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L.I. Broker Jailed in F.H.A. Fraud

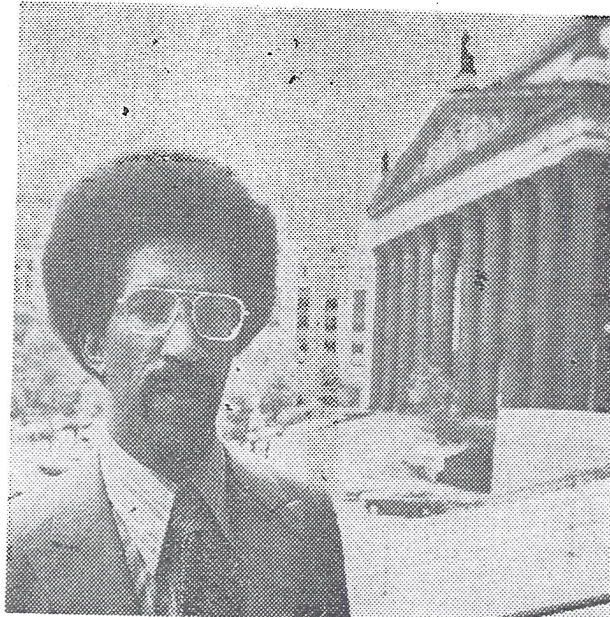
A Long Island real-estate broker was sentenced to a year in prison and fined \$2,500 in Federal Court in Brooklyn yesterday for having submitted false applications and credit information to the Federal Housing Administration. The assistant United States attorney who prosecuted the case, Anthony T. Accetta, said it was the first conviction and sentencing arising from a Federal grand-jury investigation into F.H.A. loan frauds in the metropolitan area.

The defendant, Milton Berlin, 52 years old, of 109 Cypress Drive, Woodbury, who was convicted on June 7 after a jury trial, was remanded to jail by Judge Mark A. Costantino. His lawyer, Allen S. Stim, indicated that an appeal would be filed.

Attica Ex-inmate Seeks Damages

A former inmate at the State Correctional Facility at Attica, who is seeking a court injunction and financial damages for himself and a group of prisoners, argued the case as his own counsel in the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. The three-judge panel of the Appeals Court reserved its decision in the case.

The argument by 39-year-old Harold Walker contended



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Harold Walker at the U. S. Court House yesterday

that he was one of a group subjected to "inhuman conditions" in an Attica cell block after the prison uprising last fall and that 20 of the inmates remained under these conditions in "punitive segregation." He said he was released in June after serving three years and eight months for armed robbery.