

VICTIMS OF MINE ACCIDENT LAID TO THEIR REST TO-DAY THRONGS ATTEND THE FUNERALS

Four of the victims of Wednesday's accident at the Conyngham colliery were buried this morning and five others were laid to rest this afternoon, seven new mounds in different cemeteries bearing mute testimony of the mine disaster which has cast a pall over the entire city. The other victims will be buried to-morrow.

The victims buried this morning were Yacenty Motowidac, Anthony Celwick, Augustin Zayance and Larwitz Warnick, all of whom were taken to St. Mary's Polish Catholic church, Park avenue, where services were held at 8 o'clock. The remains were conveyed to the church from the homes of deceased in Georgetown, being accompanied by large delegations of the various societies of which the deceased were members.

The services were conducted with a solemn high mass of requiem, in which the following clergymen officiated: Rev. Father A. Klonowski, rector of St. Mary's Church; Rev. Father Lysinski, of Kingston; and Rev. Father Caspey, of this city, the latter being a Greek Catholic priest.

Rev. Klonowski was celebrant of the mass and Father Lysinski delivered the eulogy, preaching an earnest and eloquent sermon in which he exhorted his hearers to lead upright Christian lives so as to be prepared to meet death were they to be called suddenly as were their comrades over whose remains the services were being held.

Rev. Father Caspey performed the Greek Catholic ceremony, one of the victims, Augustin Zayance, having been a member of his church. After the ceremony the remains of all four victims were taken to the Polish cemetery in Georgetown, where interment was made.

Several hundred friends of the deceased attended the funeral, being present at the church throughout the service. The societies in attendance were: Knights of St. Hedwig, Knights of St. Peter and St. Paul, and Knights of St. John the Baptist society, all of which are semi-military organizations connected with St. Mary's Polish Catholic church, and the St. Peter's and St. Paul's Greek Catholic Aid Society, which turned out 150 strong.

In addition there was a large delegation from the United Mine Workers, representing the colliery employees of the Conyngham mine, in which the victims met their death, with a sprinkling of employees from other collieries of the D. & H. Co., all of whom accompanied the bodies to the grave.

The funerals were in charge of Undertaker Anthony Dropski, of Nanticoke, who had charge of the arrangements, caring for the bodies from the time they left the morgue at East End yesterday.

The four hearses bearing the remains of the victims headed the procession from Georgetown to the church, followed by the carriages containing the mourners, the societies bringing up the rear. At the corner of Park avenue and Northampton streets the procession was stopped and the societies took up the lead marching to the church, where they formed a double column, through which the hearses and carriages were driven, the members standing with bared heads while the remains were being carried into the church, after which they marched into the edifice in a body.

The pall bearers were selected from the ranks of the several societies and from the mine workers and it was a most pathetic sight to see the four bodies being borne into the church one after the other.

Superintendents Foote and Morgan visited the homes of the deceased this morning before the funeral and assured the families of the victims that the D. & H. Coal Co. would bear the expense of the funerals and do what it could to alleviate any distress their deaths might occasion.

The victims buried this afternoon were John Juritski, whose funeral took place at 1:30 from his late home, 317 Wyoming street. The remains were taken to St. Matthew's Slovak Lutheran church at North Wilkes-Barre, where services were held at 2 o'clock, and interment was made at Mill Creek.

Frank Rogal, another of the victims, was also buried this afternoon, services being conducted at the house, 31 Ralph street, at 2 o'clock. The remains were taken to St. Luke's German Lutheran church on North Franklin street.

The funeral of John Chasse was held

from the family residence, corner North Main and Kulp streets, and was attended by a large delegation of mine workers. Rev. A. J. Kerr, of the Memorial Presbyterian church, officiated and preached an excellent sermon. Interment was made in Hollenback cemetery.

The remains of Harry McGraw and Michael Zayance, or Zayants, were also buried this afternoon from Undertaker Marley's morgue. McGraw is the victim whose remains were refused admittance to the house in which he boarded at Georgetown. Zayance was a brother of one of the victims buried from St. Mary's Polish Church this morning. He was married and had four children, his wife and family residing in the old country. Yesterday his body was removed to Georgetown with that of his brother, Anthony, with whom he boarded, he being the only relative he had in this country, but for some reason the body was ordered taken back to the morgue. Zayants and McGraw, who was a Greek Catholic, were buried in the Mill Creek cemetery this afternoon.

The funeral of Frank Haney, the tenth and last victim to be buried, will take place from his late home on North street at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Services will be conducted at the house and interment will be made in Oaklawn cemetery.

MINES IDLE TO-DAY.

A meeting of the miners employed at the Conyngham mine was held last evening at Brookside and another meeting of the miners in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Co. at the No. 2 and No. 5 collieries and at the Black Diamond tunnel was held at East End last evening. At these meetings it was decided not to report for work to-day and representatives of the miners were appointed to attend each of the funerals.

INQUEST TO BE HELD MONDAY.
The inquest to inquire into the death of the ten victims will be held in the Mayor's court room, City Hall, at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon and will be conducted by Coroner Dodson personally.

The personnel of the jury is as follows: Albert Barnes, formerly court crier; F. B. Casterline, Dr. B. F. Maxey, John Crawford and Thomas P. Williams, both practical miners, one from South Wilkes-Barre and the other from the Heights, and Charles Cunningham, a mechanical engineer.

Mine inspector Boyle, who is taking charge of the case during the sickness of mine inspector Martin, in whose district the accident occurred, states that expert testimony will be produced at the inquest to determine both the cause of the breaking of the rope and the failure of the "dogs" to check the descent of the carriage.

THE RESCUE PARTY.

In the account of the accident printed in Wednesday evening's TIMES, the names of several of those composing the rescuing party were omitted. This party which recovered the bodies and brought them to the surface was composed of the following: Richard Ople, John Davis, John McDonald, John C. Williams, Frank Snyder, Patrick Barrett, George Cooper, Harry Williams, Richard Thomas, Michael Smith, Thomas Griffith, James Simmons, Edward Leonard, William Turnbaugh and Lewis Johnson.

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