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Date: January 5, 2010Re: Daniel Lee Walter Cole Burglary receives 16 months in prison Carol Shipley, Assistant District Attorney Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Daniel Lee Walter Cole, age 26 of Modesto, was sentenced on January 4, 2010 to sixteen months in state prison by the Honorable Linda McFadden, following his conviction on November 5, 2009 for second degree burglary. Deputy District Attorney Randy Fischer prosecuted the case for the People.

On March 12, 2009, Cole drove two unknown men to the area of the Rose Avenue Elementary School in Modesto. The two men burglarized the school while Cole waited for them. They took a school projector and other items of school property. A witness noted the license plate number of Cole's car. When authorities contacted Cole, he admitted his involvement and told authorities he would help them try to recover the school property. He led the police to a motel where one of the unknown men was staying. Police recovered stolen property from other school burglaries, but not the projector from Rose Avenue School. Cole had served a prior state prison term for possession of methamphetamine in 2005.

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