

3-HOUR FIGHT FAILS TO RESUSCITATE GIRL

Bronx Child of 13, Taken From Water at Camp, Is Rushed to Hospital in Vain

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., July 21.—A race against death ended in failure this afternoon when hope was abandoned for the life of May Retzer, 13 years old, of 362 Cypress Avenue, the Bronx, who was drowned at Camp Kinderland, Sylvan Lake, shortly before noon.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon, after three hours of efforts to restore life, physicians pronounced her dead.

The girl was vacationing at the camp and Dr. Samuel Lipschitz is camp physician.

The girl went in swimming about 11:20 A. M. with a party of eighteen under the supervision of life guards.

A companion, a girl of 14, shouted that May had disappeared.

Samuel Zakheim, a guard, dashed into the lake and found the body about fifteen feet off shore in only four or five feet of water.

He brought the girl to the surface and rushed ashore, where first aid was administered and artificial respiration started. Benjamin Wise, another lifeguard, and Dr. Lipschitz joined Zakheim in working over the body.

In a few minutes, a faint tremor was noticed. Word was flashed to the city for the Vassar Hospital ambulance, which rushed to the camp. While awaiting its arrival, Dr. Lipschitz placed the body in the camp's respirator and oxygen was administered.

Ambulance attachés and Dr. Lipschitz worked over the girl during the dash to the hospital here and upon arrival she was placed in the larger respirator. After an hour of effort, District Attorney Thomas Lavery announced the attempt had been abandoned.
