

Drowns Sunday At Lake Nyanza

Youngsters Engaged In Game On Bicycles When Tragedy Occurs

Lake Nyanza claimed a victim late Sunday afternoon when a 15-year-old Grinnell boy drowned in an unusual accident.

GHS Sophomore

Victim was Everett Ray Sadler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Sadler of 1003 First Avenue. He was a member of the sophomore class at Grinnell high school.

Grinnell police said they were notified of the accident at 4:35 p.m. Sunday when two teenage boys, Kyle Miller and Jim Buffum, came to the police station to report the tragedy.

Emergency unit of the city fire department rushed to the scene and the body was recovered about 5:10 p.m.

The boys said that they and young Sadler had gone to the lake that afternoon on their bicycles and were playing a game on one of the wooden piers. According to their report, they had been riding their bikes on the pier, trying to see who could stop closest to the end extending out over the water.

Plunges Into Water

Young Sadler was unable to stop his bicycle in time and plunged into the water, which is between seven and eight feet deep at that point.

Miller and Buffum said that Sadler never came to the surface and that they immediately got a

ride in an automobile to the police station where they reported the accident.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the James Schalinke Funeral Home with the Rev. Donald Rich, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, officiating. Interment will be in Hazelwood cemetery.

The son of Robert J. and Peggy Lisk Sadler, Everett Ray was born September 14, 1950. He had attended the local schools.

Survivors

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his brothers and sisters, Deborah, Wayne, Clint Lon and Tracy Sadler; and his grandmother, Mrs. Florence Sadler of Nashville, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Vickly Arlene.