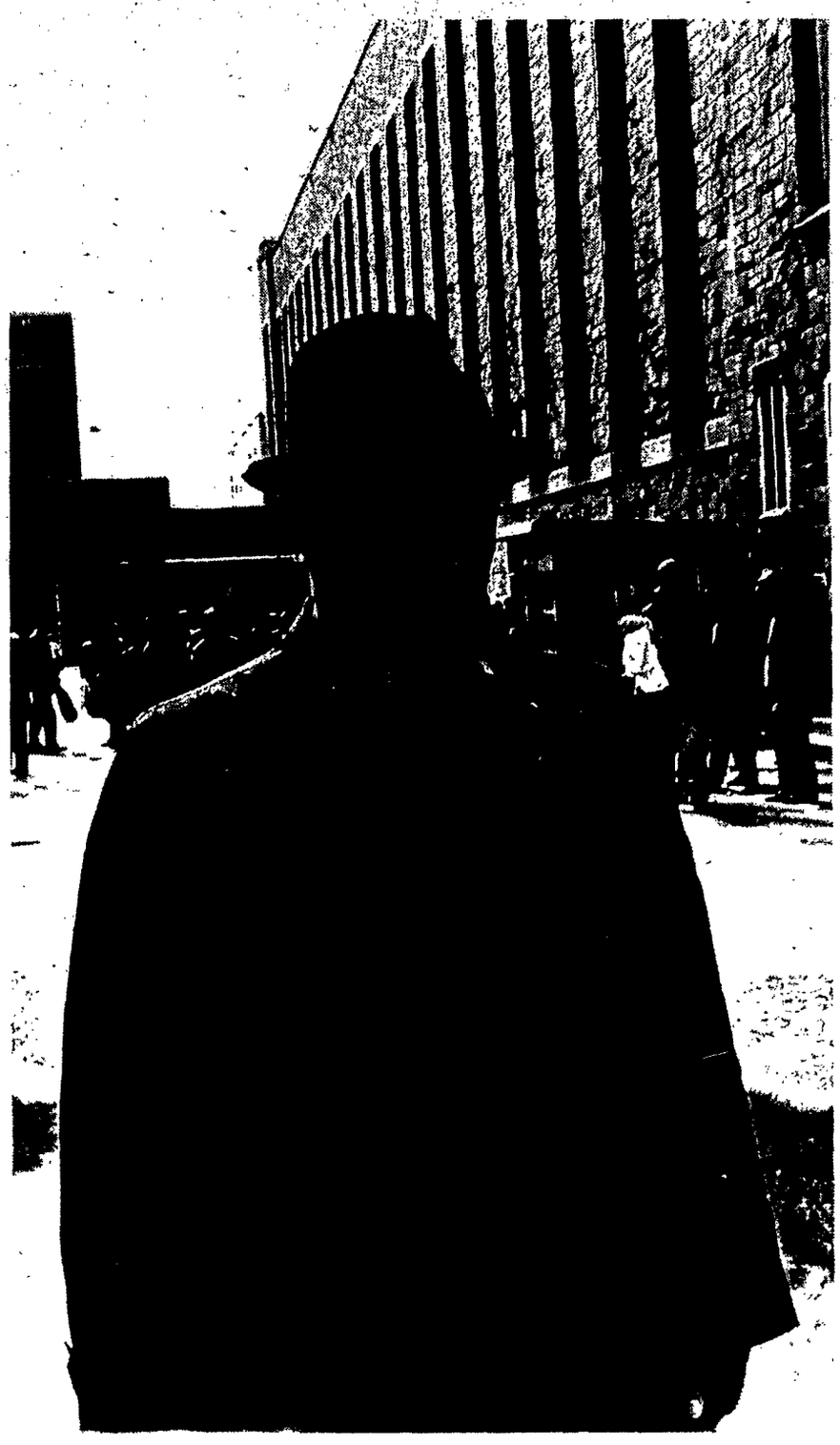
# ɔurn Prison: A Grim Parish with Hope

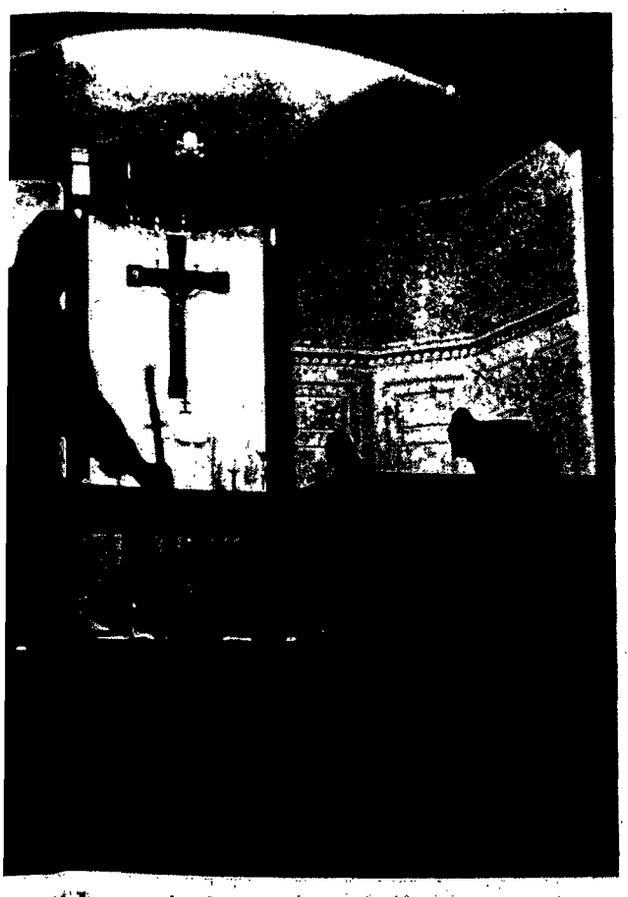
n Prison is 154 years old. For the past 11 years, ıen incarcerated there have been served by a ly built priest, Father Clarence W. Gardner. As s job is "to replace criminal attitudes with well- Catholic attitudes."

rison is a maximum-security prison. The mini- is one year. "And by the time most of our in- ve here, they've already been in several other s along the trail," Father Gardner said. Within of Auburn Prison the first electric chair for was developed. William Kemmler was its first ıg. 6, 1890.

m parish, but also one with hope. "If a man make a new future, he has the help available an continue his education—we have high school ) to a Regents diploma, and college courses by dence. He can qualify for parole by good be- ıd, most important from by viewpoint, he can re- life on moral and religious principles, if he real- o," Father Gardner said.



**"What I like least is to see a familiar face returning to prison. It makes me wonder if I've failed him in some way. But I know enough men now who are out, who have gone straight after leaving here, and whose lives look promising for the future, to keep up my confidence."**



**ve made most of our chapel shrines, sta- and we feel they've done a fine job."**

**"If I can persuade a man to build his attitudes on religious motivation, he won't turn to crime to solve his problems."**