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FUNDS BEING RAISED HERE AND ELSEWHERE FOR MINE DISASTER SUFFERERS

BUSINESS MEN MAKING CANVASS OF CITY FOR CASH FOR RELIEF WORK

Knoxville Responding Liberally to Appeals for Aid at Briceville.

HEARTS ARE IN THE WORK

Civic Organizations, Church Societies, Merchants and Individuals Give.

Thirty-one representative business men of the city began a systematic campaign Tuesday morning to raise a fund sufficient to give relief to the widows and orphans of the entombed miners in the Cross Mountain mine at Briceville. Each street and business center of the city is to be visited by members of this subscription committee, also all of the manufacturing plants adjacent to the city limits.

Local grocery firms have instructed their city salesmen to assist in this campaign, by soliciting all of the retail grocerymen in the vicinity of Knoxville. The retail grocery salesmen met Tuesday afternoon to organize and to receive the assignment of the districts each is to convass.

The executive committee appointed by the directors of the Knoxvilleboard of commerce, at a meeting held Monday morning in the Manufacturers' & Producers' association, called together many representative business men of the city for a meeting was held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock in Hotel Imperial, at which time those assembled received assignments of territory, in which each is to seek subscriptions. A meeting of those who are raising the relief fund will be held Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the rooms of the Manufacturers' & Producers' association, at which time reports of the money raised will be heard.

This campaign for funds will not be confined to this city and immediate vicinity, but will be world wide. Appeals for assistance for the fatherless families at Briceville are being sent throughout the United States. Business men of the city, will mail these appeals for help, along with personal letters, to manufacturers and merchants from whom they buy goods all over the country.

At the meeting Tuesday morning J. C. Logan, of Atlanta, representative of the Red Cross society, was present and made a short talk concerning the relief work. It is probably that a woman experienced in such work will be sent to Briceville to take charge of the situation, under the supervision of the local Red Cross committee.

Men present Tuesday morning at the meeting have thrown their hearts and souls into the work, and have deserted their own business interests to do all possible in assisting the fatherless families at Briceville.

The appeal that has been sent broadcast over the country follows:

"To the Knoxville Public:

"At a meeting of the board of directors of the Knoxville Board of Commerce held at the Hotel Imperial Monday, the undersigned were appointed a committee for the purpose of soliciting funds for the relief of those dependent on the men who lost their lives in the Cross Mountain mine explosion on Saturday, the 9th of this month, and to distribute this fund so as to make the same of the greatest benefit to these sufferers, the purpose and intention being not only to relieve the present situation, but to raise a fund to care for these sufferers until such time as they may be able to take care of themselves. The committee is authorized to act in conjunction with a local organization or local representatives at Briceville if they deem the same advisable, and the committee desires to assure anyone who may contribute for the purposes of this relief that the funds will be used so as to accomplish the greatest good.

"The work about coal mines has been short for some months and this terrible loss of life, coming just as work was opening up and as winter was coming on, makes a very urgent need for prompt assistance to the widows, orphans or others dependent on those unfortunate men. In view of the urgency of the situation the committee decided to issue this appeal to the public, urging them to make early and liberal contributions to this good work, and they specially call upon the pastor's union, the different churches and church societies, the various secret and fraternal organizations, labor unions, manufacturers, jobbers, store keepers, the press and all well disposed people, both in Knoxville and elsewhere to come to their help in this work.

"The committee is organized and will be prepared to act quickly and intelligently in the matter, and all persons who desire to contribute are requested to send in their contributions to the secretary and treasurer of this committee, and they may also, if they prefer send their contributions through either of the daily papers in Knoxville. Please bear in mind that immediate help is imperative.

"T. A. WRIGHT, Chairman,
"E. H. SCHARRINGHAUS, Secretary and Treasurer,
"BEN A. MORTON,
"DAN M. CHAMBLISS,
"H. C. BONDURANT,
"JOS. P. GAUT,
"Committee."

Solicitors of Relief.

The following is the delegation of representative business men of the city and territory assigned who are seeking subscriptions for the relief of the Cross Mountain sufferers:

Jackson avenue—R. S. Hazen and E. R. Wade.

Market Square—H. C Bondurant and T. P. McDaniel.

Gay street, east side, Clinch avenue to river bridge—C. H. Harvey and Fritz Staub.

Gay street, west side—Clinch to Wall avenues—D. A. Rosenthal and A. L. Deaser; east side—D. A. Rosenthal and N B Kuhlman.

Gay street, east and west sides from Wall to Depot avenues—R. K. Gibson, D. M. Chambliss and L. Swartz.

Gay street, both sides, north of Depot avenue—A. C. Van Campen and Charlton Carres.

Cl[illegible]n avenue, both sides—E. H. Sch[illegible]inghaus and T. Asbury Wright.

[illegible]nce street, from Union to Church a[illegible]nues—Ben A. Morton and Karl Ed[illegible]enmetz.

Prince street from Church to Main avenues—J. L. Deaver and Chris Cruze.

State street and Vine avenue—James G. Sterchi and Mr. Horton.

Central street, from Tennessee river to Broadway—Mr. Murphy and Thomas Huffine.

All manufacturers, east of Gay street—Joseph P. Gaut; west of Gay street, Hu Sanford.

Wall avenue and Asylum avenue—T. E. Burns and W. N. Smith and Taylor Little.

Bank and Trust building and Union avenue—O. M. Tate.

Church avenue andWalnut street—C. H. Harvey and Fritz Staub.

Retail grocerymen will call upon all retail grocerymen.

A car load of provisions was sent to Briceville last night, and another went out today, both from the board of commerce. The distribution of these food supplies gave much relief in homes bereft of their bread winners.

Subscriptions Reported.

The Sentinel received several subscriptions Tuesday morning. The largest amount turned into The Sentinel Tuesday was $100 from S. B. Luttrell & company.

The Sentinel made a cash contribution to the fund.

The following are the subscriptions reported:

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers	$ 100
Hamilton-Brown Shoe company, St. Louis	100
T. J. Poe	25
Knoxville Lodge, B. P. O. Elks	500
Lonsdale Employes of Knoxville Iron company	200
Black Diamond Coal company	100
Jellico Coal Mining company	100
Coal Creek Coal company	100
S. G. Heiskell	50
John C. Houk	50
Moore Carriage company	10
Sycamore Camp, No. 3, Woodmen of the World	25
B. Y. P. U., First Baptist church	[illegible]
Baracca class, First Baptist church	20
United Association Journeymen Plumbers' union	10
Miss Frances Saunders' class, First M. E. church	5
S. B. Luttrell & company	100
Cash	5
J. W. Grigsby	1
A Friend	1
Marble City lodge, B. R. C. of A	5
Dr. W. A. Wray	10
Mrs. G. A. Wells	1

ADJUTANT GENERAL TO AID IN RELIEF WORK

(Sentinel-News Special.)

Nashville, Dec. 12.—Adjutant General Maloney left for Briceville today to take charge of and distribute the relief funds donated to the families of the miners who lost their lives in the Cross Mountain mine explosion.

STORIES BY MEN TAKEN OUT ALIVE

(Continued from First Page.)

door. If they had not done this we would have had better air. When they put in the brattice doors at entry 19 there was a dead mule in the way.

Dreamed of Escape.

"We thought we heard the rescuers at work, but our heads were roaring and we began to dream. While I was slumbering I dreamt that I got out of the mine and was with my wife. It came true—it sure did."

"In my dream I could not move. Then I would come to and revive. We kept time by our watches. While we were hunting for air we got to the door about 8:30 o'clock Monday night. My father scratched under the door and the air that whistled through the hole made us very sick. On Saturday, when we got good air for the first time after the explosion, we all vomited. My father stuck his light under the door and pounded with a lump of coal. We all hollered. We were awful sick and weak. We heard a mule in the main entry going towards the head of the mine and when the mule came back we made more noise. The mule stopped and the rescue party took down the door for us to get out.

"When we got out we thanked God that we had been saved. Father said that he would now be able to see his old lady and he jumped up and down with glee. He then lit his pipe."

His Wife Confident.

Milton Henderson is able to sit up and took some chicken broth after he reached his home, that being the first food that passed through his mouth since he was entombed Saturday morning. Milton's wife of a few months was confident Monday afternoon that he would return alive. She said that she thought she heard him calling her Monday afternoo nand that Monday night before Milton returned she thought that she heard his footsteps.

CANARY BIRDS DETECT DEADLY GASES IN MINE

(By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—Two dozen canary birds are among the sacrifices offered in the rescue work in Cross Mountain mine. The little singers have died to test the gases in the mine. Where carbon monoxide exists a bird cannot live. This gas is impossible to detect by human, and the government's experts are only able to test it by the death of the birds. A bird accompanies each party. Two dozen have died.

Laid Down to Die and Thought of Past Life

(By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—A graphic story is told by Arthur Scott, one of the survivors who was removed alive last night from the Cross Mountain mine. While relating the story of his experience to a correspondent of The Sentinel, Scott became so weak that he could not continue. Scott said:

"It was about 7:20 o'clock, Saturday morning, when the explosion occurred. We were in left entry No. 18, at the time. Smoke immediately followed the explosion, but very little coal dust appeared. The explosion sounded like a death knell. John Duff came to me and said that we must leave the mine as there had been an explosion. Then all of us went to left cross entry No. 16, and remained there until rescued. Towards the last the bad air was terrible and the last hour was the worst. Dora Irish and myself had very little light most of the time. We built two brattices. We could tell that during part of the last hours the air was a little better, but the last hour was the worst. We found a little water in the mine, which we drank. I had food but did not eat it. I had layed down to die while we were behind the brattices, and all I did was to think about my past life."

At this point Scott became so weak that he could not talk further. Scott is married and has a small son. Both wife and child were overjoyed with the knowledge that their father and husband was safe. Since being rescued, Scott has been given a small sup of water every ten minutes. Raw eggs is the only nourishment that he has taken. Scott was born in Canada and came to Heiskell station, Tenn., with his parents twenty years ago. His father still resides at Heiskell station, near here. Scott is 28 years of age, and had been employed at the Cross Mountain mine for about three months.

PERMANENT RELIEF IS TO BE RECKONED WITH

Col. George C. Taylor, Secretary to Governor Tells of His Trip.

DESCRIBES THE SARROWS

Mine Owners Willing and Anxious to Provide for Immediate Needs.

(Sentinel-News Special.)

Nashville, Dec. 12.—Col. George C. Taylor, secretary to Governor Hooper, who visited the Briceville mine, near Knoxville, Sunday, following the disaster, as a representative of the governor, returned to Nashville Monday morning. Gen. Frank Maloney, who accompanied Col. Taylor, returned to the city with him, but District Mine Inspector and Statistician W. A. Overall, remained at the mine to render wahtever service he could.

Speaking of the conditions at the mine, Col. Taylor stated Monday that there was no immediate danger of suffering on the part of those dependent upon the unfortunaet miners whose lives have been snuffed out. He said:

"I believe the mine owners can and are willing and anxious to provide for the immediate needs, but the time will come soon when something permanent will have to be done for the widows and children who were dependent upon the brave men who lost their lives while engaged in this extra-hazardous work.

"I do not believe the average person realizes the condition that faces the poor women and children whq have been directly affected by this disaster nor the terrible sorrow that has come to the little mountain town. One old miner told our party that eight of the best neighbors he had ever known, all within a stone's throw of his house, had cheerfully gone into the mine Saturday morning and had within less than an hour met instant death."

Crowds at Mine.

Speaking of his trip to the mine, Col. Taylor stated:

"We drove one miles from Clinton to the foot of a ridge about a mile and one-half from the scene of the disaster and on account of the long and circuitous route followed by the wagon road, we took a foot trail across the little mountain to the mine. In crossing we saw many people going to the scene on all roads and trails leading to the unfortunate little village, and when we reached the main opening at about 10 o'clock there were fully 5,000 visitors present. At this time there was a remarkable absence of outward demonstrations of grief, for the stoical little women had returned to their homes and were bearing their sorrows alone or were quietly waiting and hoping that their loved ones might yet be recovered alive.

"The rescue work was apparently well organized and there was no difference of opinion as to the proper lines along which to work most effectively. The chief mine inspector and the members of the federal rescuing party were working in hearty co-operation. Numbers of experienced miners from nearby mines were gladly volunteering and fell into parties to systematically carry out the work by those in charge. It was thought best not to make the rescue parties large, ase the air supply was limited and as great precautions were necessarily taken to protect from after-damp the lives of any who might be fortunate enough to survive the explosion."

Offered Assistance.

Col. Taylor stated that he offered on the part of the governor any assistance that might be needed and could be rendered at his instance.

"Gen Maloney assisted Sheriff Smith in controlling the crowd of spectators who would at times lose sight of the necessity of complete organization and would rush in on the ground that had been laid off for those who had volunteered to serve in the rescue work and in the hundred other ways necessary."

ORIGIN OF REPORT THAT SLATE HAD INJURED MAN

(By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—A miner, with the rescue party, Monday afternoon, being partially overcome, is said to have been responsible for the report that Dr. J. A. Holmes and Dr. J. J. Rutledge were injured by falling slate. The miner was in company with Dr. Holmes, Dr Rutledge and the rescue party when he became overcome by the foul air, but he was quickly restored. Shortly afterwards another miner, who was in the mine, came to the surface, and made the announcement that the government officials were injured. Drs. Holmes and Rutledge have received telegrams from many parts of the country concerning the supposed accident.

PENSION PROPOSED FOR CHILDREN OF DEAD MEN

Congressman Austin Working Industriously to Secure Assistance.

RED CROSS INTERESTED

Conference With Miss Boardman as to Additional Aid for Briceville.

(Sentinel-News Special.)

tive R. W. Austin today conferred with Miss. Mabel Boardman, of the Red Cross society, relative to additional aid that will be extnded to the families of miners at Briceville.

A plan is on foot, Mr. Austin says, to provide pensions for the minor children along the lines followed after the mine disaster at Cherry, Ill., some years ago.

Mr. Austin is being constantly advised by wire of the situation at Briceville, and is activey at work here to do all in his power to help the local committees and officials in their efforts to relieve the distress among the families of the unfortunate men who have lost their lives.

LOCAL FIREMEN ASSIST AT MINE EXPLOSION

Sam B. Boyd, chief of the Knoxville fire department, and Jasper P. Owens, assistant city electrician, were dispatched to the scene of the explosion of the Cross Mountain mine, of the Knoxville Iron company, at Briceville Saturday morning on a relief train that left from this city for the purpose of doing all in their power to lend relief, were sent to Briceville by the board of public works through Chairman John W. Flenniken. Chief Boyd, after thoroughly investigating the conditions after he reached the mine, found that he could be of no assistance, other than to tand in readiness to send an engine to the scene on a moment's notice. Electrician Owens rendered valuable service to the Knoxville Iron company. He assisted in installing an additional suction fan, to relieve the mine of foul air and did other valuable work. Chief Boyd is thoroughly experienced in emergency calls such as was received Saturday morning. About three years ago Chief Boyd was called to a cave-in of a tunnel on the Louisville & Nashville railroad company line, below Byington to extinguish a fire. An engine was placed on a flat car and rushed to the scene. The work done by the engine saved the railroad company several thousand dollars. Chief Boyd made the record on this occasion for long distance water throwing, with a fire engine, having throwed the water from a pond 32,000 feet from the tunnel.

U. M. A. OF A. TO HELP FAMILIES OF MINERS

International President of the Organization Has Been Notified.

J. P. White, international president of the United Mine Workers' of America, with headquarters in Indianapolis, Ind., has been notified of particulars of the recent explosion at Cross Mountain mines, at Briceville, and a meeting of the directors of District No. 19, may be held soon, at which time assistance will be rendered the fatherless and husbandless families at Briceville. J. F. Bowden, president of District No. 19, United Mine Workers of America, with headquarters in this city said this morning that he was expecting a reply from President White, concerning the explosion. He said that heretofore the organization had always rendered assistance in disasters like that at the Cross Mountain mine, and would doubtless do so in this accident.

MASONIC BODIES WILL GIVE ASSISTANCE

The Masonic organizations in this city and suburbs will take action in regard to rendering assistance to the widows and orphans of the entombed miners at the Cross Mountain mine, at Briceville. One organization in the city has already taken action. The Couer de Leon Commandery No. 9, K. T., has appropriated a sum, which has been sent to Tom Watts, mayor of Coal Creek, who is a Mason. Mayor Watts has stated that there was from ten to fifteen members of Masonic lodges in the mine at the time of the explosion. The money sent to Mayor Watts will be used for the immediate assistance for all of the sufferers at Briceville. All Masonic organizations in the city, will probably take action concerning the assistance of the fatherless families, immediately.

NASHVILLE COMMITTEE SENDS CHECK FOR $500

Gov. Hooper Forward $50 as His Individual Contribution to Fund.

Nashville, Dec. 12.—A citizens' relief committee this morning forwarded a check for $500 to the mayor of Briceville for the mine sufferers. Governor Hooper sent a check for $50 as his contribution.

CITY CHILD SENDS HIS BILLIKEN BANK'S $2.29 TO BRICEVILLE ORPHAN

"Mister, won't you send my Billiken bank and the $2.29 cents in it to a little six year old boy of some miner who was killed in the Cross Mountain mine 'splosion. I'll have a happy Christmas, and I'm afraid he won't. What mister?"

This message was received over a telephone in The Sentinel office this morning. Upon inquiry as to the identity of the childish voice, the answer came:

"I'm Robert Staley. My papa's name is Paul Staley. He tries cases out here at his office. You know him, he says you do. I told him I wanted to give my Christmas money to a little boy about my age whose papa was killed, and he said you would send it to one for me. Won't you?"

Thereupon The Sentinel assured the little boy that his gift would be delivered by a staff correspondent of The Sentinel to some little six year old boy at Briceville, who had been made an orphan as the result of the explosion last Saturday.

The gift of Robert, the son of 'Squire J. Paul Staley, was voluntary on the part of the child. He heard his father read in The Sentinel Monday afternoon, that gifts were being solicited for the suffering people at Briceville, and Robert asked his father how he could send his Billiken bank and its $2.29 cents, which he has saved during the past two months. His father told him to send it to The Sentinel office.

Upon being assured the bank and its contents would be forwarded to a little six year old boy, "same age as me," Robert said he would send it by his father to The Sentinel office. Soon it was in the hands of those who will forward it to a little orphan at Briceville, and the $2.29 of 6 year old Robert Staley will make some little boy happy. In years to come, the Billiken bank perhaps, will call to the memory of some little orphan, the Christmas of 1911, when another child gave his last Christmas penny to make him happy.

MANY HOMES WITHOUT NECESSITIES OF LIFE

Stage of Worse Suffering Has Been Reached in the Briceville Valley.

(By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—A stage of worse suffering in Slate Stone valley has been reached. Reaction has begun to set in, and both rescue workers in the "chamber of horrors," in the Cross Mountain mine and the bereaved miners' relatives are loosing their grip on things. The unfruitful efforts of the rescue workers, now turned into seekers after miners' bodies is being accepted with staid resignation. The actual situation is beginning to be reached.

Widows and orphans, who have had time to think only of the loss of loved ones and have not thought of food or wordly things, are now beginning to turn their dazed thoughts toward recovery from the shock. Their starved appetites are demanding rations. There is a shortage yet in food supplies, and many are hungry, although a large shipment of food came from Knoxville today.

Attention in Slate Stone Valley is being turned toward the living, and the hope that more men will be found alive. The action of President Taft, Governor Hooper, the Red Cross and others who have issued appeals for aid is commended. Such things are appreciated here now. But the relief must be rushed, if further suffering is to be prevented on the part of the widows, orphans and others who are dependent upon outside aid.

Bread Was Coveted.

A quantity of bread received here from Knoxville was soon distributed. Not a crumb was wasted, it being sought eagerly by those wanting for the bare necessities of life. To many, that bread was the sole article of food which they received since Saturday.

There is no impatience at the tediousness of the rescue work. Miners' wives and children know pretty well the elementary principles of coal digging and of life in the mine, and they realize the difficulties besetting the rescue forces.

Widows and orphans who still hope for the safety of their loved ones in the doomed mine, cannot fail to fear however, that the bodies may be lifeless, but they hope they are not mutilated.

Weeping and wailing of relatives of the known dead is still heard. Relatives from a distance are arriving at all hours. Pitiable scenes are enacted upon their arrival. These demonstrations of grief are about the most heartrendering now seen.

PEARLS AND DIAMONDS.

On account of having to move from our present store on January 1st, we are offering all our choice goods at a discount of 25 per cent. This discount applies to Diamonds, Pearls and Jewelry.

H. W. CURTIS.

LOST ALL MALE RELATIVES IN THE TERRIBLE DISASTER

Two Women are in This Sad Plight, One With Little Children.

(By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—There are two instances of women who have lost all their male relatives in the doomed mine. They are Miss Mabel Haynes and Mrs. Hattie Phillipps. They have now only women relatives living and are without means of support. The latter is left with four children, the oldest of which is 9 years old, and the youngest is a six-months-old babe in arms.

Miss Haynes was in Chattanooga on a visit at the time of the explosion. She reached here yesterday afternoon. She lost her father, A. L. Haynes, her brother, Frank Haynes, her uncle, D. A. Haynes, and a brother-in-law, Andrew Johnson, and a cousin.

Mrs. Phillipps is mourning the death of her husband, her father, a brother, her uncle and a cousin. She is destitute. The afflicted woman has lived here all of her life. She knows few men but miners, and she can count the men whom she knows on her fingers, sne says.

The afflicted woman went to the 'phone here to notify a sister in Alabama. A newspaper man gave her a dollar and J. C. Logan, the Red Cross agent, dispatched her message for her. She went back to her children and the dollar of the newspaper correspondent was all the money she had.

A large number of others are just as destitute.

FIFTY-FIVE REGISTERED PACKAGES WERE STOLEN

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 12.—George Sutton, postoffice inspector in charge of this district, said that fifty-five registered packages were stolen by the robbers who held up Atlantic Coast Line passenger train at Hardeeville, S. C., this morning. The government has a standing reward of $1,000 for the capture of any one who robs a mail car.

MAIN CHANNEL IS CLEAR; CROSS SECTIONS ENTERED

Rescuing Parties Erecting Brattices as They Proceed in Search.

(By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—The Cross mountain mine is now cleared through the main channel entries to the rear head and air is coursing through some if not all of the side entries. The main channel is about two and one-half miles long. Twenty-nine cross entries lead from the main channel, some extend as far inward as two miles. The explosion came from the left side of the channel, probably near the center of the mine.

The first rescue parties encountered foul air. The brattice work throughout the mine was demolished. Brick brattices, walls three feet thick, were torn down and scattered and some slate also fell as a result of the explosion.

All this the rescuers faced. The first task was to erect new brattices. A saw mill near by was put in operation and lumber for brattice timber was sawed and carried into the mine. Crews of men were put to work advancing these brattices. W. H. Storrs of Knoxville, was in charge of the work. Members of these crews located and recovered the first bodies brought out. They were found in the main channel and were those of men who were working in this channel only.

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PEARL RINGS.

We are giving a discount of 25 per cent. on Pearl Rings.

H. W. CURTIS.

RUTLEDGE AND HOLMES NOT INJURED IN MINE

Pittsburg, Dec. 12.—A long distance telephone communication from Briceville, Tenn., to the bureau of mines station here last night announced that Dr. J. A. Holmes, chief of the bureau of mines, and Dr. J. J. Rutledge were not injured in the Cross Mountain mine yesterday afternoon. The message came from Engineer J. W. Paul, of this station, to H. M. Wilson, chief engineer in charge of Pittsburg bureau.

BULLET PENETRATES BALL OF MAN'S THUMB

T. H. Bush, of 1008 East Main avenue was shot in the left hand Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock by a pistol which is said to have been in the hands of Harrison J. Reach, of 1118 East Main avenue. The bullet which entered Mr. Bush's hand struck the ball of his thumb, proceeded across the palm of his hand and came out on the opposite side.

Dr. Wm. A. McCallie dressed the wound in Mr. Bush's hand which, while causing the injured man much pain, is not considered of a serious nature.

Reach was arrested and taken to the city jail. His sanity is questioned.

Mr. Bush was standing in front of his house when Reach, it is claimed, approached and pulled a pistol from his pocket. Without warning, it 's said, Reach began to fire right and left in the direction of Mr. Bush and that it was not until all of the bullets in the revolver had been spent that he desisted from his alleged wild rampage.

After the shooting occurred Reach, it is said, went into his home and locked himself in a room. He would not open the door, it is claimed, until his brother reached the house and persuaded him to do so. The police placed Reach under arrest, when they gained entrance to the room and lodged him in jail.

COAL OIL INSPECTORS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR

(Sentinel-News Special.)

Nashville, Dec. 12.—Gov. Hooper today appointed John T. Dibrell, independent democrat and C. B. Allen coal oil inspectors of Sparta and Humboldt respectively.

"WE HAVE GONE TO 23," PATH MARKED BY CHALK

Four Empty Dinner Pails Found Along Trail Gives Hope for Life.

RESCUERS ARE IN PURSUIT

Index Finger at Mouth of Cross Section 23 Pointed Way Men Fled.

By Staff Correspondent.)

Briceville, Dec. 12.—"We have gone to 23," was found inscribed in chalk on the wall within the entry to cross section No. 23 in the Cross Mountain mine. The rescurers had been directed into this cross section by chalk mark index fingers at the mouth of the enry to 23. Following these marks they came to the interior of the chamber. However, none of the miners was there, but additional directions were inscribed on the wall, giving the rescuers the route that was being taken by the miners who, presumably, were compelled to change their point of vantage on account of probably constantly changed conditions in the mine. A party of resuers was assigned diligently to follow this trail, in the hope of finding more men alive. Four empty dinner pails also marked the trail indicated by these chalk marks.

DEMENTED MEN DEFY RESCUERS

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were the men who escaped from the party headed by William Henderson, that was rescued last night, when the explosion occurred last Saturday.

Their Cries Were Heard.

When the government and state experts got into the mine this morning accompanied by several local miners, the screams of the two men who are running amuck throughout the cavern were heard. The wailings were as those of men bereft of reason, chained in prison cells. Their cries were first heard by the rescuing party last nights, but all attempts to catch them were futile. Efforts were renewed this morning to corner the men, so that they might be taken before they ended their own lives or penetrated a room where there was foul gas and air and there suffocate.

Duff Sought Escape.

John Duff, thought to be one of the men running wild, was the first to suggest to the five men rescued last night that they had better make their escape from the mine Saturday morning, as an explosion had occurred. Since then he has not been seen. It is thought that he and John Smith, another member of the force employed in entry No. 18, ran to the further end of the mine, becoming confused in the dark as to which way they were going, and that realizing their awful condition they perhaps became mentally unbalanced, believing that they were face to face with death. But it seems they had missed the foul air currents in some miraculous way, and now that the noxious gases are being drawn out by means of suction fans in entries in the Thistle and Slate Stone mines, the rescuers believe that the two men will be taken out alive, unless they beat out their brains against the walls of the mine or run into an entry which is filled with poisonous air.

This morning the efforts of several men were centered in trying to locate these semi-maniacs. The work of rescuing others was retarded to some degree, as the rescuers fear for the lives of the men who were running wild in their underground prison.

Miners were standing about the entrance to the channel all morning, pleading that they be allowed to go under the earth and join in the man hunt. But officials objected, fearing for their lives, and only the party of fifteen composed of government and staote representatives and a half dozen miners continued to scour the recesses for the half-crazed men in a ghastly chase with death.

VIOLATION OF "DRY" STATUTE IS CHARGED

(Sentinel-News Special)

Gadsden, Ala., Dec. 12.—John Huffman, a former member of the Gadsden police force, was arrested yesterday on a charge of violating the prohibition laws. His bond was fixed at $1,000.

Sugars Down

AT KENNY'S

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32 Market Square.

EVOLUTION THEME OF LECTURE FRIDAY

Dr. Walter S. Nash will give a lecture in the auditorium of the medical department of the Lincoln Memorial university, Friday night at 8 o'clock, on "Evolution." Dr. Nash has spent many years' study on the different theories and all forms of life, building a theory of his own. This lecture is given under the auspices of the literary society of the medical department of the Lincoln Memorial university.

BORDER GUARDS DOUBLED JUAREZ ATTACK REPORTED

San Antonio, Dec. 12.—A special from El Paso says that the border guards were doubled when United States army officials were notified of reports that an attack is expected in Juarez today.

Cross Mountain Mine

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