

by reason of their own willfull acts, resulting in the stigma that must be carried by them for a long time to come, of being felons, convicted felons. This is a matter that not only affects the parties interested, the men who are sent to prison, but their families; in the case of Mr. Neal here, his father, and brothers and sisters. They will all, in a degree, have to suffer on account of the stigma that has come to the family by reason of this lawlessness on the part of a member of the family. You dont look like criminals. I will say to you boys, you dont either one of you look like criminals. I sincerely hope that you will endeavor to live this down. When you go to the State Prison, let me suggest to you that you conduct yourselves in such a way that you will commend yourselves to the warden of that institution; and when the time comes for your release, that you can go out again and face the world and let this be a lesson to you. Make it a lesson, a deterrant, so that in the future you will walk straight. I feel that this situation that has come into your life, serious as it is can be faced by you and that you can still become honorable men in the community. It is your duty to do that, and I hope that the lesson will be sufficient to cause you to look at life more seriously than you have done, apparently, in the immediate past.

I will make a recommendation to the proper authorities later on, as to the time which I think you should serve in the State Prison. The offense is a very serious one, but I trust that your conduct will be such that when you are permitted to go out, after a while, without serving the full