

# 2 Men Crushed On Dam Job In Odd Accidents

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Within 20 feet of the same spot, two Hoover dam workers were crushed and severely injured yesterday afternoon and this morning.

Ed Matus, miner, was standing talking to other men near the lower portal of tunnel one, yesterday afternoon about three o'clock. A truck backed around to a shovel and ran Matus down. The moving truck knocked him down, one rear wheel passing over his body and crushing him about the hips. Matus has a family living away from Boulder City.

Charles "Curly" Madden, "cat-skinner," is the other man. At seven o'clock this morning he was driving a caterpillar within 20 feet of yesterday afternoon's accident. A truck on the upgrade near by got out of control and backed into the caterpillar driven by Madden. The cow-dozer was thrown up over his head, crushing him against the controls of the caterpillar. His chest was crushed.

Both men are in serious condition in the Boulder City hospital.

Madden has a wife and one child residing near Reno.