

FIVE KILLED IN MINE ACCIDENT

Two Others Will Die as Result of Explosion in Dixon Shaft.

Bluefield, W. Va., July 20.—As the result of an explosion in the Dixon mine at Huger, Wallace Mitchell and four miners, Ernest Jones, Palmer Harris and Robert Harris (brothers) and John Gilmore are dead and Bill Crouse and Langus Whitside will die from burns and shock.

The men were going on duty and had started down the shaft in a bucket. They had gone about half way down when the explosion occurred, blowing the first five men named out of the bucket and down to the bottom of the shaft, where they were later picked up. Their bodies were crushed almost to a pulp. The explosion was caused by the men having a gasoline light in the bucket while descending, the light igniting an accumulation of gas. The safety lamps are ordinarily used in entering and it is not known why the men carried the gasoline lamp.