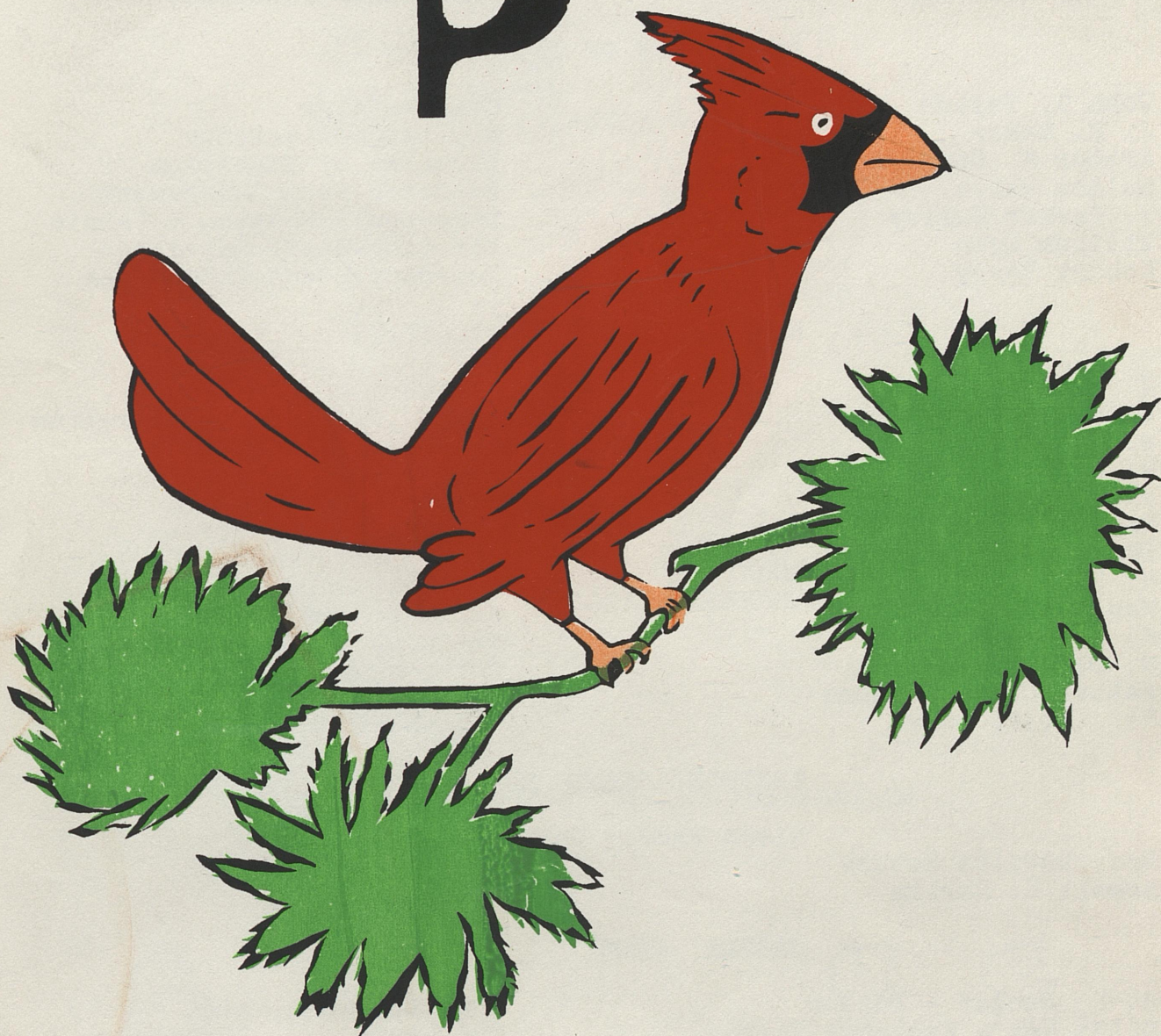


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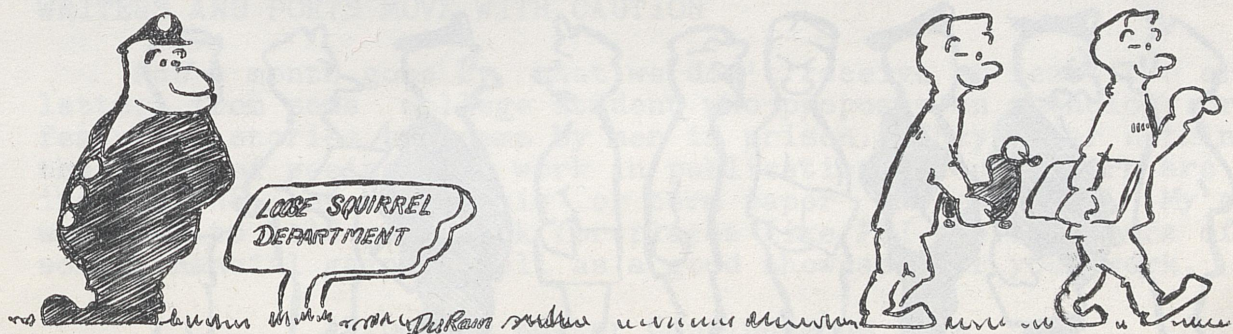
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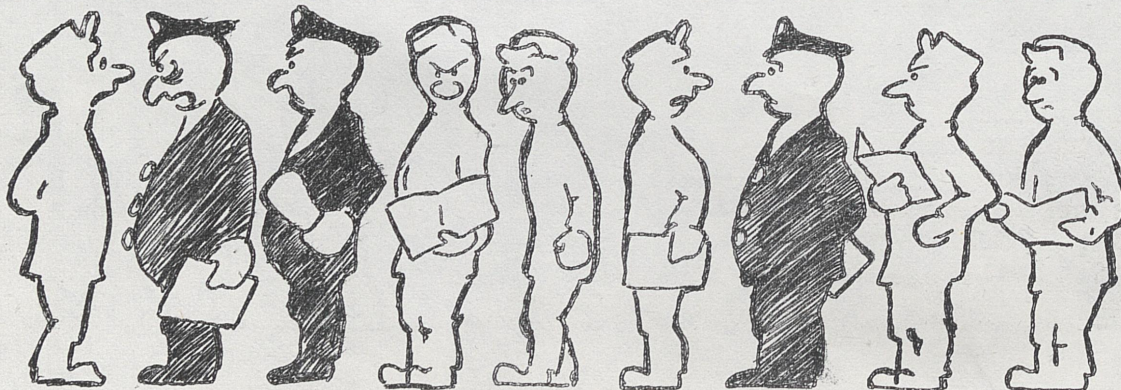
OUR COVER: Ranging from Connecticut and South Dakota south to Guatemala, Kentucky's State Bird, the Cardinal has been introduced to Hawaii and Bermuda. They are admired not only for their crimson beauty, but also because of their incessant appetite for destructive insects such as potato bugs.

Cardinals are considered among the world's best songbirds. Unlike most other birds, they often deliver song while in mid flight or even when engaged in a jumping dance to advertise a territorial claim, in which case the male generally emanates. However, both male and female sing similar songs.

Some instances of polygamy have been observed, although for the most part cardinals are monogamous and multibroodal. The female does virtually all of the work connected with building the nest, incubating the eggs and brooding the young. The male assists by feeding the female while she is nesting and the young after they hatch. While the nestling period is variable, incubation ranges from 11 to 15 days and the young emerge at different times (asynchronous hatching) because incubation generally begins gradually in the *Richmondia Cardinalis* family. The regimen of parental care is fairly uniform.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The silk screen mastery of Ted Lewis combine with an insistent effort of Chas DuRain produced the cover. It was the climax of a long, and sometimes trying experience. DuRain had previously submitted several bird drawings; such as a Tucan, a Parakeet, a Cockateel, a Kea, a Lorikeet, and a bluejay which looked suspiciously like an odd colored sparrow. He has a soft spot for sparrows and has been feeding several generations of them which have quite naturally taken up residence near his cell (to the dismay of the housekeeping detail). As an end result these sparrows were getting uncommonly friendly, until one real loud mouthed fellow woke up the whole cellhouse by demanding his breakfast at 3 A. M. However, a rubberband propelled paperclip put a period to his piercing shill where no period was intended, and, after some unprintable remarks about birds and people who encourage them, the whole cellhouse went back to sleep.

IN EDDYVILLE PENITENTIARY NEARLY EVERYONE ENJOYS THE CASTLE





from the editor ;

June 1971

PENAL DIGEST INTERNATIONAL - Comes now a new concept in the annals of journalism, a unique monthly tabloid-sized newspaper, called the Penal Digest International. Its home is Box 89, Iowa City, Iowa but just because it comes from the heart of the corn belt does not mean that one ounce of corn has sifted into the pages of P.D.I. To tell the story of P.D.I. is to tell the story of the man behind it- Joe Grant. Grant, now 40, until 1966 was the Editor of a successful crusading weekly in Iowa. Then things changed. He was convicted of counterfeiting and served three years for the federal at Leavenworth Penitentiary. Joe Grant just didn't serve time, he surveyed the situation around him with the eye of a trained news gatherer. He came to some interesting conclusions. One was that efforts in penology could be made tremendously more successful by using former offenders in the institutional treatment services. Others have come to the same conclusion but Joe Grant went one step further. He pledged to himself that he would work toward goals that would encourage and help these people to enter these areas. Upon release, he made his first move. He entered a University and majored in criminology. He broadened his base of contacts in the communications field and at every opportunity he talked. He talked about his ideas, his hopes, and his dreams. A dynamic personality, he spoke fast and out came a rapid overflow of ideas and practical programs of help. Thoughts of how to use a vast supply of unmined talent that he had encountered in prison, talent he had preceived in the penal press across the nation. He was a successful salesman of these programs and Phase IV came into being. Phase IV, a non-profit organization dedicated to aiding former offenders. Just one of the programs of Phase IV is this Penal Digest Int. When the first copy crossed our desk, just a few weeks ago, all of us stopped to read this 70 page issue. We urge you to get a copy and do the same thing. PDI is offered to the men now incarcerated on an interesting plan. The normal subscription price is \$6 per year, but for inmates the rate is \$1 now and you pay the balance after your release.

We are sold on PDI, its merits and its future plans. The newspaper is not a one-man band for the staff includes such ex-penal press greats as John Ricardo, Wesley Graham, and soon to rejoin the group will be Rex Fletcher.

WRITERS AND POETS MOVE WITH CAUTION

Not a month goes by that we don't receive at least two or more letters from some college student who proposes an anthology or book featuring stories or poems by men in prison. They offer nothing but the glory of seeing your work in publication. You in turn are helping someone get his thesis or term paper the easy way. My advice would be to hold your work for places like PDI where you are offered some financial gain as well as a good showcase for your work.

From The Editor Continues on Page

AVE ET VALE!

In a non-related to prison book we ran across a statemen that seems to sum up some of the frustrations that face many a prison editor in his search for news. Said the book.. "The chance of asking the question and getting an answer can be as slow materializing as is the promise in the road signs reading "Christ is Coming."

This column marks the last one for this editor here at K.S.P. and so with 'failing hands we throw the torch ' to another with our best wishes and fervent hope that they will keep the faith and the flame of CASTLE burning. We thank all of you for your past support and letters of encouragement. Looking over them it seems to have made the past three and a half years of editing worthwhile.

H.R. Dunbar

A SALUTE TO A WINNER

Unfortunately too much is said about the few noisely recidivist while too little praise is given to the majority of ex-offenders final story is the crown of success. To offer the only ex-convicts we hear about are the old familiar faces we meet on the yard or hear about them getting into jail someplace. Not often enough do we hear of an ex-convict who is doing well.

Eddie T. Alvey is such a person. He first appeared at K.S.P. in 1966 where he served as chairman of the Alcoholics Anonymous group, and editor of the groups' "OUR HOPE" magazine. At the beginning a few of the hard nosed old timers scoffed at Eddies change of attitude as the result of a sort of spiritual awakening...it was a magnificent change and, in time even the hard noses admitted that they were impressed.

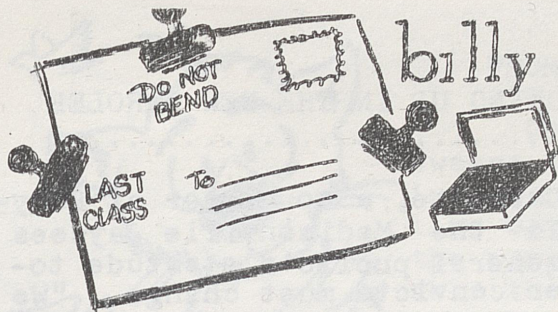
Eddie became the first prisoner to ever be temporarily released from the penitentiary in Kentucky for the purposed of being baptized. He took religious correspondence courses sponsored by outside churches and by the time he was released by expiration of sentence he was ready to preach his first message in the Mt. Zion General Baptist church near Reed, Ky.

Later Eddie Alvey furthered his studies at the Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tenn. and was chosen as full-time minister of a church in deaturville, Tenn. During the 2½ year assignment there he helped erect a \$44,000 meeting complex.

Active in politics, he appeared on radio, TV, and in newspaper as well as doing public appearances for Governor John Williams of Mississippi and Wallace during the 1968 campaign.

In order to supplement his income during this period, Eddie worked in auto sales, collections, trucking and was General Manager of a state wide distributing company in Tennessee. When he started with that company it claimed only \$11,000 in assets and when he resigned the business owned by the Mayor of Henderson, Tenn., assets were in excess of \$74,000.

Now-a-days Eddie can be heard over Radio WBNL, Boonville, Ind AM & FM at 8:00 A. M. each Sunday morning. He is also the author of a booklet entitled, "Why Young People Should Be Saved."



billy cox's exchange page

Well, here it is time for another look at the Penal Press circuit and all the happenings. Ol' Ed. has had a drawer full of them for me for a month or two. Since he's about to leave us

guess some of the press wars will die down.

IN CROWD-We've been reading this fine magazine for the past three years and note the great progress that they have made from a mimeo sheet to a printed production. The winter 1970-71 issue is the best out yet.

THE VOICE-First time we've seen this magazine from the Correction Farm at Capron, Virginia. James Williams, the Editor, seems to have gotten himself a grand crew of writers. Polarization by Winfred Reynolds explains the hang-ups and problems of most any institution.

EYE OPENER-It's so long to Rex Fletcher, one of the Deans of the penal press. We wish him success in his outside world endeavors.

CONCEPT-Kansas State Prison-This is another magazine that we are seeing for the first time. They are on a fund raising job to build a new chapel. We wish them the best of luck.

HERBIE Hayes-Not a penal publication, but while I'm thinking about it I just found out why all the boys at the gym have been calling him, "Judge." It seems it's because he's always on the bench.

THE PRISON MIRROR-Vol. 84, No. 13-The Black Scholar and Speaking Out by R. Frazier Smith and Jim Boxley, respectfully, really speak out. I had to hand it to Dick Irwin in his "Vicet Gum Grano Salis" as he got on our pal, J.H. Milani, the esteemed editor of the J-S Times for fussing without cause.

BEST SCENE-Shay, Joe Balch, what kind of wine do you suggest for drinking under the railroad bridge? Most of us wine bibbers don't know much about that fancy stuff. How about telling us about Elderberry or Dandelion? Hic!

THE FOLSOM OBSERVER-just beautiful is about the tops we can hand out for your April issue. It do read well!!

ISLAND LANTERN-Jester Price, Editor-Les has a story, The Executrix in this issue that is great! If you haven't read it, by all means, do!

THE DOPESTER-Avon Park, Florida-We just received their Sebring issue and for the zip-car buffs this is tops. Louis Harper, Editor asks all along the circuit who are not exchanging with him to put the Dopester on the mailing list. Address is: The Dopestar, P.O. Box 1177, Avon, Park, Florida (33825)

PRESIDIO-Comes the March-April issue, bringing with it one of the most comprehensively assembled magazine that we have seen in some time. Quality writing seems to be the hallmark from the Iowa penitentiary publication. Would that we all could do as well!!

CCI NEWS: A correction for you, The word SCREW in reference to Prison guards is strickly an American invention. Sing Sing, N.Y. 1825. Check up and you will find that our historaim is usually correct.



THINGS ARE LOOKING UP IN THE NEW PAROLEE PROGRAM.....

Mr. Curnutte, a counselor at Eddyville, told the Madisonville Jaycees that the general public's attitude toward former convicts must change. "We must learn to accept them, to treat them with dignity, to be willing to work beside them, live beside them and have our children be friends with their children, if we ever expect them to become good citizens," he was quoted in the Madisonville Messenger.

Mr. Curnutte along with Maurice Wooten, a community service Officer, and Jack Branson, a Probation Officer, attended a Jaycee Meeting at the Travelodge in Madisonville to bolster the newly formed Parolee Probation Volunteer Group. Five other persons who had previously completed the federally funded instructional period also appeared at the Jaycees' meeting.

No less than fifteen persons expressed some interest in the program, and ten others have already volunteered for the onpaying position. Of two women volunteers, one already has been assigned a "client" as the ex-prisoners are known.

Mr. Maurice Wooten explained to the Jaycees that Probation Parolee Program in Kentucky was a result of the Safe Streets Act enacted by Congress in 1969. The Program is under the Department of Corrections. "The purpose of the volunteer program is to assist the ex-convict to re-establish himself in the community, to become involved socially, in Little League, Boy Scouts, and church work. This program is an effort to make the ex-convict an asset to the community, instead of a burden," he was quoted.

Mr. Curnutte's talk was apparently aimed at explaining the prison's routine. The procedure used in admitting an inmate through to his discharge, adding that, "It cost the State of Kentucky 20,000 dollars to convict a man and keep him in prison for five years. Taxpayers' money. He also brought to the Jaycees' attention that this cost doubles in the very probable case of recidivist. Mr. Curnutte emphasized that the attitude of the general public toward the ex-convict is very important (to which we add AMEN).

While the program is reported meeting with enthusiasm, regular parole officers are said to be something less than chocked-up over the idea of having anyone around who might question their opinion as to whether or not a parolee should be sent back.

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Did you ever wonder how experience got that reputation for being the best teacher?



FROM THE RAMBLING OF OLD YARD KAT

One of our disgruntled citizens swears that he has developed "an absolute genius" for getting in the chow line between the loudest mouthed yaps in the penitentiary. "It seems inconceivable that so many idiots, having nothing to say, can use so much volume proving it". He took refuge between two quite friends recently only to get the three some trapped in the middle of an argument over who was the greatest pool-player inside these walls. BIG DEAL.

To date, congratulations are in order, he is still batting a thousand and getting his eardrums worked over.

Coming out of the messhall, two of our citizens were overheard decussing the declining rations.

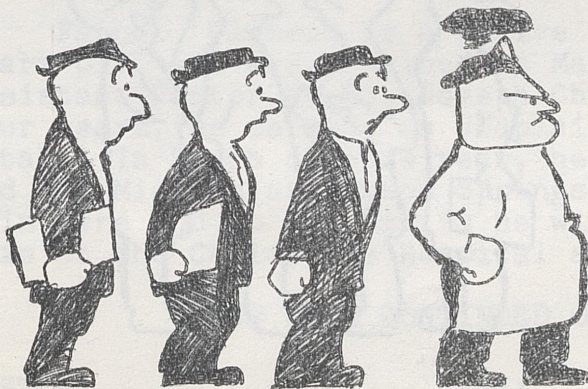
"Actually," said one, "I'm surprised that they can afford to feed us any meat at all, taking into consideration the cost of getting a skilled surgeon to come in and slice it that thin."

Meanwhile, over at the hospital, Doctor Salb found himself confronted by a familiar and excited face that declared, "I know exactly what's wrong with me! I've got HYPOGLYCEMIA!"

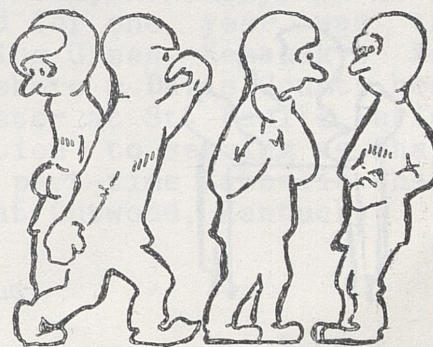
"That is exactly what I suspected," responded the medic, "I watched the same program."

A CASTLE editor has decided that the only thing wrong with the speed of light is that it gets here to dam early in the mornings. He hasn't been showing up at the office until 10 o'clock lately, saying that he is getting rested up for a forthcoming bout with the free-world.

Another citizen known around the yard as Vocal Yokel, because while he has opinions about everything under the sun, he decidedly lacks the facility to muse anything akin to earthrattling decision he makes up for the missing intellect with volume. So it comes as a small wonder that he has come up with an idea which just might get him paroled. He plans to tell the parole board that he is guilty. Absolutely guilty. Yokel maintains that in the 20 years or so that he has been haunting this yard, he has not met one other prisoner who was guilty. Others have stories which range from an outright bumrap to many other shadowy degrees of innocence. Yokel thinks, in the interest of upgrading the institution, the parole board really should get him out of here before he has a chance to corrupt anymore of these innocent minds.



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***** BITS AND PIECES *****

"The streets of our country are in turmoil. The Universities are filled with students rebelling and rioting. Communists are seeking to destroy our country. Russia is threatening us with her might and the Republic is in danger. Yes, danger from within and danger from without. We need law and order, our nation cannot survive. Elect us and we shall restore law and order."

Adolph Hitler, Hamburg, 1932

"A billion and a half dollars in on the drawing boards right now for construction of more penitentiaries next year and the prospect of 'wall-to-wall prisons' inexorably extends its shadows across a fear-ridden country."

Judy Stone, San Francisco Examiner and Chronicle

"Courts and police have little impact on criminals. The odds are four to one that a crime will not result in an arrest, 50 to one it will not result in a conviction, and 200 to one it will not result in a prison term."

Ramsey Clark, former Attorney General

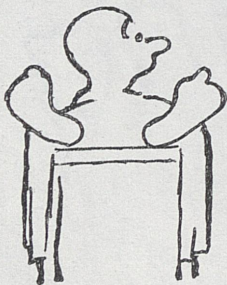
"The administration of criminal justice in any civilized country must embrace the idea of rehabilitation and training of the guilty person with an eye toward the future protection of society."

Chief Justice Warren Burger

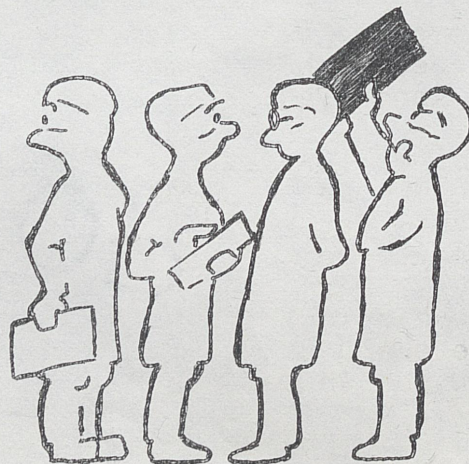
"Given the time and resources, a behavior-therapy program could make a bank robber want to vomit every time he saw a bank, could make an armed robber shudder everytime he saw a gun".

Barry F. Singer, psychologist

(No Jack, this is not the kind of head-thumping therapy you were advocating).



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KSP NEWS

NEW PAROLE BOARD CHAIRMAN NAMED

Mr. Sewell Harlin, Glasgow, Kentucky, a three year member of the Kentucky Parole Board has been elevated to the Chairmanship of that body by Governor Louie B. Nunn. Mr. Harlin succeeds the Honorable Glenn Wade whose term expired this month.

At the same time, the Governor appointed State Senator Wendell Van Hoose, Tudor, Kentucky, to a four year term on the Board.

EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR SEES BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR VOCATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Mr. William M. Egbert indicated that the coming fiscal period, July 1971-June 1972, would be one of growth and improvement for the Educational Department of the Kentucky State Penitentiary. The coming period should bring about greater expansion both in the Academic and the Vocational program. "Changes are indicated in the methods, the techniques of both schools through the introduction of new and innovative programs which will help transform the present educational structure", Mr. Egbert said.

The new programs will feature an individualized learning situation with the possibility of a Learning Laboratory to help the student to pace his program to his own ability. An increased budget for this period will mean an expansion in the library-service section of the school. Included in the over-all planning is a building program for the expanded educational services to be offered here. Mr. Egbert also indicated that there will be an increased participation through other agencies, both state and federal, to help implement and expand both vocational and academic programs.

NEW CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN NAMED

Reverend Delma Clemons has been named as Catholic Chaplain here to succeed Father Thomas Clark. Father Clark has been reassigned to St. Ann's Parish in Morganfield, Kentucky.

Father Clemons is a native of Leitchfield, Kentucky and is 32 years old. He was ordained in May, 1966 and for one year was the Assistant Pastor at St. Joseph Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky. For four years, he served as Chaplain at Owensboro & Davis County hospital. In March of this year, he became pastor at St. Paul's Parish and the Mission at Dawson Springs. In addition to serving as Chaplain here and at St. Paul's he will also be part-time Catholic Chaplain at the Children's Hospital and School at Outwood, Kentucky.

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K.S.P. NEWS Continued:

G. E. D. GRADUATES

Diplomas will soon be in the offing for the latest two groups of men who have successfully completed the state administered G.E.D. examinations. In the February testing, passing were:

Anthony McNealy	Gerry Brown	Raymond Lee Johnson
Thomas Wright	Roger Pace	John Greene
Robert Prater	Robert Redmon	Larry Sutherland

In the April group were:

Coley Lewis	Archie Townsend	Charles C. Hinds
Leonard Brown	Robert Cunigan	

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WARDEN HOLDS PRESS CONFERENCE

Warden J.W. Wingo held a press conference this month for the Editor of the CASTLE. Using the basic, informal style now popular with most chief executives, he began the conference with several announcements.

Warden Wingo: "We are announcing today a liberalization in the mail procedures. Each man will be permitted to write and receive a reasonable number of letters weekly."

Reporter: Reasonable?

Warden: Well you know...reasonable! Where it use to be two a week written or received from each approved correspondent... Let me continue with the announcement. Any additions or deletions of correspondents will be made by the Counselor assigned to the man. Any questions will be decided by the Chief Counselor or the Associate Warden for Treatment. What I'm saying here is that your counselor is going to be the man to see or talk to about any incoming or outgoing letter that might be in question.

Reporter: What about magazines?

Warden: Magazine subscriptions, which have been approved, will be accepted and delivered. We are in the process of revising an approved list of magazines that you can subscribe to. This list will be based on what the American Correctional Association approves for most institutions. It should include types of magazines that will suit most readers.

Warden: Now, we want to talk to you about the "hole".

Reporter: We didn't do nothing!

Warden: Here I want to say that the isolation or segregation cells used as punishment is being phased out. There is an increasing liberal attitude in all prisons that isolation should be used only for control purposes and not for punishment. There are better ways of

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WARDEN'S PRESS CONFERENCE (CON'T.)

reaching people and this old idea of punishment in isolation just doesn't work. By this I don't mean that we are going to coddle anyone but we are going to have control.

The Warden's Press Conference went on to cover other areas of interest including:

PAY RAISE FOR ATTENDANTS:

A pay raise has been granted for the ten inmate attendants who staff our new neuro-psychiatric unit in three cell house. This unit, recently opened to serve the more mentally disturbed at the institution, is proving to be a very satisfactory investment and it is to be noted that in some cases remarkable results have been obtained. The inmates who do help with the men housed there are doing a fine job and it was because of this that the pay raise was granted.

INDUSTRIES COMPLEX:

The new prison industries complex is now open in a double-fenced area beyond the rear wall of the institution. The new area under the supervision of Mr. Robert Grubbs, contains the clothing plant and the I.B.M. operation. It is adjacent to the Industries--furniture and upholstering operation. About 180 men are now employed in the industries complex.

SCHOOL DAYS ARE TO BE COOLER:

Two new programs in cooperation with the State Department of Vocational Education will soon be in full operation. The classes, one in Meat Cutting and one in Radio and Television Repair are now in the process of being set-up. Outside instructors have been hired and equipment for both is now being received. More information about both classes will be announced at a later date.

FEDERAL PROJECT MONEY

More federal project money will be available within the department of Corrections in the new fiscal year starting in July. One of the projects will include an independent mobile radio system that will implement existing systems and make it possible to maintain a constant communication system with all areas of the institution and the farm system.

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

With all of the current progress and work being projected there still exists some wishful thinking of what might have been. Had the bond issue not been defeated at the polls, the sound of much construction work in progress might be ringing about the institution in this coming fiscal period. As it now stands many more programs and improvements must lie on the shelf awaiting money to put them into operation.

REPORTER: Thank you, Warden Wingo. (exit writing)

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Mr. Kevill Sellars, of the Educational Department, lent the CASTLE an old copy of the HOURS, a sort of grandfather of the CASTLE. This April, 1938 news sheet reflects some of the other publications which are still in business were on the circuit way back in the dark ages. THE REFLECTOR, THE HILLTOP NEWS, and THE MENTOR, are all showing signs of advancing age.

In that issue was a vivid account of the RED DEATH incident of 1923 which has become a dark part of Kentucky's folk lore. The bullet scared messhall referred to in this article was torn down long ago, and, to, since it was written another riot ripped through the prison leaving 11 bleeding.

* * HOURS, 1938 * *

In the fall of 1923, KSP suffered the only riot in its' history - and this startling affair was engineered and staged by three grim and determined men who, for the purposes of this item shall be anonymous, tho' everyone in Kentucky recalls the episode vividly.

This trio had guns smuggled into the prison and systematically began a tour of the institution, searching grimly for certain guards, who, for devious reasons, had incurred their animosity. They hunted down and murdered a trio of officers and fellow-inmates, but failed to crash the front gate - their ultimate aim.

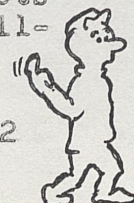
Turning at bay, with hate and desperation etched in their frustrated faces....the unholy three swiftly decided upon a barricade of the dining-room and suited prompt action to the thought.

For three days they withstood the siege; refusing all pleas to surrender and repulsing a continuous hail of fire from guard personnel and a detachment of National Guard, which had been ordered to the scene by Gov. Morrow. Warden John B. Chilton made every effort to quell the disorder, without further bloodshed. Balance of prisoners were kept under lock and key during the three day siege. Meantime it became imperative that some drastic measure must be used if the determined men were to be dislodged from their fortress. A machine-gun battery was setup on the NE wall of the Castle from whence the gunners fired a spray of lead into the roof of dining room interior, but the angle of fire circumvented its' purpose and the embattled men continued to hold out.

Speculation that their ammunition supply was low, led the officials to believe the men must soon surrender. Meantime Capt. W. P. Gilliahan, later Deputy Warden, cautiously approached the beleaguered rioters with an earnest plea for their surrender - only to receive a flesh wound in the leg, after the men had pleaded with him to halt, but very flatly refusing to bargain the serious situation.

Fear and apprehension had the state's eyes focused on Eddyville. On the final day -- of the blockade, officials noted less frequency in the firing from the DR then a lull of strange quiet for a short few moments. Three shots crashed out, deliberately timed....a final tomb-like stillness!!

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RED DEATH:

Afternoon of same day a scouting party ventured into the dining room (hearing no voice or other sound) - and on the floor, lay the dead bodies of the three men - OUT, the hard way! Double murder, suicide!!

Examination of the bodies by the physician, determined in every respect that none were fatally wounded by the machine gun fire, though one of the men had been dead for apparently twenty hours. The method of corpus delicti is immaterial to us. Suffice to say that the effort to crash the strong walls of the old Cumberland Castle had fallen short the needless price being their lives, their all.

The riot extended no further than these three inmates; and order was soon restored after the three day stalemate of the dining room RED DEATH! Aftermath, was the simultaneous disappearing of a negro trusty; and the arrest of the wife of the ring leader in the affair, with a subsequent trial and acquittal for smuggling guns and ammunition inside the walls. The negro, believed to have been the means of smuggling in the arms... has not bobbed up anywhere to this day; and may possibly be still pickin' em up and layin' em down.

RED DEATH ends the riot of 1923; which, today, is the wide-eyed subject of bloody recitals, which, of course, in the telling and retelling have sometimes assumed grotesque proportions, factors, causes and final curtain!! from what we believe, to be authentic records, the above is to the best of our knowledge, a true account of the 1923 riot at Cumberland Castle. (REST IN PEACE) HOURS, April 1938.

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Rumors has it that in the future recidivist will become known as re-cyclist.

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I have 'a keen, uncanny knack of knowing how to answer back; trouble is, though I hate to admit, it's midnight when I think of it.

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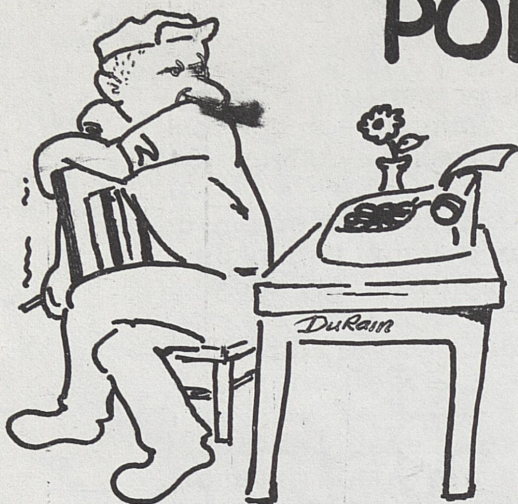
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POETRY



Praise my patron saint
and praise my lucky star;
The prosecution's witness
has not appeared so far.
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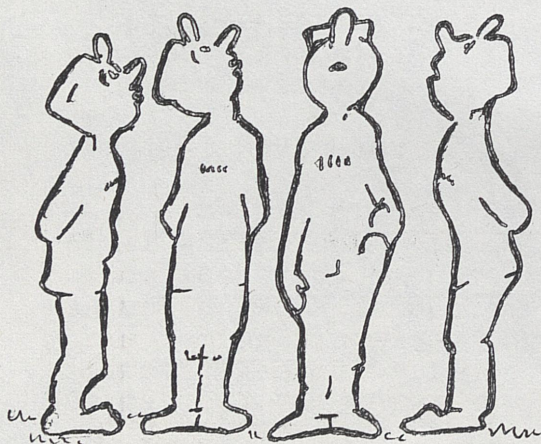


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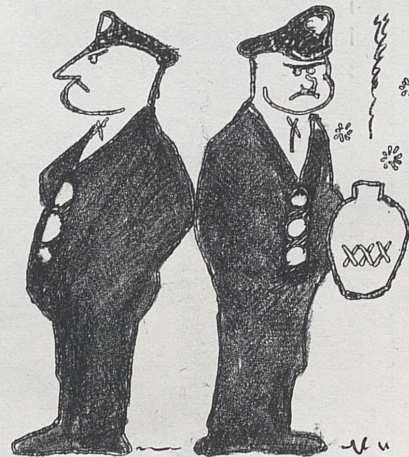
Time is only relative so
Einstein's theory goes
But ask the man
in prison
He's the one who really
knows
A second is the beginning
of a life time of regret
For the things he never finished
And things he can't forget
There are memories
Of children
Laughing and playing
In the sun
And when they come
To see him
He finds they're nearly
Grown
The hours that are
So long for him
Are just a flash
In time
In the lives of growing
Children
And the ones he's left
Behind.

Alferd E. Newman

Peace and quiet will reign tonight
In my dark prison cell so bare;
I'll just sit down and read a book,
'cause my TV's out for repair.
DuRain



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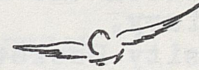
"TRADE IN TIME"

Step out, Step out young man
The worlds here for the taking.
Just reach out, grab what you can.
There's new blood, for a singles partaking.



Spit out the bad taste boy,
It's easy to forget the rest.
Seek out younger and prettier girls,
To periodically feather your nest.

What a lucky man you'll be,
Get her off your chest.
The years ahead can be free,
So they have to be your best.



Many times you'll see someone,
Who reminds you of times gone by.
But just realize that she'll be old,
While you pat a youngers thigh.

With age she'll reach the road to choose.
Be it girl, mistress, or old maid.
And you can laugh and be overjoyed,
That her favors have been repaid.



Come now, be glad, get it over.
Just think of the partys ahead
Days cruising, with swimming and drinking.
Nights frolicking the young things.

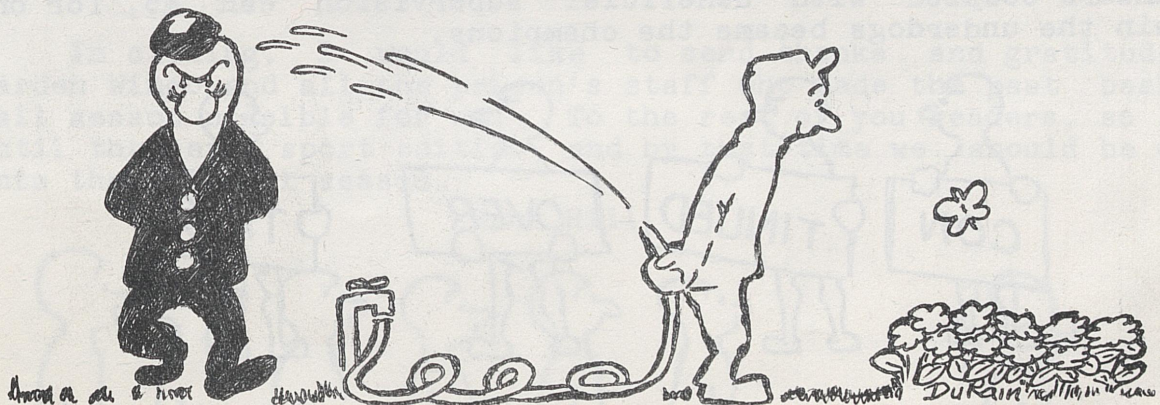
You can walk in the Garden of Eden.
Tiptoe through lifes' lymphpools
Tasting the best, skipping the rest.
While seeking the crown, Mr. Cool.

Just think of all the new people,
You'll meet in the bachelor life.
You now can come and go as you please,
No questions to answer, no wife.

Now aren't you convinced, you dumb mule,
Get divorced, it'll richen your life.

..... NOPE.....

Gene Lynch



Drawn on an a river

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SPORTS



WITH
HANK HILL

Well folks it's time for me to bring all of you sports fans up to date on the happenings in sports here at the Kentucky State Penitentiary.

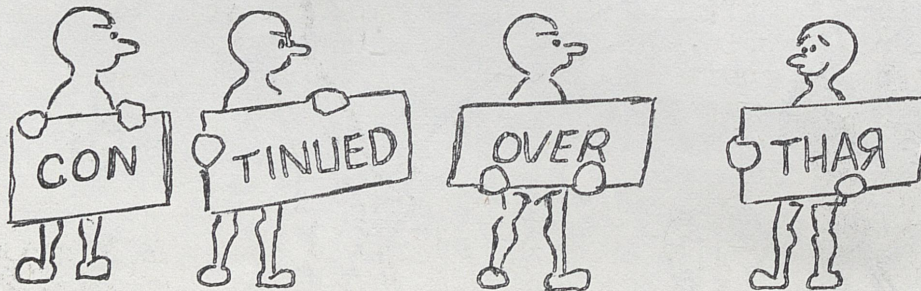
Varsity Basketball has completed its' season and what a season it was for the first line team, the Roadrunners. They galloped through fourteen league games without a loss and by so doing, won the Western Kentucky Basketball League.

After losing a four state invitational independant tourney last year in the first rounds of play, the prison team was spurred by some fine new talent, hard work, and a lot of determination, to say nothing of the insistence of the coach, Mr. Cherry.

They entered the tournament this year with just one thing in mind, to win. And win they did! The Roadrunners played each game like the real champions they are. After beating Hopkinsville 145 to 119 on March 20th, and then on March 27th they edged ahead of the Hopkinsville Community College by 133 to 127 which brought the Roadrunners into the aim of the big guns of the champion Metro polis Illinois team.

Everyone had the prison's Roadrunners pegged as the underdogs in that game. But on the morning before that game, Mr. Cherry and his assistant, Mr. Brennan as well as my self considered the possibility of upsetting the real fine team from Metropolis.

By 12:45 on March 28th the Championship game was well on its way with the Roadrunners giving a good account of themselves from the onset, by in large through some utterly magnificent plays by Dixon, Mitchell, Murry, Stink, and Tabscott. They were in for a few bad minutes toward the middle of the game when Metropolis got hot (and when you is hot, you is hot!!). They were making the Roadrunners look so bad, that Mr. Cherry went to the home bench and just simply flopped. Mr. Cherry bounced Jazzy into the game and business started picking up right-a-way. By half time the Roadrunners were leading 71 to 68 in spite of some troublesome foul calls. Early in the second half, two of the Roadrunners' top guns fouled out of the game. Mr. Cherry was back on the bench sending in Torain and Courtney who went on to give the hometeam its needed push. From that point the Roadrunners went on to win the championship with a margin of 138 to 123. All of which illustrates what teamwork coupled with beneficial supervision can do, for once again the underdogs became the champions.



The following graph shows how the Kentucky State Penitentiary Roadrunners came up the tournament to the champion game;

ROADRUNNERS PRINCETON M. HOPKINSVILLE	ROADRUNNERS HOPKINSVILLE	145 119	ROADRUNNERS	133
HOPKINSVILLE CC. RUSSELLVILLE BENTON-DODDS	HOPKINSVILLE CC. BENTON-DODDS	137 98	HOPKINSVILLE CC	127
PADUCAH GOODYEAR OHIO CO.	PADUCAH OHIO CO.	132 93	PADUCAH	120
MURRAY METROPOLIS LOUISVILLE	METROPOLIS LOUISVILLE	113 109	METROPOLIS	128

And as mentioned before the finals; Roadrunners 138 and Metropolis 123.

These are the individual averages in the three tournament games:

Stink	(44)	Torain	(12)
Tabscott	(22)	Mitchell	(10)
Murry	(17)	Quarrels	(8)
Jazzy	(17)	Courtney	(2)
Dixon	(15)		

So much for the roadrunners and their outstanding season, now for some Intramural Basketball. We had only four teams during the last half of the season as compared with six in the first half. One reason for the lost of two teams was Johnny McWhinney's parole to California. Following that lost, Ford, one of the stiffest competitors, ran into a little trouble and dropped out, which left us with only four teams. They finished the season in the following order:

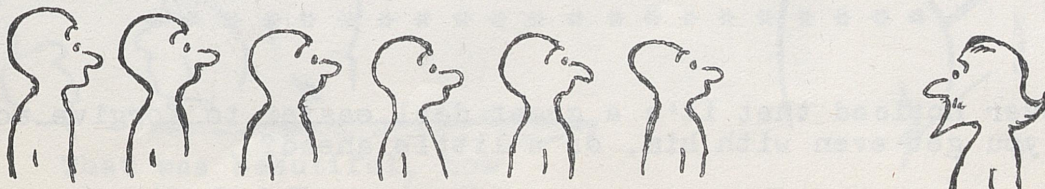
1st.	Clements
2nd.	Hill
3rd.	Mitchell
4th.	Moore

After the season play-offs the intramural tournament looked like this:

1st.	Mitchell
2nd.	Hill
3rd.	Clements
4th.	Moore

In closing, I would like to send thanks and gratitude to Warden Wingo and all the prison's staff who made the past basketball season possible for us. To the rest of you readers, so long until the next sport edition and by that time we should be deep into the softball season.

Hank Hill



ELEGY TO THE DARK HOLE

For untold ages prisoners the world over have been subject to find themselves in those dark, damp, and specially designed dungeons called solitary confinement. From the onset prison officials were the first to point out that the hole, like other forms of corporal abuse were useless to maintain discipline. But for the want of some other device, the dark hole was perpetually a built-in part of prison life. Now it seems headed toward the same place other prison standbys have gone. The lockstep, the zebra suit, and the ball and chain. (see KSP NEWS)

The dark hole leaves a history that will be long remembered, mostly in ugly legend, but at least, partially humorous.

Not until the late 1940s' did the hanging cells under #2 Cellhouse see the last prisoner. Chains by which prisoners were hung up by the wrist for as long as 12 hours a day, weeks on end, are still evident. Even with the abolition of the #2 Cellhouse dungeons the old annex to #3 Cellhouse (old death house) served nearly the same purpose until it was torn down. Those screened cells on the river-side of #2 Cellhouse was the hole until #3 Cellhouse was modernized in the mid 1950s'.

During the period that #2 Cellhouse's screened-in cells served as the summary punishment unit, the Kentucky State Penitentiary very nearly went out of the dark hole business all together. For nearly a year convicts avoided fracturing even the minorest rules with a nicety that would have disburbed con-wise prison officials no end in ordinary circumstances. As it was the cause of this angelic behavior by the convicts was laughed at by both sides.

The reason for the unprecedented behavior was not fear of the hole or other punishment, far from it. It was BABY FOOD! Before the baby food incident convicts who spent 15, 20, or even 30 days on bread and water would come from the hole to find themselves the subject of a sort of diabolic heroism. They had endured the worst "society" had to offer and emerged victoriously. For the moment, at least, they walked tall among the other convicts.

But when the then Deputy Warden ordered that only baby food be served in the hole, the question of heroism was another matter. For not even the most embittered man wanted to go back to the yard and face the population who knew that he had been eating baby food for about 30 days. Convicts are very sensitive to ridicule.

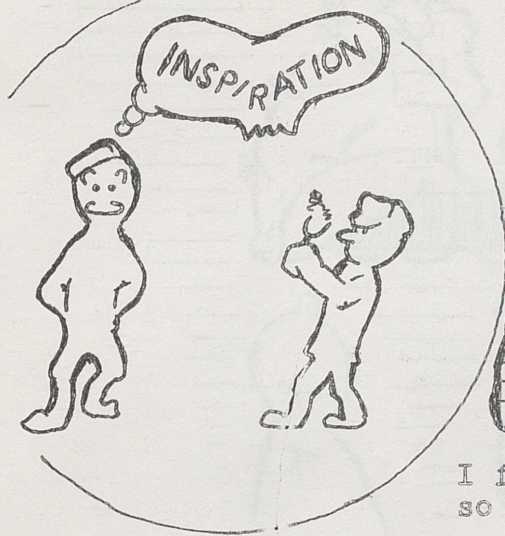
Chas DuRain

WDXR-TV, western Kentucky's new UHF television station operating on channel 29 comes as a welcome relief from the summer reruns of the net work channels. Monday through Friday channel 29 signs on at 11 A. M. and operates until 1 A. M. On week ends the sign-on time is reported at 7:30 A. M. So far the station has telecast mostly old net work programs and some late movies, but we have it on good authority that the plan is to present more local programs.

Have you ever noticed that it's a great deal easier to forgive someone after you get even with him, or a little ahead?

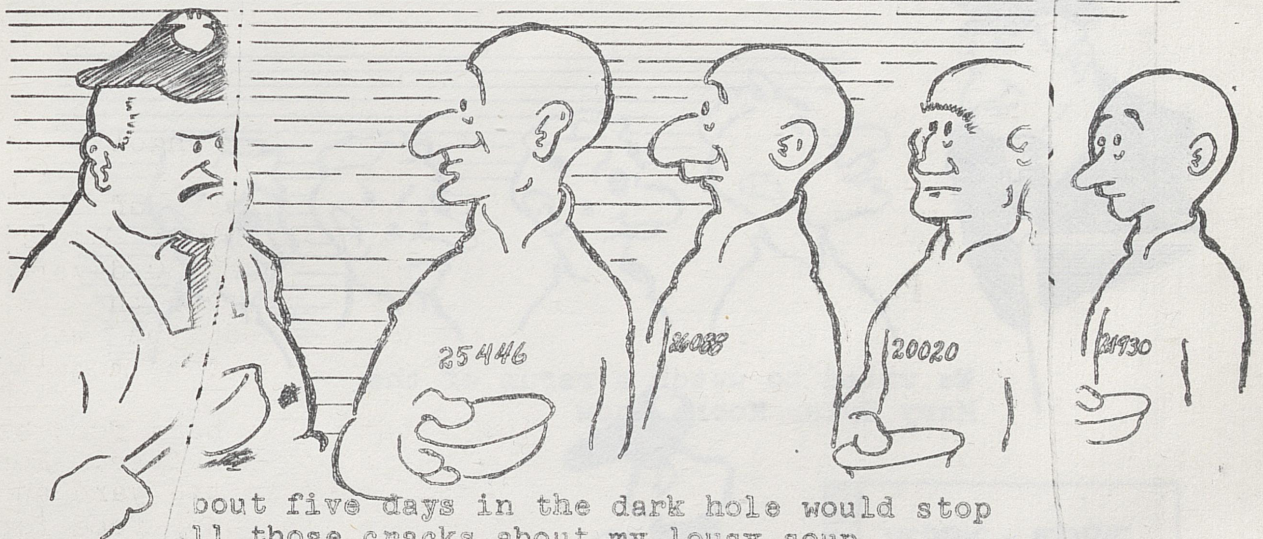
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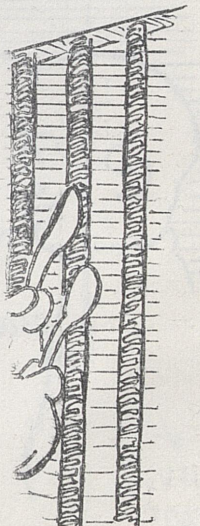
I found this car parked in front of a graveyard, so I didn't figure the owner'd need it anymore.

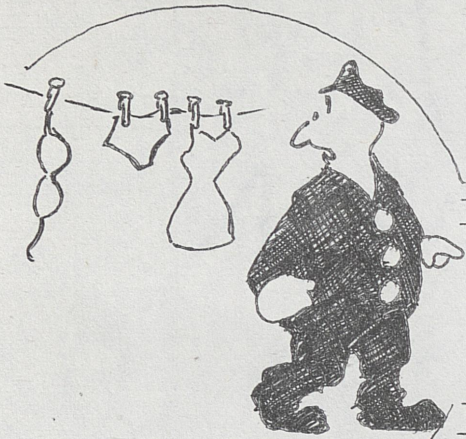


About five days in the dark hole would stop all those cracks about my lousy soup



That was beautiful, now play My Old Kentucky Home

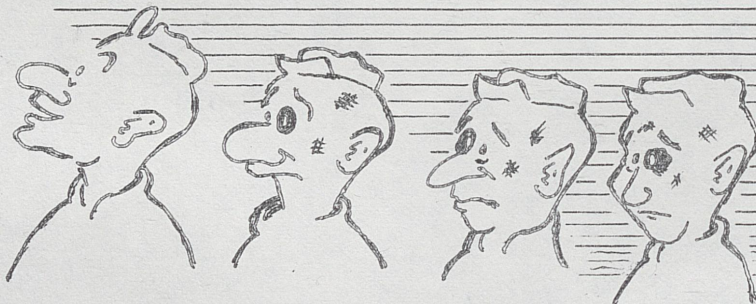




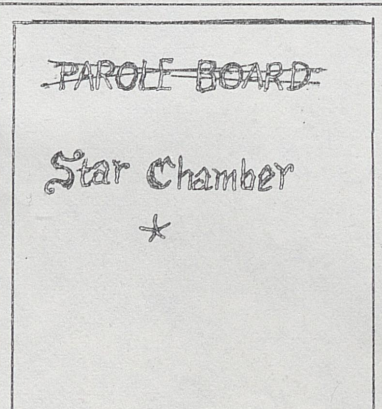
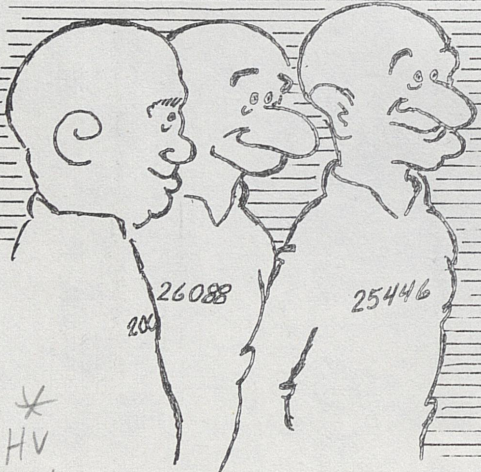
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My fingers are not that cold!!



We voted to watch a rerun of the
Mary Tyler Moore Show

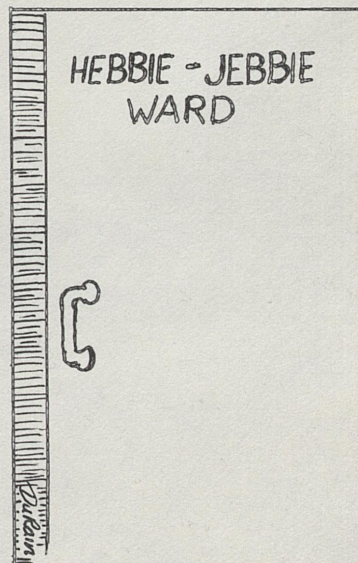


Which one of you clowns is the sign painter?

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