

**GREAT NEPHEW OF GEN. BATES
DROWNS IN QUARRY POND.**

Julian Singleton, son of Police Sergeant and Mrs. Seth Singleton of 721 Aubert avenue, a second cousin of City Counselor Charles W. Bates, and a great nephew of Gen. John C. Bates, was drowned in an abandoned quarry, three miles west of St. Louis, near the Creve Coeur lake electric line, Saturday afternoon. Up to late last night the body had not been recovered.

The boy, who was 13 years old, went to a pond known as Rabe's quarry, with Albert Sherzer of 5968 Cote Brilliante avenue and a dozen other boys of about the same age, to fish and to swim. When in the middle of the quarry the Singleton boy cried for help and then sank, from what cause his companions do not know.

The Singleton and Sherzer boys had been in the habit of spending Saturday afternoons in the country fishing and swimming. Saturday the former called for his friend at the latter's home and the two went out on the Creve Coeur road to the quarry. There they met the other boys, and after fishing for a time they pulled off their clothing and went into the water. The boys were not good swimmers, but they used a log to support them in crossing the water, which is said to be 60 feet deep.

According to the Sherzer boy, Singleton remained after all the rest of the boys had left the water and dressed. "Julian said he wanted to stay in a while and began to swim for the floating log, which had drifted to the middle of the pond," said Sherzer. "Just before he reached it he called for help. No one thought he was in distress until some time later, when he was seen to be struggling in order to remain on the surface.

Jack Bradley of 5965 Cote Brilliante avenue and Ernest Rause of 5879 Theodosia avenue plunged into the water and swam with their clothes on a distance of 150 feet to where Julian was struggling, but they seemed unable to secure a hold on him. As they attempted to get to his back to lift him up, he turned toward them, and, fearing that they would be drowned, they turned and swam back to shore. Then Singleton sank.

Friends and officers made every attempt to recover the body, working until 2 o'clock yesterday morning, and continuing again after a short sleep and breakfast. Dynamite was used freely, but on account of the great depth of the water it had no effect. A deep-sea diver, who is with a show at one of the summer gardens, also made an attempt to find the body. Grapple hooks were used also. It was said last night that the quarry probably would be pumped dry with engines if the body is not found before this morning.

Sergt. Singleton, the boy's father, does police duty in the office of Mayor Wells.

**SWIMMERS SEE COMRADE
DROWN AFTER FALL OUT BOAT.**

Merion Price, aged 35, an employe of the Swift pecking plant, East St. Louis, was drowned in Cahoka creek, about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A number of men who were swimming in the creek about 200 feet south of the Black bridge, saw Price fall from a skiff in 10 feet of water. They made an effort to save him, but failed. They reported the matter at engine house No. 2 and got the firemen there to go to the scene of the drowning with ladders and poles. After a thorough search the body was recovered at 10 o'clock last night and taken to the National undertaking company's morgue.

An inquest will be held there this morning. Price lived at 400 North First street, East St. Louis.

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