

BRAVADO COSTS FOUR LIVES

Young Men Drown Trying to Shoot Over Small Dam.

Sioux Falls, S. D., May 13.—The Big Sioux river in this city was the scene of the drowning of four young men. The dead are: Matt Yost, William Dahl, John Needham and Guy Beck.

In a spirit of fun and daring the four young men, who were in two boats, two in each, attempted to shoot over a small dam in the heart of the business district. The fall of water over the dam is not more than two or three feet, but owing to the high water in the river the water for some days has been rushing over the dam at lightning speed.

The first boat got over the dam, but the second one capsized when it plunged into the water below the dam, and the two occupants were thrown into the swirling water. Seeing the danger of the two struggling men, the occupants of the other boat went to their rescue. They had succeeded in saving one of the drowning men and had partly drawn him into the boat when their own craft was capsized and all four young men were struggling in the water, drowning before assistance could reach them.