

Two Brooklyn Youths Drown In Abandoned Gravel Pit

Two Brooklyn youths drowned and two others escaped death in a boating accident yesterday afternoon, county police said today.

Dead on arrival at North Arundel Hospital were Cornell R. Cross, 17, of 217 Berlin Ave. and Clarence Holley, 16, of 129 Midland Ave.

Police said the two dead

youths and two friends, Kenneth Wright, 16, of 145 Shenandoah Ave., and Anthony Ballard, 15, of 242 Bishop Ave., were rowing in an abandoned gravel quarry when the boat capsized at about 2:40 p.m.

The gravel pit, behind Sally Cook's Tavern on Shenandoah Ave., is one of several in the Pumphrey section of Brooklyn

that have been abandoned for a long time and are virtually a part of the Patapsco River.

Investigating Ptl. Norman B. Wedemeyer said that "several drownings" had occurred in these pits during the last few years.

Police said the circular pond is 400 feet wide and between six and eight feet deep.

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