

Boulder Man Is Drowned In Lake While Aquaplaning

Tom Powell of Boulder City was drowned while aquaplaning on Lake Mead in Kingman Wash late yesterday afternoon, and his body still has not been recovered, it was reported today. One of his companions, Mickey Jones, had a narrow escape from drowning as he tried to save Powell.

Powell fell from the aquaplane in water about 25 feet deep, approximately 250 feet from shore. He came to the surface, shouting to the others in the party who were in the boat. Then he sank beneath the water.

Jones and Clayton Brooks, bureau of reclamation ranger, went to his rescue, but as he struggled in the water, he struggled against the two men and escaped their grasp. By then Jones was so exhausted that he had almost given up and waved farewell to his wife, who was in the boat. However, Brooks was able to save him.

A report of the accident was telephoned to Boulder City, and Captain Jack Weiler and Ranger F. Lammers of the ranger station notified the park service rangers, who took out their boat, hooks, and other equipment to the scene of the accident.

Powell drowned about 5:55 p. m. and darkness overtook the searching party before the body could be found. Park and bureau of reclamation rangers were continuing the search today.

In the party on the lake yesterday were Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Ranger Brooks, Mauroa Polly, and Mildred Waycott.

Powell, who was 23 years old, was employed at the Nevada drug store in Boulder City.