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Press Release

On 3/10/17, the Bates County Sheriff's Office received information from the Linn County Sheriff's Office in reference to a possible location of a wanted person on a federal fugitive warrant. Deputies responded to the Amsterdam area to search possible locations for the Caleb Ayers. As deputies were patrolling the area one of them passed a vehicle and identified the passenger as the wanted subject. The deputies turned around on the vehicle to attempt a traffic stop when it pulled into a residence. Deputies made contact with the driver and confirmed that the subject was located in the vehicle. Deputies took the subject into custody identifying him as Caleb Ayers W/M 4/4/1987.

Ayers was indicted by a federal grand jury after Cass County Sheriff's deputies were called to the Drexel Bank in the early hours of May 14, 2016. Deputies found a loaded handgun and a homemade explosive device in the vehicle. At the time the area around the bank was evacuated and the Lee's Summit Bomb Squad responded and disarmed the explosive device.

Along with the Federal Indictment of Felon in Possession of a firearm, Felon in Possession of an Explosive and Possession of Unregistered Destructive Device, Ayers was wanted by the following agencies:

Bates County-Probation Violation for resisting arrest

Cass County- Unlawful Possession of a weapon

Linn County Ks-Probation Violation for possession of Opium or Depravity

Henry County- Non Support

Ayers was transported to the Bates County Sheriff's Office and will be turned over to the United States Marshal Service on Monday.

