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Ex-Teacher Faces Sex-Offense Term

A former public schoolteacher and Boy Scout leader, who pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery with intent to satisfy sexual desires, faces sentencing Aug. 13 in Criminal Court, Division 1.

The defendant, Thomas E. Hacker, 33, who lived at 388 South Audubon Road at the time of his arrest early this year, entered the guilty plea before Judge John T. Davis Thursday.

Following an investigation last February police reported that Hacker had been sexually involved with an estimated 300 youths in the last few years.

Hacker was charged specifically with the assault upon a 14-year-old boy last Jan. 31.

Since his arrest Hacker has been under the care of a psychiatrist, Dr. Ronald H. Hull, according to Dr. Hull Hacker

will require further treatment but that there is a good chance of complete recovery.

Hacker was an English teacher at Public School 57, 5435 East Washington Street, and was scoutmaster for Troop 3 at the Irvington Presbyterian Church, 55 Johnson Avenue. He was also active in extracurricular sports at his church and at school.

He has no previous criminal record.