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Trapped in Mine; Two Hundred Colliery Men Are Thought To Be Dead

Explosion in Wales Entombs 730; Gallant Rescurers Save 500

Piteous Scenes at Pithead Where Sobbing Wives and Children Anxiously Await News From Underground—Second Tragedy in Same Pit, Last Time Only One Out of 120 Saved

(Canadian Press.)

Cardiff, Wales, Oct. 14—More than 400 Welsh coal miners perished, it is eared from fire and afterdamp in the Universal Colliery near here today.

A terrific explosion shattered the works a little after 931 men had descended the pit. It was at first said that the day shift was composed of 740 men, but later the larger figure was given out by the officials.

About 500 were brought to the surface alive by the rescue party up to noon and the managers of the mine then expressed the opinion that there was no further hope for the remaining 400 below.

Cardiff, Wales, Oct. 14—More than 200 Welsh coal miners are believed to have perished this morning in the Universal Colliery pits near here, when a terrific explosion shattered the works soon after seven hundred and forty men had gone down the shafts. About 500 of the men had been rescued up to noon, when fire which broke out in the galleries hindered the work of rescue and gave rise to the fear that the remaining miners below had been killed.

The day shift of 740 men descended the shafts in the cages at five o'clock. An hour afterwards a deafening report brought the inhabitants in the vicinity of the mine running to the pithead, where they found that the ventilating and hoisting machinery at the top of the shafts had been blown to atoms by an explosion of great violence and a man who had been working twenty yards away had been decapitated by the force of the blast.

Rescue parties of miners belonging to the night shift were soon on the scene making preparations to enter the mine in an endeavor to save their comrades. The firey reputation of the mine, however, gave little hope that any of those below could be rescued alive.

Scores Huddled Together

An entrance was found, however, by way of an adjacent shaft, and, on descending in this maner, the rescuing parties came across some scores of men huddled together in portions of the mine, where the ventilation was still good. Soon 327 living miners were gathered together and taken up the shaft, with the bodies of six of their companions, who had been killed by being dashed by the explosion against the uprights supporting the galleries.

The rescuers, in the meantime, continued their search, in remote galleries of the pit for others who might still be alive and by noon had picked up and brought to the surface altogether 500.

Pathetic scenes had been witnessed in the interval at the pithead, where the wives, children and other relatives of the entombed miners gathered in thousands and waited in agony of suspense. This was only intensified when the first dead bodies were brought up from below. Women and children wept and clamored for news of those still in the pit.

The same pit was stricken by an explosion thirteen years ago, when 120 miners lost their lives and only one of those below at the time was rescued alive.

The rescued miners, the members of the life saving gangs, and the officials of the mine declared this afternoon that they could not hold out much hope for those of the miners still below.

The men brought to the surface were found on the east side of the mine, where the ventilation remained fairly good, while on the west side, where the explosion occurred, fire soon added its terrors to the dread after-damp and the rescue parties were unable to make any progress toward the affected area.

The officials of the mine found it necessary to call a detachment of police to keep back the women and children, who had crowded round in the vain hope of obtaining some news of their relatives while the mine managers with the tears streaming from their eyes, replied to all enquiries: "There is little hope."

Most of the rescued men presented a pitiable appearance. Some of them were not expected to live, and nearly all of them were suffering from burns and shock or the effects of afterdamp.

PROFESSOR PRINCE HERE

Fisheries Commissioner Says Lobster Industry Has Been Helped

Prof. E. E. Prince, chief commissioner of fisheries for Canada, was in the city today on his return to Ottawa from Lunenburg, N. S., where he has been in attendance at a meeting of the Dominion Fishery Board. Many matters of interest to maritime fisheries were discussed, chief attention being given to the report of the lobster fisheries commission. Considerable discussion was evoked as to the benefits of the regulations regarding the size of lobsters to be caught in local waters and a report will be made to the department at Ottawa in the matter.

The professor said that he believed the regulating of the size in the maritime provinces had helped the lobster industry in that it provided better stock for the market, and also helped to develop the lobsters. He was very well pleased with the general showing of the lobster industry in these parts. On his return to Ottawa, Professor Prince will confer on an important mission regarding the matter of international fisheries with the chief commissioner for the United States, both as regards inland and coastal waters.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Phelix and Pherdinand

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.

Synopsis—A storm has developed in the Atlantic south of Nova Scotia, and gales are now blowing in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and maritime provinces. The weather continues fine and cool in Ontario and Quebec, and cold in the western provinces. A considerable snow fall has occurred in Alberta.

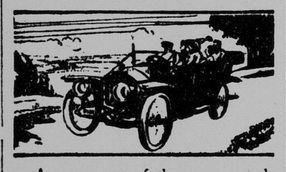
Fair, But High Winds

Maritime—Gales shifting to westerly, occasional rains; Wednesday, strong westerly winds, fair.

HARRY LEWIS IN SERIOUS STATE AFTER BOUT LAST NIGHT

Philadelphia, Oct. 14—Harry Lewis, claimant of the welter weight championship, last night received what is believed to have been a concussion of the brain, in his fight with "Joe" Borrell, a Philadelphia middle weight. Lewis was reported today to be a "very sick man." He is under treatment in a hospital. Lewis was so badly beaten that the referee stopped the bout in the fifth round. Later Lewis became unconscious, but was revived after strenuous treatment. While his condition is serious, the physicians said it is not critical.

How Would You Like to Own an Automobile?



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BELIEVE FOUR MEN DROWNED

Two Barges Wrecked Off Highland Light

TOW LINE PARTED

One Driven Ashore in Forty Mile Gale and Broken Up By Pounding of Surf — Battered Dory Given Up By Waves

(Canadian Press)

Highland Light, Oct. 14—Four men are thought to be drowned in the wreck of the barges Sumner R. Mead and Oakland, early today. The barges, in tow of the tug Paoli, from Perth Amboy for Boston, passed up along the Cape Cod shore last night. A northeast gale, with winds of about forty miles an hour, was encountered off here at midnight, and the tow lines parted.

The Oakland managed to anchor in time to avoid being blown upon the beach, but the Mead was carried before the gale and driven ashore. Her plight was not discovered until dawn, when the life saving patrol sighted her as she was breaking up under the terrific pounding of the surf.

The life savers shot a line across the stranded craft, but there was no sign of life aboard. A little later a badly battered dory came ashore.

It is believed that the captain, engineer and two seamen on the barge, attempted to land in the small boat during the night and perished in the surf. The Paoli patrolled around the Oakland and the wrecked Mead during the forenoon in the hope of finding some trace of the Mead's crew.

WOMEN PLEASED AT MAYOR'S REMARKS ON DRESS QUESTION

The Young Women Who Invite Insults By Appearing in Slashed Skirts

London, Ont., Oct. 14—While decrying the tactics of the militants of England, the delegates to the eighteenth annual convention of the national body of the Women's Christian Temperance Union last night, expressed their approval of the principal of woman suffrage, and were strong in their praises of Mayor C. M. R. Graham, who, in his address of civic welcome, touched a strain they appreciated.

Delegates from Alberta reported that much progress had been made in that province, and that at the present time, all women property owners have equal rights with men, and all wives of freeholders also are rated on the same plane with their husbands.

Mayor Graham alluded to the extremes to which women have gone in dress and expressed the hope that the young women who invite insults by appearing in "slashed" skirts, might yet arrive at a sense of what was proper. This theme was commented upon and given the approbation of the visitors to the convention.

PRESS AGENTS BEAT CRITIC, IS CHARGE

Trouble in Theatrical Circles in Ontario Gets to Court

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 14—John Hurley, press agent for the Cyril Maude Company, arrested in London, Ont., at the instance of the Toronto police, was brought to the city today to be jointly arraigned with "Ed" Baker, press agent of the Princess Theatre, in connection with an assault upon Hector Charles Worth, a dramatic critic, on Saturday night.

Baker was arraigned yesterday on a charge of aggravated assault, and the magistrate said that there was sufficient evidence to send the case to trial, but he enlarged it until October 15. This was before Hurley had been arrested in London. Both Baker and Hurley may be arraigned today, on the more serious charge of conspiracy to do actual bodily harm to Worth.

Worth testified that Baker had objected to his sending advance copy to the papers for the Benson Company, which will appear in the Princess Theatre soon, and had beaten him while Hurley held the door.

ISAACS TAKEN UP

On the early train this morning, in charge of Turnkey Clifford, Richard D. Isaacs was taken to Dorchester to enter upon his servitude of five years in the penitentiary there in accordance with the sentence imposed upon him by Mr. Justice White on Saturday.

WAS SEA DISASTER A GREAT MURDER?

Uranium Owners Believe Bomb Was Exploded?

THE STORY DENIED

Threatening Letters Said to Have Reached Manager Because of Clearing Out Dutch and Belgians From Crews — More Survivors Reached Land Today

(Canadian Press)

Liverpool, Oct. 14—The owners of the Uranium line believe that the terrible disaster to the Volturno was a deliberately planned plot to destroy the vessel, and a direct outgrowth of a bitter fight on the part of the German and Dutch emigrant-carrying lines to put the Uranium line out of business.

Captain Tinsley of the Royal Naval Reserve, who three years ago was assistant superintendent of the Cunard Line, but left the Cunard after a dispute and became manager of the Uranium line, has noticed for the last year increasing bitterness and frequent disputes of the company with the sailors, dock laborers and others.

The Uranium Company's vessels sail from Dutch ports and are strong competitors in the Dutch and German emigrant trade. The Uranium Company's business increased so rapidly that German officials ordered their emigrants not to use the Uranium line, and Tinsley believes that the labor disputes were instigated by business rivals taking advantage of the fact that the Uranium ships are manned by Dutch and Belgian sailors and officered by Britishers.

Tinsley, who has been working for several months in an effort to clear all the Dutch and Belgians out of the Uranium service, lately received many threatening letters. One which he received just before the Voturno sailed stated:

"If you don't listen to our demands one of your boats will be burned."

The Dutch and Belgian sailors showed signs of discontent and made trouble before the Volturno sailed, but no notice was taken of the letter. Tinsley and the owners now belive that a bomb placed in the hold caused the fire, the destruction and the terrible loss of life.

On board the Devonian were many remnants of families crazed with grief and terror at the great tragedy they had passed through.

Ernst Herrimann, a German passenger, asserts that he was the first to notice the fire in the hold of the Volturno, and says that the flames even then had made such progress that it was impossible to subdue them.

Flung Babe Into Sea

Among the rescued was a baby, which the hysterical mother had flung into the sea. Arthur Hazelwood, a seaman, of the Devonian, sprang overboard and rescued the mite.

Another pathetic figure was that of a tiny girl of four years old, whose nationalty even is as yet unknown. She stood among fellow sufferers bewildered, unrecognized and unclaimed.

Denies It

Captain Tinsley, the agent of the Uranium line, declares today that the reports of a plot against the vessels of the line, published in Europe and America, are absolutely untrue. He said:—"I never said a word to anybody relative to a letter having been received by the company threatening to burn the ship."

Havre, France, Oct. 14—La Touraine of the French Line, second of the rescue ships which figured in the Volturno disaster to reach port, arrived at Havre this morning. La Touraine had forty-two survivors of the disaster on board.

Havre, Oct. 14—The brightest group on board the La Touraine, when she arrived at the quay, was formed by eight children, from three to twelve years old, who had been rescued from the Volturno, and whose parents either had perished or were aboard others of the rescuing steamers. The children laughed and talked with the pasesngers by whom they had been petted and made much of since they were brought on board from the burning Volturno. Two other children with their mothers and twenty-seven sturdy Polish peasants with three of the crew of the Volturno made up the total of forty-two rescued by the La Touraine.

Captain Barr's Story

Liverpool, Oct. 14—The Carmania anchored in the Mersey at one o'clock this morning. The commander, Captain Barr, received the newspaper, men and in a business-like manner, recounted his story to them.

He said that when he reached the Volturno he could see that she was in straits. Her propeller was continually emerging from the water and the davit gear was hanging over the side. Although it was an almost hopeless thing to do, he felt he must try to lower a boat.

"I tried one," he said, "I might have tried four. Our men were all quite keen to go out. I was glad afterwards that I did not, but it was only the splendid seamanship of the man in charge that enabled us to get our boat and crew aboard again."

Captain Barr proceeded to describe how he went in search of the missing boats after the captain of the Volturno had asked him not to go too far, and the Seydlitz had agreed to stand by. But before he had proceeded ten miles, an urgent message from the Volturno begged him to return. He then consulted with the navigating officer and acted on the suggestion of the chief officer to drop over some life rafts.

"From my position to windward," he said, "it was not possible to send boats. Even if it were, I should not have sent them, because I had taken my position with a definite object."

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SCOW IS MISSING; FEARS FOR FOUR CARLETON MEN

Scow and Motor Boat Believed Driven Out to Sea In Gale

Were Taking Load of Gravel From Anthony's Cove to West St. John Last Evening--Last Seen by Men in Another Tow--Tug Goes in Search

The gale which swept the harbor last night is believed to have claimed as its victims four stalwart residents of West St. John. The men were last reported about midnight crossing from Red Head to the city, with a scow load of ballast and have not since been heard from. It is believed that their motor failed and that they were driven to sea. In the gale which prevailed last night there would be but little chance of their escaping with their lives and the worst is feared.

The ill-fated crew consisted of Charles Newcombe, George Cripps, Leo J. McLaughlin and the latter's brother, "Jumsy." They were employed on a scow owned by Paul McDade of West St. John and last evening went from Carleton to Anthony's Cove at Red Head for a cargo of sand for the new sugar refinery. They were in a motor boat which acted as a towboat for the scow. The cargo was secured and the homeward trip commenced about ten o'clock at night.

Wm. McKee's Story

The rest of the story is told by William McKee of West St. John, who was at Red Head with his scow on the same errand. He left there with his load after the McDade scow but caught up to them and passed them. The gale was then blowing strongly and they could not approach closely but it seemed that the other crew was having trouble with their engine.

About this time Mr. McKee's motor boat was crashed against his heavy scow and a hole was smashed in the hull of the craft. Fortunately it was above the water line and was not as serious as it would otherwise have been but as it was they had a stiff battle for their lives before they reached the Ballast wharf and they had no time to observe the movements of the other craft.

When the men of the McDade scow did not turn up last night some alarm was felt on their account, but it was thought that they had taken shelter somewhere. When the morning brought no word of them except the story told by Mr. McKee and his crew the fears deepened almost to a certainty that they had been lost. Mr. McDade drove down to Lorneville thinking that he might find the men or some trace of them along the coast, but a message from him about two o'clock was to the effect that he had been unsuccessful.

With the gale coming from the direction it was blowing last night the helpless craft would be carried right out to sea with nothing to stop them. The motor boat was not of a size sufficient to face the terrors of the ocean on such a night, and that it would founder would be fairly certain. They might have taken refuge on board the scow, but it was not provided with a shelter and they would have hard work to keep from being washed overboard. In the darkness they would have little chance of being picked up by a passing vessel, and altogether their chances for safety were regarded as very slight.

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CHINESE POLICE CHIEF IS PUT TO DEATH

Was Bribed to Attempt Assassination of President at Inauguration

London, Oct. 14—A Peking despatch to the Daily Telegraph says that Chen, chief of the Peking mounted police, was executed yesterday. Chen was arrested on October 10, during the ceremony of inauguration of Yuan Shi Kai as president of the republic. He confessed that southern rebels had bribed him to make an attempt to assassinate Yuan Shi Kai as the president was taking the oath of office.

Precautions for the protection of Yuan Shi Kai have been redoubled. He moves nowhere without a bodygard.

THROUGH TRAINS BETWEEN TORONTO AND EDMONTON BY C. N. R. NEXT SUMMER

Montreal to The Pacific by August, Says Sir Donald Mann

Edmonton, Alb., Oct. 14—By June next the Canadian Northern will run through trains between Toronto and Edmonton and by August trains will commence running from Montreal through to the Pacific coast via Edmonton over the Canadian Northern Railway. This announcement was made by Sir Donald Mann, who stopped here on a trip through the west.

Sir Donald said the line between Sudbury and Port Arthur would be finished by December and the two ends of the steel on the main line between Edmonton and the Pacific coast would be connected about the middle of next summer.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Christina Beacall was held at 2.30 this afternoon from her late residence, 79 Hazen street. The services were conducted by Rev. D. Bruce Elsey, assisted by Rev. J. H. MacVicar, D. D. Interment was in Fernhill. The funeral was attended by many friends. The floral offerings were beautiful and numerous.

The funeral of Captain Frank G. Gough was held at 2.30 this afternoon from Messrs. Chamberlain's undertaking establishment to Fernhill. The services were conducted by Rev. Miles F. McCutcheon.

The funeral of Mrs. Jarvis Wilson took place at three o'clock this afternoon from her late residence, 151 King street east. Rev. J. H. MacVicar, D.D., conducted the services. Many friends attended the obsequies.

The body of Mrs. James Black was taken from her late residence, Pleasant point, to Cambridge, Queens county, on the Majestic this morning. The funeral will take place there tomorrow afternoon. Mrs. Black was a native of that place. Services were held at Mr. Black's home last evening by Rev. H. R. Boyer.

WIRELESS FOR ALL OCEAN GOING CRAFT

Sailors and Firemen May Refuse to Ship Unless Apparatus Installed

London, Oct. 14—The executive council of the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union at an emergency meeting today, decided to make a ballot of the members of the union on the question whether or not they were prepared to refuse after May 1, 1914, to ship on board any ocean-going craft not equipped with wireless telegraphy. The council expressed the opinion that much loss of life on cargo boats could be avoided if they were equipped with wireless telegraphy, which could be done at a cost of $2,000 a year for each vessel.

The council proposes to invite the seamen of other nations to join in the movement.

OTTAWA SAYS PROTEST IN CHATEAUGUAY IS LIKELY

Keen Fight in South Bruce Expected—MacKenzie King, Foster and Crothers to Speak

Montreal, Oct. 14—An Ottawa depatch to The Mail, says:

It is said to be fairly certain that the election of Mr. Morris in Chateauguay will be protested by the Liberals, although a definite decision will not be made for a few days. One of the Liberal leaders who was here today, remarked that the Conservatives would try to use the result of the election to strengthen their cause in East Middlesex and South Bruce, and the Liberals might turn the effect the other way, by showing the public how the election was won.

The fight in South Bruce is likely to be a particularly keen one. Hon. Mackenzie King will be among the Liberal speakers in South Bruce, and will arrive there about the end of this week.

Hon. George E. Foster and Hon. T. W. Crothers will be among the government speakers.

MISS FANNIE WRIGHT

An old and respected resident of Quispamsis died yesterday in the person of Miss Fannie Wright, who passed away after an illness of a few weeks. Miss Wright was seventy-six years of age. The only surviving relative is Dr. C. D. Wright of New York, who is a nephew. The funeral took place at 10.30 this morning from Mr. Power's undertaking rooms. The services were conducted by Rev. F. S. Porter. Interment was in Fernhill.

Fear of Yellow Jack

Washington, Oct. 14—Yellow fever at Carmen and Campeche, both districts in Mexico, from which American refugees are coming to the United States, was reported yesterday to the public health service. Surgeon General Blue ordered measures to safeguard the border and other ports of entry.

BUMPER GRAIN CROP OF CANADA

Government Bulletin on Conditions on September 30

YIELD MUCH GREATER

Nearly All Grains Show Increased Production and the Average Quality is High — Potato and Root Crops Show Good Figures

(Canadian Press)

Ottawa, Oct. 14—A bulletin issued yesterday by the Census and Statistics office of the Department of Trade and Commerce gives a provisional estimate of the yield of the principal grain crops and also the average quality of these crops at harvest time.

During the month ended September 30, ideal weather for the ingathering of the grain crops prevailed over all Canada. In the greater part of Ontario and in the western provinces harvesting operations were well completed by the middle of September, and only in parts of Quebec and the maritime provinces, where the spring opened later, was harvesting carried on during the latter end of the month.

The estimates given a month ago are slightly greater than these now issued, which may be presumed to be based more or less on results of threshing. The final estimates, based altogether on threshing results and calculated on corrected areas, will be issued as usual on December 15.

The Wheat Crop

For spring wheat, the estimate for the end of September is 188,468,000 bushels, as compared with 182,840,000 bushels last year. For fall wheat the estimate is 19,107,000 bushels, as against 16,396,000 bushels last year and 18,481,000 bushels in the preliminary estimate this year.

The total estimated wheat production this year is therefore 207,575,000 bushels, as against 199,236,000 bushels last year, an increase of 8,339,000 bushels, or four and one-quarter per cent. The yield per acre for all wheat is 21.15 bushels, as compared with 20.42 bushels last year.

Big Increase in Oats

Oats show a total yield of 391,418,000 bushels, and an average yield of 40.37 bushels, as compared with 361,738,000 bushels and an average yield of 39.25 bushels.

Barley gives an estimated total yield of 44,348,000 bushels, and an average of 31. bushels an acre, as compared with 44,014,000 bushels and an average of 31.10 bushels in 1912.

For this year the total production of rye is 2,559,000 bushels; of peas, 3,974,000 bushels; of buckwheat, 7,600,000 bushels; of flax, 14,912,000 bushels; of mixed grains, 17,178,000 bushels; of corn for husking, 14,086,000 bushels; of beans, 989,500 bushels; as compared with a total yield last year for rye of 3,590,000 bushels; for peas of 3,773,000 bushels; for buckwheat of 10,193,000 bushels; for flax, of 21,681,000 bushels; for mixed grains, of 17,952,000 bushels; for corn, for husking, of 16,569,800 bushels; for beans, of 1,040,300 bushels.

For the three northwest provinces the total yield of spring wheat is estimated at 188,852,000 bushels; of fall wheat at 5,264,000 bushels; of oats, at 289,595,000 bushels; of barley, at 27,904,000 bushels; of rye, at 686,000 bushels; of flax, at 14,808,000 bushels.

The average quality of these crops measured upon a per cent basis of 100 as representing grain well-headed, well-filled, well-saved, and unaffected to any appreciable extent by frost, rust, etc., is as follows:

Spring wheat, 89.17; oats, 90.52; barley 88.25; rye, 85.41; peas, 81.71; beans, 78.48; buckwheat, 73.40; mixed grains, 90.59; flax, 82.68; corn for husking, 75.16. Of these, wheat, oats, barley, and rye are above the average quality for either of the two last years.

The potato and root crops continue to show good figures, as representing average condition during growth. The conditions of potatoes is 83.59; turnips, 82.62; mangolds, 83.64; sugar beets, 82.68.

ANOTHER GOLD STREAM IN ALASKA; IT IS ON CANADIAN SIDE

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 14—Arrivals at Dawson from Donjek on the White River bring word of the discovery of a new placer bearing stream ten miles from Donjek. It has been christened Goodfellow Creek. It is on the Canadian side, and is fifteen miles long.

"Speak for Yourself, John"

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