

ing the newspaper strike in 1912.

"According to the statement of Mr. O'Brien, the state's attorney's office has been searching for the four state witnesses for several weeks. I do not believe this, as I am one of these state witnesses. I feel that it is my duty to let the state's attorney's office know that I am still alive and in Chicago.

"When Conductor Frank Witt was shot on June 15, 1912, I was on his car as a passenger and saw Frank Witt shot. It was one of the most brutal, cold-blooded murders that a man could think of.

"This coming June 15 it will be two years, and what has the state's attorney's office done in the case? Nothing. They don't care to do anything. This man in the state's attorney's office and the counsel for the Newspaper Publishers' Association simply wish to drop this case. To prosecute would mean for them to work against the Hearst political machine.

"If the state's attorney's office is really in earnest to find these state witnesses, they will find them.

"I am one of them and am not afraid to go before the court and tell these gentlemen what I saw of the cold-blooded murder of Conductor Frank Witt. Otherwise I would believe there is no justice in the city of Chicago."

The information was immediately conveyed to Ass't State's Att'y James C. O'Brien, who is prosecuting the case.

"We have tried to locate Grosskurth for several weeks," said O'Brien, "and I am greatly pleased to get a line on him. We will place him on the stand."

Over 80 men have been examined in an effort to get a jury to try the Hearst sluggers, but up until late today only four jurors had been accepted while three other men were tentatively in the box.

O'Brien admitted today that he was afraid to use Francis Burns and

would not try and locate Gordon and Feldman for fear they had been reached.

Burns is the striking newsboy over whom the trouble on the street car started. Burns asked Friedman not to scab and the slugger struck him in the face. Witt interfered and the three gunmen drew their guns and shot him.

The state's attorney's office looked high and low for the missing boy. Officer Edward Smale located him after eight weeks' search at a West Madison street boarding house.

Ass't State's Att'y James C. O'Brien will make a thorough investigation of Burns' mysterious disappearance and some startling information may result from the probe, as Burns is now an employe of Hearst's Examiner.

Att'y John J. Healy, counsel for the gunmen, is fighting hard to keep union sympathizers off the jury.

O'Brien says he will ask the death penalty.

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LIGHT HEADED



He—I kept my head when I fell into the water the other day!
She—How fortunate! It must have helped you nicely to float!

Mrs. Marie Colman Hartough
June 13, 1941