

Charges filed in connection with Friday shooting, high-speed chase

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Charges have been filed against a man connected with a shooting and high-speed chase in Jefferson City on Friday.

Cole County Prosecutor Bill Tackett said Brad Moreland, 20, from Millersville, is charged with first-

degree assault and armed criminal action for shooting Elroy Newsome in the hip in front of 1001 W. High St. Moreland is in the Cole County Jail with a bond of \$500,000.

"We asked for a high bond because of the nature and number of crimes committed in this case," Tackett said.

According to the probable cause statement, Moreland told officers he

shot Newsome because he was trying to break into Newsome's vehicle. He stated he threw the gun, a .22-caliber revolver, into the Missouri River after fleeing the scene.

It was not long after this that Moreland led local law enforcement officers on a high-speed chase that went from the Hy-Vee parking lot on Truman



Moreland

Hill

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Boulevard, down South Country Club to Route C, over to Ellis Boulevard and Eastland Drive and finally on to Westbound Highway 50 into Jefferson City where eventually he bailed out of his vehicle and was captured after a chase on foot in the area of Elm and Locust streets.

Moreland has also been charged in connection with a strong-armed robbery that occurred April 29.

According to the probable cause statement, Moreland and Chad Hill, 20, of Jefferson City, were walking near the Islamic Center of Central Missouri, 420 Brooks St., looking for people to steal money from to buy nar-

cotics. Hill said they approached a man and displayed a handgun demanding money. The victim refused to comply and Hill struck the victim in the eye. The two took the victim's wallet and fled. They then used a credit card in the wallet to purchase hundreds of dollars worth of products at Wal-Mart and Schnucks. Both merchants provided authorities with video surveillance that showed Hill and Moreland using the card.

Hill and Moreland both face charges of first-degree robbery and armed criminal action in this case.

Hill is in the Cole County Jail with a bond of \$100,000.a

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