

Scottsburg man found to be wanted in New York State

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A Scottsburg man was taken into custody for questioning and then arrested by New York State officers on a charge of welfare fraud.

Kevin C. Lewis, 26, appeared in Scott Superior Court on Monday, August 17, on charges of battery and disorderly conduct stemming from a separate matter. He pleaded guilty to the disorderly conduct charge, and the battery charge was dismissed through a plea agreement. Lewis was sentenced to 180 days in jail, 176 of which were suspended on supervised probation. He was also given credit for two days previously served.

That wasn't the end of his legal problems, however. After that matter was handled in the local court, he was transported to the Indiana State Police post at Sellersburg. There, he was questioned by two detectives from New York State. One of the officers was a state policeman while the other was a detective with the Town of Walkkill Police Department.

According to Sgt. Jerry Goodin, Public Information Officer with the ISP Sellersburg post, detectives with the post became aware last week that Lewis was wanted on the welfare fraud charge. They were contacted by NY State officers, who had been searching for Lewis and recently learned that he was in the Scott County area.

Lewis was incarcerated in the Clark County Jail in Jeffersonville while he awaited extradition back to New York State.