

School Girl, 10, Falls Into Abandoned Quarry and Drowns

Slipped While Playing on
Edge of Pit, Com-
panion Says.

Louisa Wilt, 10 years old, daughter of William and Mamie Sauvage, of 4715 Michigan avenue, was drowned at 4:40 o'clock yesterday afternoon when she fell into water thirty feet deep in an abandoned quarry at Minnesota avenue and Hill street.

The body of the child was recovered at 9:30 o'clock last night by firemen of Hook and Ladder Co. No. 23. The body was pronounced dead at the City Hospital and was removed to the home.

According to the story told by the child's playmates, she was attempting to feign a dive when her foot slipped on the soft earth at the edge of the precipice and she plunged down. There is a distance of nearly 50 feet between the edge of the quarry and the water level.

Her playmates were Marie Schneider, 8 years old, of 4723 Michigan avenue; Buelah Esica, 13 years old, of 4721 Michigan avenue, and Erma Hesskamp, 10 years old, of 4719A Michigan avenue.

The quarry has not been used for more than ten years. It is owned by the Haller estate.