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Press Release

Arkansas City man arrested Saturday after kidnapping attempt

Alberts apprehended in connection with knife disturbance after foot chase

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (August 10, 2015) — An Arkansas City man was arrested Saturday afternoon by the Arkansas City Police Department in connection with an alleged kidnapping incident and disturbance involving a knife in Sleeth Addition in southeast Arkansas City.

William Donald Alberts, 26, was arrested on suspicion of aggravated assault, battery-domestic violence, criminal damage to property, interference with the judicial process and kidnapping.

He also was wanted on a warrant for failure to appear in Arkansas City Municipal Court and for probation violation through Cowley County District Court in Winfield.

Alberts was transported to and booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$44,500 bond through Cowley County District Court in Arkansas City and \$2,943 bond through municipal court.

He remained in custody at the time of this release. There is no bond for probation violation.

Police were dispatched at 3:06 p.m. Saturday to the 1200 block of South L Street for a report of a possible disturbance involving a knife.

Interviews at the scene indicated that Alberts had threatened a 19-year-old Arkansas City woman with a knife and held her inside of a residence against her will by using physical force.

He also apparently damaged a vehicle.

Police located Alberts running southbound near Central Avenue and F Street. They chased him on foot for about 30 minutes through a nearby wooded area next to the BNSF Railroad tracks on F Street.

Alberts eventually was apprehended and arrested in connection with the knife incident.

A defendant's guilt or innocence is to be determined by a court of law.

For immediate release