

PAT TIERNEY IS KILLED TODAY IN 320 FOOT FALL INTO WATER POOL

Body Is Discovered by
Ranger Chief This Afternoon

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ELECTRICIAN AIDE

Finding of Body Clears
Up Mysterious Disappearance of Man

Pat Tierney, electrician's helper for the bureau of reclamation, met death this morning, shortly after 8:30, when he fell, some 320 feet from intake tower number three on the Arizona side of the river.

Tierney's body was found at the bottom of a 25-foot deep pool of water, at the foot of the intake tower, this afternoon by Chief Ranger Trimble, who had gone down into the canyon to investigate rumors that someone had been killed there.

The finding of the body unraveled a mystery, which surrounded the disappearance of Tierney early this morning.

According to reports to the rangers by Mrs. Tierney, the missing man left his home 15 minutes late this morning and borrowed a car from a friend to drive to the job. She did not know the friend, the make nor the license number of the car, so the rangers were up against a blank wall from this angle.

FROM INFORMATION garnered by the rangers, the car is thought to have belonged to Charles Hallam, but he could not be located to shed any light on the mystery.

Reports from the canyon this afternoon were to the effect that someone there had picked up a receipt, which was floating on the water, made out to Pat Tierney, and this was taken to indicate that he had fallen into the river and had been killed.

WHEN CHIEF Trimble and E. Emery went down the river to the intake tower, Trimble scouted around in an effort to determine where Tierney might have fallen if the reports of his death were true, and discovered the body of the missing man in the pool of water.

It was necessary to use grappling hooks to retrieve the body, which was placed aboard the boat and taken to the dock, where it was transferred to an ambulance and taken to the Parks mortuary, in Boulder City.

TIERNEY was between 35 and 40 years old and is survived by his widow, who was informed of his death by Rangers Parkinson and Laughery this afternoon.