

A 1-vehicle roll-over on Saturday injures another Liberal man

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To add insult to injury, a Liberal man may be facing charges after he suffered “disabling injuries” when he was hit by a vehicle when trying to cross 15th Street on foot.

The man was hit around 10 p.m. Friday at the 15th Street and Cottonwood intersection, according to a statement released by Liberal Police Capt. Pat McClurg.

“Emergency responders were called to 15th and Cottonwood for a report of an injury accident involving a pedestrian,” McClurg noted. “Investigating officers found that a 28-year-old male ran across 15th Street at Cottonwood Avenue when he was struck by a blue 1991 Oldsmobile that was traveling east on 15th Street.”

Cottonwood is a short street behind J.C. Penny connecting 15th Street and the southside of the college.

“The pedestrian (incurred) disabling injuries and was taken to Southwest Medical Center by

Seward County EMS," McClurg continued. "He was later transported to Wesley Medical Center (in Wichita) for treatment. He has since been released."

Evidence suggested the injured man was under the influence of alcohol, according to McClurg.

"Charges against him are pending," he added.

The 54-year-old male driver was uninjured, but he was cited for no proof of insurance.

In another weekend in incident, McClurg also reported a Liberal man was injured Saturday in a one-vehicle roll-over.

"At 2:48 a.m. Saturday, emergency responders were called to the 400 block of Country Estates for a report of a one vehicle roll over," McClurg noted. "Investigating officers found that a 28-year-old male was driving a red 2005 Pontiac Sunfire south on Country Estates. The car entered the west ditch and rolled one time.

"The driver was transported to Southwest Medical Center by Seward County EMS with disabling injuries," McClurg reported. "He was later transported to Wesley Medical Center for further treatment. A 25-year-old passenger was uninjured.

McClurg went on to note that evidence suggested alcohol consumption may be a contributing factor.

"Charges may be filed upon receipt of pending blood alcohol testing," he added.