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On the fall of an oak every man gathers
wood. —Menander
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Character is perfectly educated will. —Novalis
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The greater the man the greater courtesy. —Tennyson

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CHARLES MOORE, a fugitive from a North Carolina chain gang, answers reporters' questions in Philadelphia as he sits with his wife, Elizabeth. He is fighting extradition to North Carolina after being free eleven years and becoming a churchgoing Trenton, N.J. businessman. He was caught at Philadelphia International Airport after a routine computer check. He was convicted of aiding and abetting a forger and sentenced to ten years in prison.

Former Durham Resident Fugitive Caught In Philly After Eleven Years

By Donald Alderman

After eleven years as a fugitive, during which he was a law-abiding citizen, former Durham resident Charles Moore is hopeful he will not return to prison — but he fears the worst.

Moore, 41, now a Trenton, New Jersey resident, escaped from Caswell County, North Carolina while working on a chain gang in August, 1970. His worst fears became reality November 23 when his secret life as a fugitive began to unravel.

While returning from a vacation in Freeport, the Bahamas, Moore was arrested at Philadelphia International Airport and held for extradition to North Carolina.

A routine computer check by a customs official revealed a man fitting Moore's identity was wanted in North Carolina. Moore said he first indicated there was a mistake. Then he realized there was no point in running any longer. He said he whispered to his wife, Elizabeth, who had been vacationing with him, "This is it." He then told his story to a customs official.

The customs official was sympathetic, referring Moore to a

reputable Philadelphia lawyer, Ronald White.

Moore was held in jail under \$100,000 bond until the Friday after Thanksgiving Day when his lawyer got the bail reduced to \$15,000. His extradition hearing is scheduled for December 22.

Moore and White called a press conference in Philadelphia last Monday to make public his story.

Moore said he escaped because his son, now 17, was suffering from sickle cell anemia. He needed freedom to work to pay medical expenses, and to support his family. Besides, Moore said, he always thought his sentence was too harsh, and conditions on the chain gang were brutal and torturous.

Moore was convicted of aiding and abetting a check forger in Durham County Superior Court and was sentenced to ten years, by Judge A. Pilston Godwin. Moore, a studio photographer in Durham at the time of his sentencing, said the ten-year sentence "stunned" him. He said two teenagers who committed the forgery were given lighter sentences.

Moore had lived in Durham since he graduated from high school in McCall, S.C. He still has numerous close relatives living in Durham.

"DECENT AND UPRIGHT"

Moore has been a church-going, law-abiding citizen since escaping from the North Carolina work gang eleven years ago. He has become a successful Trenton businessman, owner of a carpet installation and sales business, and he has bought a home, White said.

"He is a member in good standing and faithful. I would describe him as decent and upright," Rev. Benjamin said. "He is a hard worker and family man who is sensitive to the needs of others."

Moore's lawyer White said: "He's lived an unblemished life for the last eleven years. . . . There must be a public outcry for this man because putting him back in prison no one will benefit."

Moore's fate now rests in the hands of governors Jim Hunt of North Carolina and Dick Thornburgh of Pennsylvania. Gov. Hunt, by law, must seek extradition. Gov. Thornburgh can opt to refuse.

The extradition process has been started, according to Hunt's deputy press secretary. Moore's best chance of not returning to prison is to request the state to commute his sentence to time served, a process his

lawyer has started.

In Moore's case, Hunt's press secretary said, commutation is likely. She added, though, whether his sentence will be reduced to time served is questionable because Moore served only about three months before escaping.

Meanwhile, Moore worries about losing his home and business if he returns to prison. "There are bills to pay. My wife can't make it by herself," he said in a somber tone.

Jess Bowe To Run For Sheriff

Jess J. Bowe, a professor of criminal justice at North Carolina Central University, announced his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Durham County last week.

Describing the present quality of law enforcement in Durham as being "hampered by widespread administrative mismanagement", Bowe declares that Durham needs "a sheriff who is not content with business as usual. . . . who will declare war on the criminal element. . . . say no to the special interests. . . . not play politics with the public's safety. . . . who will speak for the tens of thousands of unrepresented citizens of this county. . . . who will, once elected, deliver on his promises. . . . clean house. . . . replace those who have grown fat and lazy and apathetic."

Bowe contends that the sheriff's department must be professionalized and staffed with "the best possible personnel to police our community."

DCABP Notes Accomplishments; Cites Members

By Donald Alderman

Highlighting past accomplishments, projecting future goals, installing committee officers and presenting service awards marked the 46th Annual Meeting of the Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People Sunday.

"Among the significant accomplishments for our community, this fall's municipal election was clearly a high point of the year," said Willie C. Lovett while giving Durham's annual 'state of the black community address'. "As a result of the election, we made significant progress toward a more representative city council."

Lovett hastened to add, "We are still 'not where we should be. . . [but] most people will agree, the outlook today is certainly more positive and upbeat than it was one year ago."

Lovett noted that of the nine precincts which had a turnout of over forty per cent, six were in the black community. Turnout citywide was out 34 per cent.

Among other accomplishments Lovett noted: — Involvement in the redevelopment of St. Theresa and Hayti communities. — Participation in campaigns in opposition to electrical rate increases and night bus service elimination proposed by Duke Power. The former was granted a lesser percentage than requested while the latter was denied.

— Recommended adoption of the middle school

concept to Durham City Schools, which was adopted by the school board. — Lobbied for extension of the 1965 Voting Rights Act which has not been acted upon by Congress. — Working to approve minority and female representation on council-appointed boards, and a successful struggle to get a tenant with voting rights on the Housing Authority Board. — Pressuring public and private institutions for increased responsiveness to the black community.

In 1982, Lovett said, the community must continue to build and improve precinct organization to increase minority voting strength.

Lovett also suggested increased black oversight and input into "any development plans for downtown and Hayti to maximize benefits to be derived for the black community. With the city's population split evenly among blacks and whites, Lovett suggested that blacks not only demand recognition, but also assume responsibility in total community affairs. "We must dedicate ourselves. We must join hands and press on in the struggle; for (the struggle for) freedom begins every morning. The job is never finished," said Lovett.

Judge W.G. Pearson and Charles Daye received the Committee's highest awards, the Civic Awards. Daye is dean of North Carolina Central. (Continued on Page 2)

PERSPECTIVE. . . .

By Roy H. Harris
QUESTION
How do you plan to economize over the Christmas holidays?



**James Evans
Durham**
I'm going to try not to spend any more than I have to — cut out all of the unnecessary things.



**Ms. Doris Hinton
Concord**
First of all, I'm limiting the amount of money I spend on gifts. I will be at home with family over the Christmas holidays, which will help.



**Ms. Gail Pierce
Ahoskie**
Well, the only way I know to economize will be to try to look for sales and bargains and cut down on gifts.



**Dr. S.R. Ali
Durham**
Send greeting cards instead of sending a lot of gifts. A card would serve the purpose. Also, if you shop around, you will see competitive prices.

Racism Resurgence At UNC Charged By Black

By Donald Alderman

Recent racial conflicts at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have brought charges that racism is resurging at the school, and have sparked concern among UNC administrators of heightening racial tension.

Pointing to specific incidents, black students contend white students and certain personnel of the school are increasingly being bold about showing racial bias, some resorting to violent attacks against blacks.

Responding to the allegations, UNC officials have put together a panel of administrators, students and faculty to examine race relations at the school. The panel is to begin work in January.

Admitting that race relations are somewhat strained, Donald A. Boulton, vice chancellor for student affairs, said the recent reports reflect a larger, national problem.

A Black Student Movement member, agreeing with Boulton, said the Reagan administration and the conservative climate is much to blame for increased racial violence across the country. The BSM is the campus's black concerns group.

In one incident, John Edward Jones, a white freshman, was found guilty in Orange County District Court of assaulting Miss Cecilia Walker, a black freshman. Jones, accused of attacking Miss Walker in a physical education class, was found guilty December 1, but he will not receive

a criminal record because of a prayer for judgement granted by Judge Patricia Hunt.

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC's student newspaper, received numerous letters from students and administrators after reporting on the incidents beginning in October. The letters were split evenly among blacks who felt the incidents were cause for alarm and whites who felt the reports were blown out of proportion.

"It is unfortunate that racial harassment and bodily abuse are still found in a university which prides itself on its progressiveness. . . . At a time when the university has professed its commitment to equality. . . the existence of such attitudes and actions, in themselves, constitute a clear rebuttal of this university's claim to civility and racial sensitivity," Mark Canady and Ms. Beverly Shepard wrote in a letter to the student newspaper.

Canady is president of the BSM. Ms. Shepard is a member of the Black Grievance Council.

Whites countered saying the incidents were sensationalized.

"Some of the incidents could be construed as minor disputes, but with black students, when the word 'nigger' comes up, it will provoke a fight. Black people do not appreciate being called 'niggers,'" said John Hinton, editor of Black Ink, UNC's black student newspaper.

Among reported incidents are: — the assault of a black female student October 29 in Hinton James Dormitory by two white female students who uttered racial slurs during the attacks.

— the assault of a black female by a white male who pushed her off a sidewalk.

— a black custodial worker received threatening notes from white dormitory students.


— during a parking violation discussion, a white campus police officer treated a black female student rudely.

— the waving of a Confederate flag at the UNC-Boston College football game.

Inside This Issue. . .

"One of the biggest businesses in this unhappy land [Haiti] is the selling of blood. Because of the despicable, atrocious conditions, the blood of surviving Haitians is among the richest in the world in antibodies. Hence the Ministry of the Interior in Haiti in collaboration with three U.S. pharmaceutical laboratories — Armour Pharmaceutical, Cutter Laboratories and Dow Chemical — has organized a booming business involving the selling of blood."

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 Only 5 Shopping Days 'Til Christmas