

Three Charged in Falls City Assault and Theft

(KLZA)-- Three men are facing charges in connection with an alleged assault and theft that occurred in downtown Falls City March 18th.

According to Richardson County Court documents, 32-year-old Joseph Hart, of Grand Island, is charged with a felony count of assault and 21-year-old Jereamy Sharp, of St. Paul, Nebraska, is charged with a felony count of theft by unlawful taking.

The third person, Billy Hart was cited by the Falls City Police Department Wednesday with a misdemeanor charge of assault. His age and address are not immediately known.

According to a probable cause affidavit, Richard Rowland, of Salem, around 2:00 Sunday morning, told Falls City Police that he and his son, Scott, had been assaulted by three men in front of The Would Eye Bar in the 1800 block of Stone Street. The elder Rowland required hospitalized treatment.

Rowland said his wallet, containing several thousand dollars in cash, had been stolen.

As part of the ongoing investigation, a surveillance video was obtained from the bar.

On Monday, Joseph Hart returned to Falls City to be interviewed and allegedly admitted striking both Scott and Richard Rowland.

Affidavits also allege that on Sunday, Jereamy Sharp admitted in a phone call with a Falls City Police Officer that he had picked up a wallet and later threw it into a dumpster. It was noted in the report that Rowlands wallet was found in a dumpster, but had no money in it.

Sharp also returned to Falls City Monday, and during an interview with police, allegedly admitted to taking \$3,900 in cash from the wallet he picked up off the ground.

Both Joseph Hart and Sharp appeared in court Wednesday for bond hearings. Cash bond for Hart was set at \$1,250 and cash bond for Sharp was set at \$650. Both men are scheduled for an appearance in Richardson County Court on April 10th.

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