

## BOY FALLS 60 FEET AND LIVES

Paul, 14-year-old son of Charles Brandenburg, of Sanborn, fell 60 feet when a lift in a grain elevator broke—and still lives.

Bradenburg stepped on the lift and released the brake, operated by the foot. As he weighed only about 75 pounds, the lift's counterweight of about 180 pounds, shot the boy to the top with great speed. The cable or supports gave way letting the lift and the boy fall from the top of the elevator. He was rendered unconscious by the fall and was rushed to a Valley City hospital, where, at last reports, he was recovering. No bones were broken by the fall, but the shock was very great.

The lift was believed to be in its usual condition and was controlled, according to the weight carried, by the amount of pressure released or applied by the foot brake. It is believed that the youth did not understand the operation of the brake or else lost his presence of mind and kept his foot pressed on the brake, whose normal position would check the lift.