

SCHOOL CHILDREN STUDY IN PRISON ATMOSPHERE



The cells and iron bars are still in place in the old police station on Jefferson street above Twentieth street, used as an annex to the Reynolds Public School.

**REYNOLDS SCHOOL
OLD POLICE STATION**

Children Constantly Reminded
by Cells of Crime and
Sordidness

BUILDING IS ANTIQUATED

An old police station, with its reminder of crime and attendant punishment, seems hardly the place for school children, yet such is the situation at the Reynolds School, Twentieth and Jefferson streets.

Part of the school plant is in an old police station just to the rear of the school building itself, and there is still in existence the former cellroom and barred detention room for prisoners.

Just off the cellroom is the present lunchroom for the pupils. Should the door open the appalling view of the barred places of confinement becomes the scenery for the observation of the little ones seated at the tables.

The lunchroom itself can hardly be termed attractive. The walls are dingy and the plaster and paint are rapidly crumbling. Here and there signs have been hung to hide the worst spots, but they are of little avail. The window shades were in such a condition of desuetude that not long ago school officials suggested that they be taken down rather than have the torn and ill-fitting adornment an ever-present reminder of poor equipment.

Building Is Antiquated

The Reynolds School building proper is an antiquated structure. Built in 1868 at a cost of \$24,225, it conforms little to the requirements of modern

education. The rooms receive plenty of light, however, for the building is situated on a corner with good yard space.

In 1915 a trade was made with the city authorities. The old school building at Eleventh and Wood streets was given over to use for the Morals Court of the Municipal Court, and in turn the police station just to the rear of the Reynolds School was rented to the Board of Education for one dollar a year.

The school was overcrowded, so the police station was pressed into educational service. The winding, wooden stairs of the old building bear evidence to its inadaptability to its new use. The banisters, around which the children swing as they pass up and down, have been re-enforced in many places by iron braces. Even at that they shakily, and should one give way a bad fall would result.

Fire Hazard Is Great

The entire building is in a state of dilapidation, for there has been no repainting or interior repair. On the third floor is the print shop of the school. The only exit is down the stairway, which is an open well. In case of fire it is a question just how the children would get out, as the stair would make an excellent flue.

Robert H. Taylor, the principal, has done everything in his power to counteract the effects of the building. "It has proved a stumbling block in some cases for us," he said, "for the children attending the classes in the old station house are often called 'jail-birds' by the children of the other building."

"Situated as this school is in a neighborhood where we get children needing better environment than is evident in their own homes, it produces a decidedly bad effect."

"I try to keep the classes away from the sight of the cell-room. It is difficult, as children are naturally curious and like to view morbid sights. We are using the old cells as storage places, for at least, they can be kept securely under lock and key."

"The former detention room, on the second floor, was abandoned as a classroom and is now used to store lumber for the boys' woodworking class. Although as bright as the other rooms, it did not seem that the iron bars on the windows would give the proper inspiration for children at their recitations."

The children apparently do not mind the situation. They play all around during recess periods and the forlorn appearance of the lunch room has little or no effect on their appetites. The plans of the Board of Education call for the rebuilding of the school and the abandonment of the old police station annex and the other annex at Twenty-third and Jefferson streets.

Tomorrow's article will discuss the Belmont School, at Forty-first and Brown streets, and the Revere School, at Thirty-sixth and Ludlow streets.

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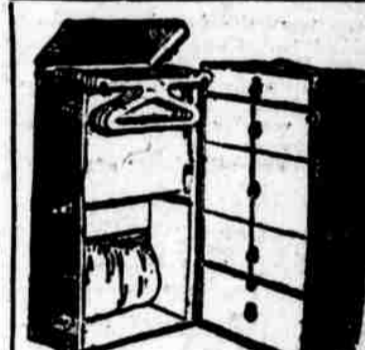
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