

State Teams Win Top Honors In Nat'l Mine Safety Contest

BUFFALO, N. Y. (AP) — Top honors at the 18th National Mine Rescue and First Aid Contest went to lightning-fast mine disaster teams from Southeastern Kentucky and West Virginia.

The contest was held in Buffalo, N. Y., Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

The contest, three days of simulated disaster problems, attracted 52 six-man teams from

eight states.

Competition ranged in two divisions: mine rescue and first-aid, and an overall award was made for the best showing by teams competing in both.

Kentucky squads swept the first four places in the mine rescue competition and captured the combination trophy as well.

A team from Bethlehem Mines Corp., Mine 22, at Jenkins, topped the rescue division. Bethlehem's Mine 21 team at Jenkins was second, and Inalnd Steel Co.'s team No. 2 of Wheelwright, third.

Another team from Bethlehem's mine 21 at Jenkins took fourth place in mine rescue and fourth in first-aid to capture the combination award.

Second place overall went to the Holden division team of Island Creek Coal Co. at Holden.

A team from Compass No. 1 mine of Clinchfield Coal Co., Clarksburg, took first in the first-aid contest.

Georgetown Number 12 mine's team of the Hanna Coal Co., Consolidated Coal Co., division at Cadiz, Ohio, was second. U. S. Steel Corp.'s Gary district No. 3 team at Gary, was third.

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