

BURIED MINERS PERISHED SHORTLY AFTER DISASTER

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shift boss took two men and went to investigate. They found the shaft afloat at the 3600 foot level, chanced death from gas and were carried through the fire to the top of the mine. They began a work of fire fighting which prevented merger into one of rescue for the men below, for the fire blocked the shaft and prevented the escape of the miners.

Men came from all over the west to offer their services, the curious fellowship of miners bringing hearty offers of service from all who could get to Jackson. Mining companies in distant states, even in Mexico, telegraphed offers of assistance. The Kennedy Mining company, operators of an adjoining shaft, sunk the bitterness of a lawsuit in its willingness to be of service and loaned all its property and facilities to the work of rescue.

Hard Work of Rescuers

For many weary days, disappointed hopes and unexpected difficulties and heartened some times by equally unexpected bits of good luck, rescue crews drove through the choked tunnels which had once connected the two mines or battered at the rock separating one of the Kennedy's drifts from the Argonaut's 4200 foot level. Early yesterday a drill was driven through the last barrier of rock into the Argonaut.

Sweating shoulders and unbreakable wills drove steel picks at the rock until this hole had been enlarged enough to permit a man to pass. Five men made a hasty unauthorized exploration of part of the Argonaut, seeking survivors at the imminent risk of their own lives. The opening was enlarged so that a rescue crew could pass, and all day explorations went on without any result.

The levels were clear, there was no sign of any miner left in them, either dead or alive. The rescue men, hampered by their oxygen helmets, and the heat of the underground workings, turned their attention to exploring the cross cuts and drifts leading from the tunnels already traversed. In one they found a bulkhead that had not been there when the miners went below that fatal midnight three weeks ago.

All Killed by Gas

Hope rose anew at this evidence that some, at least of the entombed men had not died an instant death from the gases thrown off by the fire in the shaft and the rescuers pressed on. They found another bulkhead not built of planks and timbers and stuffed with torn clothing like the first, but erected of earth, rock and debris. It was pitiful, gaping in places so that rescuers could see through it, but it checked the air currents and the men in the oxygen helmets halted before afraid to tear it down while the air before it was poisonous, lest they thereby cause sudden death to any who might be alive beyond it.

Hope stood at its highest peak when this second bulkhead was found, and from that height it made its greatest plunge. Before those who waited above for news of their loved ones knew even that the rescuers had broken thru the bulkhead, word came that the bodies of 42 men had been found and counted. Not long after word came up that the other five also had been found dead.

City Takes Blow Calmly

Jackson took the blow calmly, and presently found comfort in the sure knowledge, gained from notes left by two of the men and from the reports of rescuers regarding the men's work before they died, that a quick, merciful death had come to them instead of the agonies of starvation. There was no lingering in darkness 3000 feet below sea level. The gas came, then lethargy, then oblivion.

Records scrawled on paper by one man and scratched on a timber by another, showed they had lived but little more than three hours after erecting their pitiful barricades. Saddest of all, was the mute record of the bare beginning

of a third bulkhead when gas had driven them from the scene of the second.

Identification will be difficult. The length of time since they died, the temperature of their casual tomb, the lack of the clothing they had torn off to stuff into the cracks of their bulkhead, combined to remove from most of the bodies any distinguishing characteristics.

For Miners Dependents

The Red Cross has received a fund of \$5000 for the miners' dependents and it is estimated that where a miner left a widow or child the California state compensation insurance fund will pay an average of approximately \$4200 to dependents. The Argonaut Mining company had insured its employees in the state fund. There is some need among relatives of some of the victims, however.

Red Cross officials said \$10,000 was provided by the Argonaut company for temporary relief. The local chapter of the Red Cross spent much of that sum in maintaining three temporary hospitals, in supplying the needs of miners' families and in providing food and comforts for rescue crews.

Minister to Bereaved

A feature of the Red Cross' merciful mission was the assigning of its members to the consolation of bereaved families. Last night and early today each of the families of the 18 married miners among the 47 victims had with it a woman visitor to speak words of sympathy and encouragement.

A revision in California mining safety laws will be urged in the next legislature, according to Fletcher Hamilton, state mineralogist. He said he thought it would be feasible to have independent exits and to have underground safety stations with a separate source of air and supplied with food and water.

EVANS APPOINTED TO SALEM PULPIT

Portland, Or., Sept. 19.—Announcements of the appointments of pastors for the 22 United Brethren churches in the jurisdiction of the Oregon conference were made yesterday, marking the close of the 69th annual gathering of the conference delegates here.

Dr. H. Dixon Boughter will be retained as president of Philomath college, while I. E. Caldwell will be the missionary to Porto Rico.

Appointments of the pastor to the various churches in the Oregon conference are as follows: Amboy, Rev. C. P. Blanchard; Beaver, Rev. W. O. Woolever; Coos river, Rev. G. E. Wood; Coquille, Rev. S. P. Andrus; Everett, Wash., Rev. J. D. Hammer; Hazel Green, Rev. Lella Luckey; Hopewell, Rev. W. N. Blodgett; Irving, Rev. A. J. Smith; Manor, Rev. C. S. Lambert; North Bend, Rev. G. E. Wood; Philomath, Rev. J. D. Niewonder; Philomath circuit, Rev. C. T. Burns; Portland, First church, Rev. E. A. Elliott; Portland, second church, Rev. G. K. Hartman; Portland, third church, Rev. E. O. Shepard; Portland, fourth church, Rev. B. Ross Evans; Salem, Rev. George Chapman; Seattle, Rev. G. L. Bender; The Dalles, Rev. E. F. Wiggler; Tillamook, Rev. W. O. Woolever; Vancouver, Rev. W. L. Blossing; Wapinitia, Rev. J. I. Parker.

FIVE CANDIDATES FOR BISHOPRIC OF EASTERN OREGON

Portland, Sept. 19.—Bishops of the Episcopal church set aside rules and precedent yesterday and made nominations for bishop of the missionary districts of eastern Oregon and Haiti in open session. Two bishops and five prominent clergymen were nominated for the eastern Oregon district and four were nominated for the Haiti. Rev. Thomas Jenkins, rector of St. David's church of Portland, was one of the nominees for the Oregon district.

The men nominated to succeed Bishop Paddock, together with the sponsors who first proposed their names, were: Right Rev. William P. Remington, suffragan bishop of South Dakota, by Bishop Granville G. Bennett, Duluth; Rev. William A. R. Goodwin, rector of St. Paul's church, Rochester, N. Y., by Bishop Robert C. Jett, southwestern Virginia; Rev. Benjamin D. Dagwell, rector of Ascension church, Pueblo, Colo., by Bishop Paul Matthews, New Jersey; Rev. Edwin M. Cross, rector of St. John the Evangelist church, St. Paul, Minn., by Bishop William F. Faber, Montana; Right Rev. Paul Jones, resigned bishop without jurisdiction, by Bishop Brewster, Maine; Rev. Thomas Jenkins, rector of St. David's, Portland, Or., by Bishop William A. Leonard, Ohio; Very Rev. J. Wilmer Gresham, dean of the cathedral at San Francisco, by Presiding Bishop Tuttle.

Those nominated for bishop of the missionary district of Haiti were: Rev. Walter Mitchell, rector at Porter Military academy, Charleston, S. C.; Rev. William S. Claiborne, professor at Sewanee, Tenn.; Archdeacon H. R. Carson, Panama Canal zone, and Rev. John Albert Williams, rector of St. Phillip's church, Omaha, Neb.

HORNE COMING TO DISCUSS REFUNDING

London, Sept. 19.—(By Associated Press)—Sir Robert Stevenson Horne, chancellor of the exchequer, will be the leading member of the British refunding delegation that is to visit the United States. The chancellor's purpose, it is stated, is to sail for America, October 18.



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LITTLE SALEM GIRL SAVES MAN'S LIFE

Newport, Or., Sept. 19.—Lieutenant S. Dahl of Newport owes his life to the bravery of Dorothy White, 10-year-old daughter of Adjutant General George A. White.

Yesterday while General White and his family, accompanied by Lieutenant Dahl, were fishing on the Siletz river, Dorothy, separated some distance down stream from the rest of the family, saw a man floating in the river. His head was under water and he was being carried along in the rapid current. She called frantically for assistance, but receiving no response plunged waist deep into the swift-running stream. Reaching the drowning man, she succeeded after a desperate effort in dragging him far enough ashore to get his head out of the water just as General White reached the scene.

The man proved to be Lieutenant Dahl, who had slipped into the river and striking his head on the rocks had been rendered unconscious. He would have drowned had not Dorothy seen him and bravely gone to the rescue. It was a strenuous task for a 10-year-old girl, waist deep in the swift stream, to drag a 170-pound drowning man to the bank.

The dove won't build in the cannon's mouth until something is provided to fill the other mouths.

Nerve Shocks Cause Gas

Any form of excitement that shocks the delicate nerves of the stomach will disturb the function of that organ and produce gas. Anger, fright, grief and worry, all have an evil effect upon the digestive system, hence, for want of a better term, doctors call this condition "nervous dyspepsia."

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