

8 Men Carried Alive From Pineville Mine

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closer to the mine entrance than they had been expected.

Fish said conditions around that area were better than had been anticipated and that the surviving members of the group had been able to seal themselves off from poisonous fumes.

Doctors Go Into Mine.

Two physicians, Dr. C. B. Stacy and Dr. Adam Stacy, both of Pineville, were admitted to the mine this afternoon to attend the rescued men.

Other physicians and several ambulances stood by to await the removal of others trapped inside the two and one-half mile long tunnel.

The nine men were found

through this Cumberland Mountain area which exceeded anything that veteran miners ever saw before. Hope had been given up by most of the observers yesterday that any of the trapped men would be found alive.

300 Volunteers On Hand.

Scores of men, women and children, many of them relatives who had kept vigil near the mine entrance since Wednesday, were outside the roped-off area when a request from the tunnel was sent up at 2 p.m. for two doctors and an ambulance. A few minutes later came word that nine of the men had been found alive.

An estimated 300 volunteer firefighters, recruited from Bell and adjoining Harlan Counties, were on hand to fight the series of fires that has hampered rescue efforts since the work started.

The explosion, described as one of the worst ever experienced in this area, scattered rocks, blazing timber and other debris in the path of rescue crews. Some sections of the tunnel were reported dangerous until overhead rocks and coal veins were braced to prevent their falling.

Experienced miners in the rescue crews said the explosion was so violent they never expected to find any of the men alive. At Washington, the United Mine Workers headquarters said earlier today "there is not a chance" that any of the men would be found alive, and after the rescue, K. C. Adams, editor of the United Mine Workers Journal, asserted finding the nine alive was a "miracle."

U. S. Inspector Found Mine Hazardous

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trical equipment only with regular inspections.

8. Telephone service between the surface and working sections.

9. No smoking underground.

Cardinal Mine Head Denies U.P. Report

J. C. Stras, president of the Kentucky Cardinal Coal Corporation in Harlan County, called The Courier-Journal yesterday to correct an erroneous statement in a United Press story that eight men had been killed at the Cardinal mine in 1925. Stras stated that there have been no explosions there in the 26 years he has been connected with the property.

about 2 p.m., more than 53 hours after an explosion wrecked the mine Wednesday morning and sealed in the 30 or more men.

The discovery, made a few minutes after volunteer firefighters after a 7-hour battle had extinguished a fire barring their path, spurred the rescue crews in their efforts to reach an estimated 22 other trapped men.

Discovery of the men still alive sent a wave of excitement

Full Blast May Have Hit