

### 3 MEN ACCUSED OF KILLINGS IN DETROIT STORE

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**Three men** were charged Wednesday with the weekend triple slaying behind the counter of a **Detroit party store** , police said.

Two **of the men** also were charged Wednesday **in** a March 8 armed robbery that resulted **in** the death of **Detroit** restaurateur.

Police said Jason Armour, 23, Tony Dupree, 20, and Lloyd Hicks, 18, all **of Detroit** , walked into the Red Wing Party **Store** last Saturday to rob it.

When they left the business on the 15700 block **of** West 7 Mile, **three** U.S. citizens **of** Yemeni origin were dead or dying **of** gunshots to the head. The **three** were co-owner Norman Shohatee, 25, and his friends Faiz Al Maweri, 19, and Tawfiq Mussed, 19, all **of** Dearborn.

A month earlier, police said, Armour and Hicks shot Steven Cheng to death at his family's Cheng's Garden restaurant on the 18100 block **of** W. McNichols.

Cheng, 25, handed several hundred dollars to the two gun- wielding robbers, but they shot him anyway. The business, owned by Cheng's father, had been robbed eight times **in** the previous four months.

Armour and Dupree were arrested late Monday and await arraignment today on counts **of** murder, armed robbery and using a firearm during a felony.

Police asked for help **in** capturing Hicks. The **three men** are believed responsible for other robberies as well **in** **Detroit** and Southfield.

On Monday night, a **Detroit** patrol officer recognized a car linked to the crimes, and its license was traced to a home on the 19700 block **of** Forrer on the city's northwest side, said police, who found Armour and Dupree there.

Anyone with information on Hicks is asked to call police at 596-2260 anytime.

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: Lloyd Hicks \*\*\*

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