

Chavis Moved Again

Rev. Benjamin Chavis, Jr., imprisoned North Carolina civil rights leader, was returned Tuesday morning to McCain Prison Unit for tubercular and mentally unstable prisoners, after a 111-day hunger strike to protest his treatment. The National Alliance Against Racial and Political Repression, which has been leading the defense campaign of Rev. Chavis and his co-defendant (the Wilmington 10), charged that the North Carolina authorities are "willfully conspiring to kill" the 28-year-old minister of the United Church of Christ.

North Carolina Alliance coordinator Anne Mitchell, recalling the prison deaths of George Jackson at San Quentin and 39 Attica prisoners and guards, said, "It is urgent that letters and telegrams be sent to Gov. James Holshouser, State Capitol, Raleigh, N.C. 27602, demanding the transfer of Rev. Chavis to a 'normal' prison environment. Copies should be sent to the North Carolina Alliance, P. O. Box 11307, Raleigh, N.C. 27610, the state branch of the National Alliance."

Chavis, who is a vice chairperson of the National Alliance, has been in recent months at Central Prison Hospital and ended his fast Sept. 7, the day after the National March for Human Rights and Labor Rights in Raleigh.

Long Trial Begins

CONCORD — The trial of Ronnie Long began here Monday with jury selection. Long is accused of the April rape and burglary of Julie McKinley, the wife of a Cannon Mill executive. Several organizations and townspeople in the mill town contend that Long is innocent and is a victim of a racist frameup.

Demonstrations in front of the courthouse began and are scheduled for the duration of the trial.

The case of the prosecution is expected to rest heavily upon the credibility of its chief witness, Julie McKinley, the alleged rape victim. She contends that Long entered her home by force around midnight on April 25 and forced her to perform a sex act.

She reported to police after the alleged attack that the rapist was black and had a stocking cap over his head. She also reported that during the rape she scratched the rapist's arm.

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Shooting Motives Sought

The Raleigh Police Department is still investigating the critical shooting of a Raleigh man early Sunday morning. As of press time, however, the department was said to have made little headway with the investigation.

The man, Frank Ratliff, 48, was shot in the left side of his back while he was in the 100 block of E. Lee St. He was taken to Wake Medical Center where he remained in critical condition as of press time. He is reported to be paralyzed as a result of the shooting.

A police spokesman said Tuesday that the department had not determined any motives in the shooting.



SUFFERS SEIZURE ABOARD RIVERBOAT — Reserve, La. — Percy Green, 82, publisher of a weekly newspaper in Jackson, Miss., lies on the deck of a police boat as he is being taken to a New Orleans hospital. Green suffered a heart attack on board the riverboat Natchez during President Ford's 6-hour campaign trip down the Mississippi River. Green was revived with electric shock treatment administered by White House physician, Rear Adm. William Lukash. (UPI)

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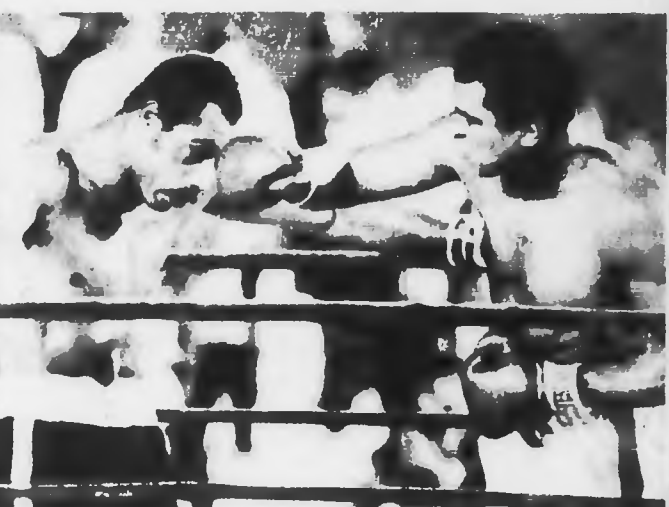
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ALI STILL CHAMP



RETAINING TITLE — New York — Muhammad Ali throws a right at challenger Ken Norton's head during title bout here Sept. 28. Ali retained the heavyweight crown via a unanimous decision. (UPI)

All 15 Rounds Fought

Muhammad Ali is still the heavyweight boxing champion of the world.

In a title fight with Ken Norton Tuesday night, Ali retained his title in a 15-round fight in which the judges made a unanimous decision.

Before Norton heard the decision, however, he thought he had gained the title. Pictures wired across the country by news services show Norton at one point with his hands raised in joy.

The early part of the fight was controlled by Norton, with Ali losing 6 of the first 8 rounds. But from there on, Ali resumed his dancing-style of boxing, a style which he had not used much prior to that point.

Through Ali's change in strategy, however, Norton remained calm and continued his pursuit of the title in what some observers considered as his fight.

With the crowd chanting that "Norton Must Fall," Ali and Norton went into the 10th round. But when the 15th round ended, Norton was still standing.

At 31, the ex-Marine took command early in the 11th round, with the champion regaining control in the ending seconds. Ali had begun to wear his opponent.

The judges, and referee's decision, which is likely to be debated for months to come, was 8-7 for Ali, though other unofficial judges gave the fight (See ALI, P. 2)

Patrol Commander Says Shots Were Justifiable

The report of a high speed chase through parts of Raleigh and surrounding Wake County in which a highway patrolman fired his pistol while chasing a young black man has been called "justifiable."

The report varies from an earlier account the patrolman gave to a Carolina Community News Service (CCNS) reporter. The report was made by Highway Patrol Commander Edwin Jones.

Jones' statement said that Sergeant "Billy" Daye joined in a chase of a suspect when he observed Raleigh patrolman E. Williams with blue lights and sirens pursuing a car driven by James Walker Harris. The chase ended 14 miles later on a dead end road.

The report said Daye pursued Harris, a 20-year-old black man and driver of the vehicle into the woods and shot for Harris to stop. Harris then turned around with an object in his hand and fled. At that time the trooper drew his revolver to protect himself. The report said that Daye followed the young man for 1 1/2 miles through the woods, got "entangled in bamboo bushes," fell to the ground and accidentally fired his gun one time. This is the 4th incident involving shooting in which Daye has been involved since 1965. Some of the incidents have caused a great deal of racial concern.

That report varied substantially from what Daye told a CCNS reporter when he was observed by that reporter emerging from the wooded

area after the suspect had gotten away from Daye and several other officers. Daye said on Monday that he had fired his revolver two times in the air over the suspect's head to warn him.

Daye's story was changed after civil rights activist Golden Frinks asked for Daye's dismissal for violation of a patrol policy which prohibits firing of firearms except to protect the life of the patrolman or the life of others. Frinks said that Daye was an

"uncontrollable 'tuff' guy that should be fired."

Daye was transferred to a desk job with the Department of Highway Patrol after several complaints of brutality arose in 1972 from his patrol area in Pitt County. That year Daye shot a black man in the back, but was later cleared of any wrong doing.

Wake Commissioner Elizabeth Cofield said that Daye's shooting in Wake County "needs to be looked into very carefully and I am going to see that it is done." Mrs. Cofield called on the North Carolina Office of Minority Affairs to look into the matter. James Shears, minority affairs assistant, was contacted at that office and said that he was waiting for Edwin's report and a report from the Raleigh police department before taking any actions.

Several residents of the all black area where the shooting took place, said that more than one shot was fired. They said that they did not believe the accidental firearm discharge theory presented by Jones.

Paula Surles, who resides at 1420 Bethel Rd., said that she was in her house attending household duties when she heard cars race past her house. She said she came out to see what the commotion was all about and saw several police

(See PATROL, P. 2)

Report Counters Beliefs

ATLANTA — The Southern Regional Council (SRC) today (Sept. 30) released information challenging the assertion that school desegregation and busing have caused so-called "white flight" from urban areas to the suburbs.

Data contained in Three Myths: An Exposure Of Popular Misconceptions About School Desegregation, reveals that researchers who maintain there is a sizeable loss of whites from urban public schools when desegregation takes place, have failed to take into account historical migration patterns of young white families moving from cities to

(See WHITES, P. 2)

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"Your Fall Wardrobe Is Waiting"

Raleigh Contract Given To Minority Business

C. D. Rodgers of Williamston, a minority businessman, has been awarded a \$33,500 contract to build 16 Capital Area Transit bus shelters for the City of Raleigh. The city's Department of Transportation is undertaking an extensive program to encourage minority businessmen as well as all others, to participate in all bids on transit-related contracts using federal capital grants.

Rodgers will build 16 wooden bus stop shelters according to plans designed by students of the School of Design at N.C. State University. The shelters are expected to be completed within 6 months.

City DOT officials, assisted by the North Carolina Office of Minority Business Enterprises, contacted and met with interested minority business persons to explain the city's bidding procedures and to go over contract specifications. The department has developed an Affirmative Action Plan for assisting minority businesses who wish to provide contract services related to the transit development program.

In addition, all transit related bid advertisements were advertised in both majority and minority newspapers 45 days prior to the closing of the bid.

EEOC Will Speed Up Investigations

CHARLOTTE — Three hundred and forty of the three thousand North Carolinians who have filed complaints with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and have gotten no response may get their cases investigated soon.

According to Harris Williams, Charlotte-based director of the North Carolina EEOC, a mandate has come from the central office in Washington, D.C. to speedup the rate of complaint investigation from the current average of slightly less than 150 per month. North Carolina's speedup is part of a national drive to eliminate 12,000 cases from the backlog across the country.

EEOC investigates cases where race, sex and age discrimination have been charged by employees or prospective employees. The backlog has been criticized by North Carolinians as a manifestation of government insensitivity and neglect to the problems of minority citizens. Williams appeared before the North Carolina Association of Human Rights Officials defending the program several months ago.

A former human rights official who is now a complainant to the EEOC told a reporter recently that she is concerned that a speedup of complaint settlement will lead toward inadequate time to investigate discrimination. She said this would be to the disadvantage of the complaining party. Ms. Beverly R. Mitchell, former associate director of the Raleigh Community Relations Commission (RCRC) and now a first-year law student at Wake Forest University Law School, said that if the EEOC is going to speedup its investigation, some of the cases to be investigated might be better off left alone until more staff are hired and trained. Ms. Mitchell has a case now (See EEOC, P. 2)

In Halifax Woman To Face Charges

HALIFAX — The assault with a deadly weapon trial of Mrs. Betty Reddick of Littleton, has gained the support of the Halifax County National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and is being investigated by the North Carolina Human Relations Commission.

Mrs. Reddick's accuser, Frank Warren of Halifax, is charged with breaking and entering Mrs. Reddick's home. Warren owns the land and doublewide trailer in which Mrs. Reddick resides. The trial which was set for Sept. 21 in Halifax County District Court, was continued until 2 p.m. Nov. 17.

Mrs. Reddick is represented by Attorney Charles Becton of Chapel Hill.

The Rev. G. A. Gilchrist, president of the Halifax County NAACP, said the organization will help pay the legal expenses of Mrs. Reddick and will provide other support for the mother of 6 children.

Mrs. Reddick said that a shooting incident grew out of her being "awakened" out of \$4,300 paid for the land and trailer. She said that in March, 1975, she bargained with Warren, a wealthy landowner, to purchase 7 acres of land and a trailer in rural Halifax County for \$15,000. She also said that she was

promised a contract which she never received. "Things got bad in August 1976 when Frank Warren tried to charge me \$150 for an electricity bill that was only \$17.65. When I refused to pay, he turned my lights off and started coming in my trailer which his key," Mrs. Reddick said. She stated that on that day she was accused of assaulting Warren, he had come in her trailer without knocking and walked through her trailer with an unidentified woman. Mrs. Reddick said her son awakened her and she ordered Warren out of the trailer at gunpoint. She said (See WOMAN, P. 2)

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ALL EYES — Boston, Mass. — All eyes are toward the two students on the ground at Hyde Park High School as racial fighting broke out on the steps and around the front of the school Sept. 24. Several arrests were made and students were sent home. (UPI)