

In Toronto, in the first six months of 1920, there were 1,092 cases handled by the Juvenile Court, of which 333 were "occurrences" or cases settled without formal trial.

So many factors enter into the effectiveness of Juvenile Court work that it is impossible to state definitely that any one produces a specific result. Nevertheless Table I, which follows, would seem to indicate that where there is a good Detention Home, there is a diminution in the number of cases which become "repeaters". For instance, in Seattle, where the Detention Home is admittedly of the first grade, 72.1% of the total number of cases appeared in Court only once, with, therefore, only 27.9% repeaters. Similarly, in Minneapolis, there were 73.95% of first-time offenders, and only 26.05% repeaters. In Philadelphia, on the other hand, where the Detention Home is inadequate and overcrowded, the percentage appearing in Court only once was 60.33%, with 39.67% repeaters.

TABLE I.

Showing Number of Times Children Arraigned in Court

CITY	Is there a Detention Home?	Total No. Children in Court	1st Time		2nd Time		3 Times or More	
			Total	Percentage	Total	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Buffalo	Yes	986	662	67.14%	165	16.73%	159	16.13%
Pittsburg	Yes—but poor	1,311	863	65.83%	293	22.35%	155	11.82%
Seattle	Yes—good	897	647	72.1%	155	17.3%	95	10.6%
New York	*	13,627	11,316	83.04%	1,718	12.61%	593	4.35%
Philadelphia	Yes—but not good	9,859	5,948	60.33%	2,562	25.99%	1,349	13.68%
Minneapolis	Yes—good	668	494	73.95%	114	17.07%	60	8.98%
Winnipeg	Yes	865	587	67.86%	278		32.14%

*Work done by Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

Similar information for Toronto is not available, since the records of the Juvenile Court for the year 1919 have not been analyzed either by the Court or the Bureau. The information is on file, but the Bureau felt that no tabulation could be made without the expenditure of an amount of time which would probably be out of all proportion to the results obtained.

If a Detention Home aids in the constructive correctional work which is done among the children passing through the Juvenile