

9 Miners Killed; Five Are Entombed

Dry Forks Branch, West Va., Dec 15.—Nine miners were killed and five more probably are dead as a result of an explosion of gas in the Yukon mine No. 1 here, shortly after 7 o'clock tonight.

After the detonation had torn coal, earth and stone from the excavation, the miners were trapped beyond rescue. Fellow workers, digging like mad, recovered nine of the bodies by 9:30 o'clock. The remaining five were entombed under the debris.

Yukon mine No. 1 has been known to liberate local gas for some time, but officials of the Yukon Pocahontas Coal company discredited this fact, believing that it harbored no danger for their men.