

Youngster killed in mine mishap

A family outing Saturday ended in tragedy for Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hollenshead of Gage when their son, Danny Waller Hollenshead, 10, fell more than 100 feet to his death in a mine shaft.

The family and some friends were exploring an old mine about 20 miles west and five miles south of Deming near the El Paso Natural Gas Co. site when the accident occurred. According to Sheriff C. C. "Slick" Gray, it was the old Quincy Mine, which was originally mined by the Spanish and worked again in the early 1900s.

The group had gone about 450 feet into the mine by means of a lateral shaft to a point where a vertical shaft crossed their path. Investigating officers stated that Danny was watching his brother, Edward, climbing up in the vertical shaft and lost his balance, plunging down into the pit.

An emergency call to the Sheriff's Dept. brought members of the Fire Dept., Sheriff's Dept. and State Police to the scene as well as County Commissioner Lee Pelayo.

As the lightest member of

the party, Pelayo was lowered on a rope to recover the boy's body.

In addition to his parents and brother, Danny is survived by his sister, Karen, and both sets of grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hollenshead of Hot Springs, Ark. and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lehman of El Paso.

He was born Feb. 22, 1958 in El Paso and was a fourth grade student at Smith School. He had lived in Gage for the past two years and was a member of the Methodist Church.

Memorial services were held at Wheeler's Chapel at 10 a.m. Monday, the Rev. James Miller of El Paso officiating. Burial was scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday in Restlawn Cemetery in El Paso with the Rev. Miller also officiating at the graveside services.

Cargo to attend Lulac convention

Gov. David F. Cargo will be a special guest at the 39th annual convention of New Mexico Lulacs, to be held in Deming May 24-25-26.