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'QUAKE HOMELESS FIXE DISASTER AREA

Planas parachute supplies to the mountain village of Petate, completely isolated by Ecuador's devastating earthquakes. Now, ten days after the catastrophe struck here, the first of the injured are moved to the river valley far below the stricken village. The crossing is made on precarious emergency cables.

Then the refugees begin the final stage of their gruelling trek. Having clambered down one mountain, they must struggle up another - a back-breaking three-hour climb.

At the top, near Pelileo (the town that was wiped out by the earthquake) the refugees get food, clothing and a thorough going over with D.D.T. Though essential in an area which is the breeding ground for an epidemic, the D.D.T. appears the crowning indignity to a people already stricken by one of the worst earthquakes in modern times.