The following individuals appeared Wednesday before Judge Charles Steele in Van Wert County Common Pleas Court:

Elmico Crisp, 35, Van Wert, changed his plea to guilty to a charge of one count of drug abuse, a felony of the fifth degree.

Crisp was arrested as the result of an accident investigation that took place in February. At that time, he was allegedly found to have heroin.

Judge Steele took his guilty plea to the charge in the indictment and immediately sentenced Crisp to a basic prison term of six months and gave him credit for time served since he had been in jail since being indicted.

Crisp was ordered to pay $250 as partial reimbursement for his court-appointed attorney, affidavit of indigency fee of $25 and court costs.

Robert D. Yuill, 40, presently incarcerated in prison, entered a plea of guilty to charges of forgery and identity fraud.

Yuill, originally of Columbus, was creating checks of a local business and forging name of employees in November of last year.

Judge Steele accepted his guilty plea to two counts of forgery and one count of identity fraud and immediately sentenced him to serve a six-month prison sentence on each count, with the sentence to run concurrently with one another and also concurrent to a prison sentence he presently serving for similar offenses out of Auglaize County.

Ronny Black, 52, Delphos, was sentenced to one year of community control and ordered to spend 60 days in the Van Wert County Jail on a charge of domestic violence, a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Black was arrested by Delphos for an incident that took place between Black and his wife.

Black was ordered to pay court costs and perform 200 hours of community service work which can be reduced to 100 hours if he remains gainfully employed. He must undergo an anger-management assessment and complete any rehabilitation program recommend.

Judge Steele also gave Black a 180-day jail sentence and a fine of $1,000 fine but deferred the imposition of the sentence pending the successful completion of the community control.