

(LIVE ON) A SALEM PHYSICIAN--DR. ALBERT J. RUSSO,
(ROLL FILM) WAS TAKEN TO THE STATE PENITENTIARY IN
RICHMOND TODAY, TO SERVE A FIVE YEAR

(TAKE FILM) X
SENTENCE, IMPOSED BY A ROANOKE COUNTY
COURT JURY TWO YEARS AGO. AT THAT
TIME, RUSSO WAS FOUND GUILTY ON
A CHARGE OF CRIMINAL ABORTION IN
A CASE INVOLVING AN 18-YEAR OLD
UNMARRIED COLLEGE FRESHMAN. XXXX
COUNSEL FOR RUSSO HAD CONTENDED THAT THE
YOUNG WOMAN HAD WHAT WAS TERMED A
"SPONTANEOUS MISCARRIAGE." THE JURY'S
VERDICT WAS APPEALED, AND RUSSO'S
SENTENCE WAS TEMPORARILY SET ASIDE.
THEN, ON FEBRUARY 13TH, ROANOKE COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT WAS INFORMED THAT THE APPEALS
COURT HAD DENIED AN APPEAL FOR A REVIEW
OF THE CASE. COUNTY SHERIFF CHARLES BOONE
SAID OFFICERS FROM THE STATE PENITENTIARY
TOOK RUSSO INTO CUSTODY AT MID-MORNING.

(FILM ROLLING)