BOYS' SCHOOL, FIELD AGENTS OF: Legislation necessary to confer general police power.

December 16, 1936.

Hon. E. M. Dill,
Superintendent, Indiana
Boys' School,
Plainfield, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

I have at hand your letter of November 11th, in which you inquire as to what procedure would be necessary for you to secure police power for the field agents of the Indiana Boys' School.

There is no present statute which would authorize investing your agents with general police power, and consequently it would be necessary for the legislature to pass a proper enabling act before such could be done.

Section 14, Chapter 18, Acts of 1883 (Section 13-925, Burns Annotated Indiana Statutes, 1933) provides, however, that "any fugitive" from your institution may be arrested and returned "by any officer or citizen." This Section would give your field agents ample authority to arrest and return actual "fugitives" from your institution, just as such power is given to any citizen or any other peace officer; but otherwise it would confer upon them no general or special police power or authority as peace officers.

STATE BOARD OF TAX COMMISSIONERS: Burial of Soldiers, amount which county may pay in such cases.

December 18, 1936.

State Board of Tax Commissioners,
Philip Zoercher, Chairman,
231 State House,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

I have before me your letter requesting an official opinion in answer to the following questions: