

# SURGEONS BUILD NEW SKULL FOR SHOCK PATIENT

Electrocuted in Power Plant; Victim Is Now Working by Miracle.

By N.E.A. Service  
TORONTO, Aug. 9.—Norman Douglas Ellis was "killed" by an electric shock a little over two years ago.

Then doctors removed about sixty square inches of the bone of his skull, leaving his brain exposed from about an inch back of the hairline in front to about an inch above the hairline at the base of the neck.

But today he is alive and well, doing a man's work and enjoying the best of health.

This apparent double miracle can be explained by two factors: The conscientious work of Ellis' fellow workmen, who employed artificial respiration after a doctor had pronounced him dead from electrocution, and who thereby restored a life that seemed already to have departed.

An amazingly skillful job by doctors on the staff of the Toronto General Hospital, who found a way to construct almost an entire artificial skull for him.

## Got Terrific Shock

Ellis' case is one of the most astounding in medical annals.

It was on May 21, 1926, that he was electrocuted. He was working in a power house beneath an exposed copper line carrying electricity to the extent of 5,000 horsepower, which supplied twenty-eight Ontario towns.

He was climbing a stepladder beside a horizontal row of iron pipes; the ladder slipped and he stepped up on the pipes to keep from falling. This brought his head in contact with the wire.

There was a blinding flash as a miniature thunder bolt leaped twenty-five feet to the ceiling and burned out a big porcelain insulator there.

The nails in Ellis' shoes were welded to the iron pipe by the heat, and he was left suspended in mid-air. Fellow employees got him down and called a doctor. The twenty-eight towns were plunged into darkness.

The doctor pronounced Ellis dead. But the power house workmen had been trained to employ resuscitation methods, always, after an accident, no matter how hopeless the outlook.

They did so; and after forty-five minutes, Ellis stirred, began to breathe and regained consciousness.

He was taken to a hospital for treatment. Necrosis, or rotting of the bone tissue, set in in his skull.

## Cut Away Skull

This disease progressed slowly. Finally, however, after eleven months, the doctors were compelled to cut away a piece of his skull, approximately ten inches long and six inches wide, to save his life.

Brain specialists in attendance said that he never would be able to leave his bed. Skin from his thigh was grafted over his exposed brain; but there was no bone under it.

Then, a mold of Ellis' head was taken. On it was constructed a bakelite artificial skull, light and strong. It was fitted into place—and presto! Ellis was himself again.

## FEAR OUTBREAK AFTER PEASANT CHIEF'S DEATH

Police Guard Slav City; Leader Shot in Parliament.

By United Press  
ZAGREB, Jugoslavia, Aug. 9.—Police and gendarmes formed cordons about public buildings, cafes, cinema houses and in public squares today, fearing a demonstration after the death of Stefan Raditch, peasant leader, wounded when a deputy started shooting recently in the Belgrade Parliament.

Raditch died at 8:55 Wednesday. He had been in serious condition for several weeks, but in the afternoon had shown improvement, and it was believed his chances for recovery were increasing.

The peasant leader had been one of the most influential men in this region, leading the opposition to the government in Parliament—an opposition that had demanded resignation of the government.

## WORKERS WILL PICNIC

Klieber-Dawson Compan Employees to Frolic at Idlewood.

Annual picnic of Klieber-Dawson Machinery Company employees will be at Idlewood Park near Pendleton, Saturday. Members of the arrangements committee are George Matson, Theodore Kuhn, William Pearson, Harry Wilson and W. D. Brown.

George Fleschman and William Pearson will stage a boxing match. Chicken dinner will be served at 7 p.m. There will be music by Carl Miller, banjo; William Leach, old-time fiddler; J. Tietz, accordion, and Edward Hoffman, piano.

Officials of the company sponsor the event each year.

## Cal Stumped

By United Press  
CEDAR ISLAND LODGE, Wis., Aug. 9.—President Coolidge has met his master among the piscatorial inhabitants of the Brule River. Thus far, the graylings, a species of fish placed in the river, has eluded his files.

"I've caught only trout and bass," the President said today, "and I'll not be satisfied until I land a grayling."

A fisherman who fills his creel with the small, swift grayling is looked upon as a master with rod and reel.

## RECEIVER IS SOUGHT FOR MOVING COMPANY

Mayflower Transit Company Operates in Seven States.

Suit for receivership of the Mayflower Transit Company, Merchants Bank Bld., a \$100,000 corporation operating moving vans in seven States, was being tried today before Superior Judge Joseph M. Milner.

Conrad M. Gentry, president and general manager, brought suit for \$24,52 as salary and for appointment of a receiver. He is represented by Emmett Huggins, attorney. Assets total \$65,000, while the liabilities, chiefly unpaid notes for the twenty trucks in operation, are about the same.

The suit asked that the receiver be instructed to dispose of all assets, and to operate until final sale is made. Imminent danger of insolvency was alleged.

Indianapolis is the home office, branches being in New York, Philadelphia, Columbus, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit and Cleveland.

## Death Notices

FESSLER, NORA O'HARROW, Wife of Arthur F. Fessler, passed away at her home, 1639 N. Meridian, Aug. 5. Friends invited. Crown Hill Cemetery.

CONNOR, BERNARD E.—Age 53 years beloved husband of Clementine C. O'Connor, died at his residence, 131 E. 19th St., Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1928, at 10:30 p.m.

GENERAL CARPENTER WORK.—Block and block; guarantee guar. DEVINE, R. 7715.

## Situations Wanted Female

WANTED POSITION—As housekeeper by young woman with 3-year-old boy. Small wages. E. 4980-W.

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LAUNDRY—To go at home called for and delivered. T. 4754.

Business Announcements

BUILDING—Contracting, repairing. Furniture, windows, roofs, etc. Wrecked. W. MCNEER & SON, L. 2628.

CLEANING—WE CALL FOR AND DE-

TERE LOYAL CLEANERS AND DYERS. R. 6256.

FEATHERS—Bought and sold and renovated. 146 Mass. R. 6269.

PAINTING AND CEMENT WORK—CASH QUOTIONS. R. 7310.

PAPER, CANDLES AND PAINTING—WORK, CAREFUL AND PROMPTLY DONE. CH. 5810.

PAPER HANGING—Cleaning; samples; new, full price. R. 6000.

REMODELING and roofing; experienced men; reasonable terms. E. 2508.

BUGS that cl. \$1.50. Spec. 10 days. CH. 7000.

RUGS, etc., THOROUGHLY CLEANED. \$2.

Superior Rug Cleaners. H. 4462.

SODDING—Cementing, grading, etc. and enameling; satisfactory service. H. 2452.

STAINLESS STEEL—Welding, etc. H. 6261.

TINNERS—Roofing and furnace work; repairing our spec. E. M. BAXTER, CH.

VAULTS—Dry wells, septic tanks cleaned; 25¢, anywhere in city; disinfesting free; immediate service. R. 9590.

FOR VAULTS AND DRY WELL CLEANING—ROAD. BE 0252.

\$2.50 A LOAD. BE 0252.

\$1 CLEANS men's suits; Crazy Cat Cleaners. 4127 Tent. St. Ch. 6505.

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## Rooms for Rent

ALABAMA, N. 2255—Front room, down 3 windows, private entrance. T. 6847.

ALABAMA, N. 2432—1-1/2 rm. in mod. home. To use. grand piano. R. 6252.

ASHLAND, 1610—Newly furn.; 2 windows; private entrance. Men. H. 5039.

CENTRAL HOME—Attractive 3-room, rear entrance, 1st floor, 100 ft. from R. 6253.

CENTRAL, 2230—Large comfortable front room, quiet house, men or couple. R. 6254.

CICO HOTEL—12th fl. New York. Cool rms., light, airy, comfortable. R. 6255.

CORNELL AVE., 1006—Sleeping and house-keeping rooms; modern; everything furnished. \$4 to \$6 per week. T. 6843.

CORNELL, 139—Nice furnished room; private home. R. 6256.

DELAWARE, N. 725—8—Cool rm. north; priv. home; close to L. 1. T. 6846.

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