

Men. Again refused carfare, though this was over six miles from the department.

Called at branch U. C., 723 W. 47th street. Referred Department of Homeless Men. Refused carfare.

On December 24, the night before Christmas, the investigator returned to the U. C. branch he had originally visited. He used a different name. He was given one ten cent meal ticket and one ticket to the municipal lodging house and no provisions made for any meal or shelter Christmas day, though he could not possibly get work on that day.

Lies admitted that they had quite a number of tickets of the municipal lodging houses which they gave to homeless men, and which charity cost them nothing.

A report of the Mary Crane Nursery, a branch of the United Charities, showed that its salaries for the fiscal year were \$5,740.08, and helper's wages \$1,740.08. Under the item actual relief was entered \$889.98.

In addition to Lies' salary of \$5,000 a year he stated another officer received \$2,400, another \$2,100 and another \$2,000.

"General" G. E. Reinke of the "Church Army," which was located until recently at 1757 Warren avenue, was the other extreme of "charity" before the commission.

Reinke has apparently been a grafter on a small scale. The records he kept were so complicated that nothing tangible could be obtained from them except that various amounts were credited to his wife as having been loaned to the church and later paid back to her presumably out of donations received. He stated he paid solicitors 50 per cent of what they collected.

He conducted a day nursery for a while, but most of the entries concerned his own five children and Rep. Curran said he could not see that any one but the Reinke family had ever gotten any of the money this "Army" took in.

At the night session held by the commission a story was told by John M. Mead, 522 W. 79th street, of his experience with the United Charities. The story as told by Mead was a startling evidence of persecution by the U. C. and not of charity.

Sarah A. Brown, district sup't who had charge of the Mead case, said that they had had to check everything Mead and his wife said.

WOMAN COMMISSIONER THINKS BOYS' FARM SUCCESS



Placing boy prisoners on their honor out of doors on a farm pays, according to Dr. Catherine B. Davis, New York commissioner of corrections. She has just paid a visit to the outdoor reformatory started a short while ago at New Hampton, N. Y. It is called the municipal farm.

A large number of boys have been transferred to this farm from the Hart's Island reformatory.