

Girl Screams, Claims Rape; Suspect Hoax

A 17 year old South Milwaukee girl was referred to juvenile authorities Thursday after South Milwaukee police said she staged a phony rape act.

The girl staggered screaming into the lobby of the Lake Shore Tower apartment, 6260 S. Lake dr., Cudahy, about 8.15 p.m. Wednesday, wearing only a slip and a torn blouse.

Residents came to the aid of the hysterical girl and called the police. The girl was rushed to Trinity Memorial hospital in Cudahy. After an examination by a doctor she was discharged. Doctors told police there was no indication she had been sexually assaulted.

After lengthy questioning, the girl broke into tears and admitted it was a hoax. She said she staged the act because she was late getting home from school.

Police said the girl was picked up by a 20 year old serviceman home on leave from Vietnam at her high school about 4:15 p.m.

At her request, he drove her to Grant park where he let her out. She told police she tore her coat into two pieces, ripped her jacket, skirt and head scarf and scattered her school books.

Then she ran to the apartment house lobby.

The serviceman will be charged with obstructing an officer because he gave them false information, police said.