

LABORER THINKS HEAD ~ ABSORBS ELECTRICITY

**John Rosewald Tells Police He Fears
to Touch Anyone Lest He Elec-
trocute Them.**

"I'm a Free Methodist and I'm chuck full of electricity! Don't touch me unless you want an awful shock," said John Rosewald, a Finnish laborer, 35 years old, late yesterday afternoon as he entered police headquarters in the city hall and was questioned by Corridor Officer Fred Smart.

The man had stuck rolls of paper into his ears and when asked by the officer why he had done so, explained that for many days electric waves from wireless, telephone and telegraph systems had been pouring down on his head until his system had absorbed so much of the electrical energy that he was afraid to approach anyone for fear of electrocuting them.

"This is awful," he shouted. "I feel the currents pulsing through my system and I'm afraid to come into contact with anyone for fear of electrocuting them. It's in my veins, my legs, my arms, but mostly in my head. Take me to Mayor Miller quick."

Smart turned the man over to Desk Sergeant Myer Poyser. Rosewald explained while he was being booked that he was president of the Freemasons' Bank in Sweden and was possessor of at least \$200,000.00 which had been left him by a blacksmith. After a few moments' detention the man, who evidently is insane, was taken to the county jail.
