

## Steelton Youth, 15, Drowns in Quarry; Rescue Bids Futile

STEELTON — Robert Johnson, 15, son of Mrs. Emma Johnson of 914 S. Second St., drowned yesterday afternoon in the Bethlehem Steel Co. quarry water hole while swimming with two other youths.



Dr. Thomas J. Fritchey, coroner, said the body was recovered 1½ hours after the youth sank beneath the surface of the quarry water. He was pronounced dead at 3 p.m. by Dr. A. J. Griest.

Police said Johnson was swimming with Lee Spencer of 637 S. Fourth St., and Irven Jones of 614 S. Fourth St. Jones attempted to pull Johnson to safety when he shouted for help while Spencer gave the alarm.

Members of the Steelton Fire Dept. recovered the body and applied artificial respiration.

In addition to his mother he is survived by a sister, Carolyn.

Services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. in Beulah Baptist Church with the Rev. W. C. Carter, his pastor, officiating. Burial will be in William Howard Day Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home, Second and Adams Sts., Sunday after 7 p.m.

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