

Many people were resentful of Jack ohnson who knocked out Jim Jeffries in the 15th round to retain his heavyweight title in July 1910. After his victory, race riots broke out across the country. But when Johnson arrived at New York's Grand Central Station on July 12, 10,000 people wee on hand to

wlecome him.

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Bond Reduced For Moore Square Beating Suspect

BY CASH MICHAELS Staff Writer

A witness to the brutal beating of an African-American man by a pair of white teenagers in Moore Square Park last month has testified that the older of the two did not touch the victim, contradicting his earlier statements.

James Bagley, the homeless man who, along with several others, helped save the life of Ken- to kill after they drove all the way

was allegedly struck repeatedly with a pipe on June 16, told Wake District Judge Jerry Leonard last Thursday that it was not John Rera of Louisburg who hit Harris during the incident, but rather his younger accomplice, 16-year-old Michael Wrenn. Both Rera and Wrenn, also of Louisburg, were charged with assault with intent

"kill a black person in Raleigh." That night, Rera was also charged with carrying a concealed weapon, and resisting arrest.

Bagley, in a taped interview with The CAROLINIAN and WLLE radio on June 19, three days after the incident, originally alleged that he saw 19-year-old Rera striking Harris with a "pipe with tape wrapped around the

neth Harris of Raleigh when he from Franklin County to allegedly handle," while the younger Wrenn beating to Harris that broke his vinced. She pledged to present eviget Rera to leave. When asked by a reporter if he was sure, Bagley answered that he was.

> But after appearing in court Thursday, Bagley told the same CAROLINIAN reporter that Wrenn, even though he was the younger of the two, "looked older" to him at the time, and was actually the one who administered the

had a change of heart and tried to left arm and cut his head. "When I got a better look at him, that's when I knew," said Bagley.

When allowed to address the court, Rera told Judge Leonard that he "did not touch" Harris. " tried to get Mike to calm down ... " he said. "... I tried to get him to leave the park."

But Assistant District Attorney Deborah Shandles was not condence during the trial to prove that Rera was instrumental during the assault.

Harris, the beating victim, agreed outside the courtroom that it was Wrenn, and not Rera, who attacked him. Harris had to have staples in his head for the large wound, and had his left arm in a

Wilkins, Elected U.S. Officials **Observe Politics On China Trip**

BY SHEHETTIZI WOODLEY Staff Writer

Ken Wilkins, Wake County register of deeds, recently visited four cities in a country which has a history spanning 5,000 years.

Those cities were Beijing, Nanjing, Wuxi and Shanghai, all located in a country where one out of four of the world's population lives. That country is the People's Republic of China.

Wilkins traveled to China as part of a delegation of elected officials from the United States. He was selected to participate in the excursion by the American Council

of Young Political Leaders. The trip was designed to familiarize the delegates with economic and political concerns of the Chinese government. They were also exposed to different management styles in their public and private

Wilkins said that when he made the trip, the Chinese were concerned that America might revoke China's "most favored nation" status, which would make it more difficult for the Chinese to sell

products in the United States. He said many U.S. politicians

were arguing that China was violating its people's civil rights by maintaining forced labor camps where political and philosophical prisoners were held.

He added that the killings in Tiananmen Square simply heightened awareness of the issue of human rights in this country.



KENNETH WILKINS

The People Speak

Wilkins said the Chinese government claim that their methods of dealing with political unrest is an internal matter which should be of no concern to outside nations.

Wilkins said economic and political problems within China are handled very differently from the ways they're dealt with here because "Everything is controlled by the government. There is a central committee that sets policy for the country."

In many of the meetings he attended with government and business officials, Wilkins found a keen interest by the officials in foreign investment. However, Wilkins said the Chinese "don't want the cultural changes that might come with it. But I don't think that would be possible."

Wilkins said Chinese workers appeared to have good working conditions, although he admitted Chinese guides were responsible for taking the delegates to selected workplaces.

companies which were jointly operated by foreign employers.

A successful joint venture, he (See KENNETH WILKINS, P. 2)

BY CARLA MONROE



STAYING INFORMED—After a days work at K&W Cafeteria (cameron Village). Ernestine Harrison (left) and Henrietta Massenburg are shown reading their favorite newspaper, THE CAROLINIAN, while waiting for the CAT Bus. (Photo by

Clinton Seeks Minority Help To Attract Voters

governor, likely Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton has placed more minorities and women in, according to a press release from the Clinton camp.

In an effort to underscore this commitment, Clinton recently appointed Chicago Alderman Bobby Rush as his national director of the Office of Voter Outreach, Sky Johnson as his national convention coordinator, and Avis LaVelle as his national press secretary.

The appointments come on the heels of strong negative reaction from some segments of the black community to his sudden refusal

During his 11 years as Arkansas to appear at the National Newspation with black independent presistrong condemnation of rap singer Sister Souljah at the Rainbow Coalition convention.

States, my cabinet, staff, appoint- to an abortion] has been gutted,' qualified people to fill those senior of these restrictions." posts, and those people will reflect America's proud racial makeup.

(See BILL CLINTON, P. 2)

(See ASSAULT, P. 2) Blacks **Quiet On**

Abortion BY CASH MICHAELS

Staff Writer It was a thunder heard across the land, when the highly anticipated decision by the U.S. Supreme Court restricting abortion rights was rendered last week. Pro-lifers and pro-choicers drew their respective lines, advanced to the nearest microphones and television cameras, and came out screaming.

The high court, in considering whether the state of Pennsylvania had the right to place certain restrictions on the right of a woman to have a legal abortion, ruled five to four that the state could require that women be informed and counseled, then given a mandatory 24hour waiting period to think it over, before the operation can begin, and while the justices agreed with Pennsylvania's parental consent requirement for minors, they struck down spousal consent for husbands.

In effect, while retaining the per Publishers Association conven- right to an abortion, the court decreed that state legislatures do dential candidate Lenora Fulani, have jurisdiction in governing that with whom he is feuding, and his right. Neither side of the equation was pleased.

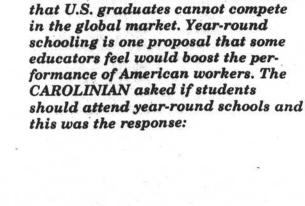
"Make no mistake about it, Roe vs. Wade [the 1973 Supreme Court "As president of the United decision ratifying a woman's right ments and judgeships will reflect said one national pro-choice activthe American people," said Clin- ist. "It will now become increasiton. "As I have done for the cam- ngly difficult for poor women to be psign, I will comb the country for able to get a legal abortion because

"We have been betrayed," countered a pro-life advocate. "Those

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MARTIN CLEMONS

I think year-round schooling has a lot of benefits, but I would be afraid of students getting burned out. It's really a matter of attitude. The Japanese have always had year-round schooling and they're way ahead of us. After several years of adjustment, students would benefit more from it.



Briefing: In the past few years it has become evident



I think it's a good idea. The kids need something to do during the tion is the key. summer. It would help them improve academically.



JOHN THOMAS I think it's a very good idea. Educa-



KENNETHWHITAKER Stuidents should have a break. But being in school more, I guess you couldn't help but to learn.

Clinton **Supports** Haitian Refugees

Appearing recently on CNN's "Larry King Live," Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton reasserted his support for the rights of Haitian refugees to immigrate to the United States and discussed what policies he would pursue as president regarding African nations.

"I don't believe the Haitians should be sent back to Haiti, and I don't think their lives should be put at risk," said Clinton on the live call-in show. "I think they are political exiles and should be treated as such until we can bring back an elected government to

Clinton also pointed out that he was the first presidential candidate to criticize the Bush administration for its handling of the Haitian situation.

The likely Democratic Party nominee went on to (See HAITLANS, P. 2)

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

"RALEIGH!" EXHIBIT

The Wake Visual Arts Association announces the opening of the exhibit "Raleigh!" through Saturday, Aug. 1. "Raleigh!" is a show of WVAA members' original art works in various media, celebrating Raleigh's Bicentennial. Hours of operation for the WVAA Gallery are Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact Deborah Hancock, executive director, 828-7834.

MUSEUM CONSERVATOR

Did you ever wonder how the beautiful paintings and other objects in a museum are preserved? How do they remain in such quality condition, without a speck of dust or deterioration, for hundreds of years? All of that is the job of the museum conservator. Spend Sunday, July 12, with David Goist, chief conservator of the North Carolina Museum of Art, and learn more about the care, restoration, and conservation of works of art. The lecture begins at 3 p.m. and admission is free.

WOMEN OF COLOR WRITERS NETWORK

The Women's Center is hosting an organizational meeting for the Women of Color Writers Network on Tuesday, July 14, from noon to 1 p.m. All women of color who write-prose, poetry-and who would like to meet others, share and grow, are invited to attend. There is no charge. Call 829-3711 to register.

FAITH WORKSHOP

On July 18, there will be a workshop at Faith Tabernacle United Holy Church, 741 E. Juniper Avenue, Wake Forest, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme is "Faith Tabernacle's Outreach Ministry: Committed Christians Working Together." For further information, call 556-0322. Elder Eula Coleman is pastor.

WAKELINK OFFERS IMMEDIATE RESPONSE

More than 300 elderly, handicapped and isolated people in Wake

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