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On July 12, 2021, 27-year-old Lucas Filson of Waynesville, Missouri was charged with Felony Stealing by the Laclede County Prosecutor's Office. Filson remains lodged in the Laclede County Jail in lieu of a \$5000 cash or surety bond.

On July 10, 2021, officers responded to the 1200 block of W. Elm Street for a report of suspicious activity after a Laclede County Deputy observed suspicious activity at another Elm Street business. Upon arrival, it was observed that the suspicious vehicle matched the description of a vehicle used in several catalytic converter thefts around the City of Lebanon, a blue 2008 Chevrolet Malibu. Contact was made with Filson and a passenger, 40-year-old James Shaffner from Richland, Missouri. After further investigation, tools and evidence of the crime were located and Filson was arrested on the theft of catalytic converters. Shaffner was arrested on multiple warrants out of four different surrounding counties. Both were taken to Laclede County Jail as a result of this investigation.

The above charges are mere accusation and are not evidence of guilt. Evidence in support of these charges must be presented before a court of competent jurisdiction whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

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