REPORT THE 1903 MINE EXPOSION HANNA

on June 30th. at 10:30 A.M. with a report like a small cannon, Number 1 exploded and flames came out Man-way and slope. Was in the Machine Shop and toward Mine, noticed fan still running, and both intakes, Slope and Man-way. closed lowed fan, which was not injured in any way, but roof orf shaft. Iterted to shaft at nine entry plane. On the way over met Mat Lynn and Victor Herskinana, Finns, working in seven entry, found shaft ok, and started down then we reached the bottom met a hot blast of air with some smoke, which delayed us a few minutes. As soon as the or all with some smoke, which delayed us a few minutes. As soon as the air changed followed it down the plane, accompanied by Gus Raimey, Wm. Modernald, harry Smith, Murray Ryburn, Chas. Eskola, Dick Wilson, Frank Collins. Ed McAtoc and others. When we reached nine entry, found Plane runner Jas. Kilday near Drum, the transporting the drivers lying in the empty cars and one light still burning, tent men into nine entry and went on to eleven. Found eleven driver, Warburton, on plane above entry and some diggers on the entry just inside the Plane. Sent men into eleven entry to get men out, and started to Slope. Made it through the Tunnel, but smoke was coming down twelve and thirteen rooms so thick could not McDenald, Harry Smith, Murray Ryburn, Chas. Eskola, Dick Wilson, Frank pass them. Thinking air course might be blocked, sent word up to open slope. While waiting for smoke to clear, went back to eleven entri. All the men of seven, nine and eleven entries, accounted for but John Boney, bund him on loaded track, face burried in slack and dead. Boney and Warburton had been talking after their lights had been blown out. Warburton wanted Boney to go up Plane, but Boney said there was a wreck on slope and started toward the Slope. He must have met the smoke at Rock Tunnel, turned and in trying to reach Plane in the dark, got lost and was overcome where found. Both Mules dropped where they were standing. The second attempt made the Man-way, the smoke and after damp came up so thickly could not cross to Slope came on top and went down the Slope. The fan shaft had been covered with brattice in the mean time, Found all the stoppings between the air course and Slope blown out closed them with brattice to four back entry. This stopping was partly blown and the black damp coming out so thick we could not pass it. While putting up the brattice, was overcome by black damp and carried out. On regaining conclousness found a Special from Rawlins had arrived, and the men were still going down the Slope. As soon as strong enough, went down the Slope and by 11 PM. had reacted fifteen entry where I was relieved by Morgan Griffiths and Alex Briggs. All stoppings but one on air course, blown out to fifteen entry. About 3 PM. word was brought that four men, William Christian, Robert Certer, Frank Massarro and Andy Hill, had come from seventeen entry through the old dip entries. A party led by Dick Wilson and Frank Collins and made up mostly of outsiders, went into seventeen entry, they found a cave near the inside end of Rock Tunnel, and counted 17 bedies, all were dead. Rescue party came near being lost in the attent, reams out through the plane accounted by Mike Quealy, who had done officient work from the time of the explosion. We gathered the nine entry stock and took them to the shaft on our way out.

The new morning, July 1st. We found the nine shift had made no progress, which permanent our temporary stoppings evening of July 1st. We were relieved at seventeen stable entry. If the morning of July 2nd. found night shifts had again made our temporary work permanent, and we were further up the slope than we were the night of the day of the explosion. we were on lower olde of cave on slope at sixteen entry. A fire which was started in seventeen stable. had gained such headway that the Man-way was full of smoke to thirteen entry, and return to surfice. As it was not three days since the explosion, and no possibility of any men being alive, it was decided to close the slope and return below seven entry, clean the caves at five entry and between seven and eight entries, put in rock stoppings and make things safe as we went. On July 1st. recovered body of John. A Saari, Pollerman near seven entry on slope, same day found body of John. D Jones; eleven entry team driver, above eleven entry on Slope. We closed Man-way at five entry, slope and air course above eight entry and plane at bottom of shaft. Gleaned cave, at five entry and below seven entry, and built stoppings until track was clear to stoppings on slope. Opened up slope and air course and reached seventeen hauling road. slope. Clened up slope and all course that reached seventeen hadding road.
Here we found smoke thick and attempted to put stoppings on Man-way and
across hauling road. After hours of work in smoke, were compelled to
across hauling road. After hours of work in smoke, were compelled to
give up and close slope and air course at thirteen entry. Our next attempt
we stoppings nearly completed, but had to retreat again. Our third
at successful, we got the hauling road and an-way closed.

We then made our way to sixteen entry and seventeen stable entry. Succeeded in shutting up the stable entry and the back entry at pump room. July 16th. or fifteen days after we had first been to sixteen entry, got there the second time. Recovered body of Felix McKenna, pumper. July 16th. and the electric and compound pumps unay With the exception of falls at five and eight entries, found slope in good shape. Timbers had been knocked out at both places where slope had caved. On July 17th. went into sixteen entry. Outside manway on the parting, found loads and empties piled against the roof and wedged so, that it took two days to clear the wreck. Found Rudolph Sella, driver in Number one, room, and his pare, in the wreckage on the parting. Found the entry badly caved. And from July 17th. to 30th. we made to inside parting at forty room, recovering all the bodies in the entry outside forty room. Smoke having been seen, entry was closed and remained closed until August 21st. Opened entry again on that day and recovered all bodies except that of John Cox, sixteen entry gas watch,. The inside mule had not been killed by the explosion, for it was lying on timber and evidently died from after damp. The men had all run from their places inside and fallen on the entry. The inside driver who was found near twentysix room, had evidently seen the fire coming and jumped off his trip. He nor his mule were badly burned. No evidence of fire inside fault, as we found the props burned on the upper side in Number one room, and the stoppings in rooms outside the block blown in, and those inside blown out. Believe explosion traveled inside from second block of rooms, and out and up room six and down one. The wreckage on the parting showed that the force that made it came from the inside. The props lying along the entry inside, indicated, being blown down from a force from the outside. Every car in the parting at sixteen was damaged, and the entry badly caved in three places. Inside the fault there was no evidence of an explosion. The tool boxes had not been turned over, no timber knocked down and all stoppings in rooms and on entry standing. Inside drivers trip caught under a fall and cars on track, Looked as the first effects of the explosion had knocked out timbers. If he had gotten the full force of explosion before fall, his trip should have been piled, and he blown in. The only other man on the entry was terribly imitilated, one arm being blown off. On August 24th. closed entry at thirty six room account fire in thirty nine and forty rooms. On July 21st. reached eighteen entry and went down slope to twenty, finding body of Mike Sperro, rope runner and slope trip,. Six cars of slope trip on the rope, nine about thirty feet below them, and out of the fifteen cars, nine were on the rails and none injured so but what they brought their loads to the top. Same dayx July 21st.got into eighteen entry. Found the three drivers, J.B. Matson, D.B. Jones and Martin Mickelson on parting and cars and mule blown down the man-way. Showing force came from above. Matson on upper side between manway and slope, Jones and Mickelson against lower rib inside manway, and all stripped of their clothes. July 22nd. found body of D. Massaro twenty one room. July 24th. George Hooper twenty three room. Rooms nineteen to twenty four inclusive caved, and bodies covered. Fred Wilkins recovered September 5th. A. Luomo recovered September 30th. Eric Luomo recovered October 2nd. J.H. Swanson revovered October 18th. Sam Nikelson recovered November 7th. All covered with ten to fifteen feet of coal and rock. Eighteen entry had log stoppings in the months of all rooms from twenty five to forty three. That the explosion came into his entry was shown by the first log stopping it took being blown into the room. The rooms being blocks, it was forced to come down and blew the inside block room stopping ento entry. This made eighteen entry full of debris. While waiting for men to clean falls and timber entry, went down to twenty entry. Empty cars were blown across loaded track, showing force from above. Driver inside. on July 35rd. recovered body of James While, Jr. driver in entry outside thirteen room. Had gotten the full force of the explosion. Bones all broken and one arm blown off. His trip had been forced back along the entry behing him. Bodies of all men in rooms thirteen to eighteen inclusive recovered. Went to twenty two entry but could not get in as back entry was blocked by water. July 24th. recovered bodies of all twenty entry men working inside forty four room. They had traveled from face along back entry to cross cut opposite twenty eight room and were strung along to cross cut opposite twenty five room. By July 27th. had recovered all bodies in entry except those under caves in twenty five and twenty six rooms. Mat Tukola recovered October 8th. S Tukola October 28th, John Clarkson Movember 28th. 4. J. Klassen November 30th. Robert Clarkson November 30th. Nic Theis December 4th. All rooms from twenty five to face being caved more or less, our progress was slow in this entry. We reached the face and found that a scond explosion occurred there. Three empty cars were piled, the inside ar being on top. The car of face of back entry with chain still hooked into draw bar, was blown off track and spread.

Every foot of lead brattice down and lagging poles broken. Powder kes exploded, and some had not. Tool box into splinters, still every man in this part of the entry had traveled two thousand feet away from it. While the empties near the face had been piled up, and the cars along the entry further out had been wrecked, some cars standing in forty four room were on blocks and ropes undisturbed. By August 3rd. had stoppings in between man way and air course to fifteen entry, and opened man way at five entry. Followed air down to eleven entry. Between five and seven entries, found the body of Theo Schill who had started to the top from eleven entry a few minutes before the explosion. Eleven overcast was blown through. Put brattice across the parting and followed air to seventeen hauling road. On August 5th. opened up the stable stoppings and found place full of smoke. Forced smoke back, and at 3 PM. had reached two room in stable. Account heat and smoke, night shift put stopping outside Number two room. Put stopping in sump inside cross cut. August 7th. opened up seventeen hauling road. Recovered body of Mat Jarvela, seventeen driver on parting. Only some coal off rib down, until we reached rock tunnel. At this point entry so badly caved could not get over. By 6 AM. a hole large enough to crawl through had been made over it, and night shift boss, J.E.Pettit, had been over cave. Reported seeing bodies on and under a cave inside the large cave. By 10 AM. had a hole large enough to get through with brattice cloth. Accompanied by Wm. Rae and George Pryde, crossed caves and made to parting on dip entries. Counted twenty seven bodies along the entry on pasting and in back entry. Made a short return for air, and bodies were carried our though fifteen dip entry to fifteen top. Recovered all the bodies in seventeen entry except that of Axel Matson, dip driver, recovered December 13th. at cross cut inside two room, and John Norkonen trackman, recovered December 16th. on fifteen dip near overcast. All the bodies had been carried out past Norkonen, and he had been pasted by day after day since we opened up seventeen hauling road the second time. The smell of the mule on parting was so strong that we imagined the smell on dip from the mule. Some Finns who were timbering and had never been on the entry, began to look around when they smelled it and found him under some rib cosl. Commenced to clean cave on seventeen hauling road, but stopped account finding fire in stable. On August 10th. turned current on cable and found it CK. August 13th. started electric pump. Put two gangs on steam and discharge lines in air course. These lines were both broken in many places. By August 31st, had lines from fan shaft to twenty entry and lower steam pump running. We had been pumping twenty one out of twenty four hours to handle the water with a capacity of two hundred gallons per minute, or pumping two hundred fifty two thousand gallons per day. From June 30th, to August 14th, mine had accumulated eleven million, three hundred forty thousand gallons of water and had raised to twenty top entry on slope. On August 18th. reached the face of eighteen entry and recovered all bodies at the face, fifteen in all,. Brought them out through the back entry. Falls on top entry so high we could not earry bodies over them. These men had run down from their rooms and dropped on the entry. From August 18th. to October 20th. when we reached twenty two entry, cleaned up caves and timbered entries, manway, air course and slope. Built over casts and under casts. Over cast at five, under cast at seven, undercast at nine, overcast at eleven, undercast at fifteen, overcast at seventeen hauling road and undercast at seventeen entry. All on main return blown out. Undercasts on eleven, thirteen, fifteen seventeen, sixteen, sighteen and twenty entries on manway blown out. Bodies under cavesnear face of rooms which had caved from face to entry, a distance of over three hundred feet in twenty six room, twenty entry, were sought for day and night. Three shifts working most of the time.
Manuar caved from five to seventeen entry. At seven, nine and thirteen entries up to rock. At nine as high as thirty feet. Every foot of the manyay from top to twenty four entry had to be cleaned, and most of it timbered. On September 25th, broke through stopping on nine plane and followed air to slope through eleven entry. Found nine, eleven entries and tunnel in good shape. On October 20th, reached twenty two entry. Found body of Pete Hawley, boss driver, on upper side of parting, inside manway. He was between an empty car and the rib. Got the full force of the explosion. His back was broken and his leg over his head. Thought two men there, as we could see a head and foot, and the foot we thought that of another. Four leaded cars standing just inside manway were unifjured, except the outside car. This car had gotten the full force on the door end, while the other three had not had the top coal disturbed. Seven empties inside manway had been blown back and off track, and the outside car was town to miss the second all bodies in this extra torn to pieces. On October 33rd. had recovered all bodies in this entry, except those of Archie McDonald and Robert Numley. McDonald recovered October 31st. Munley recovered November 2nd. Were under eves in thirteen and fourteen rooms. All stoppings in this entry but or, blown out and pillar blown through on entry at point where entrymen and shattered pillar while driving entry. Six of the twelve rooms caved and two caves on entry. Driver inside. and loads that were on entry and empties on

switches all mixed up, and many cars broken. Two loads that driver had were not damaged. Position of him and his horse indicated that they had wiolence. The body found on a car had no bones broken and must have From October 24th. to November 18th. was cleaning up and timbering entries, manway, slope and air course. On November 18th. opened up the stable entry and reached face. Was very hot but no smoke. Found fire had been in Number two moon and along the entry. Succeeded in getting to face of two and three rooms. Four and five rooms caved so tight could not get over. Cleaned caves in stable to three room before smoke appeared. Fire was up this room and caved too close to get over. When we started to pull cave down onto entry, ribs and roof began to fall. By the time we got a few props up at three room, four room was full of smoke. We tried to reach fire by pushing pipe over cave, but could not. Closed the two crosscuts inside two room and entry outside two room. Found seventeen hauling road lad caved again and so close, could not crawl over it. Oleaned cave over top so we could get over. When we got opposite three and four rooms, rocks were wet with sweat, and strong smell of smoke. While waiting for the water to get down so we could get into twenty six and twenty eight entries, cleaned and timbered slope parting, cleaned air course and entries and built stoppings on fifteen and thirteen entries and rooms in twenty entry where fire had shown up. On December 1st, reached twenty six entry on slope and started small electric number 1st, reached twenty six entry on slope, and started small electric pump. Pump was not injured in anyway. Master Mechanic and his men had waded out and taken Metho off frame and sent it to the top. It was dried out in thirty six hours and pump started as soon as water was off the frame. We found a body on a cave opposite twenty six back, which was sent to top and identified as Joe Julio by some Italians. As Julio was driving at the face of slope, left orders to hold body until further advised. On December 2nd. got into twenty eight entry where diggers worked by wading through three feet of water. Recovered the bodies of the four men working there, and concluded Massey and Battle had finished measureing and gone up the slope.

On December 4th. reached the eighth crosscut from twenty one prospect entry and recovered bodies of A.E. Newsome, Ben Miller, Wm. Hall, Jas. Pattern and Joe Julio, on slope. These men had broken through the air course stopping and put a brattice across the slope. Found their buckets still had their lunches in them, and from their positions, it was evident they had lived but a short time. They had not made themselves comfortable. Newspme was sitting with his back against the rib and his chin on his shoulder. Miller with his head in Newsomes lap. Mall on his knees next Millor and Poblen below Holl, Julio across track lying on his face. Robt, Evans had run down the air course, for we found the oil can and bucket in the air course. Had then tried to get back to the others but dropped at air course, side of crosscut. Mule had been unharnessed and walked down to parting on slope plane before falling. First car on trip of four loads on rope, spread, one side on ground. Believing Massey and Battle had engineered the brattice, expected to find them in next crosscut above, Failing to find them or any signs of them, went to twenty six On December 3rd. found them in twenty six back entry near face. entry. They and seen the fire coming and had dropped on their faces. Hair was singel, but clothes bore no trace of fire. Battles book in his hip pocket with end sticking out above pocket, but under jumper, showed no signs of fire. A trip of six cars in twenty six back entry were all broken. Cars on switch at slope in twenty six back and twenty eight entry broken. By December 12th. had a hole over cave on seventeen hauling road which gave air mough to let us into seventeen entry through fifteen dip, and allowed us to put props along the dip. On December 13th. recovered the body of Amel Matson, who had run into entry and dropped inside second room On December 16th. recovered body of Jno. Morkonen, trackman, . Had run through the door and dropped next rib. This made the last of the bodies in the mine, except that of Jno. Cox.

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30:	John Lundberg	: 7:24:	20 Back	
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	Mike Arthurs		23	15
94:	Philip Marzon		22	: 17
	Henry Sanders		88	: 13
	A. McDonald		22	: 13
	Mat Longi		22	: Crosscut at face
131:	James Thomas Robert Nunley		22	: Orcsscut at face back : 14
	Charles Nieme		22	30 on entry
	Jesse McDonald		22	; 13
189:	W.O. Williams	:10:23:	22	; 28
	Richard Bain		22	: Back at face
	W L Smith		22	: 16 : 16
	Nic Massaro		22 22	: 28
	P. Di Cesare		88	: Crosscut 17 & 18
6:	John Raite		28	:Outside 5th crosscut 88
7:	G. Ciarallo		28	:Inside 5th crosscut 28
	John R CoxJohn Delbarto		28	:Outside 5th crosscut 28
153:	Ed Love		28	28
	A.E. Newsoms		Slope	:8th crosscut from pasi:
216:	Ben Miller	12: 4:	Slope	:8th crosscut from basin
	William Hall		Slope	:8th crosscut from basir
276: 254:	James Denny Robert Evans	712: 4:	Slope Air course	:8th crosscut from basis

-: LIST OF MEN KILLED IN MINE, JUNE 30TH. 1903:-

	:COMPANY M	EN :-	the state of the s
hock	: Date ; ; Found:	Where Found : Entry	Room.
William Fulkanen John Norkonen Joe Julio John Battle Pete Howley John H Cox James Massey George McKenne Axel Matson John A Saari John Boney John D Jones Rudolf Salo Ed Brown Jac Miemiste Nat Jarvela Oscar Jacobson James Smith Jemes While, Sr., Job While Thomas Davis Axel Gittila Mike Sperro John B Matson Martin Mickelson Dave B Jones, Sr., Gust Malberg James While, Jr., Gust Malberg	- 12	22 28. 15 Dip Slope 26 Back 22 Parting 26 Back 28 Parting 26 Back Slope 17 Slope at 7 Entral 11 Plane 10 Plane 16 16 17 Dip 18 Parting 18 Parting 18 Parting	
* Felix McKenna	: 17 :16:	Pump room	n n

-: CONDITION OF MINE AT TIME OF EXPLOSION: -

16 entry+ Water line in working order to 43 room. Fire walled off in 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40 rooms, outside fault. Fire walled 41 to 51 rooms inside. One gas watch for this entry, who had no other part of mine to look after. Only 11 men working outside fault, account rooms finished or caved. Pillar gang at 49 and 50 rooms.

18 entry+ Water line in working order to 42 room. Fires walled off from 25 to 43 rooms inclusive. Gas watch for this and 17 entry. No men working between 25 and 60 rooms.

20 entry: Water line to 38 room. No fires in this entry, but rooms from 30 to 44 on the move, and only 4 men working the day of the explosion between rooms 30 and 44. Gas watch for this and 22 entry

22 entry: Watered by a hand pump. Set pumps in back entry at swamps and water pumped onto top entry. No fire in this entry.

Shooting: Shots fired by miners all over the mine when necessary. No limit to depth of hole, and judgment of miner for powder required.

Powder: 10 pound can to each digger. one keg to entrymen. Average kegs per day: 30 kegs.

-: AIR:-

120000 cubic feet per minute entering mine. 16000 feet 9 and 11 entries. 11000 feet 17 entry. 27000 ft. 92000 Cubic feet per minute at 16 entry, on slope and manway.

-: MEN EMPLOYED IN 16 ENTRY AND BELOW: -

15	entry.	Diggers	21	Companymen	3	Mules	3	
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25800 feet- 129 men at 200 cubic feet of air per minute.
6500 feet- 13 mules at 500 cubic feet of air per minute.
60700 feet- Ti dilute gasses in and below 16 entry

93000 feet.

-: MEN KILLED: -

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129 In 16 entry and below where explosion went.

36 In 17 entry Suffocated. No fire or destruction here.

1 In 11 entry Suffocated. No fire or destruction here.

1 On lan-way, killed by explosion going up.

2 On tope, killed by explosion going up.

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-: DAMAGE TO MINE: -

SLOPE:- All timber knocked out and slope closedat mouth. Slope grand caved at ! bridge, at rock tunnel above 6 entry, between 7 and 8 entries, at 16 entry, between 16 and 18 entries and in the basin at prting. Required three shifts two weeks to clear slope to 10 entry cave. At 5 bridge, between 7 and 8 entries and at 16 entry caved 20 to 30 feet high. Rock stoppings in 1, 3 4, 5, 6, 7,8, 9, 12 and 14 entries blown out.

MAN-WAY: - Timbers knocked out at mouth and man-way closed. Bridge at 5 destroyed. Caved between 5 and 7 entries, 7 and 9 entries, 9 and 11 entries, 11 and 13 entries, 13 and 15 entries, 15 and 17 entries. Some man-way caves 30 feet high. Small caves at 16, 20 and 22 entries.

Air COURSE:-

Every stopping on both sides of air course from fan shaft to seventh crosscut above basin blown out. Undercasts at 7, 9, 15, and 17 stable, Overcasts at 5, 11 and 17 hauling road, back entry undercasts at 11, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20 and 22 entries all blown out. Steam and water lines broken in many places.

ENTRIES: - Stoppings in 11 entry rooms, outside fault, blown out. All stoppings in 13 entry rooms, outside fault, blown out. All stoppings in 15 entry rooms, outside fault, blown out. These rooms closed account fire.

16 entry:-

Three heavy caves on this entry and numerous small ones. Crosscut stoppings blown out. Had to retimber from first rooms to 36 room. Rooms caved and began to heat. Had to close mouth of 21 outside rooms. Water line under falls in air course, so put in new line.

17 entry:-

Rock tunnel ruined. All cars and electric hoist and electric rump inside log stoppings. Entry closed account fire in stable.

18 entry:-Rooms 19 to 24 caved to faces, and pillars blown through. Stoppings in 25 to 43 blown out or shattered. Entry caved in many places and as high as 30 feet in some. Crosscut stoppings blown out. Required timbering from 19 to 39 room.

20 entry:-

All rooms from 25 to 44 caved. six men burried in 25 and 26 rooms. Cleaned and timbered 26 room over 300 feet. Was from room. Cross cut stoppings slops to 25 room blown, and all inside 44 room. 3 bad caves on entry. Retimbered entries 25 to 44,

33 entry:-

Seven rooms caved. Two falls on entry, and all prosscut stoppings but one, blown out and pillar blown through.

PUMPS:-None.

Water lines in entries damaged so that we had to relay with PIPES:new lines from slope to face.

CARS:-

Lost 25. Damaged 75.

STOCK KILLED: -

7 Morses, 28 Mules. Stable wrecked and closed, account fire.

-: CONDITION OF MINE: -DECEMBER 31st. 1903: --

7 entry: - Ready to work. 9 entry: - Ready to work.

11 entry: -Working. 3 to 11 room.

16 entry: Pulling pillars at 34 room.
18 entry: Pulling pillars at 34 room.
18 entry: Rooms 13 to 13 inclusive and pulling pillars at 39 room.
20 entry: Rooms 45 to 83 inclusive, working.
23 entry: Roady to start January 1st. 1904.
24 entry: Roady to start January 1st. 1904.
28 entry: Roady to start January 1st. 1904.
Slope: Roady to start January 1st. 1904.

-: WATER LINES: -

9 Entry to 16 Room Face 11 " 11 tř 16 " 11 18 " 11 19 11 99 20 22

-: WORK DONE: --

Slope -

Cleaned 8000 feet. Timbered 500 feet. Rebuilt stoppings in 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 14, 16, 18; 20, & 22 entries.

Man-way:-

Cleaned 4000 feet. Timbered 1165 feet. Rebuilt stoppings in old man-way and 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 17 entries.

Air Course:-

Cleaned 700 feet. Timbered 75 feet. Rebuilt Overcasts 915 Jung 55, 11 and 17 entries. Rebuilt undercasts 7 and 15. Rebuilt some temporary, some permanent from fan shaft to face of slope.

9 Entry:-

Cleared gas to face on both sides of air course.

11 Entry:-

Cleared gas to face and timbered at slope and plane partings.

13 Entry:-

Cleared gas to face and timbered on parting and into face Rebuilt stoppings in 1, 2 & 3 rooms.

15 Entry:-

Cleared gas to face. Timbered entry on parting and into face. Timbered through rock tunnel and dip entry to 17. Rebuilt in rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

17 Entry:-

Cleared gas to dip. Opened over cave and set sprugs for 300 feet.

16 Entry:-

Cleared gas to the Loaded out caves. Retimbered entry from parting to 36 room. Rebuilt crosscut stoppings and timbered on parting.

18 Entry: --

Loaded out caves and timbered entry from 19 room to 42 room. Rebuilt stoppings 25 to 39 rooms and in cross cuts between top and back entries. Timbered parting. Cleaned cave in 19 room from september 1st. to October 18th. to recover bodies. Cleaned cave in 20 room from september 1st. to November 12th, to recover bodies. Four men under caves.

30 Entry:-

Cleared gas to face. Cleaned daves and timbered entry 18 to 44 room and built board stoppings in cross cuts. Built Log stoppings in rooms 27 to 44 inclusive, some of which are 20 feet high. Put in parting at 44 room and lowered and raised track as needed to make a good hauling road. Cleared caves in 25 room September 1st. to November 30th., 26 room from September 1st to December 4th. to recover bodies. Six men under caves.

3 Loaders at 3.75 per day,

1 Gang boss, at 3.75 per l Gang boss, at 3.75 I Timbermen at 3.75 priver at 3.75

\$ 11.25 3.75 7.50 3.75 26.25

Sopt. 1st. to Dec. 4th.-95 days at 52.50-980 feet Oregon timbers-- at 86
Cast of recovering bray new Them.

\$ 4987.50 784.00 \$ 5771.50

22 Entry:-

Claned caves and rebuilt with lumber, stoppings between tor and back entries. Timbered entry at caves. Loading out coal in caved rooms requireing 20 foot props.

24 Entry:-

OK.

26 Entry: -

Rebult with logs, crosscut stoppings.

28 Entry:-

Rebuit with logs, crosscut stoppings.

-: Acchdents:-

FATEL:-

None.

SERIOUS: -

NONE.

NON FATEL TRIBRIAL: - 5.

COST REOPENING MINE AND RECOVERING BODIES AND SETTLEMENTS THE HEIRS:-

Labor

Material

Total.

Settlements

\$67851.20

dare Widows

2529.71

Hanna, Hotel.

6097.83

Mine. \$83647.24

30788.26 \$107267.00

\$190914.24

-: RATES OF PAY INSIDE:-

July and August \$3.00 and board, 8 hour shifts.

September, October, November and December 1st. to 15th., 37-1/2 Cents per hour, 10 hour shifts.

-: WATER HANDLED:-

Accumulated while pumps were idle,

11340000 Gallons.

August 15th. to December 1st. 107 days at 250000- 26750000

Water handled, not counting condensation on

4" steam line of 6000 feet. ______ 38090000 Gallons.

-: GAS REMOVED:-

(Back entries	and rooms, not	figured in this estimate)
		Wit Soot do-
16 entry,	3000 X 7 X 9	Gu. feet Gas.
18 "	3400 X 7 X 9	189000
20 #	3600 X 77X 9	224200
88 "	2400 X 7 X 9	226800
26 "	1200 X 7 X 9	151200
28 W	1400 X 7 X 9	75300
Slope		88200
	3000 X 7 X 10	210000
Man-way	3000 X 8 X 11	
Dieno	4400 X 9 X 12	475200
Plane	1800 X 7 X 10	126000
9 entry,	2000 X 7 X 9	176400
11 "	600 Y 7 X 9	37800
11 Tunnel	1200 X 7 X 10	84000
15 entry.	800 X 7 X 10	
15 "	800 X 7 X 10	56000
1.2 "	.1600 X 7 X 10	56000
prable.	400 X 8 X 14	112000
Total	v o v T#	44800
		2,600,900

das in rooms and in back entries, would double this amount.

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12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 entries.

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ng order. Plenty of water in the sump, attries watered when they needed it. All they had to do, to tell pumper hen put a piece of hose on valve and in the entry required it.

had ten years as gas watch in this mine, of gas being fired in his district.

en through, and the cold air coming down the slope, .Id have been a total wreck.

20 If the men in back entry had not left the face long before the explosion reached it, they would never have. If they had not been between the cross cut at 25 and the one blown out inside 44 when the fire passed along top entry, they would have been burned or maimed by flying stopping. blocks. As it was they had traveled along back entry to the first open cross cut and died there. 20 entry had only four rooms turned inside 44 Believe the men made the rush at the first intimation. With only the width of the entry where they were, they had all the air and noticed tactions quicker than the men up the rooms, . Where we found the inside driver, trip and snubbers mule near 32 room, it looked as if a fearful force had came down a room. Snubber was driven into last car, wedged between car and lower rib. From 20 entry to 22 on man way, another gun barrel. When it reached 22 entry, a trip of loads outside manway was pushed out, putting two cars onto slope. Four loads inside man way had only first car damaged. Seven empties inside man way, had first car torn to pieces. Why was not the force here sufficient to wreck the trip across the manway? I believe, because the air was warmer and mixed so with the air from further down the man way, that it could not expand with force enough to do it. That coming down the slope turned the two cars over without injuring. Going into 22 entry, it took the stoppings to 13 room. Passed through the block and took the stoppings and entry pillar between the blocks, went up 24 room and down 30. Passed along the entry to face. No signs of fire at face. Powder keg not exploded. Brattice frame standing and some of the men had runfrom their place at the face to last crosscut. No caved rooms on this entry before the explosion. No reason why flames should not have gone to face of the entry. No rooms turned inside 30 room. Believe flame died for want of air to carry it to face. Explosion went down man way to 24 entry where man trip was kept. Did not force a car out on slope. Only damage to man trip was to seats and standards. Cars were not piled, but trip strung mux out as it had been left before explosion. From 24 to 26, it was confined to the man way. Entry 26 gave it a chance to expand again and show its force. No rooms turned on 26 or 28 entries and crosscuts 200 feet apart. Trip of empties in 26 back entry stood inside fourth cross cut from slope. Outside fifth cross cut on 28 entry and got the force of the explosion on both ends, as cross cut stoppings went out. These entries were short and the explosion was confined to the width of the three entries. Believe that is why empty trip was so badly damaged. Fire reached face of 26 back and exploded powder in 28 entry. The cross cut where powder was, is close to empty trip and may have had a great deal to do with wresking cars, on these entries. Explosion came out through these entries onto slope, as shown by left in 26 and 28 entries, which were slightly damaged, and continued up slope. Four loads on rope on slope plane, were standing between the fourth and fifth cross cuts from basin. They got the full force, which spread the first car on trip. Did not knock the coal off the other three. Its force grew less for want of air to carry it up the slope. Before it reached the 7 cross cut above basin, was too weak to take out the stoppings. We knocked in the 7 cross cut stopping to clear the gas, as we opened up the slope. Dust, in my opinion, caused the explosion, and the exploding of the diggers powder, materially assisted. Fire damp may have assisted in 20 entry, but no where else. That the great amount of fresh air on the slope and man way made it so destructive, feel sure. In the air course, the air was charged with fine particles of dust and warm. There was no force shown in the air course. Every stopping blown into it. As it went up the fan shaft, had just force enough to lift roof off shaft. Did not knock the sides out of house over shaft. While the explosion was going down, it was also going to surface. When it reached 17 hauling road, a part of it went in, the rest going up. At 15 entry it turned in, taking all the stoppings in the eight rooms, through rock tunnel with force enough to take out the log stopping in 15 over cast and fill dip entry with smoke. Believe every man would have come out of 17 entry but for this. Feel sure they tried the door on 17 and found the dip full of smoke. Turned into 13, taking room stoppings and only the reduced size of the entry from heaving in the tunnel, saved the stoppings on 13 top and back entries. Turned into 11 entry, taking some room stoppings outside fault, 12 and 13 rooms being open, expanded up these and passed into tunnel without much force and no flame, but lots of smoke. Boney surely met this smoke and was suffocated trying to get back to plane. The fresh air coming down the plane diluted the smoke sufficiently to keep the men in 11 alive. though unconcious.

leve explosion was caused by a shot. Too much powder for the work quired. Force expended on the air in the room. This would raise the dust in the room, check the movement of the air into the place, and increase it going out for an instant. The increased movement, both in and out, would tend to make more dust. Whether the dust fired from the powder gasses on return of the fresh air, or from a gas feeder opened by shot, or the amount of powder, was enough to throw flames into it and fire it, cant say. Powder cans exploded as fire passed along the rooms, raising more dust and feeding the flame. That it was a shot and a bad one, is borne out by the position of the inside driver and his trip. He was caught near 25 room. The cross bar above him held, but the one inside broke and the lagging dropped onto the second car of his trip, completely blocking the entry. Sam Hudspeth, a digger, was working near 15 room on the entry. He was literally torn to pieces. All the men outside 25 room were found dead at their places. All inside had run down. If the trip had been clear when the force that took the log stoppings and hurled Hudspeth struck it, trip would have been ditched and driver blown inside trip. I believe the shock from the shot brought down the timbers, and the driver jumped then. He and his mare showed evidence of but little fire. The mare only singed, and his face burned slightly. Only had to pull the lumps off top of car to release him. Inside of 25 room, every man in the entry was found away from the place he worked. The two men in back entry outside fault had run from their places, got their oil can and dropped in cross cut. Stoppings in 38, 39 and 40 rooms were blown, inx but the two men 200 feet inside in back entry, had come out on top entry. My theory is, that every man in the mine knew from the action of the air in his entry in ten seconds after the shot, something was wrong. As the fire passed out 16, it burned all the air coming into entry. The fire traveling into the entry, had nothing but the air on the inside to feed on, and this air was rushing towards the fire. The air was warm and had no great expansion. For this reason, believe fire did not travel far into this entry. There was no air left inside the fault and the men dropped along the entry trying to get out. We found the props burned on upper it high room Number one, and lower side room 6. Believe explosion started of it, and it could not have started from it or were lying t looked like a jumper was broad not have started from it or were lying t looked like of it, and at could not have started from it. On a prop near the crosscut a jumper was burned up, only the collar hanging on the nail. Powder can near that had not exploded. From June to July 18th. or more then two weeks had elapsed before we got into these rooms. Conclusive evidence perhaps, burried by caves. As the explosion went out, it had the fresh air of knows how much more of the 93000 feet coming down man way and slope. The wreckage on the parting showed it to be terrific. When it reached the man way and turned down, it was like going into a gun barrel, no chance to expand until it reached 18 entry and plenty of fresh air filled with dust to feed it. The wreck on 18 parting showed its force when it had the chance to expand. While the explosion traveled down to 18, it was also going out, on man way and slope. No air was coming from above, and I believe there was but one movement of the air below, and that was toward the explosion. There must have been almost a Vacuum between the two fires. As the fire went into have been almost a Vacuum between the two fires. As the fire went into 18 entry, it took all the crosscut stoppings, up 19 room and down 24, willing the men where it found them. Blowing in the log stoppings in 18 entry was moving out. Fire never reached the men inside, because the for want of oxygen to feed on dust it had, hot it was, but could go no crossed the entry to find itself again in a gun barrel with plenty of as it went. The force of 20 entry was shown by blowing the empties across as it went. The force 20 entry was shown by blowing the empties across the parting. Loaded trip had just gone out. Passed into 20 entry taking out cross cut stoppings up 13 and down 18 room, killing men in their rooms. Caught driver outside 13 room and tore an arm off. Drove trip toward the inside. Here again was the force shown, for no rooms were turned and trip caught between cross cuts. Now the gas theory seems tendle. There were only four diggers left between 30 and 44 June 30th. on this entry. Rooms from 30 to 44 had been caving and men had been pulled out. When the force of the explosion could have brought the top down, and with it gas:

This gas in caved rooms could have fired and made the flame reach the face. after the acceptable of the powder and that wrecked the cars at the face of 20 entry.

The coal be mined or cut, and shots fored by shot firers when men are out of mine.

Where this is impracticable, shot firers fire for the men, but make them do some mining or cutting. Place to be wet face before firing.

Depth of deepest hole, 4-1/2 feet.

Maximum length of Cartridge, 13 inches. Needles only, to be need.

Am having men now, mine their coal.

Hole to be fired is measured by shot firer and place watered before firing. Diggers allowed 5 founds fowder, Entrymen 10 founds.

Turn entries from upperside on east outcrop and push them to their distance. Connect with 17 dip, and crowd dip, 19 and 21 entries.

The fires in upper old working, are a menace to the mine and men.

Drill into old manway, 1, 2, 5 and 4 entries and fill with mud.

Fire in 5 back entry not 10 feet off aircourse now.

The mine will take care of 200 diggers for the next two years, with 17 entry, which should be reached in six months.

Would turn no rooms on entries until entry has reached its distance.

This would avoid the heavy expense of maintaining hauling road. Timbering entry and closing mouths of rooms that will fire when they cave.

-: HANNA:-

The following employes are entitled to honorable mention for their faithful services during the most dangerous part of the work. We had valuable assistance from other company miner, and from other companies, but the men were coming and going:

J.O.Holen, Enoch Vaughan, Jack McNeiss, Chas. McKenna, Hy. Wain,	Pipeman.	Aaron Manden, Andy Raines, John Chambers, Vm. McDonald, John Grace,	dolored.
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-: THE UNION PACIFIC COAL COMPANY:-

Hamma, Wyo. July 27th. 1904.

Er.D.O.Glark,

Vice President and General Manager,

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Mean sir;-

As per yours 22nd, Charges to Explosion.

Tabor \$ 33647.24 Haterial 131461.65 \$315108.89

Labor Haterial Total (** recover and inter 166 bodies. \$19749.50 \$5006.50 \$25656.40

To close up and put mine in theme to resume operation,

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