

MAY MAKE CHANGE IN CRIMINAL LAW

Special Committee Reports
on Question of Insanity
in Crime.

London, Dec. 18.—Important recommendations for an alteration in the criminal law in cases where insanity is raised as a plea of defence are contained in a report by a special legal committee appointed by the Lord Chancellor last year to consider the whole question of insanity in crime. The committee was appointed following an outcry when Ronald True was reprieved, and its lengthy report will be published soon. One suggestion of the committee is for a new form of verdict: "Not guilty on the ground of insanity." This

would replace the old form of verdict, "Guilty but insane." Considerable weight is given in the report to the evidence of medical experts who were called before the committee. It is recommended that full legal recognition should be allowed to the medical profession as "uncontrollable impulse."

The plea of "uncontrollable impulse," or, in other words, a brain storm, if accepted by a jury would in the opinion of the committee justify a verdict of "Not guilty on the ground of insanity," to court procedure. The excuse of "uncontrollable impulse" first became prominent in this country in the case of the Blackpool sandhills murder, for which Frederick Holt was convicted and executed.

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