Agnew's Son Escapes Penalty as 'Peeper'

Baltimore

Although a verdict was not returned on a peeping tom charge, James (Randy) Agnew was put on probation yesterday after xhe son of the former vice president testified he was not spying through a young couple's window but was drunk and sick.

Agnew, who admitted lying to police about his name, was accused of "trespassing with intent to peep" after Timothy M. Frye and his wife, Susan, both 17, alleged he looked through their bedroom window about 2 a.m. July 7.

"I'm not going to saddle you with a criminal record," said City Judge Sol Friedman in granting Agnew, 29, "probation without judgment," a ruling that does not establish guilt or innocence provided Agnew remains out of trouble.

Agnew testified he had 15 or

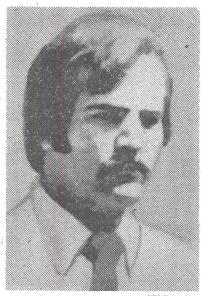
16 alcoholic drinks including "bloody Marys and wine" at a party he attended July 6 with his wife at the home of friends. He said he took his wife home and then began driving around before returning home.

He said he went behind the apartment building because he was "fairly sick and dizzy.

"I had the dry heaves and I had to relieve myself and I wasn't thinking of anything else," he said. "Then I heard someone yell and I started to run because I didn't know what was going on."

According to police Agnew was chased and beaten by Frye, a forklift operator, after the couple saw him looking into their bedroom. Agnew was treated for a cut over his right eye and facial bruises.

Agnew gave a false name to police, but was arrested after the Fryes pressed charges and his



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JAMES (RANDY) AGNEW
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true identity was learned.

"I gave him (the policeman) the name John Johnson because of my name and I didn't want it in the newspapers," Agnew testified.

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