

## SEARCH ON FOR MAN WHO ATTACKED YOUNG GIRL

Police of the Englewood station are searching for a man who bound, gagged and attempted to burn to death Gertrude Hanson, 17, a domestic in the home of Otto Johnson, 9950 Lowe avenue, today.

The girl was found tied to a beam in the basement after Mrs. Johnson had noticed smoke coming up the stairway. She rushed down and released the girl and then called the fire department. A number of rage, soaked in oil, were burning near the girl's feet.

Capt. Joel Smith believes the girl was assaulted by a man, who then beat her and tried to set fire to her and the house in order to hide his crime.

Miss Hanson is suffering from concussion of the brain.

## ANOTHER ACT IN THE FARCE TRAGEDY "GARBAGE"

The final curtain hasn't been rung down on the garbage farce, now being played by a star cast composed of our best municipal comedians.

There is in the city of Chicago a body called the City Waste Commission. It now proposes to waste money. The function of this committee is to find some way to solve all questions pertaining to waste, garbage, etc.

The members hold sessions regularly. They talk much. They think little. They have much fun. Yesterday they invited representatives of three corporations to talk to them about the ways of disposing of garbage.

Then Ald. W. O. Nance sprang a great surprise. He got up and said the waste commission should study the European methods of disposing of their garbage.

The members sat up and smiled. Europe is a beautiful country. Everyone feels a longing to go there for a visit. But it is so expensive. But now the members of the City

Waste Commission see a chance to go over there at the city's expense.

Meanwhile the city is still the joke town of the country when it comes to handling garbage.

## TO WORK NEW "HUMANIZING" PLAN ON CONVICTS

Joliet, Ill., Nov. 7.—A new policy of "humanizing" the Illinois state penitentiary, through which nearly every convict will be furnished work out in the sunshine, was outlined by Warden Allen, who says it will shortly be announced by Gov. Dunne.

"Part of the men," said the warden, "will be put to work on the roads, part on the prison farm and the remainder in the state quarry. Only the vicious and dangerous men should be refused the chance to work in the open air."

Each of the "honor" convicts now working on the roads near Dixon, Ill., and who signed his name to the "honor" pledge, will be given a button, allowing him more freedom inside the walls. Violation of the pledge will deprive him of the button.

## COMMONWEALTH EDISON CO. WINS IN RATE WAR

The Commonwealth Edison Company won the victory in the rate war when the gas, oil and electric light committee of the city council agreed to the cut of \$604,000 a year offered by the company.

This creates a third rate in addition to the present primary charge of 10 cents a kilowatt hour for the first thirty hours' use and the secondary charge of 5 cents for the next thirty hours. On Dec. 1 this will be made 4 cents and on March 1 will be made 3 cents.

Ald. Merriam put up a fight to have the primary charge reduced to 9 cents.

She—I always think of motoring as the poetry of motion. He—Yes, until the machine breaks down; then it becomes blank verse!