

November 25, 1922; No. 4 Mine, Madrid, N. Mex.; 12 Killed

(From Bureau of Mines report, by C. A. Herbert)

About 2:30 p.m. a local explosion in a longwall section resulted in the death of 12 men and injury to 9 others. Men in other parts of the mine were unaware of the explosion.

Ventilation of the section was restored and the dead and injured removed. The mine is gassy, and outbursts of gas had been occurring. Ignition was thought to have been from a conveyor motor. Electric cap lamps were used by the miners.

The coal is a variety of anthracite, and the dust did not enter into the explosion.