HOCKESSIN BOY, AGED 12, DROWNS IN QUARRY HOLE

Companions See Youth Disappear Soon After Diving Into Water

Orville Richard Johnson, 12, of Hockessin, was drowned yesterday in a quarry hole in Chester County, Pa., two miles west of Hockessin. He had gone swimming with three companions, and disappeared shortly after jumping into the water.

His companions, unable to locate him, went to Hockessin to notify relatives. Meanwhile James McMullen, 20, of Landenberg, Pa., had dived into the quarry hole and succeeded in locating the body.

Delaware state troopers were notified but upon investigation learned the drowning had occurred over the state line. Pennsylvania state police at Avondale then were informed and took charge of the investigation.

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