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Week's Fatalities in the Pass

Another series of accidents has to be reported this week, Hosmer being responsible for two deaths; Bankhead, two fatalities, and Coal Creek adding another to the list.

In every instance roof-falls appear to have been responsible for these fatalities, and it is a remarkable fact that this is accountable for two-thirds of the accidents in the mining industry.

To the lay man it appears strange that the government should

not institute a more rigorous test for miners working at the face or pillar drawing.

This strikes us as being quite an important part of rescue work, and we venture to say that if the Coal Mines Regulations were a

little more strictly enforced with respect to the examination of roof, we should have considerably fewer fatalities from caves.

That these accidents are in a large measure preventable is conclusively proved by statistics from countries where this question receives more consideration than it does on this continent.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT COAL CREEK

On Wednesday evening a foreigner named Dominic Astorina, employed as a miner in No. 5 mine, was brought down from the mine suffering from injuries to the head and back, sustained by being knocked off the "bench" with a lump of coal. A special train was requisitioned to convey the unfortunate man to Hospital at Fernie, where he died during the night. The accident occurred about 8 p.m., and death took place about 11:30 p.m. We understand that shock and probably internal injuries was the cause of death. A jury was empanelled and met at the undertakers' parlor on Thursday afternoon at 4:15, and the inquest was adjourned to meet at the Club on Monday, 14th inst. The mines were idle Thursday morning shift in consequence of the death.

Funeral will leave residence of Joe Consolo, Victoria Avenue, on Sunday next, at 3 p.m., and proceed to the R. C. church, where services will be held, and from thence to the cemetery.

TWO MEN KILLED WHILE PILLAR DRAWING AT HOSMER

A distressing accident which resulted in M. Pakulis and Harry Pawlik losing their lives occurred at the mine on Saturday last sometime between the hours of 1 and 2 p.m.

The unfortunate men were engaged in pillar work in the B. Level, when a big slip of coal smothered them. The men were busy timbering when the fire boss made his round about 1 p.m., but a miner from a nearby working place, having occasion to visit the deceased's place, discovered the accident and immediately gave an alarm. Willing hands were soon at work, but they were beyond all aid when found.

Both men had only been working in Hosmer about a month. Pakulis, who leaves a widow and three children in Germany to mourn the loss of the bread winner, being well known in Michel and Corbin. Pawlik, his helper, came to Hosmer from Calgary, where he has a brother residing there.

The Labor Trouble in South Africa

Union of Workers to be Revolutionary Party—Many Miners Refuse Settlement—Attempts to Dynamite Rand Club Feared—Funeral of Victims.

JOHANNESBURG, July 7.—Many of the miners refuse to work. At a meeting held in Union Park this afternoon militant leaders delivered fiery speeches to the 3,000 assembled, and a resolution declaring that the strike was still on and condemning the strike leaders was carried. One of the chief speakers announced the organization of a new union of South African workers, who said, would be a revolutionary party.

Efforts are now being made at Braamfontein to bring out the railway workers. A dispute is on over the actual terms of settlement which Gen. Botha, the ex-premier, and Gen. Smuts, minister of mines, made with the unions. The unionists assert that they insisted the government provide for the miners whose places were taken by strike-breakers until new places should be found for them; that Generals Botha and Smuts agreed to this, but thought it inadvisable to put it into writing, and also the leaders claimed amnesty for the rioters. Gen. Botha replying that that was a matter for the department of justice, but

giving the impression that he favored amnesty.

The mine owners say that the strike leaders are attempting to show that they conducted a better bargain than they did, in order to strengthen themselves with the men.

Dead Are Buried

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the accident came to Hosmer and visited the scene of disaster.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon, and was largely attended by members of the Local, of which the deceased were members. A number of townspeople, and the officials of the company, also following the remains to their last resting place.

H. Elmer, of Michel, who was a friend of the unfortunate man Pakulis, was here attending the funeral.

Coroner Wilkes drove down from Fernie Sunday morning and visited the scene of accident, and after a jury had been impaneled and viewed the bodies gave an order for burial.

Inquest

An inquiry into the deaths of Mike Pakulis and Harry Pawlik was held Thursday evening at the old School House before Coroner Wilkes, and a jury consisting of Messrs. Kendall, Fletcher, Bosio, Mills, Ingram, Lind and Bennett. After hearing all the evidence the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

TWO BANKHEAD MINERS SUCCOATED IN CAVE

BANFF, July 8.—Tuesday night two brothers, Pete and Steve Andrews were caught in a cave-in at the Bankhead mine and before they could be rescued both young men were suffocated. Without warning the roof and side wall fell on the two men, and their comrades made frantic efforts to clear the fall and release their imprisoned friends. But despite herculean strivings they could not release the bodies in time. Efforts were made at artificial respiration, but with no results.

Steve was only married three months ago, and both brothers are well known throughout the whole district, having worked in the mine for the past six years. Steve was about 25 years of age, and Pete two years younger.

WILL OPEN A NEW MINE AT CANMORE

CALGARY, July 7.—Representatives of an English syndicate, which purchased a large tract of coal land near Canmore, are in Calgary, making preparations for the development of their property. They have taken over about 8,000 acres of land at a price said to be in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000, will build a railroad spur one and one-half miles long, and expect to be marketing their coal in Calgary by October.—Lethbridge Herald.

DUKE FIRST LORD LIEUTENANT

Home Rule Act to Come Into Operation After Next Elections—John Redmond First Premier

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The men were divided into three contingents, and two thousand strikers gathered to cheer as the word to march was given. One of the bodies goes through Coventry, and the other through Warwick, and all three will join forces at Barnet, and march into the metropolis, their objective point being Trafalgar square and the Nelson column.

EGG-LAYING CAUSED STRIKE

LONDON, July 9.—It has been decided to ask the King and Queen to open the first Irish parliament in Dublin. The Home Rule bill, which passed its third reading in the house of commons on Monday, is now in some form like its final form. In a forecast of the procedure as regards the institution of Home Rule, the Daily News says:

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the accident came to Hosmer and visited the scene of disaster.

The Rev. Michael Bolton Furz, lord bishop of Pretoria, officiated. He begged the multitudes to return to their homes peacefully, out of respect for the dead. The spokesman of the traders federation made a similar appeal.

"Disperse quietly," he said. "Let none say we are a disorganized rabble."

Among the wreaths was one from the socialist party inscribed: "In memory of our martyrs, foully murdered in coal blood by the capitalist class."

At the end of the ceremony the socialists assembled outside, the cemetery and sang, "The Red Flag."

South African Strike to End World Battles

LONDON, July 8.—It would be a curious illustration of the unity of the world under modern conditions if, as some suggest, the strike of the gold miners on the South African Rand should bring peace to Europe by cutting off the money supplies, without which the continuance of the war would be impossible.

Young Wilson met the highwaymen

six miles from his camp in the early

evening of Friday. One of the men

asked him where he was going. Wilson replied that where he was going was his own business. An instant

later two shots rang out. Wilson lost

consciousness, and when he recovered

on Saturday evening he found himself covered with leaves at the side of

the road, where he had evidently been

put by the bandits under the impress-

ion that they had killed him. Still

and sore from his wounds, he managed

to make his way to his camp, crawl-

ing several miles of the way. In his

weakened condition the trip took 10

hours. Almost dead, he crawled into his bunk, where consciousness left him again and where he was found

some hours later by his friends and

taken to the Banff hospital. He is in

a very serious condition, but it is be-

lieved he will recover.

Men Divide Into Three Armies and Walk to Capital to Attend Meetings

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Interesting News from the Island

Synopsis of Speech by the Rev. J. H. Howe, First Baptist Church, Nanaimo, B.C. to Local U.M.W.A., on June 21, 1913

(Special to District Ledger)

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: Permit me in the first place to express my pleasure in being asked to address you at this time of fest and trial. I am going to address you on the subject of "The religion of revolt". It is obvious to the most superficial student of the times that the most significant fact in the world of men today is a certain temper of spirit and thought, and of action, that could only be defined as revolt. This temper possesses the entire labor world. It is their religion, for revolt is religion. That is a phase of religion not often dealt with.

In fact, the first thing evidenced in a really Christian man is revolt. Revolt against individual sin; revolt against organized sin, whether it be in the private domain of a man's life, or organized social sins.

Christianity is revolutionary. The prophets of the old testament were all revolutionists. Micah, a yeoman farmer, headed a revolt of the crofters of Palestine against the combined powers of capitalism and priesthood. Jerusalem, where these oppressors of the poor dwelt, was not a most luxurious and licentious city. Micah denounced the debaucheries of the rich and the infamous alliance of the priests. Capitalism had absorbed even the priesthood of the country. The priests were present, and even acquiesced in, some of the most awful lustful practices. Micah aroused the people and the unholy alliance was for a time dissolved. But capitalism in its spirit is ever the same and the modern church has succumbed to its influence.

Too many of our modern preachers are alienated from the workers and unblushing ally themselves with despotic capitalism. Micah, if he were here today, would unhesitatingly head a revolt. The apostles would raise their voices in the streets and denounce the oppressors, whether priest or capitalist.

I said, Christianity is revolutionary. He, Himself declared that He came not to bring peace, but a sword. He was in revolt against organized and ever legalised sin. He came to establish a revolutionary society. He denounced the oppressors of the poor and fiercely rebuked the priests in

"How and Why?" These questions are answered by the presence of the spirit of revolt. It is of His spirit. Unionism is brotherhood. It is the weapon of brotherhood. It spells security and defence. It is revolt's legitimate form of expression. What other weapon can workers possess and employ? None, whatever revolt has always an objective point. The trades union objective point is the same as Micah's. When Micah spoke to the crofters of Palestine he painted a picture of industrial happiness and freedom. "In that day every man shall sit under his vine and under his fig tree and none shall make them afraid." That is what the trades unionists of the world are fighting for: the right to live, and the right to live rightly; not in bondage—not in a state of fear, but in the fulness of economic security.

Unionists aim at attaining a goal, that goal, security. "And none shall

make them afraid," let that be our watchword. Then oppression will be sternly fought and the days of despotism, absolute capitalistic control, will pass away. No cruel discrimination then. I know personally, Mr. Richardson, who was compelled to leave this country for no other crime than that of being a unionist. I know the story of his cruel, forced return to England. He was a magnificent man, an earnest, manly Christian, well-read, with a character unexcelled in this province, in my opinion. Yet, economically speaking, he was a doomed man, for work was denied him and, turn where he would, the octopus of discrimination caught him. If such a man as Richardson should have such treatment as that meted out to him, what chance have you? I don't want to appeal to any class prejudice but I want to warn you to be careful, lest your enemies may succeed in their plan, viz., that of causing a division among you. If they succeeded, you would betray the labor of the world. Remember your watchword: "And none shall make them afraid."

RECORD VERDICT FOR INJURED MINER

What is said to be the largest verdict ever given in a personal injury case in the United States circuit court was handed down by Judge Chaffield in New York last week when Stanislaw Yensavage, a miner, was awarded \$37,500 for injuries suffered while in the employ of the Lehigh Coal Company at Shenandoah, Pa.

On June 10, 1911, Yensavage was working as a helper in the company's mines. While carrying percussion caps his oil lamp ignited one. An explosion followed causing the loss of both eyes, his right arm and all but the index finger and thumb on his left hand. He was in the hospital five months. He sued for \$50,000. The jury was out three minutes.



"Topsy," from "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Farrington Explains Men's Position

Can the employer who proclaims the a ship without a crew. Without a right to run his business without interference, because it is his money that is invested, do so without the labor power invested in the business by his workmen? If both capital and labor are essential to the successful operation of industry, and the employer has a right to protect his investment, has anyone a legal or a moral right to deny to the workers the privilege of having a party in determining under what conditions their investment shall be made and how it shall be protected? Should the workers who contribute their lives to, and who invest their brains and brawn and blood in the industrial development of a nation, be compelled to accept without question the terms of employment offered by their employers? If labor power is indispensable to industrial activity, has the employer an indisputable license to choke the arteries of trade, cripple industry, create business depression and to bring poverty, hunger and want to the homes of defenseless men, women and children because of his arrogant refusal to hear and remedy the just complaints of the workers; and can the employer who is guilty of such demoralization because of his insolent defiance of the laws of common justice, rightfully lay claim to public approval for his action? Does not the Western Fuel Company, which is a combination of American capitalists engaged in operating a mine on Vancouver Island, and who recognize no geographical boundary lines in the sale of their coal, the president of which is an American citizen, and the officers of which are under indictment of swindling the American Government out of \$450,000, occupy a rather singular and ridiculous position when it cries "foreign union" in horrified and fear-inspiring tones to discredit and shake off an American labor union which has crossed the boundary line to protect its workmen against unchecked greed, and is not one who gives impetus to the cry either a knave, a dupe or a dolt? These are fundamental questions that should be considered by that element who have been driveling about "foreign unions" and "foreign agitators" and who now supporting the Vancouver Island mine owners in their policy of "nothing to arbitrate."

Cruel experience is gradually forcing the workers to realize that without combination they are wretchedly helpless and utterly incapable of coping with the mighty powers of wealth. The worker who toils independently of the support of his fellow-workers occupies the same relative position as

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er manager had very carefully written into his would-be agreement a provision whereby anyone accepting employment from the company must also become a party to his agreement. To accept employment meant to be made an involuntary party to an ex parte instrument. The men were disorganized, they had no voice, no choice, no escape. The general manager knew his advantage and stood pat. The men had no saving force behind them, no court of appeal was open, all the avenues to redress were closed to them, and they were compelled to work and thereby they became not a willing factor to a joint agreement—but the helpless victims of a cunningly devised and inequitable in-

strument of compulsion. Because of their failure to join hands with their fellow-workmen for the common good of all, the men were manacled to the will of their master.

Moreover, not even the terms of this instrument, which was never acceptable, have been granted to the men.

The company have shown a wanton disregard for its provisions, the men have been ruthlessly discriminated against, fleeced and mistreated, and the general manager's boasted era of industrial peace was no more than a period of helpless silence, which silence was broken at the first offer of assistance from the United Mine Workers of America.

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The most formidable obstacle in the way of further progress and especially in the propaganda of Socialism—is not that men are insufficiently versed in political economy or lacking in intelligence. It is that people are without hope.

Popular effort has so often been thwarted by selfish cunning—great moral enthusiasm has so often been dissipated by the suspicious organization of the ruling classes that men have lost heart.

Despair is the chief opponent of progress.

Our greatest need is hope.

The majority of our fellow workers know of public measures that would be beneficial—if an upward step were possible. But they claim it is impossible under the present system. Some of them wait for some great "revolution" that is to come "some day." Others do not wait for anything. They do not expect anything. They have lost hope. Why?

Both the so-called "revolutionists" and the "let-it-go-as-it-is" men are overwhelmed by a multitude of incidental obstacles which are in themselves of small account.

Petty disappointments cloud the small horizon of these people. Thus they are shut off from the sight of the great universal and historic forces that are working for progress—for Socialism—and even for progress beyond Socialism.

Only these forces work slowly and surely.

Revolutions—and special evolutions—are brought about in human affairs not so much by the dissemination of a multitude of ideas as by the concentration of a multitude of minds upon a single idea.

And this idea must be near enough and comprehensive enough and of sufficient importance to stir the very soul of the masses.

Mere theoretical or dogmatic phrases—no matter how "clear-cut"—are not capable of producing the universal enthusiasm required to institute any fundamental innovations.

Besides, doctrinairism and dogmatism lead to splits and to the formation of political sects. But when the people are constantly absorbed in doing things and in preparing for still greater things, the petty jealousies and small causes for strife and dissension disappear.

Furthermore, I say, we ought to have "uniformity" in general principles and general tactics only. We ought to leave minor details to the different state organizations. Especially where the movement is old and well rooted, where there are plenty of tried leaders, and where the membership is experienced, they are fully capable of themselves of "for good."

Only take care not to have them tie their hopes for the future to any catastrophe that is to bring the millennium "at one strike." Take care not to have them hope for any Messiah.

It invariably leads to fatalism of one kind or the other and destroys the incentive for continuous and hard work at the present time.

Fatalism is always fatal to real progress.

Therefore, Socialists, propagandists, do not weary your hearers with statistics or the definitions of "surplus value." Do not confuse them by trying to explain all the intricacies of the capitalist system and by describing the beauties of the co-operative commonwealth.

Teach them that in order to get a better world we shall have to work for it and fight for it.

Work and fight are the "Messiahs" of proletarians.

Instead of more uniformity we ought to have more unity.

And we can gain this only when we leave details to the various subdivisions—and concentrate the efforts of our propaganda in the simple realities, self-evident and capable of being understood by all.

Nothing else in this world can compare with this work in importance.

Convention Call

Trades and Labor Congress of Canada

To the officers and members of Provincial Federations of Labor, Trades and Labor Councils, National Trade Unions, Federal Labor Unions and International Local Trade Unions in the Dominion of Canada.

GREETING:—Follow Labor Unionists and Brothers—

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada will convene in the auditorium hall, corner Bloutry and Berthelot streets, city of Montreal, province of Quebec, beginning at 10 o'clock, Monday morning, September 22nd, 1913, and will continue in session from day to day until the business of the convention has been completed.

Last year the delegates assembled at Guelph selected Montreal as the next meeting place. No city in Canada is more suited to receive delegates from all parts of the Dominion than is the commercial metropolis—the great pulsing heart of numerous industries—the center to which converge untold interests, the city of the Royal Mount, and the programme to be presented for study and consideration will contain questions of vital importance to organized wage-workers and will demand the very best ability in their solution.

The year just past has witnessed fresh endeavors on the part of the determined opponents of organized labor to undermine the cause of the working class. There seems to be in certain quarters in Canada and Great Britain, a desire to shape, for their own ends, the immigration and other regulations that, to some degree, are beneficial to the wage-earning population. The problems to be solved by the Congress grow yearly more numerous, intricate and difficult. Among the subjects that will demand the concentrated attention of this year's convention may be mentioned the following:

1. Dominion and provincial legislation affecting labor interests.

2. The repeal of the present useless Alien Labor law.

3. Enforcement of the misrepresentation and monetary clauses of the immigration laws all the year round.

4. Consideration of the proposed eight-hour bill.

5. Pronouncement on the administration of the workmen's compensation acts in the various provinces.

6. Amendments to the Industrial disputes and investigation act.

You—who won't spend even two cents a month to support your labor press.

You—who imagine you are working wonders when you attend one meeting a month.

You—who think you have "done your part" because you probably served one term as sergeant-at-arms or in some other office of your local union, several years ago.

You—who look on your union as a thing that will automatically improve conditions, instead of realizing that you and me like you are also lending a helping hand.

Don't fool yourself, brother. Begin now to live the life of a union man. Of course, it's tough sledging—the knocks are hard and many. But the Almighty has no use for a quitter. Neither has this old world ours. The quickest way we can come into our own is for every one to do his or her part.

You may say, "Oh, it will come out all right." That's only a guess. But even if it's true, you must remember that someone else is doing your share to make this possible. Someone is doing double duty because of your inaction. If you will only do your part "things will come out all right," just that much quicker.

Quit faking, brother. Get into the fight—and stay there.

Be a union man and not merely a member of some local organization.—Elevator Constructor.

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Operation Performed Restored Heart to Action Even Though Man is Dead
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Paris, July 9.—Dr. Bouchon, following in the footsteps of Dr. Carrel, recently succeeded in reviving the normal action of the heart ten minutes after death. In a paper which he will read at the next meeting of the academy of medicine Dr. Bouchon says:

"After a motor car accident I was called in and immediately perceived that the victim had been instantly killed. Despite my assurance that there was no doubt as to his death, the friends of the victim insisted that a desperate attempt should be made at resuscitation, and in about ten minutes, after the last breath I decided upon a surgical operation, having diagnosed traumatic rupture of the heart.

"I opened the thorax and in 50 seconds laid bare the heart. I immediately found a pint of blood in the pericardium and a heart wound about two and one-half inches long on the inner surface of the left ventricle. I proceeded to apply my method of reviving heart action.

"After filling all the cardiac cavities with a special organic fluid, I made a rapid tracheotomy and introduced oxygen by the tracheal tube while my assistants performed artificial respiration tractions.

"I then began alternate rhythmic auricular massage of the heart, and at the end of about a minute, I clearly perceived that the heart had resumed its physiological tonicity, and to my great surprise it continued to contract by its own action.

"Radical pulsation then became perceptible, and after I had closed the thoracic flap, the heart continued to contract for thirty-five minutes. At the end of this time the contractions suddenly ceased and all subsequent efforts to re-establish them were in vain.

"The autopsy was very significant, showing the tearing away of the lower cardiac nerves, the bursting of the right kidney and liver and a part of the intestines, proving the case an exceptionally violent one of traumatism. And there been merely cardiac traumatism by a dagger thrust followed by instant death, I think the method of revival applied under favorable conditions might possibly have given an appreciable prolongation of life, but this is mere hypothesis.

"I consider that this case has given valuable information from a scientific standpoint, as it is not merely a desperate one, but a confirmed case of death."

EDUCATION IN

SEX HYGIENE

Recognition of their responsibility has resulted in a marked awakening of physicians to their obligations as leaders and teachers in the science of keeping well. The essence of preventive medicine is education, and physicians, by virtue of their training, experience and ideals, ought to be leaders and teachers. Yet until within a few years their responsibilities were not recognized in their prevention of venereal disease and education in the hygiene of sex.

The earlier policy of silence and repression in regard to these matters is fast changing not only on our part but on the part of parents and educators. The sinister menace of venereal disease can hardly be overestimated. In the United States 770,000 males reach early maturity annually. At least 60 per cent., or 450,000 of these young men, will at some time become infected with venereal disease, 20 per cent. before the age of 22, 50 per cent. before they pass 25, and over 80 per cent. before they pass 30. This is the morbidity among males reaching 16 in any one year. Each succeeding year adds a similar group to the aggregate.

Syphilis and gonorrhoea undoubtedly surpass in prevalence all other infectious diseases combined, and their immediate and disabling effects fall

most heavily on the most active and productive period of life. Gonorrhoea per cent. of all deaths from inflammatory diseases peculiar to women.

75 per cent. of all special operations on women; and over 60 per cent. of all the work done by gynecologists; 50 per cent. or more of these infected women are left infertile sterile besides the number whose offspring are still-born, premature, weakly, diseased or mentally defective.

Considering the terrible ravages of these diseases and their wide prevalence, our efforts at preventive measures have been woefully inadequate, says the Journal of the American Medical Association.

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News of The District Camps

BELLEVUE NOTES

The body of the little boy, Janigo, who was drowned here some few weeks ago, was recovered this week by some men fishing near Passburg. They reported to the police at Bellevue and they brought the remains to doctor, and after an examination, the doctor and after an examination, the body was handed over to the parents for burial. Interment took place at Blairmore on Friday. The many friends of Mr. Janigo wish to express their sympathy to him in his sad bereavement.

The local team went to Hillcrest to fulfill their engagement in the league on Saturday and were good enough to leave 2 points at Hillcrest to help them make their total look something like a football teams score.

The fishing season opened here on July 1st. There was a lot of big catches brought to camp this week.

Mr. A. Bursey is now occupying a house on the Maple Leaf road and is busy getting it ready for his wife and family who he expects here in a few days.

Master Leslie Cousins is at present sick with the measles and tonsillitis. He has been sick for two weeks.

The management of the Bellevue baseball team had to postpone their game with Hillcrest on Sunday as they could not get a team together, some of the players being out of camp.

Bob Levitt and James Allsop left camp on Saturday on a fishing trip to South Forks. Hope you get a good catch, Jim.

The carpenters are progressing very favorably with the work on the new block for Wheeler & Farmer.

Mr. William Boasey arrived in camp this week and is staying with his brother, Frank. It is about 25 years since the two brothers met. They didn't know one another.

Mr. William Stratford and wife arrived in camp this week from Diamond City.

Mr. John Crawford was visiting his family in Cranbrook on Monday, returning to camp on Tuesday.

Miss McCrory left camp this week for her vacation while the schools are closed. It is reported she intends going to Fernie after the holidays.

Miss Bradley, who has been in camp for some time as teacher, left this week on her vacation.

Mr. Kelley left camp on Monday for his vacation. He intends returning again soon.

Angus McDonald, who left here some time ago, returned to camp this week and started to work at No. 2 mine.

There was a slight mistake in the names of the horses that run in the races on Tuesday. The following is a correct list of the events: one-quarter mile pony race (Bellevue and district), 1st, A. Scott's "Miner" \$15.00; 1nd, C. Millars, "Rusty," \$5.00; 3rd, J. Johnston's "Bill" Three-eighths mile horse race (Bellevue and District), 1st, W. H. Chappell's "Winkwood" \$20.00; 2nd, E. Jones' "Riley" \$7.50. One-quarter mile open pony race, 1st, W. H. Chappell's "Queen of the Woods" \$25.00; 2nd, J. Johnston's "Bill" \$10.00; 3rd, W. H. Chappell's "Winkwood". Three-eighths mile open horse race, 1st, H. Eshom's "Lark" \$50.00; 2nd, W. H. Chappell's "Queen of the Woods" \$20.00; 3rd, H. Holloway's "Kingston."

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mrs. John Hutton, of Bellevue, when the second daughter was united in matrimony to Mr. Geo Copeland, of Burns. The Rev. W. Irwin performed the ceremony, after which the happy couple and their friends sat down to a very dainty supper. The party afterwards went to Hillcrest to see the ball game, and then returned home. The party had a nice time till the wee hours of the morning when the bride and groom left for their home in Burns. Miss Orr, of Fernie, was assistant to the bride and Mr. Jos. Hutton assisted the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Decon, of Fernie, arrived in camp on Tuesday and are the guests of Mr. G. W. Goodwin.

The famous Bellevue band are going to the 12th of July celebration at Blairmore on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon, of Yorkshire, England, arrived in camp this week. Mr. Sheldon has started to work at No. 2 mine.

The stork has visited the camp again this week and left a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wilson. The infant only lived a few hours.

Wanted everyone to subscribe to the District Ledger. Mr. John Brook is in for a prize in the competition. Don't fail to see him.

CANMORE NOTES

At the regular meeting of Canmore Local 1337, held last Sunday week the following were elected as Local Officers for one year: Steve Kallina, nominated and elected without opposition for president; for vice-president, nominated Frank Krall and John Ronikka; John Ronikka elected, for secretary, N. D. Thachuk, nominated and elected; no opposition. For recording secretary, Mike Warren elected; no opposition. For Finance Committee, Louis Menapace, Karl Janotich, Thomas Nollen, for Pit Committee,

John King, Barney Gabriel, Steve Kallina, N. D. Thachuk. Nominations for District Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer — Frank Whentley, of Bankhead, Vice-President; Thomas France, of Fernie, for Secretary-Treasurer.

Louis Menapace, who was seriously injured last winter, is able to walk about and is doing well.

They say that Canmore will be the Hub of Bow Valley as there is going to be lots of coal mines opened in a very short time. There is a new company starting a mine below the old mine Antesite. Mr. Albert Grainger is about to open his mine. How long will it be?

The Canmore Navigation Coal Co., Ltd., will open their other mine at Kanakanas next spring.

There is a rumor that Number One Mine of Canmore Coal Co., Ltd., is only going to work part of the time next week. We don't know how long it's going to be that way.

Every man who beats the ties on the C. P. R. is caught and put in for 15 days. There was a time when we could get the freight pass, but now you cannot even take the ties—C. P. R. owns them.

Every member of Canmore Local Union is requested to attend the next regular meeting. The matter of Labor Day celebration will be discussed and various committees will be appointed. The program will be given the Ledger later on.

St. John's Ambulance Society is going to be organized in Canmore. Bros. King, Nolles and Martin are the ones that know something about the first aid to the injured and they will take the prominent part in the Society which is to be organized soon.

Some one said that Charlie Sing is going to take a trip to the old country and will get married there, bringing back a better half. Is that right, Charlie?

PASSBURG NOTES
By "Observer"

A large number of Passburgians, Burmisians and Mapleleafians took in the sports at Bellevue and undoubtedly brought back some of the best honors that the committee could have conferred on them.

There has been a shortage of boxcars at the Maple Leaf Collieries. The mines were idle two days this week.

The Davenport Colliery has been idle for the contract miners for the last week owing to the mine chutes having been over-loaded. Nothing like attending church on Sunday, boys.

The Presbyterian Church at Passburg was well attended on Patriotic Sunday, the 29th. As a matter of fact some of the people were half way down to Police Flats and then swinging back, about 8 p.m.—Don't talk.

Mr. N. Rowell of the Passburg Store, sold his motor car to Dr. Bell, who is now challenging all mechanics around here for replacing broken parts—or bones.

While fishing Wednesday evening in the Passburg Creek, Mr. D. Bisset (accompanied by Mr. T. Nanson, discovered the body of a little boy by the name of Janigo, who was drowned at Bellevue, five or six weeks ago. It was immediately reported to the police, who took charge, and the body was conveyed to the undertakers' parlor at Blairmore.

As far as craft organizations are concerned we do honestly believe that union men should receive preference to outsiders—skillywags or wag—at the wage; call them what you like, they are poor samples of men. It seems that some non-union carpenters are given employment in the city building extensions to some houses, to save their legs from walking to the mine to do the hoodoo car repairing. We have always considered this one employee to be in line with those who employ him. Nobody can dispute the actual value of articles, but don't deal with the cheapest because they are cheap. Advise the cheap to carry a union card or wear the union button before employing him.

Passburg was well represented at the Bellevue sports, Mike Seaman winning the 100 yards open dash; Nat Evans the high jump, and second in the long jump, and Jones' pony got second money in the pony race. Passburg boys know how, eh!

Mrs. Duncan and family have left Passburg on visit to her people at Elkto. A pleasant trip and a safe return, Mrs. Duncan.

Good reports are at hand concerning the Passburg clay works, the clay being of the finest quality.

It is to be hoped that in the near future we shall be able to show 'em how to make bricks.

The "Observer" was out on the prairie the other day taking a nap, but the mosquitoes became so troublesome that he decided to wake up, and was about to leave when a stranger walked up and asked: "How much longer were the blooming flies going to hang around here?" There was nothing to it but to tell the truth, and we informed him that as a rule they hung around until they got their fill.

The stranger ruefully rubbed his neck and asked, "Say, the (William Tell) can't they sample someone else?"

The dance held at the Sklavok Hall, under the auspices of the Sklavok Society, was declared by all present to be a great success. The dances were there in numbers from the surrounding camps, Maple Leaf and Bellevue. The music was supplied by the Frank Band, who played some very choice selections of dance music.

The fishing party that journeyed to the South Fork reports fishing to be very bum just now. The only one to catch any was Joe Chambers who declares that if you give them the right joint to eat the fish will bite at any time.

Paddy King, an old timer in the Pass, has commenced to work at the Burmis Colliery. Doing fine, says Pete.

Mr. H. Smith and young Hawkins, of Burns, left on a visit to Calgary

on the first. We expect them back in a week or so.

We are pleased to see D. McKinnon around again after a short stay at the Central Hospital through injuries received at the mine a week or so ago.

The "Observer" last week found himself in a deuce of a predicament. Some person approached him suffering terribly either from Scotland or Ireland—or something stronger than water—and endeavored to explain in detail how some member of the gentler sex had ruthlessly abused him, for reading to everybody the contents of the Ledger. And its seems that they were in earnest, as far as names and faces are concerned. Better not describe expressions. Here's a few: "I am boss!" "Don't talk to me!" "I am respectable!" etc., etc. In our opinion these members of the sweater sex have no cause for complaint, and the individual need not worry, because it is only narrow-mindedness, or probably mental aberration. Nothing more or better than a pretence for sociability is appreciated by this individual.

We are proud to be in a position to inform the readers of the Ledger that Passburg can boast of more than one genius. Our old friend Dave has left his situation and is now out on the warpath prospecting, and confident of accumulating sufficient wealth to carry him through a little trip to Bonny Scotland. Keep water on the shovel, Dave.

Mrs. Nat Evans, an old-timer of the Pass, blew in from the boggy country this week, and like all the Michelites has taken a fancy to this beautiful burg, and is starting to work in a day or so.

We had a visitor here the other day from Michel, and it seems that his face was familiar to some of the boys. The reception given, however, had been in cold storage for some two years—since 1911!

Mr. Robert Peteri and Mr. Sam Paton, of Hillcrest, were visitors at Passburg on Sunday evening last.

With a smile that won't rub off.

We believe that through the able manner in which Mr. Frank Allan is conducting the visitors around the Zoological Gardens, explaining the habits and temperament of each animal, especially the grizzlies and the hundred and one species of birds that he is entertaining at the menagerie, he is the means of creating a great deal of attractions and interest, although there is still room for improvement with regard to accommodation for the various quadrupeds. But Frank assures us that better quarters will be provided in the near future. Intended visitors do not forget to see the Zoo before leaving the city.

A grand wedding took place at Burmis on the 4th, the contracting parties being Leon Contalino, of Burmis, and Miss Dorothy Dean, of Blairmore.

It looks like an armed contest. Long life and happiness to you both.

On Saturday Mr. J. Lipnicka, of Burmis, received a wardship from the old country, and they decide no more to part. The ceremony was duly performed. Extending long life and happiness to you both.

Mr. George Coupland, fire boss at the Burmis Colliery, Burmis, entered the bonds of matrimony on Saturday with Miss A. Hutton, of Bellevue. We cannot help but wish you a happy and pleasant journey through life.

It would be a good proposition for Rockefeller or Carnegie to step into Burmis and undertake to build a No. 2 Chicago, because the demand for houses has increased considerably of late. Applications daily, but cannot be accommodated at present.

L. C. Stevens, one time superintendent at the Davenport Colliery, was visiting Passburg at the request of the authorities.

Some time ago, unfortunately, Mr. Stevens was given his time check for non-accumulation of dividends. However, he had a piano for sale, but could not possibly sell it at half price, and finally decided to raff it, and this is the outcome.

He attended the court at Blairmore on the second inst., and at Burmis on the 3rd. The case is referred to the Supreme Court at Macleod, which sits in November. Ball was allowed in

the Zoo before leaving the city.

The regular meeting of Local 102 takes place on Sunday, when nominations for District Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer takes place. All members are requested to attend.

COAL CREEK

A large number of the supporters of Coal Creek Football Club journeyed to Hosmer on Saturday last with the team, as great interest was manifested in the game. Coal Creek found the good work going; Hosmer's a long way from being a garden city!

Probably the best attended meeting the local has held since the strike took place Sunday and various questions of importance were discussed, with the result that the pit committee have their hands full for a while. The nominations for the vacant district offices were discussed and lots of flattering references were read from different locals about prospective candidates for the vice-presidency, but not knowing which to back we let the race go by default. Nominations for the office of Secretary-Treasurer was left over for another week. One of our local officers was offered the nomination, but seemingly no ambitions along these lines.

The local "Old Fellows" installed their officers Tuesday night. Some members of the Fernie Lodge were also in attendance. After the installation a social was held and a fairly good time is reported.

Hosmer and Coal Creek pulled off their league fixture on Saturday last. It suffices to say that Hosmer had all the play but lost the points. The Creek scored a goal from a ball that appeared out of play, the Hosmer players looking on. J. Moore, of Coleman, was the official in charge.

George Bizer got into some trouble last week and Magistrate Layton fined him six dollars and costs. George promised to be good in the future.

Jim Sullivan has checked up his job at the Royal Hotel.

Mrs. Harry Brooks has had a telephone installed in her house this week.

The measles are still very prevalent in town. Some children are having a pretty hard time, but so far no deaths have occurred.

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TABER NOTES

Sam Jonca, district inspector of mines, is in camp this week, making his usual inspection of the mines in this vicinity.

A number of strange faces are to be seen these days at the big mine as quite a few men have been hired since the first of the month.

Arthur Denroy has made a start on a machine in the fifth west entry.

Max Shultz has returned from Burdett, where he went to celebrate the glorious Fourth with his relatives.

Jack Turner has gone on a two weeks' vacation. Frank Lynbrick is working in his place.

Norman Sowerby, power house engineer, is having a new house built this month.

A new power plant will be in operation tomorrow night (Thursday). Connections will be made tomorrow, this is a week later than was anticipated.

F. C. Douglas, a prominent real estate man of this town, is going up the mountains to live on his fruit ranch. He owns about two thousand acres of good land along the Kootenay River, which he has surveyed into ten acre plots.

The Taber Transit Company are starting to build their proposed line from town north to the White Ash Colliery. The company is composed of local men and some real estate men of Calgary. The proposition has been hanging fire all summer

and it is now thought that the C. P. R. are behind the deal. The road is to be the start of a branch to run as far north as Retlaw.

The Canada West Coal Co. has submitted a proposition to the town for supplying the town with water for the next two years. At present the town gets its supply from the C. P. R.

Arthur Lee, the catcher of the Taber Crescents, was married to Miss Minnie Falls the other day. The wedding took place in Salt Lake City. The young couple will reside on Arthur's farm near Taber.

On Friday and Saturday, with attractions at the Palm Theatre were the moving pictures of the Helen Garden Co., "Cleopatra." The house was crowded on both nights.

The new picture palace on Hough Street will be ready for business in a few days.

An old stager, well known all over the mining camps, came to town on Saturday in the person of Rod McEachern. Rod has been working on the railroad the last while back, but the life was too tame, and he hit for where the lights shine bright. But it is a little doubtful whether Rod has taken a great deal of interest in the lumination of the town. Umh! Umh!

The Eureka Mine is working steady, about ten men being employed. This mine is on a non-union basis, as there is no organization there and no agreement.

A new mine is being opened up a few miles north of town by Belgian company. They expect to operate on a scale.

HOSMER NOTES

Ities, who appeared deeply interested in the questions under discussion.

Several Crekites took in the Majestic Comedy Company's show at the Grand last



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"MINING ACT" AND RULES

Third-Class Candidates

Tuesday, May 27th, 1913. Time: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sixty-five per cent. required.)

(1.) What are the duties of the Fireboss and Shotlighter as provided in special and general rules? 10

(2.) What are the requirements of the general and special rules in reference to the inspection of workings? 10

(3.) What are requirements of the general rules in reference to blasting and the use of explosives? 10

(4.) What are the requirements of the special rules as to the use of safety-lamps? 10

(5.) What are the requirements of the general rules as regards the ambulance boxes? 10

(6.) What are the requirements of the general rules in reference to fencing? 10

(7.) What do the general rules say in reference to the withdrawal of workmen? 10

(8.) Make an imaginary report showing some defect in the workings you are supposed to have examined. 10

(9.) What are the requirements of the general rules in reference to ventilation? 10

(10.) What are the requirements of the general rules in reference to manholes and places of refuge? 10

MINES GASES AND GENERAL WORK

Third-Class Candidates

Tuesday, May 27th, 1913. Time: 2 to 5:30 p.m. Fifty per cent. required and not less than 65 per cent on the whole. 15

(1.) Give the names, chemical symbols, and composition of the different gases met with in coal-mines. 15

(2.) State the conditions under which the presence of the various mine gases may be expected, and how may each be detected. 10

(3.) Name and describe three safety-lamps now in use. State which you consider the best and safest, and why. In what do their safety consist? 10

(4.) When, where and under what conditions should safety-lamps be used in order to secure safety to workmen? 10

(5.) If you detected gas in one or more working-places, what would you do to secure the safety of the men working in the adjoining places? 10

(6.) How many cubic feet of air

passes per minute along an airway 6 feet high and 10 feet wide, the velocity being 450 feet per minute? 10

(7.) What do you consider best to use for an overcast in a mine that is producing CH4 or fire-damp: stone, brick, iron or wood? Give your reasons. 10

(8.) What is the cause of falls of roof, and how would you make an inspection to determine the security of the roof in the mine? 10

(9.) What are the causes of blown-out shots, and what are the damages attending them? 10

(10.) Ventilate plan given, using conventional signs. 20

"MINING ACT" AND RULES

Second-Class Candidates

(Tuesday, May 27th, 1913. Time: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Seventy per cent. required.)

(1.) What are the duties of the overman as specified by the act and special rules? 10

(2.) What does the act say in reference to the employment of persons around machinery? 10

(3.) What are the requirements of the general rules as to blasting and the use of explosives? 10

(4.) What are the requirements of the "Coal-mining Regulation Act" in reference to places approaching abandoned workings? 10

(5.) What are the requirements of the general rules as to fencing and bratticing? 10

(6.) What are the requirements of the act in reference to inspection of the workings of the mine? 10

(7.) State what the act says in reference to the hours of employment for underground employees: 10

(8.) What are the requirements of the general rules in reference to ventilation? 10

(9.) What are the requirements of the act in reference to rescue-work? 10

(10.) What are duties of the (a) firebosses, (b) shotlighters, (c) timbers, (d) Bratticemen, as specified in special rules? 10

MINE GASES

Second-Class Candidates

(Tuesday, May 27th, 1913. Time: 2 to 5:30 p.m. Seventy per cent. required.)

(1.) Name and describe the different gases found in coal-mines. 10

(2.) What are the dangers to life and injurious effects of these gases on the health of the workmen? Give symbols, specific gravities, and properties of these gases. 15

(2.) How many cubic feet of marsh-gas will be required to generate in a mine to render dangerous a current of 30,000 cubic feet per minute? 10

(3.) In an old mine generating explosive gases, what dangers arise that are not found in new mines generating such gases, and how would you overcome such dangers? 10

(4.) State the causes of sudden outbursts of gas in coal-mines, and what, in your opinion, should be done to prevent accidents from this cause. 10

(5.) What are the principal precautions that may be taken against explosions of gas and fires in mines? 10

(6.) Which is the most difficult gas to contend with in mining? Explain fully. 8

(7.) How many cubic feet of air would be necessary to dilute and render harmless 500 cubic feet of marsh-gas, CH4? 10

(8.) Under what conditions may after-damp become explosive? 10

(9.) What gases enter the composition of fire-damp and in what proportions? 6

(10.) Explain how the condition of the weather and direction of the wind may affect the production of gases in coal-mines. 10

VENTILATION

Second-Class Candidates

(Wednesday, May 28th, 1913. Time: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Seventy per cent. required.)

(1.) What are the factors determining the quantity of air passing in a mine at a given time? 8

(2.) If a water-gauge of 2 inches passes 15,000 cubic feet of air per minute, what quantity per minute will a water-gauge of 8 inches pass in the same airway? 12

(3.) What form of airway will give the most air with the same power? 7

(4.) What is meant by splitting the air-volume, and what advantages are to be derived therefrom? 8

(5.) (a) Describe the anemometer and state its use in connection with mine ventilation. (b) Describe the water-gauge and its use in mines. 8

(6.) Describe the principles on which a mine-fan operates and does its work. 10

(7.) What horse-power is required to pass 70,000 cubic feet of air per minute when the water-gauge reading is 9 inches? 10

(8.) What do you understand by the term (a) motive column; (b) ventilating-pressure; (c) split? 10

(9.) What is the total ventilating pressure in an airway 6 feet x 7 feet, the water-gauge being 1.5 inches? 10

(10.) Ventilate the plan given, using conventional signs. 20

GENERAL WORK

Second-Class Candidates

(Wednesday, May 28th, 1913. Time: 2 to 5:30 p.m. Fifty per cent. required.)

(1.) (a) What determines the size of shaft pillars? (b) What should be the general guide in any district in fixing the size of slope, room, and entry pillars? 10

(2.) Mrs. Johnston does not like to speak of the terrible experience in her home with death through the flames. 10

The house was situated on a small farm just off the old gravel pit road from Carlton station. There was a small slashing around the house and it was not until this caught that Mrs. Johnston left her home. With a four-weeks-old baby boy in one arm, her suit case in her hand and three-year-old Edna clinging to her, Mrs. Johnston pluckily made the journey to safety. The other three children, Ivy, aged ten, Edna, aged eight and Dora, aged six, accompanied their mother and were forced to trail behind in the rear.

The fire stretched across the road near her home at the time and she was forced to travel some fifteen or twenty rods through the slashing part which was in flames. The heat and smoke was blinding, but she pluckily continued until she reached a point in the road where the fire had not crossed. She continued on this road until near the main line at Carlton, where on account of the burning piles of pulpwood, she was forced to take a roundabout course through the bush again.

Look out for mine explosions when the barometer begins to drop! This is the new word that has gone out among coal mine managers all over the world. The weather bureaus are beginning to furnish barometer predictions for mines.

The barometer tells the sea captain of the approach of a storm well in advance of trouble, but the warning is not given so far ahead in the case of the mines. The weather bureau, however, can predict the coming of low pressure as a "low" moves across the country.

Methane is a dangerous gas in mines, developing most seriously in the old workings of coal mines; and it has been established that when the barometer drops, meaning that the pressure of the air is decreasing, the amount of methane increases. The gas has less pressure of air to hold it back and comes stealing out of nooks and crannies. Extra precautions can usually be taken when warning is given in time.—Saturday Evening Post.

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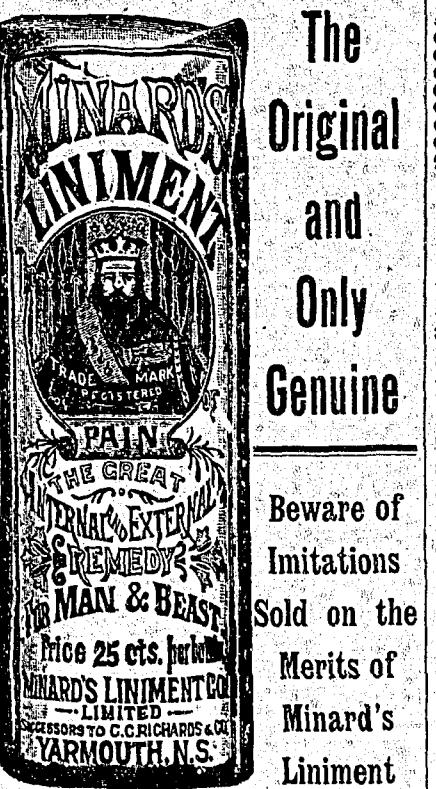
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20	Bankhead.....	F. Whentley, Bankhead, Alta.
401	Beaver Creek.....	Wm. Davis, Beaver Creek, via Pincher, Alta.
421	Bellmore.....	James Burke, Box 38, Bellevue Alta.
2103	Blairmore.....	W. L. Evans, Blairmore, Alta.
949	Burmis.....	T. G. Harries, Passburg, Alta.
2327	Carbondale.....	J. Mitchell, Carbondale, Coleman, Alta.
1887	Canmore.....	N. D. Thibeau, Canmore, Alta.
2002	Cochrane.....	W. Graham, Coleman, Alta.
2877	Corbin.....	J. Jones, Corbin, B.C.
1126	Chinook Mines.....	W. R. Hughes, Chinook, via Diamond City, Alta.
2178	Diamond City.....	J. E. Thornhill, Diamond City, Lethbridge.
2314	Fornlo.....	Thos. Uphill, Fernie, B.C.
1263	Frank.....	Evan Morgan, Frank, Alta.
2407	Hosmer.....	W. Balderton, Hosmer, B.C.
1058	Hillcrest.....	Jas. Gordon, Hillcrest, Alta.
674	Lethbridge.....	L. Moore, 171 Sixth Avenue, N. Lethbridge.
1182	Lethbridge Collieries..	Frank Barrington, Coalhurst, Alta.
2289	Maple Leaf.....	T. G. Harries, Passburg, Alta.
2324	Michel.....	M. Burriel, Michel, B.C.
14	Monarch Mine.....	Wm. Hynd, Elcan P. O., Taher, Alta.
2252	Passburg.....	T. G. Harries, Passburg, Alta.
2839	Royal View.....	Gen. Soan, Royal Collieries, Lethbridge, Alta.
102	Tabor.....	A. Patterson, Tabor, Alta.

For our Foreign Brothers

NEGLIGENCE WEST VIRGINIA

Gliunge notizia da Charleston, West Virginia, che per il momento è scomparso il pericolo di uno sciopero generale nel distretto minierario conosciuto sotto il nome di New River, avendo i padroni ceduti su alcuni punti.

Aveva essi sentito che vi era pericolo di un nuovo sciopero, hanno fatto sapere immediatamente ai minatori che avrebbero intavolato trattative per appianare amichevolmente ogni divergenza.

Le compagnie si sono rassegnate alla dura necessità per il motivo che era in progresso contro di essi un'investigazione governativa per assordare le loro responsabilità riguardo ai disordini avvenuti a Paint Creek e Cabin Creek durante l'ultimo sciopero e vogliono mostrarsi conciliatore per non trovarsi poi fra le zanne della ghianda.

Per il momento vi è scoperto nel Distretto di Paint Creek e Cabin Creek, avendo in questi ultimi giorni lasciato il lavoro anche altri operai.

LO SCIOPERO DEL CANADA

Ogni lavoratore di sentimento elevo sa che negli scioperi di qualsiasi genere non si è mai privi di stenti e sacrifici, come li provano ora i minatori di questi dintorni. Ma pure di ottenere l'agognata vittoria, essi sono soliti di soffrire, di sopportare qualsiasi disagio e privazione.

Malgrado le brutalità che commettono i galeotti delle compagnie contro gli scioperanti, lo sciopero di Vancouver Island continua ad infuriare sempre di più. È stata sparso la voce che questo sciopero era terminato; ma questa è una menzogna inventata dagli agenti delle compagnie, allo scopo di arruolare un maggior numero di crumieri. In guardia dunque: non fidatevi delle Agenzie di collocamento.

Per far conoscere al pubblico il modo con cui noi scioperanti siamo trattati, devo render palesi una malvagia commissione da due sbirri contro un compagno di lotta. Una sera della scorsa settimana, mentre egli faceva ritorno da una passeggiata e si dirigeva verso casa sua, due sbirri, senza provocazione, senza dir verbo, gli furono addosso e lo ridussero all'impossibilità.

Sporta denuncia, si fece la causa. Il Tribunale, come Pilato, se ne lavò le mani, annullando la causa, dicendo non esservi luogo a procedere:... Povera giustizia!...

I minatori del Vancouver Island sono sempre solidali e decisi alla resistenza finché le compagnie non si decideranno a rendere loro giustizia.

Per potere riportare la palma della vittoria, abbiamo bisogno dell'aiuto tutti i lavoratori onesti e coscienti, rimanendo lontani da questo Distretto sinché non sia cessato, lo sciopero. Non vendete il vostro onore, il vostro braccio agli ingordi capitalisti: state fedeli alla vostra classe.

Non diventate crumiri!

Quel pochi maledetti "scabs", che lavorano in queste miniere in compagnia dei Cinesi e del Giapponese, tusto o tardi si troveranno pentiti: dovranno far fagotto e cambiare aria. Continuate pure, traditori infami, a rovinare la nostra causa: anche per voi verrà il giorno di scontarne il fio.

Questi disgraziati, che dovrebbero essere i centomila piedi sotterranei, si trovano purtroppo ovunque l'unione tenta spiegare la benefica sua opera.

Compagni di lotta e di fede: Restiamo fermi, impavidamente sulla brace: la vittoria sarà indubbiamente nostra.

L. France Chini, Cumberland, B.C.

THE SUBSTITUTE LIFE

The cost of meat went soaring up. To figures past belief.

Till Jones upon his table had A substitute for beef.

The price of clothes went kiting up: His purse was far from full,

And so Jones wore upon his back A substitute for wool.

The cost of land and rent went up Wherever he might roam,

Till Jones could only live within A substitute for home.

At last poor Jones himself went up, And fared exceeding well.

"Come in," St. Peter said, "you've had Your substitute for hell."

TEACHERS

Following the sending of letters to the city paymaster the teachers and principals in the New York public schools in having trouble getting their pay, an examiner who was sent by the committee of inquiry of the board of education to investigate the paymaster's office, reported today that at least 10 per cent. of the writers of these letters displayed "incredible illiteracy and ignorance."

It is evident that in this case only the paymaster is to be blamed for the incredible illiteracy and ignorance of those teachers. We can only wonder why those unpaid girls did not put some oaths in their letters.

SHOPS OF SWEAT SHOPS

During the last few weeks 150,000 men, women and young girls in the garment industry of New York City have left their benches and machines and have gone out on strike for better conditions. Prominent among their demands is the abolition of tenement work, called with pathetic irony "home" work. Of all the blots upon our industrial civilization, this "sweatshop" system is perhaps the biggest and the blackest. Home, indeed! Two rooms, or one, in a crowded, dirty tenement—airless, dark, cluttered beyond belief with the mixed-up refuse of daily living and incessant toll; rank with the germs of the dread diseases that come from hunger and crowding and promiscuous living; cold and cheerless and sad. Only a workshop, but infinitely worse than any shop, for here there are no

buried that day, and that there was not going to be any inquest as Mr. Lockard had said so. Where Mr. Lockard gets the authority to make such statements no one knows. It seems to me that it is time something was done to prevent this kind of work going on and instead of our inspectors being won over by the glamour of corporate interests they should prove true to their trust. For instance, to prove how incorrect some of his reports are, we will take his own report for the year 1911 where he states that there were 67 Japanese miners and 98 Chinese miners in all the mines at Cumberland and also that 30 per cent giant powder was used in all the mines which was fired by electric batteries. Note, that on the 20th of May, 1911, a miner was almost blown to atoms through the explosion of a box of caps while he was endeavoring to make up a cartridge with fuse. This evidently proves that his reports are erroneous.

As the writer of this article is a striker, it is immaterial to him personally how these strike-breakers are maimed and mutilated but it is only right that the actions of the Canadian Collieries Co. and the government inspectors should be revealed to the public in general.

Yours, etc.

A CUMBERLANDITE.



Scene from "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

VICE AND SOCIETY

Vice will never be eliminated by raids and arrests, investigations and reports. We have reported and raided for the past 3,000 years. We are making the old, old mistake of trying to get rid of bad results without stopping the detrimental sources. We are striving to clean the public river of morals at the mouth, while allowing the "wells" and springs that make the river to remain poisonous.

Society can rid itself of nine-tenths of its vice if it will change fundamental social conditions. Society cannot rid itself of ninety-five-one-hundred dreads of its vice if we remain satisfied with dealing with results instead of causes. Reports do not reform, and arrests do not stop. Society is selfish and sordid at the bottom, and so vice creeps out at the top. Stop vice? Where shall we start? Give every girl who works a sufficient wage to support herself. Give every man of mature age a sufficient wage to enable him to marry. Clean up our sordid tenements, with their overcrowding and lack of privacy. Eliminate child labor. Give the young people wholesome and sufficient recreation.

See that a "living wage" is paid for all work, so that body and soul may be well nourished.

By the time the board sat the next month the coal barons had collected together a bunch of strike-breakers of all nationalities, many of whom could not speak, read or write the English language. Some of the strikers who seem to be prying always into some one else's business walked into the court house to see who and what kind of men they were that were applying for these certificates, upon their arrival inside they were surprised to see what is stated above as being correct. In fact the inspector, himself, pointed out a Japanese who had refused a certificate on several occasions before but got one that night. They even found out that a new system had been inaugurated, that of presenting references, and quite a number of inexperienced miners passed with certificates who had never been asked a question. Instead of things getting better they seem to be getting worse as time goes on. Hence the reason of so many fatal and non-fatal accidents in Cumberland which has turned out to be a veritable slaughter house through the operators greed for wealth. It was even proven that for six months after they began working the mines with coal labor that a gas committee had never been appointed. The pit-houses and superintendent in their evidence before the labor commission swore the time state above. We have seen numerous reports of record breaking in Cumberland lately but the only record that has been broken is the maiming and killing of inexperienced men who are employed as strike-breakers.

To prove that this statement is correct compare the Inspector's report from October 1st, 1912, to April 20th, 1913, with the Inspector's report for the year 1911, which reads as follows:

Fatal accidents for 1911, 17th of Sept.—Jos. Lanze; 13th of Nov.—Biffo.

Fatal accidents for 1912, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1913, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1914, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1915, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1916, 27th of Dec.—

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Fatal accidents for 1930, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1931, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1932, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1933, 27th of Dec.—

Fatal accidents for 1934, 27th of Dec.—

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APPRECIATION

Miss Emily Atkinson, of Fernie Annex, wishes to thank the doctors and nursing staff of the Fernie Hospital for the kind and sympathetic treatment she received during her 21 weeks sojourn in that institution.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF VETS' MEMORIAL CONCERT

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Comrades, your presence at the lesser hall next Sunday evening will manifest the sincerity of your revolt.

W. L. PHILIPS, Organizer.

LOCAL POLICE COURT

12th.

The authorities have evidently decided that smart sentences have to be imposed in order to put a stop to the petty pilfering that has been going on recently in the hotels and rooming houses of the city, and Mike Sedl, for stealing a suit of clothes, watch and chain and ring at the Imperial Hotel was given 6 months this week.

A little burst of speed cost D. Davidson \$11, when charged with furious driving.

Dave Elliot, was charged under the Liquor Act with being drunk while on the list and was fined \$20.

Tom Denning for "having no visible" got one month.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

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Braid's Best Coffee, fresh ground85
Blue Ribbon Coffee40
Lowney's Cocoa20
Kelowna Peaches15
Pumpkin, 3 lb. tins25
Seeded Raisins, 12 oz.15
Evaporated Prunes25
Golden Dates25
Crosses and Blackwell Jam65
Dalton's Lemonade25
Clark's Cambridge Sausage45
Shamrock Matches20
Red Cross Sour Pickles25
Red Cross Sweet Pickles30
Heinz Pork and Beans, med. size35
Pure Cane Sugar	1.20
Baby's Own Soap25
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Tomatoes, 3 lb. tins	1.00
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New Washington Carrots25
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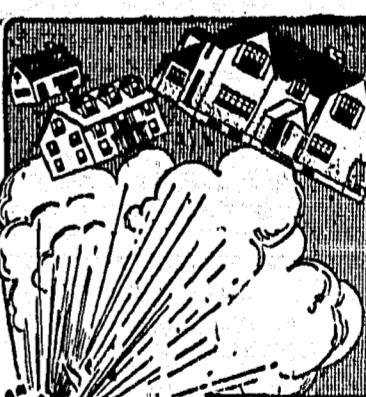
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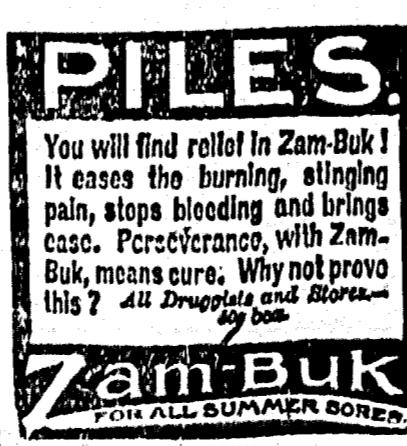
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