

FEAR NEW WALES AVALANCHE

Rain Threatens To Start New One

By Anthony Tobin
ABERFAN, Wales (UPI) — Heavy rain Saturday threatened to send a new avalanche of black death racing down on this disaster-stricken Welsh mining village. Residents in menaced areas were evacuated.

The warning of a new slip from the mountain of slag towering over the Merthyr Valley village came as the official death toll from Friday's disaster rose to at least 120, including the recovery of the bodies of 109 children entombed in their Pantglas Green Valley school classrooms.

Officials said nearly 100 more children might still be buried under the black ooze that smothered the school. They said there was virtually no chance of finding anyone alive.

Coroner Benjamin Hamilton, opening an inquest on the victims, called it the greatest tragedy Wales has ever known.

There were 254 children between the ages of 7 and 11 registered at the school. Most were believed present when disaster struck. But no one knew for certain how many were trapped by the black avalanche. Only four of the nine teachers escaped.

toiled — some with their bare hands — in the desperate search for victims. Police called on all able-bodied men in the valley to help in rescue operations.

But as a light drizzle that had been falling turned into a heavy rain, police cars roared through the village using loudspeakers to issue the stark warning: "When you hear the big klaxon blow, run like hell, the mountain will be on the move again."

AT THE same time, police began evacuating residents from rows of houses in three terraces below the school which might be engulfed in a new fall.

Dr. David Rowlands, deputy medical health officer in nearby Merthyr Tydfil, said there was only a "forlorn hope" anyone might still be found alive.

"We are getting deeper and deeper," he said, "and the condition of the bodies is getting worse."

LATE SATURDAY, an announcement from 10 Downing Street said a public inquiry would be held into the disaster. The inquiry will be conducted by a senior member of the judiciary. An army of 2,000 workers, including clergymen, teenagers and volunteers coming in from all parts of the country,

LBJ Flying To Manila Parley

TOWNSVILLE, Australia (AP) — President Johnson ended his historic Australian visit at 11:30 a.m. Sunday local time (9:30 p.m. Saturday Lowell time) when his giant presidential jet roared from Garbutt Airport and headed for Manila.

By Lewis Gulick

TOWNSVILLE, Australia, (AP) — President Johnson Sunday renewed the U.S. offer to stop bombing North Viet Nam and schedule a withdrawal of American forces from Viet Nam if the Communists will say what they are prepared to do for peace.

His remarks were made in a statement prepared for his departure for the Manila conference on Viet Nam that starts Monday.

He ended his three-day Australian visit after an overnight stay in Brisbane, where he was warmly received Saturday night.

Townsville, 690 miles northwest of Brisbane, was on his flight schedule as a refueling stop on the 3,700-mile journey to Manila. It was one of the places in Australia in which he served as a lieutenant commander in the Navy in World War II.

Johnson said that after the conference in Manila — involving the heads of the seven nations fighting the Communists in Viet Nam — he planned to review the progress of the Vietnamese war and "the prospects for bringing it to an end, and what may be done to heal the wound of a long and tragic war."

HE NOTED that the United States had offered once before to halt bombings of North Viet Nam and to provide a timetable for a withdrawal of troops if the North Vietnamese would reciprocate.

In Manila, Secretary of State Dean Rusk told reporters Saturday the United States had no indication from Hanoi as to what it would do if bombings ended.

Johnson said in renewing the offer to North Viet Nam: "We are ready to stop the bombing of North Viet Nam. We are ready to produce the schedule for the withdrawal of our troops — whenever the other side tells us what it is prepared to do to move toward peace in Viet Nam."

Girl Cyclist Hit By Auto

TEWKSBURY—Helene Sager, 10, of 255 River Rd., Tewksbury, yesterday afternoon when she suffered head and leg injuries dashed into the path of a car driven by Rev. Francis X. Erwin of Lawrence. She had ridden her bicycle from a driveway near her home into the path of the car, causing the accident which police termed "unavoidable."

She was rushed to St. John's Hospital by ambulance with head lacerations and leg injuries. Rev. Erwin was so upset by the mishap that he accompanied the child to the hospital.

Two Auto Accidents On Nesmith Street

LOWELL—Two accidents yesterday on Nesmith Street sent two people to St. Joseph's Hospital in the first accident and caused heavy damage to a Tower Drive man's car in the second.

Imelda B. Eno, 53, of 73 Newbury St., Dracut, was admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital for X-rays after a car she was driving collided with another at Nesmith and E. Merrimack Streets. The other car was driven by Abdel R. Halima, 54, of 27 Alder St. A passenger in the Eno car, Lorretta Leblanc, 64, of 40 Kensington St., Dracut was also admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital for X-rays of injuries suffered in the accident.

Police said the accident occurred when the Eno car started across the intersection and then suddenly stopped when the light changed. The Halima car, following behind the Eno car, could not stop in time and rammed the rear of the other car.

In a later accident last evening, Arthur P. Ferrer, 33, of 29 Tower Dr., told police that while he was driving on Nesmith Street near Andover Street another car tried to pass him and while passing hit his car, causing heavy damage.

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Two Injured In Tewksbury Collision

TEWKSBURY — A Cambridge woman was hospitalized and her husband released following treatment, as the result of a two car collision at Main Street and March Road at 6:40 o'clock last night.

Held at St. John's hospital for observation and treatment of possible spinal injuries is 23-year-old Mrs. Mary Ellen Gosby, of 63 Chilton St., Cambridge.

Released following treatment for bruises to both knees, his back and left side, was her husband, Alvie C. Gosby, 33, of the same address.

Officers James Jones and Cyril Gordon, who headed the investigation, reported that the second vehicle involved was operated by Richard F. Mackey, 19, of 40 Clyde Ave., this town. Mackey did not claim injury, they reported.

Police said that Gosby had halted his car and was making a right turn into March Road when the Mackey vehicle, behind Gosby, struck the left rear end of the latter's auto.



Nation's Highest Honor

Corporal Rudolph Lefebvre, Jr., formerly of 19 Old Stage Rd., Chelmsford, was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor and the Purple Heart yesterday in a ceremony on the common in Chelmsford Center. The awards were presented to Lefebvre's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Lefebvre, Sr., 5th and 6th from left, by Major George Brown, representing President Johnson. Others are, from left,

Neil Fortier, state commander of the Marine League; Chief of Police Ralph Mulslander, Governor John A. Voips, Marvin Pritchard, brother-in-law; Sergeant Gerald Bellknop, Theodore Wozniak and Alfred Gagnon, all of the Lowell Marine League, and Mrs. Theodore Wozniak, of the Ladies Auxiliary Marine League.

They Would Be City Manager

By Kendall M. Wallace

LOWELL — Running the gamut from a city manager in a small city in Alaska to a number in an employment office in Alexandria, Virginia, the Lowell city council is faced with reviewing 20 applications sent to it as a result of a \$175 ad placed in the Wall Street Journal. The 20 letters are now on file in the office of City Clerk William F. Busby, who has been instructed by the council to notify each candidate that they are welcome to come to Lowell for an interview.

Busby has already sent out letters to the first 12 candidates and three have signified they will come.

Response to the ad has been far greater than was expected. Applications for the soon to be vacant post of city manager were received from eight states and the District of Columbia.

Resumes of the 20 out of town men who seek to take over the post of chief administrative officer of the city are listed below:

FERNAND A. DAIGLE — 46 years old, former city manager of Ketchikan, Alaska, a community of 12,700.

Daigle is married and a graduate of the University of Denver, where he received a masters degree in Public Administration. He also served as an urban renewal planner with the Alaska Housing Authority, as an Urban Renewal administrator with the City of Peoria, Ill.

and as supervisor of central services for the Denver, Colorado Welfare Department.

JOHN E. FLANNERY, 46, of White Plains, New York. Flannery is a native of Indiana, married and the father of 10 children. An attorney, Flannery is now employed by the Mobil Oil Company as a cost analyst.

A first lieutenant in the Army during World War II, Flannery also has a great deal of other business experience including positions with two of the nation's auto manufacturers in Detroit.

MORRIS BERSON — An attorney with the U. S. Army Aviation Materiel Command in St. Louis, Missouri. He received his degree from Suffolk Law school in 1933 and also took special courses in public administration at Harvard University and Boston College. He is a member of the Mass. Bar, Federal and American Bar Associations. He has held many positions with the federal government over the past 20 years.

ROBERT N. JANES — Now serving as Borough clerk, tax collector, treasurer, clerk of the board of health and custodian of the school moneys for the Borough of Glen Rock, New Jersey. A graduate of Syracuse University, with a masters in public administration. Janes is 33 years old, married and the father of one child. In addition to municipal experience in Glen Rock, Janes worked with the Tri-State

Transportation commission in New York and with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in New Jersey.

THOMAS H. LINTHICUM — Now employed with the U.S. State Department's Foreign Service division, Linthicum is 56 years old, married and the father of three grown children. He attended New York University, Clark University, the Foreign Service Institute and Harvard University. He has been with the Federal government since 1954, having held administrative posts in India, China, the Netherlands, Iraq and Belgium.

JOHN W. GEIST — Presently manager of Hastings-On-Hudson in New York. Geist is a former Navy Captain who is seeking an opportunity to manage a larger municipality. Geist served in the Navy from 1934 to 1961. He took over as Manager of the New York community upon leaving the navy and has held the post for over five years. He gained a great deal of budget experience during his navy career. He is 55 years old, married and the father of one child.

NICHOLAS J. SAN MARTINO — An attorney, San Martino is 41 years old and lives in Wellesley. He received his law degree from Northeastern University. His background includes 15 years practical experience in all phases of real estate, business practices, as well as foreign and domestic contract negotiations and administration. Married, he is the father of three children.

HENRY R. HERGENROEDER Sr. — Married and the father of nine children, Hergenroeder makes his home in Baltimore, Maryland. A graduate of Harvard university with a MBA in Business Administration, Hergenroeder is 46 years old and is an Assistant Professor at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C. He served for nearly ten years on on Baltimore city council and was defeated in 1963 in a bid for the post of City Comptroller, losing 104,900 to 98,400 votes. He is a Captain in the U.S. Army reserves.

JOSEPH G. MAY — A Lieut. Colonel in the U.S. Army, May is 51 years old and now living in Vienna, Virginia. He attended the University of Maryland and a number of U.S. Army schools. He has been in the Army since 1938 having held important posts at home and abroad.

RAYMOND E. BERNARD — A Cambridge attorney, Bernard has experience in real estate, finance and law. Bernard said he is "no stranger to Lowell," having served as chief legal officer for the Columbia Broadcasting System's plant on Chelmsford street. The plant now houses the Avco Corp. Bernard is 49 years old and received his law degree from Northeastern University.

JOHN H. QUINLAN, JR. — A certified public accountant from Northboro, Quinlan is controller with a multi-plant manufacturer with annual sales of \$15 to \$20 million dollars. He once served as controller with the Bowl-Mor Corporation in Littleton. Quinlan is married and the father of five children. He is 39 years old and has a B.S. degree in business administration from Boston University.

JAROSLAV A. DRABEK — Thirty-five years of age, Drabek is married and the father of one child. He makes his home in Pittsburgh, Pa. He was graduated cum laude from Washington and Lee University in 1953. He got his law degree from George Washington University in 1958 and for a time was associated with a private law firm in Washington, D.C. He also served as counsel for the General Services Administration before moving to his present position as Assistant Counsel for the H K Porter Co. in Pittsburgh, Pa.

ROBERT E. GLENDON — A resident of Winchester, Glendon is now an administrative officer with a Research and Development Corporation. He once worked for the RCA in Burlington and Aves in Wilmington where he served as assistant to the manager of the applied re-

search department. He is 45 years old and received a B.S. in physics from the University of Mass. in 1948.

FRANK W. OLSEN — A resident of Camp Springs, Maryland, Olsen holds a Masters degree in Business Administration from Michigan State. Married and the father of four children, he is a retiring Air Force officer and has over 23 years of diversified management experiences in the Air Force.

A. L. DAVIES — Now living in Briarcliff Manor, N.Y., Davies has 15 years of experience in management of large corporations. He holds a B.S. in civil engineering and is a registered professional engineer. He served in the Navy during World War II and for several years was an Assistant professor of civil engineering at the University of Michigan.

APPLICANT NO. 875 — Number 875 is on file with the Around the World Executive Service in Alexandria, Virginia. He is 53 years old and holds a degree in architecture from Ohio State University. Since 1955, he has served as a consultant to government agencies, industrial and business firms, associations, stockholder groups builders and investors. He once conducted a city planning and land planning firm with officers in Youngstown, Ohio and Charleston, West Virginia, serving public and private clients with relation to industrial site selection, sub-division planning, park development and housing projects.

EUGENE A. Van Sant — Holder of a college degree in economics, Van Sant makes his home in Delran, New Jersey. He has worked in military supply

Potomac Fever

WASHINGTON — Secretary Freeman predicts the Democrats will pull a big vote in the farm belt. No doubt—the question is, will it be yes or no?

They're planning a Texas-style barbecue for the President when he gets to Australia. And a special Australian touch—Canberra sauce.

The Air Force allots \$300,000 for a study of flying saucers. If nothing else, it will at least prove that money has wings.

Mr. Johnson took a personal interest in settling the G. E. strike. He learned the White House was running out of lights for him to turn off.

Rep. Resnick says all a Republican gets for a \$1000 contribution is a handshake from Nixon. For the same money a Democrat gets a handout from LBJ.

JACK WILSON

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