

From Police Files

THE CRIME BEAT

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Each incident described below was obtained from the records and files of the Raleigh Police Department through a day-to-day check and each case is authentic. No personal opinions are ever expressed in this column.

PORTABLE HI-FI TWO SPEAKERS GONE
Charles Debnam, 739 Church Street, informed Officer J. L. Stoudemire at 8 p. m. Thursday that sometime between 8 a. m. and 5 p. m., a gray Motorola hi-fi and two separate speakers was stolen from his residence. Debnam said when he and his wife left their home, they left Mrs. Debnam's cousin, Ernest Thomas, 32, in the house. Thomas, who has lived in Philadelphia, had been rooming there.

Upon their return, stated Debnam, the hi-fi, Thomas and Thomas' clothes were missing. The complainant said Stoudemire that he believed Thomas took the hi-fi and sold it, saying he might have taken it to a pawn shop. Value of the set and speakers was set at \$150. Thomas had not been heard from at CAROLINIAN press time.

SAYS CLOTHES STOLEN
At 8:30 p. m. last Thursday, Fred Douglas Perry, Room 10, Deluxe Hotel, said shirts and trousers, valued at \$35, were stolen from him. Officers J. L. Staridomire and C. J. Williams arrested Charles Robert Howard of Raleigh, and charged him with larceny. Howard contended, however, that he bought only two of the shirts from a boy named "Jimmy," and paid \$1.50 for them. The cops were unable to locate "Jimmy." Howard was employed at a sandwich shop on S. Wilmington Street.

REPORTS LICENSE PLATE MISSING
Calvin Kearney of 518 Peterson Lane reported at 1:42 p. m. Friday that his 1964 license plate had either been stolen or lost from his 1964 Oldsmobile. The number of the plate is V-7859.

STOLEN WOMAN'S GUN
Mrs. Leuvadia Hogan, Hogan's Lane, Method, informed Officers C. W. Jones and D. A. McLeod at 12:37 a. m. Friday that while she was at work, the day before, Frank Morning, 45, 218 Hopkins Street, Garner, broke into her wardrobe and took a single-shot rifle, valued at \$5. Mrs. Hogan also stated her brother, Charlie Herman Ad-

WHITE SOLDIERS REPORT ASSAULT
Harry Lyndell Moore, 23, Pete Danco, 24, and George Dalama, 18, all white soldiers of Fort Bragg, reported they caught a taxi and went to the corner of Edenton and Carver Street (an all-Negro neighborhood), at 2:47 a. m. Sunday. Moore said an argument ensued between the soldiers and several Negro men, one of whom is reported to have cut Moore in the small of the back with a knife. The police report confirmed that all involved had been drinking. No arrests were made. Moore was treated at Wake Memorial Hospital for his back wounds and released.

SAYS HUSBY ASSAULTED HER
Mrs. Alene Carr, 39, of 785 Fitzgerald Drive, was treated at Wake Memorial Hospital at 6:14 a. m. Sunday when a call came in to police headquarters. Officers G. E. Cox and R. F. Perry, who answered the call, were told by Mrs. Carr that her husband, Joseph Carr, 39, of the same address, assaulted her with a broken ammonia bottle at their home. She exhibited cuts over her left eye and lower left arm, and said her husband had been drinking. Mrs. Carr, who was taken to the hospital by her father, Mr. Charlie Carrington, told the officers she would come to the station and sign a warrant for the assault with a deadly weapon.

FIGHT OVER A DRINK
Miss Kathleen Parker, 34, and John Ivory Clark, 34, were both arrested at 10 p. m. Saturday for assault and battery on each other. Both reside at 811 Cannister St. The fight is reported to have started after an argument over a drink of liquor. Clark was treated at Wake Memorial Hospital for a cut wound on his head.

ARREST PAIR FOR FIGHTING
At 11:15 p. m. Saturday, Officers C. C. Heath and J. V. Haley arrested Miss Ruby Mae Williams, 21, and Duke Junior Smith, 24, both of 318 S. East Street, for engaging in an affray. The woman suffered a slight laceration over her right eye as a result of fighting with Smith, who was identified as her boyfriend in the police report.

CLAIMS FOOD TAKEN FROM REFRIGERATOR
Robert E. Tillman, 507 E. Davis Street, informed Officers T. T. Street, Jr. and P. A. Dean at 1:43 a. m. Sunday that he came home and found a man named "Lee" at his house. He stated further that "Lee" left after a short exchange of words, but allegedly took with him an assortment of food from Tillman's refrigerator, valued at \$18.50.

HUB CAP STOLEN FROM CAR
James Wesley Jones, 18 Ross Street, told Officers T. T. Street, Jr. and John Baker, Sr. at 1 a. m. Saturday that someone had stolen the hub cap off the right wheel of his 1957 Plymouth. Jones said he was looking at the youth who took it. Later, he said he found out the boy's name and signed a warrant for the arrest of Roger Mickens, who was arrested for larceny. Value of the hub cap was set at \$5. Young Mickens' address was given as 528 Cannon Street.

MORE HUB CAPS SAID MISSING
Bernes McClean, 1112 1-2 S. Hayward Street, said he parked his 1957 Ford beside his house last weekend. When he went to it Saturday at 5:30 p. m., he found two hub caps missing from the front of the machine. McClean told Officers that he did not hear anyone around the house.

550 RADIO STOLEN FROM WOMAN
Miss Katie Mae Jeffries of 711 S. Bloodworth Street, reported to Officer Alfred L. Grigsby at 6:26 p. m. Friday that she left at 2:30 p. m. to go to work, and when she returned, she discovered her Philco clock-radio, valued at \$50, had been stolen.

ROCK ASSAULT CHARGED
Mrs. Sarah Dove of 1132 South Blount Street, came to the police station at 10:10 a. m. Sunday and reported that while she was working at Wake Memorial Hospital, between 11 p. m. and 1:30 a. m., someone took from her 1959 Ford two fender skirts, both chrome plated and valued at \$40.

"STRANGE" THEFT REPORTED
Levi Delany Dixon of 301 Smithfield Street, told Officers H. K. Wall and D. E. Wiggs Sunday that while he was changing clothes in his room (apartment), someone in the room took \$5 from his bed. In the room at the time of the alleged theft, he said, were: John Henry Carey, Jr., his roommate; Danny Marthur Wilder, and Carroll Purcell, all of whom room across the hall.

MAN, WIFE IN AFFRAY ON STREET
At 7:30 p. m. Sunday, two cruising police officers reported that while riding in the 200 block of W. South Street, they saw a couple struggling. Closer investigation revealed Mrs. Beatrice Williams Hall, 36, of Route 1, Knightdale, striking her husband, James Arthur Hall on his hand with a Nehi drink bottle. As she hit the husband, the officers stated Hall's small pocket knife was knocked to the ground by the force of the blow.

WAB YOUNG SHOPLIFTER
Wallace G. Cosart, manager of Ben Franklin Stores, 200 New Bern Avenue, reported at 11:03 a. m. Saturday, Raymond E. Powell, 14, of 1304 E. Edenton Street, put two cards into his pocket and started to leave the store without paying. The cards contained a Sheaffer pen and refill, and five retractable ballpoint pens. Cosart signed a petition for shoplifting against the youth and he was released in the custody of his parents.

SAYS NIECE STOLE MONEY
Mrs. Annie Hughes, 65, of 221 Powle Street, told Officers Norman Artis and James E. (Bobby) Dye Monday at 2:05 p. m. that her niece, Mrs. Frances Snipes, 40, came to her home at about 12:15 p. m. Monday. Mrs. Hughes said she looked in her wardrobe at her money (twenty-one \$20 bills), before her niece arrived to visit.

HIT ON HEAD WITH PLATE
Mrs. Birdener Terry, 42, of 819 Cotton Piece, was treated at Wake Memorial Hospital at 9:21 p. m. Saturday for a cut about her forehead. Although she had been drinking, Mrs. Terry reportedly "fingered" Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, also of the above address, as her assailant, adding Mrs. Nichols used a kitchen plate at her for no reason. Officers Alfred L. Grigsby and Norman Artis were unable to locate Mrs. Nichols. Johnny Terry, 313 N. Fisher Street was reported to have been a witness to the incident.

CONCEALED WEAPON TAKEN FROM DRIVER
Police Officer O. C. Pratt stopped Jesse Beam, 406 Bledsoe Avenue, in the 900 block of New Bern Avenue Saturday night to inquire about his lights. Pratt reported, "As he was getting out of the car, I caught sight of a steel .32 calibre Smith and Wesson pistol. Then it slid back into his pocket." The officer said he asked Mr. Beam about the weapon and Mr. Beam admitted he owned the gun and took it with him in his pocket whenever he went out at night. He is expected to face City Court Judge Samuel Pretlowe Winborne soon on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

SAYS HE CAUGHT WIFE WITH ANOTHER
Levi Sanders, 54, 522 E. Cabarrus Street, told Officers C. E. Kirby and R. E. Keeter at 1:17 p. m. Saturday that he caught his wife, Mrs. Jesse Mae Sanders, 35, of same address, in the bed with George "Red" Melvin, 44, at Melvin's home in the 200 block of Walnut Street, on the Water Works Hill. Mr. Sanders was advised of his rights, but no further information was noted on the files.

ASSAULTED WITH WHISKEY BOTTLE
James Watson of 416 Cannon Street entered the station house at 2:10 p. m. Sunday and informed Desk Sgt. E. M. Mickens that

he was visiting at 608 Jamaica Drive, and told Miss Beulah Mae Evans, 410 1-3 Cannon Street, after a brief conversation, to stay away from his house. At this point, Watson declared, Miss Evans struck him in the face with an empty half-pint whiskey bottle. She apparently broke the bottle over Watson's head as he exhibited a bruise over his left eye and a cut between both eyes. He signed a warrant against the woman for assault with a deadly weapon.

FENDER SKIRTS "LIFTED"
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HE STAYED AWAY TOO LONG
At 3:26 p. m. Saturday, Officer D. E. Wiggs was called to 702 E. Hargett Street, where he reported Miss Alberta Caldwell and Glen Gore, of the same address, had been arguing because Gore reportedly took three hours to wash and dry some clothes at a laundromat. Wiggs' report noted that both had been drinking.

BOTH WERE ARRESTED AS HALL TRIED TO RECOVER THE WEAPON FROM THE GROUND, AND, ACCORDING TO POLICE FILES, BOTH WERE CURSING LOUDLY. THEY WERE JAILLED TOGETHER, UNDER BONDS OF \$100 EACH AND CHARGED WITH ENGAGING IN AN AFFRAY WHERE A DEADLY WEAPON WAS USED, AND DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

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