

Counterfeit suspect in custody after slow pursuit

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A fleeing suspect who refused to exit his vehicle for an hour following a slow speed pursuit with deputies is now in custody and facing a number of charges, said Sheriff Steve Prator.

At approximately 12:35 p.m., Caddo deputies attempted to stop Jovi Christopherson's vehicle on I-49 after it was reported that he cashed a counterfeit \$100 bill at Wal-mart on Northport Boulevard. Christopherson finally pulled over for deputies about two miles from the store but refused to exit the truck when ordered to do so. Deputies were forced to shut down the interstate near North Market Street while they dealt with the situation. Patrol commander Capt. John May spoke by cell phone to Christopherson for nearly an hour, finally persuading him to surrender.

After the arrest, deputies conducted a search of the truck and found methamphetamines, a loaded handgun, more counterfeit money, a paper shredder, and other evidence.

Christopherson was taken to the Caddo Correctional Center where he was expected to be booked for flight from an officer, monetary instrument abuse, resisting arrest, and drug charges.