

Industrial School for Boys, (43)

RIVERVIEW?

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17th December, 1936.

Capt. Thomas Charles Jeffries States:-

I have been an officer of this Institution since last March. I am an assistant in all duties of the Institution. I come in contact with the boys.

I consider that the conduct of the boys generally is only fair. A small per centage would be what might be termed bad boys. I would say the bad boys are REDACTE, REDACT, REDACTE and REDA.

REDACTE is sub-normal and, although, not a case for Goodna, he is distinctly mental. He is morally bad and a n absolute liar. In the matter of simple jobs, it must be said that he is attentive to them when working on his own. This boy is also very quarrelsome.

REDACTE's outstanding trait is that he is sly. He makes the conspiracy and the other boys follow him. He is more crafty and more brainy than REDACTED.

REDACTE is ~~with~~ Mischievous, lazy, and stubborn. I do not consider that he could be lead by REDACTE.

REDA is a boy of immoral habits, which practices seem to dope his mind. He is very easily lead.

Punishment has been meted out to each of these four boys. I inflicted ~~punish~~ punishment on REDACTED and REDACT. I used a strap about eighteen inches long. I gave them six strokes each on the buttocks.. Their trousers were on them when the punishment was administered. I would not consider this punishment in any means or in any manner excessive for the offence. The punishment was administered under instruction from Major Dawson, Superintendent. I hold a general permission from the Superintendent to inflict corporal punishment on boys where I consider such punishment is necessary. I always report the matter immediately afterwards to the Superintendent. Since I have been here I have occasion to issue ~~tax~~ punishment on about six occasions.

The meal that Mr. Harris and Mr. Harrington saw today as served to the boys at the Institution is a sample of their general Mid-day meal. The boys are given more bread if they require it. The boys meals are practically the same as the officers.

I consider that the four boys, REDACTE, REDACT, REDAC and REDACTE, should be transferred to another institution where the discipline is more rigid as they are a bad influence at Riverview.

Signed by

Witness