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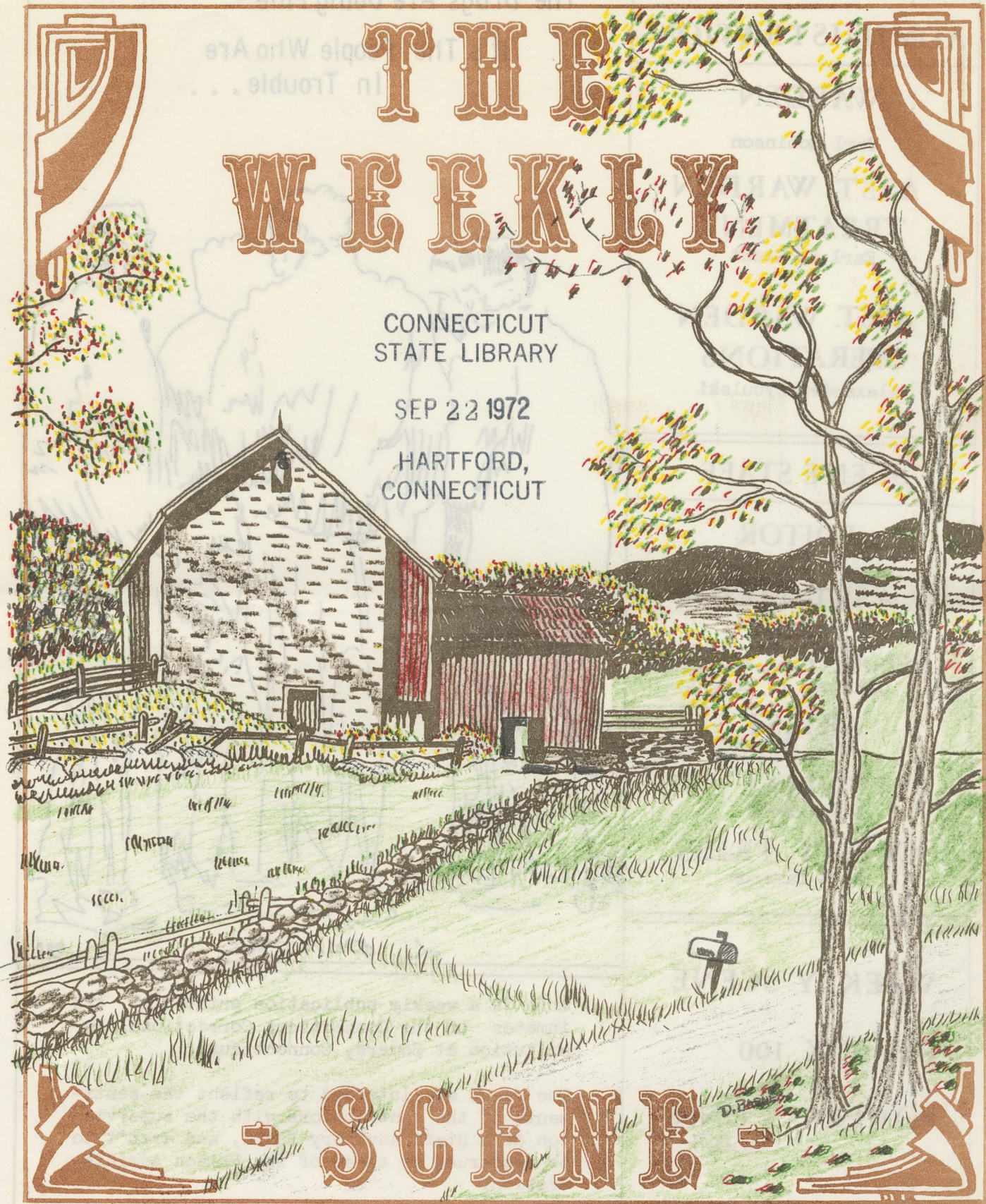
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# A SALUTE TO THE MEN IN SOMERS

## "A Black Man's Thoughts"

"Thought in the mind has made you what you are."

By thought was wrought and built. If a Black man's mind hath evil thought, pain comes over you as comes the wheel; the ox behind...

If one endures in purity of thought, joy follows you as your own shadow.

You are growth by law and not a creation by artifice and cause and effect is as absolute and undeviating. In the hidden realm of thought as in the world of visible and material things. A noble and godlike character is not a thing of favor or chance, but is the natural result of continued effort in your right thinking.

Of all the beautiful truths pertaining to your soul which resorted and brought to light this age, none is more gladdening or fruitful of divine promise and confidence than this--that you are the master of your thoughts, the molder of character and the maker and shaper of condition, environment and destiny.

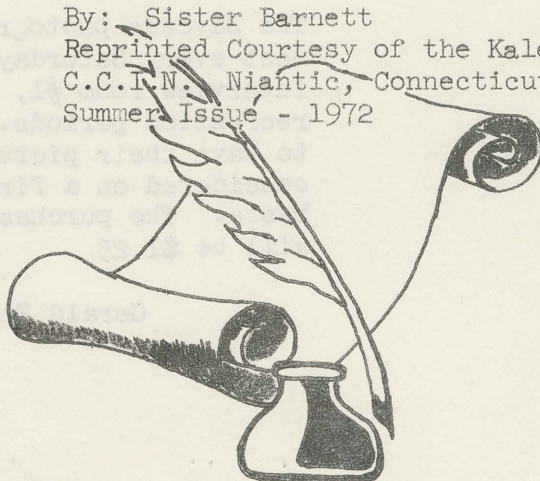
As a being of Power, Intelligence, and Love, and the Lord of your own thoughts, you hold the key to every situation, and contain within yourself that transforming and regenerative agency by which you may make yourself what you will.

You are always the master, even in your weakest and most abandoned state. When you begin to reflect upon your condition, and to search diligently for Law upon which your being is established, you then become the wise master, directing your energies with intelligence, and fashioning your thoughts to fruitful issues. Such is the conscious master, and you can only thus become by discovering within yourself the laws of thought, which discovery is totally a matter of application, self-analysis, and experience.

Only by much searching and mining are gold and diamonds obtained, and you can find every truth connected with your being if you will dig deep into the mine of your character, the molder of your life, and the builder of your destiny, you may unerringly prove, if you will watch, control, and alter your thoughts, tracing their effects upon yourself, upon others, and upon your life and circumstances, linking cause and effect by patient practice and investigation, and most trivial everyday occurrence as a mean of obtaining that knowledge of yourself which is understanding, wisdom, and power.

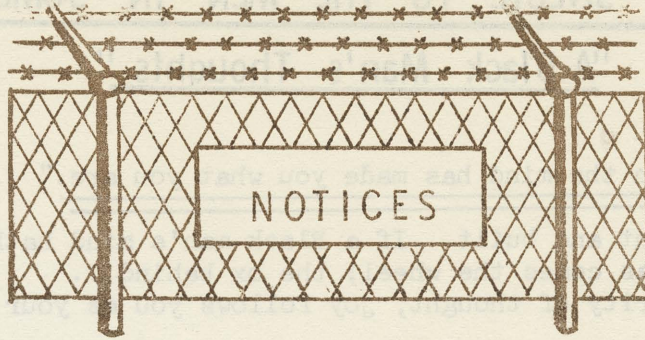
In this direction, as in no other, is the absolute truth that "He that seeketh, findeth," and to all men it is to be said that "He that knocketh it, shall it be opened".....

By: Sister Barnett  
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## SELF STUDY COURSES



## LIBRARY SCHEDULE

The college self-study course in Sociology and Physical science will start the week of, Sept. 18th. Men in the Physical Science will be called to the School Tuesday morning, for their texts. Sociology material will be picked up when you are called to the School on Wednesday.

C. J. Jones,  
School Principal

## TYPING BOOKS

There is a shortage of typing text books and all inmates are urged to return them to the School.

C. J. Jones,  
Principal

## MISSING BOOKS

A book entitled "Law of Federal Courts" by Charles Alan Wright is missing from the Law Library. This book should have never left the Law Library. If it is in any inmate's cell, disciplinary action will be taken. Also a book was checked out by an inmate that left the institution entitled "Boatbuilding" by Chappelle. This book is circulating somewhere in population, and whoever has it is requested to return it to the Library as soon as possible.

Craig M. Warren,  
Librarian

The library is now open to inmates during the following hours:

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY NIGHTS DURING RECREATION, BETWEEN 5:30 and 8PM FOR WHICHEVER BLOCKS ARE SCHEDULED FOR RECREATION.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY AFTERNOONS BETWEEN 3 & 4PM ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

MONDAY	---	Q BLOCKS
TUESDAY	---	C BLOCK AND J DORM
WEDNESDAY	---	E AND H BLOCKS
THURSDAY	---	B AND D BLOCKS

## VOCATIONAL COUNSELOR

Mr. Adolph Boone has assumed the duties of Vocational Counselor. He will be available by request to counsel men in both vocational and educational areas. It is recommended that you allow ample time for working with the counselor before your release date, to increase the potential for obtaining employment or acceptance into a technical or academic school program.

Adolph Boone,  
Vocational Counselor

## PHOTOS

The Jaycees photography committee will meet every Saturday and Sunday, in the interview room #1, at the beginning of recreation periods. Inmates desiring to have their pictures taken will be considered on a first come, first serve basis. The purchase price of the pics will be \$1.25

Gerald Fullwood



# Let Me Live My Own Life . . . . .

It seems as of late, everyone is writing articles, talking about, and giving lectures today about drugs. In here, especially in the Weekly Scene, Inmates do have articles published as to how it has attributed to their being in prison, and how it has destroyed their family. I believe they are the biggest hypocrites of all, according to my own philosophies. Drugs didn't do this to anyone. No one wants to blame themselves, so they use drugs as a scape-goat. The only person responsible for your incarceration is YOU!!

Drugs were a lot of "Big Fun" to me, especially acid, which along with grass, hashish and an occasional dab of cocaine have never ceased to give me the utmost of pleasure. In all honesty, I must admit that drugs had nothing to do with my incarceration. I am here because I was too damn lazy to work a forty hour a wk. job and haven't found one paying me enough money yet, so I steal. I also must state I had a considerable heroin habit on the street, but I was able to maintain it, most always through legal sources with methadone, although I must further admit one more thing; "Heroin is a metaphor for the obsessed!!"

The thing that hassles my head the most are all these people putting down grass, hashish, kief, and mescaline. Research scientists have found no proof whatsoever that any of these do harm to the person. Mescaline is used and has been used in many religious cults, and by the Indians and various other organizations long before the drug scene came into existence.

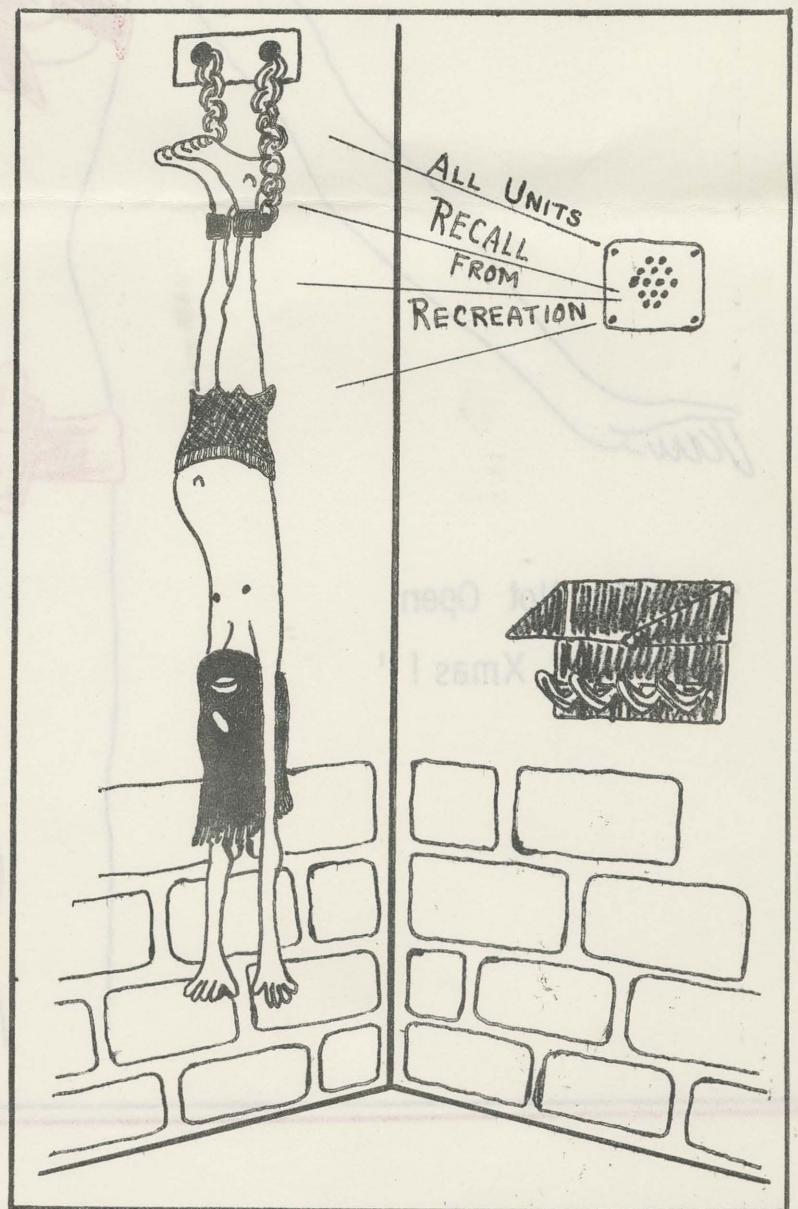
I want you to think in terms of a comparison basis in regards to smoking cigarettes. It's a proven fact that it may be hazardous to one's health. Pot and derivatives have not! Drinking alcoholic beverages has proven more harmful to one's health than dope is to a junkie with a large habit. Ponder on the food we eat today, and the various chemicals, minerals, and ingredients therein.

Psychiatrists say that drugs are an escape from reality, and a false utopia. When you think about it in context, it

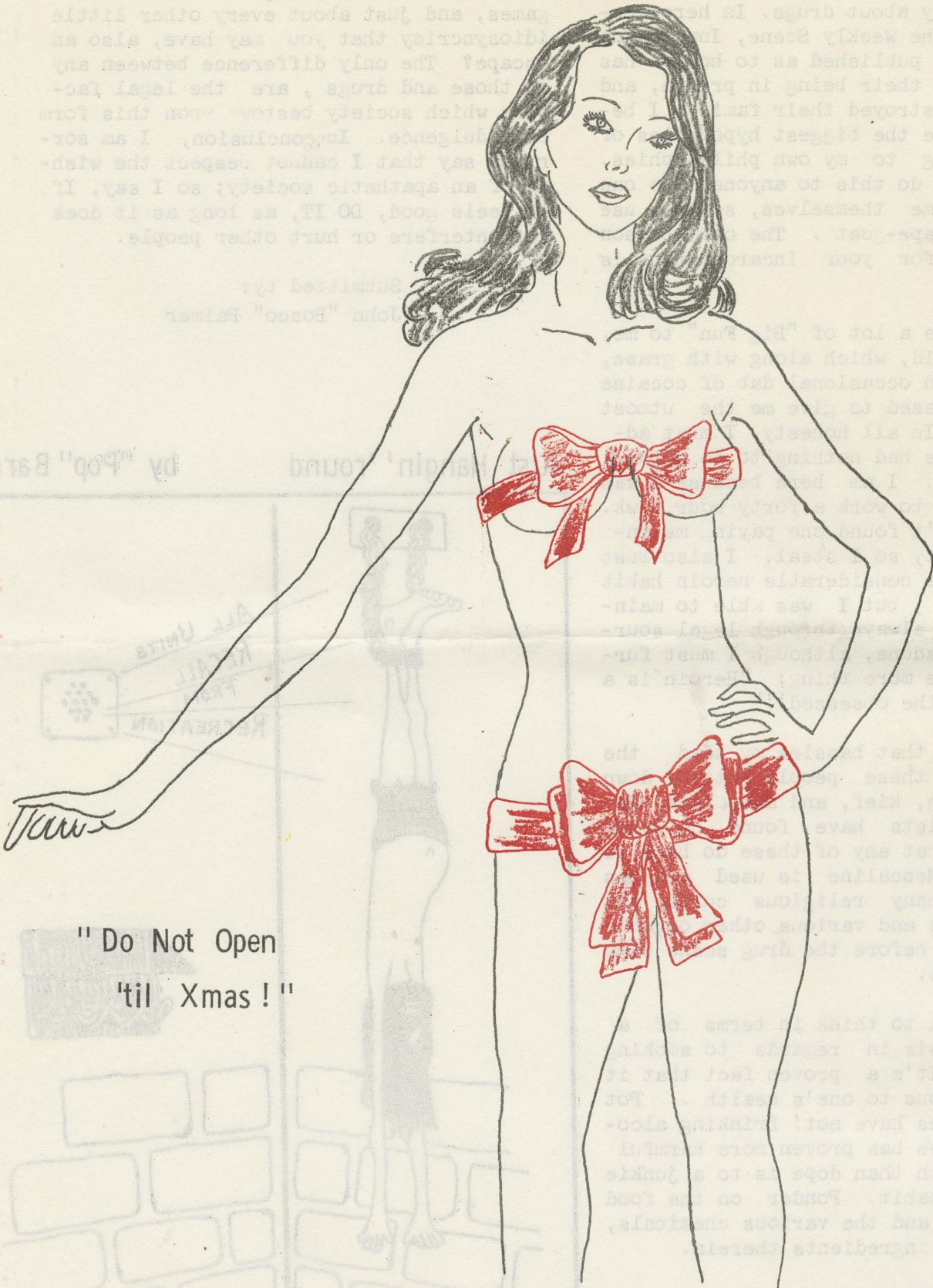
is, but isn't drinking, gambling, cheating on your wife, going to base-ball games, and just about every other little idiosyncrasy that you may have, also an escape? The only difference between any of those and drugs, are the legal factors which society bestows upon this form of indulgence. In conclusion, I am sorry to say that I cannot respect the wishes of an apathetic society; so I say, If it feels good, DO IT, as long as it does not interfere or hurt other people.

Submitted by:  
John "Bosco" Palmer

## Just Hangin' 'round by "Pop" Barnes







" Do Not Open  
'til Xmas !"

ing on your wife, going to base-ball  
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by "Pop" Barne

John "Boss" Palmer

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of pleasure. In all the years  
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too many years in  
job and haven't found  
enough money yet to  
state I had our  
on the street and I was  
with methods, though  
that about one  
relatives for the

The thing that  
most are all  
last, together, that  
search scientists have  
wisdom, that any  
the person, Mesquite  
learned in many  
of the brain and  
rational long before  
their existence.

I want you to  
experiment leads  
of studies. It's  
any is because  
and body have  
made progress  
to one's health  
with a large  
we eat today,  
minerals, and

Psychologists say that drugs are an  
escape from reality and a false  
when the mind is in control.

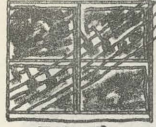




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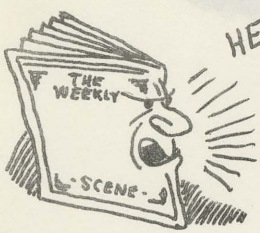
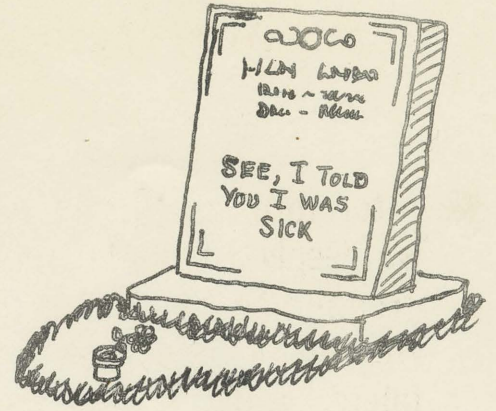
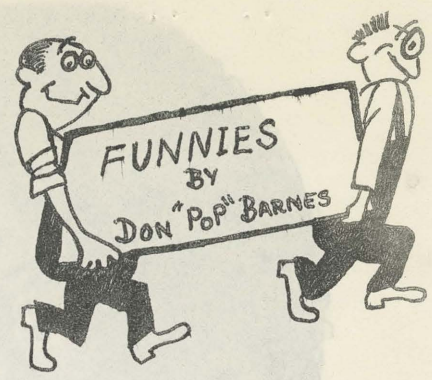
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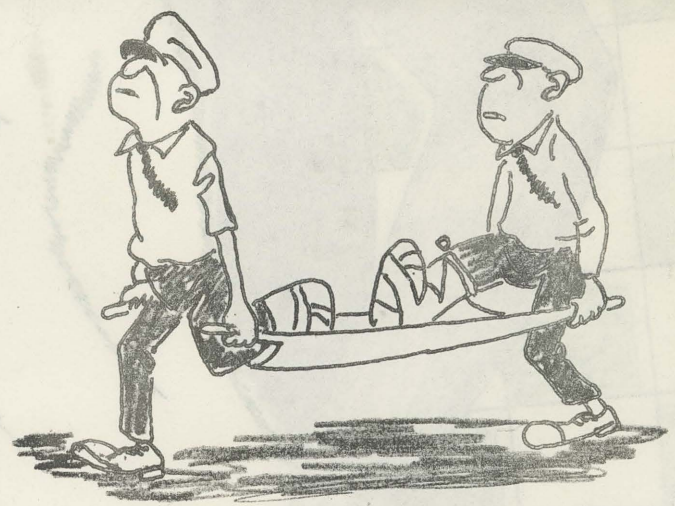


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I WANNA  
GO HOME  
'SNIFF' 'SOB'



HEY YOU!!  
HELP US  
SEND IN MORE  
CARTOONS  
PICTURES  
STORIES  
POEMS





ATTENTION CARTOON WATCHERS :

HAPPINESS IS - "POP" BARNES GOING TO THE FARM!!!

After four months of illustrious illustrations by our infamous "Pop Barnes" we deeply regret to inform the inmate population that Pop is heading for greener pastures ; so to speak. We're talking about the farm at C.C.I.E. We will all miss Don's rather unique sense of humor, and consider his talents to be a great loss to this publication.

GOOD LUCK "POP"

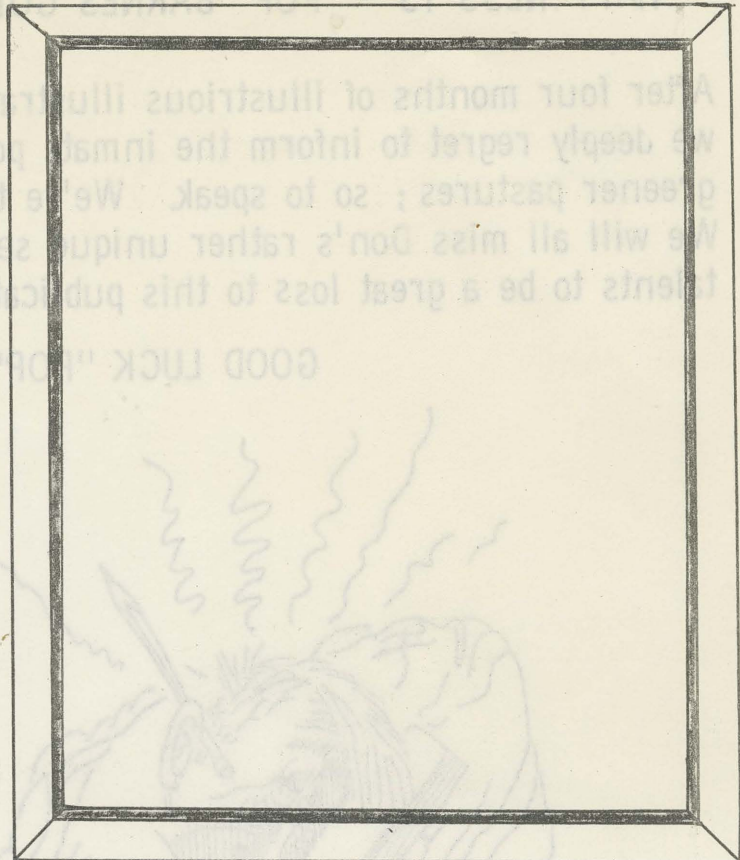




Answers to Last Week's Quiz from the

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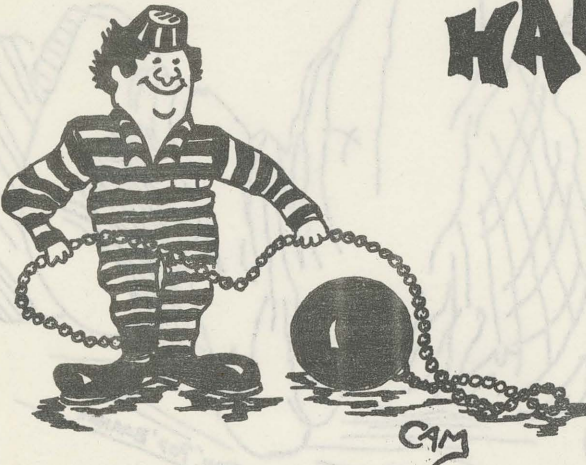
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BLACK SABBATH	C
JAMES TAYLOR	D
ROD STEWART	H
JOHNNY WINTERS (mispl)	E
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"Portrait of a Blizzard in Butte, Montana"

This creation is the joint efforts of our Artist, "Pop" Barnes, and our illustrious Editor, Clifford Knight. A fitting example of the creativity of the Weekly Scene Staff.

(somebody go get the net!!!)



# HAPPINESS IS-

Getting a 3-day Pass!!!



Billions of people were scattered on a great plain before God's throne. Some of the groups near the front talked heatedly - not with cringing shame, but with belligerence. "How can God judge us?" said one. "What does He know about suffering?" snapped a brunette. She jerked back a sleeve to reveal a tattooed number from a Nazi concentration camp. "We endured terror, beatings, torture, death!"

In another group a black man lowered his collar, "What about this?" he demanded, showing an ugly rope burn. "Lynched for no crime, but being black!" We have suffocated in slave ships, been taken from loved ones, toiled till only death gave release."

Far out across the plains were hundreds of such groups. Each had a complaint against God for the evil and suffering He permitted in His world. How lucky God was to live in heaven where there was no weeping, no fear, no hunger, no hatred!!

In deed, what did God know about what man had been forced to endure in this world? "After all, God leads a pretty sheltered life," they said.

So each group sent out a leader, chosen because he had suffered the most. There was a Jew, a Black, an untouchable from India, an illegitimate, a person from Hiroshima, one from a slave camp in Siberia, and one from Somers Prison.

In the center of the plain they consulted with each other. At last they were ready to present their case. It was rather simple: before God would be qualified, to be their judge, He must endure what they endured. Their decision was: That God "should be sentenced to live on Earth as a Man!"

But because He was God, they set certain safeguards, to be sure He could not use His divine powers to help Himself:

Let Him be born a Jew.

Let the legitimacy of His birth be doubted, so that none would know who is really his father.

Let Him champion a cause so just, but so radical, that it brings down upon Him the hate, condemnation, and efforts of every major traditional and established religious authority to eliminate Him.

Let Him try to describe what no man has ever seen, tasted, heard, or smelled.

Let Him try to communicate God to Men.

Let Him be betrayed by his best friends.

Let Him be indicted on false charges, and tried before a prejudicial jury, and convicted by a cowardly judge.

Let Him see what it is to be so terribly alone and completely abandoned by every living thing.

Let Him be tortured and let Him die!

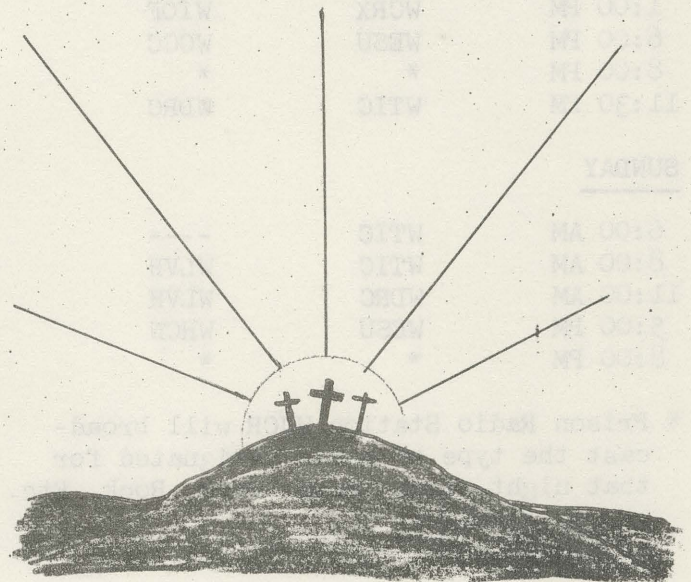
Let Him die the most humiliating death with common thieves.

As each leader announced his portion of the sentence, loud murmurs of approval went up from the great throng of people.

But when the last had finished pronouncing sentence, there was a long silence. No one uttered another word...No one moved.. For suddenly all knew...

GOD HAD ALREADY SERVED HIS SENTENCE!!

Submitted by: Santos Romero





# STATE RADIO SCHEDULE

MONDAY            A CHANNEL            B CHANNEL

6:00 AM	WTIC	WDRC
10:00 AM	WKSS	WDRC
5:00 PM	WESU	WCCC

TUESDAY

6:00 AM	WTIC	WHCN
10:00 AM	WRCH	WHCN
6:00 PM	WL VH	WDRC

WEDNESDAY

6:00 AM	WTIC	WIOF
10:00 AM	WCCC	WIOF
5:00 PM	WESU	WIOF
8:00 PM	*	*

THURSDAY

6:00 AM	WTIC	WHVY
10:00 AM	WKSS	WCRX
5:00 PM	WHVY	WESU
9:05 PM	WHVY	WVUH

FRIDAY

6:00 AM	WTIC	WHYN-AM
10:00 AM	WRCH	WHYN-AM
5:00 PM	WIOF	WESU
8:00 PM	WIOF	WDRC
11:00 PM	WRCH	WDRC

SATURDAY

6:00 AM	WCRX	WRCH
1:00 PM	WCRX	WIOF
6:00 PM	WESU	WCCC
8:00 PM	*	*
11:30 PM	WTIC	WDRC

SUNDAY

6:00 AM	WTIC	----
8:00 AM	WTIC	WL VH
11:00 AM	WDRC	WL VH
5:00 PM	WESU	WHCN
8:00 PM	*	*

The radio schedule will be followed as close as possible. There might be some changes if there is a special program, such as sports, etc., and will be heard on "B" Channel only.

The radio room staff is at this time putting together their Fall Radio Schedule. Please send your suggestions to W.C.J.R. Place all requests in the Jaycees Mail Box, next to the Captain's Office on Main Street.

## "BROTHER"

There is a saying among the citizens of this center and many other centers throughout the U.S.A. that goes "Hey - Brother!" This word brother means that we are supposed to treat each other as we do our own brother. We're supposed to be honest with each other. Not tell each other a bunch of lies just so we can have something to talk about.

We're supposed to be kind to each other. Not hurt each other with physical violence or hurt each other to the extent that someone gets into a very depressed mood. We're supposed to help each other all we can; physically and mentally. Some may think that some people are just too much of a physical wreck to help, but we should try. Some of us may say that someone is too simple minded to help mentally; but we should try also to help him.

Why? Because everyone needs someone at one time or another to help them do something. Whether it be a job, or just a plain favor. Brother means that we should treat everyone equal, not only in jail, but on the outside as well. All in all, what I'm saying here is, why do people call each other "Brother" when they lie, cheat, and hurt them just for the fun of it? Stop and think before you call someone your brother; especially if you don't mean it!!!

\* Prison Radio Station WJCR will broadcast the type of music designated for that night. i.e. Soul, Jazz, Rock, Etc.

Submitted by: D.E.Steele





"Gold cannot buy it,           Age can but strengthen it,  
Poverty try it:                Time only lengthen it;  
Joy will not cheapen it,      Heav'n the true place of it,  
Sorrow must deepen it;      God is the grace of it."

### "Friendship With God"

When one becomes a friend of God, he enters into the most intimate and satisfying partnership that life has to offer. God is a wonderful friend, and fortunate is he who makes His acquaintance. As Christians, we are in close friendship with the One who loves beyond our fondest hopes. He is interested in us, and from the vast fortunes He shares with us many things. You see, God has wealth untold as the old hymn asserts:

"My Father is rich in houses and lands, He holdeth the  
wealth of the world in His hands."

In this divine friendship, we have the good fortune to be associated with the One who made the world and all that is in it, including ourselves. We are poor; He is Rich. We have little to share with Him except our troubles. He has everything to share with us, and because He loves us so completely, He showers on us countless blessings.

Since God made us, our very life is in His tender care. We are dependent on Him for everything; life, breath - yes, everything that makes up the sum of life's blessings. God even enables us to take his gifts of intelligence, of health, and of strength to earn a livelihood.

Not only has our Friend made us, but from sin and death He has redeemed us. We're doubly His possession since He has purchased us with His life on the cross of Calvary.

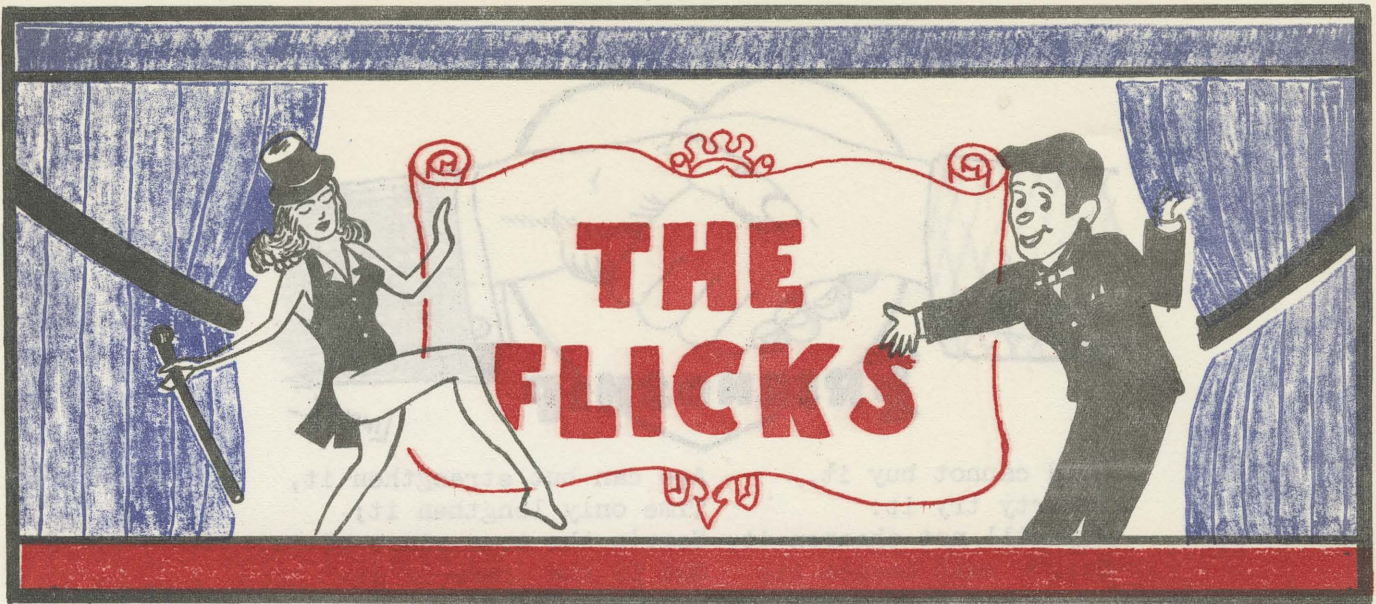
In the Lord's Prayer, we are taught to recognize God as our heavenly Father, and St. John reminds us that we are the children of God.

This makes our friendship very close indeed; we are cooperative children of a loving father who shares with us His blessings in a 1000 forms. We belong to the family of God on earth, and naturally we protect the interests of the family. We share in a privilege common to a Father and His children, and it is our privilege to give as well as to receive in this fellowship. We are in a partnership with God that reaches into every phase of our relationship.

Submitted by:

Edward H. Lindley



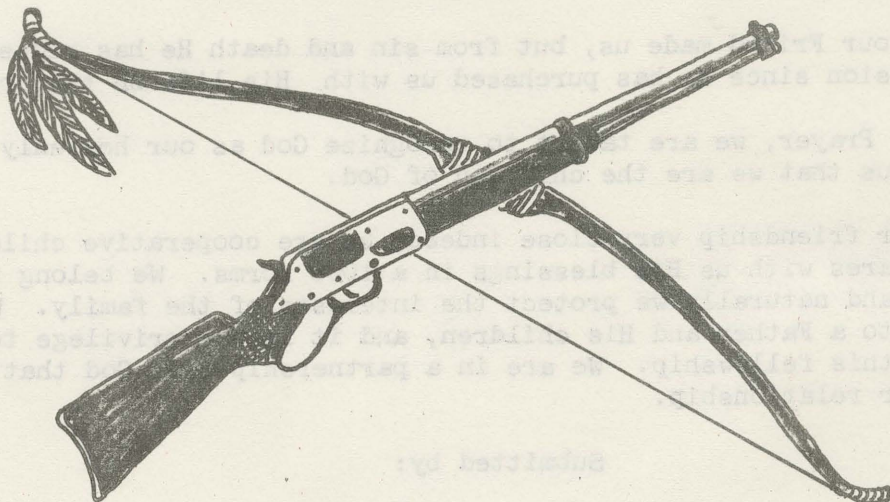


"Chato's Land"

United Artists Release    110 Mins.    Rated "PG"

Charles Bronson, Jack Palance, Richard Basehart  
James Whitmore, Simon Oakland, Ralph Waite

Charles Bronson plays an Apache half-breed who kills a white sheriff who has taunted him for many a moon. Jack Palance plays a saloon keeper who organizes a posse to catch Chato. They can't catch Chato, so they capture his woman. In the process she gets raped. Set upon revenge, Chato drives the entire posse to destruction. Score one for the little guys.





# T.V. GUIDE FOR SEPTEMBER 16 - 22

By: Wayne Daniska

## Sports

### Saturday

- 12:00 40 Candlepin Bowling
- 1:00 22 Wrestling
- 1:00 8-40 Roller Derby
- 2:00 8-40 Water Skiing
- 2:15 22-30 (B) Orioles vs. Yankees
- 3:45 8-40 (F) Arizona State vs. Houston

### Sunday

- 12:00 40 Roller Derby
- 1:00 22-30 (F) Bengals vs. Patriots
- 2:00 3 (F) Giants vs. Lions
- 2:00 18 (B) Orioles vs. Yankees
- 2:10 8 (B) Mets vs. Cubs
- 4:00 22-30 (F) Dolphins vs. Chiefs

### Monday

- 9:00 8-40 (F) Redskins vs. Vikings

## Specials

### Tuesday

- 11:30 40 Elections returns Movies. Movies.
- 2:00 3 (A) Tarzan and the Lost Safari
- 9:00 22-30 (D) In The Heat of the Night
- 11:30 3 (D) Marnie
- 11:45 22 (A) Men with Wings
- 11:45 30 (D) The Betting Bellhop

### Sunday

- 2:00 40 (C) Flying Deuces
- 3:15 40 (T) Giant from the Unknown
- 9:00 8-40 (A) Goldfinger
- 11:40 8 (T) The Curse of the Mummy's Tomb
- 11:40 40 (B) The Winning Team

### Monday

- 10:00 3 (D) Davy
- 4:00 8 (D) Diamond Head
- 7:00 3 (D) Counterpoint
- 7:30 18 (A) The Swordsman
- 9:00 22-30 (C) With Six You Got Eggroll
- 11:30 3 (W) Gun Glory

### Tuesday

- 10:00 3 (A) Desert Legion
- 4:00 8 (B) One Man's Way
- 7:30 18 (D) Bitter Victory
- 8:30 8-40 (D) No Place to Run
- 9:30 3 (D) The Women Hunter
- 11:30 3 (A) Kenya-Country of Treasure

## Wednesday

- 10:00 3 (D) All That Heaven Allows
- 4:00 8 (M) Bye Bye Bridie
- 7:30 18 (D) Battle of the Coral Sea
- 8:30 8-40 (D) Haunts of the Very Rich
- 11:30 3 (D) Night People

## Thursday

- 10:00 3 (A) September Storm
- 4:00 8 (D) Stolen Hours
- 7:30 18 (W) Face of a Fugitive
- 9:00 3 (A) The Professionals
- 11:50 3 (C) How to Stuff a Wild Bikini

## Friday

- 10:00 3 (D) The Fan
- 4:00 8 (C) The Second Time Around
- 7:30 18 (A) Barbary Pirate
- 9:00 3 (D) Valley of the Dolls
- 11:50 3 (C) Never Too Late

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## T.V. GUIDE

Now that the Jaycees are back to work, the T.V. Guide Committee is ready to go back to work. There will be a new TV Master coming out very soon. So all inmates that would like a free TV Guide every week, write your name, and where you live, and drop it in the Jaycee mailbox in the hall by the Captain's Office.

ONLY THOSE MEN THAT SEND IN THEIR NAMES WILL GET A T.V. GUIDE. THE OLD LIST IS OUTDATED AND A NEW ONE WILL BE MADE.

I would like to take this time to thank the members of the Weekly Scene for putting the weekly T.V. guide in the scene.

Wayne Daniska,  
Committee Chairman

I would like a weekly TV Guide

Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_



# P O E F R I

## STASIS

It was twenty-three lost years ago,  
the Commandment I had broken.  
And to this day I carry still, a  
damning yoke as token.

Of Man's great faith in his belief,  
that forgiveness was his cause,  
Of his coming to this human scope,  
among our sins to pause.

He felt, I am convinced by now,  
an agony of loss.  
Far deeper than those savage spikes,  
which bound him to the cross.

For I have felt, have seen such things,  
that could have not risen.  
Within the souls whom he had loved,  
and died to be forgiven.

Man has become alert and proud,  
a complex entity.  
Though his vengeful nature will endure,  
throughout eternity.

I "hope" for Christ, I'd "pray" in vain,  
that there will be for all His pains,  
One day in time when it becomes,  
A passion to which Man succumbs.

To raise the Crucible of Right, above  
His cherished Sword of Might.

This is no "cop-out", whining rhyme of  
one old sinner serving time,  
Rather, it is mortal dread, that right-  
eousness lost it's head.

by: Robert Gunning

## SUMMERS IN SOMERS

Say not my name in numbers, nor  
say, prison is but a dream.

To the guard that slumbers, for  
things are not what they seem.

Poison is real, prison is tough,  
believe me, for I've had enough.

When I ask the guard to open  
the door, Quote he, "Nay, nay,  
thou'll flee to a distant shore".

So I sit in my cell and ponder,  
how my life, I did squander.

And while I do my expiation,  
must every minute ration.

There is no time to weep, I've  
much to do before I sleep.

I must initiate amends,  
and ingratiate my friends.

Thus with the tools at hand,  
I'll prove I am a man.

And when for me they ape the door,  
I'll go astray nevermore

I don't want to be 25504.

by: Thomas J. Mooney