

MATCHMAKER MISSES MATE

**EAGLE, WIS., MAN HAD AGREED
TO MEET FIANCEE IN
CHICAGO.**

**HAD ENGAGED BY LETTER TO
WED, BUT MISSED CONNEC-
TIONS AT RENDEZVOUS.**

**BOTH ARE NOW IN HANDS OF PO-
LICE AND EXPLANATIONS
ARE MADE.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—She failed to arrive on time, and he failed to meet her, consequently Blanche L. Young, aged 16, of Battle Creek, Mich., and Frank Falter of Eagle, Wis., who had arranged a marriage by correspondence, are at the Harrison street police station.

Falter sent money to her with which to come to Chicago, and his last letter to her, which she showed to the police, was written in Milwaukee. It told her to meet him Feb. 26 at 3:55 o'clock. Their failure to meet was on account of a change in time of the arrival of trains from Battle Creek. He was at the depot and spoke to a policeman about the match.

According to the policeman he was well dressed and wore a flower in his button hole and appeared ready for the marriage. He was told of a train arriving at 3:50 o'clock and another at 6 o'clock. He was there at 4:50, but failed to come back when she did not appear on that train.

He was found by the police a few hours later and taken into custody.

"I'll meet the girl," he suggested to the police, "and if I like her I'll marry her. That's fair, isn't it?"

They thought best to hold judgment in reservation and locked him up. When Blanche heard about it she was real mad.

"It's a shame!" the Michigan girl cried. "Why, he hasn't done anything. It isn't a crime to want to get married when the girl is willing, is it?"

"I'll never go back to Michigan—the police can depend on that. They might as well let us be married first as last. What if Frank has got only \$10? That's enough to take us to his home in Wisconsin, and he isn't afraid to work."

Miss Young seems not to doubt for a moment that life would be one sweet dream with this youth she never has seen.

"I'm sure Frank is all right," she explained. "His letters are too sweet for anything. When he asked me to marry him I said 'Yes,' because I was not happy at home and wanted to get away from there.

"These people here say I'm too young to marry. Well, I'll show them. It's none of their affair, and I'd like to see them stop me. I won't go back to Michigan—that's sure. My parents are separated and our home is broken up."

Letter No. 4 from Falter, after he answered the correspondence advertisement in the paper, contained an offer of marriage, the next one, money for fare to Chicago, then came the misunderstanding and the police.

Falter Well Known at Eagle.

EAGLE, Wis., Feb. 27.—Frank Falter, who is well known here, is about 25 years of age, and resides on a farm 2½ miles south of town. He has been working this winter for the Graydon Ice company on Lulu lake. Falter has always been considered as steady as the average run of young men.