

Two Killed In Mine Accident

Workers Overcome By Carbon Dioxide

Funeral arrangements were made today for two Republic Steel Corp. mineworkers killed last night when overcome by carbon dioxide.

Company officials identified the victims as J. W. Smitherman, 30, 325 Ray-st, Bessemer, and Curtis Posey, 22, of the Raimund community. They were dewatering the Edwards Ore Mine preparatory to its reopening.

The Smitherman funeral will be conducted from the residence at 3:15 p.m. tomorrow with the Rev. William Shumaker officiating. Burial will be in Brighton Cemetery, Jacobs directing.

Services for Posey will be held at 4:30 p.m. tomorrow from Jacobs' Bessemer Chapel. The Rev. A. L. Sandlin will officiate. Burial will be in Genery's Gap Cemetery with Jacobs directing.

Mr. Smitherman is survived by the widow, Mrs. Christine Smitherman; one son, J. W. Smitherman Jr.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smitherman, Stephens, Ark.; three sisters Mrs. Agnes Addington, Natchitoches, La., Mrs. H. A. Wallace, Bessemer, Miss Virginia Smitherman, Stephens, Ark.; and four brothers, D. L., C. L., Eugene, all of Stephens, Ark., and Charles E. Smitherman, of Bessemer.

Mr. Posey's survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Posey, Raimund; one sister, Mrs. Effie Boatner, and two brothers, Howard and Clayton Posey, all of Bessemer.

State Mine Deaths Total 24 For Year

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 16 — (AP) — Five Alabama miners were killed in accidents last month, bringing fatalities for the year to 24, State Industrial Relations Director Fleetwood Carnley announced Saturday.

All of last month's deaths were in Jefferson County, he said.

Killed in rock falls were E. G. Arthur, 43, at the Woodward Iron Company red ore mine; George Shuford, 41, Negro, at Tennessee, Coal, Iron and Railroad Company Wenonah No. 9 mine; and J. D. McDonald, 64, at J. W. Bennett's No. 5 coal mine.

J. W. Smitherman, 30, and Curtis Posey, 22, died from asphyxiation at Republic Steel's Edwards ore mine.