

BOY, 14, DROWNS IN ABANDONED QUARRY

Swimming Companions Say
Joseph Conklin II Slipped
From Board.

SCENE IS NEAR LIBERTY

Police Underwater Rescue
Crew Recovers Body—Six
Youths at Pool.

A 14-year-old boy drowned in an abandoned quarry yesterday four miles south of Liberty.

The victim, Joseph Harold Conklin II, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harold Conklin, 5319 East Forty-fifth street terrace, North.

With Six Friends.

He had gone to the pond with six other Kansas City, North, youths. Four of the youths were swimming.

"He gave kind of a moan.



Joseph H. Conklin II.

and his hand slipped from around a board he was holding," said one of the youths. Tudy Manser, 15, of 5822 Russell road.

Manser and another youth dived into the water, but could not reach the Conklin boy. The other boy was James Q. Duncan, 17, of 5309 East Forty-fifth street terrace.

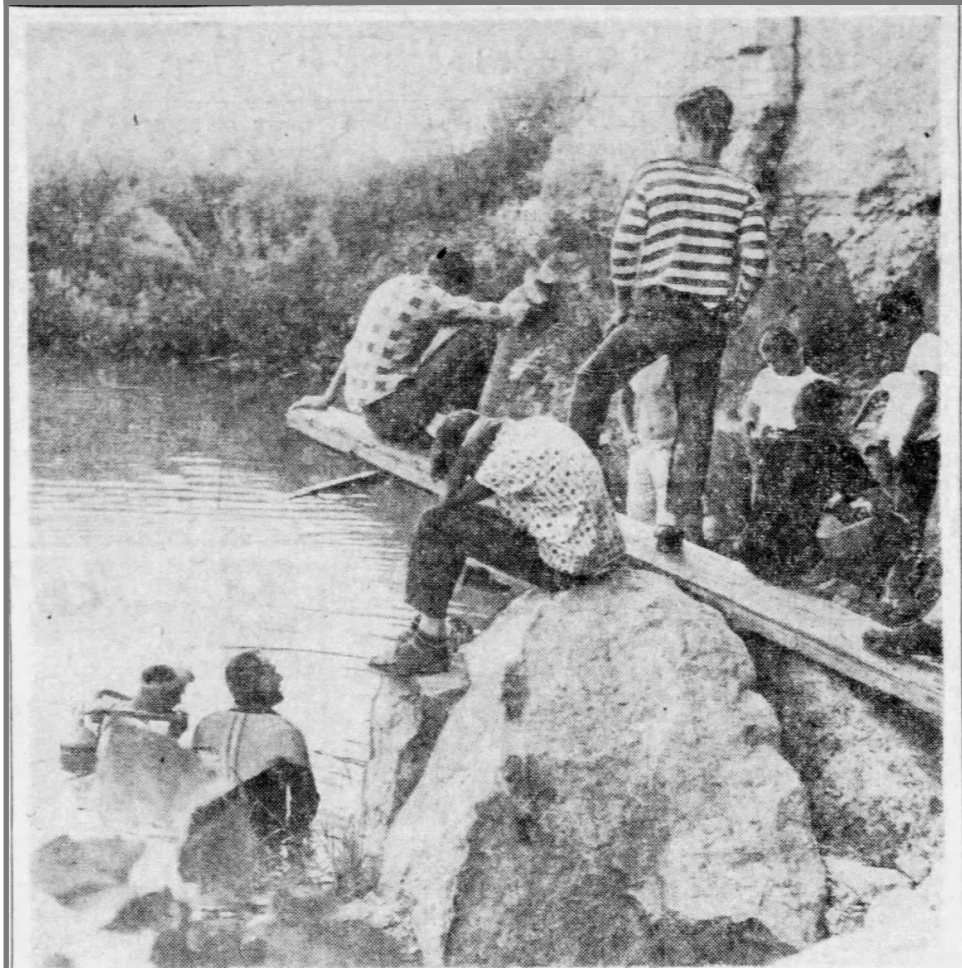
Found by Divers.

The boy's body was found in about 20 feet of water about 25 feet from the bank by skin divers from an underwater recovery unit of the Kansas City police. Lyle Mueller, a patrolman, found the body. Other officers taking part in the search were Cpl. Phillip Schmidt and Patrolmen John Wilson and Ronald Yale.

Donald Seneker, a Clay County sheriff's deputy, identified the other youths as a cousin of the victim, Danny W. Rule, 13, of 4224 East Forty-sixth street terrace;

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WAITING FOR THE RECOVERY of the body of 14-year-old Joseph Conklin II, youths who had accompanied him to the abandoned quarry watch the work of underwater recovery experts of the Kansas City police department. The youths are Richard Dean Crain, 14 (on the board); Larry Rogers, 14 (standing), and Tudy Manser, 15 (sitting on rock). In the water are Patrolmen Ronald Yale (left) and Lyle Mueller.

Richard Dean Crain, 14, of 7711 East Fifty-third street; Ronnie Lee Folsom, 16, of 5332 North Bales avenue, and Larry L. Rogers, 14, of 5014 East Forty-second street.

Site Is Near River.

The abandoned quarry site is on Birmingham road near the Missouri river.

Conklin was a student at the Eastgate junior high school. His father is a truck driver for Foremost Dairies, Inc., 3110 Robert Gillham road.

The body was taken to the Tyler-Pasley chapel, Liberty.

Also surviving are two sisters, Judith Ann Conklin and Janice Colleen Conklin, both of the home; the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Loveall, 4224 East Forty-sixth, North, and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Conklin, 125 Olive.

A CHECK ON SEWERS.

Lake Lotawana to Employ Engineering Firm.

The Lake Lotawana city council hired a consulting engineering firm last night to examine the city sewer system to determine if it needs to be extended or repaired. The firm is A. C. Kirkwood & Associates, 7800 the Paseo.

In other business, the council voted down an ordinance which would have required the Missouri Public Service company to pay a tax of 3 per cent of its gross profits earned from city patrons. The electric utility pays a 5 per cent tax to the Lake Lotawana association.

WANT TO WORK LONGER

Soviet Defense Employees Ask for 8-Hour Day.

London, Aug. 7.(AP)—Moscow radio reported two huge meetings of defense workers in the Soviet Union tonight called on the government to step up their working day from seven to eight hours.



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