

50 MINERS TRAPPED BY EXPLOSION IN CAROLINA MINE

RALEIGH, N. C., May 27.—(A. P.)—At 2:05 o'clock the Raleigh train dispatcher for the Norfolk Southern railway received a message from Gulf, N. C., that five bodies had been recovered from the mine of the Carolina Coal Co. The dispatcher said it was reported the mine was on fire. He said the number of men entombed was 71. Three explosions occurred in the mine. The first was that which trapped the workers, the second is said to have occurred following an attempt by rescue workers to enter the shaft where the men were entombed and a third occurred down in the mine later. Continued fumes prevent workers from penetrating further than the first lift.

At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, Governor McLean stated that he had notified the adjutant general to hold several units of the National Guard in readiness to proceed to the scene.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 27.—(A. P.)—More than fifty men are entombed in the mine of the Carolina Coal company nine miles from Sanford, N. C., as the result of an explosion there today, an officer of the company told the Associated Press here this afternoon. The fate of the men, he added, was not known and grave fears were felt for their safety. Most of the men are said to be white.

The explosion occurred when the full crew of the mine was on duty. Dense clouds of yellow smoke and dangerous fumes emanating from the mouth of the mine prevented early attempts at rescue work.

Governor McLean requested a corps of engineers, headed by Chief Highway Commissioner Paige to proceed to the scene with Adjutant General Metts. He also appealed to the bureau of mines at Washington for federal aid in what was described to him as a "serious emergency."

Soon after the explosion two men went into the mine equipped with gas masks but were unable to penetrate it.

REMOINS IN POLE FLIGHT

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premature. The explorer, they say, went prepared for all contingencies; he is fully capable of taking care of himself and his party, and he may be relied upon to turn up, sooner or later, at some outpost of civilization.

Statements made at the White House yesterday indicated that President Coolidge would sanction any plans formulated by the secretary of the navy for an American relief expedition.

Secretary Wilbur, questioned regarding the use for that purpose of the dirigible Los Angeles and Shenandoah, said the chances were remote.

Latest news from Oslo, Norway, is that the weather at King's bay was more favorable last night than for some hours before.

SEATTLE, May 27.—(A. P.)—The first news of Captain Roald Amundsen's discovery of the northwest passage in 1905 was flashed to the world from Seattle because a telegraph operator in Alaska refused to accept a long collect message to Fritjof Nansen in Norway from a gaunt, unshaven giant who appeared in Eagle City, it was revealed here today.

Amundsen disappeared in arctic wastes in 1903 and nothing more was heard from him. With a crew of eight men he pushed through the unexplored legendary route to the Indies in his 76-foot sloop, the Gjoa. He finally reached Herschel Island on MacKenzie Bay, north of Alaska in October, 1905. Then sickness of a member of his crew forced him to make a six week's overland trip by dog team for medicine. Accompanied only by one man, he started out on the long mush on October 24, 1905.

He reached Eagle City, ten miles below the international boundary on the Yukon river on December 5.

His face bearded to the eyes and bearing many marks of privations did not awaken any interest as he was thought to be "only a Swede prospector." He visited the army signal corps telegraph office and filed a lengthy collect message to Fritjof Nansen, the Norwegian arctic explorer, and dropped out of sight. The operator in charge of the office had no authorization to accept such a long collect message and wired to his chief in Seattle for instructions. The signal officer happened that night to be a dinner guest of Eneas Brainerd, then editor of the Post-Intelligencer, and in recounting happenings of the day, mentioned a "crazy man" in Eagle City who had tried to file a long message to "somebody in Norway called Nansen." Brainerd immediately became interested and inquired the name of the sender.

"It was something like Amundsen," the signal officer replied. Brainerd made arrangements to pay the telegraph bills himself in exchange for the privilege of publishing the telegram—and the next day Seattle announced Amundsen's discovery to the world.

A diplomatic inquiry was instituted by the Norwegian government to ascertain how an American newspaper got possession of a message to a Norwegian diplomat, but the exact manner in which the news got out was not revealed until years afterward when Brainerd told it himself.

Bulgarian Bombers Hanged. SOFIA, May 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Three of the leaders in the bombing of the Sveti Kral cathedral in which 128 persons were killed were hanged here today. The men executed were Zadoriski, custodian of the cathedral; Friedman and Koefi.

ITALY WILL IGNORE FRANCE'S STAND

WASHINGTON, May 27.—(A. P.)—Italy is going ahead with preliminary negotiations looking to settlement of her debt to the United States and is doing so without seeking to condition funding proposals upon any action to be taken by France.

Baron DeMartino, the Italian ambassador, made this clear yesterday in discussing the debt situation with Secretary Mellon and under-Secretary Whinston of the treasury. In return he was advised of this government's desire to be as lenient as possible in collection of its accounts.

Suggestions that Italy be granted a period of delay in the final settlement and for an amortization rate for reducing the principal of the \$2,138,543,000 debt in annual installments were met by assurances that officials here are anxious to aid the ambassador in drafting an agreement based on Italy's capacity to pay.

BASEBALL SCORES

NEW YORK, May 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Bob Meusel, Yankee outfielder, hit his tenth homer of the season in the sixth inning of today's game with Boston at the Yankee stadium. The blow, a terrific drive past the running track in deep left center, scored Dugan and Combs and gave the Yanks a three run lead.

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OBITUARY

The funeral services for Roy Homer Beach, infant son, aged 7 months and 19 days, of Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Beach of Jacksonville took place this afternoon at 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian church of Jacksonville, with Mrs. E. H. Edgar officiating.

The death occurred at the St. Francis hospital at San Francisco Monday afternoon at 2 p. m. as a result of an operation performed some time before. Those who were left to mourn the loss are the father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Beach, and brother Joe Miller Beach. The body arrived this morning and was interred at the Jacksonville cemetery this afternoon.

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Local Briefs

Fifty-four members of the senior class of the Ashland high school will graduate Thursday evening at eight o'clock at the Ashland Armory. This is one of the largest classes of the history of the school and has been very active during the four years of high school, especially during the last year when it has sponsored a number of important events in the school life. The commencement address will be delivered by Edwin T. Reed, director of publications of the Oregon Agricultural College, with "The Rising Generation" as his subject.—Ashland Tidings.

America's most versatile dance orchestra, Fair Grounds Pavilion tonight! 57
California registered at local hotels include Mr. and Mrs. C. C. DeWitt, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ghannel, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dikon, Mrs. T. O. Willed, Mrs. Rutherford Pates, Mrs. A. C. Bates of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vaik, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Truesdell, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Taylor and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Schup and Mr. and Mrs. Lou A. Viorane of Los Angeles, Mrs. Roy Castle, Mr. and Mrs. A. Castle, Mrs. C. E. Stebbins and H. W. Stebbins of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Little and Mrs. J. R. Little of Berkeley.

For sand, gravel, sediment, cleaning or lawn work, phone 912-J, Samuel Bateman.

Rev. F. R. Leach and family were guests Tuesday at a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bewick of Ashland. In the evening the members of the Ashland Baptist church gave them a surprise. This was done to show the church's appreciation of the help and interest taken by Rev. Mr. Leach in the church trouble they have been through. Rev. Mr. Woodworth gave a talk for the church and Rev. Leach replied. Ice cream and cake was served during the pleasant evening.

Matching Se a yard. The Vanity Shop, Bartlett and Main. 47
The number of city dog licenses taken out by this morning was twenty. All owners of dogs must take out licenses, the fee being \$1.50 for a male dog and \$3.00 for a female dog. Almost any day now the official city dog catcher will begin gathering in dogs not wearing tags.

The musical sensation of the year! Mann Brothers, singing syncopators! Fair Grounds Pavilion tonight. 57
James T. Ross of Seaside, Ore., who was arrested May 24 for speeding on the Crater Lake highway, by J. J. McMahon, state traffic officer, entered a plea of guilty in Judge Taylor's court here yesterday through his attorney and was fined \$15.

Marcelling 75 cents. Telephone 655 for appointment. 57

Jardine Starts West
WASHINGTON, May 27.—(By Associated Press.) Secretary Jardine left today for a seven weeks' tour of inspection of the department's work in the west. He was accompanied by R. M. Russell, his assistant.

While in the west he will deliver several speeches in Washington and Oregon and will make several stops in Idaho and Montana.

Yet Mike was Patrick's twin.

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SERENITY SETTLES OVER DEM. RANKS

WASHINGTON, May 27.—(A. P.)—Representative William A. Oldfield of Arkansas, chairman of the democratic congressional committee will succeed Clem Shaver of West Virginia as chairman of the democratic national convention it is indicated here, the change to be made within a few weeks.

Agreement of party chieftains upon Mr. Oldfield is understood to have followed a warning from Mr. Shaver that factional fights in selecting his successor would endanger the program of the national committee.

Conferees by representatives of William G. McAdoo and Governor Smith of New York and Mr. Shaver are said to have facilitated the compromise.

MR. MARSHALL ILL, HAS A BAD COLD

WASHINGTON, May 27.—(A. P.)—Former Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall, who is ill here at the New Willard hotel, passed a good night and was described today as much improved.

Mr. Marshall is suffering from a severe cold attended by exhaustion, which set in upon his arrival yesterday from Indianapolis.

Although the attending physicians would not discuss the subject, there were indications that the patient's heart action had been causing some worry. Because of his age—he is past 71—it was said that a complete rest would be necessary before his condition could be considered satisfactory.

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