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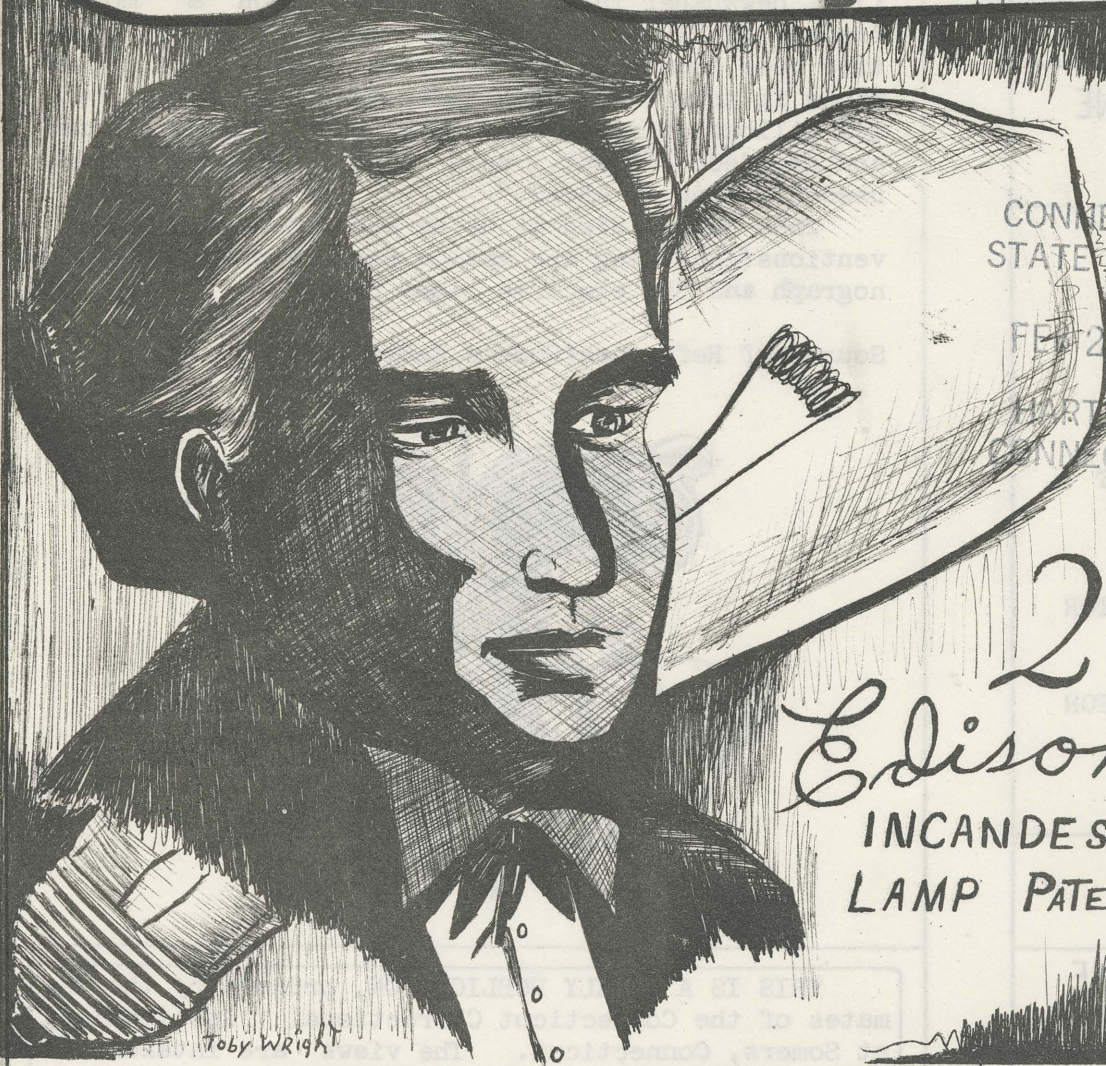
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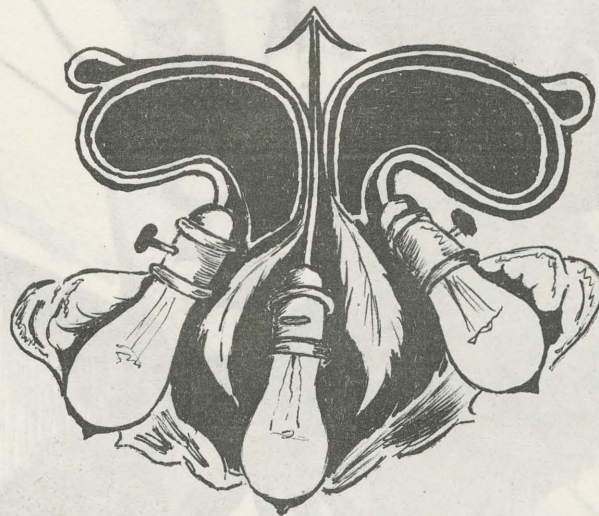
**THOMAS ALVA EDISON (1847-1931)**

"There's a way to do it better...find it." His way was through science and inventions for various forms. Although he had limited schooling his natural intelligence and questioning mind made him forge ahead.

His school teacher mother encouraged and helped him after his teachers gave up on him because he asked so many questions. at an early age he wanted to be independent so he went to work as a railway newsboy in order to buy materials for his experiments. He later became a telegraph operator and published his own newspaper carrying local national and international news, and was feted for having the first newspaper in the world printed on a moving train. At 21 years he had his first patent an electric vote counter, but Congress didn't want it because it interfered with their method of delay, called filibustering. From this young Edison learned and decided, "First, be a sure a thing is wanted, needed, then go ahead."

When Edison died at 84 he had patented 1,093 inventions (including the motion picture projector, phonograph and the electric light bulb.) □

Source of Reference (Compton Encyclopedia)



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# EDITORIAL

This is my first "job" as editor of the Weekly Scene and my first statement is this: The issue of the Weekly Scene you are now holding in your hands, will be the worst issue printed while I'm the editor of this publication.

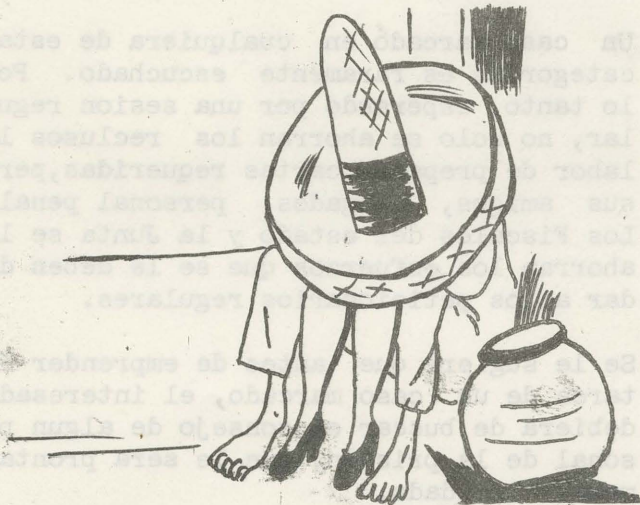
This is not the best we can do, but, to be able to really do the best we can, we need all the cooperation we can get from the inmate population. I promise to work hard, and with the population's support and cooperation, make the Weekly Scene the best penal publication in the circuit.

It might not sound important to you, but to those guys sending articles in, it is very important. Because nobody likes to have his material printed on a publication not too many people likes to read.

If we work together I'm sure we'll be able to make this publication more enjoyable to its readers.

Sometimes we come across some items of information, something that could be beneficial for the inmates, these are the things that we should have printed. I don't see any good in writing about something everybody knows about.

There are ~~some~~ good writers in here. Why don't they submit a short story, or an anecdote. That could change the present position of the Weekly Scene in the penal circuit. Because these publication needs items of interest. You, only you, can give us these kinds of articles. □



## NIGHT COUNSELING -

THE SCHEDULE FOR JAN. 31st THRU FEB. 4th IS AS FOLLOWS:

MON:	MR. BILLS	5 & 6
TUES:	MR. TUTHILL	7 & 8
WED:	MR. REARDON	1 & 2
THURS:	MR. SMITH	3 & 4
FRI:	MR. O'MEARA	9 & 0

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COUNSELOR BY REQUEST FOR AN EVENING APPOINTMENT. DO NOT JUST DROP IN ON YOUR COUNSELOR OR ON ANY OF THE COUNSELORS. YOU MUST HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE THEM. DO NOT ASK FOR AN EVENING APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS BUSINESS THAT CAN BE TAKEN CARE OF DURING REGULAR WORK DAY HOURS. □

## TRANSPORTATION FROM HARTFORD AREA

The Revitalization Corps will provide transportation to visitors of Somers inmates each Saturday, leaving Hartford at 12:30 P.M. Anyone who has a visitor needing a ride should have the visitor contact the Corps at 249-7523 or stop in at 1762 Main Street, Hartford.

Los Cuerpos de Revitalizacion proveeran transportacion a los visitantes Somers cada Sabado, saliendo desde Hartford a las 12:30 P.M. Cualquiera que tengaun visitante que necesite transportacion debe ponerse en contacto con el Cuerpo de Revitalizacion en el telefono 249-7523 0 en 1762 Main St. Htfd. □

## NOTICE

Anyone wishing to have books mailed home or sent out on a visit, should have them wrapped in a bag or box and taken to the school area. It would be preferable to send them out on visits if possible. A notice of three days is required in order to have visits take them out. □



NOTICE

SPRING SESSION - PARDON BOARD

SPRING SESSION MEETS ON THE FIRST MONDAY IN APRIL AND THE FIRST MONDAY IN MAY.

APPLICATIONS: All inmates who are planning to make application to the Board of Pardons for appearing at the Spring sessions are encouraged to submit their requests to Mr. Farnham, Supervisor of Records, as soon as possible.

These requests should be submitted immediately, if possible, and inmates are reminded that the last day for receiving requests is February 22, 1972.

APPLICATIONS RESULTING IN A STARRED (\*) CASE: Under the established rules of the Pardon Board, cases cannot be heard if the petitioner has:

- (1) appeared within a year.
- (2) Served less than a year. This one year cannot include jail time.
- (3) Appeared or was eligible for parole.

It is also the policy of the Board not to hear a case if the petitioner has any pending legal action, such as an appeal or a writ of Habeas Corpus.

Starred cases in one of these categories is very rarely heard. By therefore, waiting for a regular session, not only are inmates saved the labor of preparing required letters, but friends, lawyers, prison staff, State's Attorneys, and the Board is spared the effort which should be given regular petitioners.

It is suggested that before undertaking the task of a starred petition, an inmate should seek the advice of the prison staff, which will be readily given. □

SESION DE PRIMAVERA - JUNTA DEL PERDON LA SESION DE PRIMAVERA SE REUNIRA EN EL PRIMER LUNES DE ABRIL Y EL PRIMER LUNES DE MAYO.

APLICACIONES: Todo recluso que este planeando hacer aplicaciones a la Junta del Perdon para aparecer en la sesion de Oto no deben someter sus peticiones(request) a Mr. Farnham, Supervisor de Records, lo mas pronto posible.

Estas peticiones deben ser sometidas inmediatamente, si es posible, y se le recuerda a todos que el ultimo dia de enviar estas peticiones es Feb. 22, 1972.

APLICACIONES RESULTANTES EN UN CASO MARCADO (\*): Bajo las reglas establecidas de la Junta del Perdon, no se oiran casos si el peticionario ha:

- (1) Aparecido frente a la Junta en un año.
- (2) Servido menos de un año. Este año no incluye tiempo de carcel.
- (3) Aparecio o fue elegible para el parol.

Es tambien la poliza de la Junta el no oir un caso si el peticionario tiene alguna accion legal pendiente, tales como una apelacion o un Habeas Corpus.

Un caso marcado en cualquiera de estas categorias es raramente escuchado. Por lo tanto, esperando por una sesion regular, no solo se ahorran los reclusos la labor de preparar cartas requeridas, pero sus amigos, abogados, personal penal, Los Fiscales del estado y la Junta se le ahorran los esfuerzos que se le deben de dar a los peticionarios regulares.

Se le sugiere que antes de emprender la tarea de un caso marcado, el interesado debiera de buscar el consejo de algun personal de la prision, que le sera prontamente brindado. □





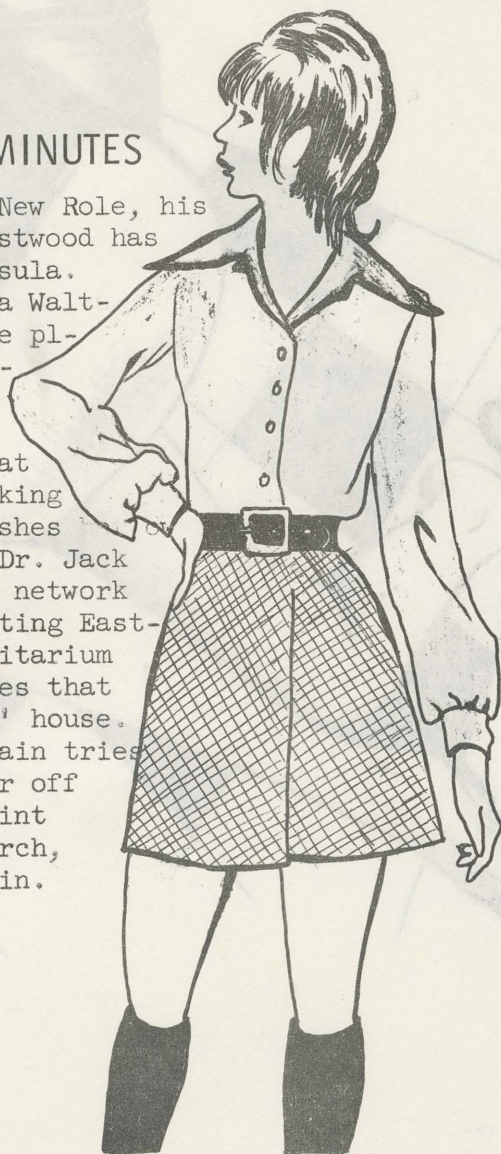


## PLAY MISTY FOR ME

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102 - MINUTES

Love can be Deadly... The screen's top star in a New Role, his most challenging yet... KRML disc jockey Clint Eastwood has the most popular radio show on the Monterey Peninsula. One night at Donald Siegel's bar, he meets Jessica Walter-- the girl who constantly request "Misty" to be played. Eastwood discovers how devoted she is by accepting her invitation to go to bed. She then begins a campaign to win him, but shows the vicious side of her nature. By chance, Eastwood learns that his estranged sweetheart Donna Mills again is working in gay Duke Everts' art shop. Jealous, Walter slashes her own wrists, superficially. Eastwood's friend Dr. Jack Ging hushes it up. Next, Eastwood's chances for a network spot. She attacks maid Clarice Taylor after upsetting Eastwood's house. Walter is later released from a sanitarium and tries to knife Eastwood. When Eastwood realizes that Walter is Mills' new roommate, he rushes to Mills' house. Walter has already stabbed Sgt. John Larch and again tries to kill Eastwood. Wounded, he manages to knock her off the balcony to her death..... Starring---Clint Eastwood, Jessica Walter, Donna Mills, John Larch, Irene Hervey, Clarice Taylor, and James McEachin.



FIRST: J, Q, C

SECOND: B, H, D, E



Miss Sister  
Soul



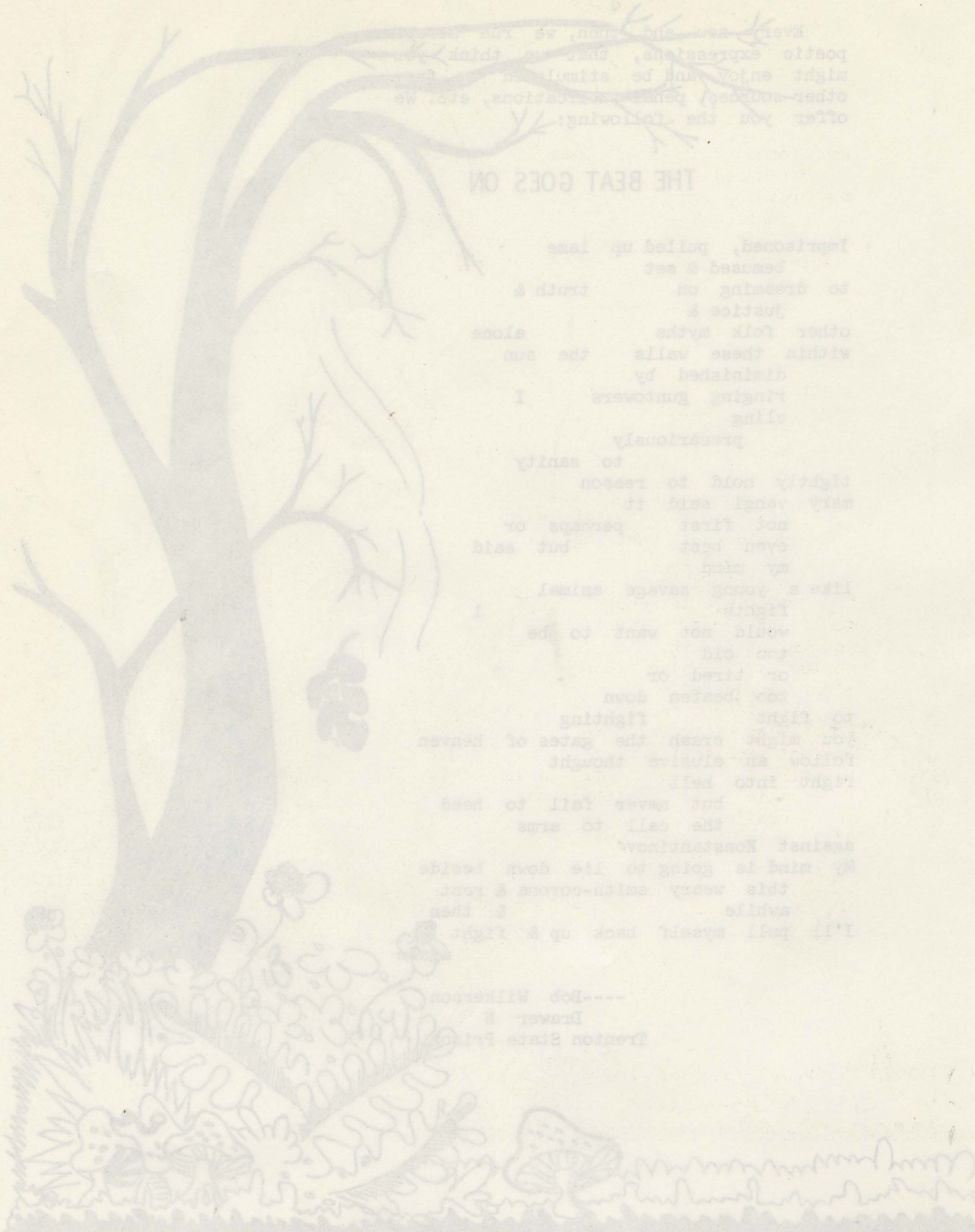


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### THE BEAT GOES ON

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fanned a set  
to dressing on  
truth &  
Justice &  
other folk wits  
alone  
within these walls the sun  
disturbed by  
ranging gunpowders I  
citing  
presumably  
to easily  
lightly hold to reason  
only vent said it  
not first  
parade or  
even best  
but said  
my kind  
like a young savage animal  
light  
would not want to be  
too old  
or tired or  
boy beaten down  
to fight  
for might crash the gates of heaven  
follow an elusive thought  
right into hell  
but never fall to heed  
the call to arms  
against Kozestany  
My mind is going to the down leads  
this weary smith-crown & post  
& then  
while  
I'll pull myself back up & fight

---Bob Wilkerson  
Drawer W  
Trenton State Park





Every now and then, we run across poetic expressions, that we think you might enjoy and be stimulated by from other sources, penat publications, etc. We offer you the following:

## THE BEAT GOES ON

Imprisoned, pulled up lame  
bemused & set  
to dreaming on truth &  
justice &  
other folk myths alone  
within these walls the sun  
diminished by  
ringing guntowers I  
cling  
precariously  
to sanity  
tightly hold to reason  
mary vangi said it  
not first perhaps or  
even best but said  
my mind  
like a young savage animal  
fights 1  
would not want to be  
too old  
or tired or  
too beaten down  
to fight fighting  
you might crash the gates of heaven  
follow an elusive thought  
right into hell  
but never fail to heed  
the call to arms  
against Konstantinov  
My mind is going to lie down beside  
this weary smith-corona & rest  
awhile & then  
I'll pull myself back up & fight  
again

----Bob Wilkerson  
Drawer N  
Trenton State Prison



## Two / Parting; AFTER THOUGHTS

You have had many women  
with your eyes  
yet none have been  
as I.....  
you push me away to find you want me near.  
I will never touch  
bodies  
as with you  
and something deep within me  
tells me that you  
will not easily  
find a woman  
to be with as we have been.

By: Mary Vangi  
CIW CLARION



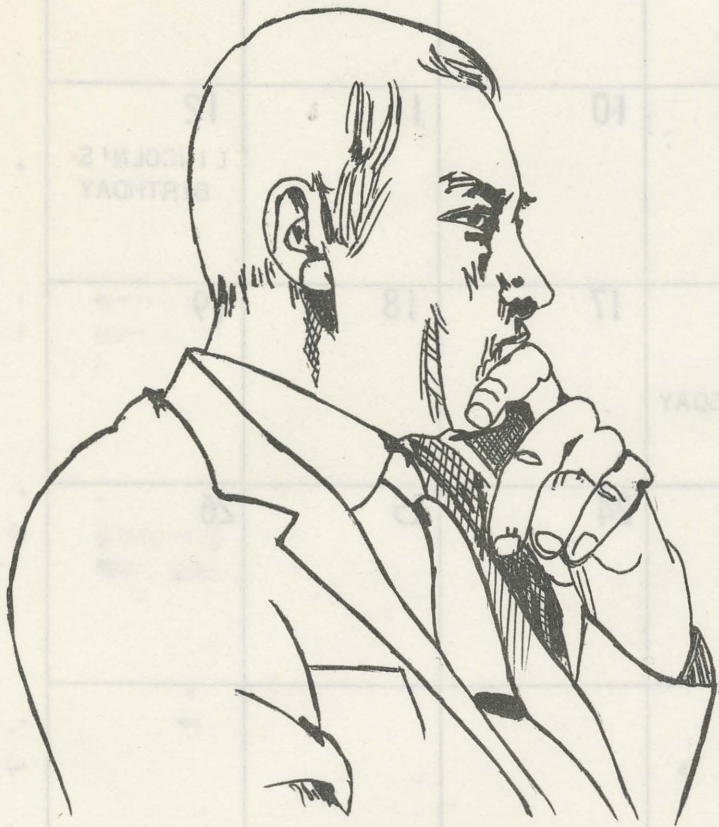
## THE WORST CRIME

"And I will tell you the worst crime....  
And I will tell you just one time."  
Not murder, not rape, not theft in the  
night. The treachery that cannot be un-  
done but will last as long as life,  
is to take one from home (anyone from any  
home). He will never return.

"Yes he may see his birth soil but never  
can his traveled feet take root". The  
smell of him will never blend into his  
native air, and his mind will be troubled.

He who would plant the desert juniper  
in foreign earth...He who would bring the  
mountain child to town shelter....And he  
who would tame the wild bird of prey.....  
He does murder everyday ....'til long  
after his own death.

Dolly Bird  
Akwasasne Notes  
Indian Studies Program  
Wesleyan University







# FEBRUARY

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SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED	THUR.	FRI	SAT.
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12 LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY
13	14 VALENTINE'S DAY	15	16 ASH WEDNESDAY	17	18	19
20	21 WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29				



## MAKING THE CRIMINAL PAY

England this year will put into effect an interesting and innovative new theory of penology. Under terms of a new law, criminals will soon be made to pay compensation for their crimes. The embezzler no longer will be able to serve his time in prison and get out to enjoy the money he stole. The fruits of fraud or theft will be denied the criminal leaving jail through the application of bankruptcy law forcing him to live frugally until the court is satisfied he has accounted fully for the money he stole.

For criminals who have no means of making restoration or whose crime did not entail theft of property, the new system will provide that minor offenders make their payments to society in the form of community service. Such practical work as tending hospital garden, looking after the elderly or aiding deprived families is likely. The criminal will not be punished by imprisonment alone; he will be made to pay for his crime in a way that makes up some of the loss it caused to society.

The reason for this new venture in penology is that Britain's prisons have become badly overcrowded and conditions for effective rehabilitation in them are poor. Nearly all prisoners are released sooner or later and the British are willing to try a means of punishing of guilt by making him repay those he has injured at the same time he is being rehabilitated.

Parallel conditions exist on the American prison scene, but the idea of making the convict repay the victims of his crimes has not been widely advanced here, though any benefits it might bring would be fully as welcome in America as in England. The victim of crime in America regains none of his loss simply because the criminal is caught and locked up.

Making punishment not only fit the crime but provide some compensation for those who suffer from it is a bright new idea, and all eyes should be on England to see how it works. □

-Boston Herald Traveler

## NOTICE

Visiting Room Regulation:

Wearing a wrist watch to the Visiting Room is prohibited. This restriction has to be enforced because some people have abused the privilege. □

Warden Frederick E. Adams



## INFORMACION

Reglamento Para Cuarto de Visita:

Efectivo inmediatamente no se permite que los confinados usen sus relojes en el Cuarto de Visita. Esta regla sera enforzada por la razon que algunos hombres han abusado de este privilegio. □

Alcaide Frederick E. Adams

## JOKES

### STOLEN, BORROWED & BEGGED

After mulling it over for a week, and also doing a bit of Mess-Hall observing, our guess is that inside every fat man there is a thin man screaming for second helpings!!

The great Confucius says, "Man who go into bar optimistically, may come out misty optically."

We are worried stiff about the future of the coffee that is served at breakfast. If it gets any weaker, it won't have enough strenght to obey the law of gravity, and will stay in the urns when the spigots are opened!!

My buddy arrived home in the wee hours and stumbled upstairs to find his wife wide-awake and glaring. "Aha!" she said. "I see you've found out home is the best after all."

"I don't know about that," my buddy mumbled. "But it's the only place still open at this hour." □



## SPORTS

Monday's game between the Trojans and the Amuvets was a game of steal - away.

Both teams kept stealing the ball from each other throughout the entire game.

Gardner was back with us on the court. He tried very hard to make his fabulous plays to score but, as we all know his left leg wasn't in any condition for him to be running up and down the court. We hope that brother Gardner's leg would be better for our next game.

We would like to say that a new brother has join the Trojans. I have tried to give it to the brother that he did try, and made some good rebounds and passes. Keep it up brother Presley you are starting off good.

Here are the scores and points for both teams that played that night.

TROJANS - 78	AMVETS - 29
Gardner -- 1	W. Bromame --10
Dowdy ----- 9	G. Bromage--- 9
Sutton ---- 6	Chichoski --- 2
Fuller ---- 7	King ----- 4
Jackson ---14	Kaper ----- 2
Love -----10	Krajeuski --- 2
Tinsley --- 7	-----
Henderson -10	-----
Presley --- 2	-----
Williams --12	-----

"Your men in Sports:" □

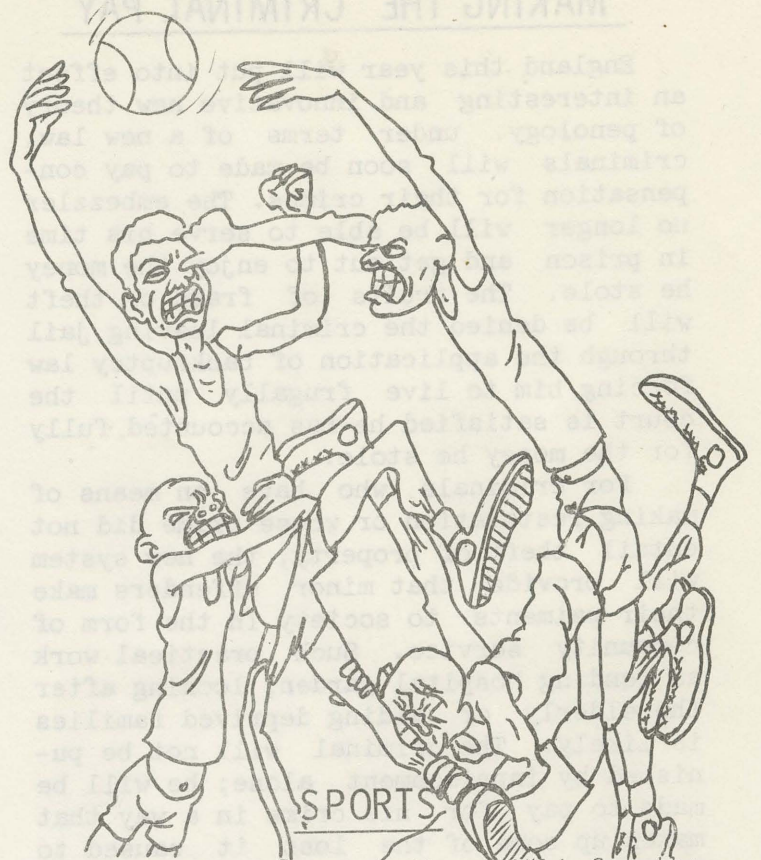
Melvin Siberon  
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(T.T.T.T.)

### A BOOK FAIR

A Book Fair will be held the week of February 14th, in the Library.

The Library will not be open during that week for any group. Men may use the Law Library by written request only during the Book Fair.

Details and schedules of blocks will be announced later. □



Monday night was another night for the Trojans to prove how great they perform.

The Trojans kept ahead from ten (10) to fifteen (15) points from the Enfield Dairy in each quarter that they played.

Between Bossman Love and Pistol Pete Jackson, there were some fantastic passes. We'll have to give some credit to the new brother, Face Clemsons, who demonstrated that he does belong with the Mighty Trojans.

TROJANS--89	ENFIELD DAIRY--63
Love-----15	Angelica-----18
Gardner-- 5	Zwiak-----8
Fuller---12	Petterson-----17
Jackson--10	Nolan-----8
Dowdy-----2	Ravenala-----12
Tinsley--13	
Henderson-5	
Williams--9	
Sutton----4	
Presley---4	
Clemsons-10	

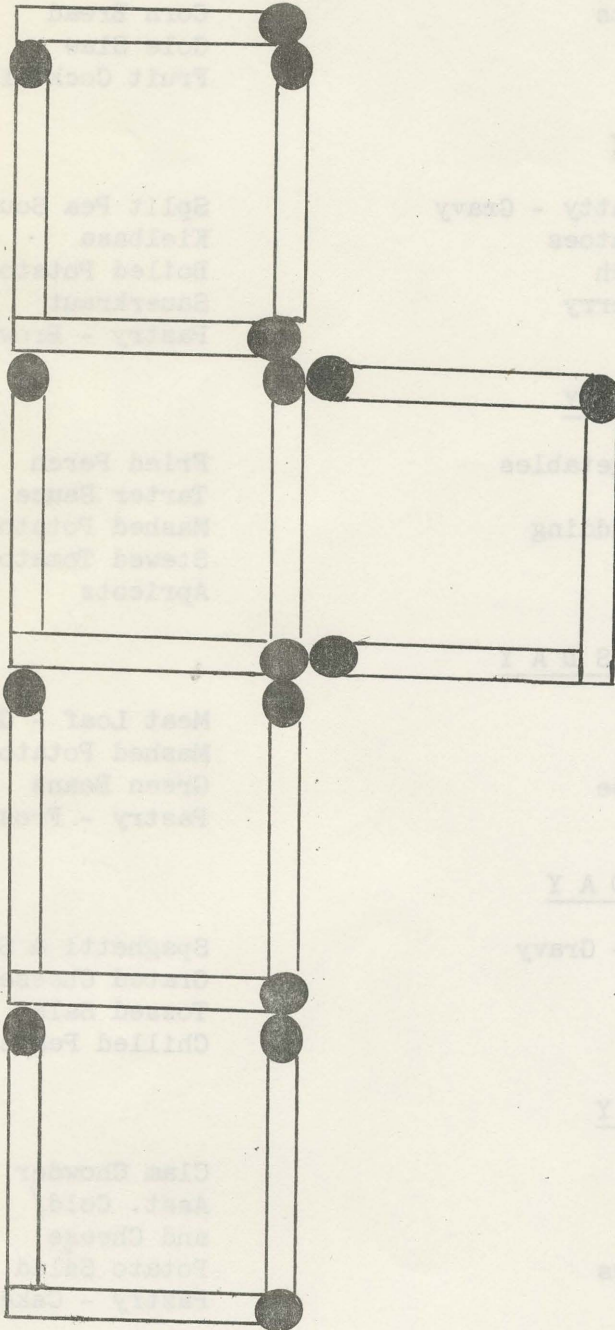
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# PUZZLE

## PENAL PRESS NOTES



Moving three matches, make four squares into a different position using the same three matches that are moved. All matches must be used. Answer will be in the next edition of the Weekly Scene.

**KALIEDOSCOPE: NIAN TIC, CONNECTICUT**  
Your Sister, Lady Luck, led us to discover one of your old issues gathering dust in our files; we understand you have a new press and we'd delight in seeing what it's now producing!

**MESSENGER: SIOUX FALLS, SO. DAKOTA**  
Your Winter issue 71' reflects thought in depth and some real professionalism; your subscription blank areal messenger.

**THE SPECTATOR: JACKSON MICHIGAN**  
We read with surprise and pleasure about the Black female correctional officers at SMP, now thats penal progress!

**FORTUNE NEWS: NEW YORK, N.Y.**  
As always highly informative and relevant issue (Jan 72). As you see "The Beat Goes On".

**THE PRISON MIRROR: STILLWATER, MINN.**  
We continue to enjoy your paper; news of your culture groups is highly inspiring and an example for the brothers here.

Just a few weeks ago the Weekly Scene was compared to a "Mickey Mouse" publication. But then we didn't have much to work with at the time. Still we need to get the most important factor of a Prison newspaper, "we need you", the inmates of the institution and the blessing of the administration to get this publication to work for us all.

For with it we are able to communicate with each other. We, the members of the Weekly Scene Publication, feel that the paper should be a reflection of the ideas and feelings of the prison community, and remember that others can only judge us by what they read. It's time for some togetherness! □

WEEKLY SCENE STAFF



DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION  
WINTER CYCLE MENU NO. 1

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2/27/72, 3/26/72

BREAKFAST

LUNCH

SUPPER

SUNDAY

Hot or Cold Cereal  
Orange Juice  
Pastry Coffee-C ke  
Corn Flakes - coated

Fresh Ham - Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Buttered Carrots  
Ice Cream

Chili Con Carne  
Steamed Rice  
Corn Bread  
Cole Slaw  
Fruit Cocktail

MONDAY

Hot or Cold  
Fresh Fruit  
Two Eggs - Toast  
Scrambled  
Pep Wheat Flakes

Stuffed Veal P<sup>a</sup>tty - Gravy  
Hash Brown Potatoes  
Buttered Spinach  
Jello - Strawberry

Split Pea Soup  
Kielbasa  
Boiled Potatoes  
Sauerkraut  
Pastry - Brownies

TUESDAY

Hot or Cold Cereal  
Pineapple Juice  
French Toast - Syrup  
Puffed Wheat - coated

Beef Stew w/Vegetables  
Tossed Salad  
Butterschtch Pudding

Fried Perch  
Tarter Sauce  
Mashed Potatoes  
Stewed Tomatoo  
Apricots

WEDNESDAY

Hot or Cold Cereal  
Stewed Prunes  
Pastry - Muffins  
Maltex

Corned Beef  
Boiled Cabbage  
Parslied Potatoe  
Jello - Cherry

Meat Loaf - Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Pastry - Frosted Cake

THURSDAY

Hot or Cold Cereal  
Tomato Juice  
Griddle Cakes -Syrup  
40% Bran Flakes

Baked Chicken - Gravy  
Fried Rice  
Green Peas  
Pie - Cherry

Spaghetti & Sausage  
Grated Cheese  
Tossed Salad  
Chilled Pears

FRIDAY

Hot or Cold Cereal  
Fresh Fruit  
Two Eggs-Fried - Toast  
Special - K

Baked Flounder  
Tarter Sauce  
Fried Potato  
Mixed Vegetables  
Ice Cream

Clam Chowder  
Asst. Cold/  
and Cheese  
Potato Salad  
Pastry - Cake

SATURDAY

Hot or Cold Cereal  
Granapple Juice  
Pastry - Donuts  
Maypo Oats

Minute Steak  
Mashed Potatoes  
O'Brien Corn  
Bread Pudding

Frank and Beans  
Vegetable Soup  
Beet & Onion Salad  
Fruit Cocktail

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Daily Beverages: Coffee, Tea, Milk

Bread and Butter will be served with meals.

Condiments are left to the discretion of the Food Services Supervisor.