

Meth arrests made following Atchison probe

(KAIR)--Arrests are made as part of an ongoing Atchison County investigation focused on the sale of methamphetamine.

Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie told MSC News the two arrests wrap-up a week-long probe into the distribution of meth.

Arrested are 35-year-old Richard Croft, of Rushville, Missouri and 34-year-old Tracy Filley, of Atchison.

Croft had been the focus of the probe, with deputies having allegedly purchased methamphetamine from Croft on two separate occasions.

Laurie says both Croft and Filley were in a vehicle stopped by his

Deputies, and the Kansas Highway Patrol, Wednesday evening, with the agencies knowing that Croft was wanted on a Kansas Department of Corrections warrant for a parole violation. "Once we were able to find him that evening, we were able to make an arrest for his parole violation warrant that he had, and that continued into a search warrant that we executed."

The search warrant was executed early Thursday morning at 304 South 21st Street, in Atchison.

It was there, Laurie says, that more than 20 grams of methamphetamine, along with a small amount of marijuana, were found in the home, and seized.

Filley, who was apparently staying at the residence with Croft, faces charges of distribution of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, and no drug tax stamp.

Croft faces charges of distribution of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, and no drug tax stamp in relation to the search warrant.

He also faces separate charges for distribution of methamphetamine and use of a communication facility in the commission of a drug felony, stemming from the alleged meth purchases made by Deputies.

Both Filley and Croft remain in the Atchison County Jail.

She's held on a bond of \$15,000, while he's held on a bond of \$20,000.

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