

Men seen by burglary victim show up at same restaurant; arrested by police

Written by Marty Randall

Tuesday, 11 March 2014 13:54 -

Two brothers allegedly seen inside a closed business were taken into custody by Scottsburg police on the same day after they were again seen near where the business owner and officers were talking about the crime.

The incident occurred on Monday, March 3. Patrolman Trevis Burr and Lt. David Hardin had talked with the business owner earlier that day about his finding two men standing inside his building on South Main Street. The men fled, the owner said, and though he tried to locate them as they ran over the nearby railroad tracks and into Scottsburg Cemetery, he was unsuccessful. The owner said he had been having trouble lately as copper wiring had been stolen out of the building.

As the trio discussed the matter further at a fast food restaurant on State Road 56 West in Scottsburg, they noticed two men walking near the eatery. The owner identified the pair as the men he had seen in his business building.

Ptl. Burr and Lt. Hardin stepped out of the restaurant as the men walked to the back of the building, the probable cause affidavit related.

Each of the men stopped at the officers' command, and the business owner again identified them as the pair of intruders. The suspects are Charles R. Quinn, 30, and Michael D. Quinn, 21, both of Scottsburg.

While he was being questioned, Michael Quinn allegedly told the officers he didn't want to get into trouble and asked them if they could "...work something out." When he was told by Lt. Hardin that he was going to jail, the younger brother ran away but then stopped about 60 feet away and submitted to being handcuffed and placed in a patrol car.

On the way to the Scott County Security Center, Lt. Hardin reported that Michael Quinn remarked, "How can it be breaking-and-entering when the door was already open?" The business owner told the officers he had personally secured the door the previous Friday.

Men seen by burglary victim show up at same restaurant; arrested by police

Written by Marty Randall

Tuesday, 11 March 2014 13:54 -

The pair had other comments to make about the alleged crime to Judge Roger Duvall during their initial hearings in Scott Circuit Court on Thursday, March 6. Judge Duvall had previously cautioned the men that any remarks they made could be held against them. He finally told them they had better confer with their attorneys before making further statements. Each was charged with Class C felony burglary, and Michael Quinn also has a Class A misdemeanor of fleeing law enforcement.

Each was appointed a public defender, and their initial jury trial date was set for May 13 upon their requests for fast and speedy trials.

Prosecutor Jason Mount also filed notices requesting Habitual Felon Status (HFS) for each of the men. Charles Quinn has been convicted in Scott County of three Class D felonies, failure to register as a sex offender, sexual battery and residential entry in past years. His younger brother has two Class D felony thefts on his conviction record, each occurring in 2011.

HFS can enhance any sentence which may be pronounced in connection to the charges now filed.

Bail for each man is set at \$75,000 corporate surety bond or \$15,000 by cash.