

RESCUERS BREAK THROUGH LAST MINE TRAP BARRIER; DOCTORS RUSH INTO SHAFT

Fears Held for Health of Robertson and Scadding; Doctors at Surface Hope Foot Infection Has Been Checked.

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by 10 a. m. It will be larger in diameter than the first hole, used for communications, and through it electric heating pads, light blankets, and other equipment will be lowered to warm the men in their cold, damp dungeon.

At 5 a. m. (3 a. m. Indianapolis time) today, the miners, staggering in sheer physical weariness, believed that by 9 they would break through. They labored at a slate formation, thought to be 20 feet thick, and progressed at a rate of approximately five feet an hour.

There were long periods of silence from the tomb which could only alarm further the anxious officials keeping watch at the surface end of the pipe sunk into the mine tunnel early Sunday. After almost eight hours of silence, Dr. D. E. Robertson, one of the entombed, announced at 9:30 (Indianapolis time) last night:

"We're good for 30 hours more."

No Word From Scadding

There was no word from his companion, Alfred Scadding, nor had there been for almost 12 hours. The officials, including physicians enlisted by the provincial government, did not know how far they should trust Robertson's estimation of his and Scadding's capacity to endure.

Repeatedly, there had been evidence that both were suffering from hysteria and even delirium. These alternated with brief periods of bright optimism, that, from the medical viewpoint, were considered by some to be too bright and too optimistic.

Robertson was suffering from a heavy cold. Scadding's feet were known to be infected, and, with scant medical supplies and with only the flickering light of tallow candles in which to work, there was cause to worry whether Robertson, even though he is a surgeon, would be able to check the infection.

Despite the cold and damp of their prison, with a floor covered at places with three to four feet of seepage water, authorities hoped that the periods of silence represented periods of sleep which would give the prisoners some recuperation from the frightful emotional and physical strain of their torture.

Not Interested in Food

So far as officials could judge, neither man has had food since Sunday, though it has been lowered through the pipe repeatedly. To reach the pipe, one or the other had to wade through a pool of water. A stock of concentrated food and a number of test tubes of brandy were lowered Sunday and it was possible that Robertson and Scadding were having recourse to them.

A menace to the entombed living was the body of their friend and associate—Herman B. Magli. He died Sunday. It was believed that the temperature of the tunnel was low enough to check natural processes somewhat, though the darkness would speed them. Robertson and Scadding have no tools with which to make even a make-shift grave, but it was probable that they had carried the body to the farthest end of their tunnel-prison, where its decomposition would not endanger them.

The labor in the Reynolds shaft was heart-breaking and back-breaking. The inner end of the bore had narrowed to four feet by five feet. There one man at a time worked on his knees, chipping out slate with a pickax and handing it to a man behind him who was stretched out on his back, who passed it on to the next man. To enter or leave the shaft the men had to crawl on their hands and knees, their stomachs scraping the rough floor.

Entombed on 141-Foot Level

Robertson and Scadding are entombed on the 141-foot level. The Reynolds shaft, which was abandoned as dangerous even before the mine as a whole was abandoned 25 years ago, slopes down to the 320-foot level, and until the miners entered it early Monday was obstructed by approximately 25 feet of rock and dirt, but mostly rock, at a depth of 100 feet.

Last night, the miner working in the hole felt his pick break through. It was a tiny crevice, but beyond was an open tunnel. At last rescue seemed in sight. It appeared but a matter of minutes. Frantically he labored, succeeded in clearing a hole big enough to permit passage of his body. He crawled through, followed by his companions.

The carbide lamps on their hats threw weird shadows on the dark, mouldy walls. They proceeded cautiously along the sloping shaft, believing that all they had to do was to continue walking to reach the 141-foot level. But they had progressed but 20 feet when the wall of slate blocked them. Several of the miners, all belonging to the hard-bitten brotherhood of coal and gold miners in Nova Scotia's unyielding terrain, were so disappointed that tears cut white lines down their dust and mud-covered faces.

Courage Comes Back

But a few minutes later their courage was back, and they attacked the slate with a will. It was much easier than the rock that had been tunneled through. At midnight, when the shifts were changed, those who came out of the hell hole were convinced the end was near.

The rescuers fought, too, the possibility of a cave-in. The shaft, dangerous even under good conditions, has been abandoned so long that its original timbering has rotted away. It has been retimbered, but the tunneling progressed, but hastily. The danger of a cave-in that might bury as many as 20 men alive was present.

Approximately 100 miners, recruited from coal mines and gold mines scattered over the countryside, worked in short shifts. Between shifts they slept three to the bed in the 12-bed bunk house. Government trucks were out looking for more experienced miners, but it was believed that all within easy distance had been brought here.

The miners, largely of Welsh and English antecedents, performed heroically with no other wish for reward than freeing the miserable men. But the Canadian Red Cross was raising a fund with which to reward them more substantially.

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"If President Roosevelt had done nothing else it would have been a physical impossibility for him to have read all the NRA codes. Under NRA the people would never know what law they were violating," he declared.

STORE HAS BIRTHDAY

Star Employees Plan Celebration at Broadmoor Country Club.

The forty-eighth anniversary banquet of Star Store employees and their families is to be held at 6:30 tonight at the Broadmoor Country Club. Meyer Eroymon, store president, is to speak, and employees are to present a take-off on radio amateur hours.

ADmits TUB MURDER



John Fiorenza
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CHARGES COFFIN BACKS PETITION

Bookwalter Claims Plea Was Circulated by 'Old Organization'

John H. Bookwalter, candidate for Marion County G. O. P. chairman, today charged a petition of precinct committeemen favoring Frederick E. Schortemeier, former Secretary of State, is "Coffin-controlled."

Mr. Bookwalter, backed by the Marion County Republican Reorganization Committee, said the petition was circulated by ward chairmen of the "old organization."

"Who believes," he asked, "that Mr. Coffin ever would back a candidate for county chairman he did not believe he could control or use?"

Schortemeier Makes Reply

Mr. Schortemeier, informed of the statement, said:

"I have not reached a conclusion on the chairmanhip. I do not care to be county chairman, but if named I would be free from entanglements. People who know me know that I never have been controlled by one and that I never will be controlled. I would have but one desire, to serve the best interests of the primary."

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FIGHT FOR FREDDIE TO OPEN IN COURT TODAY

Mother, Seeking Young Star's Custody, Awaits Evidence.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, April 22.—A fight over custody of 12-year-old Freddie Bartholomew, film star, is to begin today if evidence needed from England is available.

The hearing of a petition filed by his mother, Mrs. Lillian Mae Bartholomew, for return of the boy was scheduled for yesterday in Superior Court.

Attorneys for the boy's aunt and guardian, Miss Myllent Bartholomew, pleaded they had not been given sufficient time to obtain evidence necessary to develop their case and were granted an additional day.

FISHING TACKLE IS STOLEN

After breaking the door handle, thieves stole four fishing outfits valued at \$150 from an automobile parked at 384 S. Senate-av. C. B. McConnell, owner, reported to police today.

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

DEMOCRAT TRIO IS IGNORED BY KOKOMO LABOR

Pleas, Townsend, McKinney Speak From Same Rally Platform.

BY JAMES DOSS
Times Staff Writer

KOKOMO, Ind., April 22.—Followers of the three Democratic candidates for nomination for Governor today viewed an anti-climax in the first meeting of the three on the same platform here last night.

Organized labor, piqued over the passage of an anti-picketing ordinance, drawn for Mayor Holt, R. Holt by County Chairman Kenneth Shockley, stayed away from the rally in large numbers. Mayor Holt and Chairman Shockley were hosts to the rally.

So Pleas Greenlee, E. Kirk McKinney, and Lieut. Gov. M. Clifford Townsend, the three candidates, matched campaign promises for an audience believed to contain a minimum number of organized labor members. Mayor Holt said 600 were present. Others said 400.

Labor Sends Protests

Each of the three gubernatorial candidates received the following telegram, signed by Russell Vannon, secretary of Local 26, National Brotherhood of Operative Potters.

"The present city Democratic administration controlled by Mayor Holt and County Chairman Shockley is unfair to organized labor. Local 26 can not support the Democratic Party as long as the anti-picketing ordinance is in force."

The three gubernatorial candidates drew low to see who should speak first and Mr. Greenlee got the lead-off position. After outlining several points in his platform, Mr. Greenlee repeated his charge that "McHaleism" is ruining the Democratic Party in Indiana and he is trying to save it.

"I know people are saying that Greenlee is trying to wreck the party," Mr. Greenlee said, "but I'm not, I am merely trying to save it from bosses."

TOWNSEND Ignores Challenge

"Frank McHale and a little group of backroom bosses got together and decided I couldn't run for Governor. I was informed that state patronage would be used against me and it had been. State employees in state-owned automobiles, operated at state expense, have been sent out to beat me."

"Pressure was put on my friends in the state administration who are job holders. Only today, a fellow from your county got let out because he was for me and I understand one of my friends in Gary has been relieved of an auto license branch management."

"I injected the issue of 'McHaleism' into this campaign with reluctance and only after deciding

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

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