Two County Residents Drown in Perkiomen

Talmadge Port Loses Life at Collegeville; Albert Bussers Dies in Quarry Hole

Two Montgomery County men drowned in the last two days. The intense heat is believed to have been a factor in both fatalities.

Talmadge Port, aged thirty-two, of Portland Heights, Worcester Township, died while bathing in the Perkiomen Creek at Collegeville. Together with several companions, he was giving swimming instructions to several girls. He was teaching Miss Blanche Hammond, of Norristown, at the time and pushed her toward the other swimmers when he went under. Cramps or a heart attack is thought to have caused him to lose his life.

The other fatality was Albert Basser, aged twenty-four, of Marble Hall. Early yesterday morning Basser left his boarding place and jumped into a quarry hole. Michael Tuturo, with whom he lived, saw him struggle in the deep water of the quarry. Whether or not he committed suicide is not known, although he has been suffering from a nervous breakdown. The water at that place is ninety feet deep.

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