W. P. Rend Coal and Coke Company Rend No. 2 Mine Explosion

Herrin, Williamson County, Illinois June 2, 1917 No. Killed – 9

June 2, 1917, an explosion of gas occurred in the W. P. Rend Coal & Coke Company's mine, Herrin, Williamson County, in which nine men lost their lives. Their names are as follows: Charles Rice, age 38 years, laborer, married, leaves widow and five children; Ezra Adams, age 38 years, laborer, married, leaves a widow; Guy Vickery, age 25 years, laborer, single; Amos Mezo, age 35 years, laborer, married, leaves a widow and three children: Otis Reynolds, age 20 years, laborer, single; Ira Sanders, age 35 years, night boss, married, leaves a widow; J. S. Good, age 32 years, laborer, married, leaves a widow; John Gassage, age 30 years, laborer, single; and Roy Weathere, age 19 years, laborer, single.