

# MINERS REJECT TERMS

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## Settlement of Coal Miners' Strike Seems Far in Distance.

FERNIE, May 7.—The union miners of District 18, by a vote of over two to one have rejected the proposed new agreement referred to them by the joint conference committee of operators and miners, which had been in continuous session for eight weeks before reaching an agreement on the terms to be incorporated in the new contract.

First, dissatisfied with the failure to negotiate a new contract by April 1 when the old contract expired and later, at the long delay without any progress toward a decision, camp after camp suspended and on May 1 not a mine was operating in District 18, resulting in about 6000 men being idle.

The decision means the cessation will be prolonged, but a special convention of the miners will convene in Calgary on May 10, presumably for formulating the ultimatum to be handed to the mine operators.