

Man Finds Work, Is Drowned in Canal

Had Come from Toronto Thursday — Went Bathing After Day's Work

Mushacko (Michael) Bohoniuk, 25-year-old Ukrainian, of 70 Runnymede Rd., Toronto, was drowned in the Holland Marsh irrigation canal, at a point where the canal skirts the rear of Mr. J. W. Wilson's farm, late Saturday afternoon.

The drowned man, it appears, had come up from Toronto on Thursday and had secured work with Anglo del Zotto and F. Bollsanelo, market gardeners. Having finished work on Saturday afternoon, he had decided to bathe in the canal. Undressing and donning a pair of trunks, he left his clothes in his employers' shack, started out apparently for the canal, and nothing further was seen of him alive.

When the man failed to appear in response to a call to supper, a search was instituted and his towel and soap were found nearby. Word was then sent to Bradford for Provincial Officer I. Spencer and Constable W. Reeves, who were soon upon the scene, and a short time later Bohoniuk's body was located at the bottom of the canal in about nine feet of water. Whether the man was unable to swim and slipped off a small bridge that barely cleared the water or whether he was seized with cramps, is not known.

The body was removed to the undertaking rooms of T. Kilkenney & Son, Bradford. Coroner Dr. J. A. Cummings, who was called, decided that an inquest was not necessary.

Identity of the drowned man was established through a name on a suitcase which he had borrowed from a friend in Toronto, who, with a brother of the dead man, came up from the city on Sunday night, and after identifying the body, had it removed to Toronto on Monday for burial in Mount Hope Cemetery on Tuesday morning.