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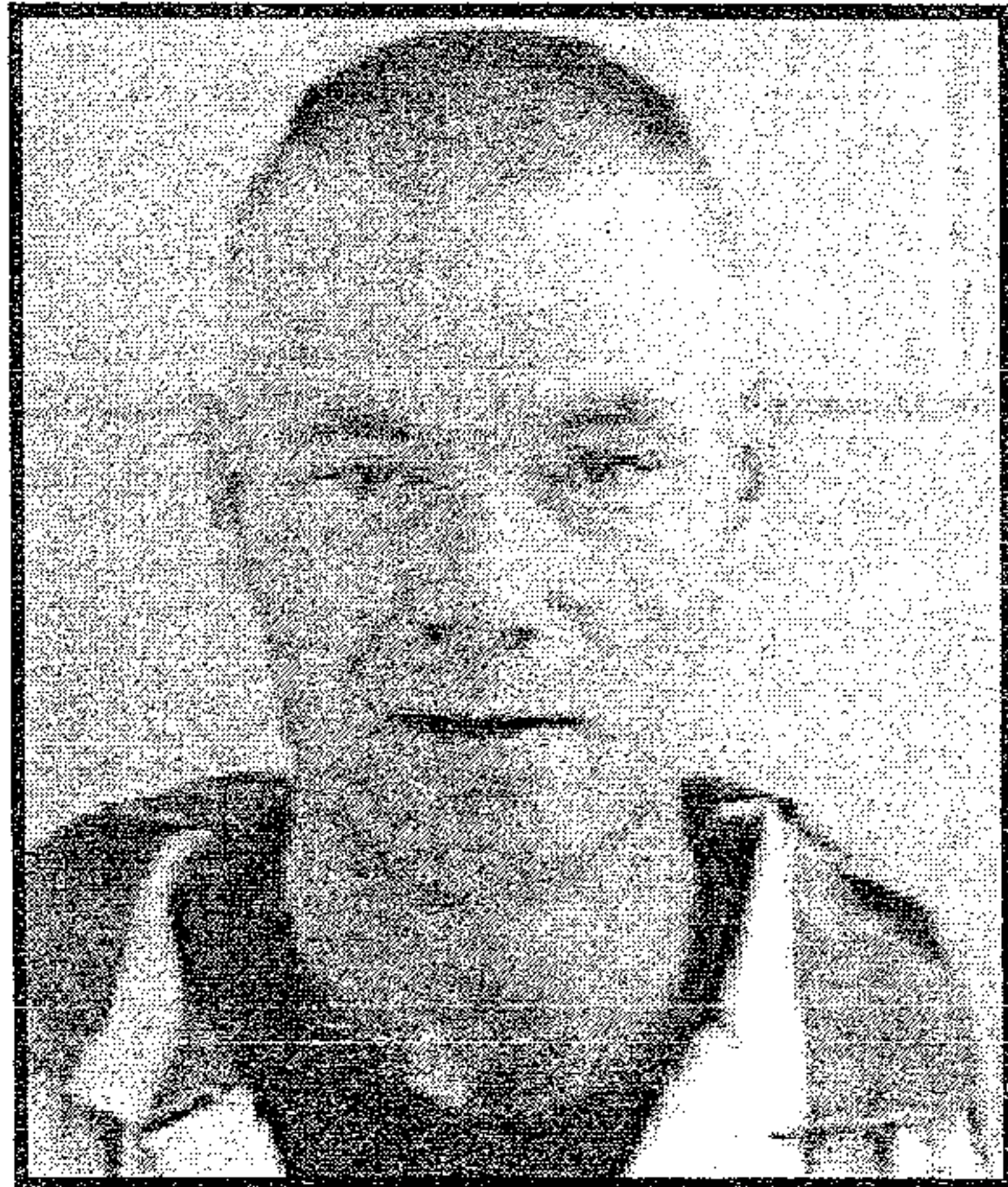
Spike strip stops Kingsport couple

A Kingsport couple reportedly refused to stop for officers who were called to a local hotel on a possible drunk driver call and were taken into custody after spike strips were deployed to flatten the tires on the pickup truck.

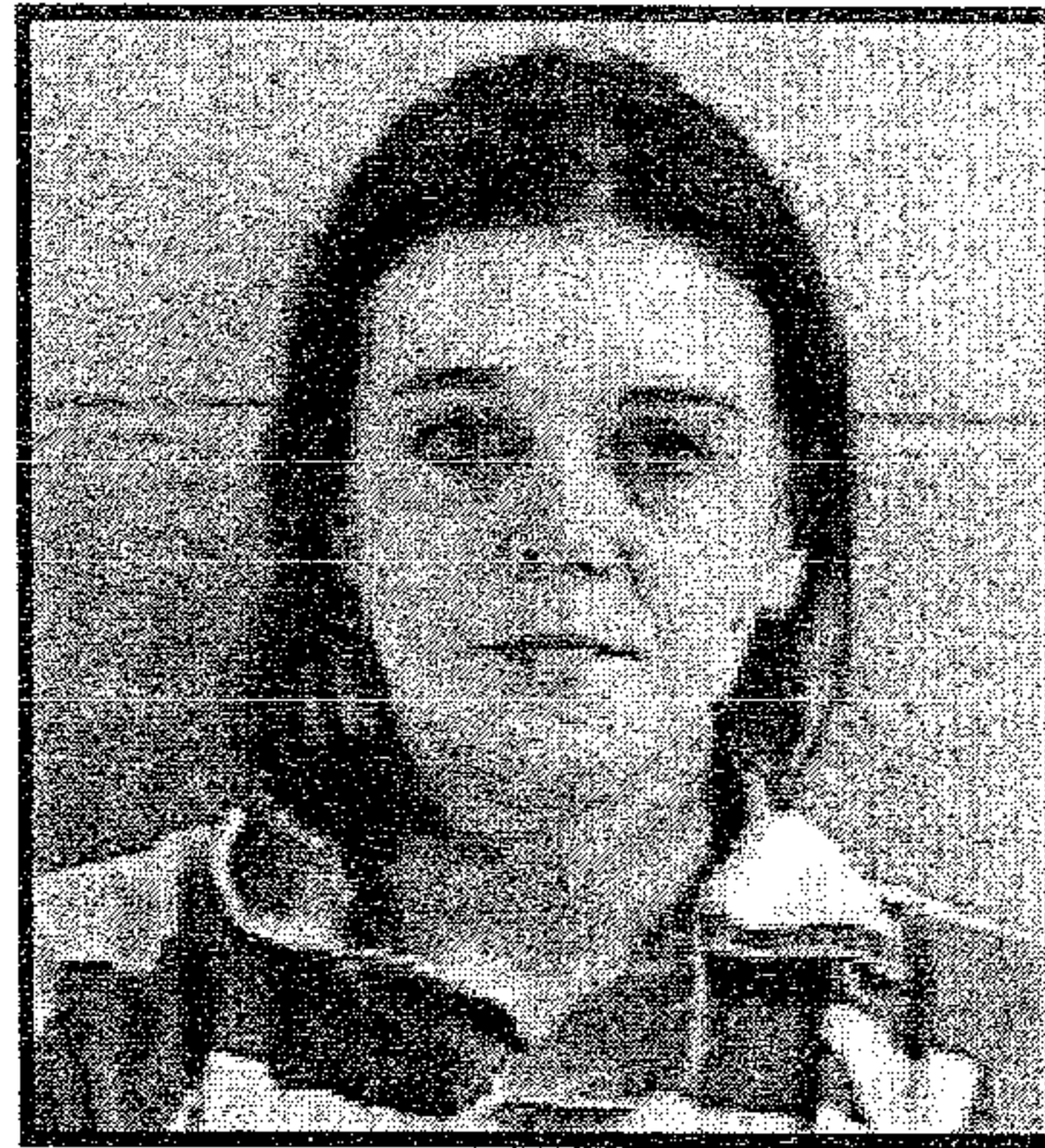
Jody Clarence Garrett, 34, Fairlane Drive, Kingsport was charged Saturday with DUI, habitual motor offender and felony evading arrest.

Belinda Faye Laney, 39,

(see Couple pg. 4) Garrett



Woman charged with contributing



Reagan

A Knoxville woman was charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor after she allegedly allowed a ju-

(see Reagan pg. 6)

Wanted man nabbed



Bruner

A Kentucky man will be taken back to that state to face charges of robbery after he was arrested for being a fugitive from justice Monday.

(see Bruner pg. 7)

Banned shoplifter busted

A North Carolina man who was banned from entering Walmart stores was charged with theft and trespassing after he allegedly tried to steal over \$60 worth of merchandise from the Lenoir City location Thursday.

Wayne Charles Shuler, 40, Whitter, North Carolina was charged with theft under \$500 and criminal trespass-

(see Shuler pg. 7) Shuler



Fishing with Gus

An oldie but goody: Snakes and the Storm

Boy do I love English Ivy; that stuff sure does make your house look nice, but it does take some work to keep it in check, so Monday morning I

was out trying to clear out a few spots when I discovered a couple of large snake skins. The worst of it was I kept hearing stuff shuffle a few feet

(see Gus pg. 3)

TDOT closes Davenport Road SE to prepare for Henley Bridge Closure

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.- Motorists need to be aware of the closure of a section of Davenport Road SE that runs paral-

lel with James White Parkway. The road officially closed at 2:30 p.m. Monday and will be closed for the duration of the

(see Closure pg. 7)

Unlicensed, under the influence & under arrest

A unlicensed Knoxville man was jailed on multiple charges who was involved in a single vehicle wreck Saturday night after officials arrived on scene to find he was intoxicated to

(see Friday pg. 4)

Verse of the Day

"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal

weight of glory."

2 Corinthians 4:17

Obituaries

None

Wazzud

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all the great deals!!!

Weather

Today: Cloudy skies with a few showers later in the day. High 64. Winds light and variable. Chance of rain 30%.

Tonight: Considerable cloudiness. Low 46. Winds light and variable.

Thursday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s.

Horoscopes

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Planning isn't always your strong suit - but you don't have a weak suit! Today, you need to work things out in

(see More pg. 2)

Gus
 in front of where I was working and I started smelling cucumbers. Now, all you Old Tim-

ers know that smelling cucumbers when there are no cucumbers is a sure sign that snakes are present. I never saw anything and my work turned out uneventful;

well, up until the storms moved in. I was sitting on the throne reading the paper when the thunder roared and the power went out. Now my toilet is tucked

away in a little stall, not very roomy and you have to back in. So there I am, in the dark, feeling around for the toilet paper when all the sudden I heard a hiss six inches from my face and smell that distinct cucumber smell,

I regained my composure, grabbed the flashlight and the 12 gauge and headed back to the throne room only to find this new battery powered air freshener that sprays every few minutes and, of course, they made it smell like cucumbers.

I was gone in a flash, trousers around my ankles screaming like a ten-year-old schoolgirl!

Thank God no one was at home and will ever find out..
 -Gus

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Couple

Hillcrest Drive, also of Kingsport, was charged with DUI by consent.

According to reports, Officer Kevin Condee, LCPD was investigating a report concerning a possible drunk driver in a white Ford Ranger pickup that stopped at the Holiday inn on Highway 321. Officer Condee observed the vehicle parked in front of the Holiday Inn and then watched as Jody Garrett staggered out of the hotel office and got back into the driver's seat of the truck.

Garrett drove away from the Holiday Inn and Officer Condee and Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD initiated a traffic stop as the truck pulled into an adjacent parking lot at the KenJo BP. Garrett refused to stop and circled the parking lot, then got back onto Highway 321 and went south with Officers Condee and Foster in pursuit with their emergency lights and sirens activated.

The Ford Ranger kept going and would not stop for law enforcement.

Lt. David Flynn was

notified of the pursuit and put down stop sticks at Walgreens and Highway 321. After the after ran over the spike strip, the vehicle came to a stop at the intersection of Highway 321 and Highway 11.

Jody Garrett had to be pulled from driver's seat and taken into custody. Officer Condee made the arrest.

The pickup belonged to Belinda F. Laney and she also was charged. Sgt. Foster took her into custody.

Friday

the point he could not perform field sobriety tasks.

Mario Alvarez Friday, 33, Lovell View, Road, Knoxville was charged Saturday with DUI, violation of implied consent law and no drivers license.

According to records, Mr. Friday was driving a white Chevy 2500 on Highway 11 near Old Midway Road around 9:45 pm, when he was involved in a single vehicle crash. He made statements to law enforcement that he was driving the vehicle.

Mr. Friday had slurred speech and the

odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath. His eyes were red and watery and he admitted to drinking alcohol prior to driving.

Due to Mr. Friday's level of intoxication he could not perform all the field sobriety tasks. He was unable to stand still or walk without stumbling.

After being read the implied consent law, Mr. Friday refused all chemical tests.

NCIC revealed Friday does not have a valid drivers license anywhere in the United States.

Trooper Daniel Morton, THP made the arrest.

Police Beat

Daniel L. Ernest, 25, Blair Street, Loudon was charged Friday with criminal impersonation and public intoxication.

According to records, Officer Brendan DeBoer, LPD witnessed a man walking on the white line on Highway 72 between Steekee Street and Grove Street. The man advised his car broke down and he was going for help. He had no ID and repeatedly identified himself as Devon Ernest, even though nothing was found for the informa-

tion he gave.

After a short time, he stated he was lying and his name was Daniel Ernest. Mr. Ernest appeared to be intoxicated and a danger to himself and the general public if let go. He was taken into custody and charged.

Tiffany Louann Haun, 28, homeless was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Nathan Wilson, LCSO made the arrest Friday at the Knox City Jail.

Lindsey Nicole Smith, 27, Connecticut Avenue, Knoxville was

charged Sunday with driving on suspended license.

According to records, Deputy Rondel Branam, LCSO observed a black Ford Mustang traveling at a high rate of speed on Interstate 75 northbound. He paced the vehicle at 115 mph in the posted 65 mph speed zone.

Deputy Branam stopped it at the 72 exit and identified the driver as Lindsey Nicole Smith by the Tennessee drivers license she provided him. A check of her license through NCIC revealed it was suspended for frequent traffic violations.

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Reagan

venile to drive her vehicle to go shoplifting at a Lenoir City convenience store Wednesday.

Christine D. Reagan, 27, Kalmia Road, Knoxville was charged Wednesday with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

According to reports, Patrolman Jeremy Dishner, LCSO responded to Weigels on Highway 321 in reference to a theft involving two people. When the officer arrived on scene he found Ms. Reagan and a male juvenile in the parking lot.

The vehicle and descriptions of the male and female matched Ms. Reagan and the juvenile.

Upon further investigation, it was learned Ms. Reagan was contributing to the delinquency by allowing him to drive

her vehicle to steal several items from the store, which were recovered.

Police Beat

Jonathan Huichapa, 18, Oakland Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI.

According to reports, Sunday, around 2:00 am, Sgt. R.S Newman, LPD noticed a red Cavalier riding the center line while traveling south on Highway 11. The vehicle was also following too closely to the vehicle in

front of it and the stereo was cranked up so loud the officer could hear it inside his patrol car.

Sgt. Newman stopped it in the driveway of Willington Manor. Mr. Huichapa was the driver and appeared to be confused and disoriented.

He had urinated on himself and smelled of an alcoholic beverage.

Huichapa performed very poorly on field sobriety tasks and was arrested. He was read the implied consent form and submitted to a breath test at the jail. Huichapa registered .11%.

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Bruner

Samuel Donathan Bruner, 24, Nicholasville, Kentucky was charged with being a fugitive from justice.

According to records, Bruner was wanted for robbery in Jessamine County, Kentucky and will be extradited.

Deputy McKinzie Williams, LCSO made the arrest Monday at the Loudon County Jail.

Closure

Henley Bridge project which is estimated to be completed on June 30, 2013. Traffic will be detoured to East Moody Avenue. The Tennessee Department of Transportation closed Davenport Road SE to allow the crews to begin work to widen the southbound ramp of James White Parkway which is being modified to accommodate more traffic during the closure of the Henley Bridge which is scheduled to begin January 3, 2011. The

closure of Davenport Road SE will also eliminate merging traffic with motorists coming off the southbound James White Parkway ramp.

To find out more about the Henley Bridge project you can go to www.tn.gov/henley or follow the project on twitter at www.twitter.com/HenleyBridge. The Henley Bridge Community Center at 220 East Blount Avenue is also the project office for inspectors, consultants and TDOT staff involved with the project. Visitors can get information about the Henley Bridge Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. by coming to the center or calling (865) 577-6988.

Shuler
ing.

According to records, Thursday, around 1:10 pm, Mr. Shuler had two bags of merchandise and was leaving the Walmart on the general merchandise side. He was

asked to provide a receipt and he admitted he didn't have one.

The total amount of the merchandise was \$63. Officer Allen Bean, LCPD made the arrest.

Shuler had been advised not to be on Walmart property prior to his arrest.

Police Beat

Narciso Fortunato Rodriguez Tello, 35, West Hills Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on revoked license.

According to records, Patrolman Brandon Gentry, LCPD responded to a motor vehicle accident on West Hills Drive Friday and upon arrival made contact with Narciso Rodriguez who stated he was driving the red Ford Explorer involved in the accident.

A check of Rodriguez's information through NCIC revealed his license were revoked.

Gregory Lynn Hayes, 51, Sunnyside Road, Sweetwater was charged with driving on revoked license.

According to reports, Friday, around 9:40 pm, Deputy Charles Butler, LCSO observed a red Honda Prelude with an expired tag traveling west on Interstate 40 at the 368 mile marker. He ran the tag through TDOS and confirmed the expiration.

Deputy Butler stopped the vehicle around the 368 mile marker where a check of Mr. Hayes's license through TDOS returned revoked for traffic violations.

Hayes was placed under arrest and cited for the expired tag and no insurance.

Michael Shane Lowe, 31, Main Hollow Road, Philadelphia was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest Friday.

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