

Prison Offers Pickaninny First Chance Make Good

Little Georgia Negro Finds Hard Hearts in Courts of Jersey Justice but Keeper of Penitentiary Says Will Try to Make Man of the Little Black Convict

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Trenton, N. J., Jan. 7.—He's just a little pickaninny. His mammy down in Savannah once thought him "mighty lak 'a rose."

But he's 15 now and small for his age and wears raggedy little pants and a coat all frayed about the edges. His mammy is dead. His "pappy" is in an insane asylum. His home off and on has been all by himself in any shelter he could find along the Rahway-Linden road. He's never had any "learnin'."

But now the little "nigger boy" who never had a chance, is to get his great opportunity in life. He is to get it behind the gray walls of the state prison here, for he has been sentenced to serve from 10 to 30 years on a plea of guilty to murder in the second degree.

The state is going to take the boy and make a man of him. His case will be a test of the modern penal system. The experiment will be watched by criminologists all over the country.

Last summer the little colored boy shot and killed his uncle. The state contended that he fired in anger because the uncle would not lend him his bicycle. The defense claimed the uncle was accidentally shot; that the boy was aiming the pistol at his uncle believing he had fully unloaded it.

With the death of the uncle, the boy, Louis Gilbert by name, was left without friend or relative in this part of the country. Louis had come from Savannah to live with the uncle, but found there was little for the two to exist upon and he drifted away to Rahway and did odd jobs. The court was told he often split his money with the uncle.

An attorney was assigned to defend the boy, but evidently for good and sufficient reasons the learned counsel decided it was best to enter a plea of guilty to second degree murder and thus avoid the tediousness and possibly the unexpected results of a trial. Supreme Court Justice Katsch said he felt the boy should be punished severely because he is approaching 16. He would not send him to a reformatory, but would send him to the penitentiary under the indeterminate sentence of 10 to 30 years.

In New York a few days ago a white man and woman, who had deliberately invited the woman's former lover to their home and beat and stabbed him to death, received sentences of seven years each. The jury said they were guilty merely of manslaughter.

However, Jersey's little negro prisoner is going to be better off in the penitentiary than he has ever been before. With his arrival here late today or tomorrow he will be given a thorough physical and mental and psychological test before going to his cell. His raggedy knickerbockers will be replaced by blue denim pants and his cotton shirts will give place to a warm khaki blouse. After the prison officials have made a study of the boy an effort will be made to place him in the "trade" to which he may be best adapted. The prison hopes to give him a vocational training which will turn him out to life again in early manhood capable of making a better living than he possibly could ever have done otherwise. He may be taught the intricacies of the concrete industry, or be placed in the tinware plant or the shoe plant or the machine shops. But wherever he goes his progress will be watched and charted.

New Jersey pays its prison workers. The pay ranges from 20 to 75 cents a day. Two-thirds of this is placed in a saving fund to be given the convict as a nest egg when he starts life anew. The other third is made an active account and can be spent at the prison commissary for cigarettes or cake and candy. The penniless pickaninny of today may leave the prison in seven years, if his behavior is good, with \$100 in his pockets.

Joseph Hoff, principal keeper of the penitentiary said today he would do everything in his power to help the boy back. The mental and other tests will be conducted by J. D. Jackson, assisted by Dr. P. B. Means.

Mrs. A. C. Hathaway of Virginia Beach arrived Saturday and is the guest of Mrs. G. M. Scott on North Road street.

Qualifies!



Secretary of Agriculture Wallace more than qualified for his job when he won a milling contest in Magnolia, Wis., in 1912. Not Secretary Wallace's name of triumph.

DURHAM COUNTY HAS TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC

Durham, Jan. 8.—A tuberculosis clinic for Durham County will be held here during the last two weeks in January or the latter part of March. Local health officials are anxious that the later date be decided upon but the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association indicated that the first date was best. However, the matter is being taken up further and definite decision will be made later. The local authorities desire the later date as by that time the new colored visiting nurse for tubercular patients will have taken her position.

CU-CO SHADES MORE AND MORE POPULAR

Greensboro, January 8.—Cunningham Springless Shade company was organized in April 1917, for the purpose of manufacturing patented springless window shades. Its first activities were confined to North Carolina and portions of South Carolina and Virginia. Gradually the

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