

CO-ORDINATE CONTROL OF PENAL INSTITUTIONS

Legislative Committee Urges One Board for State Farm, Laurel and Girls' Industrial School.

REFORMATORY ON BIG FARM

Recommends Purchase of 1,200-Acre Tract on James River, Opposite State Farm and Transfer of Girls' School to Laurel.

Co-ordination of State penal institutions and reformatories is a policy earnestly advocated in the report submitted to the General Assembly by a special legislative committee authorized by the session of 1916 to investigate the feasibility of the proposal.

The report recommends at the present time that the State Farm, the Laurel Industrial School for Boys and the Industrial School for Girls, located in Chesterfield, be placed under the management of one board. Recommendation is made that the State acquire the Tucker farm, sometimes referred to as the McDonough tract, consisting of 1,200 acres, and located on the James River, in Henric county, directly opposite the State Farm; that the Laurel reformatory be removed to this location, and that, instead of erecting the new building necessary to its expansion at the present location of the Industrial School for Girls in Chesterfield, this institution be removed to the present quarters of the Laurel reformatory.

The reasons advanced by the committee seem sound, and appear to be based upon the real needs of the institutions affected. The Laurel reformatory now houses 256 boys, practically all of whom may be usefully employed, and much of their present fit in farm work. The Laurel farm consists of only 175 acres, and much of the best of the land is occupied by the State. The Tucker farm, however, is deemed by agriculturalists as a good farming proposition. Last year outside land was rented, and very considerable improvement secured in results, while the boys co-operated with farmers for miles around in harvesting the crops, the results proving highly gratifying to the farmers, and helpful to the boys.

SHOULD BE LOCATED ON LARGE TILLABLE ACREAGE. The legislative committee believes that it will be a most excellent move on the part of the State to place the reformatory on an adequate acreage of good farming land, feeling that it will make the institution more than self-supporting, while providing great value in developing into useful men the boys committed to the reformatory. The State has an option on the Tucker tract at \$12,000.

The transfer of the girls' school to Laurel and the taking over of that property entirely by the State will mean that, without expense, the State will have an institution which will not only accommodate the young women who are now inmates of the Chesterfield institution, but will also provide for the large number of young women held in detention homes and in jails because there is now no room for them in the industrial school. The Laurel institution is thoroughly equipped, and its taking over by the State means that the Commonwealth will be getting property said to be worth \$150,000 without cost, it now being owned by the corporation formed years ago to meet the needs for such an institution for boys, the owners being willing to transfer it to the State.

NOT AN AUSPICIOUS TIME TO REMOVE PENITENTIARY. While favoring the policy of including the State Penitentiary eventually in the plan of co-ordination, the committee does not regard this as an auspicious time to make a change in that connection. It favors, however, the ultimate removal of the penitentiary to the State Farm in Goodland, and the disposal of the inmates here. The committee does not regard it advisable under existing real estate market conditions to offer the penitentiary site for sale or lease, and material conditions as at present, to undertake the necessary improvements at the State Farm a transfer here would be necessary.

THANKS RICHMOND RED CROSS CHAPTER

Letter is Received From Carlo M. Girard, of Florence, Italy, Acknowledging Financial Aid.

An adequate idea of the magnitude of the work carried on by the Potomac Division of the Red Cross, of which the Richmond Chapter is a unit, is given by a statement received at Red Cross headquarters in this city yesterday from Henry White, manager of the division. The statement showed that during the month of December, 1917, the distribution from the division's warehouses to near-by camps included 1,261 helmets, 2,768 mufflers, 12,441 sweaters, 2,809 wristlets, 1,851 pairs of socks and 2,177 comfort bags. The articles were sent to branches of the armed service at Camp Lee, Fort Myer, St. Catharines, University Camp, Fort Washington and Hunt, Camps Meig, Quantico, Belvoir, Potomac Park, Washington Barracks, Walter Reed Hospital and Camp Meade. The Richmond Chapter is now completing rush orders for articles ordered from Washington.

A letter was received by the Red Cross yesterday from Carlo M. Girard, of Florence, Italy, in which acknowledgment was made of the receipt of \$2,500, which the Richmond Chapter cabled to Italy during the critical period of the military operations. The money represented 20,332 in lire, of which sum Cavaliere Girard gave 10,000 lire to the American Red Cross in Rome, and the remainder to the Mayor of Florence, who will expend it in relief work among the orphans of war. "I cannot express to you how very grateful I am and how pleased the Mayor of this city was in receiving such a generous donation in such times as these, when such beautiful help is most needed," the letter stated. "I thank you very much, and in advance for any further funds that you locally may be able to cable over. It may interest you to know that I am working with the American Red Cross, to which I am most happy to give my modest assistance."

The Weather (Furnished by U. S. Weather Bureau.) Forecast: Virginia—Snow north and west, snow turning to rain southeast; Sunday colder, much colder at night, with a cold wave; Monday fair and cold.

Local Temperature. 12 noon temperature 41; 3 P. M. temperature 45; Maximum temperature to 8 P. M. 46; Minimum temperature to 8 P. M. 34; Mean temperature 40; Normal temperature 43; Excess in temperature 3; Deficiency in temperature since March 1 1357; Accumulated deficiency since January 1 261.

Local Rainfall. Rainfall last twelve hours .02; Rainfall last twenty-four hours .02; Excess in rainfall since March 1 2.44; Excess in rainfall since January 1 .91.

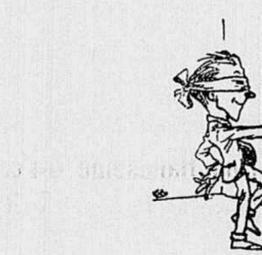
CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Table with columns: Place, & P. M. High, Low, Weather. Includes cities like Asheville, Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Denver, Detroit, Galveston, Havana, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Louisville, Montgomery, New Orleans, New York, Norfolk, Oklahoma, Pittsburgh, Raleigh, St. Louis, St. Paul, San Francisco, Savannah, Spokane, Tampa, Washington, Winnipeg, Wytheville.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

January 27, 1918. Sun rises 7:19; Morning 4:36; Sun sets 5:21; Evening 5:27.

Three Pittsburgh Cars in Collision. PITTSBURGH, PA., January 26.—Forty persons were injured, two seriously, when three large interurban cars crashed together at a switch near Fair Haven Station to-night. The air-brakes on a Chartered car failed to operate and the car ran into another Chartered car immediately in front of it. A Washington car behind the two, crashed into them. Most of the casualties occurred in the middle car.



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JOHNSON CASE COMES UP AGAIN NEXT WEEK

Will Be Presented to February Grand Jury One Week From To-Morrow.

DEFENSE GIVES NO SIGN

State Continues to Amass Evidence Against Young Dentist—Doubt Expressed Whether Miss White Will Come Here to Testify.

The case against Dr. Lemuel J. Johnson, accused of poisoning his nineteen-year-old bride, will be presented to the grand jury of the Hustings Court on February 4, and it is expected by Commonwealth's Attorney Wise that the trial of the case before a jury will be held during the same month.

Since the preliminary hearing in Police Court, the young dentist has been confined in the City Jail. At that hearing much of the testimony which the State has amassed in order to fasten upon Dr. Johnson the blame for his wife's death was brought out. Since then, however, Detective Sergeants John F. Willy and Gordon P. Smith, who investigated the death and made the arrest, have continued their vigilance. What they have uncovered has not been announced. It is also understood that the entire case which the Commonwealth has prepared was not presented in Police Court, but only so much as was necessary to show the required probable cause against the accused.

MISS WHITE MAY NOT COME HERE TO TESTIFY

Miss Ollie White, the North Carolina music teacher, with whom the young graduate dentist is said to have been in love, and on whose testimony the State hopes to build a motive for the alleged crime, did not appear at the preliminary hearing, and it is not certain that she will come to Richmond at the trial to appear against Dr. Johnson. There is no compulsory summons by which her presence can be assured, and the rumor has reached Richmond that feeling in Middlesex, the home town of Dr. Johnson, is not such as to urge the young woman to come here to testify against the young man, to whom it is said she was engaged at the time of the alleged murder. Her attitude toward the case is one of indifference, and her appearance when the case is called is a matter of doubt at this time.

Harry M. Smith, Jr., who with John E. Woodward, of Wilson, N. C., has been retained to defend Dr. Johnson, has not intimated what defense he will make. No evidence was introduced at the preliminary hearing in behalf of the dentist.

Sword of Lee Will Be Put in Museum

Presented by His Granddaughter, Miss Ann Carter Lee, Governor Stuart to Accept.

The sword worn by General Robert E. Lee at the surrender at Appomattox will be presented to the Virginia room at the Confederate Museum by his granddaughter, Miss Ann Carter Lee, on Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The acceptance will be made by Governor Henry Carter Stuart. Members of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society and the advisory board will be present.

The sword is a handsome affair and was presented to General Lee during the war, as its inscription shows, by a Marylander. Officers who were present state that at no time during the negotiations did General Lee make any tender of his sword to General Grant, and, in fact, it was expressly stipulated in the final terms of surrender that all officers were to retain their side arms. It is related that in the retreat from Petersburg General Lee was forced to abandon his baggage wagon, and that at that time he selected his newest uniform, recently presented to him, and this presentation sword. His new appearance in a practically new uniform was noted by several of the officers taking part in the negotiations for the surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia.

For Tobacco Fund. Contributions for the "Our Boys in France Tobacco Fund" have been received by The Times-Dispatch as follows: Cash, \$2; Miss Anna F. Goodwin, Louisa, Va., \$1, bringing the total of contributions to \$2,692.46.

Closed All Day Monday. The fire insurance agents of Richmond, members of the Underwriters' Exchange, will close their offices on Mondays for the ten weeks specified by the fuel administration, for the purpose of aiding in the conservation of coal.

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