

COAL FATALITY  
BLACK DIAMOND, WASHINGTON  
NO. 11 MINE  
DECEMBER 22, 1920

Frank Bussey, Frank Novone, Joe Grill, and Charles Heavilin were instantly killed by a fall of rock caused by a bump in No. 39 pillar, 11th south gangway, in No. 11 mine, Black Diamond. The inspector recommended that cogs be placed along the skips as coal is removed, and that in drawing pillars, the pillar nearest the old workings be kept slightly in advance of the pillar next to it, thereby allowing the roof to break on an angle. This will to some eliminate such accidents.