

THE COURT: Have you any suggestion to offer, Mr. Rogers?

MR. ROGERS: No, I have not, your Honor. The County Attorney's office thought that the reduction from Second degree to Third degree would be proper in view of the defendant's age, and I don't think that a very severe penalty should be recommended to the Board of Pardons. I should think about a year would be proper.

THE COURT: I hope, young man, when your time expires, out at the State Prison, that the lesson will be sufficiently impressed upon your mind to obey the law hereafter and become a good citizen; that you will not be tempted to do this kind of a thing again. It is always a matter of distress to the Court to send a young man like you to the Penitentiary; but there is nothing else to do. You will have to be sent there to be taught a lesson and also for the protection of society. It won't do for a young man, or anyone else, to take a notion such as you had at the time you committed this offense, and then be at large. Men who commit such offenses have to be locked up, so society will be protected. You are starting out in the wrong way. You are a young man. You don't look like you are naturally a criminal. I may be mistaken, but I don't think so, and I hope not. You, however, have made yourself a criminal, and it is necessary under the law that you be sent to the State Prison. It is a very unfortunate thing; but I hope when you get out, after you have served your term there, whatever it may be, that you will make up your mind to be a good citizen. It is always an unfortunate thing. It results