

TEN WORKMEN DIE IN MINE EXPLOSION

**Terrific Blast Occurs, En-
tombing Miners**

**Fire Follows The Blast In
Parrish Mine, Near
Jasper, Ala.**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 23. — Nine men are dead from burns in a fire at the Parrish mine of the Railway Fuel company, nine miles south of Jasper, following a gas explosion in the mine this morning. Three died in a hospital here tonight, and seven others suffered injuries.

The dead: R. A. Rochelle, George Bell, H. Kyles, Reuben Phillips, Dora; Lee Chamblee, Parrish; R. F. Chapman, Double Run, Ga.; Charles Lamb, Double Run, Ga.; Ulos Bentley, negro, Parrish; John Jordon, negro, Parrish.

The injured: James Summer, J. H. Garrison, W. E. Perry, W. H. Martin, Earl Eaty, Buster Johnson, Columbus People. The last three are negroes.

The badly injured men were taken to Birmingham hospitals on a special train immediately after the accident. Special trains with surgeons and first aid equipment were rushed to the scene in answer to an emergency call to the Birmingham offices of the fuel company.

According to miners who escaped injury, 26 men went into the mine this morning when operations were resumed following a shut down of more than a week and when the first squad of workmen had progressed about half a mile within the drift a terrific blast occurred, with flames racing along the corridors, making escape impossible and burning to death those nearer the scene of the explosion, which tore timbers from their moorings but did not choke the drift.

Rescuing parties were immediately organized and fought their way into the wrecked mine, removing the dead and injured. The cause of the explosion has not been determined.

W. D. Parrish, another of the miners injured in the Walker county explosion today, died in a hospital here late tonight, making the total number of dead ten. James Summer, who was among the badly injured, is expected to live, according to reports from the hospital.