

2 Boys Drown—In Quarry and in Pool

Two boys drowned yesterday under circumstances of opposite extremes—one in a quarry from which police chase swimmers away, the other in a class at a supervised pool.

Dead were:

WILLIAM DOCTOR, 16, who lived with an aunt and uncle at 11209 Parkview Avenue S.E.

EUGENE LODZIESKI, 5, of 3648 Irving Park Road, Woodmere Village.

Garfield Heights firemen and skindivers worked several hours searching for the body of William Doctor in an abandoned quarry at the end of Bancroft Road.

The old brickyard pit, as neighbors call it, has claimed at least three swimmers' lives in the last 15 years.

Police Lt. William C. Horrigan said the boy had gone swimming about 1 p.m. with two friends, Leonard and Philip Tromczyski of 9412 Manor Avenue S.E.

They had climbed down a steep, 175-foot cliff to get to the water, which is estimated to be 35 feet deep.

When Phillip, 15, realized that the Doctor youth was clinging to a log and apparently in trouble, he swam toward his friend. Phillip said later that William tried to pull the rescuer down and Phillip had to save himself.

Police said they made a constant effort to keep boys away from the quarry, which has also been used by thieves who steal cars, strip them and tip them over the steep edge of the cliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kish, with whom the boy had lived since his mother left his father 13 years ago, said young Doctor did not especially like to swim.

The father, William A. Doctor, lives in Newbury, O.

An unexplained drowning took the life of 5-year-old Eugene Lodzieski, who had obtained his first swimming suit only the day before.



EUGENE LODZIESKI

WILLIAM DOCTOR

In front of two life guards, four swimming teachers, a supervisor and six or eight mothers of pupils, the boy somehow got into the Orange High School pool.

Forty youngsters had been lined up along the edge of the pool, receiving their first lesson. They did not get into the water, receiving only verbal instructions at first.

When the class was led away from the pool, the girl in charge of the group that included Eugene noticed one was missing.

By then the boy was dead, near a drain outlet under 10 feet of water. It was murky because of a defect in the filter system.

No one concerned could understand how the accident could have happened.

Eugene was the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Lodzieski. They have five other children.

British Queen Mother Launches Huge Liner

BIRKENHEAD, England, June 23 (AP)—Queen Mother Elizabeth today launched Britain's biggest passenger liner in 21 years, the 38,000-ton Windsor Castle.

This steam turbine vessel, cruising at 23 knots, will cut two days off the 13-day Southampton-Cape Town run. She will carry 850 passengers.

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