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ANOTHER MINE DISASTER---80 DEAD

EXPLOSION IS FOLLOWED BY FIRE

Hundred and Fifty Men Caught--Mutilated Horribly

ENTIRE MINE A WRECK

PRIMERO, Colo, Feb. 1—Fighting madly to escape through the narrow partly choken air shaft, trampling on fallen comrades in their struggle for life, more than half of the 149 miners employed in the Primero mien of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, wrecked by an explosion yesterday afternoon, were overcome by gas and fire. Their bodies were found in heaps around the bottom of the air shaft where they had fallen in their desperate struggle. One hundred and forty-nine men are known to have been in the mine when the explosion occurred. It is said that seventy-nine are dead.

One has been rescued alive but dangerously injured. Their bodies are torn and charred beyond recognition. It has been impossible to identify the dead. Early this morning 24 bodies had been brought to the surface and rescue parties equipped with oxygen helmets are still searching the ruined works.

Main Shaft Crumpled

The explosion occurred at 6.30 o'clock. With a roar and a belch of flame the main shaft crumpled, blocking the entrance to the mine.

Both fans with which the property is equipped, were shattered and it was not until three hours later that the fans were repaired and a rescue party, headed by General Superintendent Thompson were able to descend the air shaft.

Bodies Found

They discovered three bodies before they weer forced to return to the surface. Five men, one of them a hundred yards away, were killed at the entrance to the main shaft by the concussion. Rescue parties were hurried to the mine from all over the country and have worked desperately in an effort to force the entrance to the main shaft.

Descended Air Shaft

It soon became evident that the shaft was hopelessly caved in, and another rescue party descended the air shaft. Shortly before two this morning Supt. Thompson, who was directing the rescue work, was overcome by gas and taken to the surface. He soon recovered and went below again.

Dolnio Nardino, the one man rescued alive, was found beneath a mass of earth and timber.

He declared that he tumbled over scores of bodies after the explosion, and that he saw no one who was not injured.

Entire Mine Wrecked

The rescuers say that the entire mine is wrecked, and it is almost impossible that any of the entombed miners are still alive. The fire which followed the explosion, confined itself to the workings near the main shaft and soon burned itself out.

Supt. Thompson was reinforced by every superintendent and mine expert within reach of the mine and hundreds of miners stood about the shaft last night begging for a chance to go in on one of the rescue parties.

Women Were Frantic

With the Cherry disaster fresh in their minds, frantic women and children surged against the rope drawn to keep them away from the shaft and begged the rescuers to bring back their husbands and fathers. Some of the women attempted to join the workers by force and were prevented by force. As each body was brought to the surface the women gathered about it with shrieks and prayers, but the bodies were so charred and disfigured that they could not be recognized by anyone.

Cause Unknown

Until the workings can be opened the cause of the explosion will remain unknown. The officials of the company declare that safety lamps were used in every portion of the mine and that every precaution was taken to prevent accidents.

One Man Is Rescued

The first rescue party that entered the stope proceeded to the seventh entry, then turned and made its way across the main stope. Some fires found in the main cross cut was extinguished.

Near the west end of the eighth entry a pile of dead mules was encountered and a little beyond were the bodies of 14 men.

Turning back toward the main stope on entry eight the rescuers penetrated until a big cave in occurred near the opening of the main stope. Here in the midst of a pile of dead mules and the bodies of his companions the rescuers found Donaccio Vergen, whose survival is considered as the miracle of the disaster.

He was found by J. B. Manley. He said:

"Please may I go home now." Vergen walked unassitsed to the air drift where he was carried out this morning.

Tedious Work of Rescue

With dawn the full import of disaster has broken upon the survivors. From every point aid is being rushed to the scene. Rescuers worked all night and at daylight a fresh supply went in.

The men have penetrated as far as entry A-8, and are now working on A-9.

After finding a man alive the work of rescue was resumed with renewed activity, but the hope of finding any more alive is vanishing as they go on. Victims are believed to be in the entries 9, 10, 11, 12. It may be days before the rescuers can reach them.

The machine shop has been converted into a morgue. Supplies are being rushed from all the surrounding country.

One Rescuer Overcome

A commotion was caused among the watchers at the mine entrance shortly before 1 o'clock when Bert Lloyds of Cokedale one of the rescuers, was brought to the surface overcome by the gas. It is now thought he will recover.

Orders have been issued by officers of the Colorado Supply Company, a subsidiary of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company to furnish families of victims with supplies until the plans for permanent relief can be arranged.

Coroner Guilfoil impanneled a jury at 1 o'clock to view the recovered bodies before their removal from the scene of the accident to Trinidad.

The taking of testimony will not be commenced before the mine has been cleared.

Finding More Bodies

Up to noon 42 bodies had been recovered, most of them so badly disfigured that the work of identification is progressing slowly. No combustible gas is being encountered by the rescuers. Two ventilating fans have been in operation ever since last night.

Black damp, which follows an explosion is being driven back along the main shaft. Entries Nos. 7, 8, and 9 have already been reclaimed. It is beyond this point probably that most of the bodies will be found.

State Mine Inspector Jones and his deputy, David Griffith, arrived this morning and have joined the relief party.

The managers of the Fernie Opera house, have, at an extra expense, secured for an engagement of one week commencing on Monday night, February 14, the splendid Eckhardt Theatre company, which comes with the highest praise from the press, and with every assurance of being high class, and every guarantee is given or the money most cheerfully refunded. The prices are most reasonable, being only 35c and 50c, and no doubt the opera house will be well patronized.

GUYS ARE APPOINTED

A NEW CROP OF PETTY OFFICERS JUST OUT IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

VICTORIA, Feb. 3—The following appointments for vacancies at Nelson were made by the executive council:

Police Magistrate: William Irvine.

License commissioners. D. C. McMorris, Philip Wade.

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Constable: James Wightman.

Police Commissioenrs

Cranbrook: Ald. D. J. Johnson and Valentine Baker.

Rossland: Ald. J. H. Langman and C. R. Hamilton, K. C.

Kelowna: Ald. Divid Leckie and F. M. Buckland.

Greenwood: Ald. W. W. Craig and F. W. McLaine.

Kaslo: Ald. Patrick, H. Walsh and William Robb.

Vancouver: Ald. J. Whyte and D. Voncramer.

Revelstoke: Ald. E. Trimble and A. E. Kincaid.

North Vancouver: Ald. W. McNeish and C. F. Jackson.

Victoria: Ald. H. F. Bishop and Leon ard Tait.

Nelson: Ald. D. C. McMorris and W. O. Rose M. D.

Sandon: Ald. G. H. Wright and J. A. Black.

License Commissioners

Cranbrook: Ald. Jos. Jackson and G. H. Gaslake.

Rossland: Ald. J. H. Langman and C. R. Hamilton.

Kelowna: Ald. J. W. Jones and Dr. Benjamin De Furlong Boice.

Greenwood: Ald. F. C. Buckless and J. L. Coles.

Kaslo: Ald. P. H. Walsh and W. G. Robb.

Vancouver: Ald. G. E. Williamson and M. J. Grehan.

Revelstoke: Ald. Florence McCarthy and W. A. Sturdy.

North Vancouver: Ald. S. D. Schultz and A. R. Stacey.

Victoria: Ald. A. G. Sargison and H. M. Fullerton.

Nelson: Ald. D. C. McMorris and Philip Wade.

Sandon: Ald. James Wood and W. Howard Cameron.

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Considering the stormy weather on last Sunday the congregations at the Baptist church both morning and evening were most encouraging. Rev. Spidell delivered two splendid sermons. Next Sunday Feb. 6, Pastor Spidell will preach in the morning on "A Master Workman," and in the evening on "The Fighting Stars." Services are held at 11 a.m. and at 7.30 p.m. Special music will be given at the evening service and the male quartet will sing.

NOTICE

Indianapolis, January 18

To the Officers and Members of the Local Unions District No. 18, United Mine Workers of America:

Brothers and Fellow Workers:

As you are aware, our annual convention is called to convene on Wednesday, February 2nd in the city of Lethbridge, Alta.

The International convention will not likely get through until January 29th, and it would be impossible for us to get back to the District by the 2nd. You are aware that, as your official representatives, we have a number of important matters to bring to the attention of the International Executive Board, and those matters effect vitally the interests of Dist. 18 and its membership.

Ordinarily, there is no reason why any convention that is called should be postponed to a future date, but we believe that the best interest of the membership of Dist. 18 can be served by postponing the convention to a future date to be named later. This convention will be called as soon as we can get back to the District.

In order that there will be no misunderstanding, the delegates who are now elected to attend the convention on Wednesday Feb. 2, will be the delegates who are entitled to be present at the convention which will convene at a later date. You will see by this that there is no disposition to change the arrangement that local unions have made with the exception of changing the date of convention.

With the hope that you can appreciate the importance of changing this date and assuring you that the convention will be held on or before Feb. 23, with our best wishes for the success of the membership of District 18, we are

Truly and fraternally yours

W. B. Powell, President

C. Stubbs, Vice-President

A. J. Carter, Sec-Treas.

P.S.—To the members of Dist. 18: I have consulted with your representatives here and heartily concur in the above action to postpone your convention, as I know that it will be necessary for them to be here until the close of our annual convention.

Sincerely and truly yours,

T. L. Lewis,

President U. M. W. of A.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

OH YOU KIDS STICK OUT YOUR TONGUES! RAISE YOUR CHINS EXPAND YOUR LUNGS!

VICTORIA, Jan. 31—A great deal of interest attaches to the bill which Hon. H. E. Young, provincial secretary has introduced providing for the medical inspection of public schools. The measure is a long and comprehensive one and may be the subject of some discussion in the house and perhaps some amendment before it passes. The chief provisions of the bill are as follows:

"2. The school trustees of every city and of every rural municipality school district in the province of British Columbia shall appoint one or more school health inspectors, shall assign to each inspector the schools to be inspected, and shall provide them with proper facilities for the performance of their duties as health inspectors of schools and school children.

"3. The provincial board of heath shall appoint, in districts outside cities or municipalities, one or more school health inspectors, shall assign to each inspector the schools to be inspected, and shall provide them with proper facilities for the performance of their duties as health inspectors of schools and school children.

"4. School health inspectors shall be duly qualified medical practitioners, unless otherwise permitted by the provincial board of health.

"5. (1) Every school health inspector shall forthwith upon his appointment and thereafter at least once in every school year, or oftener if required by the school trustees make a thorough examination as to the general health of all children attending school in the district of which he is such inspector, and of all teachers and janitors in such district. He shall also carefully examine all school buildings and school surroundings in his district and shall report to the board of school trustees, fully and in detail the result of such examinations. In such report he shall state whether or not he considers that the condition of health of any child, children, teacher or janitor (naming them) is such as to endanger the health of the children at such school and shall set forth his recommendations as to the school buildings and school surroundings.

"2. The board of school trustees for the district shall forthwith act upon such report and shall remove from the school any child or children, teacher or janitor whose health is so reported by the school health inspector as being dangerous to children in such school, and such child, children, teacher or janitor shall not be permitted to return to school in such district until he or they deliver to the board of school trustees a certificate in writing signed by the school health inspector for the district permitting such return.

"6. The school trustees of every school district in the province shall cause every child in the public schools to be separately and carefully tested and examined at least once in every school year as to the condition of sight and hearing, of throat and teeth, and as to any physical disability or defect liable to prevent his receiving the full benefit of his school work, or as to whether he requires a modification of the school work in order to secure the best educational results. The tests of sight and hearing may be made by teachers having authority from the provincial board of health. The school trustees shall cause notice of any such defect or disability requiring treatment to be sent to the parent or guardian of the child and shall require a physical record of each child kept in such form as the provincial board of health may prescribe.

"7 (1) The school trustees or teacher in charge shall cause to be referred to a school health inspector (who in such case must be a duly qualified physician) for examination and diagnosis, as follows

(a) Every child returning to school without a certificate recognized by the local health authorities after suffering from or being exposed to any contagious or infectious disease.

(b) Every child who has been absent on account of illness or from unknown cause.

(c) Every child who shows signs of being in ill health or suffering from contagious or infectious disease; unless he is at once excluded from the school by the teacher.

(d) No child so referred to the school health inspector shall be permitted to return to school unless and until he delivers to the teacher in charge of the school a written certificate, signed by a school inspector, permitting such return.

"(2) In the case of schools in remote and isolated situations the school trustees or teacher may make such other arrangements as may best carry out the purposese of this act.

"8. Whenever a child shows symptoms of small pox, scarlet fever, chickenpox, measles, tuberculosis, diphtheria or influenza, tonsilitis, whooping cough, mumps, scabies, ringworm, trachoma or any other contagious or infectious diseases he shall be sent home immediately by the teacher in charge of the school or as soon as a safe and proper conveyance can be found, if such is necessary, and the local board of health and school trustees shall at once be notified by such teacher."

It is also provided that the provincial board of health shall prescribe whatever tests may be neecssary under the act and shall also supply whatever forms may be required. All appointments made under the act must be approved by the provincial board of health and the same applies to dismissals. The school health inspectors appointed under the act must forward an annual report to the provincial department of health, which may in addition order an inspection of any school at any time. It is provided that an annual report on the inspection of schools shall be provided each and every year.

Such boards are made responsible for the carrying out of the provisions of the act and for this purpose they are given power to make whatever regulations may be necessary.

In regard to pay it is provided that the inspectors shall receive such remuneration for their services by salary or fees as may be agreed upon by the authority appointing them, and such remuneration shall be deemed to be part of the general expenses of the school district and shall be raised and collected in the usual method.

GOOD CROWD SMARTLY CLAD

Ice in Excellent Shape--Nice Prizes Given--List Of The Winners

ANOTHER CARNIVAL

The second fancy dress carnival was held at the rink on Tuesday evening. A fair sized crowd was in attendance, in costume, but had the weather not been so mild many more would have been present, as the majority of the skaters thought there would be no ice, and therefore did not prepare. A pretty good representation of all colors, shades and hues was there however, and the judges had some thinking to do before awarding the various prizes. The judges were Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. (Colenel) Dennison, and they made the following awards: Ladies' best represented, Mrs. Con. Whalen, Dutch Flower Girl, 1st; Miss Pim, Spanish Peasant, 2nd; best dressed school girl, Miss Ayling, best represented gentleman, E. A. Roe, Chinese mandarin, 1st; B. M. Seaborne, Uncle Sam, 2nd; gents comic, W. S. Stanley, Court Jester or Fool, and he looked quite natural. Boys, 1st Pete Henderson as Happy Hooligan.

The following is a partial list of those in costume:

George Quail— Sahara Slave Girl.
Willie Skilling: The Cook that never reached the Pole.
Miss Annie Skilling: Spanish Peasant Girl.
Mrs. Gray: Schol Girl.
Pete Henderson: Happy Hooligan.
Charles Carlson: Teamster.
B. M. Seaborne: Uncle Sam.
Mrs. J. Brown: School girl.
James Lynn: Japanese School boy.
Dorothy Henderson: Hockey girl.
Raymond Giddings: Sergt. British boy scouts.
Andrew Ingram; Country Kid.
Mrs. C. L. Whalen: Dutch Flower Girl.
Con Whalen: The Man in the Moon
Mrs. Blackstone: Frost.
Mrs. Keay: A Paper Pattern.
Miss Harriett Hamilton: Fisherwoman.
H. A. Liphardt: Gentleman of the 17th Century.
W. S. Stanley: Court Jester.
Billy Corsan: Partial Eclipse of the "Son."
Miss Gordon: Nurse.
Miss Hogan: College Graduate.
Miss Morrison: Japanese Lady.
Miss Rheta Todd: Japanese Maiden.
L. C. Mieler, The Tourist.
Bert Whimster: A Waiter.
Edward A. Roe: Mandarin.
Miss Conybeare: "Alberta Red."
Miss Pim: Spanish Peasant.
J. T. S. Alexander: Section foreman.
Miss A. M. Jones: Bakers Cocoa Girl.
Wilson Quail: Cow Puncher.
Miss S. Telfer: Snow.
Miss Laura Telfer: Clown.
Alice Quail: Hockey Girl.
Mr. Hartley: "Bob Clerke's Captive."
E. N. Edgecombe: Doing Time.

Among some of those who were not prize winners, and worthy of special mention were Miss Rheta Todd, as a Japanese Maiden, Miss Harriett Hamilton as a Fisherwoman and Miss Hogan as a college graduate.

The grand march was a badly mixed affair as many did not understand the simple turns of this march.

The ice was in excellent condition and the organ was busy all the time.

Another carnival will be given in the rink this month, and no doubt many more will participate in it.

Elijah Hopkins, formerly mine inspector for the province of Alberta, is to be the mine manager at the Leitch Collieries. This company is fortunate in securing the services of such an up-to-date mining man.--Blairmore Enterprise.

Fred Smith, the popular member of the firm of Smith, Davidson & Wright wholesale paper dealers of Vancouver, was here this week booking orders.

WORK-TRAIN WENT THROUGH BRIDGE

(Lethbridge Herald)

One of the most disastrous accidents that this locality has experienced occurred at the coulees a short distance west of Whoop-Up, on the old Crow's Nest line, between here and Macleod yesterday afternoon. News of the disaster reached the city about half-past two, and a relief train with the C. P. R. officials and a couple of doctors on board, was rushed to the scene of the accident, followed a short time later by another train with several more of th eclty doctors and nurses of the Galt hospital.

The scene of the accident is a short distance west of Whoop-Up, where a couple of old wooden bridges span two deep coulees separated by a narrow steep ridge. The drop from the top of the bridges to the bed of the coulee is about 90 feet.

Train on Two Bridges

The work train with a crew of Galician workmen aboard, was standing on the bridges, partly over one coulee and partly ove rthe other, the engine being near the middle of the train. The workemn were engaged in tearing down the timbers of the west bridge. Several of the joists on the west end of the bridge had been removed when suddenly, without the slightest warning, the entire structure collapsed and train and crew were pitched headlong down the steep embankment to the bottom of the coulee. The portion of the train on the west bridge fel lthrough at the same time, the bridge breaking off about the middle.

All of the workmen except one were on the west bridge at the time of the accident. The engine and three flat cars crashed through the broken timbers there and settled in a broken, tangled mass along the side and bottom of the coulee. The engine was turned completely over. On the other side of the ridge the tender of the engine and the caboose were pitched to one side of the bridge, the tender alighting on the caboose and two flat cars settling over the mass of broken timbers.

J. Robski Killed

One death and most probably two or more is the fatality list, while 12 men were very seriously injured and two others sustained slighter injuries. The dead man, J. Robski, was pinned between the ends of two flat cars in the bottom of the west coulee. Death must have been instantaneous. It was with extreme difficulty that the body was removed.

Seriously Injured

The man on the flat car on the bridge to the east sustained severe injuries on the face and chest, and is in a serious condition. He was not discovered until some time after the relief party arrived, when a hand was noticed waving feebly among the debris. He was moved with extreme difficulty from under the pile of broken cars.

Engineer Badly Hurt

The eingineer, Geo. Munro, was badly injured, one arm being terribly torn and severe cuts on the body and chest. He had not regained consciousness this morning. Most of the workingmen i nthe bottom of the coulee were hurt internally, while several suffered severe injuries on the face and body, with legs or arms broken. One man had his foot completely severad above the ankle.

Appalling Sight

The sight that met the first arrivals on the relief train was a most appalling one. A heap of broken, twisted timbers filled both coulees, while here and there prostrate bodies were scattered about the ground, where small fires had been built beside them and some efforts made to make their suffering less intense. The pain that a number of the men suffered must have been intense. The means of the injured before the doctors were able to give them relief weer pitiable.

Work of Relief

The work of removing the injured men to the train was one of the most extreme difficulty. A slight fall of snow and the steep sides of the coulees made the ascent a difficult one at best. The few men who arrived at the scene at first were supplemented in a short time by many others, and the injured were removed with all possible speed and brought to the city, the train arriving about 6 o'clock.

Two Are Unconscious

The latest report from the Galt hospital states that two of the men are still unconscious while several others are in a serious condition.

C. P. R. Officials on Scene

A. Price, general superintendent of the C. P. R., Calgary; W. E. Woodhouse, master mechanic, Calgary, and C. A. Harshaw, acting superintendent at Cranbrook, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon on the local, and A. T. Short, assistant master mechanic of Cranbrook, and N. E. Brooks, divisional engineer, arrived on a special train early in the evening, and went out to the scene of the wreck this morning.

Official Opinion

Gen. Supt. Price to the Herald this afternoon said that after having seen the wreck he could not say how it occurred. It is evidently purely accidental and was probably caused by the engine applying the air brake, causing a sudden jar of the weakened bridge, which forthwith collapsed. It could not have been forseen. Divisional Engineer Brooks was at Macleod when the accident occurred and came right over. Mr. Price came from Calgary last night.

Inquest Being Held

A coroner's inquest is being held this afternoon at the barracks before coroner Humphries.

The jurymen are: W. Oliver, chairman; G. M. Hatch, D. H. Elton, D. Smith, H. J. Skeith and Alvin H. Ripley.

Dead

J. Robski or (Veruski)
M. Traumbuk

Seriously Injured

A. Drizuk
J. Blenank
Mitto Harbuk
T. Laudre
S. Dokneski
J. Smith (foreman)
M. Berenski
J. Horne
W. Hodena
J. Shackup
J. Mills
Engineer Munro
B. Bogczuk
Brakeman W. R. Smith
Roadmaster C. Bjork

Later Reports

One more fatality, the result of Monday's wreck at Whoop-Pp, has been added to the list by the death of J. Clenabuk, or Traumbuk, last night. He had a leg and an arm broken and was injured about the head. He appeared to be surviving yesterday but collapsed last night.

The injured men in the hospital are all in a more or less serious condition. Engineer Munro, who was reported unconscious yesterday, has not been unconscious since the accident and he appears at the preesnt time to be doing nicely.

The list of dead and injured as far as could be ascertained was as follows:

NOTICE

Coal miners are requested to keep away from Hillcrest, as the mines there are already overcrowded.

GRAND MASQUERADE

The first grand masquerade ball to be given in Fernie will be held on St. Valentine's night, Monday, February 14, in Bruce's hall. This promises to be the most brilliant affair of the season of '09 and '10. No effort or expense is being spared by the hall management to make this ball a big success. Suitable prizes will be awarded for best dressed ladies, and best dressed gentlemen, and for best comic costume. Ladies and gentlemen competent to know will be chosen as the judges. The hall will be artistically decorated, representative of the day. Some new and novel ideas regarding the dances will be introduced for the first time in Fernie, ideas that have been the source of much pleasure where dancing has become an art. Dancers must mask in order to dance, and all masks must be raised at 12 o'clock. Dancers are requested to have cards with their names and descriptions of names of their costumes in order that a full list may be published. The music will consist of not less than three pieces, and will be the best the city can afford. Coffee and cake will be served at 12 o'clock. Lemonade punch served to the thirsty. Part of the proceeds, if any, will be donated to the Childres's Home in Vancouver. The ball will be under the personal direction of W. G. Bruce, hall manager, and nothing of an objectionable nature will be tolerated.

OUR SOCIALIST PAGE

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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

(By W. R. Shier)

The opposite of free love is enforced love, which of course is an absurdity.

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It is not the realization of Socialism that human nature will prevent, but the perpetuation of the capitalist system.

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There is no hope for the ignorant. Uninformed minds are content with all that brutalizes and all that degrades.

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The mission of the Socialist party is to build up a strong, well educated, closely knit working class movement that will eventually abolish wage slavery.

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The man who can build a house has more genuine education than a man who can say "hic, haec, hoc" in Latin.

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The issue is between having industry organized in the interests of the few and having it organized in the interests of the many.

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"Pour thy purse into thy head," said Shakespeare. When the workers take to doing that the doom of capitalism is sounded.

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The trusts are good in so far as they economize labor and curtail waste. They are bad only because they are owned by the few in the interests of the few. Private ownership must go soon.

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Wages must fall lowed and lower and lower. Why? Because the competition for the jobs among the workers is becoming keener and keener. The army of the unemployed is increasing in size.

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"Your college bred people have no monopoly on education. They only have a monopoly on insolence and gall. The ungrammatical fellows who can do things are more highly educated than the grammatical fellows who can merely say things."

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Prices are soaring higher, jobs becoming relatively fewer and wages are standing still. Those are pleasant prospects for the worker, are they not? At any rate it would seem so from the contentment that still pervades the working class mind.

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If it is worth while spending many years and hundreds of dollars learning a trade in order to become one of capitalism's skilled minions, surely it is worth while doing a little studying how to prevent yourself being deprived of the values which your labor creates.

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Low tariffs, high tariffs or no tariffs is no remedy for our social ills. In the highly protected United States, and in free trade England poverty is abounding, unemployment is common crime is rampant, strikes take place and lng hours of labor prevail in many places.

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If Andrew Carnegie should die today and be reborn tomorrow he could not duplicate his achievements in the steel industry. When he started in to make a fortune he had no gigantic steel trust to nip his efforts in the bud. There were no great corporations to compete against and no markets to be cornered.

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Socialist propaganda should be directed to the propertyless rather than to the propertied class. Though there is much in socialism that commands the support of the well to do, yet the realization of its program, the enacting and enforcing of working class measures, will mean riding rough shod over the interests of landlords, capitlists, money lenders and their kin.

Society is divided into three classes —beggars, thieves and chumps. The chumps create the wealth, the thieves appropriate it and the beggars get the crumbs that fall from lordly tables. The thieves ride upon the backs of the chumps, and the beggars cling to the legs of the thieves. And the funny part of it is the chumps say that if it were not for the thieves they would not be able to live.

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The high schools and universities are musty with scholasticism of the middle ages. They crowd the memory with a mass of detailed knowledge that might very well be forgotten. In none of them do they cultivate originality, nor the habit of research, nor the power of thought. Nor do they teach you to do things worth while. Nor do they even teach you how to live hygenically. They are a failure in every respect.

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The switchmen's strike in the United States is nothing much according to the plute reports. Nevertheless many of the cities are suffering from coal famine.

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If a workingman wants to see his income double let him hustle in the Socialist state. Under capitalism his income is apt to dwindle.

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Secretary of Agriculture Wilson declares that the farmers are not getting the benefit of the increased cost of living through high prices. Of course they are not. The working farmer is not in the plute class. He gets skinned along with the ordinary day wage plugs.

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In the French Chamber of Deputies the members are going to vote by the pressure of an electric button. The members however, show no sign of wanting to have their salaries lowered because they must do less work. They are going to get the same old pay.

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Socialists are materialists it is true. They consider warm clothing is more apt to keep out the cold than shoddy clothing. Socialists want warm clothing to be made for the bodies of the people, not to be made for profit.

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Capitalism produces corrupt millionaires, over worked laborer and broken backed hoboes. Socialism will produce a robust race of co-operative workers who can look all men in the face without fear, because of their economic freedom.

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"The increased cost of living" is the subject of a concurrent resolution offered in Congress by Representative Hull of Tennessee. It provides for a joint committee of seven members of the House and five members of the Senate to investigate conditions and report upon them, and as to what remedies may be effected through legislation. The resolution sets forth that during the past 12 months there has been an adavnce in the price of commodities of from 11 to 30 per cent, and during the past thirteen years of more than 56 per cent., which is entirely out of proportion to the increase in wages, making it difficult for millins of people to procure food, clothing and shelter consistent with their real needs."

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You give the printing press and the coal mines and railwyas to a lot of greedy fisted men who want to make money. You then elect men put up by those owners of the printing press and coal mines and railways to make you laws against you. You then go to the owners of the machinery of production and ask to be allowed to work at the machine and raw material you have given to the bosses. You get a job on condition that you will work for just enough to keep up your muscle so that you can work again and to bring up children enough who will work in the same way. Then you wonder how it is that your bosses have the palaces and the best seats in the theatres and automobiles and private cars while you live in rented shacks. Say, you working plugs of the Dominion of Canada, you are the easiest out. If the plutes had any spark of manhood in them they would be ashamed to rob you. It is like stealing money from babies.

EXPELLED

On January 11th J. T. Griffiths and John Moxon were charged before Lille local with discriminating against a fellow workman and reporting him to the company in such a way as to lose him his job. A committee of five were named as per constitution, and after hearing evidence pro and con came to the conclusion that these members were a detriment to our local, and should be expelled from our body. This passed in committee unanimously and the report was adopted by Lille Local on January 16th at regular meeting.

STRIKE STILL ON

GLACE BAY, N. S., Feb. 3—Tere is little change in the situation at the collieries in regard to the strike of the U. M. W. The work of evicting the men from company houses still goes on. In all cases the union has furnished them with houses in other parts of the town. Many of the moves had to be made in a downpour of rain.

TECHNICAL COURSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BRITISH COLUMBIA LEGISLATURE MIGHT GO AND DO LIKEWISE

Prior to the election of the present parliamentary representative of this constituency he was credited by our worthy cotem as being particularly interested in the organization of night schools for the benefit of those whose educational opportunities had been rare. The legislative assembly is now in session and Mr. W. R. Ross has been made party whip, which office must necessarily keep him well occupied, still it is to be hoped that his ante-election promises will not all be forgotten, but that at the earliest available date some action may be taken relative to obtaining governmental aid on behalf of the night school project.

For the edification and information of all interested parties, we would call their attention to what is being done in the mining communities of the province of Nova Scotia.

The Department of Technical Education under the direction of Prin. F. H. Sexton, has drawn up courses of practical science and drawing which will be taught in the public schools of mining communities in Nova Scotia. These courses will take the places of the subjects of nature study and of drawing in the seventh, eighth and ninth grades. It will not be compulsory upon all students to take this instruction, but the classes in each of the mining towns will be made up of boys who voluntarily elect this practical training. The subjects outlined below will be given by the regular mining instructors in the employ of the department of Technical Education and not by the regular public school teachers. Thus there will be a lightening of the burden of the already overworked teachers and no additional cost to the community where classes are held.

Those youths who wish to enter a profession or clerical position will follow the general course as it is given now. It is hoped that the interest of the boys who are going to enter industrial life will be aroused and that they will continue in school of their own free will, because they have a chance to learn something that will enhance their earning power. It is hoped the hearty co-operation of parents may be secured to keep their boys in school to learn practical things instead of trying to get them positions in the mine as soon as they are old enough to pass the 14 years of age limit imposed by law.

Drafting instruments and materials will be furnished to the students at cost. The Department of Technical Education will furnish drawing boards and permanent furnishings that are necessary to do the work. If students do not wish to purchase instruments they may rent them for a nominal sum.

During the present year the boys of the seventh and eighth grades who wish to take these classes will be united in one section and then will be given grade examinations of different degrees of difficulty upon the same work.

The course supplanting drawing will be mechanical drawing and the substitute course for nature study will be called mining science. This later course consists of the elementary physiography, geology, mineralogy, physics and chemistry, as especially applied to the coal mining industry. In the mechanical drawing the actual objects drawn will be those which are familiar to those employed about a colliery.

A tentative outline of the courses has been prepared and is given below.

Mechanical Drawing; Seventh Grade

Plate I. Use and care of the different instruments; measuring with the scale, drawing of lines, angles and circles; illustration of circular measure.

Plate II. (All drawings full size.) Simple plans of:

(1) Shaft key.

(2) Square anchor bolt washer with hole.

(3) 1 1-2 inch round stamped washer.

(4) Hexagonal blank nut.

(5) Dead end pipe flange with six holes.

Plate III. Lettering exercise on a squared paper; 75 degres plain block letters.

Plate IV. Introduction of principles of projection and of hidden or dotted lines; all work to be third angle projections; and all full size. Plan and elevation or section of the following:

(1), (2), (3), (4), same as in Plate IV.

Plate V—Introduction of ideas of drawing to scale and the convention for machine threads. All drawings quarter size.

(1) Three forms of rivets, double snap head, pan and conical, countersunk and snap head. 3-8 inch boiler plate, lap joint.

(1) 4 in. by 3-4 in. bolt and square, head and hexagonal nut.

(3) Screw flange pipe coupling for 1 1-2 in. pipe.

(4) Straight spanner for 3-4 inch nut.

Eighth Grade

Plate I. Review of the principles of Seventh Grade and drawing to various scales.

(1) 8 in. split wood pulley half size.

(2) Handle of Globe Valve nine in. in diameter one fourth size.

(3) Rope socket and three links of chain 1-8 size.

Plate II. Introduction of inking.

(1) Flange shaft coupling.

(2) Details and assembly.

Plate III. Geometrical problems.

(1) Erection of a perpendicular to a line.

(2) Bisection of an angle.

(3) Proportional Division.

(4) Laying off a right angle by 3, 4 and 5 method.

(5) Exact method of making an eclipse, trammel method.

(6) Approximate method of making an eclipse.

Plate IV. Principle of oblique line and plane projection.

(1) Pick point scarfed 30 degrees on end.

(2) Funnel 6 inches dia. drawing half size, section 45 degrees to horizontal plane.

Plate V. Principles of development of surfaces.

(1) Plate development of tin funnel, 6 in. dia. 6 in. deep.

(2) Plate development for 5 ft. stack 4 ft. 6 in. smoke box. Connection at different angles to show simply the shape of hold and shape of smoke connection.

Ninth Grade

Plate I. Pillow block. Details and assembly.

Plate II. Mine Car; Details and assembly; plotting of curves.

Plate III. Coal output for the last five years; plotted for each quarter year.

Plate IV. Exports and Imports for last ten years. Plotting of Surveys and Mine Plans.

Plate V. Plotting of hoisting slope from the surface.

Plate VI. Plot of an underground level with positive quantities on it.

Plate VII. Railroad profile with both the positive and the negative quantities.

Plate VIII. Plot of railroad grade in comparison with actual earth's surface.

Plate IX. Explanation of circular measure. Simple plotting with protractor. Plot of continuous closed survey with magnetic bearings.

Mining Science; 7th Grade

Physical Geography— Introductory Geography. Shape of earth, size, rotation, day and night, land and water, surface, earth's crust, soil and rock, interior, atmosphere.

Elementary treatment of how rocks are formed.

Different kinds of rocks. Interior rocks—Igneous. Exterior Rocks — Sedimentary.

Rocks—Classified as to Origin; Igneous—Granite, etc. Sedimentary Sandtsone, Slate, Limestone, Conglomerate.

Formation of Coal—Coal History in its simplest form.

Mineralogy—How to know pyrite, quartz, calcite, mica, hematite, chalcopyrite, galena, magnetite, spiegeleisen, ferro-manganese.

Matters.—Solid, liquid and gas.

Water for example. What is in the air?

Oxygen, Nitrogen and Carbonic Acid. Show the different gases.

Carbon and its properties, combustion and what is produced.

Experiments with gauzes and with flame.

Principles of thermometer and barometer. Principle of Siphon.

Expansion and contraction with heat of rods, etc.

Diffusion of gases.

Eighth Grade

Physical Geography:— Earth solar system. Sun shows a cooling body that will finally have a heated interior like the earth today; Change of seasons in relation to glacier, icebergs, etc. Atmosphere, frost, rain, streams,erosion, ice, sea, action.

Glaciers.—Their formation and action; Glacial debris; Composition of the earth's surface; weathering of soil formation of clays.

Rocks.—Igneous—Quartz, Granite, Synite. Sedimentary. Conglomerate, Sandstone, mill stone, grit, Shale, Slate, Fire clay.

Fossols. Formation and significance. The earth's history as told by geology.

Teriary.—Pleistocene, Pliocene, Moicene, Eocene.

Secondary. —Cretaceous, Jurassic Truassic.

Primary. Permian, Carboniferous, Deonian, Silurian, Cambrian.

Eozoic.—Archean.

Movements. Contraction and mountain building. Elevation and depression. Folding, faulting, volcanoes and earthquakes.

Formation of Coal.—Accumulation of vegetable matter and their stages of conversion to coal.

Chemistry and Physics.—Chemical combination. Water separation into its constituents.

Barometer; absolute temperature and pressure.

Weight of air for any temperature.

Laws of gas pjressure, connection of pressure and temperature.

Steam boiler and steam engine.

Ninth Grade

Geology. Erosion, Glaciation, earthquakes, folding and faulting. Formation of coal, fossil plants in coal.

Structure of the Eearth. —Anticlinical and Synical folds. Upthrow, downthrow, faults, normal, reversed, step faults, Washouts. Rules for following the coal when faults are met with

Coal Mining practice and mining terms:

Dip
Strike
Shaft
Slope
Tunnel
Adit
Level
Deep
Heading
Crosscut
Summit
Landing
Slant
Switch
Air-crossing
Back balance
Bank head
Barrier
Bord
Brattice
Boom
Bituminous
Guides
Chair
Creep
Cock
Chute
Cleat
Cog
Downcast
Rift
Gob
Kibble
Lagging
Parting
Pillar
Needle
Steamer
Ripping
Brushing

Story of a Mine

Prospecting, trenching and boring, shaft and slope sinking, timbering levels, headways and rooms, pumping, drawing pillars, falling in of the surface, ventilation.

Chemistry—Laws of combustion, oxides of Carbon and Nitrogen. Atomatic weights an dsymbols of common elements connected with the coal mining industry. Series of hydrocarbons. The flame test of safety lamp for gases, effect of C O present, etc. Chemical composition of lignite, peat, soft coal, hard coal, coke.

Explosives

Nature of explosives, classification.

Black Powder, constituents, and manufacture, storage and use.

Nitroglycerine and dope, dynamite. Permitted explosives.

The above work will be started in the Stellarton and Westville schools when they reopen after the Christmas vacation and continued for the first half yea ras an epxeriment to find out the best w yato carry on the work next year. Only the work outlined for the seventh grade will be taught this year, to the boys who decide to take it up, it is necessary for them to pass in this work before going to the more advanced studies which are outlined.

The total cost of instruments, paper etc., for the first two years will not exceed $2.25, providing proper care is taken of them.

Drafting is absolutely necessary in any branch of engineering, and any student taking a course in civil, mechanical, electrical or mining engineering in college or university has to spend on an average about four hours a week for the first two years of their course, or the equivalent.

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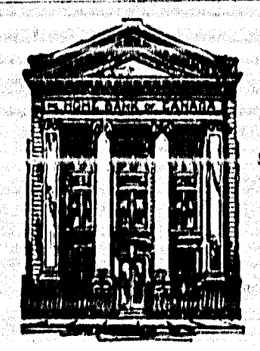
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Mrs. Wise: Well ,I'd likek to know what?

Miss Pert: The first thing is to get a man to keep house for.— Catholic News.

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U. M. W. A. TO TAKE IN W. F. MINERS

So Says Committee's Report--The Western Federation Men to Report Back and Amalgamation Will Doubtless Result

OPERATORS ARE ORGANIZING

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 24—A resolution introduced at this morning's session of the annual convention of the Miners is regarded as being of much importance. It takes up the matter of a demand for an increase in wages, and was introduced by the president of the organization, T. L. Lewis. It was read just before the noon adjournment and will be referred to the proper committee.

The resolution sets forth that "we demand an increase in wages in each and every mining district in the country; that all districts are authorized and instructed to negotiate wage agreements, but no district shall sign a contract until all wage contracts are negotiated and that all mines shall continue working after the first of April and continue working until the wage contracts are finally negotiated provided the present rates continue until final action is taken."

John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers, delivered an address of interest to the members of the organization, including the matter of accidents in the mines, the employment of unskilled men in the mine and the need of carrying on with renewed vigor the work of organizing the miners in those districts that are unorganized or poorly organized, and alto touched on a letter which had been written to President Lewis, inviting him to join the National Civic Federation, which invitation had been declined by President Lewis.

At the opening of the morning's session a committee was appointed by President Lewis, with the approval of the convention to escort to the hall. Mr. Mitchell, who is staying at the English hotel. Mr. Mitchell had been invited to come to the convention and delivered an address.

Telegram was read from Congressman William B. Wilson, former secretary of the organization, saying that he would arrive in Indianapolis after the mining bill is disposed of in congress. The telegram received by Edwin Perry from Senator Dick, in which he pledged his support of the mining bill, was also read.

Wrangle Over Delegate

Considerable time was spent in considering whether William Morgan of Local union 1964, of district 6 should be seated as a delegate. The credentials committee referred the matter to the convention.

The question was as to whether he was fully paid up in his local, and therefore entitled to be a delegate. W. Green and several other delegates in attendance questioned Mr. Morgan's standing.

Mitchell Receives Ovation

John Mitchell arrived at the hall during the discussion as to Morgan's standing, and was greeted with an immense burst of applause that showed the high standing he retains among the members of the United Mine Workers. By invitation Mr. Mitchell came to Indianapolis to address the miners and from this city will go to Boston to attend a meeting of New England men who will meet to discuss the matter of industrial accidents and suitable compensation for such accidents.

Mr. Mitchell was invited to take part in the Boston meeting as he had of recent months served on a commission that made investigation along somewhat similar lines in the state of New York, having been appointed to the commission by the Governor of New York. The commission was the result of action by the New York legislature.

A motion was made that debate on the Morgan matter be closed and was adopted. The motion was then made to seat Morgan and this motion was defeated and his seat declared lost.

After this matter was disposed of Mr. Mitchell was presented by President Lewis who said no introduction was necessary.

Mr. Mitchell Speaks

Mr. Mitchell was greeted with long shouts and hand clapping. He said he desired to express his appreciation for the greeting and the many kindly messages that had been sent to him by members and officals of the organization.

After taking up the matter of the contempt case against him, Samuel Gompers and Frank Morrison, Mr. Mitchell took up the question of industrial accidents. He explained his appointment to a New York commission to explain into the matter. The responsibility for a large number of accidents can be traced to no one, he said. The service on the commission had given him the opportunity to investigate the matter thoroughly.

He said that the miners might be interested in knowing that more men are killed in non-union mines than in union mines. As the union increases its strength the number of fatal and non-fatal accidents decline. Nearly four times as many men are killed in the non-union as the union mines, he said.

Many Men Imported

During teh last ten years the increase in the mining population has been largely through the importation of men from the farms of southern Europe. The European farm laborers coming to the United States becomes the mine worker.

The great fatality in the mining industry of the United States can be attributed largely to the fact that the United States is drawing too heavily on unskilled foreigners.

These men he said, take a place to mine coal the same as a man who has had years of training. He advised that mining be made a skilled trade. He pointed out that in order to enter a mechanical trade it was necessary to pass an apprenticeship, and he advised that something be done so that every Tom, Dick and Harry would not have the right to come in and take a job.

Discusses Letter to Lewis

He then took up the letter in the report of President Lewis that had been sent to the latter by the National Civic Federation, inviting President Lewis to join the federation, and the reply of President Lewis declining the invitation. Mr. Mitchell explained his own connection with the federation.

John Hays Hammond, he explained, in his desire to build up the federation had written to numerous persons requesting them to send in a list of the names of persons eligible to join the federation.

Senator Beveridge, he explained, had sent in the name of President Lewis, which, he added, was a very natural thing to do.

He said he did not doubt that the expression of President Lewis in refusing to join the federation, was an honest view, but that President Lewis was not in a position to know as to the efficiency of the federation. He pointed out that the failures or successes of any organization could not be judged by their failures alone.

The National Civic Federation is not to be judged any more by its failures than any other organization, he said, and he added that the federation had tried unsuccessfully to adjust the differences between the steel corporation and its employes, but its lack of success was due to futile effort and not to no effort.

He then called attention to some of the things that had been done for labor by the federation.

He said further that the miners must soon increase their energy in the attempt to organize the miners of W. Virginia and other unorganized mining fields.

The Cost of Living

He realized, he said, the difficulty of carrying the organization into new fields unless the necessary financial assistance was given, as well as the co-operation of the membership. He then took up the cost of living, and said that the unorganized men were much worse off than they, because of no increase in wages to meet the increased cost of living. In speaking of the beenfits which some unorganized men get through the organization, he said that such men should assist in supporting the organization.

He said that undoubtedly the miners were looking forward to a reward in the shape of an increase, and that in every effort on their part to benefit their homes and themselves the miners would have his most hearty support.

Mr. Mitchell in closing asked the delegates to carry back to their locals his best wishes and hopes for a steady advancement.

For Closer Affiliation

Plans looking to a closer affiliation or working agreement between the U. M. W. of A. and the W. F. M. were discussed at a meeting of the joint committee representing the two organizations, at the Grand hotel yesterday afternoon, and a subcommittee was appointed to draft a definite plan. This plan will be submitted to the general joint committee representing the two organizations, and after approval by the committee will be submitted to the convention of the United Mine Workers in session in Tomlinson hall. It is believed that the report will be made tomorrow.

The report is expected to outline a closer working agreement between the two organizations, including some method of mutual assistance in the work of organizing. The preesnt transfer system of working card will probably continue.

It is said that at the meeting of the joint committee it was the general sentiment that an amalgamation of the two organizations was desirable, but that the time was not yet ripe for it. It is the impression however, that in course of time amalgamation will be brought about. Various features were discussed at the meeting including the matter of a "fighting' agreement between the two organizations.

INDIANAPOLIS, January 25.—All of this morning's session of the annual convention of the United Mine Workers of America in Tomlinson hall, was occupied in a discussion as to whether the delegates of nine local unions of Central Pennsylvania should be seated.

When the hour of noon adjournment arrived the matter was not yet settled and was to be resumed this afternoon.

It was announced at adjournment, that because of inability to obtain Tomlinson hall this afternoon's session was to be held, in consequence, at the German House.

On one side of the argument as to whether the delegates from the nine locals should be seated, there were lined up those delegates who are opposed to President T. L. Lewis and on the other side are the Lewis supporters. The anti-Lewis men opposed the seating of the delegates.

The contention against the seating of the delegates was that the locals were not in good standing with their district organization on the ground that they had not paid certain assessments levied by the district, although the books of the international show that they are paid up in their tax to the international organization.

The discussion was begun yesterday afternoon, but the hour of adjournment had arrived before the matter was settled.

The credentials committee had reported in favor of the seating of the delegates.

Frank J. Hayes, who was one of those who spoke against the seating of the delegates from the nine locals, contended that the majority of the local in central Pennsylvania had paid the district assessment and that the nine locals also should have paid the assessment. On the other hand a number of the delegates contended it had been an improper assessment.

Several Resolutions Filed

A number of resolutions have been filed with the proper committees of the miners convention, but not presented to the convention. Among these are various ones demanding increases in wages, and various other matters are taken up in the others.

One of the resolutions sets forth that "pursuant to the fact that the prices of meats and flour are almost beyond the reach of the laboring people, and the large packers claim as the reason the shortage of stock, in the country, therefore, if foreign countries were allowed to compete with these packers it would tend to lower the price of these products and be to the benefit of all; therefore be it

"Resolved: That this convention through its legal representatives, appeal to the president and to the Congress of the United States to remove the import duties on these products until such time as the prices become such as will enable the laboring people to purchase these articles."

Another resolution provides that national, district and subdistrict officers of the organization be required to file an oath of office that they will not accept any position with the coal company ,such as pit boss,superintendent, mine manager or commissioner during the interim of office. The resolution further provides that any officer violating the terms of the resolution shall

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What Ails You?

Do you feel weak, tired, despondent, have frequent headaches, coated tongue, bitter or bad taste in morning, "heart-burn," belching of gas, acid risings in throat after eating, stomach gnaw or burn, foul breath, dizzy spells, poor or variable appetite, nausea at times and kindred symptoms?

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Sunday School Suggestive Questions

¶ *On the Lesson by the Rev. Dr. Linscott for the International Newspaper Bible Study Club.*

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Almsgiving and Prayer. Matthew 6: 1-15.

Golden Text. Take heed that ye do not your righteousness before men to be seen of them. Matt. 6:1.

Verses 1-4—What definition would you give of a hypocrite?

If a man is really trying to be a true Christian, but loves to have his good works acknowledged by the church and the world, and takes pains to have that done, how would you characterize him?

If a man gives more to religion and charity when the fact is published than he does when it is not known in what class would you place him?

If one gives with the motive of helping his fellows, and to glorify God, will the fact that his beneficence is published displease God? Why?

Verses 5, 6—Give reasons for your opinion as to whether there are those today, who act as if they were righteous, in the matter of going to church etc., but who are not actually true to God?

How would you describe a man who goes to church, or prayer meeting, in order that it may help his business or profession?

If a man prays longer in public than he does in private, is he necessarily a hypocrite?

Why does Jesus so strongly recommend private prayer, and what are its advantages?

In what class would you put those private prayers which consist only of reading, or reciting, set prayers and in repeating a form of words?

Verse 8—As God certainly knows what things we have need of before we ask him, what is the use of asking? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verse 9.—Did Jesus give the Lord's Prayer as a form to be used, or as a model for comprehensiveness and brevity, or for both, or for some other reason?

What was the chief thing in the life and personal testimony of Jesus, that also should and may be the chief thing in the life of every man?

Verse 10—What should we long and pray for more than all else?

What would turn earth and its sorrows, into Heaven with all its blessedness?

Verse 11.—Have Christians a right to expect that God will supply all the necessaries of life, and does he always do so?

Is God under obligation to supply us with daily bread?

Verse 12—On what grounds does God forgive us our sins?

Does Jesus mean here that God will forgive us exactly as we forgive others, or is there a difference?

Verse 13.—In what way does God lead us into temptation?

Verses 14, 15—If we forgive our fellows, is God under obligation to forgive us?

Lesson for Sunday, February 13th, 1910.

Worldliness and Trust. Matthew 6 19:34.

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Golden Text. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Matthew 6:33.

Verse 19—What would Jesus have every man to consider as his chief treasure? See Matthew 6:33.

What is the test as to what a man's treasure is, or that which he values most highly?

If Jesus here does not forbid a man to provide in the present for the future temporal needs of himself and family, what is it that he does forbid?

Verse 20—What is implied in laying up treasure in heaven and how is it done?

Verse 21—How would you demonstrate that where your treasure is, there will your heart be also?

Verses 22, 23—The "eye" is what the body sees with and distinguishes one thing from another, what is the faculty of the soul which answers to the eye of the body?

If the judgment is biased and the conscience perverted, how would that effect the views which a man may have of moral and spiritual questions?

Verse 24—What does the word "mammon" stand for here?

Why is it possible for a man to serve both God and mammon?

When a man's chief dependence is upon money, what God does he worship?

Verses 25-27—Why is our temporal welfare assured if we depend wholly upon God?

What are the natural effects of anxious care upon a man's ability to make proper provisions for the future, and upon his present peace of mind?

What is the only effectual cure for the common malady of anxious care?

What are the chief evils of anxiety?

Why is dependence upon God impossible, while we are filled with anxious care about our temporal needs?

Verses 28-31—In considering the lilies, their freedom from toil, their growth and their beauty, what lessons may we learn of personal and perfect trust in God for our raiment?

What is the tendency of perfect trust in God, upon the habits of self help and general industry?

If a person trusts wholly in God, as Jesus commanded and practised, why is he as sure to be as perfect in his sphere as a lily in its sphere?

Seeing that God is to all of us what the most loving father is to his children, what effect should that have upon our peace of mind concerning future temporal needs?

What is the root of all anxious care?

Verse 32—What is the fundamental difference between a saint and a sinner?

Verses 33, 34—What reason can you give, for the accuracy of the statement of Jesus, that if we make the kingdom of God and its righteousness our first care, that all our temporal wants will thereby be provided for?

(This question must be answered in writing by members of the club).

Lesson for Sunday, February 20th, 1910

The Golden Rule—Temperance Lesson. May 7: 1-12.

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NOTICE

A meeting of the committee who are working to raise a fund to purchase artificial limbs for Master A. G. Lawley, aged four years, who met with a serious accident on the M. F. & M. Ry. last September, and has since been unable to walk, was held at Coal Creek on the 9th inst. It was decided to hold a concert in Fernie, if possible, and to open a subscription list at once. The committee would be very grateful if you will accept subscriptions on their behalf, however small, as funds are urgently needed for this deserving case.

George Finlayson,
Secretary of Committee

NOTICE

In the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate Certificate of Title to Lots 6 and 8 Block 2 of Lot 5455 Group 1 Kootenay District Map 735.

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Lady Registry office, Nelson, B. C. January 8th, 1910. 5t15LPE

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EDITORIAL NOTES

It will be necessary to have more rooms added to the present school building, as ever since the opening of the school the rooms have all been overcrowded. The school board will have to go to the council and get them to put a by-law before the people for an amount necessary for that purpose. Let us get it done so that the work may be started as soon as the weather permits.

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J. R. Wallace, of the Free Press is the latest to break into the theatrical ring, and has grabbed 51 per cent of the stock of the Fernie opera house. He is staging a large production of Uncle Tom's Cabin, in which James Robertson and Miss Irvine, of the Press are to take the parts of Legree and Little Eva respectively, while Mr. Herbert Whimster has caught on as one of the bulldogs. John Gorle is slated to play the touching role of a cake of ice in the river scene. At present Mr. Wallace is out on the prairie after a supply of grasshoppers for a settling of "When Reuben Comes to Town."

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Is anything being done about the night school proposition for Fernie? We have not heard any news relative to this very important proposition as yet. It is a subject that all workingmen should take an interest in because they more particularly will reap the benefit. If a good strong committee were sent to Victoria the matter could doubtless be very expeditiously arranged. In speaking about the matter Dr. Bonnell, who takes a keen interest in it, said that if a good committee was formed he would be only too pleased to accompany them to Victoria and help the proposition along.

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Since our last edition we have been congratulated by many about our remarks re the post boxes, and free delivery. The matter is one that affects the populace in general, and should be taken up seriously. The Board of Trade ought to take the matter in hand and get in touch with Ottawa, so that something tangible would be done in this regard. The present system is utterly too inadequate for a thriving city of the size and importance of Fernie.

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The council have increased the discount on electric lights, and we now have a very reasonable rate. This is a matter on which the council deserve congratulations. If we could only get enough consumption of electric power to ensure a day system it would be a great thing for the city. The rate the council now places on power makes it one third what gasolene costs, and besides the saving you have the satisfactory service, which it is impossible to obtain from gasolene engines. We know that by experience.

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The necessity for a school in the Annex must be more than apparent to any who will stop to consider that 91 pupils are now attending from that portion of the city. The most of these children are very young and the fact that the central school is so far away, and that sometimes the children have to stand for 15 or 20 minutes in the cold or rain waiting for a long freight to pull out makes the parents nervous about letting their offspring attend at all.

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The ice making at the rink seems to have proved a failure this year. The cause is put down to the way in which the floor was laid, but we cannot refrain from thinking that if the skating rink got more attention and the curling part of the business less by the manager, the patrons would have a better sheet of ice. To even scrape the ice off once during the evening would greatly add to the comfort of the skaters. There are a great number of people who bought season tickets this year, and besides that many attend nightly, and if the rink was properly looked after many more would attend, but so far proper care and attention has not been given to the skaters.

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A. C. Brovey, the energetic organizer of District 18, has just organized a local at Beaver Creek, Alta. He initiated 31 members there, and reports that he got a good reception from the management. He says the new members are a fine lot of good intelligent men. We welcome the new members with our best wishes.

Whit. Brandon, one of the artists of the splendid Eckhardt Theatrical Company which goes to the Fernie Opera House for one week commencing Monday night, February 14, change of play each night.

Letter Box

The editor is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

Editor Ledger:

RE JOHN BULKO

Coleman, Jan. 25, 1910

Editor Ledger:

Sir: Well wisher asks space in the Ledger to say a few words in regard to John Bulko's reply.

Second: It is easy to observe that it is someone that loves to hide behind the scenes, and cares to cover himself in the shelter of John, and seeks to use him as an instrument to attain his own personal purposes and ends.

Who ever is this champion, he appears to act it badly, totally wrong in his surmising, blundering a little in his conclusions, and as a marksman, very wide from the object of his aim. It was never supposed that the bait which was thrown would bring such results, the very required result, that made it possible to fathom individual temperament and disposition in such a clear way as was exhibited in the principles that were seen in the contents of that article that appeared in last week's Miner.

All thoughtful and sensible readers will at a glance, see the density of the writer; conception of the ethics of morality. It is not enough to say that they are poor, but the striking feature of these ill-clad ideas are their complete absence of it.

Personally I do not know much of Socialism, but I don't think that it is a crime. I am glad to admit that I reckon it an honor to be regarded as one of the praying fraternity; little he thought of the profound weight and philosophy he conveyed in this phrase that he so indifferently uttered. While the writer mentioned these seemingly simple words—praying two-faced fraternity, he was unconscious of the mighty truth, and the great depth of thought that rang out with those three words.

The foolish, who has his spiritual vision shaded by the density of ignorance, and clouded and darkened by the smoky columns of jealously, prejudice, hate and revenge, can never appreciate the best that there is in anything, nor realize the value of the most beautiful and precious things; gems and pearls and the contents of the rubbish heap are just the same to him. It is possible that it never struck that simple writer that fraternity is never without two faces, the high and the low, the perfect and the partial, the one descending from above the other coming from below. If it was his intention to say unkind things about Wellwisher he never ought to have used this term, for it breaks the harmony and spoils the concord between it and other words that he used such as cur, traitor, lying, dirty, socialist, Barnardo shipment, etc.

The first mentioned term proves beyond doubt that this writer has no spiritual conception whatever. And there is another term voicing clearly the same thing about his moral standpoint, that is Barnardo's shipment.

Kind deeds and acts of mercy count for nothing in this fool's eyes; charitable works and services of love and benevolence do not appeal to him in the least degree. Oh no, this good, sagacious institution is a disgrace in my opinion. He looks with scorn on its humane endeavors and scoffs at the poor, fatherless, motherless friendless, children. Some of them have been abandoned by men of the writer's stamp perhaps, and found destitute by this worthy man, and rescued from the jaws of hunger and death, and sheltered by the kind hand of this institution, to be cherished and tenderly cared for. But the writer of the article sneers at the good man's name and tries to hold up his institution to be an object of ridicule and of disgrace, and scowls at its harmless inmates because they happen to be orphans. The writer, whoever he is and whatever his name may be, brands on the mind readily that his moral standard is not of the best, nor can his ideals be regarded as sublime and noble. I do advise Bulko to beware of men like these, and to keep away from bad company, and sever his connection with those who take upon themselves the task of being his advisers, not only politically and morally, but spiritually, for they shamefully blamed the priest because of the split and dissension which occurred, but this good man has proved himself to be above reproach. After getting Bulko to do for them things that they were ashamed to do for themselves, they turn around and ill-used his name in such low manner by connecting it with that meaningless rot.

It was an abuse to any good name and insulting to John Bulko. Honest John Bulko they say, yes, far too honest for them to tread upon him, and put his name to be subject of ridicule and fun for everybody up and down the Pass. Honest John Bulko, they say to his face, but in their hearts they call him a fool. I ask John to look carefully around him and see who are his real enemies, and who are his friends. Those who press friendship on him only seek to break and to destroy, which is a task that is at times easier than to mend and recover. It is easy to scatter but hard to mend and gather together. And further the finest establishments and the best institutions can never be proof against the poisonous fangs of bigotry, let alone the U. M. W of A.

Well Wisher

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(m.) To promote any company or companies for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for any other purpose which may seem, directly or indirectly, calculated to benefit this Company;

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(s) To draw, make, accept, indorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments;

(t.) To sell, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose of the undertaking of the Company, or any part thereof, for such consideration as the Company shall think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company;

(u) To obtain any provisional or other order, or Act or ordinance, for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect, or for effecting any modification of the Company's constitution, or for any other purpose which may seem expedient, and to oppose any proceedings or applications which may seem, directly or indirectly, calculated to prejudice the Company's interests;

(v.) To procure the Company to be registered or recognized elsewhere in Canada or abroad;

(w) To do all or any of the above things either in the Dominion of Canada, or elsewhere, as principals, agents, contractors, trustees, or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others;

(x) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the above objects;

(y) To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company;

(z) To distribute any of the property of the Company in kind among the members;

(aa) If thought fit, to obtain any Act, ordinance or order, dissolving the Company and re-incorporating its members as a new company for any of the objects mentioned in this memorandum, or for effecting any other modification in the Company's constitution;

(bb) And it is hereby declared that the intention is that the objects specified in each paragraph of this clause shall, except where otherwise expressed in such paragraphs, be in no wise restricted by reference to, or inference from, the terms of any other paragraph or the name of the company.

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The Official Organ of District No. 18, U. M. W. of A.

Fernie, B. C., February 5th, 1910

News From the Camps

From our own Correspondents

COAL CREEK

James M. Stewart, firebass in No. 5 mine, has been appointed by the government as secretary of the Board of Examiners at Coal Creek in place of T. H. Knox, Esq., who has gone to Michel.

It will be news to some Creekites to know that the old timer (Teddy.) pulled out for Corbin on Wednesday morning. He said that he had a good job in sight.

Jim Macdonald arrived here from Michel on Tuesday. Come to stay this time, Jimmie?

Don't forget the Lawly Benefit on the 23rd. Tickets are on sale now or seats may be booked at Bleasdell's drug store. A real good time is assured.

So your old friend Mac has gone. Quite true. A. H. McDonald left on Wednesday morning for Spokane and expects to proceed to Denver to take a position under W. Mitchell, formerly of Coal Creek.

Born: At Coal Creek on the 29th of January to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jones a son. Mother and child are both doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ford left here on Friday last for Calgary. They have made quite a circle of friends during the few months thy have been among us, and are sure to be missed. Harry has got his old position with the firm he left when he came to the T. W. Company.

Miss Jennie Armstrong was up here last Saturday visiting her uncle, Joe Mitchell. Jennie has been down at Frank the last few weeks.

The special train drew quite a number of Creekites to the show last Saturday night, and speaking from what I heard many said the show was real good. If the manager of the theatre could get a special train every Saturday night there was a show I am sure it would be well patronized by the inhabitants of the Creek.

Quite a number of day men are engaged in No. 9 mine at present cleaning up and laying track into the second incline. The management expect to have it ready for hauling coal out within six weeks, which should increase the output considerably.

Adam Watson was visiting his old friends up heer on Tuesday. Adam is certainly looking very thin these days.

Mr. and Mrs. Vant and family left here on Monday for the coast where Mr. Vant has got a better position in a large fir mthere. Mr. Marlett has succeeded him as dry goods man at the T. W. Co.

There was a nice crowd at the practice dance on Wednesday night. Pro. Evans presided at the piano and J. Foster at the violin. Mr. R. Hubbertsy was the floor master.

Joe Worthington moved to the cottage lately occupied by Ed. Bridge on Wednesday, Ed. Bridge having moved his family down to Frank on Monday.

F. Tippins Esq., of Michel was a visitor at the Creek on Wednesday afternoon.

Ed. Caglin head stable boss up here, went down to Michel this week to doctor some of the Coal Company horses that are on the sick list down there.

Mrs. T. Wakolem arrived up here on Tuesday from Coleman. They have taken over one of the small houses at Welsh camp.

An Italian named C. Caravetto met with a pretty bad accident at the foot of the incline of No. 1 south on Tuesday afternoon. This is a self acting incline, the loads coming down pull the empty cars up. Caravetto's work was to take the rope off the loads and fasten it to the empties and bell them away. When he belled the empty trip away the rope got caught in the switch and he went and loosened it, and the cars went away instantly, and before he had time to get out of the way the cars knocked him down and passed partly over him. When picked up he was very bad and on being taken to the doctors it was found that he had two ribs broken, his leg badly bruised, and a nasty scalp wound. After being dressed by Dr. Workman he was taken down to the hospital on the six o'clock train. On inquiry it was found that he was progressing as well as could be expected.

Edisto Bergland, Esq., a real estate agent from Rossland was a visitor up here this week, also seeing if any of the boys had any spare cash lying around that they would like to invest in a good real estate business.

What was the crowd doing around the club on Monday afternoon. The license had come? Oh no such luck. They were just busy unpacking the new bar and fixtures, which arrived from the Brunswick Collendor Company, Toronto, about two weeks ago. The committee decided to fix it up now that they had got it here and then they can sell soft drinks, and cigars, etc. It is certainly a fine piece of furniture, being 18 feet long and a fine plate glass mirror the whole length of the back. The top counters are solid mahogany. It has two refrigerators and two bottle racks at the back and has a double copper work board, with two drainers, complete. The front of the bar and the frame around the mirror is all walnut stained and certainly looks good. A brass foot rail runs the whole length of the bar and when it is all fixed complete it will be well worth looking at. J. Buckley, the foreman carpenter up heer has got the job of fixing it up(and hopes to hae it ready at the end of the week.

Miss Philis Patterson was a visitor up here last week end.

The Coal Creek dancing class intend holding a grand masquerade ball on the 17th of St. Patrick. So get your costumes ready and be there in first class Irish style.

Tommy Thomas pulled out of the Creek on Monday night to try the city life.

Evan Evans, the new inspector was up here the week end going around the mines.

John Shanks, Esq., has now taken charge of the mines and plant up here and will be moving into the superintendent's new hourse shortly. He is at present staying at the Batch.

Notices are out asking for names of those willing to joint an amublance class. Now this is a good chance for the men around here and they should avail themselves of the opportunity as a class of this sort is needed very badly around here, as first aid rendered as son as possible will very often save a great deal of pain.

On Sunday evening in the Methodist church Rev. Scott will take as his subject "The Dungeon of Doubt." Mr. J. W. Quinney, Fernie's popular soloist, will sing.

First class board and rooms at Fairclough's boarding house, Coal Creek, opposite football grounds.

COLEMAN

On Wednesday, the 2nd inst. the remains of the late Felix Vanduren were laid to rest. The widow was too ill to attend the funeral, but the two eldest children were there, it being one of the larnest funerals held in Coleman for some time. The Rev. Mr. Murray officiated, and the service was held at the opera house, the church being too small. Mr. Edward Holmes read the rituals of the U. M. W. of A. at the grave. Most of the men walked in order back to the opera house, when a meeting was held. Expressions of great sympathy were manifested by the brethren towards the widow of our late brother, Vanduren, also concerning the widow of brother Jos. Emerson. Eventually it was decided to substantially support the both families by an assessment of one dollar per member for two months with the addition of a committee of three to solicit donations from the local business men and tradespeople, the total to be equally divided between the two families.

The committee are Mr. R. Holmes, Messrs. Davis, Glendenning and T. Steele.

Wednesday evening a hockey match was played by the office hands and the guests of the Coleman hotel. Coleman won.

On Sunday, the 6th inst., the Rev. Mr. Murray will preach on the resurrection. Come early in order to obtain seating accommodation.

At a class held on Wednesday night elementary education is taught by D. Hyslop to Finlanders.

On Thursday night at the club room a similar class is being taught by one of the school teachers, Miss Baxter.

At a manager's meeting held at the Presbyterian church on Wednesday night Mr. Wm. Clegg was unanimously appointed as the treasurer of the church.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trade Mr. Cameron raised an important question viz., the general hospital for the town and district. I do not intend speaking disparagingly concerning the excellent work that has been dong and is being done whenever the occasion arises. Unfortunately accidents occur too frequently, and there is great credit due to the workers of Coleman who initiated such a splendid institution, and made many sacrifices in order to equip and complete the same, but we should remember that as the town develops and the population increases, as has been the case with Coleman since the present hospital has been erected, therefore the demand is extension and naturally urgent, and we must not forget the importance of a general hospital. It is one of the most potent factors in the interests of humanity, and too much cannot be said with regard to efficiency and economy. Every unfortunate person that meets with an accident or is laid low with some morbid disease, be he Slav or any other nationality, deserves the most up to date conveniences and appliances. It is to be hoped that the miners will not stand in the way of making the present hospital into a general one. I take this opportunity of suggesting that all the workers should co-operate with the council and others who desire to see the town more fully equipped for any emergency. Judging by the way the council have worked of late they do not intend letting the grass grow under their feet; therefore it is imperative that this good movement should be well supported by all concerned and that right early. I am persuaded that the public are waiting for a general move in this direction.

Monday night at the rink a hockey match was played between Fernie and the local team. An exciting game was witnessed in which the locals won by 11 to 2.

On Friday night at the opera house a pleasant time was spent by all those who like to participate in the light fantistic. Dancing was kept up until a late hour.

Monday night at the opera house Mr Clark's moving picture show was on view accompanied by Albert Allen, the Scotch comedian.

Sorry to report the death of Felix Valduren, a Belgian who was killed on Monday morning in No. 4 mines. A heavy piece of rock fell on him and death must have been instantaneous. Much sympathy is felt for the widow. According to report she is now lying very ill. He leaves a widow and five small children. I trust the men will show their sympathy in a practical way as there is no more deserving case I know of in the Pass.

On Sunday night the Rev. Murray preached an eloquent sermon to a good congregation. He took for his text the 23rd Chapter of Proverbs and the 23rd verse "Buy the truth and sell it not."

Owing to the president of the temperance league leaving town there will be no meeting this week. The committe is advised to appoint a new president and to arrange for a meeting at an early date.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Bowman is about to start work again. He has been idle for several months. Unfortunately he lost his foot with the electric car.

On behalf of our Belgian friends I wish to state that the accusation which is brought against them is absolutely not true. It appears that when the rock fell upon Felix Valduren there were four Slavs who stood by and absolutely refused to give help. Mr. Robert Easton had to seek help from other men. We do not blame the four Slavs as they did not likely understand what was required of them, and it is quite feasible they felt a little bit scared. We consider the Belgians some of the most heroic of all men, and they would not shrink from danger if their presence was required.

This is an opportune time to call the attention of our council and ratepayers to the importance of our cemetery not having been closed in and made separate from the wilds of the surrounding hills. Several of our towns people who have relatives lying beneath the green sod have gone to the trouble of fencing off the graves, but it seems to be unspeakably cold when we leave the graves of our friends bare and subjected to be tramped upon by domestic and other animals. The cost of the fencing, and of making the whole thing more sacred is not a great deal. If teh above suggestion were carried out it would add greatly to the respect which is due to the place where we lay our dead. The road leading to the cemetery should be seen to at an early date, and it should be made more passable and further the present condition of the track is most objectionable.

On Tuesday evening after a splendid song having been given by Mr. Webb and readings of an interesting character by the Rev. Murray and Mr. Williams, several speecher by well known gentleman, it was unanimously decided to form a literary, debating club for the remaining part of the season. The hon. presidents are Mr. Flummerfelt, who has helped to make the reading room a success, and Mr. Cameron, with Mr. Williams president and Mr. Donald McMillan as secretary treasurer.

There was a break down at the McGillivray mine on the 29th, in connection with the electric motor which caused considerable damage to the plant. The driver escaped with very slight injuries.

On Tuesday evening the first of a series of literary society meetings will be held in the club room. There is 68 or more invitations out and a jolly good time is in store. The motto of the promoters is to raise funds for the establishment of a circulating library. It should be well supported seeing it is for the general good of the town, and in this way should be a means to the end of saving men from many degrading influences and making them good citizens.

It is very gratifying to note the action taken by a section of the board of trade in trying to secure for the town a customs branch, due to the efforts of Messrs. Manly and Brandon. A petition has been signed and forwarded to the headquarters.

I desire to call the attention of all to the round trip which is being organized by the Sons of England Benefit Society of Canada. I may say that the above named society is considered to have more ex-hearts of oak members than any society in Canada. They purpose arranging a monster trip to England next June. A favorable rate has been secured for the round trip, and it is estimated that not less than 10,000 will avail themselves of the chance to visit the old country.

Mr. Jos. Morrison, wife and family, left on the 29th of last month for Edmonton in order to take up business. We deplore their departure in as much as Mr. Morrison took a very active part in all good movements especially will he be missed at the Presbyterian church, where he acted as secretary-treasurer for the church and Sunday school.

Our enterprising townsman, Mr. Hill is giving to the people a special privilege by way of a guessing scheme. Each person that will purchase to the extent of two and a half dollars will be eligible to guess for the prize which is on exhibition in the window. It comprises a handsome range valued at $55.

News to ex-Hearts of Oak members and present members residing in Coleman and other mining camps:—The extraordinary amount of work done in the year 1909; Number of communications received reached the enormous total of 1,759,058, an increase of 56,039 over the figures for 1909. The greatest number received in one day was 16,289 and the smallest 1,752. The average number of letters opened in one day was 5729.

DON'T GO TO NOVA SCOTIA

Agents of the Dominion Coal Co. of Cape Breton N. S., are at work trying to induce miners of Wilkesbarre and other anthracite mine towns to go there and scab. District and local officers should exert themselves to prevent them from securing any men for such purpose.

A strike has been on in Nova Scotia and at these mines since July 6 with every prospect of winning.

Don't go there and try to defeat your brothers who are fighting for the right to organize and better conditions of employment.

Stay away. Due notice will be given in these columns when the strike is won. Labor papers, please copy.

WALDO

The entertainment held on last Saturday evening at the Waldo hall for the benefit of the hall was quite a success and was much enjoyed by all. Mr. Flemsburg won the prize for archery. Mrs. McDonald for pinning the tail in correct position on the donkey, and A. L. Fenwick for largest score in hitting the coon, and correct guess of the number of beans in the bottle. A nice little sum was placed in the treasury. Mr. Roby and Mr. Wilcox as directors of the various games did much to account for the success of the evening.

Mr. Hugh Gilmour visited Waldo last week.

Waldo just now looks like one large skating pond. Ice is everywhere.

FRANK NEWS

Miss Mary Gates of Coleman spent last week end down here visiting with friends.

Mrs. T. Owens of Michel passed through here on her return from a week on the ranch.

The service of song given in the Methodist church last Sunday evening was a great success. A very fair congregation was present.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Williams of Passburg drove in here on Tuesday last and boarded the local bound for Corbin mines to commence his new duties as superintendent of the mines there.

Mrs. Hilton went down as far as Burmis on Thursday visiting with friends.

Frank hockey team journeyed down to McLeod on Thursday afternoon to play hockey with the McLeod team. Quite a crowd went down from here to see the game. Frank team went on with the notion that they had a snap but they were badly surprised when the McLeod team put it on them by 14 to 4.

Frank Team

Goal: R. McGowan.
Point: R. McMillan.
Cover: A. Hughes.
Rover: A. McGowan.
Centre: J. McLeod.
Left wing: J. Miller.
Right wing: P. McLellan.
Referee: Bert Slemmons of Blairmore.

Frank ought to blow after the game instead of before.

If Bob was as good at hockey as he is at coal inspecting he would be all right.

MICHEL

Mr. Sam Ingham of Coleman was in town with an up to date photo enlarging outfit.

Adam Watson has resigned his position as fireboss in Nos. 3 and four mines here.

Messrs. Black and Bradley are doing great business now in the bakery trade here. They have splendid buildings now and a new oven which has cost $500, and now they have started a grocery business.

Edward Stacey has recovered from his recent accident and started to work again.

The union hall committee were down in new town on Wednesday last selecting lots for the new hall, for which tenders have been called. The lots next to the bank were looked upon very favorably.

The offering of the Eckhardt Company for the first night of their six nights engagement at the opera house in this city commencing Monday night February 14th, will be the refreshing comedy drama Paid in Full. Change of plays each night.

NOTICE

In the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate Certificate of Title to Part (55 feet x 132 feet) of Lot 6 Block 4 of Lot 5455 Group 1 Kootenay District. (Map 735)

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned lot in the name of Jessie Giddings, which certificate is dated the 10th of July 1905, and numbered 4660D.

T. M. BOWMAN
Deputy District Registrar

Land Registry Office,
Nelson, B. C.
January 31, 1910 5t 52 LPE

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U.M.W.A. TO TAKE IN W.F. MINERS

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not be permitted to hold office in the organization again.

Another resolution expressed the belief that the "Pennsylvania constabulary" is un-American and savors of despotism and tyranny, and asked that the convention urge the next session of the Pennsylvania legislature to repeal the law creating the constabulary.

One resolution criticizes William Randolph Hearst because of the troubles of the Western Federation of Miners at Lead, S. D.

Another resolution provided that international organizers shall not be assigned to organized districts unless at the request of the district executive board.

A motion that the convention of the United Mine Workers of America go on record as indorsing the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers in its struggle against the steel corporation, was unanimously adopted at yesterday's session of the United Mine Workers. The action was taken following a talk by the president of the Amalgamated society, P. J. McHardie, in which he told of the struggle against the steel corporation and of its importance to organized labor.

The first matter taken up at the afternoon session was an appeal by Mrs. Edna Irwin, who asked that opportunity be given her to take up a collection to be used in providing homes for working girls who were out of employment and that some singers with her be permitted to sing several songs for the miners.

Following her talk a motion was made that she be allowed to take up a collection, but that there be no singing. There was a storm of protest as the miners evidently wished to hear the music. It was finally decided that there should be both the collection and singing.

The next matter taken up was an address by P. J. BcArdle, president of the Amalgamted Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers.

In introducing him President Lewis said Mr. McArdle represented an organization that was engaged in a hard struggle with a corporation that was reaching out after the coal interests, and that the miners themselves might become engaged in a struggle with the same corporation.

Steel Corporation Struggle

Mr. McArdle spoke of the struggle that is being carried on with the steel corporation. He said that this was the final step in the effort of the U. S. Steel Corporation to wipe unionism out of its plants. Three hundred and thirty thousand acres of coal lands are owned by the steel corporation, according to the latest reports. He said the steel corporation dictates not only its own policy but attempts to, and is often successful in dictating the policy of other men in the same line of industry, and overlooks no means or methods that will tend to make its efforts successful.

He pointed this out as a reason why organized labor in general should be interested. He said that the corporation was unable to handle some of the courts, and that in Indiana, after a fight of six months, the corporation has been unable to get an injunction in the federal court.

From the mines of Minnesota and Michigan to the mines of Alabama ,he said, it is the policy of the steel corporation to control all. He said he wished to express appreciation of the support of the United Mine Workers. He said that at present there is a fight on to see whether unionism is to be stamped out of the greatest industry in the country. In closing he asked for the continued support of the mine workers.

Savage Motion Carried

Following the address by Mr. McArdle, G. W. Savage ,delegate from Columbus, O., spoke of the similarity of interest of the iron, steel and tin workers and the United Mine Workers as opposed to the steel corporation.

He made a motion that the convention go on record as indorsing the Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers in their struggle against the steel corporation. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Another motion was then made, embodying a contribution of $5,000 to the iron, steel and tin workers. It was decided that this matter be referred to the committee that had previously been appointed to take up the appeal of the garment workers of St. Louis. In response to a question from a delegate Mr. McArdle said that so far as he knew none of the iron, steel and tin workers were members of the National Civic Federation.

A representative of the Boot and Shoe Workers International union addressed the convention, urging that the deelgates and their wives buy only those shoes that bear the union label. He pointed out that much of the shopping was done by the women.

The credentials committee reported on several minor matters that it had under consideration.

Following the report of the credentials committee there was considerable discussion in relation to whether the delegates from several local unions in central Pennsylvania should be allowed seats as delegates. It was contended against their being seated that their locals were not in good standing with their districts although the books of the international showed they had paid their tax to the international.

The discussion was still in progress when the convention adjourned for the day.

January 26

The adoption of the report of the joint committee representing the U. M. W. of A. and the W. F. M. that had in accordance with previous action by the convention, drawn up an agreement for a closer connection between these two organizations, was one of the important matters at this morning's session of the United Mine Workers of America. The report adopted advised the co-operation of the organizers of the two unions in organizing the nonunion coal miners and metall miners in every section of the American continent. The recommendations of the joint committee must next be referred to the Western Federation of Miners.

Another important matter that came up for discussion under suspension of the regular order of business was the matter of the interstate joint conference between the miners and operators of Indiana, Ohio and western Pennsylvania that has been arranged for February 1.

In the discussion, which was of a general and rather informal nature, it seemed to be the general opinion that the districts should stand together in the matter of signing agreements; that one district should not sign a contract until all wage contracts were negotiated, but the discussions were nto sufficient to form a definite opinion along this line.

Delegates Not Seated

The result of the roll call taken yesterday afternoon was announced this afternoon and showed that the motion to concur in the report of the credentials committee, recommending the seating of the delegates from nine locals of central Pennsylvania had been defeated.

The vote was 1327 against seating the delegates, and 1,099 in favor of seating them. This was a defeat for President Lewis and his friends.

President Gilday of District 2 of central Pennsylvania, in which are the nine locals, asked one of the delegates if the locals would abide by the laws of the district, and was informed that they would.

He then moved that the delegates from the nine locals be seated and have a voice in the proceedings of the convention, but no vote.

President Lewis said that the motion was out of order until the delegates made satisfactory arrangements outside of the convention with the executive officers of the district and report back to the convention such satisfactory arrangements.

Letters from Operators

President Lewis read communications he had received from operators of Ohio and Indiana, showing that the operators were unwilling to change the place for the interstate conference from Toledo, to Indianapolis. A letter had been received from P. H. Penna, secretary of the Indiana Bituminous coal operators showing that they were unwilling to change from Toledo.

Following the reading of several letters from the operators, it was decided that theer should be a suspension from the regular order of business to discuss the matter of meeting with the operators.

He said that all the districts must stand together instead of one fighting while another is working. He said that if the miners laid down their tools on April 1, pending negotiations, they would be playing into the hands of certain operators and divert into states that are unorganized or are poorly organized the trade that rightfully belongs to the organized states.

He urged that the local unions continue working after April 1 until wage contracts are finally negotiated, provided the present rates continue until final action is taken. He also advocated that no district should sign up a contract until all wage contracts are negotiated.

Should Appeal to Railroad Men

In speaking on the matter, Duncan McDonald said that a committee ought to be appointed to go to every railroad organization and make some arrangement so that if there was a strike of the miners the railroads would not haul scab coal. He said that he believed in an industrial organization. He advocated a closer affiliation between the Western Federation of Miners and the United Mine Workers of America.

One of the delegates expressed the opinion that if it is decided that all districts stand or fall together then all of the districts should be represented at the interstate joint conference.

Francis Feehan said that the miners of western Pennsylvania wanted a substantial increase in wages, as an increase of 10 per cent would mean only a restoration of the wages scale formerly in force.

In regard to continuing work after April 1, he said he would speak on that later, when the report of the scale committee came up. He said he believed that April 1 would be an exceptionally opportune time to strike if the miners did not get what they asked of the operators.

He called attention to numerous unorganized miners in coal fields near western Pennsylvania and advised that a large corps of organizers be at once sent into those unorganized fields. After considerable discussion it was decided to discontinue further discussion at that time and resume the regular order of business.

Committee Makes Report

The committee that had been appointed to confer with a committee of the Western Federation of Miners to draw up a plan for a closer affiliation between the two bodies reported and the report was adopted.

The report recommended that at some time in the near future there should be a complete solidification of the two organizations. It was recommended in the report that there be a continuance of the present exchange of cards. It further favored the cooperation of the organizers of the two unions in organizing the nonunion coal miners and metal miners in every section of America.

It recommeded to the Western Federation of Miners that they make application for membership with the American Federation of Labor, on condition that the present jurisdiction of the Western Federation of Miners and United Mine Workers be recognized by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor.

The report declared in favor of forming a mining department under the American Federation of Labor to control the mining industry of the American continent, along similar lines to those departments which are now organized under the jurisdiction of the American Federation of Labor.

It was provided further that in the event that the outline was ratified by the representatives of the United Mine Workers and the Western Federation of Miners, all details to bring about a better working alliance were to be referred to the international executive boards of the Western Federation of Miners and the United Mine Workers. On a motion it was decided that two delegates should be elected to represent the U. M. W. at the next convention of the Western Federation of Miners.

Mother Jones Speaks

After music by the Llanelly Royal Welsh choir which was applauded with a warmth that showed thorough appreciation, Pres. Lewis introduced Mother Jones who misses no convention of the miners. Mother Jones arraigned capital and set forth the claims of labor to better treatment. She referred to the anthracite strike and the Colorado strike.

She spoke of the financeering ability of the woman that attends to the purchasing for a large family and said such a woman does not get credit for what she deserves. She criticized the National Civic Federation and said she would rather die in jail than to die eating a meal with the civic federation.

She said she was going to Milwaukee to organize the girls in the breweries and then she was going to St. Louis and then she was going to the anthracite field to start another war "if you don't move up."

She said she was in favor of the destruction of the jails and turning them to schoolhouses and making the jailers do an honest day's work.

She congratulated the delegates on the action they had taken in regard to the Western Federation of Miners, and said that the time had come when the two great forces should be united and work together.'

Before her talk she had greeted a number of her old friends, even kissing one or two toward whom she had an especially warm feeling of regard.

To Reopen the Cherry Mine

A despatch from La Salle, Ill., read: After an inspection by state mine inspectors yesterday it was announced that the St. Paul mine at Cherry in all probability would be opened Monday to allow the recovery of the 210 bodies remaining in the underground levels as a result of the disastrous fire of last fall.

The inspectors and mine managers tested the temperature, the air pressure and the gax mixtures at the mine and while they found the pressure a trifle high they said the interior would be workable by next week.

Richard Newsam, president of the state mining board will direct the opening of the mine which has been sealed for several weeks.

Operators Getting Ready

CHICAGO, January 27—Preliminary steps for the formation of a nation-wide organization of coal mine operators were taken last night at an executive meeting of delegates from various states at the Congress hotel.

The amalgamation of the operators is the first move in the wage contest which operators and miners alike see coming when the present wage agreement expires on April 1.

Coincident with the convention of delegate operators it was learned that Chicago railroads, which watch closely the coal situation are trying to buy up thousands of tons of coal to be delivered between now and April 1, to be in readiness for the suspension of the mines or the strike that may come at the expiration of 60 days.

Scroggs Explains Purpose

C. L. Scroggs, commissioner of the Illinois Coal Operators Association, stated frankly that the chief purpose of the proposed national organization of operators was to take up and assist in the settling of the question of miners wages.

From other sources it was reported that there might be an attempt to make a general price raise in coal, but the operators denied that they were now going to consider anything except the serious wage question.

Committees were appointed to work out the details of the organization and an attempt will be made by the operators to get the miners to agree to a form of wage contract, which will be satisfactory to the mine owners of all the coal states.

And the price of coal, in which the public is especially interested will probably not recede from the present high prices raised artificially by the recent storms and poor railroad shipment facilities.

"The best the public can get out of it is an advance in prices after the first of April over those prices of last year and the prevalence of present rates for the next sixty days, was the way in which one of the dealers expressed it.

Fear Suspension of Work

A half-dozen big operators of Chicago after the conference talked of the situation, and, while they refused to allow their names to be used in an interview, agreed that the coal situation was serious and that they expected to see a suspension of the mines, if not a strike, before a new wage scale was signed by the miners.

"If the miners insist on a raise of prices of from 10 to 20 per cent. there will be trouble, one said. That is what they say they will demand. As far as the price of coal is concerned it is bound to be higher, for the owners are doing business now on the smallest possible margin and it is certain that the miners will have to be given some advance in wages.

The Best Indication

The action of the railroads in trying to buy coal for storage purposes is the best indication of the gravity of the situation. No industrial companies watch the labor situation like the railways, and today they have tried to place orders for thousands of tons with the big jobbers to be delivered before April 11.

"Any relief from present prices before April for the consumer? I do not think so. The railroads, even with the present favorable weather, are not getting good action on the movement of coal on their Chicago terminals, and the increased demand for coal on the part of industrial companies to provide against possible mine troubles will tend to keep up the prices.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 27—The convention of the United Mine Workers adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning after a short session to give the committees time to make their reports.

The reports of the various committees were called for but none of them responded. President Lewis said that when the convention was in session he noticed that some of the members were unwilling to absent themselves from the sessions. He suggested that the convention adjourn to give the committees time to prepare their reports.

A motion was made by Francis Feehan, and adopted that President Lewis, Vice-President McCullough and Sec. Perry be added to the scale committee.

A motion was also made and adopted that the proceedings of the convention be printed in full.

Letters from Operators

Letters were read from operators of the block coal district in Indiana and western Pennsylvania saying they are unwilling to change the place of meeting from Toledo to Indianapolis.

One of the delegates asked what would be done if it were found that the convention could not finish its work in time for the present date of the interstate joint conference on February 1.

President Lewis said that he could not answer that question intelligently. The delegate then suggested that as it was evident that the convention could not finish its work on time, that the operators be requested to agree to postpone the interstate joint conference one week from the date set. No action was taken however.

The motion to adjourn until nine tomorrow was then put and carried with no opposition.

Expense Would be Heavy

One of the matters the convention is expected to take up is as to whether all the delegates attending the international convention should go to Toledo for the interstate joint conference which is set for February 1. Enough of the operators have declined to change the place of the meeting from Toledo to Indianapolis to show that the interstate joint conference will not be held in this city, and some of the delegates to the international convention have expressed the opinion that all the delegates should go to Toledo during the convention as all the delegates are interested in what is to be done there. This would mean considerable expense to the international as railroad fares are paid by the international and the other expenses by the locals.

Following the usual custom the international convention will decide upon the general basis for the wage scales throughout the country for those districts the contracts of which expire April 1, and following this convention there will be the interstate joint conference of the miners and operators of Indiana, Ohio and western Pennsylvania. The miners of these sections will present their demands in conformity with action taken at the international convention. If the operators and miners of these districts fail to agree and the operators offer some counter proposition, it will be possible to submit the counter proposition to the international organization either through a referendum vote or a called convention which may, if seen fit, decide to accept the counter proposition.

Ten Per Cent Increase

The conclusion reached at the interstate joint conference is in the nature of a basis for the other bituminous and block coal districts in presenting their demands later to the operators.

It seems the general impression that the international convention will decide to demand an increase of at least ten per cent., but it is probable that the scale committee will not be ready to report to the convention for several days.

Several of the committees including the committee on officers reports and the committee on resolutions are expected to report to the convention tomorrow.

The first matter taken up at the afternoon session was the reading and adoption of a report by the committee that had been appointed to take up the appeal of the Garment Workers union and several other organizations.

The report recommended a donation of $1000 to the Garment Workers, $2,000 to the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, $1,000 to the Switchmens union and $1000 to the Swedish Workers to assist these organizations in labor troubles or disputes.

May Not Have Been Miners

Under the head of miscellaneous business there was some discussion over a motion that all delegates patronize union barber shops, but the motion was tabled.

The delegate who made the motion said that he had been told by an officer of the local barbers union that some men wearing miners badges had been seen in nonunion shops. The attention of the delegate was called to the fact that a number of men who are not miners were wearing the miners badges.

Secretary Edwin Perry said that he found there were a great number of resolutions—about three times as many as at any previous convention. It was decided that three additional members should be appointed to the committee on distribution, to assist in the work of distributing the resolutions to the proper committees.

Gay Causes a Ripple

There was a ripple following a talk by delegate Gay of Iowa, who asked as to whether the minutes of the international executive board of the miners were secret and whether a member of the organization would not be allowed to see them.

In replying President Lewis said a member could not see the minutes of the general executive board without the consent of the executive board to do so.

He pointed out that there had been a detective representing some of the operators south of the Ohio river at the last convention of the miners, and that if it had been the practice to allow a member to go over the minutes of the executive board it would have been possible for the detective to have gone over all the minutes. Several other delegates spoke along the same line as President Lewis and said that it would be unwise to make the minutes public property. At the same time he thought there would be no objection to a bona fide member seeing the records.

Among the resolutions that have recently been referred to the proper committees, but which have not been submitted to the convention for action, is one from the committee of local 2549 Indiana which sets forth that an injustice is imposed on miners where there is a dispute in regard to whether it is block coal or bituminous, where they practically run all mine run, and the basis ought to be on the screen basis, the mining price of which shall be termed by the actual screening basis.

"Resolved that we have 7 cents of a differential between pick and machine coal on mine run basis.

"Resolved, that we as a committee favor a single standard in the bituminous district of Indiana."

A number of the resolutions referred to the proper committees demand substantial increases in pay, and several of them not demanding any increase in pay, demand a working day of six hours.

One resolution asks that the United Mine Workers purchase a printing press and do the printing for the entire organization. That the convention appeal to congress for the abolition of the abuse of government by injunction is the trend of another resolution.

15 Per Cent Increase

One resolution after demanding an increase of 15 per cent, upon all classes of labor employed in and around the mine, asks that no district, subdistrict or local union be allowed to sign or make any contract until such time as said increase is granted. Said increases to include all districts in which wage contracts expire March 31, 1910. The establishment of the initiative and referendum by the U. M. W. is called for in another resolution.

Another resolution asks that the convention express itself in favor of the enactment of an old age pension law by congress and petition congress to enact such a law.

One of the resolutions from a local in the Pittsburg district condemns the use of electricity in the mining of coal in mines where the miners are compelled to use the "so-called safety explosive," and asks the convention to give the miners of the Pittsburg district its support along this line.

"That on and after April 1, 1910, the entire United Mine Workers of America stop work except those who have contracts beyond that time, until contracts are signed," is the request of a resolution.

One of the resolutions provides for an amendment to the international constitution so that "it shall be the duty of the auditors to examine into the cost and postage expenses of our offices and if it be found that charges have been paid on any campaign literature for international offices out of the international funds, such charges shall constitute an offence against our

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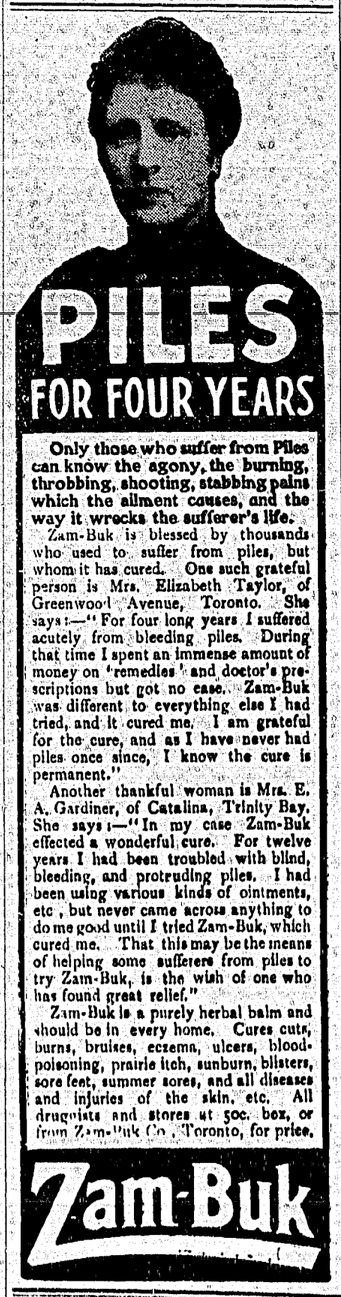

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1387	Canmore	Wm. Angell, Canmore, Alta.
69	Coal City	A. D. Altroy, Coal City, Taber, Alta.
2633	Coleman	W. Graham, Coleman, Alta.
2227	Carbondale	P. Lennon, Carbondale, Coleman, Alta.
2378	Cardiff	J. Aplin, Cardiff, Alta.
270	Cardiff	F. K. St. Amant, Cardiff, Alta.
2577	Corbin	A. Hamilton, Corbin, B. C.
2178	Diamond City	Pat Kelly, Diamond City, Lethbridge, Alta.
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2850	Kenmare	R. Evans, Kenmare, N. D.
574	Lethbridge	M. Pilshack, P. O. 113, Lethbridge, Alta.
1233	Lille	J. T. Griffiths, Lille, Frank, Alta.
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2352	Passburg	A. Covatch, Passburg, Alta.
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laws and said officer shall be expelled from membership and the right to hold office in our organization."

A demand for more international organizers in West Virginia is the trend of a resolution.

A letter from Thomas R. Shipp, executive secretary of the National Conservation Association, is included in the resolutions. It calls attention to the fact that the United Mine Workers organization is entitled to representation and is expected to send delegates.

One resolution asks that the expense of publishing and distributing the United Mine Workers Journal be paid out of the per capita tax received by the International treasury, and also asks that the paper be printed in Italian and Polish.

That the national organization shall use every effort to build up the membership of District No. 20 is the trend of a resolution from Blocton, Ala.

"If I can prove the truth of my statement then President Lewis shall resign, and if I can't then I shall resign."

This was the proposition made on the floor of the convention of the Miners this morning by Van Bittner, vice-president of the Pittsburg district. He was referring to a statement he had made to the effect that a settlement reached between the Pittsburg Coal Company and the miners in western Pennsylvania was in violation of the Pittsburg contract.

The truth of his statement was challenged by President Lewis who charged that Bittner had perjured himself in western Pennsylvania. President Lewis hotly denied the statement and challenged Bittner to offer proof in support of it.

President Lewis assited in the settlement of the various questions between the Pittsburg Coal Company and its men, with the exception of the use of the new explosive which is not yet settled.

Feehan Starts Trouble

The trouble started this morning when Francis Feehan, president of the Pittsburg district, opposed the adoption of the report of the committee on officers, reports, which had approved the reports of President Lewis, Vice-President McCullough and Secretary Perry.

It was that part of the report of President Lewis dealing with the situation in Western Pennsylvania that Feehan opposed.

The report of the president set forth that while a conference was being held to settle the grievance between the Pittsburg Coal Company and its men Feehan terminated the negotiations, and issued a strike order. President Lewis then issued a circular to the local unions advising the men to return to work and this they did. President Lewis then went to Pittsburg and assisted in the settlement.

The action of President Lewis in advising the men to return to work and the settlement reached with the Pittsburg Coal Company were the subjects of the attack. President Lewis in his report stated that he assured the men that if they returned to work their interests would be protected, but Feehan charged that President Lewis had protected the interests of the coal company rather than the interests of the men.

Feehan said that he wished to oppose a motion to adopt the report of the committee on officers reports and that he wished to explain the situation in western Pennsylvania. He contended that the introduction of the new safety explosive in western Pennsylvania resulted practically in a reduction in wages.

He said there were disadvantages in the use of this new explosive in addition to the increased cost of it, and that its use meant a reduction in the earnings of the men.

He said that a contract had been violated in certain mines in the Pittsburg district and that a strike had been ordered, but that President Lewis had issued a statement telling the men to remain at work. He said the question was whether district officials have a right to order a strike against a company that has violated a contract and whether the international president could order such men back to work without the authority of the executive board.

He charged that President Lewis in his action had protected the interests of the coal companies rather than the interests of the miners of the district, and that the president's act was condemned by the men in western Pennsylvania.

Says Constitution was Violated

On the other hand it was asserted that the action in ordering the strike was in violation of the international constitution, as it was a matter that directly concerned more than the one district, and that while a conference was being held with the Pittsburg Coal Company looking to a settlement of the grievances, the district president, Feehan, had terminated the negotiations and issued a strike order.

In a brief talk President Lewis took up the matter of the new explosive in western Pennsylvania and pointed out that in his annual report to the convention he had said that the question was not yet settled and should receive the serious consideration of the convention.

He pointed out his position in the matter and the support he had received from the international executive board in his action in regard to the striko.

Replies to Van Bittner

President Lewis, after saying that the explosive question in western Pennsylvania was not yet settled, and that it must be settled before a wage contract could be negotiated completely in the Pittsburg district.

In response to some of the statements attacking President Lewis made by Vice-President Van Bittner of the Pittsburg district, who spoke in support of Feehan, President Lewis challenged Van Bittner to show where there had been a single settlement contrary to the contract in the Pittsburg district, and said that if Van Bittner could not furnish proof of his statement to this effect it was time that he was put out of the convention. He charged that Van Bittner had perjured himself in the Pittsburg district.

Other speakers supported President Lewis and said that when Van Bittner said that the agreemnt reached with the Pittsburg Coal Company had been in violation of the Pittsburg contract he was misrepresenting the facts of the case.

Van Bittner's Proposition

Van Bittner proposed that if he can prove his statement in regard to the settlement with the Pittsburg Coal Company having been in violation of the Pittsburg contract, then President Lewis should resign, and if he could not prove his charge then he would resign.

W. Fairley, who was one of the international board members who had arranged the conference with the Pittsburg Coal Company looking to a settlement of the differences spoke in support of the position of President Lewis.

Feehan Makes Statement

Feehan again obtained the floor and contended that there had been a violation of the Pittsburg contract in the *agreement reached with the Pittsburg* Coal Company.

Feehan said that if President Lewis had not interfered in the matter at the request of the coal company the district organization would have reached a satisfactory settlement with the Pittsburg Coal Company. While Feehan was stating his position the hour for adjournment arrived and it was decided that adjournment be made and that Feehan complete his statement at the afternoon session.

It was also decided that opportunity to address the convention in the afternoon should be afforded to Congressman William B. Wilson, former secretary of the United Mine Workers who is in the city.

January 29

Turmoil again set in at this morning's session of the annual meeting of the Miners. A part of the tourmoil was due to the demand of some of the delegates that there be a reconsideration of the vote that had resulted yesterday afternoon in the adoption of the report of the committee on officers' reports, or that there be a roll call, and part of the trouble was due to the thrashing out of a statement that had been accredited to Frank J. Hayes, newly elected vice-president, and which if true, would have indicated a desire on the part of Hayes to break up the convention. Hayes emphatically denied making the statement, and used the "short and ugly word."

Hayes said that during the convention he had conducted himself as a gentleman, and asked President Lewis if this were not true, but President Lewis replied that he could not say it was true. President Lewis remarked that he had been told that meetings had been held to organize to break up the convention. After a considerable time had been spent on the matter a motion looking to the appointment of a committe to investigate and report on the matter was made, but no action was taken on it then.

Music by the Indianapolis News Newsboys band was the first feature on the program at this morning's session of the convention. The band, which was seated on the platform, played several selections which were applauded in a manner that showed plainly the keen appreciation of the miners.

Congressman W. H. Wilson was introduced. He referred to the bill for the formation of a bureau of mines and mining. He said there was likely to be considerable opposition to the bill and urged the miners to use their influence to secure its passage.

Turmoil Resumed

President Lewis said that there seemed to have been dissatisfaction yesterday afternoon as to the vote on the motion to adopt the report of the committee on officers' reports, and he asked if it was the wish to have a roll call. Some of the delegates said yes and many said no. President Lewis said the next order of business would be the call for the report of the credentials committee. Several of the delegates were clamoring for recognition and President Lewis said that the men of the picks would get the floor and not the district officers. He said the men of the picks had not been afforded an opportunity to voice their sentiments.

One or two of the delegates arose and said they were from the picks and believed that the delegates from the picks were not satisfied with yesterday's vote, and wished a division.

There were some hisses and a delegate arose to remark that geese hiss. This was supplemented by President Lewis who said that reptiles, as well as geese, hiss.

Demands for Roll Call

Demands for a division or a roll call were made by several of the delegates. One delegate made a motion that there be an adjournment to the German House and the men who were obstructing the proceedings be allowed to remain in Tomlinson hall and have a convention of their own but the motion was declared out of order.

Delegate T. J. Gibson said that he was disgusted with the disorder and was in favor of the men who caused any disorder being put out of the hall. He said that President Lewis had been elected and should be treated with respect.

A motion was made to suspend the rules and again take a vote on the motion to adopt the report of the committee on officers reports.

President Lewis said this motion was out of order, and then suggested it would be proper to make a motion to have a reconsideration of yesterday's vote.

The motion for reconsideartion was then put by a delegate in this form and adopted. Vice-President E. S. McCullough was then called to the chair. He explained that first there should be a vote by aye and no. If that was not satisfactory then there should be a standing vote, and if it was impossible thus to determine, if there was a call for it, there would be a roll call.

The vote by aye and no did not settle the matter, but a rising vote plainly showed that the motion to adopt the report of the committee on officers reports had carried. Vice-President McCullough then declared that the motion to adopt the report of the committee on officers reports had been carried.

Other Committee Reports

Under a suspension of the rules, as the next order of business was the *report of the committee on resolutions* the committee on transportation made its report, showing the number of delegates to the various districts, the number of locals represented, the amounts due them for transportation and the number of votes to which they were entitled. The report showed the total number of delegates to be 1,119; the total number of local unions represented as 1545; the total number of votes 2798, and the total amount of transportation for the delegates was $23,120.07. The report was adopted.

Frank J. Hayes arse and said that he had been told that President Lewis had said he had heard that Hayes had urged delegates to "stick to it, boys. We will break it up yet."

Hayes said he wished to defend himself as the statement was untrue.

President Lewis then said that he had been told that Hayes had told some men in the rear of the hall to "Keep it up, boys, and we will break up the convention yet."

Hayes denied this and then President Lewis said "All right, then, that settles it.'

Several delegates shouted that this did not settle it. Hayes then arose and denounced the statement as a lie and said that eh was as anxious as anyone to expedite the work of the convention. He pointed out that after the 1st of April he would be an international officer.

President Lewis asked if any of the delegates present had heard of the statement but none of the delegates arose. He said he would try and see if he could find the men who said that they had heard the statement.

Hayes had said that President Lewis had stated what he had in relation to Hayes in the barroom of a hotel and in regard to this President Lewis said that he had been in the barroom, but that he was not in the habit of going into the barroom and getting drunk like some other members of the organization.

President Lewis said that he had been told further that meetings had been held for the purpose of organizing to disrupt the convention.

Vice-President E. S. McCullough said that a statement in relation to Hayes had been made to him by a delegate and that unles sthis delegate would appear before the convention he would announce the name of the delegate. He said the matter ought to be gone into farther and if the statement were true it ought to be proved, and if it were not true then Hayes ought to be cleared at once from all possible suspicion.

Several of the delegates defended Hayes, vouching for his character as a union man, and protesting that he would not make a statement of that sort. It was urged that the matter be further gone into the interests of all parties.

A motion was then made that the matter be dropped giving Hayes the beenfit of the doubt, but this motion was tabled.

Delegate T. E. James, an organizer, then got the floor and said that he had overheard a statement by Hayes. James said as he was passing out of the hall yesterday afternoon he heard Frank J. Hayes say "Stay with her boys; we've got them coming." He said if he had misconstrued what Mr. Hayes had said he wished to apologize for it. Mr. McCullough then said that James was the men who told him about it.

President Lewis said his information had not come from James and delegate Frank Smith of District 15 rose and said that he was the man who had told President Lewis. Hayes denied having made any such statement as was attributed to him. In response to a question James said he had not heard Hayes say "We will break it up yet."

A delegate made a motion that a committee of five be appointed to make an investigation of the matter, and bring in a suitable recommendatiolion, but no action was taken and the convention adjourned until the afternoon.

Another Stormy Session

A delegate at yesterday afternoon's session, leaned over the railing in the balcony and called out "Let's have the police in here and have order." President Lewis said that if it was the wish of the delegates the police would be called in, but they were not called in.

It was a turbulent session and it seemed for a while as though the gavel of the chairman would be worn to shreds in an effort to keep order. Congressman Wilson was to speak in the afternoon but he did not speak, the delegates were too busy with the charges and counter charges.

Feehan Again

Francis Feehan at the beginning of the afternoon session, resumed his statement in regard to the controversy as to western Pennsylvania in support of his contention that the settlement with the Pittsburg Coal Company was in violation of the Pittsburg contract.

He went into the controversy at considerable length and much detail. He took up the matter of the use of the new explosives, which has not yet been settled, to show that the new explosive reduces the earnings of the miners using it, and also took up various other phases of the controversy. A number of statements relative to grievances of coal mines against the Pittsburg Coal Company in regard to local matters were read by him.

Feehan said that the 8 hour workday and various other matters are being violated. He said for one year the miners had stood the reduction caused by the new explosives, and they are still asked to wait. He said that when the settlement was made the international officers would not allow the district officers to be in attendance.

He asked if this would not excite some suspicion and added that he was led to believe there was some sort of secret understanding.

He said that he had been told by an official of the Coal Company that an understanding had been arrived at between President Lewis and the Coal Company whereby the coal company would be allowed to enjoy certain conditions.

Feehan said, in response to a question by a delegate that his brother-in-law was part owner of one of the mines in the Pittsburg district.

Ed. McKay obtained the floor, and after calling attention to the connection of Feehans brother-in-law with the coal company, said that statement after statement had been read by Feehan in regard to grievances existing in various locals, and then asked if Feehan had done anything to remedy them. He charged that there was a movement to disrupt the organization and that Feehan had acted in the interests of his brother in law.

President Lewis then took the floor and said that since he had been president there had been a coterie of men who stood at nothing to deceive the men as to whether the international officers were working for the best interests of the members.

President Lewis said that Feehan had said that the international officers would not let the district officers be a party to the settlement with the Pittsburg Coal Company. He then asked Feehan if he (Lewis) had not called at Feehan's office before the meeting when the settlemnt was made in the ditsrict.

Feehan answered that the president had.

President Lewis said he told Feehan at that time that the reason that Feehan would not be a party to the agreement was because Feehan had repudiated the international officers by breaking off the previous conference and he was afraid he would do the same thing again.

President Lewis said that there was another story to tell, and he would tell it so plainly that any child could understand. He then called attention to conditions in some om the mines of the Pittsburg district that, he said, as far as he knew, Feehan had made no attempt to remedy, although they were similar to conditions complained of in some of the mines he had mentioned. President Lewis took up the various grievances that Feehan had enumerated to show the fallacy of his position.

He said that Feehan had intimated there had been some sort of private agreement between President Lewis and the president o fthe Pittsburg coal company, and said that a statement of similar nature had been made by Feehan at a mass meeting of miners in western Pennsylvania. He said at the mass meeting he had interrupted Feehan and called him something he did not wish to repeat to the convention. President Lewis continued by saying that at his request a committee was appointed by that meeting, and had looked into the matter. President Lewis then read the report of this committee, which showed that the committee had called on the president of the coal company and were told by him that there was no agreement between himself and President Lewis.

Duncan McDonald arose and renewed the attack against international organizers on the ground that they had been used by President Lewis for campaigning purposes. He read a letter which he said was not signed and which was written as though coming from a Socialist and asking support for William Green. McDonald said he was going to do some campaigning but he did not intend to do it through the United Mine Workers Journal. He said that action should be taken that would prevent the United Mine Workers' Journal being used toward the re-election of T. L. Lewis.

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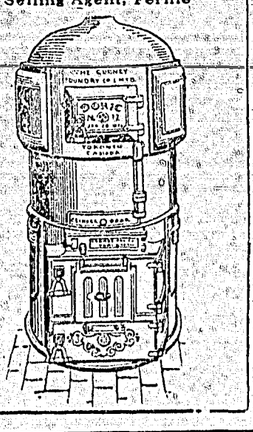

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One of the most intensely interesting performances ever witnessed in Boise was that of "Paid in Full," as presented at Penney Theatre by Eckhardt company supporting Miss Josephine Deffry. It was a real privilege to witness this great performance. Never before has a stock company been able to present such high class plays the same as the Eckhardt Company is giving the theatre goers of Boise. The Captain and the Lady, affords opportunity for high class acting which is excellently rendered by the Eckhardt Company.—The Boise Clipper.

Local News

The customs offices were moved into their quarters in the new postoffice on Wednesday.

The members of District 18 who were at the international convention, will likely be home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Simister left Fernie on Tuesday morning to take up their residence at thei rranch at Cowley.

The Rev. I. W. Williamson, superintendent of the B. C. Sunday school association, and former pastor of the Baptist church here, was in the city on Wednesday.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Mary Irvine of the Free Press staff, and Mr. Harry Graham. The ceremony will take place in Calgary on February 16.

Joe De Lucas, the city waterman, has received instructions from the city council to cut off the water supply from all those who are three months in arrears commencing Wednesday next the 10th.

A five or six man picked team of bowlers from among the printers of the city are ready to take on a like number of bowlers from any other trade or calling at any future date. A message to either the Free Press or Ledger office will effect a date.

Chief of Police Robert Clerke left for his home at Blarney, County Cork, Ireland on Wednesday, having received a letter announcing the serious illness of his mother. He was granted six weeks leave of absence by the city. R. Bowen is acting chief during his absence.

The splendid Eckhardt Company, including the brilliant actress, Miss Josephine Deffry, in an excellent selection of six different plays, comes to the opera house for an engagement of six nights commencing Monday night, February 14. Reserved seats can be secured now. Prices 15c, 35c and 50c.

Methodist church, subject Sunday morning 11 a.m. "How the Church can Impress the World." Evening 7.30 p.m. "Inquirer and Inquiry, their place and function in the Christian Church.' Preacher at both services. Rev. W. L. Hall. If you come you will be welcome. At 2.30 Sunday school and adult Bible class.

If you wish to enjoy a most refreshing evening's performance see the Eckhardt company at the Fernie Opera house in this city commencing on Monday night, February 14th, for a three night's engagement in a selection of six different plays never seen in this city before. Reserved seats now on sale. Prices 15c, 35c. and 50c.

As we grow older and the evenings begin to lengthen and the leaves which seemed so thick in youth grow thin and show the sky beyond, and those in the ranks drop away, and we come in sight, as we all must, of the eternal rifle pits beyond, a man begins to think that the most precious, more lasting and more substantial than many of the objects of ambition here, is the love of those we love and the friendship of those whose friendship we prize.—J. E. Caven, agent Eckhardt Theatrical Co.

DECISION HANDED DOWN

I will deal first as to findings of fact.

I find as a fact that there was a sale made to Ross' by Pollock.

Had this committee any right to deal with the goods other than as relief?

I think undoubtedly they had so long as the proceeds of the sale were used as a part of the relief fund. In addition to that I do not think it lies with the defendant to raise any question as to the plaintiff's right to sell. The only question in my mind is the defendant having purchased goods, who is the proper person to recover payment.

This is I think the entire relief committee. The plaintiffs in this action were only the agents of the entire committee for certain purposes, and are not in my opinion the proper parties to recover in this action.

I will allow Mr. H. W. Herchmer's application to amend under the rules by adding the executive committee as he desires upon proper consent filed and will give judgment for the amount claimed, $290.50.

As to costs the defendant will have costs up and including time of application to amend. After that costs will be to the plaintiffs by amendment.

P. E. Wilson

FIRST MEETING

The new schol board met in the city hall on Wednesday. The full board was preesnt consisting of Messrs. A. C. Liphardt, Thos. Robertson, Robert Dudley, George Boulton and W. S. Stanley.

A number of bills were ordered to be paid, furniture for the teachers' room was ordered to be purchased. The janitor asked for a hose connection for the basement, and his request was granted. The secretary was instructed to urge the council to purchase the lot now in the school block and owned by George Barton.

The council are to be approached with a view to getting them to purchase a lot and build a ward school in the Annex. Several other matters of importance were dealt with. On Thursday morning the board visited the school and looked over the work of each room. Before leaving they sprung the fire alarm to test the efficiency of the education along this line. The children and teachers responded to the dot and in less than three minutes every child was lined up in an orderly manner outside of the building. The board intend to visit the schools at least once a month and forward anything that will tend towards the betterment of the school generally. The school is now under a very capable principal in Miss Hogan, and an excellent staff of clever teachers are in charge.

School attendance for the month of January, 1910:

Div.	Av. Att.	Greatest
1	29	33
2	17	19
3	36	38
4	60	66
5	39	43
6	45	50
7	45	50
8	64	76
9	38	46
	373	421

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RETURN OF THE FAVORITES

An attraction of quality and presented by a first class company is scheduled for Saturday, February 5th, at the Miners Union theatre, when Miss Jeanne Russell and the new and greatly augmented Jeanne Russell Co. appear here in "The Little Minister," J. M. Barrie's greatest Scotch creation. The play has achieved such world wide reputation as being such a high class and most charming play that it will suffice to say, it is the leader of the leaders, of the best Scottish productions. The scenes all being laid in Scotland afford ample opportunity for scenic effects, for which the Jeanne Russell Company are already famous, and the most complete scenic production and setting both alluring and charming, as offered by the Russell Co. in their production of The Little Minister will readily be acknowledged as the work of an artist and a past master of stage craft. Miss Jeanne Russell has now the strongest support of any star in stock companies. The company now comprises sixteen artists, and each and every one of them the best procurable. With the elaborate scenery and the most complete productions, etc., the Russell Company are now the most thoroughly equipped Co. playing western Canada and are conceded to be second to none of any company throughout the Dominion. The above assertion is a broad one, but nevertheless true and a visit to the Miners Union theatre on Saturday will verify the same. On Saturday at 2.30 p.m. a grand prize drawing matinee will be held. There will be two prizes one for adults and one for children, each consisting of a free season pass. Here is your opportunity. Will you be the lucky one?

The alluring attraction for the matinee will be 'Polly Primrose," the most beautiful and charming southern romantic comedy drama of the civil war period. The comedy takes place at Primrose Mansions in Georgetown, D. C., near the capital during a period of two weeks in '63. Polly Primrose is an ideal performance, intensely amusing and interesting with the most charming love episode ever connected with a play, and will please old and young. Matinee prices, adults 25c, children 10. Evening prices, reserved seats now selling at Bleasdell's $1; admission, adults 75c and 50c. children 25c. Remember The Time, The Place, The Girl and the Two Grand Productions.

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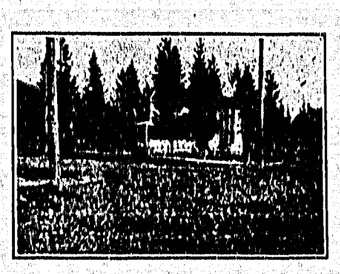

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