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'In District Court Vass Man Found Guilty Of Stealing

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A Vass man was convicted of horse stealing Friday following a trial highlighted by much conflicting testimony and an agitated witness who muttered oaths at the defendant while waiting the true traife awaiting his turn to testify. James G. Furr, 30, had been charged

with larceny and receiving in connection with the disappearance of two ponies from the farm of Dianne Ross on March

Furr testified he was not stealing the ponies, but had received a call from Carl Prim, described as a Carthage horse trader, directing him to pick up the ponies which Prim had purchased, Furr related.

Furr continued he was accompanied by his wife and another man he identified as Marshall Ritter and Ritter assisted him in gaining entry to the horse pen.

Ritter, 22, who had been seated several rows back in the courtroom, during this testimony, moved to the front of the spectator seats and loudly whispered s-- of a b--- at the defendant, startling observers. Judge Joseph E. Dupree apparently did not hear Ritter's oaths, and no action was taken against him.

The state took a nol pros on the companion charge of receiving. Furr received a two year term suspended for 3½ years, was put on probation 3½ years, fined \$200 and costs, and ordered to make \$50 retitution to Discove Berger to make \$50 restitution to Dianne Ross. In other action, four men were bound over to the grand jury for indictment on felony charges related to a Jan. 29 break-in at the county school bus garage and a fifth defendant had felony charges pending against him dismissed following a preliminary hearing. Charges of breaking entering and

larceny, and receiving stolen goods were dismissed from Dwayne Toomer McNeil, P.O. Box 631, when the state's two witnesses, George Hollingsworth, Jr., 22, of Rt. 2, Raeford, and Joseph Bethea, 20, General Delivery, did not link McNeil to the break-in in their testimovy and luder Dware whether testimony, and Judge Dupree ruled no probable cause.

James Liles, 19, of Rt. 1, Raeford. was bound over on a charge of breaking entering and larceny at the conclusion of the hearing, but a companion charge of receiving stolen goods was dismissed when Dupree ruled the state presented no evidence.

Hollingsworth, Bethea, and a fifth co-defendant, Leonard Baldwin, 24, 411 Wooley Street, waived preliminary hearings and were bound over on breaking entering and larceny, and receiving stolen goods charges for action by the grand jury. Bond was continued

inmates waived preliminary hearings on felonious escape and a fourth pleaded guilty to misdemeanor escape.

Headed for action by the grand jury are James D. Brown, 17, James L. Dennis, 17, and Michael Scott, 17. Bond was set at \$1,000 for each. Randy K. Burrow, 17, was given a six

month term tacked on to the term he is presently serving after pleading guilty to misdemeanor escape from the McCain youth facility.

Four defendants pleaded guilty to drunken driving and a fifth case was dropped by the state.

dropped by the state. Pleading guilty to DUI (third offense) was James Wilbert Thomas, 507 Saunders Street, who was given 18 months suspended for 3½ years, placed on probation 3½ years, ordered not to drive for two years, fined \$500 and costs and directed to undergo alcoholic's rehabilitation, \$200 of the fine was remitted for good cause thomas fine was remitted for good cause shown. Breathalyzer result was .20, according

to records. Jimmy Dale West, 309 East Prospect Ave., pleaded guilty to DUI and a companion charge of careless and reckless driving was dropped. West was given 90 days suspended for one year, ordered not to drive except under terms of limited permit issued, and fined \$150 and costs. Breathalyzer result was .19, according to records.

Charles Blue, Rt. 3, Raeford, pleaded guilty to DUI and was sentenced to 90 days suspended for one year, ordered not to drive for one year except under terms of limited permit issued, \$150 fine and costs. Breathalyzer reading was .14 according to records. Peter G. Smith, Ft. Bragg, pleaded

guilty to DUI and was sentenced to 90 days suspended for one year, ordered not to drive for one year except under terms of limited permit issued, and was fined \$150 and costs. Breathalyzer reading was .16, according to records.

A charge of DUI was dropped against James M. Staton, Fayetteville, due to a .07 Breathalyzer reading, according to records.

Benny Edwards, Rt. 3, Red Springs, pleaded guilty to driving while license revoked and was sentenced to 12 months suspended for two years, was put on probation two years, ordered to give up his limited permit and not drive until licensed, and was fined \$100 and

Marlyn (alias Hitler) Locklear was found not guilty of assault in a directed verdict when the prosecuting witness declined to proceed and Dupree ordered the witness to pay costs. Billy McVicker, Aberdeen, charged

pleaded guilty to assault by pointing a gun and was handed six months suspended for three years, \$25 fine and costs, and ordered not to molest the prosecuting witness for the next three years.

Tony McGregor, address given as lives on Hill, pleaded guilty to worthless check for \$5 to Larry's Drive-In and was ordered to make restitution and court costs

costs. A number of persons pleaded guilty to various traffic offenses. They were: Floyd H. Yarborough, Fort Mill, S.C., speeding 67 in a 55 mph zone, \$10 fine and costs; Henry J. Graham, Rt. 3, Raeford, ficticious license plate, fined costs; Ardis Davis, Laurinburg, having no operator's license, 30 days suspended upon \$25 fine, costs; Juanita E. Davis, Laurinburg, allowing unlicensed person to drive, costs; Lt. William T. Dubose, Ft. Bragg, passing in marked intersection, \$10, costs; Robert S. McIsaac Bradley, Fayetteville, 67 in a 55 mph zone, prayer for judgment continued (PJC) two years, fined costs.

Failing to appear and forfeiting bond was Robert M. Leonard, Virginia Beach, Va., speeding 70 in a 55 mph zone.

Magistrates

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The following cases were heard by the magistrates. Woodrow Wilson Bright, Hamlet,

speeding 69 in a 55 mph zone, \$10 fine, costs; E6 William O. Clark, Ft. Bragg, exceeding a safe speed, costs; Eva E. Clark, Ft. Bragg, exceeding a sale speed, costs; Luther W. Simelton, Charlotte, inspection violation, costs; Gertrude B. Inspection violation, costs; Gertrude B. Harris, Laurinburg, 65 in a 55 mph zone, S5, costs; Johnny E. Lewis, Lumber Bridge, public drundenness, costs; Marvin Cropper, Williamstown, N.J., 65 in a 55 mph zone, \$5 costs; Edmond F. Baddour, Jr., Laurinburg, unsafe passing, \$10, costs; John H. Wallace, Rt. 3, Raeford, exceeding a safe speed, costs; second charge

 Walace, Rt. 5, Raeford, exceeding a safe speed, costs; second charge exceeding safe speed, costs;
Willie C. McArthur, Jr., Rt. 3, Raeford, passing in marked intersection, \$10, costs; Leroy Torrence, Rt. 1, Raeford, muffler violation, costs; George Strickland, Box 262, Raeford, exceeding a safe remod explayed by Participal exceeding a safe speed, costs; Johnny R. Nichols, Walkertown, N.C., 65 iff a 55 mph zone, \$5, costs; James H. McRae, Rt. 1, Hoffman, following too closely, costs; Joseph C. Wallace, Fayetteville, Bobble L. Turner, Newell, 65 in a 55 mph zone, \$10, costs; E3 Roosevelt Hamilton, Jr., Ft. Bragg, unsafe passing, \$10, costs Earl Harris, Aberdeen, worthless check for \$11 to Woodrow Wilson, Jr., pay check and costs; Gilbert Cribb, Red Springs, worthless check for \$19,38 to Maxwell's Garage, pay check and costs; John Stokes, Jr., Charlotte, 68 in a 55 mph zone, \$10, costs.



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for each.

Also facing indictment by the grand jury is Earl Bullard, 26, 319½ South Main Street, after waiving a preliminary hearing on manufacture of a controlled substance (marijuana). Bond was set at \$500. A second charge of possession of marijuna was not prosecuted with leave by the state.

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non-support, was ordered to pay \$15 weekly support payments and final judgment was continued to May 23.

James L. Townsend, Raeford Hotel, pleaded guilty to disposing of mortgaged property and was sentenced to six months suspended for two years, placed on probation two years, ordered to make restitution and court costs. Jimmy Ballard, Rt. 2, Raeford,



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