



A car that was torched by residents. Photo by Reginald Kanyane

Residents torch court

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ANGRY residents burned a section of a magistrates court and cars on Tuesday.

It happened in Ganyesa Village, outside Vryburg in North West.

They were demanding that two murder and rape accused be handed over to them.

At about 9pm, the residents went to the court and set it and several cars parked outside alight.

Court proceedings only resumed late in the afternoon after cops had restored order.

The two accused had been arrested on Monday morning on suspicion of:

- murdering two people
- attempted murder
- hijacking and robbery
- possession of an illegal firearm and ammunition
- kidnapping and rape.

They allegedly shot and killed Edwin Chichindua (47) and Bongani Letlhogile (42) and raped a 22-year-old woman.

North West cops spokeswoman Lieutenant-Colonel Amanda Funani said they had tried to rob a group of women walking from a tavern.

"The women screamed for help and Letlhogile and Chichindua allegedly saw what was happening and drove back to assist them," she said.

"They were shot at by the suspects and crashed into a fence.

"They were later found dead inside their vehicle while one of the women was seriously injured."

Funani said the suspects then kidnapped one of the women and fled.

"She was allegedly raped by one of them," she told the People's Paper

"The suspects were found in possession of a firearm and ammunition."

Investigations revealed that the two are linked to several other cases.

They're being kept in custody until 11 April when they're expected to apply for bail.

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Duo arrested with dagga worth thousands

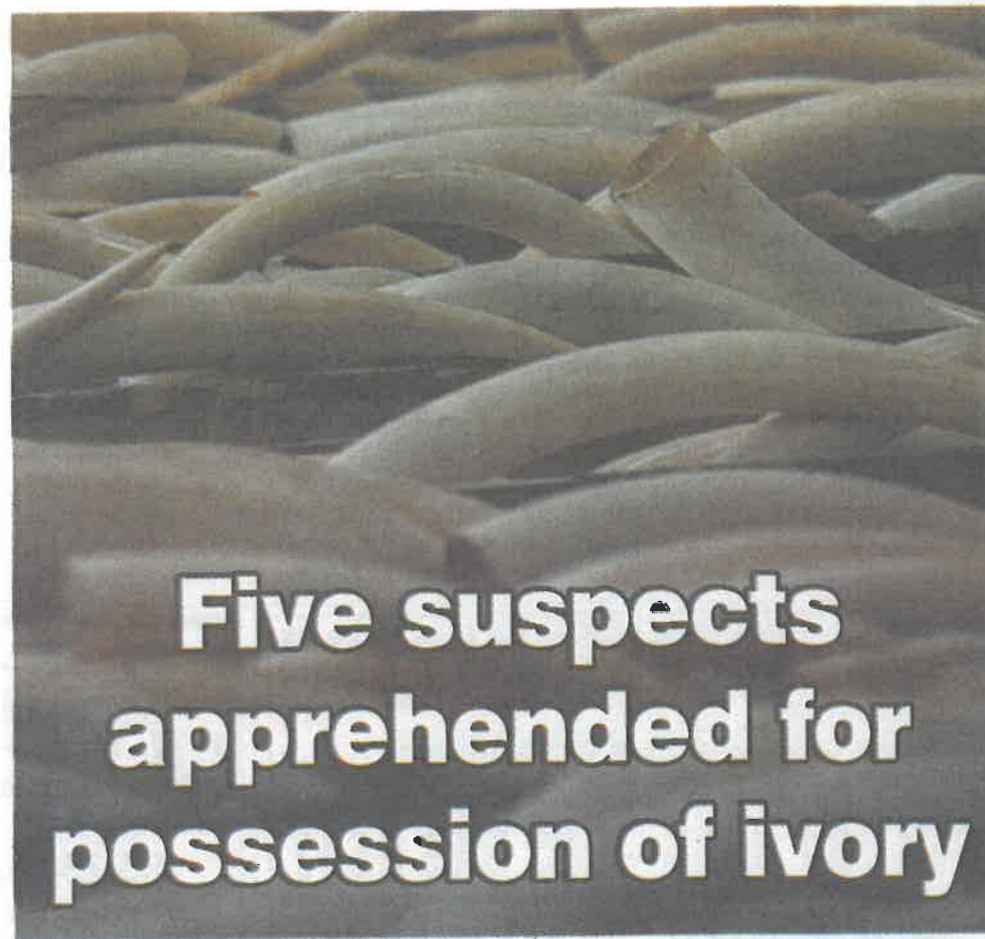
MAHIKENG MAIL-SERLENG: A crime intelligence led operation by police in Boitekong and Phokeng K9 Unit last Tuesday resulted in the arrest of two suspects both aged 34 for possession and dealing in drugs.

The pair was arrested at Seraleng Village after a follow-up indicating that the suspects were dealing in drugs. According to information received, the police conducted a search and upon arrival at the suspect's place where they found plastic bags containing dagga with estimated street value of R67 000 inside the house.

The suspects were apprehended and appeared in the Rustenburg Magistrate's Court on last Thursday with charges of dealing in drugs. Their case was remanded pending further investigations.

The North West Acting Provincial Commissioner, Major General Ryno Naidoo commended the members for their cooperation that resulted in the arrest and confiscation of the dagga. He said that the arrest will send a strong message that dealing in drugs is a scourge that cannot be tolerated.

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Five suspects apprehended for possession of ivory

MAHIKENG MAIL - LEFARAGATLHA: An intelligence-driven operation conducted by Rustenburg Cluster Crime Combating Unit was successful when five suspects were arrested for possession of unlawful ivory last Tuesday at Lefaragatlha village near Phokeng. Pg 5 SAPS NW MAHIKENG MAIL POS 5/4/18

The apprehension of the suspects aged between 28 and 36 came after the police responded immediately to a tip-off about alleged illegal sale of an ivory. As part of the operation, the police went to a house in Lefaragatlhe where they found the suspects.

A search was conducted and two Elephant tusks with estimated value of R600 000 were found inside the boot of a Toyota Vios with a registration number of Botswana.

The suspects were arrested after failing to account for the possession.

The suspects appeared before the Bafokeng Magistrate's Court in Tlhabane last Thursday and their case was postponed to allow for further investigation.

North West Acting Provincial Commissioner, Major General Ryno Naidoo applauded the members for a sterling job and ensuring that the suspects were arrested.

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Two cops ^{HAWKS POS}

arrested for corruption

ELFAS TORÉRAI

TWO police officers were arrested in Ventersdorp yesterday for corruption and extortion.

Baatile John Murambiwa, 39, and Thebeethata Reginald Mandlane, 44, were nabbed by the Hawks serious corruption unit.

"Murambiwa and Mandlane are employees of the SAPS with the ranks of constable stationed at Ventersdorp police station and were arrested following a complaint alleging that during their patrol around Ventersdorp, they stopped a bakkie with a trailer and searched it.

"During the search they found furniture which was not on the list," Hawks provincial spokesperson Tlangelani Rikhotso said.

"The driver of the bakkie informed the police that it fell under miscellaneous and they should call the owner to verify it."

She said the constables allegedly demanded R550 from the owner, failing which they would arrest the driver.

"The money was then deposited by the owner into one of the suspects' accounts.

The suspects made their first appearance in the Ventersdorp Magistrate's Court where they were each released on R500 bail and the case was postponed to April 25 for a regional court date.

Hawks provincial head Maj-Gen Linda Mbana said public officials like police should not abuse power.

"Corrupt police officials who prey on innocent people will face the full might of the law," she said.

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Top cop appointed

Capetonians from all walks of life feel Jacobs is right man for the job and await leadership

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THE former head of crime intelligence in the province, Anthony Peter Jacobs, is the new kid on the block at the crime intelligence division of the SAPS.

His career was somewhat resurrected just before Good Friday when national Police Minister Bheki Cele announced that Jacobs would head the division in his capacity as lieutenant-general.

Capetonians from all walks of life lauded his appointment, saying he was the right man for the job. Yesterday, Jacobs told The New Age: "At this stage I cannot talk to the media about this matter. I will speak about it once I've officially taken up the position."

Cele also announced the appointment of Lt-Gen Tebello Mosikile as the new head of the SAPS detective services and Lt-Gen Samson Shitlaba as the national boss of protection and security services.

Two years ago, Jacobs' career along with that of Maj-Gen Jeremy Vearey, head of the Western Cape police's anti-gang unit, suffered a major setback when they were both demoted.

However, they took the matter to the Labour Court and after a year-long battle to challenge their demotions, they emerged victorious when the court set aside the decision and ordered they be reinstated to their initial positions.

Along with Vearey the two were instrumental in infiltrating the underworld and immensely contributed to the sentencing to jail of several high flyers who had wreaked havoc in gang-infested areas around the province.

Police spokesperson Brig Vishnu Naidoo said Jacobs' appointment came after a proper recruitment process that entailed the advertisement of the post and conducting interviews with all relevant people.

Jacobs, a former member of the ANC's armed wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe and 14 others, including Vearey, were arrested on terrorism charges during apartheid and did time in Pollsmoor Prison in 1987.

He joined the police force in 1995 when the Statutory Forces were incorporated into the service and at the time of his appointment he was a cluster commander in Wynberg.

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LAUDED: Police Minister Bheki Cele recently appointed new heads of various SAPS divisions. PICTURE: DALESENG MOSOHO

Adv Majavu shooting

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MAHLIKENG: North West MEC Motlhabane for Community Transport Management reacted with shock and disbelief to reports Zola Majavu was shot at as he walked into a business robbery patron last weekend.

is the sitting Chairperson Traffic Management Board. The board is under shareholder Task Team of Transport which he chairs on behalf of the transport. Majavu recently accompanied Minister of Transport and issued a stern warning who flagrantly disrespect officials. The minister a court appearance of a rude remarks and was the officer.

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of the traffic officer was the motorist should give address instead of the RTMC under Majavu traffic management policy onitors implementation, and technical support to tments and municipalities. bane wished Adv Majavu ery and requested the 'olice Service (SAPS) to l crack the case "so that would-be-killers to book. thugs got off with cash, patrons cell phones and

ranted incident happens our main focus, as the rtments and RTMC, is ad Safety Arrive Alive far North West has est number of crashes and an attack on business and

especially its patrons is a clear sign that criminals continue on a rampage almost with impunity," said MEC Motlhabane.

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Roadblocks show results

Only two people died in five accidents during Easter weekend on province's roads

ELFAS TORERAI

ROADBLOCKS across the province in the run-up to the Easter weekend had positive results as the death toll on the roads went down significantly.

Two people died on the province's roads in five accidents recorded during the long weekend.

Traffic authorities in the province have welcomed the reduction in fatalities from five experienced in the same period in 2017.

The number of accidents recorded, however, remained the same in the two years.

Ngaka Modiri Molema district recorded three accidents and one death while Bojanala had a single crash and one fatality.

There were no accidents or fatalities recorded in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti district. The Dr Kenneth Kaunda region had one crash but no fatality.

Community safety and transport management spokesperson Thabo Sematle said the department was happy with the way road users behaved during the long weekend.

"MEC Motlhabane would like to commend motorists and pedestrians for the good behaviour shown thus far," he said.

Sematle said the majority of motorists had taken it upon themselves to behave in the manner expected of them at all times.

"However, there are a few bad apples that were caught on the wrong side of the law.

"A 34-year-old motorist was caught clocking 203km/h in a 120km/h limit zone. This offence took place on the N4 between Helen Joseph and Dr Moroka Road about 7.55am on Sunday," Sematle said.

The man was driving a white Audi A3 and was arrested for speeding.



COMMITTED: MEC Mpho Motlhabane talks to a motorist at one of the roadblocks.

skraal on N14 road near Ventersdorp. He was apprehended by traffic cops about 5pm on Sunday.

"The department condemns reckless driving but thanks traffic cops for doing a good job. Since the introduction of 24-hour shifts, especially on the national roads like the N4, we have seen a considerable reduction in the number of accidents reported," Sematle said.

At a roadblock mounted at the Marikna turn-off along the N4. a

R14 600 were issued.

Traffic volumes are expected to peak towards the end of the week as school-children return from holidays for the second term.

Sematle said from today, there would be roadblocks on all major routes in the province to make sure there was order on the roads.

"We call on those driving back from their holidays to please do so with caution. Put your headlights on particu-

at all times. No drinking and driving will be tolerated," he said.

"Let us all commit ourselves to playing our part in stopping the road carnage," MEC Mpho Motlhabane said.

"Road safety is a collective responsibility. This means we must all say no to bad behaviour.

"I request you all to closely work together. The road belongs to everyone and it is a space to share. Let us make sure it is safe and friendly to every



Departmental HOD, Mmefothale Mofokeng and National Traffic Police Official interacting with motorist near the N4 Marikana off-ramp under-bridge

Departmental MEC, Dr Mpho Motlhabane engaging a motorist near the N4 Marikana off-ramp under-bridge

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Motlhabane managers road safety in NW province

MAHIKENG MAIL - MAHIKENG: MEC for the Department of Community Safety Transport and Management, Dr Mpho Motlhabane, the Head of the Department, Bothale Mofokeng and Senior Management led massive roadblocks along the N4 Marikana and later at the R53 Koster road to officially activate the North West province's Arrive Alive Operations to ensure safety and incident free flow of traffic when the Easter long weekend started last Thursday. The MEC together with the HOD handed out road safety information brochures, pamphlets, gadgets, other promotional materials while interacting with road users to advise them not to drink and drive, to stick to the speed limit, to ensure their vehicles are always roadworthy, to be on the look-out for strag animals and pedestrian along the road. The Traffic Officers jointly with South African Police Service and other law enforcement agencies were searching

vehicles, inspecting them while also checking if they have the necessary permits and documents. The traffic officers and the SAPS were dispatched across the length and breadth of the provinces' roads; national, provincial, municipal and rural roads as well at entrances and exit points of all towns and especially the capital city, during this Easter Holidays to reduce the high number of fatalities on the roads.