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INCIDENT TYPE – BURGLARY AND ARREST

HIGH POINT, NC – On Monday, August 10, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. High Point Police officers received a call about **Mr. Winston H Pope (W/M, 49, of High Point)** being missing and possibly breaking into vacant warehouses. No one had contact with Mr. Pope for five days. The last contact anyone had with Pope, he was known to be in the Prospect Street area.

High Point Patrol Officers began searching vacant warehouses that they were aware of in the area. The second property searched was located at 908 Taylor Avenue. While the officers were searching the second floor, Pope was located. Pope was located with several burglary tools to include hammers, 20 wire cutters/strippers, two – 24” bolt cutters, several pry bars, a cordless drill, and flashlights. The items that Pope had cut/damaged and had planned to steal were approximately 35 pounds of copper plating, 25 pounds of copper wire, and several pounds of copper pipe.

After arrest, Mr. Pope stated that he shot up Meth and had been in the building for the last two days.

Mr. Pope was transported to the police department for processing and served with outstanding Failure To Appear. He was also charged with Felony Breaking & Entering, Possession of Burglars Tools, and Larceny after Breaking & Entering. He was then transported to the Guilford County (High Point) Magistrate’s Office where he was given a \$5,000 secured bond and placed in the Guilford County (High Point) Jail.



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Winston H Pope (2021 booking photo)

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