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McFarland arrested on second charge within week

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CARLISLE — A Carlisle Police Officer, out on bond following his arrest on burglary charges last week, was again taken into custody by Carlisle City Police officers Saturday night on charges of knowingly receiving stolen property.

According to Carlisle Police Chief Sam Finch, Police Officer Daryl McFarland, arrested and charged last week in connection with a break-in at Crockett's Food-

town, has been implicated in connection with the theft of property owned by the TTI Railroad Company late February.

Police, acting on a tip, came into possession of property alleged to have been stolen from the TTI company, the same property police claim McFarland had received several months ago and

concealed at his Nicholas Square Apartments residence, Finch said.

As a result of the recovery of this equipment, a warrant was issued for McFarland's second arrest. He was picked up on Kennedy Heights at approximately midnight and charged with knowingly receiving stolen property, Finch said.

He was released on \$5,000 bond Sunday.

Conyers is third arrest in Foodtown burglary

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CARLISLE — A Carlisle man turned himself in to the custody of Carlisle Police Saturday night to face charges of burglary in the third degree and theft by deception in connection with the break-in at Crockett's Foodtown three weeks ago.

David Paul Conyers, 24, of Walnut Street in Carlisle, walked into the Carlisle police station on Main Street between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. Saturday night, Carlisle Police Chief Sam Finch said.

Conyers is the third person

to be arrested for their alleged involvement in the late night break-in at Crockett's Foodtown grocery store over three weeks ago. Others police believe to be involved were of money taken has been Carlisle Police Officer Daryl

Joyce Brown, both of Carlisle.

In a statement by Carlisle Police Chief Sam Finch, police believe Conyers was alone inside the grocery store, had gained access through an air conditioning duct on the roof, and escaped the building through a fire door near Foodtown's main entrance.

Police, Finch said, have uncovered no evidence to believe any more than three persons were involved in the burglary in which the amount of money taken has been estimated to be \$1,000.

Police allege that McFarland and Brown acted as a diversion for Carlisle officers while the burglary occurred.

Last week, after McFarland and Brown's release on bond, both entered not guilty pleas. McFarland has been suspended from active duty with the police force while facing charges.



School? Again?!

Elementary school students apparently don't share the same enthusiasm parents do for the opening day of school last Monday. Yet except for some minor adjustments, the first day apparently went off with very little difficulty, even though it caused a few little stomachs to suddenly begin burning.

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Letter writing campaign launch to name Forest Retreat state park

By Josh Shephard
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FOREST RETREAT — Several county organizations have joined together in a campaign to have Forest Retreat named as Kentucky's newest state park.

Forest Retreat Farm, former residence of Thomas Metcalfe, Kentucky's 10th Governor, burial place of champion Kentucky

Thoroughbreds, and home to Nicholas County native and writer Eslie Ashby, has been on the market for several months.

Fears that a private buyer could come in and take over the farm have prompted the members of the Carlisle Nicholas County Tourism Inc., the Nicholas County Historical Society, and the state parks

members of the Lions and Rotary clubs to act on behalf of the preservation of the area.

It has been proposed by members of these organizations that Forest Retreat become part of the state park's system and, to win approval in Frankfort, there have been several meetings between cabinet members in

Frankfort, the state tourism department and the state parks administration in Frankfort.

The district's loan application would have to wait for consideration in the next fiscal year which, for the FmHA, begins October 1.

Beuren Garten, an engineer with the Howard K. Bell engineering firm, delivered the mixed tidings Thursday night at the regular meeting of the Nicholas County Water District.

Members of the district had been seeking a means to fund a major water line project required by the Public Service Commission, which included the construction of a subholding tank, pump station, and line extensions in Butterville, and most recently, along a stretch of Myers Station Road.

Apparently, results of these meetings have not been fruitful. The area in question involves the 17.29 acres of land surrounding the

mansion and former stage coach located on Forest Retreat grounds. Efforts have also been made to include the Boone Cabin across U.S. 68 in the proposal.

A preliminary visit by state

officials to the Forest Retreat farm for Saturday to review the condition of the farm, but participants in the talks feel they have only succeeded in pricking Frankfort's ears.

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District to adopt new billing, FmHA extended

By Josh Shephard
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FmHA — Nicholas County Water District members found they were eligible for a loan from the Farmer's Home Administration, but available money from the FmHA had already been committed to other projects for the old fiscal year.

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Garten said, all of the program's available funds had already been earmarked elsewhere.

Garten, however, indicated that the FmHA had indicated that the water district was eligible for funding and its application would receive serious consideration.

Water District chair Garvey Curtissinger implied that some project funding might be forthcoming, but declined to comment further due to uncertainty.

Garten suggested the board consider amending certain specifics of the project to improve its value to the FmHA. Documentation of possible hazards of current water supplies in areas intended to be served, Garten said, improves the speed at which the FmHA may move to approve their loan.

theoretically, extended additional water services to remote areas of the county presently unserved by any district.

Totals for both phases, Garten said, were estimated at over \$4 million.

Following discussion of the status of the project, district members were each handed a revised version of the new FmHA rules and regulations governing which go into effect in September.

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Nicholas County Fire and Rescue workers responded to an accident on U.S. 68 last Wednesday in which a Ford Escort, driven by local high school senior, was involved in a head-on collision with a tree. The driver's side of the car was crushed, pinning one of the occupants inside. Rescue workers used the Jaws of Life rescue tool to cut away the back car door and free the injured man. Two of the car's passengers were transported to Nicholas County Hospital by the Nicholas County Ambulance service for the treatment of injuries. One of the occupants apparently suffered a broken collar bone during the accident. All were treated and released within 24 hours.

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