

# Three Drown Near Roanoke

Roanoke, July 14.—(AP)—Three persons lost their lives by drowning in the Roanoke area yesterday.

A father and his son died in Roanoke River about 18 miles west of the city and a 30-year-old war veteran met death when he dived into the chill waters of an abandoned rock quarry a short distance outside the city. His father witnessed the tragedy.

Noah Smith, 36-year-old highway department employe, lost his life when he attempted to save his 9-year-old son, Jackie, who slipped from an inner tube on which he had been floating, and fell into the waters of a dam on the river.

**Howard Collins, 30,** of Cave Spring, drowned after suffering at dominal cramps, Dr. Russell Smiley, Roanoke County coroner, said. His father, standing on the bank of the quarry, saw the war veteran make a back dive and fail to return to the surface.

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