

Miner Saved After Burial Under Slate

Fellow Workmen Dig
Out Clarksville Man
Working At Vesta 5

One man was buried in a fall of slate and another suffered loss of one finger through amputation in two accidents at Vesta 5 mine.

Though he was almost completely buried shortly before 10 o'clock last night in the mine of the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation, Harry Layhew, 28, of Clarksville apparently only suffered a back injury.

Fellow workmen dug him out of the slate and he was taken to Brownsville hospital. He was admitted there after treatment but his condition was not listed as serious.

John W. Cole 21, Coal Center, was the second mine victim, when his right hand became caught while he was operating an electric drill about 2:30 o'clock this morning. He said his hand became caught in the disc at the end of the auger and the middle finger of right hand had to be amputated at Brownsville hospital. He also suffered a right thumb laceration.

1951 Vesta miner saved from roof fall

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