

The Mirror

Thursday June 3.

LOCAL NEWS.

Chapel Service.

The following is the program of the service held in the chapel, Sunday, May 30th, Father Corcoran officiating:

March—In Ball Costume.....Orchestra
Porto Rican Dance—Larimosa.....Orchestra
Novelette—Moonlight Capers.....Orchestra
Hymn—Hold the Fort.....Congregation
Scripture.....Father Corcoran
Souvenir of a Music Box, Euphonia, Hindley.....Orchestra
Prayer.....Father Corcoran and Congregation
Gospel Reading.....Father Corcoran
Sermon.....Father Corcoran
Hymn—Rock of Ages.....Congregation
March—Peaceful Henry.....Orchestra

BAND PROGRAM

Following is the musical program rendered by the local band on Sunday morning, May 30:
March—Japanese Brigade.....S. Nirella
Waltzes—Lily of Florence.....A. Castellani
Intermezzo—The Gondolier.....U. C. Powell
Medley Overture—Moving Pictures.....E. Sorrentino
March—Willow Grove.....E. Sorrentino

New exchanges are the Baseball Magazine and the Ave Maria.

The party in 221 offers the Popular and Railroad Man's Magazine for the Billboard.

The Van Norden Magazine is coming to The Mirror on exchange. Also the Nautilus and Swastika.

The band boys appeared in their patty summer suits for the first time this season on Sunday last.

The Guard Gorillas and the Marines failed to pull off the scheduled game of baseball on last Sunday.

Two more canary births in The Mirror sanctum. One died, leaving the net number of newcomers seven. All are thriving.

Capt. Maish's dentists have recently finished pulling 1,000 teeth out of geers sent up from the new prison for tooth-carpentering.

Foreman Alexander is related to Mathewson of the New York Giants. Mr. Alexander is something of a baseball "spote" himself.

The occupant of 209 will appreciate the kindness if someone will put his cell number on a copy of the Billboard, or New York Clipper.

Warden Wolfer entertained about forty young ladies and gentlemen at luncheon on Thursday of last week. They made a tour of inspection.

About 200 members of the engineering class of the State University farm were shown through the institution by Deputy Warden Backland on Saturday of last week.

Physical Culture is now coming to The Mirror on exchange. This is the leading physical culture publication in the country. It will be forwarded through the librarian.

Some inmate has asked to have The Mirror sent to Mr. W. H. Bogle, Seattle, Wash. It is necessary for this party to send in his register number before the paper can be forwarded.

Decoration Day was observed here by granting the inmates a holiday. Outing in the park in the morning, including lively selections by the band, footraces and buzz-talk conversations. A special dinner at noon and an extra letter in the afternoon completed the program.

The press room of The Mirror has been kept very busy during the past few weeks. The boys worked so hard they nearly shook the press through the floor—but Chief Engineer Schatz came to the rescue and saved the situation. The physical culture feature of the proposition is still in vogue and beats any tonic ever invented for creating a voracious appetite.

LETTERS FROM READERS.

To the Editor:

Will you please inform me whether or not an inmate here loses all his rights of citizenship while incarcerated? Some say, "yes," some say, "no." G. H.

Inmates of penal institutions are not permitted to vote until restored to citizenship by the Governor. In some states an act of the Legislature is required. If an inmate is of sound mind he may sue or be sued. He counts in the census, but has no voice in the government. He is a ward of the commonwealth and all of his acts are subject to supervision, correction, revision or nullification.—Ed.

The Chautauqua.

Following is the program for next Sunday's Chautauqua Circle: Art and Artist, Protection or Free Trade and Some of This and Some of That. Also a cornet polka. Next Sunday is also book circulation day.

Billboards and Buckboards.

The Prison Mirror says Mr. R. L. in 355, would be pleased to have some one send him the Billboard. We have several billboards around town he could have just as well as not, if he would promise to keep them from public view in the future.—Stillwater Gazette.

Mr. R. L. says in reply to the above if it is all the same he would just as soon have a buckboard with a piece of horseflesh attached to the proper end and he will promise to keep them out of view—forevermore.

Personal.

Warden Wolfer was in the Twin Cities on business last week.

Captain Maish called at The Mirror press room last Thursday to do a little doctoring.

Mr. Peter F. Dunn, a prominent lumber dealer of New Orleans, was a visitor here during the past week.

Deputy Warden Backland included The Mirror in his daily tour of inspection several times last week.

Capt. Whelan returned to his post on Thursday morning last. He is now in baseball trim. That expresses it all.

Two parole breakers were returned recently.

The party residing in 322 would like to have the Utica Saturday Globe. Here is a chance for Uncle John to distinguish himself.

Board of Control.

The State Board of Control met here yesterday. Thirty audiences were granted to inmates—seven being new applicants. Eleven paroles were granted—two discharges and two discharges from parole.

The financial statement for May was not ready for publication at time of closing forms for press.

Cell changes: 251 to 257; 514 88; 337 to 451; 296 to 514; 511 to 407.

Population.

Total number of inmates..... 710
Working at New Prison..... 62
Received during week..... 13
Discharged during week..... 3
Number in First Grade..... 520
Number in Second Grade..... 172
Number in Third Grade..... 12
Paroled..... 0
Last serial number..... 2744

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Diverse Reflections

BY ERID

Blackstone's view of kidnapping as being a misdemeanor has finally become the same as capital crimes—and justly so.

One cannot argue a subject one does not understand; and a wise man should not attempt to argue a feminine topic with a woman.

When a man gets a promotion a rubber hat may be appropriate; but to a woman, under similar conditions, a pound of powder would suffice.

Seeing that many outside publications use material selected from The Mirror it would seem reasonable for such selectors to follow the worthy example of our editor, that is, accord credit where credit is due.

Harper's Weekly of recent date contains an excellent article entitled Fostering Foreign Criminals. The author of it presents considerable pabulum for thoughtful minds. The American authorities may locate persons convicted of crime in their native lands, who, upon completing sentences sought refuge in America; but after three years' residence in America the law is so constructed that such persons cannot be deported. This, the author of said article deprecates. Again, many foreigners with criminal records are stopped at Ellis Island and compelled to return to their former homes. Here we have a problem of great importance to the American people. But America is not founded on the same principle as other nations. America has become renowned as a land for the oppressed people of the world. It is founded on principles broad enough to permit ex-prisoners of other nations to begin a new life here; it is so well constructed as to deal properly with such persons providing they continue a criminal career here. I should hesitate long before deeming an ex-prisoner of a foreign nation more undesirable than many of the old-world presumed nobility.

The article referred to contains the following: "The police are compelled to prove that a criminal has not been in this country three years, instead of the criminal being made to show that he has been here for that length of time, and this order has prevented the police from taking action in many instances in which they are morally certain that a criminal comes within the three-year limit." To anyone familiar with police certainties and the law this reasoning would be amusing. Persons would thereby be deprived of oldtime slavery rights. The master had to prove who was his slave; not the slave prove who was his master. Injecting logic and reason it will readily appear that such an important problem could best be decided by giving every person a chance to reform and become a good citizen, once they manage to land on American soil. Thereafter, upon conviction in some American court for an offense against laws here let them pay the penalty here and thereafter be deported. Americans denounce the principle of putting a man in jeopardy twice for the same offense. But here we learn that persons who pay the penalty of the law in their native land must submit to trial of their past record. If proved they are ex-prisoners they are deported. The same holds in other lands. But life's problems are complex.

AN INVITATION

To Spend a Week at The Roycroft Wood Pile and Other Things and the Reply.

Readers of The Mirror will undoubtedly be interested in the following letter from Mr. Elbert Hubbard and the reply thereto:

THE ROYCROFT FRATERNITY
Makers of DELUXE BOOKS & THINGS
EAST AURORA, ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK

My dear Mr. Editor:

I have arranged an Advertising Joyfest for the first week in June. I want you to come along and spend a week in East Aurora. Come and bring your Ol' Clothes and your Appetite—and we'll help you to Forget It.

I want you to come, Brother Editor, because I want you to see at close range, how fine a Magazine is THE FRA. Also, to steal your Ideas in making it better!

Besides, I believe a few days spent in the Land of Immortality, far from your "Desk" and its worries, will make your sap flow—the right kind of a Spring Tonic.

Joyfest Evenings, Stellar Members of the Profesh like Mr. Gibbs, President of the Ad. Clubs, and Mr. DeWeese of Shredded Wheat, will talk to us, and we'll have some Good Music.

Further, a ball-game or two (Roycroft Style) a tennis tournament; a "feed" in woods; a dance; a wedding party at The Farm; a cross country walk—and a Woodpile Carnival, will help drive away Dull Care.

Now Brother Editor, here's a Handclasp and a Smile, also The Official Pass, it's Our Treat. Write and say you're coming, so the Hay-Rack may meet your train.

Yours for The Open,

FELIX,

Of The Roycrofters.

Notice:

Ali Baba will accept Advertising Men in his special Classes—Cow-Milking, Pig-Feeding, Guinea-Chic Wet Nursing & Broncho Busting.

Here is the Pass—a true copy—as the lawyers say:

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THE ROYCROFT INN
WHICH IS IN EAST AURORA, ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK
Official Pass
Editor "The Mirror"
GOOD for one week's entertainment—board and room—in consideration of Missionary services already rendered in loyal, royal, Roycroft rooting for the benefit of the Human Race. Good only if personally presented and used within one month from date on back.
(SIGNED) *The Roycrofters*

My dear Felix:

The old chestnut about inability to get away I am sure had no bearing upon your generous impulse which was actuated by the purest motives. Confidentially, between ourselves, I believe this place beats yours for exercise and health. Out of seven hundred boarders less than a half dozen are on the sick list. Some of those cases, no doubt, are due to imagination, extraneous causes or the lazy bug—scientifically known as the hookworm.

I am sure the Warden would be highly pleased to see me enjoy the hospitality you so generously offer—but he knows I am needed in the sanctum for sometime to come. While there are others here able, ready, (eager and anxious, probably) to take my place nevertheless I hesitate to even think of violating the rules and regulations regarding the breaking of the continuity of the service in which I am at present engaged.

One good turn deserves another and I therefore extend to you a cordial invitation to come and abide with us for a while. We cannot offer you Roycroft luxuries but we can certainly harden your muscles and change your appearance.

To drop into the Philistine way and manner of expressing things, "it's hell to get in and joy to get out." It is the joy hope that causes good cheer to prevail in chunks. And a little later, perhaps, a large chunk of joy will walk out into the open in the person of the present editor. When that occasion is reached in the cycle of events I will defy you to repeat the dose.

Thanking you most cordially for your good intentions I am

Very truly yours,

THE EDITOR.

P. S.—Much more might be said upon the subject. But let it pass—for the moment.



HELIOGRAMS
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The young man who travels at a fast pace is generally the first to be overtaken by the law.

A baldheaded lie doesn't go when a woman discovers a long hair on her hubby's coat collar.

Mr. Patten is so clever, it is doubtful if even a great boodle fighter like Joe Folk could hit him with a handful of wheat.

When a girl is sixteen her ideal husband is a man who owns a vast estate and is an expert at following the hounds, but by the time she reaches thirty she is willing to compromise on a dog catcher.

A Judge of one of our high courts says that the negro is immune from shame and humiliation, and remember this bit of legal knowledge did not emanate from the nice fat head of a Southern Judge.