

## Suspects Caught in Avery Deputy Assault, Robbery

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A manhunt that started late yesterday afternoon appears to be over, the suspects in the assault of an officer captured in Calhoun Georgia after an Avery Detective was jumped, assaulted, and his service weapon and county vehicle stolen. Avery Sheriff Kevin Frye said about a half hour after the assault that the detective had taken the two break-in suspects from the Mitchell County Jail to an area near Mullen Hill Road and Three Mile Highway where they were showing places they had allegedly broken into when one of the suspects jumped the deputy, hit him, then took his service weapon. The two escaped in the Avery County gray Dodge Ram pickup with a camper top at about 3:45 yesterday afternoon. A bulletin was issued for the vehicle, and area lawmen launched an extensive search for the pair, identified as cousins Calvin and Phillip Metcalf, 20 and 25 years old respectively, but it was just after 5 this morning that authorities in Georgia reported that they captured the pair and recovered the truck, calling off the search. Calvin Lee Metcalf lists a Bakersville address, Phillip Nicholas Metcalf lists Spruce Pine as his address. Indications are that the truck and the detective's weapon were recovered with the arrests.