

EDUCATION IS KEY TO PRISON REFORM, SAYS T. M. OSBORNE

Reform, as Primary Purpose of Prison System, is Declared Complete Failure

RALEIGH, Jan. 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Reform "as the avowed and primary purpose of the prison system," is a failure, because one like to be told that he is to be reformed, but education—training for life—is the key to the problem.

Penologists have constantly reiterated, said Mr. Mott, the words of Sir Evelyn Ruggles-Brise, formerly head of the English prisons, that "the purpose of the penal system can not be defined than by the old-fashioned formula, which provides that it shall be retributive, deterrent and reformatory."

"Those of us who have been studying prisons at close range of late years take issue with both of these purposes. The purpose of prisons is solely to protect society and the methods used must be such as prove most efficient toward that end."

"Retaliation, or revenge, is not only wicked in itself—contrary to all religious principles—but has been found dangerous in practice. It is found to be unjust, for it is impossible to determine the exact amount of personal blame to be attached to any guilty individual. The result of retaliation is to make a criminal more of a criminal."

"Reform, as the avowed and primary purpose of the prison system, is equally a failure. No one objecting to the reform, but it arouses a perfectly natural obstinacy. Moreover, the men in our prisons believe us to be not only dishonest, but hypocritical. It must be remembered that they come in contact with the most imperfect members in our social machinery. They do not deal with the honest policeman, but with the highly paid, and paid much more than we do about those agents of ours who are weak and dishonest."

"When we tell men in prison that we are going to reform them they naturally ask, 'What reform?' 'Why don't you first reform yourselves?' 'So we come to deterrance as the only practicable aim of prison; and it is only by bringing these lawbreakers around to our point of view that we can stop them from law-breaking. How can this be done?' 'We have tried force. It will not work; it has failed for over a hundred years, since prisons were first placed in graded punishments. We have turned our prisoners into the worst kind of hells and the worse we make them, the more crime increases.'

"The problem can not be solved by either severity of sentimentality. The third and right way is education. This does not mean mere schooling—it means training for life. Men must be encouraged to think for themselves and to choose the right instead of the wrong. It is the conscience that needs to be educated. 'Experience has shown that this can be done only in one way. As Gladstone once wrote, 'It is liberty alone that fits men for liberty. To train men for the free life of a citizen outside the walls, you must give them as much practicable of free life within the walls.'

"For the last nine years important experiments in this line have been tried; and it has been proved that not only can the prisoner community, properly encouraged and directed by the prison administration, handle its own problems with very remarkable success, but that by these means a maximum of true and permanent reform can be obtained."

Mr. Osborne then gave a history of the Mutual Welfare League at the United States Naval Prison at Portsmouth, N. M. The league was started there when he was placed in command of the prison by Josephus Daniels, then secretary of the navy, in August, 1917.

For nearly three years under Mr. Osborne's command, it is stated, the league functioned with "extraordinary success." During this time, 6,852 prisoners passed under his charge. There were no riots or other trouble. There were no severe punishments. Only eight men escaped. Much work was done by the prisoners about the navy yard. Over 2,700 men were restored to duty, and during the last year, with 2,000 inmates, there were no marine guards at the prison, the prisoner police doing all the necessary guard duty. Mr. Osborne called attention to the fact that when he first visited the prison there were 180 guards in charge of 170 prisoners. After his resignation, continued, carried on the same system with similar success.

"There is no serious difficulty inside the prison. By common sense methods we can secure good conduct from prisoners and do away with all forms of brutality and torture, by sympathetic interest we can sympathetically change the views and intentions of many of the strongest men among prisoners."

"Just how many we can turn from destructive to constructive action can never be determined until the system has been given a fair chance through the series of years. That it should be given such a trial must be manifest to every intelligent person, for there is one thing upon which all such persons are agreed: the old prison system is a flat failure—a mortifying and disgraceful failure," he declared.

NEGRO STEVEDORE DROWNED IN RIVER

William Bellamy Topples From Cotton Aboard Lighter to His Death

In view of many of his fellow workmen, William Bellamy, colored stevedore, toppled from a bale of cotton aboard a lighter moored at the terminals of the Wilmington Compress and Warehouse company yesterday afternoon at 2:10 o'clock, and was drowned. Bellamy accidentally lost his footing and plunged into the river. Information furnished Coroner A. S. Holden corroborated this, and after having thoroughly investigated the matter, the coroner rendered a verdict to that effect, allowing relatives to assume charge of the remains without further inquiry into the matter.

Inquiry proved that the drowning was accidental, and the coroner immediately turned the negro's effects over to the clerk of the superior court, and gave permission for the relatives to take charge of the remains.

Bellamy was between 30 and 35 years of age, and was known to his friends as "Jack Dempsey," because of his unusually splendid physique.

American and Chinese Governments Deadlock on Coltman Reparation

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—The state department here and the Peking government in China, appear to have reached at least a temporary deadlock over the American demand for reparation for the sinking of the USS Coltman, an American merchant in Kaigian by Chinese soldiers on December 11th.

Coltman was in an automobile in company with Samuel Sokobin, the American consul at Kaigian, and a friend carrying a large sum of silver to Urga to buy furs. The party was stopped by the Chinese sentries and was fired upon by them when they sought to proceed.

After an investigation American Minister Schurmann made demand upon the Peking government for sweeping reparations, including apologies from the Chinese government, the governor of the province and others; the payment of indemnity; the punishment of the soldiers who fired upon the party and of their commanding officers, and the removal of all restrictions upon the further export of silver from the province. The state department approved the action.

The obstacle to compliance by Peking with the American demands arises, because, even admitting the justice of the claims, the government has practically no means of compelling the local authorities concerned to act. It is said to be willing to make any apology on its own account, and to pay indemnity within its means.

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Maneuvers to Improve Shipping Measures Are Made in the Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Informal negotiations were conducted in the senate today to improve the position of the administration shipping bill, although a proposal to limit the time for debate failed upon objection by Senator Brookhart, Republican, Iowa.

Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon, who has introduced a score of amendments to modify the pending bill, held several conferences with administration leaders and there was said to be prospects of approval of some of his proposals. Reduction of the proposed government aid payments to large passenger liners, proportionate increase of payments to freight carriers, decrease in the time for government aid payments and several administrative changes are among the McNary amendments. Chairman Lasker of the shipping board, it was said, and other officials probably would be consulted regarding these amendments.

Wallace Bank Elects J. B. Cooper Cashier

(Special to the Star.)

WALLACE, Jan. 25.—At a meeting of the directors of the Farmers' Bank and Trust company, this week, James B. Cooper, of Chiquapiin, was elected vice-president and cashier; Henry F. Boney, bookkeeper, was made assistant cashier. This takes effect about February 1st.

Mr. Cooper does not come to Wallace a stranger in business circles, he has been with G. B. D. Parker for 16 years, and stands high in the business world, holding the confidence and esteem of the entire vicinity in which he has spent these busy years. His pleasing personality and genial manner will make friends for himself and the institution for which he works; and not only is he considered an asset to the bank but to the town. Mr. Cooper married the niece of Mr. Parker, Miss Gertrude Quinn, of Chiquapiin, and Wallace welcomes them and their little daughter, Zilda.

Harnett Forest Fire Loss Sixty Thousand

FAYETTEVILLE, Jan. 2.—The extent of the damage caused by forest fires which raged in Harnett county last Friday and Saturday was revealed today in a statement by R. W. Christian, fire warden of Cumberland county, who directed the fight to subdue the flames.

Mr. Christian said that an area of 15 square miles was entirely devastated by the flames at a total estimated loss of \$60,000. When the fire was first discovered the efforts of those fighting the flames were discounted by a strong wind which did not subside for several hours.

Although the area devastated was covered, for the most part, with timber carrying a large sum of silver to Urga to buy furs, the party was stopped by the Chinese sentries and was fired upon by them when they sought to proceed.

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Power Curtailment Order is Rescinded

CHARLOTTE, Jan. 25.—Announcement was made tonight by officials of the Southern Power company that the power curtailment program which the company inaugurated yesterday will be suspended, effective tomorrow.

The curtailment request, which affected mills in North and South Carolina, was made by the company because of a lack of rainfall at the headwaters of the streams from which power is derived and it is stated that the recent snow and sleet storm has remedied this condition, many of the streams being considerably swollen as a result.

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CONFIRM CAMPBELL NOMINATION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The nomination of Milo D. Campbell of Michigan, to the federal reserve board as the so-called "dirt farmer" member was confirmed today by the senate.

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Repeat the Entire Treatment When the vapors begin to lose their strength, fresh Vicks should be applied over the parts. This to keep up the continuous supply of vapors. When the redness of the skin begins to die out, all the Vicks remaining should be wiped off and the entire treatment repeated. That is, the hot wet towels or mustard plasters should be used until the skin is again thoroughly reddened, then massage with Vicks, spread on thickly and cover with hot flannels, just as previously done.

Can Add Mustard to Vicks This redness of the skin should last for two or three hours, but varies with different patients. Some skins are much more sensitive than others. This redness can be prolonged by making a little ordinary powdered mustard with Vicks—about one part of mustard to four parts of Vicks, but this can be varied according to the patient's skin. Just enough mustard should be used to keep up the counter-irritant effect for two to four hours, so that the wet towels or mustard plasters will not have to be used so frequently as to prevent the patient from resting.

Use in a Tea-Kettle Sometimes when the patient is badly choked up, the vapors from the application on the chest are not sufficient to make the breathing easier. In these cases drop a tablespoonful of Vicks into a kettle of boiling water and allow the patient to inhale the warm steam and vapors combined for about 10 minutes. Do this several times a day if needed. Keep the water boiling and put in additional Vicks whenever the vapors decrease. Put a sheet over the patient and the tea-kettle, making a kind of a tent, so as to confine the vapors. An ordinary steam vaporizer is even more convenient than a tea-kettle.

Sanitary Applications Useful This is a vigorous treatment, but to check congestion requires vigorous measures. Vicks must be used freely to be effective. The cost of this treatment is insignificant compared with the results which are frequently obtained. Does Not Take the Place of the Physician In all cases a physician should be called. These deep colds are too serious and have too many complications to rely entirely on any home medication. Vicks, however, does not interfere with any treatment that the doctor may prescribe. In addition the formula of Vicks is given on every circular so there is no reason why any doctor should object to its use, except the fact that a few physicians do not care to use anything which is advertised directly to the public.

Vicks Acts Like a Vapor Lamp The advantage of applying Vicks thickly over the body is this: Vicks is so made that the body heat gradually releases the ingredients in the form of vapors. The more Vicks applied, the stronger will be the vapors and the longer these vapors will last. The night clothing should always be loose around the neck and the bed clothes arranged in the form of a tunnel. These vapors being lighter than air rise up from the chest and, if the bed clothing is properly arranged, pass by the nose and mouth and are thus inhaled.

A Pharmacist's Discovery Vicks VapoRub is the discovery of a North Carolina pharmacist. From the back room of a little drug store its use has grown until today literally tens of millions of families are never without the family blue jar. It is their standby for all forms of cold troubles and, in addition, is useful for the many minor ailments of the home. It is particularly a boon to mothers with small children, because it is externally applied. Over 17 million jars are used yearly in the United States alone.—adv.

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