

Recommendations On Reform Of Prison Are Consolidated

Committee Makes Final Report Before General Assembly Meets On 15 Points Raised By Committee of One Hundred. Bills to Be Prepared On All Issues Raised.

Recommendations for prison legislation in North Carolina to be incorporated in bills to be presented to the 1923 session of the general assembly were agreed upon in Raleigh, December 20, by the committee on

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policy and program of the citizens' committee of one hundred on prison legislation.
The entire committee was present, as follows: Dr. J. F. Steiner, A. M. Steiner, Dr. H. F. Pratt, Mrs. Kate Burz Johnson and Mrs. T. W. Blockitt. In addition, Roy M. Brown and W. B. Sanders were present.
The recommendations represent the consolidation of all the reports of subcommittees of the committee of one hundred and are therefore the final recommendations of that body. Bills covering all matters in the recommendations will be presented to the general assembly. Following are the recommendations:
"1. That at the session of the general assembly for 1923 the secretary of the state board of health and the state commissioner of public welfare be made ex-officio members of the board of directors of the state prison, thus increasing the membership of the said board from five to seven, and that at the expiration of the term of the present board of directors of the state prison there shall be elected by the general assembly, upon the recommendation of the governor, five persons, who, with the two ex-officio members mentioned above, shall constitute the board of directors of the state prison. At the 1925 session of the general assembly all five of these members shall be elected, two for a term of two years, two for a term of four years, and one for a term of six years, and thereafter, the term shall be six years for all; provided that the minority party and that both sexes shall always be represented among the appointive members; elections to be by concurrent vote of the general assembly.
"2. That the state prison be supported from state funds as approved, and that the proceeds from the state prison and state prison farm be turned back into the state treasury.
"3. The abolition of the state hospital for the dangerous insane, now located in the state prison under the direction of the board of directors of the state prison, and the removal of said insane to the state hospital for the dangerous insane at other state hospitals for the insane or to the Caswell Training school after careful examination of all inmates by a commission of mental experts.
"4. The establishment on the state prison farm of a colony for tubercular prisoners, sufficient to care for all tubercular prisoners, both state and county.
"5. The establishment in the state prison of an adequate system of vocational training for such prisoners as are capable of receiving it, the products of such industries to be marketed at the discretion of the board of directors of the state prison.
"6. The establishment on the state prison farm of a colony for women offenders, to which all women offenders sentenced shall be sent, except from such counties as have built homes for fallen women in accordance with section 7344 of consolidated statutes; and except such as may be admitted to Samaritan hospital for the insane.
"7. That all prisoners sentenced for a longer term than three months by any court shall be sent to the state prison, the necessary expenses of such transfer to be paid from state funds.
"8. That section 7703, consolidated statutes, be amended to read as follows: The board of directors are authorized to employ such managers, wardens, physicians, psychiatrists, supervisors, overseers and all other servants or agents as they may deem necessary for the management of the affairs of the state's prison; and for the examination, classification, health, safekeeping and employment of the prisoners therein confined. They shall fix the compensation of such agents or servants, prescribe their duties by proper rules and regulations, and may discharge them at will.
"9. Compulsory education for the prisoners in the state prison and the employment of teachers and instructors for same; said instruction to be during the regular work hours.
"10. That section 7719 be amended that that advisory board of parole shall be composed of the following: The state commissioner of public welfare, the superintendent of the state prison and the head of the bureau of parole of the state board of charities and public welfare, the last to be a full-time salaried officer.
"11. That flogging and confinement in inhuman dark cells and dungeons as a method of discipline for prisoners shall be prohibited in all prisons, county prison camps or workhouses in the state. That the board of directors of the state prison shall make rules and regulations for the discipline and care of state and county prisoners.
"12. That the same standards of health and sanitation be maintained in city prisons as are required in county jails.
"13. That the state board of charities and public welfare in addition to its powers of investigating and supervising the whole system of charitable and penal institutions of the state shall be given power to enforce the rules and regulations in regard to the care and treatment of county prisoners and to maintain prescribed standards for county jails and convict camps. C. S. 5008.
"14. That a matron shall be in charge of the women's wards of all county and city jails; in larger jails for full time, in smaller jails for part time.
"15. Abolition of the convict lease system. C. C. 7743-7743; 1254."

The Tiger Calls On Herrick and Thanks American People

Paris, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—George Clemenceau called at the American embassy today and expressed to Ambassador Herrick his deep appreciation of the cordial attitude of the United States during his American tour.
He also handed to the ambassador, for transmission to the Museum at Mount Vernon, a gold medal given him by the city of Mulhouse, Alsace, on the occasion of his first visit there after the liberation of the district from the Germans.
The medal was struck in 1921 to commemorate the centenary of the voluntary union of the free city of Mulhouse with France. M. Clemenceau desired his gift to be taken as a tribute to the American soldiers who so efficiently aided in freeing Alsace "in reparation of the German crime."

Herman Johnson Arrested On a Charge of Robbery

(Special to Daily News)
Salisbury, Dec. 21.—Herman Johnson, a white man, was arrested here and turned over to Coolidge officers, he being wanted in Coolidge for alleged connection with the robbery of the Lefter stores several nights ago. When he was arrested Johnson had several new suit cases in which officers said they found many articles that were alleged to have been stolen from the Coolidge store.
W. D. Pethel, former postmaster at Spencer, who was sent to Atlanta for 18 months for alleged irregularities in his conduct of the Spencer office, has been paroled by President Harding and has returned to his home here.

Samuel Pierson is Held On Alleged Mail Defraud Case

Baltimore, Dec. 22.—Samuel B. Pierson of Baltimore, yesterday was held in \$5,000 bail by United States Commissioner Supple for a hearing on January 19 on the charge of using the mails to defraud.
George E. Brill, postoffice inspector, who has been investigating Pierson's transactions for months, has discovered evidence, he claims, tending to show that Pierson has been victimizing merchants throughout the country, and that the loss suffered by Baltimore tradesmen alone has been between \$75,000 and \$125,000.

League of Nations to Meet to Decide Entry of Turkey

Geneva, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—A proposal for a special meeting of the assembly of the league of nations in February to act on the admission of Turkey to the league has met with considerable favor among the representative members thus far consulted. Great Britain is strongly urging a special session on the ground that Turkey, as a member of the league, could, with less possibility of complications, accept measures deemed appropriate for the protection of the minorities within her borders.

POLICE JUDGE WELLS TO QUIT THE BENCH

Clinton Hughes and Scroop Styles Mentioned For the Asheville Position.
(Special to Daily News)
Asheville, Dec. 22.—Words of commendation for the police department, city solicitor and commissioners are contained in the resignation of Police Judge R. M. Wells, which was drafted by him today and will be at once placed before the mayor and commissioners. The resignation is to take effect on January 1, and was drafted after careful consideration on the part of Judge Wells and after he had received numerous letters urging that he reconsider his action and remain in the service of the city.
Judge Wells' resignation brings to the front continued discussion as to his successor, although Mayor Roberts and Commissioners Sherrill and Fitzpatrick are silent as to who will probably be chosen by the commissioners. Early action will probably be taken on the resignation and a number are inclined to believe that the city commissioners will decline to accept the resignation of Judge Wells.
Clinton K. Hughes and J. Scroop Styles are being mentioned as possible successors, should the resignation be accepted, and the former will be supported by at least 50 per cent of the members of the Asheville bar, friends having solicited this support for Mr. Hughes, who in the Democratic primaries was a candidate for solicitor of the 19th judicial district.
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Defense Witnesses Tell of the Herrin Mine Massacre

(By Associated Press)
Marion, Ill., Dec. 22.—The killing of the first three union miners slain during the Herrin riots was described today by Edward Cranshaw, one of the first witnesses for the defense at the trial of five men charged with murder in connection with the slaying of 35 non-union workers during the outbreak.
The defense began the forging of its chain of evidence at the opening of the morning session after formal notions asking that all the evidence introduced by the state be excluded and that the court direct a verdict of "not guilty" had been overruled by Judge D. T. Hartwell.
A number of the first witnesses called testified that the territory surrounding the mine was peaceful and quiet until after union workers had been discharged and non-union men and armed guards sent into the pit by the coal company.
Strong Man Dies.
Boston, Dec. 22.—Timothy J. Coffee, who was individual tug of war champion in this country for 10 years and who claimed he could outpull any man in the world at the end of a rope, died here today. In 1904 at a tournament in New York Coffee defeated 27 men of many nations in a contest advertised for the world's champion-ship.

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