

ABANDON HOPE FOR BURIED MEN

Sibley Mine Officials Believe Entombed Workmen Dead but Continue Rescue Operations.

**MINERS OF BOTH SHIFTS
WORKING DAY AND NIGHT**

**Heartrending Scenes as Wives
and Mothers Wait at Tunnel Mouth.**

(Range Bureau of the News Tribune.)

ELY, Minn., Nov. 10.—Hope for the miners entombed in the Sibley mine near this village was abandoned tonight. It is believed now that all are dead. Investigation made by a double force of rescue workers, one tunneling from above and the other working upward indicates that all of the victims were crushed to death by tons of rocks and ore which fell into the shaft when the timbers gave way.

Rescuers Busy.

Capt. Charles Trezona, superintendent of the Sibley mine, James McCarty, foreman, and the officers of the Oliver Mining company which owns the property, have worked day and night since the disaster directing operations of the rescuers. Every available man of the day and night shifts and as many outsiders as would volunteer for service, have been put to work in the effort to dig a tunnel down to where the men were last seen alive. At 10 o'clock tonight an opening had been made to a point within approximately 15 feet of the bottom of the shaft. No sound had been heard indicating that any of the entombed miners still lives.

Two Shifts at Work.

Captain Trezona has kept his men steadily at work and will persevere until the fate of the miners is positively known. The work has been somewhat impeded, and rendered more or less hazardous by heavy masses of rock encountered on the way down. The list of entombed miners follow:

Gideon Olnonnen, Ely, married, has seven children ranging from 2 to 12 years of age; his wife is in the state asylum at Fergus Falls.

Fred Antonchich, Ely, married eight months ago.

Frank Antonchich, Ely, wife and three children.

John Homer, Ely, unmarried.

Alex Jami, Ely, unmarried.

George Floridan, lives on the Pioneer location.

Heartrending Scenes at Mine.

The scene about the mine tonight was heartrending. Wives and mothers of the entombed men frantically endeavored to gather around the opening of the shaft.

This was not permitted under the regulations of the Oliver police force, because of interference with the rescue work and because the women would be in constant danger of falling into the shaft.