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MINERS LIVE ON HAY

Thirteen Victims of Mine Disaster in France Rescued Alive.

ALL HOPE ABANDONED TWO WEEKS AGO

Sudden Appearance of Emaciated Men Frightens Salvage Corps.

THEY ATE HAY AND FLESH OF DEAD HORSE

This Meager Diet Sustains Life for Nearly Three Weeks.

TAKEN AT ONCE TO THE HOSPITAL

Others of Twelve Hundred Buried by Explosion Believed to Be Alive and Rescue Work is Resumed.

LENS, France, March 30.—The disaster at the Courrières coal mines had a startling sequel today when thirteen miners were taken out alive after having endured unspeakable horrors during twenty days of entombment. The story of the survivors, so far as it has been told, discloses that they lived for many days on putrid horse meat amid total darkness and the stench from rotting corpses. The rescue of human flesh would speedily have forced the starving men to resort to the last desperate extremity if they had not been rescued. The survivors here sturdy young miners from 17 to 25 years of age, except their leader, Henri Nemy, who is 38 years old. All show the terrible effects of their experiences, being emaciated and blinded. Their rescue caused a temporary nervous lucidity, during which they greeted their relatives and graphically related their sufferings. The doctors then forced quiet upon them, fearing the results of fever and poisoning from their having eaten decayed horseflesh.

Many Touching Scenes. There were touching scenes as wives and mothers greeted those whom they had long given up as dead. Crowds besieged the hospital to which the men were taken, cheering the survivors and imprecating the ineffective nature of the salvage work that followed immediately after the disaster.

Rescue Party Starved. The sudden appearance of the imprisoned men caused stupefaction. A gang of salvagers had just completed their night's work when they were started to see a group of miners, terribly haggard and exhausted and with eyes staring, appear from the mine today. The strongest of the party said they had broken out of a distant gallery where they had been entombed since the disaster of March 10. The rescued men were taken up the elevator, but were unable to see, owing to the dazzling daylight. The mine officials were deeply affected by the appearance of the survivors and immediately ordered the men to be taken to a hospital. The men were able to talk feebly but sensibly. They all asked for news of relatives or friends and wished to go home immediately. The doctors, however, prevented them with difficulty from so doing. Later crowds besieged the mine, in the hope of hearing of further escapes necessitating the employment of a strong police force and detachments of troops to maintain order.

Others May Be Alive. It is said that others of the entombed miners are alive and about to be brought out, their signals having been heard. "One of the men rescued today, a man named Nemy, said that for the first eight days the party ate the bark of the timbering of the mine. Later they found the decomposed body of a horse, which they cut up and ate with hay."

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EXCHANGE WILL STAND ALONE

Grain Men Refuse to Consolidate with Commercial Club on Secretary.

The active members of the Omaha Grain exchange held a meeting in the Commercial club rooms Friday afternoon, at the call of J. H. Hamilton, chairman of the grain committee, and adopted resolutions which will be presented to the Board of Directors. The resolutions were presented by a committee of five, of which Nathan Merrim was chairman, and were widely different from those offered by Mr. Merrim at the meeting Wednesday. Following is their text:

The members of the Omaha Grain exchange, your committee to which was referred a set of resolutions for revision or other action begs leave to report that the resolutions presented to you and placed in charge of this committee were upon consideration of the Board of Directors and substitution therefore we offer the following resolutions for your consideration:

Resolved, That the Omaha Grain exchange employ a secretary, at a reasonable salary, to represent the exchange and to act exclusively for the interests of the Omaha Grain exchange, and be it further Resolved, That the secretary be a man thoroughly familiar with railroads, their operation and the interests of the exchange, and be it further Resolved, That the transportation committee of the Omaha Grain exchange shall elect five independent elevator men, three receivers or brokers, and one member of the grain exchange having no elevator or receiving interests.

WRECK VICTIMS RECOVERED. Body of Louis Behr Found Buried Three Feet Under the Sand. CASPER, Wyo., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The body of Louis Behr, the missing man in the train wreck near Semphole last Sunday night, was recovered today and arrived in Casper late this evening. This is the last body to be found and it was buried three feet in the sand. The funeral of seven of the victims was held yesterday and that of Charles Moll occurred today. The Masonic order, of which he was a member, conducted the funeral. The body of D. D. Blue was sent to his former home in Nebraska for interment. The coroner held an inquest over the dead bodies of the men killed in Sunday's wreck and all of the witnesses have been examined, but the jury has as yet come to no verdict.

DEATH RECORD.

John Boyle. KEARNEY, Neb., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—John Boyle, an old and respected citizen of this city, died this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kirkpatrick. Deceased was 86 years of age and had been a resident of this city for the last sixteen years. He was a widower and leaves three daughters and three sons surviving him. Of the sons, Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Harry Boyle live in Kearney. The remains will be taken to the old home in Pennsylvania for interment.

Myron M. Buck. CLIFTON SPRINGS, N. Y., March 30.—Myron M. Buck of St. Louis died at his summer home here today. He had been in poor health for nearly a year and submitted to a surgical operation several months ago. The operation afforded only temporary relief, however. Mr. Buck was identified with several financial institutions and various business enterprises in St. Louis. He was 69 years old.

Albert Wakefield. ATLANTIC, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Albert Wakefield, one of the old pioneers of Cass county, who has been here since 1852, died suddenly after but a two days' illness of old age and grippe. He was 73 years old. Mr. Wakefield had been county recorder, county surveyor and had held many township offices, being elected for fourteen consecutive terms to the office of township assessor.

Iowa Editor and Wife. CEDAR FALLS, Ia., March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—A double funeral will take place here Saturday, being that of N. U. Christensen, a pioneer editor of Cedar Falls, and his wife. The former died Wednesday and the latter this morning. Mr. Christensen was editor of the Danavirk, the national Danish paper published in this city since 1881.

Dr. M. J. Kenyon. Dr. M. J. Kenyon died Thursday night at his home, 98 North Twenty-first street, of paralysis. The body has been sent to Lyons, Dr. Kenyon's former home, for burial. Dr. Kenyon was a member of the Masonic lodge at Decatur, Neb., and was 52 years of age. He is survived by a wife and two children.

Major Samuel T. Hamilton. HARRISBURG, Pa., March 30.—Major Samuel T. Hamilton, U. S. A., died here today. Major Hamilton was a member of the Omaha Grain exchange and was widely known in the city. He was 65 years of age and was a member of the Omaha Grain exchange for many years.

PERKINS CASE IS ARGUED

Justice Greenbaum Reserves Decision After Hearing Views of Lawyers.

JUDICIAL OPINION OF LAW IS INVOLVED

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CLEVELAND, March 30.—The police of Fostoria, O., late last night took off a nickel plate train three Bulgarians, a woman and two men, thought to be implicated in the sextuple tragedy in Minneapolis, Tuesday night.

Governor Patton Better. COLUMBUS, March 30.—Governor Patton's condition was slightly improved today.

TROLLEY TO FORT NIORRARA

Bill Granting Privilege to City Council to Build Dam and Construct Line.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Kinkaid today introduced a bill granting to Charles H. Cornell the right to put a dam across the Niobrara river at the Fort Niobrara military reservation, and to construct and operate a trolley or electric railway line and telegraph across this reservation.

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Effect on Stock Market. The stocks of the anthracite coal roads broke severely at the opening of the stock market today. Jersey Central declined 2 points, Philadelphia and Reading 2 1/2 and Delaware & Hudson 2. The entire market was heavy in sympathy with these declines.

Truesdale Talks. President Truesdale of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western road, said: "The mines of the Lackawanna company will be continued in operation on Monday next and the company will endeavor to continue the mine in operation. It is our purpose to have notices posted by the superintendents at the mines as soon as possibly notifying the employees that they may continue at work under the same conditions as now exist under the anthracite award."

Will you help with the new Y. W. C. A. building? The Omaha Bee Offer.

We will give toward the Y. W. C. A. building fund 25 per cent of all cash in the sums of \$1.00 or more received for new subscriptions to The Omaha Bee—morning, evening or Sunday editions—and 10 per cent of all prepaid subscriptions in amounts of \$1.00 or more from our old subscribers. No payment will be accepted as prepayment until all arrears have been paid to date.

Old Subscriber's Coupon and New Subscriber's Coupon forms with fields for name, address, and subscription details.

WORK ON ANTHRACITE SCALE

Miners and Operators Will Have Conference in New York Tuesday Morning.

BAER AND MITCHELL EXCHANGE MESSAGES

NEW YORK, March 30.—The following message sent by President Baer of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad to John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, was made public at the office of the representatives of the anthracite coal roads in this city today:

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THE BEE BULLETIN.

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair and warmer Saturday. Sunday Partly Cloudy.

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TEMPERATURE AT OMAHA YESTERDAY.

Table with columns for Hour, Deg., and Day. Shows temperature fluctuations from 5 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 12 m. to 9 p.m.

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STATE CONVENTIONS THIS WEEK.

The joint state conventions of the outlying districts, to be held next week, or now in session, at Charleston, W. Va., Louisville, Ky., Des Moines, Ia., Saginaw, Mich., and Clearfield, in central Pennsylvania, were empowered under the action of the convention today to sign agreements with the operators of those states if they agree to pay the 1903 scale.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD TODAY.

The national executive board will meet tomorrow morning to take up the details of managing the strike. It was empowered to decide as to what employees will be allowed to continue work as the mines to prevent the destruction of the property during the suspension. There is to be a national, district and local treasurer of the miners \$250,000, of which \$400,000 is in the national treasury.

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