

"The last time Mr. Oram was sent to the Bridewell the United Charities came again for the children. I would not give them up. I still had left some of the fine draperies and linens from my old home on the North Side, and I was selling these a piece at a time to buy food for the children.

"The United Charities then tried to trump up a charge that I was a dope fiend and unfit to care for the children."

The United Charities fought hard against Dr. Halseiden operating on Oram, it is said. Oram was sent to the Bridewell for six months the last time. He was told it was not necessary to appear in court to answer a charge of impersonating an officer. But someone pushed the case and he was found guilty and sentenced when he was not even in the courtroom. It was a municipal court case, so a writ of error could not be sued and he had to go to the Bridewell.

Halseiden and Oram's friends have tried for months for his release that the operation might be performed, but the United Charities, say Oram's friends, was opposed and so was Corporation Counsel Ettelson. Mayor Thompson finally personally ordered Oram's release that the operation might be performed.

By tonight Mrs. Oram will have her answer. Her husband will have passed to the great beyond or he will be on the road to recovery with a little less of his original brain and a little more of his original mind:

And upon the fate of Oram may depend the future of many criminals whose tendency toward crime is the result of a physical and correctable imperfection of the brain.

Gneva.—British government officials have informed Italian prime minister of belief war will last at least another 18 months.

London, Sept. 5.—Canadian Pacific liner Montreal has been in collision and is sinking off Tilbury.

GARRETSON PREDICTS GOV'T OWNERSHIP OF RAILS

Washington, Sept. 5.—Government ownership of railroads and other public utilities is coming in the opinion of A. B. Garretson, leader of the four railroad brotherhoods' fight for an 8-hour day. Avoidance of a national rail strike, through strong governmental interference, he believes, is only one of a series of steps toward such an end.

"Ten years hence," he predicted, "you will see a mighty stride toward government ownership and operation of all railroads, as well as other public and quasi public utilities. I believe in such a program after mature reflection. I take this view, that there are deadly dangers in government ownership, but that with the government engaged in regulation—as it must—I feel that we must choose the least dangerous. That is government operation and ownership."

Commenting on the Garretson interview, one of the foremost experts of the country said today:

"His statement that this is one course in the structure is mild. It appears to me that this law has about built the whole structure for government ownership. It certainly has brought such a situation ten years nearer.

MEXICAN BANDITS HANGED BY CARRANZA SOLDIERS

Laredo, Tex., Sept. 5. — Twelve bandits who attempted to hold up a Mexican National passenger train just south of San Luis Potosi last Saturday were captured by Carranza soldiers, who were escorting the train, and hanged to telegraph poles. Other bandits were killed in the fight that followed the attempted robbery.

Washington.—Lower rates in iron ore from lower Lake Erie ports to Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania ordered by interstate commerce commission.