



August 16<sup>th</sup>

My shift started at 6:00pm. Ryan Mann, Jameson Ward and I loaded up supplies at the warehouse and went into the mine, when we reached zone four at crosscut 89 I went to call us in that zone and heard them say on the phone that we have men buried! And we need everything you got in a frantic voice. I told conspic that Ryan Mann, Jameson Ward and I are going in zone four and into the section.

A miner stopped us as we was driving into the section and said they need brattices in there because it blew out stopping and we threw what he had in our truck and proceeded in. When we got up to the area of the bounce Gale Anderson instructed us to start repairing the stopping that they need air in the face. I started working on them as Ryan and Jameson proceeded to the face. As I was correcting the air I seen several trucks taking injured men out.

I repaired two stopping and then headed to the face where I ran into Ryan working on Lester Day. Ryan asked me if I could help Lester and get him out, I said yes and Ryan moved on to help someone else.

As I helped Lester and walked him back several breaks we ran into Benny Allred and we loaded Lester Day into a truck and someone drove him outside.

Then I was heading back into the face and ran into Jim Marshall and he said they needed more trucks up into the face, that they needed all the trucks they can get! I said I will go get my truck and bring it up to the face, and as I was going to get my truck I was telling everyone I ran into that they need more trucks up there.

When I was getting close to my truck I ran into Israel Peterson and he said that the EMT'S outside have no trucks to get in here and asked if I would run out and get them and I said yes, and told him that they want all the trucks they can get up in the face.

When I got outside I stopped and told Bodie Allred that they sent me out after EMT'S ? Bodie said they caught a ride and to go back in and help bring out some men.

I went back into the mine and when I got close to the section I ran into Jack Graves and he said they need spider straps and he was going to crosscut 57 to that first aid station to get them, then he asked if I would go get them because I knew the mine better and I said I would.

I loaded everything out of the first aid station, as I was loading I got a ped saying bring 02 and spider straps, I found oxygen and water in the trailer but did not see any spider straps, but loaded everything and headed back in the section.

As I drove up to the section transformer, the fresh air base, I was stopped by Benny Allred and he asked where was I going? I said they need more first aid supplies up there and I have everything from crosscut 57 first aid trailer, but there was no spider straps that I could see, but I have everything else. Benny said I needed to back up and find a crosscut to pull in and park the truck to make way for a truck that is ready to come out, then someone hallowed to get that truck out of here! As I was backing up and just pulling into a open crosscut a truck came out very fast. I ran up to the transformer fresh air base and asked Benny what should I do with the first aid supplies? He said that they are all out now and we are all going out of the mine.

Then I ran into Ryan Mann and we loaded more of the EMT'S or mine rescues supplies with ours and drove out of the mine.

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