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Tuesday, March 15, 2011

Update: Third person in "jail house drug trade" turns self in

The third person believed to be involved in helping smuggle drugs to an inmate to sell at the Loudon County Jail turned herself in Friday to face the charges.

Sarah Marie Elmore, 25, South Main Street, Sweetwater was charged with sale and delivery of schedule II opiana, sale and delivery of schedule II oxycodone, sale and delivery of schedule IV klonopin, and introduction of contraband into a penal facility.

According to a release issued late last week by the

(see Elmore pg. 6)



Elmore

Multiple firearms stolen in burglary

Witness comes forward

When a local man returned home Wednesday to find his house had been broken into, officials responded and once the premises was cleared numerous fire-

arms were discovered missing. A witness reportedly came forward to tell deputies what he saw when the burglary happened.

According to records, (see Firearms pg. 5)

Man gets help from police, then gets busted for illicit pills, more

Officials arrested a homeless man after trying to help him, and then finding him trying to swallow illicit pills in

a public rest room. Christopher M. Hankins, 35, homeless, was charged Monday with public intoxication, tam-

(see Hankins pg. 6)

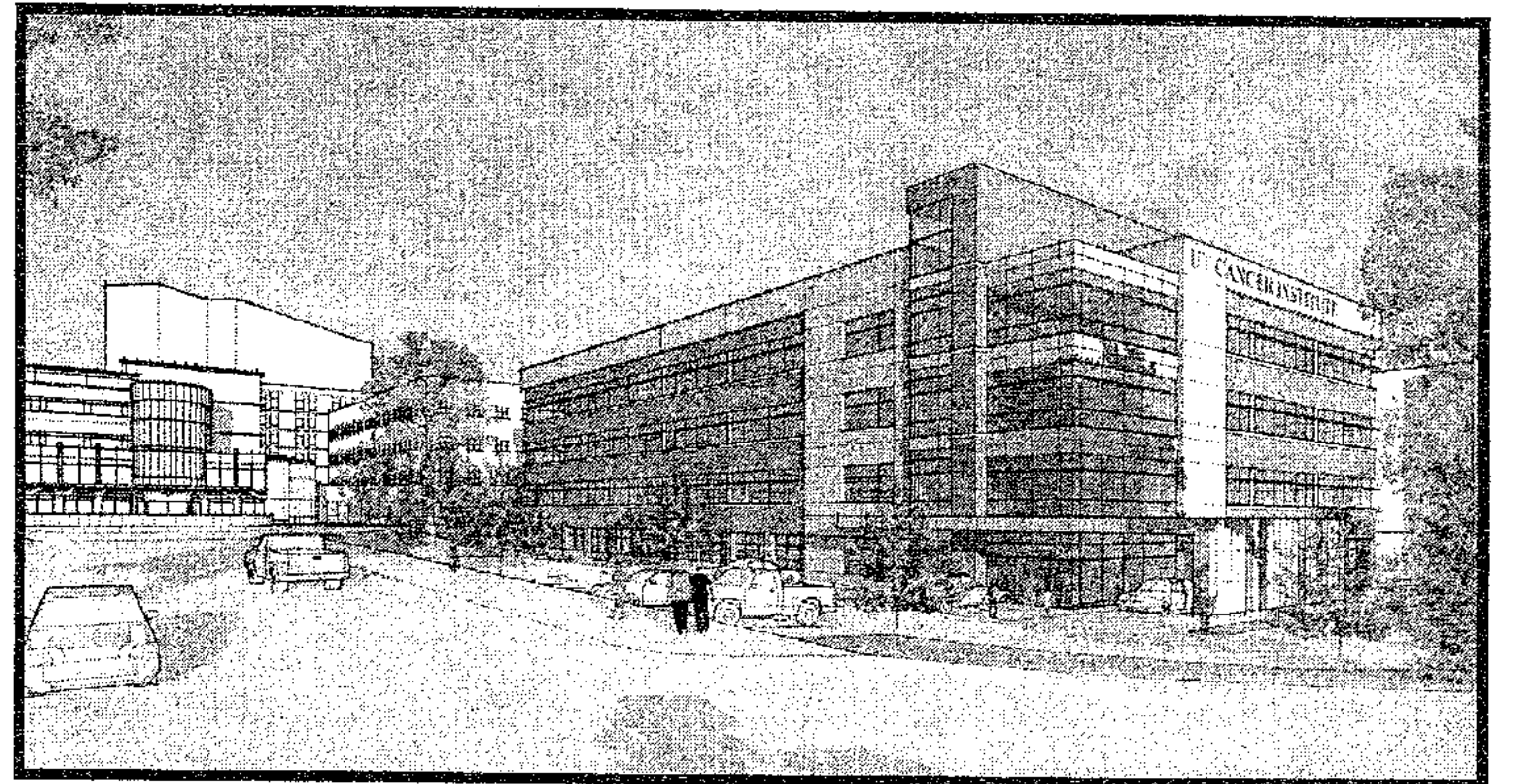
U.S. Marshall's Service gets their man

When a motorist flagged down law enforcement officers to report a possible drunk driver in a vehicle that appeared to be on fire, deputies came in contact with two intoxicated men and learned one of them was wanted by the U.S. Marshall's Service for dangerous drug offenses.

(see Hubbard pg. 3) Hubbard



UT Medical Center commits to building new cancer institute



The University of Tennessee Medical Center will break ground this year on a new

cancer institute, officials with the UT Medical Center

(see Institute pg. 7)

Verse of the Day

"Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised."

Proverbs 31:30

Obituaries

Blanche Merrick Britton
Elizabeth Weaver Johnson

Wazzup

It was great seeing you, Braden, Bryce & Josh; that sure was some good

dart-throwing!

Thanks for a great dinner, Brian, Karen & Myles; it was very yummy!!!

Weather

Today: Periods of rain with a few thunderstorms likely. High near 60. Winds SSE

at 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 80%. Rainfall around a half an inch.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies with a few showers late. Low 44. Winds WSW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 30%.

Wednesday: Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 30s.

Horoscopes

Pisces 2/19-3/20

Your artistic sense is (see More pg. 2)

Elmore

Loudon County Sheriffs Office, Elmore is believed to have helped her husband and another man smuggle drugs into the jail to be sold by the pair, who are both inmates at the jail.

Sheriff Guider said the Narcotics Unit and Corrections Officers worked together to investigate and intercept a number of prescription medications after an attempt to introduce the drugs into the Loudon County Jail.

Sarah Elmore's husband, Casey Lee Elmore, 29, of Sweetwater is accused of organizing the delivery of the pills and using his wife and working inmate Jason Michael Melton, 30, of Tellico Plains to execute his plan.

Casey Elmore was charged with the Introduction of Contraband into a Penal Facility,

four counts of Facilitation of Sale and Delivery of Schedule II Narcotics, and two counts of Facilitation of Sale and Delivery of Schedule IV Narcotics.

Melton was charged with Introduction of Contraband into a Penal Facility, two counts of Sale and Delivery of Schedule II Narcotics, and one count of Sale and Delivery of Schedule IV Narcotics.

Sarah Elmore turned herself into the Loudon County Jail Friday, March 11th, 2011, at 10:35 PM. Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSO served the active warrants and made the arrest.

Hubbard

Adrian Sean Thompson, 36, Riverview Drive Knoxville was charged with DUI 1st offense, simple possession of marijuana and violation of probation.

Moran Leon Hubbard, 'aka'

Michael Leon Griffith, 33, Windcliff Drive, SE Marietta, Georgia was charged with public intoxication, fugitive from justice and criminal impersonation.

According to affidavits; on Monday, at approximately 11:26 PM, Officer Samuel Harrison, LPD was flagged down by a female motorist who advised him of an erratic driver who had gotten off the interstate and was at the BP Valley Mart on Highway 72. She also said she thought the vehicle may be on fire.

As the officer approached the Valley Mart he saw a full size Ford Bronco with a very large amount of smoke coming from the engine compartment. The officer made contact with the occupants who were still sitting inside the vehicle and he immediately detected a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage in the vehicle.

The driver was identified as Adrian Sean Thompson, and the passenger was identified as Michael Leon Griffith.

Mr. Thompson has a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person and breath. He had slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, was unsteady on his feet and performed poorly on field sobriety tasks. He also had a small amount of a green leafy substance be-

lieved to be marijuana in his right pants pocket. Thompson was placed under arrest and read the implied consent law. He refused to be tested.

Michael Leon Griffith had a slight odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person and breath, very slurred speech, bloodshot eyes and was unsteady on his feet. He also appeared to be lethargic in his actions and thinking.

Mr. Griffith presented a Georgia drivers license to Officer Bennie Houser, LPD, who was also on the scene. A warrants check was conducted.

Both Officer's Harrison and Houser felt if Griffith was left alone, he would pose an immediate danger to himself and the public. After being transported to the Loudon County Jail, Griffith was fingerprinted. The finger prints revealed Griffith was actually Moran Leon Hubbard and he was currently wanted by the US Marshall's Service Headquarters in Arlington for an offense of dangerous drugs with full extradition.

Police Beat

Rosalio Gonzalez-Grandos, 23, Hall Street, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest Wednesday.

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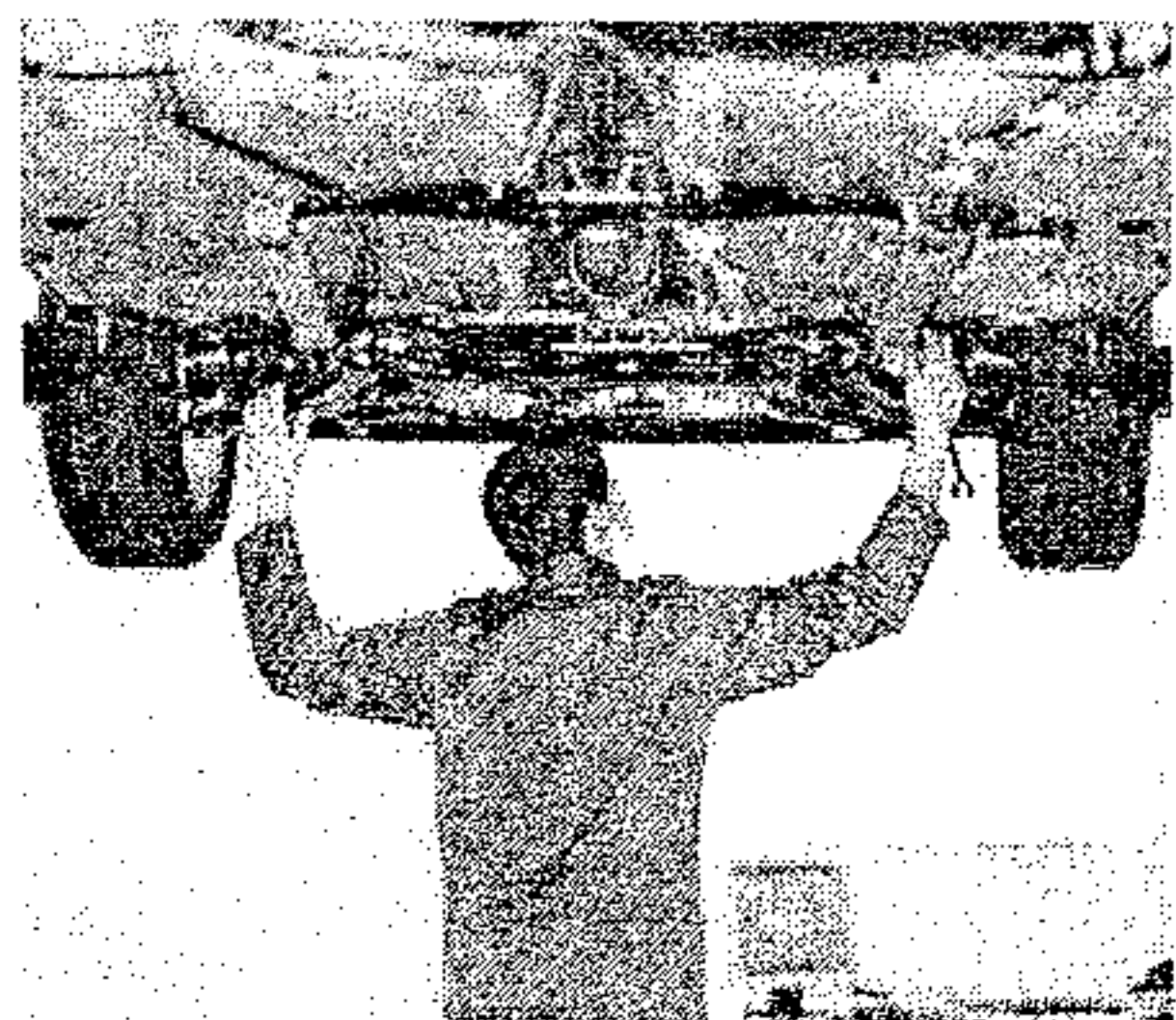
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Obituaries

Blanche Merrick Britton, - 77 of Paint Rock Community, passed away Sunday March 13, 2011. Blanche was a retired employee of Maremont & member of High Ridge Baptist Church. Preceded in death by husband, Lloyd Britton; son, Jackie; parents, Lon & Claudia Hazelwood Merrick. Survivors: two children, Teresa Rucker and special friend, Roger Adams, Lenoir City, Wade Britton, Kingston; 3 grandchildren, Michael Britton, Josh and Delilah Rucker & Brandi Rucker; 3 great grandsons, Joseph Rucker, Nathanael Rucker & Sam Rucker; sisters, Eva Woods, Paint Rock & Faye Clark, Sweetwater. Graveside services 10 a.m. Tuesday Tennessee

Chapel Cemetery. Rev. Bill Treadway officiating. Visitation 6-8 p.m. Monday Loudon Funeral Home. www.loudonfuneralhome.net

Elizabeth Weaver Johnson, 79, of Knoxville passed away Thursday, March 10, 2011. survivors; daughter and son-in-law, Janice and Eddie Ogle, Maynardville; daughter, Mary Moore of Sevierville; son, Raymond Moore, Lenoir City; several grandchildren; great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter. Memorial services 6 p.m. Tuesday at the home of the granddaughter, Gena Burnette, 7718 Chapel Bend Rd., Corryton, Tn 37721 Arrangements by Loudon Funeral Home. www.loudonfuneralhome.net

Firearms

Loudon County Sheriff's Deputies Craig Brewer and Michael Watkins responded to a burglary in progress call on Buttermilk Road Wednesday and upon arrival they met the owner of the residence, Mr. Brian Ellison. Mr. Ellison stated he found the rear door broken open and there was boxed and loose ammunition dropped and coming out the doorway.

After clearing the residence, the lawmen had Mr. Ellison come in and he verified he had several firearms missing from his gun case.

A neighbor came over and reported around 5:30 PM, he saw a red, early 2000 model Camaro

or Trans-Am in the driveway and circling the area during the time the burglary happened. The driver was a white male with a beard, wearing a hat and he seemed to be talking with someone at the residence.

Investigator Jeff Russell. LCSO-CID responded to the scene and gathered evidence to examine.

The missing firearms were described as a Remington 247 bolt action rifle, a

Browning 247 semi auto rifle, a Browning 30-06 semi auto rifle, a Browning 270 semi auto rifle, a Remington youth 20 gauge shotgun, a Remington 300 win mag, a 12 gauge single shot shotgun, a Remington 870 12 gauge pump shotgun and a Remington 1100 12 gauge semi auto shotgun.

The total estimated value of the stolen firearms was \$5550. The investigation is underway.

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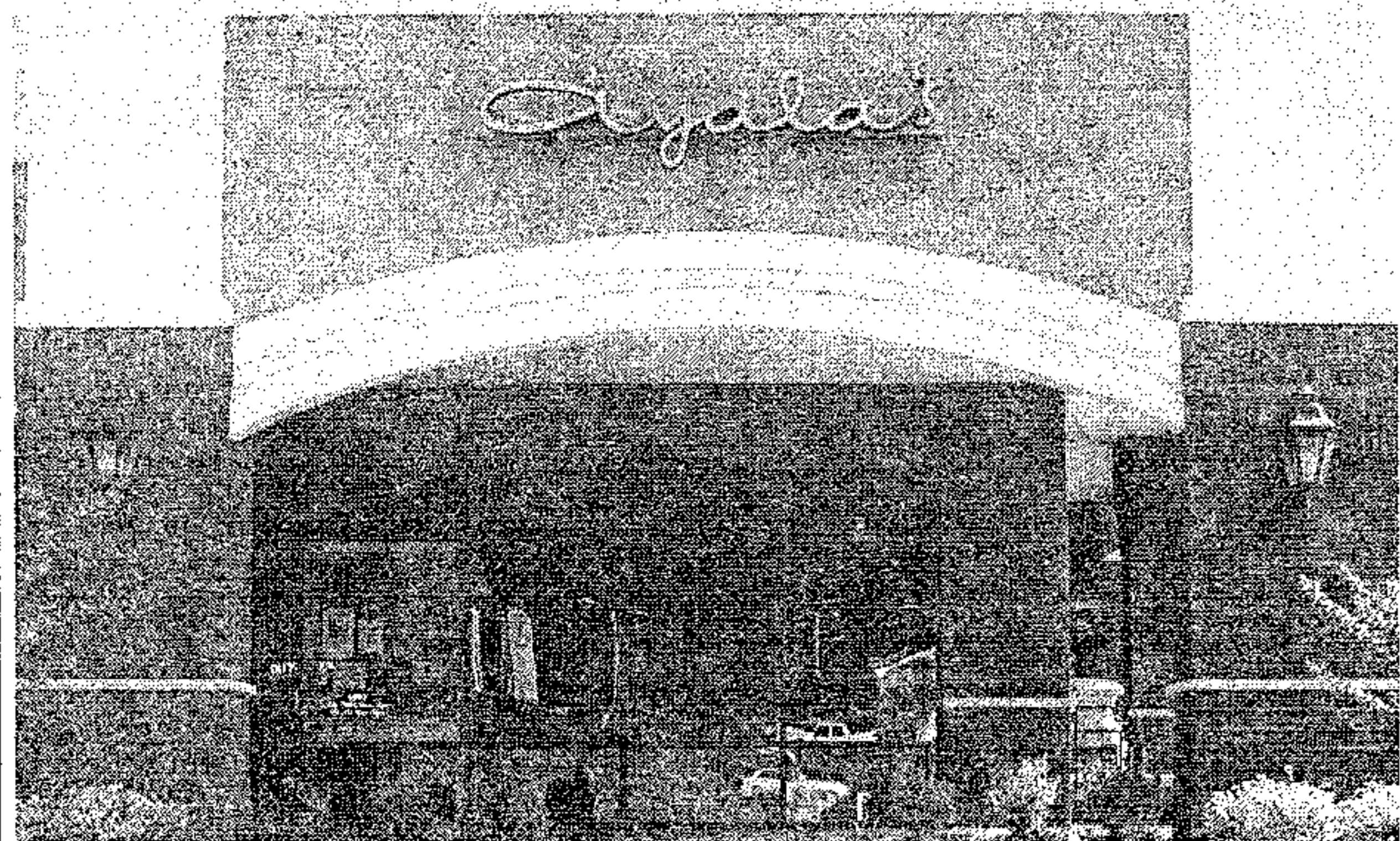
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Hankins

pering and/or fabricating with evidence and possession of schedule II soma.

According to records, Deputy James Stegall, LCSO observed a disabled vehicle on Interstate 75 north and stopped to see what the problem was. The driver, Mr. Hankins stated he was out of gas and appeared a little slow

to react. The deputy thought it was the late hour and gave Mr. Hankins a ride to a local gas station.

The lawman reported as Hankins walked into the store he was stumbling and weaving. He went into the bathroom and was gone about 15 minutes. Deputy Stegall went to the bathroom and as he opened the (see Hankins cont. pg. 8)

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Institute

cer Institute announced. Cancer Institute representatives discussed their ongoing commitment to support patients and families throughout the region facing a cancer diagnosis, stating that a new expanded facility is needed to enhance the delivery of the numerous oncology services added by the medical center in recent years as well as to accommodate the sharply rising number of cancer cases.

"We are building the largest and most comprehensive facility in the region dedicated exclusively to cancer care,"

said Dr. John Bell, director of the UT Medical Center Cancer Institute. "The war on cancer continues, every hour of every day, right here in East Tennessee and across the globe. Those at greatest risk for developing cancer, age 65 and older, represent the fastest growing segment of the population. It's imperative that we recognize the impending needs of our community and be prepared to address those needs."

Bell said that while some of the specific details about the facility are still being finalized, construction is expected to begin mid-year. The new cancer institute will be at least 100,000 square feet in size, Bell said, with an estimated price tag in the \$20 - 25 million range.

"Since we moved into our current Cancer Institute in 2003, the services we offer for the treatment of cancer have more than doubled," said Steve Ross, senior vice president for Strategic Development at UT Medical Center. "We've vastly expanded our programs in several areas of oncology, improved and implemented new technology and increased the scope of our cancer research program in addition to recruiting more than a dozen new cancer specialists. The war on cancer takes many people and many weapons. We need to be sure we have the space to house them all."

Ross cited program expansions in surgical oncology, medical oncology, radiation oncology,

the treatment of head and neck cancer, skin cancer, breast cancer, brain cancer, lung cancer, urologic cancer and micro-vascular plastic surgery. He also mentioned the addition of the CyberKnife Center as well as the patient support through social, spiritual, outreach education and screening and the Benefitting You boutique housed within the Cancer Institute.

Increased patient volumes have accompanied the expanded programs and services. Ross said that in 2010, the UT Medical Center Cancer Institute had more than 2,000 new cancer diagnoses, an 11 percent increase in new cases. The American Cancer Society projects a 45 percent jump in new cancer cases nationally in the next two decades.

Even more important than adding the space, Ross said, is designing the facility in a way that meets the needs of cancer patients as well as the physicians, nurses and staff treating them.

"This facility will continue the consolidation for all outpatient services under one roof," said Renee Hawk, vice president of the UT Medical Center Cancer Institute. "We have engaged our physicians, staff and, most importantly, patients in designing the new facility to maximize the convenience, privacy, comfort and safety for our patients and families in a healing environment."

Hawk said more details about the new UT Medical Center Cancer Institute will be released in the coming months.



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Hankins

door he saw Hankins was acting strange, his speech had changed to a slur, and he was having trouble standing up.

Sgt. Jerramie Bowen, LCSO was talking to Mr. Hankins and ob-

served him with something in his mouth. He was ordered to spit it out and Hankins spit out three small baggies from under his tongue. Hankins stated it was soma.

It was clear to the officers Hankins was

attempting to destroy evidence.

For his safety and the safety of the general public, Hankins was taken into custody. Deputy Stegall made the arrest.


Police Beat

Shawna Nichole

Smallen, 'aka' Brooks, 19, Church Street, Loudon was charged Thursday with viola-

tion of probation and failure to appear.

Officer Jason Felts, LCPD made the arrest.



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