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BULLETINS OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY.

BULLETIN NO. I, JULY, 1909.<sup>1</sup>

OBJECT, ORGANIZATION, OFFICERS. [See the inside cover page of this JOURNAL.]

WORK OF THE INSTITUTE. The work of the Institute for the first year has been mapped out and assigned to several committees. These committees will welcome the help of all members interested and able to contribute. Application should be made to the chairman of each committee.

The work to be done consists largely of scientific investigation and of preparatory propaganda and diffusion of information to interested workers. The committees are of two sorts—general committees and section committees. The latter have charge of the investigation of topics assigned for consideration at the next annual meeting of the Institute. The former have charge of measures of general importance to all parts of the work.

SECTION COMMITTEES. Out of the one hundred and seventy-five topics submitted to the Conference for consideration and assigned to section committees for selection, sixteen were reported back to the Conference as of prime importance for immediate attention. These sixteen were assigned to the Executive Board for further selection. The Board selected five. These five topics, with the committees charged to investigate and report at the next annual meeting, are as follows:

A.—SYSTEM OF RECORDING DATA OF CRIMINALS. "Investigation of an effective system for recording the physical and moral status and the hereditary and environmental conditions of delinquents, and in particular of the persistent offender; the same to contemplate, in complex urban conditions, the use of consulting experts in the contributory sciences."

Edward A. Ross, Madison, Wis. (sociologist), *chairman*.

Horace M. Brown, Milwaukee, Wis. (physician).

Arthur MacDonald, Washington, D. C. (anthropologist).

Wm. Healy, Chicago, Ill. (physician).

D. P. McMillan, Chicago, Ill. (psychologist).

Harold N. Moyer, Chicago, (physician).

F. Emory Lyon, Chicago, Ill. (penologist).

Harry Olson, Chicago, Ill. (judge).

John L. Whitman, Chicago, Ill. (penologist).

B.—DRUGS AND INTOXICANTS. "Investigation of the influences attaching to the traffic in drugs and intoxicants as a widespread excitant to instability, in turn provocative of crime."

Sidney I. Schwab, St. Louis, Mo. (physician), *chairman*.

Edwin A. Fredenhagen, Kansas City, Mo. (penologist).

James Hagerman, St. Louis, Mo. (lawyer).

Charles T. Hughes, St. Louis, Mo. (physician).

Sidney E. Mezes, Austin, Tex. (psychologist).

Harold N. Moyer, Chicago, Ill. (physician).

Haldor Sneve, St. Paul, Minn. (physician.)

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<sup>1</sup>Other bulletins will appear in the succeeding numbers of the JOURNAL.  
—THE EDITORS.

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C.—PROBATION, PAROLE, PARDON AND INDETERMINATE SENTENCE. "Investigation of the most advisable methods of establishing and extending the allied measures of adult offenders' probation, of parole, of indeterminate sentence and of suspended sentence, including a consideration of (1) the results of such measures as hitherto used, (2) the organization of boards of pardon and of parole and officers of probation, and (3) the correlation of such boards and officers with courts and court methods."

Wilfred Bolster, Boston, Mass. (judge), *chairman*.

Homer Folks, New York (penologist).

Edwin Mulready, Boston, Mass. (penologist).

Morton Prince, Boston, Mass. (physician).

Henry N. Sheldon, Boston, Mass. (judge).

Arthur W. Towne, Albany, N. Y. (penologist).

Brand Whitlock, Toledo, Ohio (lawyer).

Richard Sylvester, Washington, D. C. (police official).

Frederick Kohler, Cleveland, O. (police official).

D.—ORGANIZATION OF COURTS. "Investigation of the possibilities of the unification of the state and local courts, so as to do away with the burdensome cost of transcripts, bills of exceptions, writs of error, and so forth, allowing the appellate tribunal to pass upon and use the same papers and the original evidence and comments used at the trial, and to take further evidence on formal matters or matters not controvertible for the purpose of upholding judgments."

(Nominations postponed till after conference at meeting of the American Bar Association, Detroit, August 27.)

E.—CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. "Investigation of the feasible methods of (1) simplifying pleadings in criminal cases, (2) eliminating unnecessary technicalities in the procedure of appeals and reversals of judgment in criminal cases."

### *Topic E.*

Roscoe Pound, Chicago, Ill. (professor of law), *chairman*.

Albert C. Barnes, Chicago, Ill. (judge).

Frederick Bausman, Seattle, Wash. (lawyer).

William E. Mikell, Philadelphia, Pa. (professor of law).

Howard L. Smith, Madison, Wis. (professor of law).

And as a sub-committee on the investigation of European methods:

Everett P. Wheeler, New York (lawyer).

J. W. Garner, Urbana, Ill. (professor of political science).

Edwin R. Keedy, Chicago, Ill. (professor of law).

John D. Lawson, Columbia, Mo. (professor of law).

Charles R. Henderson, Chicago, Ill. (sociologist and penologist).

Marcus A. Kavanagh, Chicago, Ill. (judge).

Gino C. Speranza, New York (lawyer).

GENERAL COMMITTEES. The four general committees, with the resolutions defining their tasks, are as follows:

(1) COMMITTEE ON COÖPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. "*Resolved*, That the president be empowered to appoint delegates to arrange for coöperation with the following organizations for the purpose of avoiding duplication of work and of combining effective effort, and to attend on behalf of this organization, but without expense to it, their sessions: International Prison

## COMMITTEES OF INVESTIGATION.

Congress, l'Union Internationale de Droit Penal, American Bar Association, American Prison Association, International Congress of Criminal Anthropology, National Conference of Charities and Correction, American Political Science Association, National Conference on Uniform State Laws, and other kindred organizations."

Joseph P. Byers, New York, N. Y. (penologist), *chairman*.

Homer Folks, New York, N. Y. (penologist).

J. W. Garner, Urbana, Ill. (political scientist).

Charles R. Henderson, Chicago, Ill. (penologist).

Joseph Jastrow, Madison, Wis. (psychologist).

Adolf Meyer, Baltimore, Md. (physician).

Boris Sidis, Brookline, Mass. (physician).

William W. Smithers, Philadelphia, Pa. (lawyer).

And a special committee of delegates to the annual meeting of the American Prison Association, as follows:

Charles F. Amidon, Fargo, N. D. (judge).

Frederick Bausman, Seattle, Wash. (lawyer).

Theodore Brantley, Helena, Mont. (judge).

Alfred Budge, Paris, Idaho (judge).

Hiram E. Hadley, Seattle, Wash. (lawyer).

Albert H. Hall, Minneapolis, Minn. (lawyer).

Charles A. Pollock, Fargo, N. D. (judge).

(2) COMMITTEE ON TRANSLATION OF EUROPEAN TREATISES. "*Whereas*, It is exceedingly desirable that important treatises on criminology in foreign languages be made readily accessible in the English language,

*Resolved*, That the president appoint a committee of five with power to select such treatises as in their judgment should be translated and to arrange for their publication, without expense to the Institute."

William W. Smithers, Philadelphia, Pa. (lawyer), *chairman*.

Ernest Freund, Chicago, Ill. (professor of law).

Maurice Parmelee, Lawrence, Kan. (sociologist).

Roscoe Pound, Chicago, Ill. (professor of law).

Robert B. Scott, Madison, Wis. (political scientist).

John H. Wigmore, Chicago, Ill. (professor of law).

(3) COMMITTEE ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOURNAL. "*Whereas*, There is at the present time no periodical in the English language devoted to the scientific study of criminal law and criminology, although there are some twenty-five such journals published in foreign countries, including Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Russia, South America, Spain and Switzerland,

*Resolved*, That the president appoint a committee of five to take under consideration the establishment of such a journal with power to do so, with the approval of the Committee on Details of Organization."

Adolf Meyer, Baltimore, Md., till January, 1910, Ward's Island, N. Y.

(physician), *chairman*.

H. C. Carbaugh, Chicago, Ill. (lawyer and U. S. A. judge-advocate).

Hastings H. Hart, New York, N. Y. (philanthropist).

Edwin R. Keedy, Chicago, Ill. (professor of law).

Charles A. Ellwood, Columbia, Mo. (professor of sociology).

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(4) COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS. *"Whereas*, There is a widespread and increasing popular desire thoroughly to understand and perfect the criminal law of our country, and a growing belief that some of our methods are capable of improvement; and

*"Whereas*, Full and reliable information regarding the actual administration of the criminal law, both federal and state, is necessary to wise and efficient legislation and administration,

*"Resolved*, That this Conference urge upon Congress to provide for the collection, through the agency of the Census Bureau, of criminal and judicial statistics covering the entire United States, as early as practicable.

*"Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Conference that legislation ought to be enacted by the several states, making it the duty of prosecuting attorneys, magistrates and justices of the peace to report annually to some state central officer, preferably the attorney-general or the secretary of state, full information regarding the administration of the criminal law.

*"Resolved*, That a committee of six be appointed to report on the present methods of keeping criminal judicial records of the courts of the several states and territories, as well as of the federal courts, and to recommend an adequate and uniform system of recording and reporting such statistics.

*"Resolved*, That the system formulated by the above-mentioned committee, when approved by a subsequent Conference, be recommended to the several states and to the Congress of the United States for their consideration and adoption."

John Koren, Boston, Mass. (statistician), *chairman*.

Roger M. Baldwin, St. Louis, Mo. (penologist).

Jôseph P. Byers, New York, N. Y. (penologist).

William H. DeLacey, Washington, D. C. (judge).

Roland P. Falkner, Washington, D. C. (statistician).

E. J. McDermott, Louisville, Ky. (lawyer).

FUNDS. The funds needed for the work of the Institute are to be obtained (1) from the annual subscriptions of members; (2) from special donations by benefactors for the purposes of the Institute.

By vote of the Conference, *every member is appointed a committee of one to solicit special donations*. The beneficent purposes of the Institute will undoubtedly appeal to persons of means who are ready to aid good causes and responsible workers for them.

ANNUAL MEETING. The next annual meeting will be held at the time and place of the Eighth International Penitentiary Congress, that is, in Washington, D. C., October 1, 1910.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCE. The printed proceedings of the National Conference on Criminal Law and Criminology, which organized the Institute, will be ready for distribution to members in April, 1910.