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Canton man convicted in Holmes County murder charge arrested for fraud

Press Release

A Canton man who allegedly attempted to defraud the cities of Brandon and Pearl was arrested Thursday on three felony counts of insurance fraud, Attorney General Jim Hood announced.

Rodriquez Sago, 43, was indicted by a Rankin County grand jury on charges that allege he filed false insurance claims that stated city workers who were landscaping city property caused several rocks to hit his windshield and damage it. The indictment states the damage did not occur at the time he made the claim nor was the damage caused by the cities accused. Sago accused the City of Pearl for causing damages in June and July of 2017 and the City of Brandon in June 2018. He was booked into the Rankin County jail pending an initial appearance.

If convicted on all three counts, Sago faces up to nine

years in prison. A charge is merely an accusation, and a defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

Sago is a convicted felon on an unrelated murder charge in Holmes County.

This case was investigated by Justin Harris and will be prosecuted by Special Assistant Attorney General Brad Oberhausen, both with the AG's Public Integrity Division. The arresting agency was the Mississippi Department of Corrections.

Two murder suspects recaptured after escaping Holmes-Humphreys Regional Correctional Facility

Associated Press

Two murder suspects who escaped from a Mississippi jail have been recaptured.

Holmes County Sheriff Willie March tells local news outlets that deputies caught 19-year-old Darren Clark running through a yard in Lexington about 7 a.m. Monday. They caught 35-year-old Antony Fisher about 11 a.m. Monday.

March says Clark and Fisher were cellmates. He says they escaped through

the jail ceiling and over a barbed wire fence around 2 a.m. Monday.

Clark is one of four men charged with robbing and killing a Jackson pastor in January. He's also charged with a December store robbery.

Fisher is charged with killing 75-year-old Ora Lee Irvin in Pickens. Irvin was found shot in the back of her head in her backyard in May. Fisher is also charged with a Lexington armed robbery.

Holmes 4-H horse exhibitors excel at NW District Horse Show

By Betsy Padgett

Holmes Co. Ext./4-H Agent Montgomery County was host to the 2019 Northwest District 4-H Horse Show on June 6 and 7, in Winona. Holmes County 4-H'ers took advantage of the "near" home turf, winning a number of the classes.

Thursday, June 6, was the first day of the show where exhibitors showed off their skills in Goat Tying, Roping and Running events. Cle'Varius "Ro" Dixon placed 5th and Colton Howell, 6th, in Goat Tying, both qualifying to move on to the State 4-H Horse Championships in Jackson, June 20. The goats in Winona were a bit crafty and "kicked" out of ties from our other team members. This was "Ro's" first 4-H show so that 5th place qualifying finish was extra special for him.

Our team ropers had no luck but Marquail Primers

won the Breakaway roping on his horse, Fella, while Sinatra Clayton took 2nd, and Tredell Meeks, 3rd. This qualified all three of these 4-H'ers to advance to Jackson to the state championships.

In speed events, Orin Howell on his pony, Casper, advanced in all three Pony events - winning the Stake Race, while placing 2nd in both Barrels and Poles. Colton Howell out did little brother by a little in speed, winning both Barrels and Poles on his horse, Frosty, and placing 4th in the Stake Races. Both Ro and Ty Dixon qualified in their age division in Poles and Stakes. Ro took 4th in Barrels, then, 5th, in Stakes, and 6th, in Poles. Ty beat brother, Ro, in Poles placing 5th, then 6th in Stakes. Both Dixon brothers will move on to Jackson - so maybe there won't be too much sibling rivalry between

these two.

In the Senior division of Pole Bending, Kyra Mosley won the 14-15 year old division with Marquail Primers placing 5th and Lajayvian Mitchell, 6th. In the 16-18 year old division of Poles, Tredell Meeks' horse Daisy took him flawlessly through to a win, while Anthony Meeks took 5th (both advancing to the state show, as well).

In Senior Barrels - age division 14-15, Kyra Mosley led our team with a 3rd place finish with Sinatra Clayton coming in at 5th (both advancing, as well) and Marquail coming in 6th. Tredell took third in his class of Barrels and 2nd in Stakes and will be competing in Jackson again. Anthony then placed 5th, in Stakes and 6th in Barrels - he too, will advance. In Senior Stakes 14-15 division, Kyra won again with

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Ripe, Plump Picks



Lexington resident Mary Calhoun, standing left, peruses the day's offerings from John Branch, standing right, of John's Farming, on Friday, June 7. Calhoun picked a rutabaga for that day's lunch. The Lexington Farmers Market is now open every Friday at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Building 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Spring harvests from vendors last week included yellow and red plums, squash, peaches, collards, cabbage, red tomatoes, onions, rutabagas, and cucumbers. Branch reported that his biggest sellers of the morning were collard greens and yellow plums.

(Photo by Matthew Breazeale)



Holmes County 4-H exhibitors won awards topping show in numerous events during the Northwest District 4-H Horse Show on June 6 and 7. Youth and their coaches are pictured above (from left): Anthony Meeks, Kimberly Clayton (coach), Brian Grisby, Kyra Mosley, LaJayvian Mitchell, Sinatra Clayton, Colton Howell, Marquail Primers, Orin Howell, "Ro" Dixon, Tredell Meeks, McKenzie Dixon, "Ty" Dixon, Janawa McCaskill (coach), and Tara Howell (4-H Agent).

(Photo by Betsy Padgett)

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