

15 Trapped In Tunnel Rescued; None Are Injured

PITTSBURGH (P)—Fifteen men were trapped in an underground sewage tunnel for nearly three hours today before being rescued. None was injured.

They were trapped after fire see off by an electric motor of a locomotive blocked the tunnel entrance. The men are employed on a sanitary authority project.

The locomotive burst into flames about 4,000 feet from the tunnel entrance and about a mile below the surface.

The tunnel—one of two main arteries in the authority's huge sewage disposal project—runs parallel with the Allegheny River.

The fire broke out about 8 a.m. It was 11 a.m. before the fire was extinguished and the men were brought to the surface.

John Ward, the first man to reach the surface, was quickly handed an oxygen container.

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