Rock Fall at Mine Kills 4 in W. Va.

PANTHER, W. Va., April 18 (A)—Four men lost their lives today in a rock fall in a small coal mine near this McDowell County community. A funeral home identified the victims, all residents of Panther, as: Junior Estep. 25; Ance Estep. 32; Vester Lester. 27. and Johnny Patrick, 19. Two other men escaped injury.

The rock fall caught the four victims, killing them instantly. The funeral home said the mishap occurred about 2,000 feet inside the mine, near the coal face.