

THE SUPREME COURT OF THE MALAYAN UNION

REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO. 26/46

Juvenile Delinquents and Youthful Offenders.

There has been much in the Press recently regarding the treatment of juvenile delinquents and youthful offenders, and in some cases criticisms have been levelled at Government that no special institution has yet been established to receive them.

2. You should know that this matter was discussed between Mr. Justice Carey and the Chief Justice as far back as last September, and in that month the Chief Justice addressed His Excellency on the subject. His Excellency is in entire agreement that reforms in this direction are urgent, and has given directions that measures necessary to establish Reformatories should be examined with a view to effecting satisfactory arrangements for the detention and education of juvenile delinquents and youthful offenders.

3. The Chief Justice has also discussed this matter with the Commissioner of Prisons, and you can be assured that everything is being done to establishing the proper institutions as soon as possible. This information is given to you so that you will know that Government is not being inactive with regard to this important question.

The Registry,
Supreme Court,
Kuala Lumpur, 8th November, 1946.