SAT., DECEMBER 30, 1978 THE CAROLINA TIMES-3 **Another K-Mart Connected Horror** Story Revealed in Raleigh

BY JOYCE RHYAN

A former Raleigh businessman and barber was recently ordered released from prison by Wake Superior Court Judge Edwin S. Preston Jr. after the N.C. Court of Appeals threw out a false pretense conviction.

William Arthur Moore believes it all started with K-Mart and a conspiracy against him. After reading THE CAROLINA TIMES report of K-Mart employees beating Bobby Sims, Moore felt compelled to tell his story which is contained in the following paragraphs. In March 1976, Moore claims he was beaten and his automible damaged by K-Mart employees at 4500 Western Blvd. Moore was in the process of purchasing merchandise when the clerk

asked to see his K-Mart check cashing card. After showing her the card, she asked him to remove it from the covering so it could be seen better. Moore refused saying it was visable enough. Charles Carter, the

security guard, was summoned. Moore said Carter asked him for the card not stating why h wanted it. When Moore again refused to give up the card he said Carter went to a microphone calling out a number that brought employees running. Moore then quietly walked from the store to a phone booth called police. and Moore said, "While sitting in my car, 9 to 10 K-Mart employees grabbed the door, pulled me out by the

neck while the car was running, beat my head against the car, twisted my arm and kicked me." He recalls a black woman ran over and asked, "Why are you beating that man like that?" Moore a small built man continues, "I weighed only 140 at that time and this lady pleaded with them

to stop beating me." Moore was arrested and charged with disorderly condismiss because the state did duct. The case was thrown out and Moore filed a lawnot offer substantial evidence that Moore had suit against K-mart for \$500,000. Moore believes actual knowledge that the that this is the root to check was not covered by sufficient funds. Shyllon appealed the conwhat he claims is a conspiracy against him.

Following the K-Mart incident, Moore was picked up on what he argues convincingly were false charges. One such false pretense charge was thrown out by Judge Green, Moore stated. In March, 1977, Moore Central Prison, Moore rewas again indicted on a

false pretense charge. The indictment charged that nearly lost his life. First, as white inmate walked up W.A . Moore unlawfully to him and said, "I come to and willfully did feloniously get you boy." Moore said, unto J.J. Morely Inc., men's clothing store in Crabtree Valley Mall. Robert Sandy Harrison Moore a check screw driver." Moore unto J.J. Morely Inc., a for \$137 to purchase a claims that he was not Moore declares allowed to see a doctor. He suit. that he had no knowfilled out a grievance form ledge of Harrison having and nine days of suffering closed out the checking had passed before he saw account and the check a dootor. being worthless. Moore purchased a \$135 three- another inmate beat Moore piece suit from J.J. and attempted to throw him 50 feet from th fourth floor Morley with the check

written and signed by

Harrison.

admitted

Although

check to Moore and telling him that he had funds in the bank the accused was treid, f accused was tried, found guilty and sentenced to 8 to 10 years in prison by Judge Harry E. Canady. Moore's lawyer, Mohamed M. Shyllon stated in a written account that "the trial court should have granted the

viction.

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appeal.

While awaiting appeal Moore was not released on

Central Prison as a safe-

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He then stabbed me in

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Moore suffered much

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cell. Moore said, "I was? awakened by a burning sensation near my leg. There was fire everywhere. I woke my roommate and we began to cry for help. Eveyrone on the floor was screaming fire. A quick thinking Moore defendant's motion to placed his feet in the

had been through it all and

then came the fire. On

May 21, 1978 a fire broke

out in Moore's 6 by 8

commode and his head in the sink running water down his back. "Everything was burning the walls, the mattresses, my clothes, my shoes had even melted." I wanted to move from the commode," said Moore, "to give my roommate a break but I couldn't the flames were inches from my back." Moore said it took about twenty minutes for the guards to come open their cell.

Moore said, "I have been I was afraid in that fire.

He has filed over 9 lawsuits in federal court including \$137 million against former Wake District Attorney Burley B. Mitchell Jr., two assistants, and the Wake Probation Office for conspiring to do him bodily harm and depriving him of his constitutional rights.

Moore spoke with members of the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. He said the FBI are investigating his case writing harrassment and thought he now

When a person is locked up and feels there is no hope, his mind can go bad and I don't want to see that issue says Mattie Gaines, a 51-year old grandmother of five in Detroit. "I tell them (prisoners) if they want to find anythi good in life, they have to first find themselves." Mrs. Gaines has been spending every spare moment in the Wayne County Jail for the past eight years talking and listening to prisoners, and she loves it. "God gave me that mission one day, "she said of her frequent visits on behalf of the prisoners which takes 12-to-24 hours of her time each week. UPI

Black Sanitation Worker through it all and I am not afraid any more. I was afraid when I first stepped into Central Prison, I was afraid when I was stabbed, Found Guilty of Assault

RALEIGH - A black Wake County district court judge found a former black sanitation worker guilty Monday of assaulting a white woman during an argument over garbage collection last month. Twentyfive year old Tyrone Akion was sentenced / by Judge Safford Bullock to a 90-day jail term which was suspended upon payment of \$50 and court costs. Akion's attorney, Cressie

Thigpen of Raleigh gave the notice of appeal. During an argument with Akion on August 3, Patrica Mrs. Lee Edwards, a 31 year old white woman testified that she called Akion a "S.O.B.". Mrs. Edwards further testified that she returned to her house and attempted to phone the city's division. After getting no answer.

obsenities. Then the woman slapped Akion, Fogg testified, and Akion hit the woman once before the two locked in struggle.

his position at the front

Allen testified that from

of the truck he did not Mrs. Edwards followed Akion see the first lick passed, to the truck's rear, but that Mrs. Edwards was swung at the sanitation all over Akion. Allen said worker and was pushed he separated the two and down by Akion, Allen ordered Akion to go to the rear of the garbage truck.

A neighbor of Mrs. [Continued On Page 10]



Renewal Cards For License Plates Were Mailed Dec. 18

Harrison

RALEIGH

The Motor Vehicles in Raleigh Division of Motor Vehicles by mail at 1100 New of the North Carolina Bern Avenue or by Department tofm Transpor- vtelephone ball at 10 (919)

With the exception of some special classifications. 1979 automobile licenses will be renewed with a validation sticker to be affixed

to the upper right-hand

is to be transferred. "There are 111 license sanitation agencies across the state," said Director of Registration, the woman claimed she Gonzalie Rivers. "We hope returned to the garbage renizens will take advantage truck, complained and

validation today ists stickers and plates for 1979 will go on sale throughout the state on January 2. cards Renewal

obnecessary for taining a 1979 sticker or plate were mailed December 18 and should Carolina or those buying be received by December a car for the first time 29. Anyone not receiving should make application for a renewal card should a license plate at the nearest notify the Division of local agency.

Elbert L. Peters, Jr., Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, said, "It will take from ten days to two weeks to obtain a card and new plates or stickers must be displayed by midnight,

accidental removal. February 15." Newcomers to North

fications, including trucks. Any newly acquired vehicle will be issued a plate and sticker unless a plate

A LETTER OF APPEAL

FROM THE NAACP

corner of the current plate, their licenses early." over the 1978 sitcker. Care should be taken to place the sticker exactly as instructed to prevent encourage vehicle owners

to purchase the license second time. An annual license plate or stickers before plate will continue to be the end of the renewal issued for all other classiperiod. Carrying the slogan, "Get Yours" cards, and public service announcements

convey the message. "We feel this production of waiting time and provide better efficiency at our offices," said Rivers.

Rankin Security Awarded Contracts

G. R. Rankin Security Service has been awarded a \$100,000 commercial contract by Avon Products, Inc., of Rye, New York, for unarmed guard service to begin January 1 and continue for one year. Ten guards will be utilized.

fulltime Sixteen positions of continued guard service through September has been awarded Rankin Security in a \$78,000 federal contract to provide unarmed guard service for the Environmental Protection Agency for the Motor Vehicle Emission Laboratory in Ann Arbor, Michigan

Hatley Reports For Duty At

Camp Lejeune - Marine Private First Class Alvin D. Hatley, son of Mrs. A.B. Hatley of 5-H Wabash Ave., Durham, N.C. has reproted for duty with 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. A 1978 graduate of Durham High Schoo, he joined the Marine Corps in February 1978.

of these offices and buy! Akion's supervisor James eir licenses early." Allen and Akion then Rivers said the division knocked her down. After is lauching a new communi- getting up from the ground, cations program this year to the woman testified Akion encourage vehicle owners knocked her down a

Akion's supervisor James Allen and fellow santitation worker George Fogg contradicted the white woman's Early," posters, counter testimony insisting that Akion was struck first and was agitated by the woman. will Fogg testified that he

saw Mrs. Edwards standing gram will aid in the re- in front of Akion cursing, screaming, and yelling

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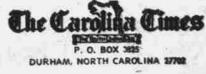
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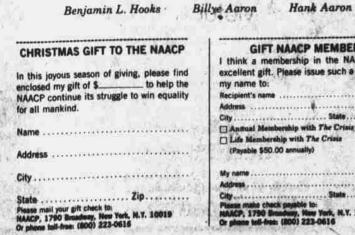
"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times. . ." So wrote Charles Dickens in the opening passage of his classic, "A Tale of Two Cities," more than 119 years ago. The same thoughts apply today to America's oldest and most influential civil rights organization, the NAACP. On the one hand, we have initiated several new and exciting programs, while at the same time, we are experiencing one of the worst cash flow crises in recent years.

Several events, including the Bakke decision and the implications behind Proposition 13 have necessitated an increase in supportive services to our units. Despite the steady rise of individual contributions, these factors, coupled with spiraling inflation have produced a critical financial situation which gravely threatens our ability to serve the 30 million Black Americans throughout the Nation. A small gift of \$5.00 or more from the thousands of concerned Americans in this country would put the NAACP on firm financial footing.

A group of outstanding Americans have joined us in making this special Holiday appeal to raise vitally needed funds to keep the Association effective. When your Christmas gift, large or small, is added to the contributions of thousands of others, the NAACP will be able to continue the pursuit of equality and justice.

Please join us in the Campaign to assure the NAACP the merriest Christmas ever. Donations can be made by mail or by calling our toll-free number (800) 223-0616. MASTER CHARGE and VISA credit card pledges are also accepted as well as money orders, checks or cash. Put us at the top of your Christmas list this year, and pledge your gift today!

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