

Leavenworth Co Jail Escapee Apprehended

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) - An inmate who escaped from the Leavenworth County jail has been apprehended and returned to custody.

The Lawrence Journal-World reports 39-year-old George Burgess Jr. escaped through a side door in July while on a work detail. Maj. Jim Sherley says Burgess was in jail on a misdemeanor count of battery.

A Lawrence Police Department statement says officers responded to a call reporting a wanted person at large Sunday. Police say Burgess was located riding a bicycle and attempted to flee by bike and then on foot after seeing the approaching officers. Police apprehended Burgess without further incident and returned him to the jail.

Sherley tells The Associated Press that Burgess appeared in Leavenworth County District Court Monday and now faces a charge of escape from custody.

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