

Police beat me for nothing!

By OTSILE TLAPE

SANGOMA Thabo Kwenamore says cops assaulted him for no reason.

Thabo (29) told *Daily Sun* two cops arrived at his home in Matshelapad kasi in Delaryville, North West, and accused him of raping his girlfriend.

"They grabbed and pushed me into a police van. They took me to the police station," said Thabo.

He said when they arrived at the cop shop, police punched him in the face and sjamboked him across his back in front of his girlfriend.

"I told them I had not committed any crime since I was released from jail last year. My girlfriend also told them the same thing, but they didn't listen to her," he said.

His girlfriend (18) said she had a fight with her mum after she slept at Thabo's place.

"My mother was angry with me and went to the police to open a case," she told *Daily Sun*.

"Cops took me to the police station. I told them my boyfriend didn't rape me. I was shocked when they beat him up."

Thabo admitted to having a previous conviction. He was arrested in 2008 for an armed robbery.

"I served nine years behind bars, and



Thabo Kwenamore claims he was falsely accused of raping his girlfriend.

Photo by Otsile Tlape

in jail I decided to study and got certificates in carpentry, sewing and upholstery," he said.

"Prison isn't a good place for anyone. I would't encourage anyone to find themselves on the wrong side of the law."

Lieutenant-Colonel Adele Myburgh said an assault case was opened against cops.

By MASEGO SENOSI
THE body of a newborn baby was found at a dumpsite in Rasimone Village outside Rustenburg, North West on Friday afternoon.
Thabo Matata (27) said he was on his way home when he spotted the corpse.
He said: "At first I thought it was a dog but when I looked closely I realised it was the body of a baby."
"I think the mother gave birth at the dumpsite be-

Baby thrown away like yesterday's rubbish

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Police were called after a passerby found the child's naked corpse under a bush.

Photo by Rapula Mameai

cause there was a lot of blood. "It depresses me to think

how much that innocent child suffered."
Thabo ran to a nearby house for help.
Police spokeswoman Lieutenant-Colonel Pelenomi Makuu confirmed the incident.
She said: "Police are investigating a case of concealment of birth."
Makuu urged anyone with information about the incident to contact Phokeng Police Station on 014 566 1879



Muthi found at a traditional healer's indumba.

Photo by Reginald Kanyane

Cops sweep town clean!

By REGINALD KANYANE

TWENTY three illegal immigrants were bust at Mahikeng Taxi Rank, North West, on Friday.

The operation was conducted across all four regions of the province.

Cops also impounded one unroadworthy taxi and a Toyota Corolla that didn't have a licence disc.

Acting North West police commissioner Major-General Patrick Asaneng said cops arrested nine illegal immigrants, seven of them Zimbabweans, at a roadblock on Bray Road.

"The operation is aimed at maintaining law and order, as well as security and stability," said Asaneng.

"We want to reclaim areas

social and economic activities."

Another 14 illegal immigrants were bust and a counterfeit money machine was confiscated.

He said those who are in the country illegally will be deported.

Vryburg cops bust two people for being in possession of suspected stolen livestock, while another suspect was bust for dealing in drugs.

Police in Mahikeng arrested a traditional healer for allegedly committing an illegal abortion.

Mahikeng Taxi Forum co-ordinator Nthutang Garane said they would assist with unregulated street trading and hijacked buildings.

Passenger Obakeng Kgobane said: "Our provincial government is not doing enough to

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