

### Verse of the Day

*Even as he spoke, many put their faith in him.*

— John 8:30

### Obituaries

None

### Wazzup

*Did you know?* Cooter Brown is a name used in metaphors and similes for drunkenness, mostly in the southern United States. Cooter Brown supposedly lived on the line which divided the North and South during the American Civil War, making him eligible for military draft by either side. He had family on both sides of the line, so he did not want to fight in the war. He decided to get drunk and stay drunk for the duration of the war so that he would be seen as useless for military purposes and would not be drafted. Ever since, colloquial and proverbial ratings of drunkenness have been benchmarked against the legendary drinker: "as drunk as Cooter Brown" or "drunker than Cooter Brown."

### Weather

Today: Partly sunny with a 20% chance of showers. Highs in the upper 60s.

Tonight: Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 30s.

Thursday: Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. Lows in the mid 40s.

### Horoscopes

Libra 9/23-10/22

Your dual nature is

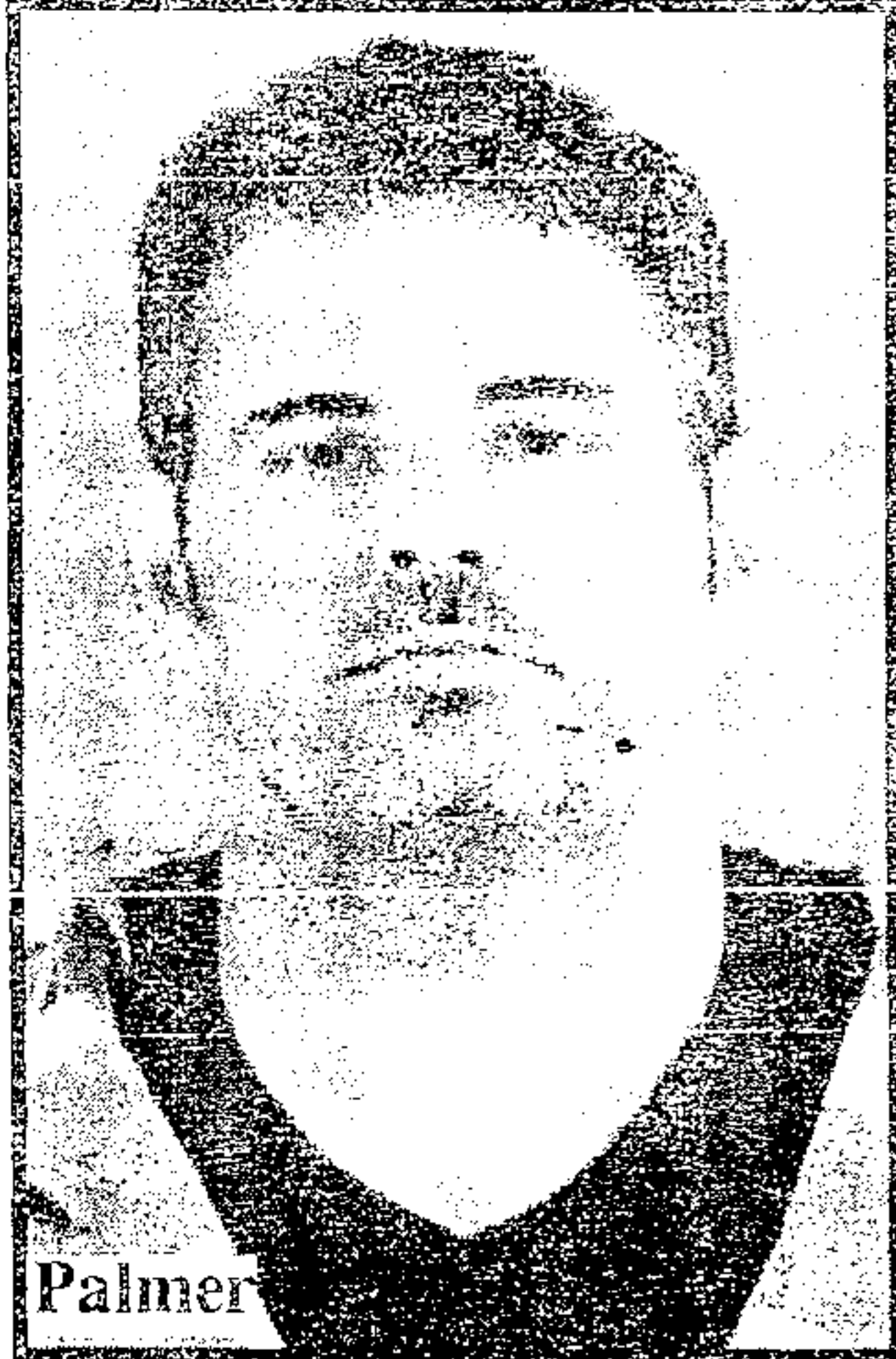
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## Harassment charges filed after 100 calls

A local man was charged with harassment after he allegedly made over 100 phone calls to a woman despite a no contact order of protection having been filed against him.

According to the warrant, filed by Deputy Rondel Branam, LCSO Jeremy Thomas Palmer did begin calling the

(see Palmer pg. 3)



Palmer

## Partial payment doesn't work either

A local woman found herself behind bars when she went shopping for party items and reportedly tried to steal some of her selected merchandise.

According to the report, Walmart loss prevention observed Kristian Nichole Hatcher concealing items, including Easy

(see Hatcher pg. 7)



Hatcher

## Commissioner directs investigation following audit

(see Investigation pg. 3)

NASHVILLE, Commissioner Derrick Schofield has directed the Department of Correction's Office of Investigation and Compliance to conduct a thorough investigation into performance audit findings

related to probation and parole supervision of deceased offenders. Upon conclusion of the investigation follow up information will be provided.

In a related matter, following Wednesday's

## Woman dumps on forbidden property jailed

A local woman went to jail after allegedly dumping three boxes of trash and other items on property belonging to someone she reportedly was told to stay away from.

Theresa Lynn Brandfast, of Allison Lane, Lenoir City was charged with vandalism and criminal trespass.

(see Brandfast pg. 4)



Brandfast

## Man steals gift card

Officer B. Gentry, LCPD responded to West Second Avenue in reference to a theft of property. When the officer arrived he spoke to the victim who reported William Robertson was helping him with some carpentry work at his home. There was a Toys R Us Gift card sitting on a shelf. The victim left the room for a few

(see Robertson pg. 5)



Robertson

## October 20-21 Deer Hunts Cancelled at Oak Ridge WMA

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NASHVILLE - The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency has been informed by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) that the deer hunts scheduled Oct. 20-21 have been cancelled at the Oak

Ridge Wildlife Management Area.

The cancellation comes as a result of a security breach that occurred in July at the Y-12 facility and the ongoing safety and security evaluation of the

**Palmer**  
victim. Mr. Palmer was issued a no contact order of protection while he was incarcerated on September 21, 2012. Mr. Palmer has made

several phone calls to the victim in an offensively repetitive manner and has left her voice mails. These call have continued up to and including on Sep-

tember 26, 2012 at approximately 2:04 PM. The victim has stated the number of phone calls has exceeded 100. Jeremy Thomas Palmer, 35 was charged

with harassment. Deputy Aaron Carroll, LCSO made the arrest.

**Investigation**  
subcommittee hearing, Assistant Commissioner Gary Tullock submitted his resignation, effective immediately.

"This is about accountability and our commitment to the public. We want the citizens of Tennessee to have full confidence in our ability to supervise offenders," said Commissioner Schofield. "We will continue to work diligently to ensure we will not compromise public safety when it comes to supervising felony offenders."

**Police beat**  
David Adam Brad-

ford, 30, of Kelly Lane, Lenoir City, was charged with failure to appear. Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest.

Katelyn Elise Brown, 26, of Niagra Lane, Oak Ridge was charged with a criminal court capias for failure to appear. Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest.

Jeremy A. Coleman, 22, of Steekee Street, Loudon was charged with VOP.

Officer Tim Buckner, LCPD made the arrest.

Nicholas Jeremiah Adkins, 25, of Fork Creek Road, Philadelphia was charged with violation of probation out of general sessions and violation of probation out of criminal court.

Deputy Vance Wright, LCSO made the arrest.

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### Oxygen

According to the report, Deputy Stegall took a report from the victim. Brandfast was charged at the victim's residence and told not to return or have any further contact with the victim.

Records indicate Brandfast returned to the victim's residence and went onto the victim's property and left three boxes of trash. The boxes contained pictures and items belonging to the victim.

Deputy Stegall, LCSO made the arrest.

*"Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power."*

-Abraham Lincoln

## Unemployment Claimants Required to Accept Work Offers or Face Disqualification

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development announced claimants who refuse to accept a suitable offer of employment will be disqualified from receiving unemployment benefits. Recent changes to Employment Security Law redefine what is considered suitable and revise the standard based on the length of time unemployment benefits are received. If the Agency finds a claimant has refused otherwise suitable work based solely upon the rate of pay, then his

claim is stopped for refusing such work.

Previously, to be considered suitable employment, the proposed job had to be approximately the same rate of pay and hours as the claimant's most recent work. Under the new law, claimants must decrease salary and wage demands the longer they receive unemployment insurance benefits.

A job offer is considered suitable according to the following criteria:

•During the first 13 weeks of unemployment, an offer of 100%

of the wages of the most recent work

•During the 14th through the 25th week of unemployment, an offer of 75% of the wages of the most recent work

•During the 26th through the 38th week of unemployment, an offer of 70% of the wages of the most recent work

•After the 38th week of unemployment, 65% of the wages of the most recent work


Other considerations of suitable work include previous wage and skill levels. Suitable work also entails

having hours and days that are standard to the industry, and commuting distance must be reasonably the same as previous work experience.

A claimant will not be required to accept employment below the federal minimum wage. An offer of employment is not bona fide if only a possibility of employment exists.

Employers are encouraged to notify the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development if they feel a claimant refuses a suitable offer of employment.

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Robertson minutes and when he returned the card was gone. Mr. Robertson left the residence at that time.

Officers located Robertson walking on Second Avenue. Upon searching Robertson the gift card was found in his shoe. Officer

Sennett also found a syringe on Robertson's person.

William Leroy Dale Robertson, 23, homeless was charged with

theft of property and possession of drug paraphernalia. Officer B. Gentry, LCPD made the arrest.

**Police Beat**

Aaron Vaughn Foster, 27, Stephens Road, Lake City was charged with simple possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia and seatbelt law.

According to records, Officer B. Brown, LCPD noticed Mr. Foster driving a blue GMC Sierra without a seatbelt

and stopped him at Walmart on Highway 321. After consenting to a vehicle search and during a pat down, Officer Brown found an orange pill bottle containing a green leafy substance identified as marijuana.

A search of the vehicle produced a pipe with burn residue, packed with marijuana. Mr. Foster stated he used the pipe to smoke marijuana. He was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

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**Hatcher**

Bake accessories, in the toy department and then proceed to the crafts department where she concealed birthday cards, party favors and other items in her purse.

Hatcher then went to the cashier, purchased some items and walked passed all points of sale with the other items concealed without paying for them. The items not paid for totaled \$42.74.

Kristian Nichole

Hatcher, 26 of Tinnel Road, Lenoir City was charged with theft under \$500. Officer J. Felts, LCPD made the arrest.

**Cancelled**  
Oak Ridge Reservation. The cancellation just applies to the Oct.

20-21 hunts. The November and December 2012 Oak Ridge deer hunts will continue as scheduled.

The DOE has been conducting the evaluation since the July incident. The decision to cancel the hunts was recently made and the TWRA received notification on Sept. 28.

With the cancellation of the October Oak Ridge WMA deer hunts, the TWRA will refund the money to all impacted hunters who paid an application fee for the quota hunt and award the impacted individual one additional priority point to his/her total. The additional priority point will be added to any priority point held prior to the 2012 WMA Quota Hunt Drawing. All hunters

who are affected by the October cancellation will be receiving official notice by mail.

For any additional questions concerning the cancellation, contact the Oak Ridge Reservation Wildlife Management Coordinator at (865) 241-9421 or the TWRA Region III Office at (931) 484-9571 during regular business hours. In addition, the TWRA can be contacted at the Oak Ridge Check Station on Saturday, Oct. 6 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. (EDT) at (865) 576-2380. For questions regarding the priority point total and/or permit fee refund, contact the TWRA Quota Hunt office at (615) 781-6621.



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