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# MINE CONTEST TO BE HELD IN W. VIRGINIA

International First Aid and Mine Rescue Contests to Be Held in September.

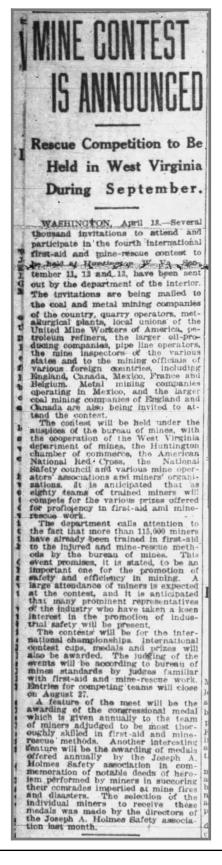
The approval of Secretary Work of the interior department has been given to the designation of Huntington, West Virginia, as the place for the holding of the Seventh International First Aid and Mine Rescue contest in September, the exact date to be determined later.

The International First Aid and Mine Rescue contests are held annually under the auspices of the bureau of mines, with the co-operation of the American National Red Cross, the National Safety Council, and various mine operators' associations and miners' organizations, with the object of furthering the work of training miners in first aid and mine rescue methods, and the consequent advancement of the cause of safety among the million miners lof the United States. A feature of the meet will be the awarding of the congressional medal which is given annually to the team of miners adjudged to be most thoroughly skilled in first aid and mine rescue methods. addition, various prizes offered by co-operating agencies are awarded. The bestowal of these prizes is based on the facility and efficiency dis-played by the different teams in the solution of problems involving the performance of imaginary feats of rescue and resuscitation of miners overcome or entombed at mine disasters.

Another interesting feature of the meet will be the awarding of the medals offered annually by the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association in commemoration of notable deeds of heroism performed by miners in succoring their comrades imperiled at mine fires and disasters. The selection of the individual miners to receive these medals will be made by the directors of the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association in March. It is anticipated that as many as eighty teams of trained miners, from twenty or more mining states, will compete in the contest. At the sixth contest held at Salt Lake City last year, seventy-six teams participated. Teams of trained miners from Mexico and Canada and representatives of Great Britain, France and Belgium have taken part in past meets. The first prize in the first aid events at the 1923 contest was won by a team from the Anaconda Copper Mining Company, Great Falls, Montana. The first prize in the mine rescue events was won by a team from Benton, Illinois, coal district.

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