THREE WOMEN FIGHT FOR LIVES WITH NEST OF SNAKES IN AN ABANDONED COAL MINE

(By Associated Press.)

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 29.—Three women of Latrobe, who went out early yesterday to pick berries on a farm, were rescued late in the afternoon by farmers, after having been buried in an abandoned coal mine for five hours, during which time they fought continually with a nest of big snakes. Two of the women became hysterical when released and are in a serious condition.

As the women approached an inviting field of berries the earth suddenly sank, ungulfing them. All three fell about 25 feet through a break in the roof of an abandoned mine. They killed 15 snakes in the darkness before the farmers pulled them out by the aid of a team of horses.

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