

Newsboy's Efforts In Vain:

Youth Drowns in Lake At Old Horton Quarry

A 14-YEAR-OLD boy drowned in the icy waters of the old Horton stone quarry at College and Newton late yesterday afternoon despite heroic efforts of a teen-age newspaper delivery boy to save him.

The dead lad, identified as Claude Gene Haguewood, 14, of 805 South Grant, was found after an hour and a-half search by fire and police officers and numerous volunteers.

The newspaper boy was Robert Lee, 15-year-old Senior High school student, who lives at 1155 Mt. Vernon.

Young Lee gave police this version of the tragedy:

He was throwing his paper route on Walnut, which bounds the south side of the abandoned quarry, when a small boy shouted to him that another youth had jumped in the water.

LEAPS INTO WATER

He said he rushed over and saw the boy floating under "three or four inches of water." Shedding only his heavy paper bag, he jumped and slid down the steep 50-foot bluff at the south-east corner from which young Haguewood fell or leaped, until he reached a point about 15 feet above the water.

From there he dived into the chilling water and swam around trying to locate the semi-floating body again. After he got in the water, he said, he was unable to see the body again.

At 5:37 p. m., only a few minutes after Lee jumped in, police received a call to the quarry. Lt. Sam Roberts was cruising only two blocks away when the call was dispatched over the police radio and got there in a few minutes.

He immediately went to a boat dock at the northwest corner of the quarry, where several rowboats were tied up, and found an unidentified man, apparently attracted by Lee's shouts for help, trying to get one of the boats loose from the mooring.

New Move Underway:

AMERICA TO LOSE CAPITAL OF U.N.?

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Nov. 4.—(AP)—A new move to take the United Nations headquarters back to Europe and settle it permanently in the League of Nations palace at Geneva loomed as a possibility tonight in the U.N. assembly.

U.N. sources said that Soviet Russia, which once vigorously opposed Geneva and anything connected with the old League as a home for the United Nations, was ready to ask that the assembly consider the Swiss city among the possible headquarters sites.

These sources added that the Russian position crystallized when it became known last weekend that the United States delegation finally abandoning its neutrality on the home issue, had asked the assembly to put the home-site offers of New York City and San Francisco up for debate by the delegates of 51 nations.

The battle is expected to be resumed tomorrow at 2 p. m., when the powerful steering committee of the assembly meets here to take up the site question, the Spanish case and other problems.

Meanwhile, the U.N. security council dropped from its agenda by

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Lt. Robards shot the lock off the chain fastened to the craft and, with the man, set out for the opposite side of the quarry where Lee was hanging onto a ledge just under the water. However, Robards was unable to find a paddle and was propelling the small boat along with only a dip net.

RESCUE BRAVE YOUTH

Firemen Dave Edwards and Bob Carter, who arrived only shortly after the police lieutenant, had also started out in a boat and reached Lee first. They pulled him out of the water and he was taken home by police and later returned to police headquarters.

Three rowboats and a motorboat, manned by police, firemen and several volunteers, continued the search long after dark. The quarry was lighted up by flood lights from a fire salvage truck, police cars and spectator's autos.

The boats used in the attempted rescue belong to the Springfield Boat and Motor Co., operated by Fred Hulston and E. Marvin Phillips. Both men arrived on the scene a few minutes after Lee was taken out of the water and assisted in the search for Haguewood's body with their motorboat.

Hulston said last night the com-

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pany leases the old quarry to demonstrate motorboats. He pointed out that the presence of the boats in the quarry probably was a determining factor in saving Lee.

Shortly after 7 o'clock, men in a small boat manned by Police Capt. Warren Norman, Capt. A. P. Emerson, of the fire salvage department, and Fireman Glenn McDaniel, called that they had found the boy's body.

Capt. Emerson later said he and McDaniel had been casting a long line which had a three-hook grapple on the end in the water beneath the bluff from which the lad fell.

McDaniel's hook caught on something on a ledge about 15 feet under water and he started pulling. Then the line went slack but tightened up a few seconds later. When they pulled it to the surface, they found the hook had caught in the boy's clothing and brought him to the surface.

They took the body back across the lake to an Alma Lohmeyer ambulance, which had been at the quarry since shortly after the youth fell in, and he was taken to St. John's hospital. Haguewood was pronounced dead on arrival. The body was then removed to Alma Lohmeyer funeral home.

Coroner Murray C. Stone termed the youth's death "apparently accidental" and said he didn't believe there would be an inquest.

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COMPANION TELLS STORY

Late last night, after searching since the accident to learn the identity of Haguewood's companion, officers located the boy. He was Roy Robinson, 13, of 771 South, a student at Phelps school.

Young Robinson told a reporter at the police station that he and Haguewood had been playing around the quarry for some time. Haguewood went inside the concrete retaining wall to pick up rocks to throw in the water, slipped in the mud and fell in the water.

After getting help, he continued, he stayed only long enough to see some men in a boat take a boy from the water. The boy seemed all right, he said, so he went on home.

Robinson said he fell in the same quarry last summer but managed to swim out without assistance. He gave his statement to police last night and was released.

Hundreds of spectators, crowding for a glimpse of the boy's body, lined the fence surrounding the old quarry and several extra policemen had to be detailed to handle the heavy flow of traffic on College and Walnut streets.

Young Haguewood, who was a student at Jarrett Junior High school, is survived by his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Haguewood, of the home; three brothers, Bill, Howard and Orten, all of the home, and a sister, Mrs. Hazel Kenton, of St. Louis.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete but will be under the direction of the Alma Lohmeyer funeral home.

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