

# BOY, 12, LOSES EYE IN BLAST

JOLIET (Ill.).—The premature explosion of a home-made bottle bomb with a match stick fuse cost Edward Hunter, 12, the sight in his right eye. The eye was removed by surgeons at Silver Cross Hospital in Joliet.

Hunter and a playmate, James Scrivens, 12, made the bomb with a soft drink bottle and powder another playmate had saved from firecrackers. When Edward lighted the match they had placed in the bottle neck as a fuse, the bomb exploded.

The boy suffered a puncture in his chest, a sprained wrist and other minor injuries. The Scrivens boy was cut on the cheek by glass. Edward Hunter's mother, Louise was widowed recently when her husband, Henry, died.