

Boy Drowns In Quarry Trying To Retrieve Ball

Franklin Fuca, 10, Climbs Wire Fence Surrounding Water Hole In Herring Run Park, Then Slips While a younger brother watched helplessly nearby, 10-year-old Franklin Fuca drowned in 50 feet of water yesterday afternoon while attempting to retrieve a ball from an abandoned quarry hole in Herring Run Park.

Northeastern District police were told that Franklin and his brother Howard, 8, had been playing with several other boys in the park near the quarry when one of the children saw a ball floating in the stagnant water of the pit. Franklin climbed a seven-foot wire fence which surrounds the hole and walked to the water's edge where he stood upon a discarded packing case and tried to reach for the ball.

His foot slipped, according to his playmates, and he plunged down into the water. Franklin lived at 807 North Castle street and was a pupil at Public School No. 94.

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