

Centralia Miner Is Caught Under Fall of Top Rock at Loc. Run

**William Shemanski
Suffers Fracture of
Both Legs and Broken
Ribs.**

Caught underneath a fall of top at the Locust Run mine, a tributary of the Centralia colliery, a Lehigh Valley operation, located about a mile north-west of Centralia, William Shemanski, of South Troutwein street, Centralia, suffered fractures to both legs, a number of broken ribs and possible internal injuries late last night. He is now a patient in the Fountain Springs Hospital in a very critical condition.

Shemanski, employed as a contract miner and working on the night shift, was in the act of dressing off the face of his working place preparatory to leaving for home when a large section of top became dislodged and, falling, struck him about the hip. Felled by a large boulder, the miner was almost totally covered by rock, slate and other debris. Workmen who assisted in unearthing him state that it is miraculous that his life was not snuffed out instantly.

Both Shemanski and his buddy were at the face of the breast when attracted by a crackling of the top, a signal of danger to all mining men. Both miners endeavored to gain a place of safety but in making a leap, a large boulder struck Shemanski and felled him.

His buddy who had gained a point of advantage before the heavy fall and escaped injury immediately went to the aid of the injured miner and after unearthing him from the heap of debris, summoned other workmen who lowered him to the gangway.

First aid treatment was given the injured man and he was then removed to the surface and later to the office of the colliery physician where an examination revealed that he was suffering from fractures of both legs and a number of broken ribs.

Upon the advice of the physician he was conveyed to the Fountain

Spring hospital in the colliery ambulance. A short time after his admittance to the state institution he was placed on the operating table and the fractures reduced. An x-ray picture will be taken today to ascertain whether or not he is suffering from any internal injuries.

MERRIAM MAN WEDS ASHLAND YOUNG LADY

A pretty but quiet wedding was solemnized in the rectory of St. Maurritius' church, Ashland, when Francis Reismiller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reismiller, of Merriam, and Miss Madeline Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Smith, of Fifteenth and Market streets, Ashland, were united in holy wedlock by Rev. A. Mistell, rector of that church.

The young couple were attended by Kathryn Kripplebauer, of Ashland, and John Malick, of Merriam.

The newlyweds are well known in Ashland and vicinity and have a host of friends who wish them success and happiness on their matrimonial venture. They will reside in Ashland.

Dance, Kulpmont

Dance at St. Mary's auditorium, Kulpmont, Thursday, December 9, Johnny Laughlin and His Orchestra, Ladies 35c; gents 50c. (Advertisement)

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