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# MIND OF AN INMATE

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Despite all the pretty speechmaking, imprisonment is and always will be punishment, at least for the people who have to undergo the experience.

We talk about deterrence and rehabilitation and reeducation, but retribution is what is really accomplished. Moreover, we would all like to think that the time an individual spends in confinement is used to meditate upon his crime, to regret what he has done, and to formulate new and basic resolutions about the future.

This would be very nice for all of us; but it is simply not so.

Almost everything that happens to a man or woman in prison is unreal. From the moment the offender is turned over to the guard at the gate to the moment that he leaves by the same gate, he lives in a dream, contrary to the belief of most people.

There is no urgency of time, nor "feeling" of its passage. The prisoner goes through each day usually only half aware of where he is, and the only time the mist of unreality dissolves is when crucial happenings such as a parole hearing or visits occur.

From the point of view of the administrators of prisons, this half-life is a good thing; for the most unconscious the prisoner is of his environment and surroundings, the more he behaves like an automation, the better prisoner he is and the less trouble he is to the administration.

But, at the same time, this dream-like state of suspension is one of the great reasons why the effect of imprisonment is so slight, why there are so many "repeaters". It is also the reason why those of us who have explored the minds of criminals feel that the bright machine shops, the gardens, and the schools, and other aspects of the modern institution's programs are but boredom relievers and, indeed, have little

or no effect on the convict himself.

In addition to inducing this dream-state, imprisonment encourages people to function on lower physical and psychological levels. Most prisoners, no matter how intelligent they may be, return to a condition resembling infancy, and they cannot help but to respond like infants to the event of each day.

Consider the fact that by imprisoning an individual we desire to deprive him not only of his freedom of movement, but also of all those qualities associated with adulthood. We feed him, and care for his needs and tell him where to go and what to do.

In other words, we virtually make of him a child again; and then, so inconsistent in our thinking are we that we demand from him the behavior of an adult. And more than this, after we "break" him by what is called "discipline" and after we pound him into Submission, psychologically of course, and accustom him to being dependent, we release him to a demanding, working world and require that he act as a mature adult.

Many prisoners find it impossible to continue endlessly the fiction of their lives behind walls. They have to sustain it and to make up for the endlessness of the days and loneliness of the nights by indulging in extravagant fantasies usually concerned with an improbable future and distorted past.

Some cannot maintain the fiction and dream-like state and fall apart. When this happens and dreadful reality is faced, the prison inmate becomes flooded with emotions and thoughts he sometimes cannot handle.

This is the time when men and women "blow their tops" and become physically or mentally ill; or when they strike out against their environment and the people in it with blind rage and fury.

(Con't on movie page)



LETTER TO THE EDITOR  
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I noticed within the Weekly Scene March 24, & April 14, 1978, articles pertaining to the denial of lifers upon applying for a pardon and what is suggested for all lifers. But, they fail to mention anything regarding the Federal Rules of Civil Procedures, Rule 23- Class Actions.

In a "class action" suit, one prisoner, or a small number of prisoners, can sue on behalf of all prisoners "similarly situated" if the action of policies that you complain about affects all the other prisoners in the same way, (as the Pardon Board's general policy and practice in denying without reasons). Class actions have two basic advantages, if you win, the decision will be the same as every prisoner in the prison winning an individual suit, since the decision will apply to all members of the class action; should you and other prisoners who are named plaintiff be transferred, the class suit would not become "moot", which means that officials could not say that since you are not in the prison any longer, no issues remain to be decided.

Class actions also have a major drawback. If you lost the suit, no other prisoner would be able to bring the same or substantially the same suit, challenging the same conditions in the suit that is lost. If you lose an individual action other prisoners can bring a similar suit without too many problems. You should take both the dangers of class actions, as well as the benefits, into consideration before you file your case.

There are certain requirements that must be met before you can have your case "certified" as a class action.

- 1) The class (all prisoners similarly situated in prison) must be so large (from my count there are 18-20 lifers left under the old penal code) that it would be impractical for everyone in the class to file an individual suit: and
- 2) Your complaint must present a question of law or fact that is the same for the entire class, (Refer to DAVID DUMSCHAT v. BOARD OF PARDONS. CIV. NO. H\*76-102)
- 3) The claims that you make in your complaint must be typical of the claims of everyone in the class.
- 4) You must be able to fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class.

UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE GETTING INTO GOOD-LUCK.....

JAMES F. THOMAS

FOR ALL CONS

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## "COMMISSIONER MANSON DEFENDS PRISONER WORK RELEASE PROGRAM"

HARTFORD - In the wake of criticism from federal and state judges and legislators, the state corrections commissioner Tuesday defended his department's policy of allowing selected inmates out of prison to go to jobs and visit their families.

"Our failure rate is three tenths of one percent," declared Commissioner Manson while saying that the failure rate in other states range up to twelve percent. The national average is approximately two to three percent.

His department has come under sharp criticism in the last several months following the alleged rape of two 15 year old girls by furloughed inmates and an incident in which a federal judge sentenced a Torrington cocaine dealer to six months. The convict had served five weeks when he was allowed out on a work release program.

Manson refused to discuss specific cases, but told the legislator's Humane Institutions Committee that society is sometimes better protected by allowing criminals to leave institutions on work release.

"I still can't see how you can consider letting a man who was sentenced for six months out in five weeks," demanded Sen. Mary Martin, D-Groton, co-chairman of the committee, which oversees legislative matters for the corrections department.

There are numerous occasions when society is better served by allowing prisoners out on work release programs so they can maintain jobs they held before they were sentenced, Manson explained.

He said, many times the department is requested, by the courts to give inmates such consideration.

He offered the committee such an example. He said judges sometimes ask for the special consideration so that a man who was convicted of drunken driving for the second time, will not lose a job at which he has been employed for twenty years.

The second time a driver is convicted of drunken driving it is mandatory that the driver serve two months, Manson said. Manson said that such inmates receive their punishment when they return at night to the institutions.

Furloughs and work release programs might work well with minor offenders, but inmates convicted of serious crimes, certainly shouldn't be let out, according to Rep. John J. Zajac Jr., R-Meriden.

On Dec. 17, two inmates convicted of murder, were found to have a loaded shotgun and several weapons at the Cheshire Reformatory where they were serving as trustees. After being removed from the institution for youthful offenders, Darryl Dean, 34, and James Downey, 31, were charged with the rape of two fifteen year old girls.

"It is not an isolated case," declared Zajac, who said that he has heard from other legislators that inmates out on furloughs in other communities have been accused of crimes.

"The revolving door policy has got to be stopped," declared Zajac.

Deputy Commissioner of Corrections Raymond Lopes said it was unfortunate that the two men, one of whom (Downey) was accused of attempted rape of his 19 year old sister after after killing his father in 1963. The charge was later dropped. Lopes said the two were poor choices for the special trustee program that was being run for long term convicts at the Cheshire reformatory.

Manson said that the program was aimed at inmates that were nearing the end of lengthy sentences, to enable them to re-enter society.

He said since 1969 the program has been in operation and 37 men have been enrolled in the program. He said many of them were serving sentences for murder or manslaughter.

"That's an awful lot of crime reduction," he declared. Since the Dec. 16 incident, the program has been discontinued, said Manson, explaining that there is only one trustee at the Cheshire facility.

BY: DENNIS MORIN



A BIT ABOUT THE SISTERS OF MERCY  
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SUBMITTED BY: STEPHAN H. JOHNSON

The Sisters of mercy from Marhouse, a parish house of prayer in St. Mary's Parish, Newington, have been coming to Somers since the fall of 1976. Sisters Barbara, Mary Ann, Nancy and Beverly began this new ministry as an extension of their prayer work in the parish by accompanying Sister Arlene on her monthly visits. When Sister Arlene made known her intentions to complete work on her doctorate degree, the Marhouse Sisters continued coming to their friends at Somers on a monthly basis.

The monthly visits are intended to provide a prayer experience for those who wish to bring themselves before the Lord in a spirit of openness and generous receptivity. Many beautiful things have happened during the quiet listening to the Word of God, in the moments of meditative silence, during the time of shared prayer and discussion, in the lifting of hearts and minds in song, as well as in the breaking of the bread of friendship. The Sisters are grateful for the opportunity to serve their brothers in Christ, rejoicing in the special gift of presence they carry back to Newington after each visit to Somers.

In closing I would like to say that the next prayer meeting will be on May 31st, and all those interested are welcome to attend.

DROLLINGER PULLS RARITY: BY REFUSING BIG MONEY  
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NEW YORK (UPI)—Former UCLA basketball star Ralph Drollinger said Wednesday he turned down a \$400,000 offer to play for the New Jersey Nets in order to continue his work in religion.

The 7-2 Drollinger plays center for Athletes In Action, the sports ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ, where he will remain until at least through 1980.

"Until that time," said Drollinger, "my full concentration and efforts will be to making the AIA the finest amateur basketball team in the world and a platform in which to set forth the compelling claims of Jesus Christ."

He cited as one reason for staying with the Tustin, Calif.-based team is the hope the AIA will be selected to represent the U.S. in the World Games in Manila this fall. Drollinger was a seventh round pick of Boston in the NBA's 1976 draft and when the Celtics couldn't sign him, assigned his draft right to the Nets.

Drollinger said playing for the Nets would have been a major test "and an exciting opportunity that would, in a very real sense, stretch my talents to their fullest!"

He added that playing pro-ball also would have resulted in a major increase in his income. Drollinger presently receives a \$7,500 missionary scholarship.

"Having seen such positive changes take place in my life since receiving the Lord and coupled with his commandment to go forth into all nations and preach the Gospel, I am convinced that now is the time to invest my life with Athletes In Action," said Drollinger.



## on conjugal visits

Food and water is essential to the human specie, and sex is a major necessity. To be denied food and drink, is equivalent to a fourteen-day death sentence. To be denied sex, is the same as being given a slow mental death sentence. When one dies mentally, he/she may as well be dead physically — and in a sense of the word is.

Any human being who is denied a sex life is no longer living, he is merely existing — and existing under the most abnormal conditions. And if one is forced to exist under abnormal conditions, his thoughts and actions will become abnormal.

How many men and women are able to hold onto their intimate relationship without sex? And the unfortunate ones who are forced to try, how long do they last? And how many survive?

When a man is sent to prison for committing a crime, he, and only he is sent there as punishment for his crime against society. Not his family, and not his mate for they had nothing to do with his crime.

To deny a man the right and the opportunity to support himself, this is direct punishment to that particular man. But to deny a man the right and the opportunity to support his family, this is indirect punishment to his family.

In our court system, the law states: "Anyone accused of a crime is presumed innocent until proven guilty." An accused is given his day in court and if he wins he goes free, if he loses he is sent to prison as punishment. The defendant's family and his mate were never charged with committing a crime, yet they are tried, convicted and sentenced merely because they are related to the defendant. What can be done to protect their legal rights?

### Plight of Wives

Women who have never experienced any occupation other than being housewives and mothers, are suddenly forced into a form of prison of extreme hardship simply because their mates were convicted of a crime. And they must immediately find a job and support themselves and the kids. And when they fail to handle the situation for many reasons and one being the lack of experience, they are then given an additional form of prison sentence: Forced to go on welfare.

### Prison Furloughs

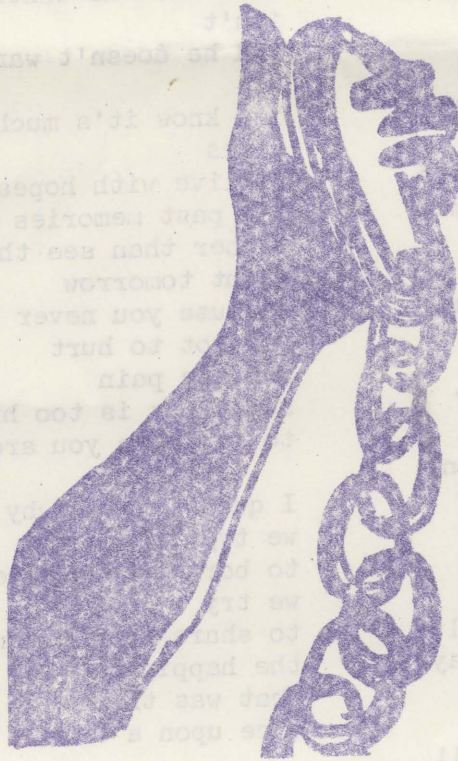
The Furlough Program served a great purpose! It reunited broken families; strengthened families that were weakening due to the separation that was brought on by the prison ordeal, and kept them together.

Homosexual activity in the prisons throughout the state of New Jersey dropped approximately 95 percent; physical and mental violence in the prisons also dropped approximately 95 percent; disciplinary charges in the prisons took a sharp decline. The reason for this was very simple, the Furlough Program provided the inmates with an incentive and gave them something meaningful to work for and to look forward to: A twelve-hour

visit once a month with their families.

Inmates were eager to work every day so as to earn a full month's pay in order to have money to go out on furlough.

They were very careful not to do anything that would warrant a disciplinary charge; they knew this would prevent them from going out on a furlough. But unfortunately, because of a few bad seeds the Furlough Program has been forfeited. And its forfeiture has caused the destruction of many families; homosexual activity in the prisons has risen sharply; physical and mental violence in the prisons is again on the rampage; inmates couldn't care less about being employed; and where inmates once strived with all their might to earn full minimum status, today they are refusing it.



Conjugal visits would indeed solve many present domestic problems, and prevent many future ones from arising. Conjugal visits would prevent certain women from being unfaithful to their imprisoned mates. (Many women become unfaithful because with their mates in prison and thus not able to support them and the kids, they are often forced to use their bodies sexually to try and get money to make ends meet.)

Conjugal visits would prevent certain men from coming out of prison abusing, and in some cases killing, their mates for having been unfaithful.

In some cases they kill the lovers of their mates.

Conjugal visits would prevent the separation of many couples and thus many kids would not be separated from their parents. Conjugal visits would prevent many inmates, from developing extreme hostility towards other inmates, correction officers, the administration, and society. Hostility creates negative thoughts,

and destruction derives from negative thinking. But calmness generates positive thoughts, and meaningful action occurs from positive thinking.

For the sole purpose of conjugal visits, all is needed is a room 7 x 4, just large enough for one small bunk. One trailer could be gutted inside, and then partitioned off to provide as many as 15 small rooms, each room to hold one small bunk and thus accommodate 15 couples simultaneously. There is more than enough idle space inside the walls of Rahway State Prison to park 20 such trailers.

Each trailer could accommodate 15 couples simultaneously, and 15 times 20 comes to a total of 300. This means, three-hundred couples could have a conjugal visit simultaneously.

The cost would be inferior. The state can purchase (lease) trailers at \$100 per trailer, and thus 20 trailers would cost only two-thousand dollars. And, the state wouldn't even have to pay the cost of the trailers and having them installed, the inmates would gladly pay the cost themselves.

### 1,200 inmates

There are approximately 1200 inmates housed at Rahway State Prison, if each inmate gave as little as \$5, the total amount would come to \$6,000, which is more than enough to purchase 20 such trailers, and probably enough to have them installed.

### Denying sex

We are intelligent enough to transport men to the moon and bring them safely back to earth; we are intelligent enough to safely remove a man's heart and give him another; we are intelligent enough to perform a successful operation on a man's brain; we are intelligent enough to change a man into a woman and a woman into man through medical techniques.

Are we not intelligent enough to know that when we deny a man and woman sex, we are not only being cruel and sinful but also abusing our God-given intelligence?

We capture animals and lock them in cages, but even so, we have enough understanding to know that it is wrong and abnormal to deny them the right and the opportunity to indulge in sex with their mates, and we are compassionate enough to allow them to do so.

Are we to be less understanding, and less compassionate to our own specie?

Let inmates indulge sexually with their mates once a week, and all the waters of the earth will still run to the sea and the sea will never over-fill; the wind will still whirl and blow East, West, South and North and return from whence it came; and God will still remain a powerful, and wonderful mystery to us all.

Give inmates conjugal visits, and nothing will change, except we as a people will have become a little more intelligent, a little more understanding, and a little more compassionate towards our own specie, and of course a little more advanced in the realm of civilization.



# CREATIONS IN CONFINEMENT

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## "THE PLUG-IN DRUG"

It sits on its box in the corner  
staring at me, come, come to me  
it says, I give you escape, I give  
you pretty girls and yes, oh yes,  
I fight your enemies for you, I  
fight time itself.

Just reach over, come on now, just  
reach over and turn on my switch  
and then behold as I light up your  
life with the fantasy world of your  
every man's dream.

Are you afraid of me? I am your  
friend. I ask you, who has spent  
so many nights with you when no  
one else has? I mean when everyone  
abandons you I am still here, am I  
not?

Now you sit there telling me I am  
your foe, saying that I wish for  
you to become dependent on me.  
So what? What are friends for if  
not to help one another in times  
of stress? Still you don't listen  
huh? Okay then sit there smugly  
thinking you have beaten me. But  
we both know different don't we?

Oh yes, soon, very soon, you will  
caress me and I will take you away.  
Am I not the KING? Do not hang  
your head, the king always wins.  
Behold the king, KING TELEVISION!!

CHARLES CRAWFORD

## "THE MEMORIES WE KEEP"

I've been alone so long now  
that I'd forgotten there  
could be someone who cared  
enough to  
hope that I'd call.  
Man is that way,  
he must be told why.

I guess it's because he's  
afraid  
that what he wants to be true  
isn't  
and he doesn't want to find out.

You know it's much safer some-  
times  
to live with hopes  
and past memories  
rather than see the truth  
about tomorrow  
because you never learn  
how not to hurt  
and the pain  
sometimes is too high a price  
to pay when you are not sure.

I guess that's why  
we try  
to borrow more time  
we try  
to share with memories  
the happiness  
that was there  
once upon a time.

LAWRENCE E. ROSS

## BURDENS

All of us must carry burdens as we proceed through this life  
Each at one time or another has a certain share of strife  
Some are handicapped quite early with grief that ill health brings  
Yes, misfortune follows mankind touching knaves and mighty kings.

Youth is troubles equalizer, youth can bear most any weight  
Riding on the crest of heartache, using faith to alter fate  
With advancing age our burdens get to be a heavy load  
Though experience has taught us how to trod life's rocky road.  
Life is like a giant bubble made of smiles and doubts and fears  
Flying high then zooming downward bursting with the weight of years.

WILBERT L. MANDY



# CREATIONS IN CONFINEMENT

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You're tall and slim  
When you move, it's with such  
grace,  
You're like the breeze on a hot  
summer day,  
When I see you, I long to touch  
you,  
You're as luring as an oasis on  
a desert,  
You're silent and strong, but  
that's why you attract me,  
I know you'll never belong  
to one man, but that's alright;  
I just want to share you with all  
the men here at Somers, and  
Have a passing affair with you.

You are the front door  
Here at SOMERS PRISON.

HAL BALDWIN

## "MISS BLACK"

Miss bad black and beautiful,  
Chocolate treat,  
Dark rich midnight, poured over  
exquisite craftsmanship.

Deep lusterous soul,  
Ebony queen, African enchantress,  
Chocolate coffee, sweet fine  
"Thang" sun baked nymph of  
Nubian plane.

Cold loveliness, sweet and black,  
Boss soul sister,  
Fine and staked sexy features,  
Candy sweet fine Black Queen,

Yes, I'm talking to you  
Miss Bad Black and Beautiful  
Chocolate treat.

BOYCE GATES

And Fancy, I tell you, has  
dreams that have wings,  
And dreams that have honey,  
And dreams that have stings,  
Dreams of the maker, and dreams  
of the teller,  
Dreams of the kitchen, dreams  
of the cellar,  
Some that are tall, and some  
that are dwarfs,  
Some that are haltered, and  
some that wear scarfs,  
Some that are proper, and  
signify o' thing,  
And some another, and some that  
are nothing.

MARVIN BURTON

I do my thing,  
And you do your thing,  
I am not in your world,  
to live up to your expecta-  
tions.  
And you are not in this  
world,  
To live up to mine.  
You are you and I am I.  
And if by chance we find  
each other,  
It's beautiful.  
If not, it can't be helped.

GEORGE RICHARDS

## "DERANGED"

Myopic, stunted vision,  
Long, truncated imbecile,  
Tapeworm of time,  
Cannibal of other spans,  
...the singer...  
Warms its multiflanged,  
terror teasers, and  
excitedly drools gore,  
and secretions of insanity,  
...the singer...  
projecting sour notes  
z-flat...  
treble cleff...  
x-major...  
....stupidly singing.

B. CHASE



\*\*\*\*\* TOUGH TONY'S SPORT CORNER\*\*\*\*\*

What's happening fellows, it's the Rock here bringing to you the lowdown on what's been happening and what's developing on the sports scene here at C.C.I. Somers.

Boxing is the big story in sports this week and what a story it's been. This month's fight card had a little of something for everyone. We had winners, losers, and we had some very close and controversial decisions. But enough of that, let's get down to the meat of this subject, which is the final results and analysis of this month's fight card.

\*\*\*\*\* RIVERA v.s. TRIMMER \*\*\*\*\*

This was a middleweight bout which saw two very new and inexperienced fighters put forth their best efforts in executing what little they learned in their brief training period.

Round #1 - Flaco Rivera was constantly jabbing and trying to take his opponent out, Trimmer lacking a plan of attack charged Flaco repeatedly and was caught with a good right hand for his efforts. On one of Trimmer's charges, Flaco slipped and fell, but regained his composure quickly finishing round one with Trimmer bleeding profusely from the nose and mouth.

Round #2 - Flaco came out with the same strategy that he used in the first round, and he scored consistently until this bout was stopped due to the bleeding of Trimmer's nose. Winner Rivera - T.K.O.

\*\*\*\*\* VILLA v.s. WILLIAMS \*\*\*\*\*

This was a light heavyweight bout that pitted a seasoned but unskilled fighter (Villa) against an inexperienced but supposedly ready Williams.

Round #1 - Williams tried to move in and be the aggressor, but Villa refused to let Williams set the tempo of this fight. Villa took the offensive and moved in on Williams giving him very little room, connecting Williams with some good right hands and powerful body shots. In the course of this attack, Williams was given a standing eight count, and finished the first round rather shaky.

Round #2 - This round started with both fighters throwing leather, but it was clear that Williams couldn't keep the pace. The referee stopped this fight midway through the second round, because it was obvious that Williams could not go on. Winner: VILLA : T.K.O.

\*\*\*\*\* BEARD v.s. FERNANDEZ \*\*\*\*\*

This was a middleweight bout between two alleged experienced fighters who in my opinion weren't ready for this fight. (No reflection on their trainers)

Round #1 - Fernandez came out quickly and unloaded some very effective combinations Beard on the other hand couldn't quite get it together. Fernandez repeatedly forced Beard to the ropes, where he began to take advantage of Beard's confusion. Fernandez finished this round looking quite convincing.

Round #2 - Fernandez came out quickly this round also, and Beard took to the ropes. Fernandez advanced on Beard again to unload his barrage of punches only to find that Beard was playing possum. Beard unloaded some very quick combinations and Fernandez began to show signs of weariness as he finished this round barely able to protect himself.



\*\*\*\*\*TOUGH TONY'S SPORT CORNER Cont.\*\*\*\*\*

Beard VS Fernandez Cont.

Rd 3- Both fighters met in the middle of the ring in the beginning of this round and plenty of leather was thrown as they took each other's measure. Fernandez began to show signs of tiring as Beard began to connect and press harder. Fernandez tried to protect himself as Beard connected repeatedly with some good left hooks. Fernandez was now just barely able to defend himself, but Beard was too tired to take advantage of this, ending this round convincingly but not as strong as he could have. The referee declared this bout a draw, with the 1st round going to Fernandez, the 2nd even and the 3rd going to Beard.

Kerr VS Hamilton

This was a light-heavy weight bout between two very new fighters, who I am sure that we will be hearing alot from in the future.

Rd 1-Both fighters started a little leary as they felt each other out. Hamilton, the more mobile of the two, took the initiative by throwing the first series of punches which didn't score but did wake Kerr up to the fact that he was in a fight. Kerr now began to display alot of skill as he successfully scored time after time with jabs and right hands against Hamilton. Kerr finished this round looking good.

Rd 2-Kerr feeling confident started this round strong by pressing Hamilton from the very beginning. Hamilton barely able to defend himself stuck and moved to avoid Kerr's attack, but to no avail, as Kerr scored repeatedly with some serious leather to Hamilton's body and face. Due to this attack Hamilton began to show signs of weariness as Kerr finished this round strongly.

Rd 3-Kerr was on the move once again as Hamilton showed that he was contented with just staying away from Kerr and finishing this round on his feet. Kerr wasn't about to let Hamilton off the hook as he pressed on, catching Hamilton with some solid punches to the face and body as he ended this round leaving no doubt as to who the winner was. Winner-Kerr The referee scored this fight 3 rounds Kerr.

Sally VS Lewis

This was a heavy-weight bout between Lewis (Farm) and Sally (Parker), both fighters have had previous ring experience.

Rd 1-Both fighters met in the middle of the ring as they advanced to take each other's measure. There was a quick exchange of punches as Sally made the mistake of mixing it up with Lewis. Lewis, the stronger of the two, took full advantage of Sally's mistake and caught Sally with a powerful flurry that backed him to the ropes. Lewis now stepped up his attack pummeling Sally at will while he was on the ropes. Sally was hurt and Lewis knew it as he caught him with a terrific left hook which caused the referee to pull them apart as he checked Sally. After this quick check as Sally was backing away he made the cardinal sin of leaving his hands down and he paid the price for his mistake with Lewis catching him with a powerful right hand which floored Sally for the ten count. Winner - Lewis - K.O.!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



\*\*\*\*\* TOUGH TONY'S SPORTS (CONT) \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\* ABLES v.s. BOOZE \*\*\*\*\*

This was a heavy weight bout between Booze (Somers) and Ables (Farm) with Booze being the more experienced of the two.

Round #1 - This fight began with Ables taking the part of the aggressor as he constantly pressed Booze, connecting with left jabs and straight right hands forcing his man to the ropes. Booze seemed rather confused this round as Ables finished this round quite convincingly and showing he was in charged.

Round #2 - Booze started this round a little more like he wanted to fight as he began to press Ables with some good body shots, but Ables was as consistant with his jab and right hand as Booze was with his pursuit of landing a telling body shot Both fighters ended this round even.

Round #3 - Ables began to show signs of tiring and Booze sensed this as he stepped up his attack, landing good shots to the body and head of Ables. As this round progressed Ables began to show more and more of his inexperience as Booze began to take charge of the fight. Booze finished this round the stronger of the two, but in my opinion this fight was a tough one to call.

The referee scored this fight 1st round-Ables 2nd round-Booze 3rd round-Booze  
Winner-BOOZE BY DECISION.

\*\*\*\*\* NEWELL v.s. FORBES \*\*\*\*\*

This was a middleweight bout which saw the older and more experienced Forbes go against Newell, a fighter whom he was instumental in training.

Round #1 - Forbes came out moving and slipping, measuring out his opponent. Newell on the other hand layed back prepared to counter any move on the part of Forbes. Forbes worked his way in and Newell fought him off with stiff jabs and following with right hands. Forbes, ever the sly fighter finished this round biding his time as Newell clearly wasn't about to commit himself.

Round #2 - Forbes came out stronger this round catching Newell with a solid left hook and followed with a strong right hand that hurt Newell. But Newell regained his composure, finessing this attack off with a minor show of bravado in the form of an Ali shuffle. Forbes was relentless in this round but he found it very difficult to deliver a telling blow in this phase of the fight, as he finished inx a commanding position.

Round #3 - In this round both fighters looked true to the name of the game as they went all out to take this round. Forbes, consistant with his body attack couldn't shake Newell who delivered some telling left jabs and punishing right hands that forced Forbes to the ropes for the first time in this bout. Newell quite clearly was taking the lead in this round, ending it in good form. The referee scored this bout: 1st round EVEN 2nd round FORBES 3rd round NEWELL. The fight ended in a DRAW.

\*\*\*\*\* FARMER (PARKER) v.s. BADILLO (SOMERS) \*\*\*\*\*

This was a middleweight bout between two experienced fighters with Farrer being the more skilled of the two.

Round #1 - Farmer started the bout with a stiff left jab, choosing to box Badillo, a fighter with a reputation of being somewhat of a brawler. So, this round went along with Farmer sticking and jabbing, and Badillo barreling in to deliver some solid right hands. This round ended fairly even.



\*\*\*\*\* TOUGH TONY'S SPORT CORNER\*\*\*\*\* (CONT)

\*\*\*\*\* FARMER v.s. BADILLO (CONT) \*\*\*\*\*

Round #2 - This round started with Badillo rushing Farmer with the hope of landing a telling inside blow, but Farmer wasn't hearing any of this as he clinched Badillo during the end fighting, and stuck and jabbed him during the outside fighting. Badillo was game, but it was obvious that Farmer was the most polished of the two as he finished this round by connecting with his long jab.

Round #3 - Badillo sensing that he could not out box Farmer did the only thing open to him. He rushed in on Farmer in the hopes of landing a big punch. Farmer tried his best to ward off this attack, but Badillo was like a mad-man as he kept pressing Farmer and landed a few good punches in the course of his pursuit. Farmer hung in there though, and he finished this round in good form as Badillo began to show signs of tiring, due to his assault.

The referee scored this bout; 1st round EVEN 2nd and 3rd rounds FARMER. Winner FARMER.

\*\*\*\*\* ORTIZ v.s. WASHINGTON \*\*\*\*\*

This was a middleweight bout between two experienced fighters who have been waiting quite awhile for their meeting.

Round #1 - Saw Ortiz bring the action, as he pressed Washington with relentless combinations. Washington on the other hand was not idle as he countered this attack with a few flurries of his own. Both fighters finished this round in good form.

Round #2 - This round was much the same as the first as Ortiz pressed and Washington countered. Ortiz working lethargically couldn't quite hit the mark until late in the round when he caught Washington with a terrific right hand which sent him to the canvas. Washington regrouped as both fighters finished this round punching.

Round #3 - Ortiz stepped up his attack as he pressed in the hopes of landing the big punch which never came, as Washington consistently grabbed and ducked to avoid his attack. Washington came up with some good punches of his own in the later part of this round. The fight ended with both fighters throwing leather.

The referee scored this fight: 1st round-Washington 2nd round-EVEN 3rd round-WASHINGTON WINNER-WASHINGTON.

\*\*\*\*\* RAMOS v.s. Tate \*\*\*\*\*

This was a lightweight bout between an experienced Ramos and a brand new fighter Tate, who took this fight because he figured he had a chance.

Round #1 - Tate made the first move as he was quick to feel Ramos out. Ramos on the other hand was bidding his time, confident in his skill and capability of winning this fight. Tate pressed Ramos, and Ramos countered with good combinations, and that's the way this round ended.

Round #2 - This round saw both fighters still jockeying for position, as it became apparent to all that Tate was not to be taken lightly. He took punch after punch in his pursuit of Ramos, who himself took some good blows from Tate. This round ended as it started, with Tate coming and Ramos moving and jabbing.



\*\*\*\*\* TOUGH TONY'S SPORT CORNER (CONT.) \*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\* RAMOS v.s. TATE \*\*\*\*\*

Round #3 - This round saw experience overcome heart, as Ramos began to take control of this fight. Although Tate was game, it was just not enough to stop the relentless punches of Ramos as he ended this round in good fashion, to the thunderous applause of a partisan crowd.

The referee scored this fight unanimously Ramos, as the crowd applauded Tate's first fight effort.

\*\*\*\*\* REED v.s. JONES \*\*\*\*\*

This was a middleweight bout between two inexperienced fighters.

Round #1 - Reed came out with his hands up as he pressed Jones into action. Jones on the other hand, was content to stick and move as he caught Reed repeatedly with swift jabs and good left hooks. This was the complexion of the whole first round.

Round #2 - This round saw Reed come to life a little as he stung Jones with a good right hand causing him to relent his attack, to the inside. Jones fared quite well in three inside exchanges as Reed showed signs of tiring. This round ended with Jones in good form.

Round #3 - Both fighters looked tired as Reed was clearly tired of Jones's speed & and stiff jabs. Jones on the other hand did not take advantage of this as he consistently backed up refusing to put Reed away. This round ended with Jones clearly the winner.

The referee scored this fight unanimously in favor of Jones.

\*\*\*\*\* Mitchell v.s. Walker \*\*\*\*\*

This was a lightweight bout between two very experienced fighters, a bout which Mitchell had to win. Mainly because of the fact that he was KO'D in his first meeting with Walker.

Round #1 - Walker advanced as Mitchell set himself for the coming attack that he knew Walker would bring. It never happened, as Walker, unlike his style, began to dance and jab at Mitchell, who was a bit confused. Mitchell recovered quickly as he began to return the jabs, and that set the pace for the first round as both fighters felt each other out.

Round #2 - This round saw Mitchell take the advantage as he pressed Walker into the corners while landing some solid body shots and a good right hand. Walker came back with a few punches of his own and stung Mitchell with a solid right hand but for some strange reason didn't follow up, thus letting Mitchell off the hook & giving him a chance to finish this round strongly.

Round #3 - Walker began to show signs of tiring as he took to fighting Mitchell with one hand in an attempt to land the big punch which everyone expected to come. But Mitchell, wasn't hearing any of this as he fought back strongly but very cautiously, always aware of the power of Walker. This round ended with Mitchell the stronger of the two.

The referee scored this fight: 1st Round EVEN, 2nd Round Mitchell, 3rd Round Mitchell. **WINNER-MITCHELL.**



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# SUMMER SOFT-BALL DRAFT REGISTRATION

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The final dead line for registering for the Rec. Dept. Soft ball league is May 8, 1978. Fill out enclosed form and deposit in WEEKLY SCENE'S mail box.

NAME..... CELL NO.....  
NUMBER.....

Check the following:

PLAYER

MANAGER





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REGISTRATION

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- (1) 100 yard dash ( )
- (2) 200 yard dash ( )
- (3) 400 yard dash ( )
- (4) Mile run ( )
- (5) Shot put ( )
- (6) Soft ball throw ( )
- (7) Foot ball throw ( )
- (8) Broad jump ( )
- (9) High jump ( )
- (10) Relay race ( )

A marathon race will be held on each holiday.

REGISTRATION FORM:

NAME.....NUMBER.....

HOUSING UNIT.....

(Don't forget to check the events you are interested in participating.)

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MIND OF AN INMATE..... (Con't from page three 3)

You live in an atmosphere of punishment and denial, degradation, and rejection. Everything, from the bars on your cell to the uniform of the guards says "NO" to you, and inside the tensions mount with each denial.

If you cannot or do not permit yourself to sink into the vast emptiness and apathy of the dream, you literally over-flow with bitterness, hate and vengeance.

The mind of the convict is a battle-ground of conflicting emotions. He has to make a choice between a dream that will keep him sane and a reality which can drive him mad.

BY: Dr. Robert M. Lindner

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NOTICE

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In last week's issue of THE WEEKLY SCENE we printed Rep. Russell Posts' "CHRONIC CROOK ACT," which was passed by the Conn. House of Representatives (it now goes to the Senate for approval.) By publishing bills which are presently being debated in legislature, does not mean that THE WEEKLY SCENE or the person who submitted the article, endorses these bills. Our purpose is to inform the inmate population what kind of bills are being discussed and consequently would have a direct impact on the lives of all Connecticut prisoners.

A.A.  
EDITOR

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| DAVID MABERY      | #19630 | C-66    |
| RICHARD BUCKLEY   | #57074 | JD2-220 |
| JOHN ABILDGAARD   | #72685 | E-75    |
| CRAIG K. McKNIGHT | #80926 | G-8     |



MENU FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 30th, 1978

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	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER
SUNDAY	FRESH FRUIT WAFFLES w/SYRUP DRY CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	ROAST BEEF w/BROWN GRAVY MASHED POTATOES BUTTERED PEAS ICE CREAM	CHILI CON CARNE STEAMED RICE CORN BREAD COLE SLAW BREAD PUDDING
MONDAY	ORANGE JUICE FRENCH TOAST w/SYRUP DRY CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	HAMBURG STEAK HASH BROWN POTATOES CORN O'BRIEN CATSUP PASTRY	ITALIAN SAUSAGE SHELLS w/TOMATO SAUCE GRATED CHEESE GARDEN GREEN SALAD CHERRY JELLO
TUES.	GRAPEFRUIT SECTIONS PASTRY HOT CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	TURKEY A LA KING OR TURKEY SALAD PLATE FRENCH FRIED POTATOES BEET & ONION SALAD CATSUP PASTRY	BREADED VEAL CUTLET w/BROWN GRAVY MASHED POTATOES FROZEN MIXED VEGETABLES FRUIT COCKTAIL
WEDNES.	BLENDED JUICE GRIDDLE CAKES w/SYRUP DRY CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	BAKED HAM w/RYE BREAD BOILED POTATOES FRIED CABBAGE MUSTARD ICE CREAM	CHEESEBURGER COTTAGE FRIED POTATOES CUT GREEN BEANS CATSUP PASTRY
THURS.	FRESH FRUIT PASTRY HOT CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	GRILLED HOT DOGS GERMAN POTATO SALAD FRESH SLICED CUCUMBERS COLE SLAW MUSTARD CATSUP CHILLED SLICED PEACHES	CHICKEN CACCIATORE BUTTERED NOODLES SWEET PEAS LIME JELLO
FRIDAY	TOMATO JUICE FRIED EGGS w/TOAST DRY CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	FRIED FISH OR FISH STICKS w/TARTAR SAUCE SPANISH RICE MIXED VEGETABLES PASTRY	MEAT BALLS & RIGATONI w/TOMATO SAUCE GRATED CHEESE SUMMER LETTUCE SALAD ICE CREAM
SATUR.	PINEAPPLE JUICE PASTRY HOT CEREAL COFFEE/MILK	COLD HAM SALAD PLATE POTATO SALAD KIDNEY BEAN SALAD COLE SLAW PASTRY SOUP	CHOPPED BEEF CUBESTEAK HASH BROWN POTATOES BUTTERED CUT GREEN BEANS CATSUP CHILLED PEAR HALVES