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PRESS RELEASE

UPD CASES #19-1478

DATE: 06/03/19

TIME OF CALL: 12:30 PM

LOCATION: 200 BLOCK OF BRUSH ST. UKIAH

CRIME: 245(a)(1) PC-ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

SUSPECT: YARNELL, KYLE (26 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE MASSILLON, OHIO)

VICTIM: 27 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE UKIAH, CA.

On 6-3-19, at approx. 12:30 PM, UPD officers and medical personnel were dispatched to the 200 block of Brush St. regarding an adult male bleeding badly from his neck. Upon arrival, officers contacted the victim. The victim was reported to be in critical condition and was already being tended to by medical personnel. The victim sustained an approx. 5" long laceration on the right side of his neck, another approx. 2" laceration to the right side of his head, as well as multiple contusions and abrasions on the victim's arms and legs.

The victim stated that he had been intentionally struck by a silver Subaru while walking in a driveway of a commercial building at the location. The victim had reportedly attempted to get out of the way of the vehicle but the driver (Kyle Yarnell) intentionally swerved and struck the victim. When struck by the vehicle, the victim hit the windshield (causing it to cave in) and then his body flipped over the Subaru. Yarnell never stopped or exited the Subaru, instead fled the scene.

While UPD officers were investigating this incident, MCSO received a report of damage to a vehicle in the 300 block of Ford Rd. MCSO deputies contacted Yarnell, along with his female companion. UPD officers also responded to Ford Rd. and it was determined the calls were related.

Officers contacted the involved parties, where it was reported that an initial incident occurred at a laundromat on Ford Rd. involving Yarnell's female companion and the victim. It was reported the victim had reportedly made an unwanted sexual suggestive comment to Yarnell's female companion. The female companion reported the victim's behavior to Yarnell. Yarnell and his female companion drove around in an attempt to locate the victim. Yarnell located the victim in the 200 block of Brush



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St., where evidence and statements suggest Yarnell intentionally struck the victim with his vehicle at a high rate of speed.

Yarnell was arrested for 245(a)(1) PC and subsequently lodged at the county jail. Yarnell's bail was set at \$30,000. The victim was transported to a hospital, where he's currently receiving medical care for his injuries. Anyone with additional information regarding this investigation is urged to contact UPD at 463-6262.