

Gen Idaho, April 10, 1901.

Opr. reports.

There was a Union meeting held to initiate twelve men last night.

Butch Petterson told Opr the Union had now over 100 members in good standing.

He said that they were going to have the committee meet every week for a time then if they are not bothered they intend holding meetings regularly again, as they now have 150 men at Burke, and if the Mine Owners think they can run matters to suit themselves they will have a surprise when they try it.

He also said that we have the Missourians on the fence and if the wages are out they will walk out with us, as few of them like it here.

Petterson claims that he can have a scab fired at any time by reporting him to Mr. Marshal.

Pat Kelly, Butch Petterson, William Bullers and John Hunt are now boarding at Bradleys, these men left the Mine boarding house to get away from the scabs.

They said there were many of the men who would remain in the dry room until time to go to work because the Missourians were in the reading room.

William Allen told Opr this and not to speak to the Missourians and also not to pass them any thing at the table, the intention being to make the Missourians sick and tired of the place as soon as possible.

Greggory from the Mammoth Mine stated that there were fifteen who were going to return home the first pay day, as they claim they had not been treated well at the said mine.

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