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THREE PERISH IN GAS

EXPLOSION AT COLLIERY

**Three Others Probably Fatally
Hurt, and 13 are in Hospital
as Result of Blast.**

WILKES-BARRE, Aug. 3.—(AP)—Two miners were instantly killed, a third died later in a hospital and three others are not expected to live as a result of an explosion of gas in the Hillman vein of the Dorrance colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal company today. Those killed were James Lintner and Andrew Polacher, both of Wilkes-Barre, and Michael Elich, Edwardsville. The probably fatally injured are John Brinkus, Kingston, and William Tamlineis and Frank Shabinski, Wilkes-Barre.

Thirteen other men are in the General hospital, all suffering from burns.

The explosion occurred in road 274, which goes under the Susquehanna river at a point in Kingston 1,000 feet underground. A fire, which was quickly gotten under control, followed the explosion. The cause of the blast has not been determined.