

TRUCK LANDS IN RIVER, DRIVER SWIMS ASHORE

R. M. Lowden Saves Himself After Car Sinks, Is Slightly Injured.

R. M. Lowden, truck driver for Six Companies Inc., had a narrow escape from death or serious injury this morning, when the truck he was driving near lower portal of tunnel number two, flopped into the Colorado.

Lowden was hauling gravel to the spot and was backing up to dump the load in the proper place. In some manner the truck slipped over the embankment and settled into the water.

THE DRIVER was trapped in the cab and was out of sight for about 45 seconds, witnesses said, and when he came up he was in the middle of the stream. He struck out for shore and finally landed, after swimming with the stream, on the Nevada side of the river.

He was taken to the hospital immediately after his enforced swim and it was found that he was suffering from lacerations about the head and that his neck was injured. None of his hurts are considered serious.

THE TRUCK is sunk about six feet under water and it is expected that it will be salvaged sometime today or tomorrow.