

DEATH LIST IN MINE MAY BE NEARLY 50

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 6.—Hope was all but abandoned today by rescue workers at West Kentucky Coal Co. Mine No. 7, at Clay, Ky. that any of the 18 men still entombed in the mine could be brought to the surface alive.

They have been imprisoned for more than 48 hours, following gas explosion early on Saturday.

The known death toll of the disaster, according to reports received here today, is 31.

That the death list would be increased to nearly 50 during today seemed certain, officials admitted.