Joseph Thornberg, Jr.

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Cool Spray Lures Boy To His Death

Child Slips and Falls Under Wheels of Heavy Street Sprinkling Vehicle

Enticed into the cooling spray of a street sprinkler, yesterday, Joseph Thornberg, 9 years old, 212 Twelfth place northeast, fell beneath the wheels of the heavy vehicle on C street between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets northeast and was so severely injured he died at Casualty Hospital several hours later.

Joseph, with several playmates, were running along beside the sprinkler enjoying the spray when he slipped and fell beneath the wheels. He was taken to his home in a passing automobile and his condition was found to warrant hospital attention. Joseph kissed his mother and assured her he wold be all right. George W. Gibson, 1444 A street southeast, in charge of the sprinkler, was summoned to appear at an inquest at the morgue today.