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Train derailment causes huge mess

By Charles Mattox News Reporter

A TTI train derailment involving 20 boxcars occurred Monday afternoon, near the west end of Carlisle.

Officials have reported no injuries connected with the derailment, which sent 20 boxcars loaded with approximately 100 tons of coal onto the tracks and coming to rest dangerously close to several mobile homes near the Blue Grass Trailer Park.

The wreck was particularly frightful for a local young lady who had just

left her home at the trailer park and was driving eastward through the park when the accident occurred.

"I was just driving along and the cars just starting coming over at me," said Susan Warmouth who was driving through the park on the road parallel to the tracks, when the derailment sent several cars flipping on their sides, spilling coal against and beneath her car.

Warmouth saw the massive wreckage around her when the derailed coal cars finally came to a rest and instantly looked behind her, back near her home where her three children

and her boyfriend were. "I was so scared I just got out of the car and ran back home. Thank God everyone was ok."

The derailed coal cars came within only a few feet of striking several mobile homes.

The sound of the wreckage was heard inside of Lee Lynn Manufacturing facility approximately 200 yards away, and for the homeowners inside the park, the sound was something beyond description.

"I heard that noise and it just got louder and louder, and just kept coming and coming, so I grabbed my dog and out



Derailed coal cars, each weighing over 100 tons, came dangerously close to several mobile homes at Blue Grass Trailer Park on Monday.

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Wilson faces new drug charges

By Charles Mattox News Reporter

A Nicholas County man free on bond while awaiting to stand trial this month on drug charges was arrested this week-end on drug and other charges after attempting to elude police.

Jesse Edmund Wilson, 26, who lives on Main Street in Millersburg, according to court documents, was charged with nine criminal offenses Saturday in Nicholas County following his arrest on East Union Road.

Wilson was at the home of Fire Chief Mark Hughes who arrived at his home and noticed Wilson was "extremely intoxicated" according to Wilson's arrest citation.

Wilson's to stop his vehicle but Wilson drove away running several vehicles off the road as Hughes followed in an attempt to try to stop the Wilson vehicle.

Nicholas County Sheriff Dick Garrett and Deputy Bennie Buckler also attempted to stop the Wilson vehicle.

Wilson finally pulled his vehicle into the Barnett Junk Yard near East Union and exited the vehicle but did not comply with Sheriff Garrett and Deputy Buckler's orders

Wilson, who is unemployed, also had \$338 in cash and gave officers no explanation of where the money came from.

Wilson was charged with criminal trespassing, first degree; operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs; operating on a suspended/revoked operator's license; wanton endangerment, first degree; fleeing or evading police, resisting arrest, prescription controlled substance not in a proper container, carrying a concealed weapon and trafficking in a controlled substance, second degree, second offense.

An Oct. 16 jury trial is scheduled for Wilson on unrelated drug charges. Wilson was indicted earlier this year on the unrelated charges of trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree; possession of marijuana, possession of marijuana, fleeing or evading police, second degree, and tampering with physical evidence. He was free on bond when the recent offenses occurred.

All persons are innocent until proven guilty or pleading guilty.

Hughes tried to get to stop. When Sheriff Garrett and Deputy Buckler finally caught Wilson he resisted arrest and swung at both officers, according to the arrest citation. A search of Wilson and his vehicle uncovered a PR-24 police baton, three pill bottles from a Florida pharmacy, one of which was filled on Sept. 21 but had approximately 143 oxycodone tablets missing from the bottle. Other prescription pills were in a pill bottle marked for other pills.

Police destroy dope crop on Scrubgrass

By Charles Mattox News Reporter

Kentucky State Police Strike Force officers destroyed approximately 100 mature marijuana plants in Nicholas County last week. Officers say the plants had an estimated street value of approximately \$200,000.

KSP Detective Sgt. Jeremy Murrell of the Dry Ridge Post, joined forces with a Kentucky National Guard helicopter pilot and supervised the eradication of two plots of mature marijuana near Scrubgrass Road, just east of Carlisle on Sept. 21.

Trooper David Jones was in the helicopter and was successful in spot-

ting two separate marijuana plots approximately one half mile apart along Scrubgrass Road, according to Detective Sgt. Murrell.

"It was a good aerial operation," Murrell said. "We had to walk quite some distance from the road and the two plots were ready to harvest."

According to Murrell several of the plants were very large and over seven feet tall, having the appearance of being well taken care of.

Although officers found evidence that the plants were well cared for there was no physical evidence linking the two plots to any individual and no ar-

rests have been made in connection with the two marijuana plots thus far. No body trugs were found in association with the two plots, which has become an increasing practice for some clandestine marijuana growers in eastern Kentucky.

Inclement weather in Harrison County played a part in foiling the clandestine farmers' plans on Scrubgrass Road.

"We were originally scheduled to fly over Harrison County that day," Murrell said. "But a storm forced us away from our intended search area and we decided to search Nicholas County instead."

Murrell encourages all Nicholas County residents to become active in the war on drugs and clandestine

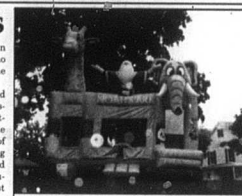


Photo by Stephen Scott

Prophetic forecast?

As it ready for a flood, Noah and his ark weathered the down-pour on "Saturday in Carlisle" on Sept. 26. In spite of less-than-ideal weather, those who came still had a great time. Several vendors came in trafficking in a controlled substance, second degree, and drew a crowd.

The rain let up long enough to hold some of the favorite events of the year, such as the Cake Walk, the Dog Show and the Viewer Dog Show. Courthouse Square Art Guild held their annual art show at the corner studio on Broadway and Main Street that was also well attended.

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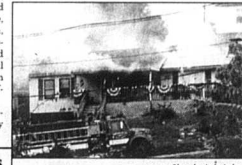


Photo by Judy Judge

Fire damages home on Elm Street

By Charles Mattox

awoke her home was engulfed in smoke. "I think Mrs. Sharon was very lucky to escape without serious injury," Hughes said.

According to Hughes, extensive damage was done to the kitchen and surrounding areas of the home. Nicholas County EMS personnel, Carlisle police officers and members of the Carlisle Fire Department joined Nicholas County Volunteer Firefighters on the scene.

na by burning it. Murrell, a veteran officer with KSP Dry Ridge Post characterized the day's activities. "It was just another day help destroy the marijuana at the office," he said.

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