Roadway BB gun threat holds Atchison man

(KAIR)--A 25-year-old Atchison man goes to jail after brandishing what appeared to be a handgun during an apparent road rage incident. "It was about 2:15 on Wednesday afternoon when we responded to the area of the 200 block of South 10th, near the railroad tracks at 10th Street," Atchison Police Chief Mike Wilson told MSC News. "What we learned was there had been two vehicles westbound on 59 Highway. Actually, both had been in Missouri, proceeded into Atchison. Apparently there was some type of lane change dispute between the two vehicles as they continued westbound."

Wilson said it was during the dispute that Cody Vanwey is accused of aiming the gun, which police later learned was not an actual handgun, at the driver of the other vehicle. "As they approached 10th Street, a driver in one vehicle, specifically a van, pulled what we learned to be a BB gun out, aimed it at the other driver, who was in a pickup truck next to the van, pointed it at him, and then fired several shots. Both vehicles then proceeded near the tracks, northbound, where the van, [driven by] the man with the gun, hit the tracks at a high speed, causing the van to become disabled and stopped."

Wilson said Vanwey was still with the van when police arrived.

Following an investigation at the scene, he was arrested on charges for aggravated assault and reckless driving.

Once he was in custody, Vanwey was booked into the Atchison County Jail.

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