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## POLICE SAY WOMAN LIED ABOUT ASSAULT

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Charges will be brought against a Fayetteville woman.

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A woman will be charged with filing a false rape report against a McLeansville man, a misdemeanor offense rarely prosecuted in Guilford County.

“I handle probably more than half the rape cases that come through here and I’ve never heard of anyone being charged with filing false (rape) charges,” said assistant district attorney Gwenda Priest. Authorities issued warrants against Claudia Denise Hemric, 19, of Fayetteville because of the seriousness of her allegations, Detective Phil Byrd said. “If it’s not real, most of the time law enforcement is going to find out,” Byrd said.

“But you’ve still got that chance that one time a guy’s going to end up doing 20 to 25 years for a lie.” Moses Cone Hospital officials in Greensboro called sheriff’s deputies April 6 to report they were treating a woman who said she was raped.

Deputies became suspicious of the woman’s story when hospital officials announced they had found a condom in the woman’s vagina. Hemric was seven months pregnant at the time.

The woman identified her attacker as Floyd Cromer, 20, of 5245 Maxwell Road in McLeansville. He was never charged. Byrd said he became more suspicious of inconsistencies in the woman’s story. The next day, the woman told police she consented to sex with the man.

She told Byrd she was afraid her husband would discover the affair because she had to have doctors remove the condom.

“She was scared,” Byrd said. “She was late getting home. She said she panicked and was worried about getting AIDS. If she was a real clever lady, it could have meant some real problems for somebody.”

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