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Belgian Coal Mine disaster

Belgium: Pithead activity tells of underground disaster at the Bitter Heart Colliery, ~~Mons~~ ^{Charleroi} - when a sudden fire trapped over 270 miners - two thousand feet below...

Desperate efforts were made to rescue the entombed men - mostly Belgians and Italians - but a tragic death-roll resulted from one of the worst mining disasters of modern times.