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Weed sold to federal agent, Hill and Huffine busted

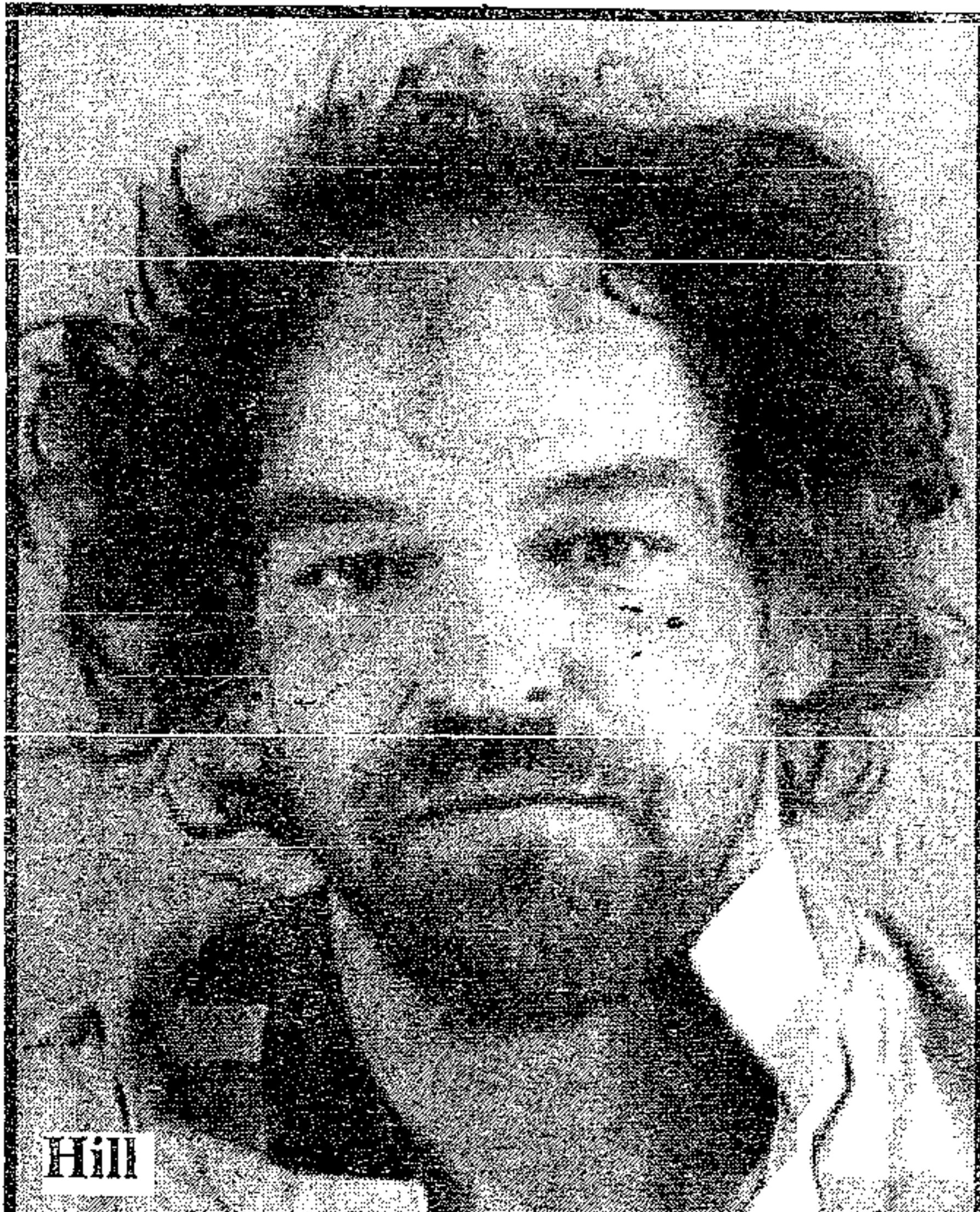
(see Busted pg. 3)

Employee fired, jailed over \$5 theft

(see Rager pg. 7)



Huffine



Hill



Rager

Fugitive nabbed in traffic stop

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD stopped a vehicle for speeding on Hwy 321. While checking Tory Dean Thomason through NCIC, information came back that he was wanted in Ellis County, Texas for (see Nabbed pg. 4)



Thomason

Update: Man charged with felony vandalism after break in

A local man was jailed after he allegedly broke into his ex-girlfriend's residence and caused over \$500 in damages to at least two doors and their frames during the process.

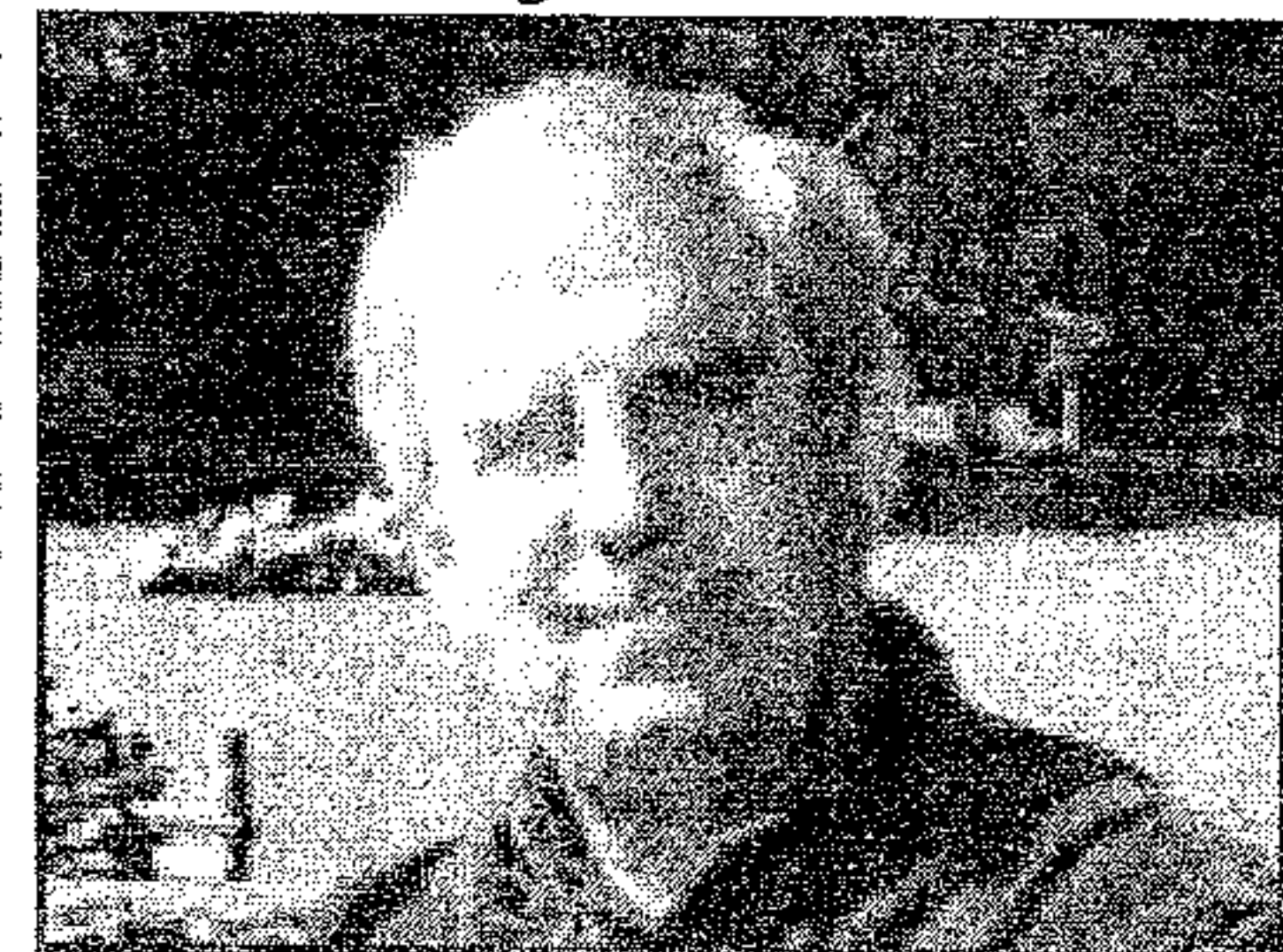
According to a warrant filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; (see Hart pg. 3)



Hart

Good Shepherd dinner with Bill Landry

(see Dinner pg. 2)



Bill Landry of the Heartland Series

Verse of the Day

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

— Galatians 6:9

Obituaries

Alice Mulkey Spickard
Fannie Blankenship Jones
Velma Kosier Wright

Wazzup

If we're going to get serious about student safety, shouldn't we beef up school security when a person with serious mental disabilities who is not taking their medicine is reported missing? We do it under other circumstan-

es, and we know Adam Lanza, the Connecticut school shooter suffered from a mental disability. This is not to say all mentally ill people are dangerous, and they should never be viewed as such, but until we learn how to combat this problem, shouldn't

every precaution be taken? Or do we wait till the next round of multiple funerals using the smallest of coffins to discuss such a touchy subject?

Weather

Today: Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower to mid 40s.
Tonight: Mostly clear.

Lows in the mid 20s.

Thursday: Mostly sunny in the morning - then mostly cloudy with a 20% chance of rain in the afternoon. Highs in the lower to mid 50s. Overnight: Rain. Lows in the upper 30s. CoR: 80%.

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Inside: Commission Hears Details about New Mobile Web Application, New Officers Elected for 2013-14

(see page 5)

Dinner

The Good Shepherd Center of Monroe County is holding its annual fund raising dinner and auctions on February 23 at the Sequoyah High School.

Bill Landry, of the Heartland Series on Television Station WBIR is returning as our featured guest speaker.

The less fortunate of Monroe County are requesting the services

of the Good Shepherd in increasing numbers. The weakened economy continues to affect our clients. We serve an average of over 2000 people per month. The Center is making a difference in the lives of so many, and the ability to do so is the result of the generosity of churches, individuals and businesses.

This event is our only fundraiser and the pro-

ceeds from this event allow the Center to continue to provide its clients with food, clothing, personal care products and utilities assistance.

Tickets are on sale now. The cost is \$45.00 per ticket for the Dinner/Auction and for those who wish to support the Good Shepherd but cannot attend the Dinner/Auction there are FEED A FAMILY tickets available, also \$45.00 each.

Tickets can be obtained at the Good Shepherd Center, The Monroe County Chamber of

Commerce office and from any of the Volunteer/Workers of the Good Shepherd Center.

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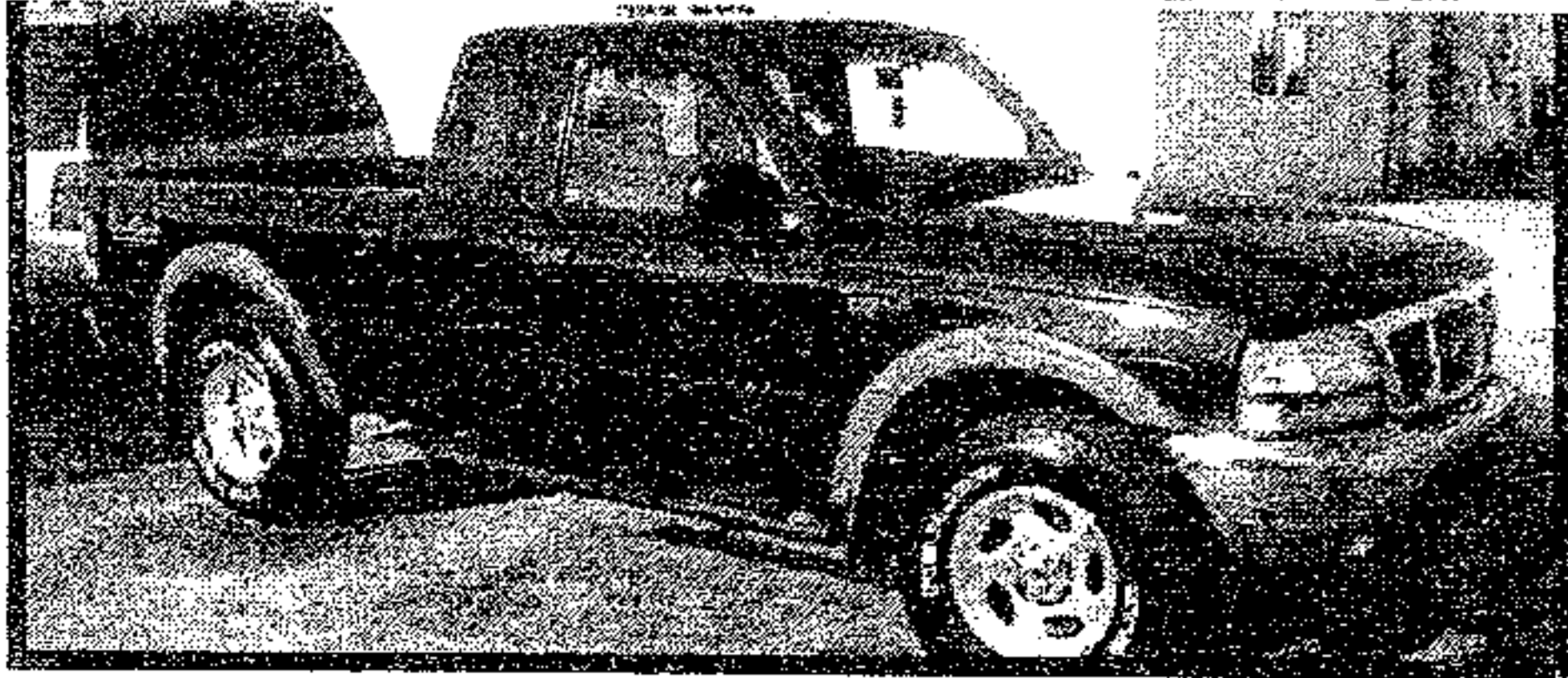
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Busted

According to warrants filed by Investigator Kevin Condee, LCPD; Jessie Ray Huffine was located at his residence on Norwood Street. Huffine had previously delivered marijuana to

an undercover federal agent.

Huffine was placed under arrest and transported to the Lenoir City Police Department for further questioning and then to the Loudon County Jail.

In another warrant, Gregory Colin Hill was located at his residence on Mincey Street, Lenoir City. During the execution of a search warrant, Greg Hill, who is a convicted felon, was found to be in possession of a handgun.

Additionally, Hill had previously delivered marijuana to Jesse

Huffine who then delivered the marijuana to an undercover federal law enforcement officer. Hill was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Jesse Ray Huffine, 25, of Norwood Street, Lenoir City was charged with delivery of schedule VI.

Gregory Colin Hill, 37, of Mincey Street, Lenoir City was charged with delivery of schedule VI and unlawful possession of a weapon (felony).

Investigator Kevin Condee, LCPD made the arrests and filed the charges.

Hart
Matthew M. Hart committed the offense of felony vandalism by

entering the residence of his ex-girlfriend at Executive Meadows Drive. Mr. Hart forced his way into the residence by damaging the back storm door and metal door frame, then going through the French doors leading from the back room to the living room.

Both door frames were split and the dead bolt mechanism was destroyed. The damage was in excess of \$500.

Matthew M. Hart, 33, of Executive Meadows Drive, Lenoir City was charged with felony vandalism. Detective Jack Fine, LCPD made the arrest.

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Obituaries

Alice Mulkey Spickard - age 82 of Lenoir City formerly of Powell passed away Sunday, February 17, 2013 at the Baptist Health Care Center. She was a member of Glenwood Baptist Church. Preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Spickard; parents, Ernest and Nola Mulkey and siblings, Ralphine Carter, Ernest Mulkey Jr. and Bertie Kesterson. She is survived by her sisters, Lorene Jennings and friend, Lester Kilgore of Clinton, Jennie Lee Lewis and husband, Ronnie of Lenoir City; special sister-in-law, Selma Whitson; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Glenwood Baptist Church in Knoxville. Funeral services will follow at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. Perry Austin officiating. Graveside services will be held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Sherwood Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be

made to Glenwood Baptist Church. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements. **Fannie Blankenship Jones**, 77 of Philadelphia, passed away Monday February 18, 2013 at the family home. Fannie was a member of New Macedonia Baptist Church and preceded in death by parents, Bob and Pauline Holloway Blankenship; brother, Ralph Blankenship. Survivors: husband of 58 years, George C. "Whistle" Jones; children and spouses, Donnie and Regenia Jones, Brenda and Scottie Akins, Philadelphia; 3 grandchildren, Nikkie and Hoss Hunt, Vonore, Casey and Scott MacKintosh, Kelly Jones, Loudon; 3 great grandchildren, Charlotte Hunt, Kensley MacKintosh, Ben MacKintosh; sister, Joyce Atkins, Vonore; brothers, Clifford Blankenship, Maryville and Buddy Blankenship, Vonore. Funeral services 7:00 p.m. Wednesday New Macedonia Baptist Church, Rev. Bill White and Rev. Jimmy Ridge and Robert

Young officiating. Interment 10:30 a.m. Thursday Sweetwater Memory Gardens with Rev. Hoss Hunt officiating. Visitation 5:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday New Macedonia Baptist Church. Loudon Funeral Home in charge. www.loudonfuneralhome.net **Velma Kosier Wright** - age 82 of Lenoir City passed away Saturday, February 16, 2012. She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Wright; son, Gregory Duwayne Arnold; nephew, Leonard Lee and 10 siblings. She is survived by her sons, David Wayne (Nancy) Arnold, Timothy Mark (Nancy) Arnold, Jeffery Todd (Nanette) and Gary Lynn (Missy) Arnold; special daughter-in-law, Karen; 13 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; several

nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. with Rev. Rick Hutchison officiating. Family and friends will gather at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Byrds Chapel Cemetery for graveside services. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Crossroads Church of the Nazarene. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Nabbed
criminal mischief.
Tory Dean Thomason, 40, of Honey Lane, Friendsville was

charged with being a fugitive from justice.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Michael Corey Benjamin, 30, of Jarnigan Chapel Road, Clinton was charged with a capias out of criminal court for solicitation of minor x4.

Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest.

Heather Renee Stinnett, 32, of Pike St., Lenoir City, was charged with failure to appear out of Lenoir City.

Officer E. Lawson, LCPD made the arrest.

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Rager

A Greenback woman lost her job at Weigel's and was taken to jail after she reportedly was caught on tape stealing money from the register.

According to a warrant filed by Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD; on or about January 7,

2013, Linda Gail Rager was employed at Weigel's in Lenoir City. While employed there, Rager was a cashier.

Linda Rager was observed on video tape taking a \$5 bill from the register and putting it in her pocket. The act was done without the per-

mission or knowledge of management. The total amount taken was \$5.

Linda Gail Rager, 26, of Peterson Road, Greenback was charged with theft under \$500.

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD made the arrest and filed the charges.

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