

NEGRO BOY SHOT BY YOUNG GIRL

Bristol, Oct. 12—Because "I didn't want no negro boy hanging around me," to use the exact words of Bertie Wise, 13-year-old girl who shot him, a little 9-year-old negro boy, Richard Logan, lies at the point of death in the Mercy Hospital here with his intestines punctured no less than nine times by a bullet fired by the girl at her home in North Bristol Monday afternoon, the lead from the 32-calibre pistol taking effect in the child's abdomen.

Now Bertie is in the Bristol, Va., jail facing a charge of criminal assault, after having defied the police justice, officers, and officials of the Salvation Army where she was taken after the shooting by her foster father, R. L. Hall, who declared "she is incorrigible and I can't do anything with her, and can't keep her any longer."

Shot Without Provocation

The negro lad was shot while he was standing in the street in front of the Hall home on Lester street in North Bristol about three o'clock Monday afternoon by the Wise girl who, according to her own statements, shot him because he had merely climbed a chestnut tree in the yard of the Hall home, coming down when he was told to do so by the girl. The child is the son of J. D. Logan who hauls wood for the Dixie Tannery here. After he was shot his father was notified and came home and summoned Dr. E. D. Rollins who took him to the Mercy Hospital and operated on him, taking out a part of the intestines. The bullet entered the stomach and ploughed its way through the abdomen, puncturing the intestines many times and finally lodging in the back.