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Juvenile Delinquency Act and the Federal Youth Correction Act are described and their objectives explained. The juvenile court clinic is characterized as "the most outstanding contribution made by the juvenile court movement." Its development function and operation are detailed. The history, growth and purpose of state youth authorities and commissions is graphically covered, as is the subject of institutional treatment of delinquents.

Social Treatment of Maladjusted Youth is the subject of Part III. The case story of "Marilyn Smith" is brought to a happy ending and its teachings interpreted. Similarly concluded and explained for teaching purposes is the case of "Alex Alexander." Treatment processes used were based on the assumption that most young people of normal intelligence are "teachable, responsive, and able to effect change in their social attitudes and behavior patterns." Well trained case workers, including those in the correctional field regard their function as "helping the client (a) to understand his situation better, (b) to become acquainted with or use available resources, (c) to clarify his indecision, and (d) discharge feelings and also understand feelings which are obstructing action or inducing destructive behavior." The probation officer needs to be well acquainted with community facilities. He will help his probationer to understand the varied purposes of such facilities in order that he will know how to utilize those which he appears to need. "What a person does for himself constructively counts far more toward an abundant and satisfying life and permanent well-being than anything that can be done for him."

The fourth and final part of the book is concerned with prevention of delinquency and the adjustment of delinquent youth. One chapter each is devoted to the role in prevention to be played by (a) the police, (b) recreation, (c) organized religion, (d) the school and vocational guidance, (e) the worker, and (f) community organization. In community organization for delinquency prevention, opportunity should be afforded for participation by youth. In the Mid-Century White House Conference, youth had 500 representatives, about 10 percent of the conference membership.

In conclusion the author summarizes the philosophy of "progressive probation," and suggests a comprehensive series of objectives for the improvement of the work of probation departments.

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