into his new residence, the palace of the Countess Kleinmetzsch, formerly occupied by the Spanish Embassy.

BULLS GIVEN A FRIGHT

Moroccan and St. Petersburg News Is Disquieting.

LONDON, April 30.—The Stock Exchange experienced a week of gradually easing prices, owing to nervous liquidation. Bulls who were carrying a heavy load of stocks were frightened by the reappearance of the Moroccan news and by disquieting St. Petersburg news.

The slump in American securities is thought, however, in many quarters to have been a shake-out of weak holders which will do good, and steadier rates are looked for soon. The recent settlement passed off well, with the exception of one small and unimportant failure, which had been expected.

TAKE WATER FROM CANADA

Milk River Project Will Meet With Protest.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 30.—If the rumor is true that the United States Government has authorized the construction of certain works on Milk River, which runs from Montana into the Northwest and then back to the United States territory, the objection of the construction will be to divert the water from Canadian territory, a strong protest will be made by the Dominion to Washington authorities. The Dominion favors sending this matter to the International Waterway Commission.

Kaiser the Object of Demonstration.

BARI, Italy, April 30.—Emperor William of Germany, who continues to be the object of imposing demonstrations of friendship at the hands of the Italian and public generally, today visited the Cathedral of St. Nicholas. He viewed with special interest the body of St. Nicholas, from whose tomb flows a miraculous spring of water.

Tonight the Emperor attended a gala performance at the theater. The band from the just named yacht played between the acts compositions selected by the Emperor.

Y. M. C. A. Jubilee at Paris.

PARIS, April 30.—There was an immense audience at the Trocadero this afternoon, when the jubilee festival of the world's alliance of the Y. M. C. A. was inaugurated, under the presidency of Dr. Charles Monod, of the Academy of Medicine.

British Come to America.

LONDON, April 30.—A Parliamentary report just issued shows that the number of British emigrants who went to America in 1904 was nearly double the com-

COVERS HER HAND

Mae Wood Says Time Has Not Come to Show It.

NEVER SAW WILLIAM LOEB

Principal in Damage Suit Against Prominent Men Talks Mysteriously of the Scandal She Has Stirred Up.

OMAHA, Neb., April 30.—Miss Mae Wood, who yesterday filed a damage suit for \$35,000 against Secretary William Loeb, Robert J. Wynne and J. Martin Miller, tonight talked to a representative of the Associated Press of the events which led up to the filing of the suit. She was asked in what particular she declined to answer the question directly, but had this to say:

"Secretary Loeb should always use the telephone or a courier. It is a remarkable fact that he knows so little of his affairs. I rather think he should say he does not know how I happened to know what he knows of it. Really, I think I shall have to refrain from going into the details until I shall tell it in court."

Miss Wood said she had not the slightest idea of what any of the defendants would do, or whether they would accept or avoid service in the suit. She asserted, however, that if Secretary Loeb avoided service she would have the suit transferred to the United States Courts. She admitted that she had never seen any of the defendants, and knew of no reason why she should take any part in the New York affair, but still refused to say in what manner she would connect him with it.

Miss Wood resumed her account of the alleged relations contained in her petition filed in the District Court. To Judge Martin Miller she gave the credit of instigating the intimidation and other acts named in her charges. She spoke in detail of the alleged relations with Senator Platt and closed the interview with this significant remark:

"They were looking for scandal, and now they have it. I shall show my hand when the proper time comes."

LOEB DOES NOT KNOW HER

President's Secretary Does Not Want to See Mae Wood.

GLENWOOD SPRING, Colo., April 30.—"Why I never saw the woman in my life, nor do I want to see her," said William Loeb, Jr., secretary to the President, when he was shown a dispatch concerning the suit filed in Omaha by Miss Mae Wood, asking \$35,000 jointly of Mr. Loeb, ex-Postmaster-General Wynne and J. Martin Miller, a Newark, N. J., newspaper man, who was recently appointed to a position in the consular service.

When the morning newspapers arrived giving a detailed account of the filing of the damage suit, Mr. Loeb read the story carefully and said:

"It is just as I thought. I will have to get a bill of particulars to tell how I am connected with the case."

Mr. Loeb said today: "The only knowledge I have of Miss Wood is in relation to her position in the Postoffice Department and the notoriety she brought to herself just prior to the marriage of Senator Platt, of New York. She called up the White House and asked if she could see me. Assistant Secretary Barnes talked with her, but the business did not seem to be important. I declined to see her."

"That's all I know personally of the woman. I am at a loss to know where she connects my name with an application for damages."

SCHOOLHOUSES MADE HOSPITALS.

IRKUTSK, Siberia, April 30.—On account of the inadequacy of accommodations for the wounded soldiers from Manchuria, of whom there are 24,000, and more arriving daily, schoolhouses and schoolhouses have been converted into hospitals. Provisions, especially bread, are scarce, owing to the military pressure on the Trans-Siberian Railroad.

PROMOTED TO WASHINGTON

Senior Sent. Mexican Ambassador to Austria, to Advance.

MEXICO CITY, April 30.—It is reported today that Senior Sent. Mexican Minister to Austria, will be promoted to the Mexican Ambassadorship at Washington.

Harriman System in Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, April 30.—The Government has granted a concession to Thomas McKenna, representing the Cananea, Yaqui River & Pacific Railroad, to lay a line from Guaymas north to the American border and southeasterly from Guaymas touching Agiabato and Topolampaco. This is a Harriman road.

Still further extension of the Harriman system into the heart of Mexico, it is said, is contemplated by the building of the extension of the Sonora Railroad through Culiacan, capital of the State of Sinaloa, thence to Mazatlan, with an eventual running of the road to this city.

PROFESSOR FARNAM RESTS EASILY.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 30.—Professor Farnam, of Yale University, and Mrs. Farnam, who were injured in the wreck of the Ogden special yesterday morning, are both resting easily in a sanitarium here. It has not been decided when they will be able to travel, but the attending physicians say not before Tuesday. Electrician Kershaw, also injured in the wreck and detained here, is doing well.

Pain in the side nearly always comes from a disordered liver and is promptly relieved by Carter's Little Liver Pills. Do not forget this.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY THE BEST

"Mothers buy it for croupy children, railroad men buy it for severe coughs and elderly people buy it for a grippe," says Moore Bros., Eldon, Iowa. "We sell more of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy than any other kind. It seems to have taken the lead over several other 'cough brands.' There is no question but this medicine is the best that can be procured for coughs and colds, whether it be a child or an adult that is afflicted. It is a sure cure and cures quickly. Sold by all druggists."

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