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Step in Right Direction Taken at Prison Farm

Improvements made at the Atlanta city prison farm in the wake of criticism by two DeKalb County grand juries are encouraging.

Better medical and fire protection facilities have been provided. In addition, a new wing is being built for use of Negroes and should be completed by early March.

These corrections, together with the construction work, should go far toward overcoming objections raised by the two grand juries.

Nevertheless, there is still room for improvements, especially in the rehabilitation of alcoholics in line with a program often suggested by Municipal Judge James Webb. His plan gives promise of more than paying its way by cutting

down on repeaters and making useful citizens of many who now are chronic drunks.

Judge Webb's experiments prove the proposal to be practical and worthy of support.

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