

Men arrested in Bismarck for walking away from transition centers

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Bismarck police arrested two men in unrelated incidents Monday for walking away from transition centers.

Both men were being supervised by North Dakota Parole and Probation.

Jesse Martell, 41, was arrested by Bismarck police at approximately 10 p.m. Monday, Bismarck Police Sgt. Mark Buschena said. He said police received information he was wanted for walking away from Centre Inc. in Mandan, where he had been placed by parole and probation, and that he was staying at a home on the 700 block of North 29th Street.

Detectives saw a vehicle drive away from the home and spoke with the two occupants of the vehicle. The man and woman inside told police Martell was in the residence, Buschena said. He said officers arrested him inside the home.

According to court documents, Martell was on supervision due to convictions in Morton and Williams counties for burglaries and thefts and in Morton County for felon in possession of a firearm. North Dakota Parole and Probation listed him as absconded on March 11 on the state's victim information network.

Geddy Lee Dubois, 28, was arrested by Bismarck police Monday after they were called to a report of two men not paying a taxi fare. An officer responding to the 11:12 p.m. report recognized the name "Geddy" as the first name of someone who had walked away recently from the Bismarck Transition Center, where he had been placed by parole and probation. Dispatch confirmed that Dubois was wanted for leaving the facility.

Dubois was arrested for leaving BTC, as well as for misdemeanor theft for the taxi charge. According to court documents, Dubois was on supervision due to a conviction for felony possession of drug paraphernalia.

The other man in the taxi, Elijah Toineeta, 24 of Wilton, was arrested for the theft, as well as for failing to consent to sentences in previous cases.