

Through Work With Youth

Ex-Convict Keeps Others Out of Jail

Twenty-one years ago, Phil Thatcher exchanged his prison garb for civilian clothes for the last time.

He had, at that time, spent 20 of his 30 years in reformatories, juvenile homes, prisons and finally, San Quentin and the federal prison at Folsom, La.

Since his release from Folsom in September, 1941, he has spent his life keeping others out of prison and trouble through the Gospel.

Thatcher is founder and chief executive of New Life Youth Camps, Inc., an inter-denominational organization that sponsors camps, a California ranch and other program for underprivileged youth.

He is in Eugene for two weeks to check on the progress of the Emerald Empire's New Life Youth Camp, located on a donated tract of land 10 miles east of Cottage Grove on Dorena Lake.

Speaking Engagements

During his visit in the Eugene area, he will be speaking at several churches and organizations, including Bethel-Danebo Baptist Chapel, 1600 Taney St., Eugene. Services at the chapel are scheduled Sunday at 11 a.m. standard, noon daylight. Sunday evening, he will be guest speaker at a service at 6:30 p.m. standard, 7:30 p.m. daylight, at Immanuel Baptist Chapel, 350

Game Farm Road, in Gamebird Village.

On Tuesday, he will be guest speaker at the breakfast meeting of the Eugene Christian Businessmen's Committee at the Lynwood Cafe, Eugene. On May 27, he will speak at a service at 7:30 p.m. standard, 8:30 p.m. daylight, at Goshen Assembly of God.

Two speeches are scheduled May 24. He will speak to the student body at McKenzie High School, and at 6:30 p.m. standard, 7:30 p.m. daylight, he will speak at the Santa Clara Assembly of God.

'Not By Choice'

He may be contacted for appointments or other speaking engagements by calling DI 3-6107, or writing to him in care of P.O. Box 1043, Eugene.

His work with delinquent and pre-delinquent youth, Thatcher says, is "not something I chose to do—it's something I had to do."

Thatcher first got into trouble with juvenile authorities after his father, a Methodist minister, died. The youth went from crime to crime and reformatory to prison, finally ending at Folsom where he was sentenced to ten years for a "sure job" that backfired.

He had spent six months on the prison's rock gang when he found a Bible on his bunk. At first, he avoided it—but then began reading it at night. He joined the chaplain's Bible class and soon was converting other convicts.

Sentence Reduced

His change of heart did not pass unnoticed, and his sentence was reduced. Thatcher went to work in a shipyard, and then became a rigger boss. At this point, there was another turning point—the warden at San Quentin asked some of the shipyard's officials to come to the prison to talk about rehabilitating ex-convicts. Thatcher was one of those invited. And his return to the prison—this time as a free man—convinced him that something must be done—and that he had to do it.

He worked with Youth for Christ, and YFC's Lifeline Camps for a number of years. The first New Life Camp was held at Hume Lake, Calif. in 1952, and in 1954, the year that Joel Corley of Eugene held the first camp near Eugene, New Life was incorporated as a non-profit organization.

In the years since its founding, New Life has had thousands of underprivileged youths as its guests at the camps. In Lane County, Corley estimates that some 500 youngsters have attended the camps.

Both men can tell numerous stories of changed lives and abandonment of delinquent activities as a result of camp sessions.

Funds Needed

While he is in Eugene, Thatcher will help Corley raise some \$2,500 for a dining room at the Dorena Lake Camp. This dining room, Corley explains, is badly needed—the present facilities seat only 35, and the camp's expansion is limited by the present small facility.

The two men hope to raise the necessary amount—in cash or donated suitable building materials—in 30 days. Persons interested in the project may send contributions to the Building Fund, New Life Youth Camps, P. O. Box 1043, Eugene, or contact Corley at DI 3-6107.

Thatcher, who works directly with hundreds of delinquent youths yearly, feels that one of the contributing factors to today's rising juvenile crime rate is a breakdown in parental discipline. Today's young people, he emphasized, want to know limits for their behavior, and want to have parents establish standards of what's "good" and "bad."

"And let's stop kidding ourselves," he observed. "There are lots of delinquent parents."



RUTH CLARK
Receives Scout Award

Girl Scout Honored At Services

COTTAGE GROVE — Ruth Clark, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, 1108 S. Seventh St., Cottage Grove, was awarded the God and Community award Sunday during the morning worship service at First Baptist Church, where she is a member. Ruth is the first Girl Scout in the Cottage Grove area to earn this award. It was presented to her by her pastor, the Rev. Conrad Rhoads.

Ruth has worked with her pastor for the past year in order to earn this award, assisting with communion, nursery and daily vacation Bible School, making maps for mission fields, and producing a scrapbook of poems published in the Sunday school papers. She has been a regular attendant at Sunday school and church services.

Ruth began her scouting as a Brownie in the second grade with Mrs. George McAlpine as her leader. Mrs. McAlpine has been her Scout leader from the second through the eighth grade, and has encouraged her to work for the God and Community award.

Another award is awaiting Ruth. She will soon receive the curved bar, along with 16 other Girl Scouts in Troop 27. The curved bar is the highest honor a Girl Scout can earn and is equivalent to Eagle award for Boy Scouts.

Ruth was born in Cottage Grove and is in the eighth grade at Jefferson School. Besides her scout activities, her hobbies include cooking, sewing and sports. She has two brothers, Harold and Wayne.

Congregational Church

1050 E. 23rd

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Church School
9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
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Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening Service 7:30 P.M.

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Springfield Church Plans Dedication

Dedication services for the new \$75,000 main sanctuary of Springfield Church of the Nazarene will be held at the church, 18th and E streets, Springfield, Sunday at 3 p.m. standard, 4 p.m. daylight.

The Rev. G. B. Williamson, general superintendent of the denomination, will be featured speaker. The Rev. W. D. McGraw, district superintendent of the Oregon Pacific District, will give the invocation and lead the congregation in prayer.

Roger S. Young, pastor of Junction City Church of the Nazarene, will give the scripture reading, and the Rev. James Fraley, vice president of the Springfield Ministerial Assn., will bring greetings from that organization. The Rev. Walter I. Watson, pastor of Fairfield Church of the Nazarene, will also participate in the service.

Pastor of the church is the Rev. Firman Harris, who has served the congregation for nine years.

The Springfield church was organized in May, 1949, by the Rev. W. W. Hess, then district superintendent. The Rev. J. Wil-

liam Jones was called to be the first pastor for the young congregation. Dedication of the church's first unit was on Nov. 16, 1952.

Work on the main building began in August, 1961, and first services were held there in February. The building was designed by Rick Conklin, now an architect in Denver, Colo.

Much of the work on the new building was done by volunteer labor.

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Daylight Time 9:30 and 11 a.m.

"The Old Man and The Boy"

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9:30 a.m. CHURCH SCHOOL

10:45

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News Notes

Church Activities Listed

CATHOLIC CHURCHES in the Archdiocese of Portland (which includes western Oregon) will have the annual Catholic Charities appeal at services Sunday.

TONIGHT'S SPEAKER at the weekly Eugene Youth for Christ rally will be Jack Loy, youth speaker and teacher. Also on the program, which will begin at 7 p.m. standard, 8 p.m. daylight, at the Church of the Open Bible, 32nd Avenue and Hilyard Street, Eugene, will be the Triple Trio. The public is welcome.

THOMAS BALLINGER, associate professor of art education at the University of Oregon, will be guest speaker Sunday at the Eugene Unitarian Church at 10 a.m. standard, 11 a.m. daylight. Services of the congregation are temporarily being held at Frances Willard School, Eugene. Ballinger's topic will be "Art Since 1950."

SPRINGFIELD CHRISTIAN Church will hold its annual congregational meeting Sunday at 2:30 p.m. standard, 3:30 p.m. daylight, at the church.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY of Christian Service of First Methodist Church will meet Tuesday at the church at 9:30 a.m. standard, 10:30 a.m. daylight, for a program titled "The WSCS: Its Heritage, Its Opportunities, Its Outreach," which will be given in pageant form. Service Singers will sing musical numbers. A luncheon will be served at noon. Nursery facilities will be provided.

AMERICAN LUTHERAN Church Women of Bethesda Lutheran Church have invited women of the church to attend a mother-daughter fellowship program Thursday at 6:30 p.m. standard, 7:30 p.m. daylight, at the church. A program is planned, and dessert will be served.

"BREAKTHRU," a pilot film for a television series of the same name that will be on a

Four Indicted Men Plead Innocence

Four innocent pleas were entered in Lane County Circuit Court this week by men named in indictments approved by the grand jury.

William Albert Liddel, 27, of Honolulu, pleaded innocent to a charge he robbed \$83 from an employee of Scottie's Restaurant in Eugene on May 1.

Richard Wayne Coe, Eugene Scarberry and Jerry Lee West, all of Florence, pleaded innocent to a charge they stole a cow on April 28.

Eugene station this coming fall, will be shown Sunday at 6 p.m. standard, 7 p.m. daylight, at Ebbert Memorial Methodist Church, Springfield.

"STATUS OF WOMEN in the Bible and in the Baha'i World Faith" will be the topic of Sunday's program of the Baha'is of Eugene. The program is scheduled for 3 p.m. standard, 4 p.m. daylight, at Friendly House, 2445 Kincaid St., Eugene. Fred Hall, professor of botany at Oregon State University, will be speaker. The public is welcome. For transportation, call DI 3-1249 or DI 4-4666.

MISSIONARY GROUP of University Street Church of Christ will meet Wednesday at 9 a.m. standard, 10 a.m. daylight, at the church in the social room. Bring a sack lunch.

Police Get Theft Reports

An automobile transmission, a five-kilowatt portable light plant and a tape recorder were among items reported stolen according to Friday reports of Eugene area police agencies.

Sheriff's deputies were told by Robert L. Severns, 165 Wilkes Dr., Eugene, that Severns parked his car Wednesday evening and found Thursday morning that the drive shaft had been dropped and the transmission, valued at \$183, removed.

The sheriff's office also received a report from Merritt Chapman and Scott Corp., contractor for Cougar Dam, that a light plant valued at between \$700 and \$800 was unbolts from its trailer and stolen sometime last weekend. The plant was resting at the upper end of the dam site.

Eugene police were called by a representative of Delta Gamma sorority on the University of Oregon campus where a tape recorder valued at \$120 disappeared from behind a living room sofa last weekend. The recorder was being rented from a downtown film shop.

Fair Price Reduced For Servicemen

SEATTLE — The World's Fair admission price for military personnel in uniform was reduced Friday from \$1.75 to \$1.

The price cut applies to servicemen of all nations. The regular admission price is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

WILLAMETTE Gospel Chapel, 3290 Donald St., Eugene, has announced several changes in services and times. The week-night meeting, starting this coming Wednesday, will be at 6:30 standard, 7:30 daylight. Beginning May 27, Sunday services will be on a new schedule. Only one service, a family Bible hour and Sunday school, will be held in the morning. This will be at 10 a.m. standard, 11 a.m. daylight. And the communion service will be held Sunday at 6 p.m. standard, 7 p.m. daylight.

FIRST CHURCH of the Nazarene, Eighth Avenue and Madison Street, Eugene, will hold a special program Sunday at 8:45 a.m. standard, 9:45 a.m. daylight, at the church. The promotion day program will include certificates for all youngsters moving up to another class. Four-year-olds will don caps and gowns for their entrance into the kindergarten department. On Wednesday, at 6 p.m. standard, 7 p.m. daylight, the annual church meeting will be held. Officers and reports.

On the agenda will be election

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL Church, Eugene, will have its May Fellowship dinner and program Wednesday. The dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. standard, 6:30 p.m. daylight, and the program will follow. Speaker for the program will be Florence Vail, a staff member of the denomination's national Board of Christian Education. During the dinner, church school students will present programs representative of the work of the church school.

ON FRIDAY, the Gordians of First Congregational Church will meet at 5:30 p.m. standard, 6:30 p.m. daylight, at the church. A film on Oregon will be shown, and persons interested in attending may contact Mrs. Leo Calder, DI 4-8119, or Mrs. Lloyd Stamp, DI 3-5020.

NEARLY 10,000 members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service are in Atlantic City, N.J., this week for the quadrennial Assembly of the WSCS. Among those attending are Mrs. Steven Romane, incoming president of the Eugene District of the WSCS.

St. Mary's EPISCOPAL Church

13th and Pearl Streets

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