

## SUSPECT ORDERED TO TRIAL IN DRUG WAR SLAYING CASE

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George (Scandalous Butch) Young, 24, identified by police as part of the Young Boys Inc. **drug** trafficking organization, was **ordered** Thursday **to** stand **trial** for murder.

Young and three other men allegedly killed a 15-year-old east side youth and shot two other men April 9 because they thought the youth and his companions were selling **drugs** for the rival Pony Down **drug** group **in** Young Boys territory, according **to** court testimony.

The 15-year-old, Raphael Myatt, died shortly after the 3 p.m. east side shooting. Paul Mitchell, 26, was shot **in** the right wrist, and Richard Shepherd, 31, was shot **in** the left wrist **in** a hail of bullets from a carbine and a large caliber handgun.

A fourth person, Mark Gordon, 18, escaped injury by diving under a car, said police, who attribute the **slaying** and a rash of other recent street shootings **to** competition between the Pony Down and Young Boys Inc. **drug** organizations.

According **to** court records, Young was joined **in** the attack by John (Pot) Piner, 26; Vincent (Sharkey) Reed, 21, and Kevin (Bibbie) Terrell, 22.

All four were charged with one count of first-degree murder, three counts of assault with intent **to** commit murder and one count of committing a felony while **in** possession of a firearm. Young, arrested two weeks ago, is the only one **in** custody.

According **to** court testimony Thursday, the victims were not selling Pony Down brand heroin, but instead an independent brand called "Papa Smurf," sold on Detroit's east side. Young and the others questioned the victims' right **to** sell **in** what they considered Young Boys territory, where they sell their own "Touchdown" brand heroin.

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