

There is a thorough physical examination given by the Prison physician to every man when he is committed to the Institution, and if he is found to be in need of medical care, this is given him and a record of his case kept on file.

An up-to-date system of taking and filing of the records of all the inmates has been inaugurated so that all records are now kept together, and can be found easily if wanted for reference at any time.

During the summer months the inmates are given Saturday afternoons in the yard for recreation, when base ball and other games are enjoyed. For the winter months moving pictures are given each Saturday afternoon, the State having bought a Simplex Picture machine and had same installed in the Chapel, within a sheet iron fire proof booth, this work having been done by the inmates under the direction of the engineer.

The inmates are also given one hour at noon time, one half of which is spent in the yard where they have an opportunity to smoke, play ball, or visit, as they choose.

To Governor James Hartness, Hon. John E. Weeks, Director of State Institutions, and the Board of Control, I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation, for the kindness and consideration shown me, and I also desire to thank the officers and all employed at the Institutions for their interest and co-operation in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. WALKER,  
Superintendent.

### REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN

To the Superintendent of the Vermont State Prison:

The Prison has ceased to be a place of punishment where cruelty is administered for correction, but rather it is thought of as a service station for the reconstruction of broken and defective lives.

Realizing the responsibility resting upon the Chaplain in performing his part of this service it was not without some timidity that he took upon himself the duties of his office. But feeling the close co-operation of the Superintendent, warden and other officials, together with a sense of a definite call to the work he accepted the challenge of the task before him, confident that some good would be accomplished.