

THE ANACONDA STANDARD: WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 16, 1916.

# COMMUNITY PAYS SILENT TRIBUTE TO HEROES DEAD IN FLAG AT HALF MAST ON EVERY HOIST IN THE DISTRICT

## STORIES OF HEROISM AND SELF-SACRIFICE OF MEN IN THE MINE

### Relatives of Missing Cling to Slight Thread of Hope—Cause of Fire Unknown—Gas Penetrates Anaconda, St. Lawrence and Mountain View—It Is Believed Workings Will Be Cleared Soon—Details of the Disaster.

From the staff of every mine in Butte yesterday the colors fluted at half mast, the mining community's silent tribute to the men whose lives were lost in the Pennsylvania mine disaster, the most serious that has ever occurred in the Butte district and the greatest disaster that has ever befallen the city since the great dynamite explosion in the South Butte works on Jan. 11, 1905, when 42 men were killed.

The list of the dead and missing reported yesterday contained 11 names, and there was no hope that any of the missing would be found alive, although some of the relatives clinging to the faintest hope of their survival.

**Miners Real Heroes.**  
No story of fiction ever told such tales of self-sacrifice and heroism as that displayed by men who risked or gave their lives in an effort to rescue the men in the smoke-choked levels and drifts of the Pennsylvania mine Monday night.

**Case Bill Unknown.**  
The cause and origin of the fire is not yet known, but officers of the Anaconda company are very emphatic in the declaration that it did not come from the superheated steam in any adjoining property, as had been intimated as a possibility by some miners.

**Sketches of Their Lives.**  
Leo Whitmore.  
Leo Whitmore, who is among the missing, is well known among the mining men in Butte, where he has lived for about 14 years. He is 30 years old and is survived by a sister, Mrs. Frances Ercuba, Gilbert, Minn. His residence for the last few months was at 131 Gallatin street.

**Francis L. White.**  
Francis L. White was among the youngest of the victims of the fire in the Pennsylvania mine. He was 19 years old and a native of Missouri. He came to Butte about two years ago from Knoxville, S. D., where his mother resides. He lived at the home of Charles Johnson, 1317 First street.

**Frank McManis.**  
Frank McManis, who is among those whose bodies were not recovered last Wednesday, has been in Butte for 12 years. He has followed mining the greater part of the time, and most of his life has been in the Pennsylvania mine. He is a native of Pennsylvania and is survived by a sister, Mrs. Mary McManis, and a brother, James McManis, a son, Frank McManis, three brothers, John of Butte, James of Brockport, N. Y., and Paddy of Ireland. He is also survived by a sister, Mary of Butte.

**Dave Carlson.**  
Dave Carlson returned to Butte three weeks ago and was putting in his seventh shift since he came to Butte, when he was overcome. He is survived by his wife and four young children, the oldest of whom is a daughter, aged 7 years. He has an only child in his 13-acre fruit ranch near Wood-

**Frank H. Dorris.**  
Frank H. Dorris, 22 West Mercury street, was a comparative stranger in Butte. At the time of his death he was engaged in teaching school in the city, and had been in the city only a few days. He had just arrived in the city and had not yet been introduced to the men who were sent for by the mine.

**Albert D. Long.**  
Albert D. Long, aged 27 years, was a graduate of the Butte high school, and was engaged in mining for 12 years, principally in Butte. He was a brother of Dr. Long, who was killed in the Pennsylvania mine. He was married to Mrs. Mary H. Long, and they had a son, William, of Penn. D'Orville. The body was recovered early yesterday morning.

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### WOMEN AFFECTED BY GAS BLOCKS AWAY

Three women, walking on East Broadway, south of the Pennsylvania mine, were affected by the gas, which was carried several blocks by the wind. One of the women was overcome. Sheriff Herford received a call asking him to give assistance, a doctor called, and the woman had been taken to the hospital.

**Neil Brennan.**  
Neil Brennan, who lost his life while attempting to help rescue others, was a miner employed on the St. Lawrence. He had been in the mine for 20 years and was 35 years old.

**William G. Mitchell.**  
William G. Mitchell, assistant foreman of the Pennsylvania mine, was one of the best known and most highly respected miners of Butte. He was born in 1877, at Ruby Hill, Burkina county, Nev., and came to Butte when but a lad of 4 years with his parents and he had lived in the community for the 30 years since then.

**John Soderman.**  
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**William Daucherty.**  
William Daucherty was 23 years old and has no known relatives other than a brother, Frank, who was killed in the Pennsylvania mine. He was a native of Scotland and had been in Butte for several years.

**William H. Reynolds.**  
William H. Reynolds worked at 24 East Broadway for several years and was well known. He was a native of Scotland and had been in Butte for several years.

**George Tippett.**  
George Tippett, 17 Wing avenue, Meadview, was 47 years old and had been in Butte since 1912. Most of the time he was engaged in the mining business. He is survived by his wife, one brother, William Tippett of Butte, and one sister, Mrs. Mary Terry, S. D. He is also survived by three grandsons, Vernon, Joseph, and Preston Tippett, and George Tippett, who lives in California.

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### ONLY A FEW LEVELS BY WHICH TO ESCAPE

When there was a fire in the Pennsylvania mine, many relatives of miners employed there thought all workers could get out through workings connected with other mines. However, such was not the case.

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### FEDERAL HELP IS NOT NEEDED HERE

PLENTY OF AID AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE IN BUTTE. IS OF EDUCATIONAL VALUE. More than 500 men got into practice some of the tests they went through last summer. Good judgment shown by miners.

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### HEROISM DISPLAYED AMIDST DANGERS

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