Region Team Wins Mine Rescue Honor

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 5 (U.P.) — Mine rescue teams from 12 states returned home today after competing in the two-day national first aid and mine rescue contests under sponsorship of the United States Bureau of Mines.

Winners were honored during a banquet here last night at which congressional medalions were presented by Dr. James Boyd, director of the United States Bureau of Mines.

A mine rescue team representing the United Mine Workers District 16, Kitzmiller, Md., took first place in the national mine rescue contest, while the Maple Hill Colliery team, of Pottsville, Pa., representing the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company, captured the top spot in the first aid division.

The crews battled 80-degree heat as well as simulated mine disasters during the two-day contests. Other winners included:

First aid—Republic Steel Corporation, Indianola Mine, Indianola, Pa., second; Consolidation Coal Company, Mine No. 214, Jenkins, Ky., third; Rail and River Coal Company, Bellaire, Ohio, fourth; Hanna Coal Company, Willowgrove, No. 10 Mine, Neff, Ohio, fifth; Powhatan Mining Company, Powhatan Point, Ohio, tenth.

Mine rescue—United States Steel Company, coal division, Robena Mine, Uniontown, Pa., second; Consolidation Coal Company, Clover Splint Mine, Closplint, Ky., third.

Teams from Alabama, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Wyoming competed in the contests.