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STATE OF MAINE

REPORT

OF THE

ATTORNEY GENERAL

for the calendar years

1941--1942

February 20, 1943

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th, asking whether you have jurisdiction to sentence girls to the State School for Girls.

In view of the provisions of P. L. 1931, Chapter 241, as amended, and P. L. 1939, Chapter 270, it seems to this office that a trial justice does not have such jurisdiction.

Said Chapter 241 gives exclusive original jurisdiction to municipal courts in juvenile matters as far as "offenses" are concerned, and said Chapter 270 removes trial justices from those to whom complaint can be made in connection with commitment of idle or vicious minors.

The intent of the law seems to be that trial justices shall not handle cases involving juveniles.

Very truly yours,

FRANK A. FARRINGTON
Deputy Attorney General

February 23, 1943

To:

Earle R. Hayes, Director

Personnel

From:

Frank A. Farrington, Deputy

Attorney General

Certification of Payrolls under Section 21, Chapter 221, Public Laws of 1937

Reference is to your memorandum of February 19th on the above subject.

It is the opinion of this department:

1. That the section referred to requires that certification be made of all State payrolls covering both classified and unclassified employees.
2. That the Director of Personnel would comply with said section by certifying a payroll or other form of account covering all unclassified employees and certifying subsequent changes as occasion may require.
3. That a signed statement from the department head as to changes in employees' status would be sufficient authorization for the Director or his agent to make such certifications, as far as the unclassified service is concerned.

FRANK A. FARRINGTON
Deputy Attorney General