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inside a. They take away about four emakers and I can't help wondervars closen my profile showed up to its best by the age.

place slowly recovers from this ny, th nce, but before I can do the same, have kingo comes up to the desk and ins that bugs are crawling down nhand varied ck and that he is seeing things should not be there. He is taken Old A onditio ambulance. Next, someone takes his clothes, except for his jockey Cons

Although this is allowed it is queasy ily unusual in a place where peopleplood. L take off more than one shoe or their the strat. I go over to see if he's trying to of blood ny, but he explains that he finds it nside table to sleep with clothes on. I let it way of ping he won't get raped.

ter at wict a man for starting his fourth inside the evening. Outside, he takes out cks. It strations on the windows and door an reme two by four, all the time inviting me recaut eoutside for the same treatment. I reduce el inclined to go, so I call the police

But before long, he gives up and ce, so By morning he will have forgotten Part of hing and when I see him next, he'll proble gain greet me like his long lost interfer, after which the cycle of distur-II of t and eviction will start anew.

Dolice e Shelter closes at 7 in the n. Onting. Waking up is a long and tedious iree times, since most nights it is impossible weeke yone to get more than about four ore bet sleep. At 6, the lights are turned on

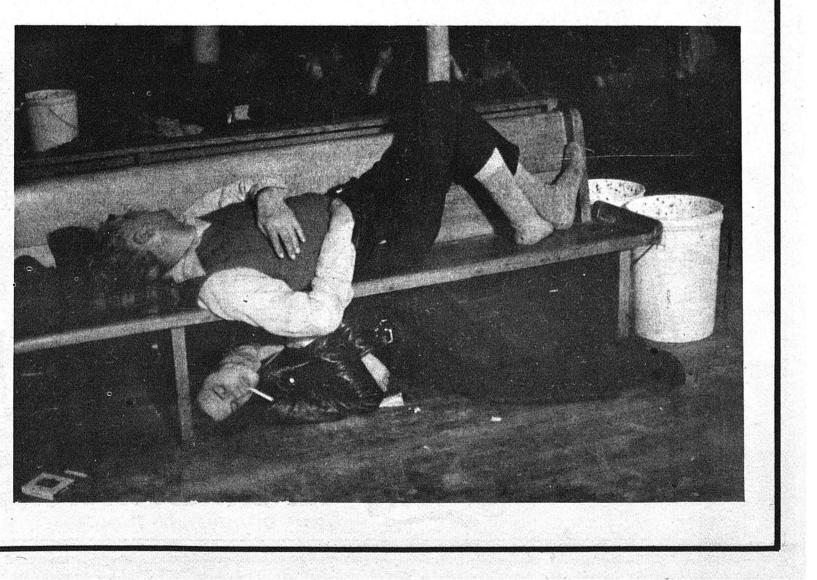
he radio begins to blare out the he room ge that bigger is better. The men we dor and sit around in various stages of ht. A fevers.

staff goes around, shaking ustom rs, announcing that today is the andb inose the rest of their lives, but it fails to Some manage to sleep through can et, or are comfortable and do not ous fig get up. By 6:30, most leave for the ateth nmedia Men's Hostel, for their free st. Those who still feign sleep are . I break ed by a firm pull at the arm or the) which I have become less enamored of beha nd he's thod, since the day when I pulled a half of it came off in my hands. neone question which no one seems to chest nd call to answer is why some men will with constant indignity and ved by , from which there is no escape

> Shelter can do little to change ay of life. It provides a place to or those who would otherwise walk the streets or sit in doorways ndoned cars. The Director of the Rev. Geo. Spady, a United Church r, offers counselling to those who and tries to help them to break this live cycle. They come to the

> he temporary oblivion caused by





every night except when they are

re are many agencies in Edmontry to reach the alcoholic, but for eople, it seems too late. The to them, is home, they meet all ands there and share their wine. It e which is not easily broken and not even seem to try.

to them seems a treadmill. They from the Shleter to the Hostel for st and spend the day walking collecting bottles waiting for the open. Whey they run out of or when the bars close, they over to the Shelter and go to when those who work behind the not immune to temptation. There even several instances where even the shelter as clients.

Spady blames government for alcohol too easily available and ing for condoning it use and He sees little opportunity for as long as the government is to make large profits from the use of these products and long turn to a more restrictive policy g alcohol.