

Hopeful Rescuers Pump More Air to Mine Trap

LARK, Utah, July 18 (AP)—Hopeful mine officials today pumped larger amounts of fresh air into the Lark lead mine where three men remained trapped.

Bodies of two other men were found in a tunnel yesterday. The five became trapped early Sunday by smoke from a fire in timbering.

Oscar A. Glaeser, industrial relations manager for the U.S. Smelting, Refining & Mining Co., told reporters he thought the three men might still be alive if

they had retreated to the northeast section of the intricate mine. He said the air may be free of smoke there because of surface outlets.

The men still missing are Leland Neilsen, 38, pump operator; Robert Gordon Meyerhoffer, 36, electricians' foreman, and Clyde Auguston, 41, assistant mine superintendent. All were Lark residents.

The bodies of Horace Martin Seal, 59, hoist operator, and Byron G. Thomas, 46, surface foreman, were 50 feet apart yesterday.

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