

**SIXTH MAY DIE
FROM MINE FIRE**

**Blaze That Took 5 Lives Still
Smolders at Barrackville,
W. Va.**

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FAIRMONT, W. Va., May 13—
Fire still smoldered in a segregated section on the Barrackville town of the Bethlehem Mine Corporation today where five men perished in a blaze that caused \$250,000 damage.

The fire broke out in the dry shaft timbers Saturday night while the mine was idle. Flames rose 300 feet above the mine tippie, and a crew was sent below to fight the fire.

Mine authorities at first believed there had been an explosion, but said today they found no evidence of one.

As the squad poured streams of water on the fire at the 250-foot level, weakened timbers gave way hurling tons of rock, loose coal and other debris to the bottom of the shaft.

The falling mass acted much as a plunger in a pump and forced flames and steam back on the firemen. Eleven of them were burned, five so critically that they died either at the scene or within a few hours after they were taken from the mine by rescue squads.

The six were removed to Cook Hospital here, where one man was reported in critical condition today. He was H. C. Williams, 25, mine motorman.

1935 Sixth miner named in Barrackville fire

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