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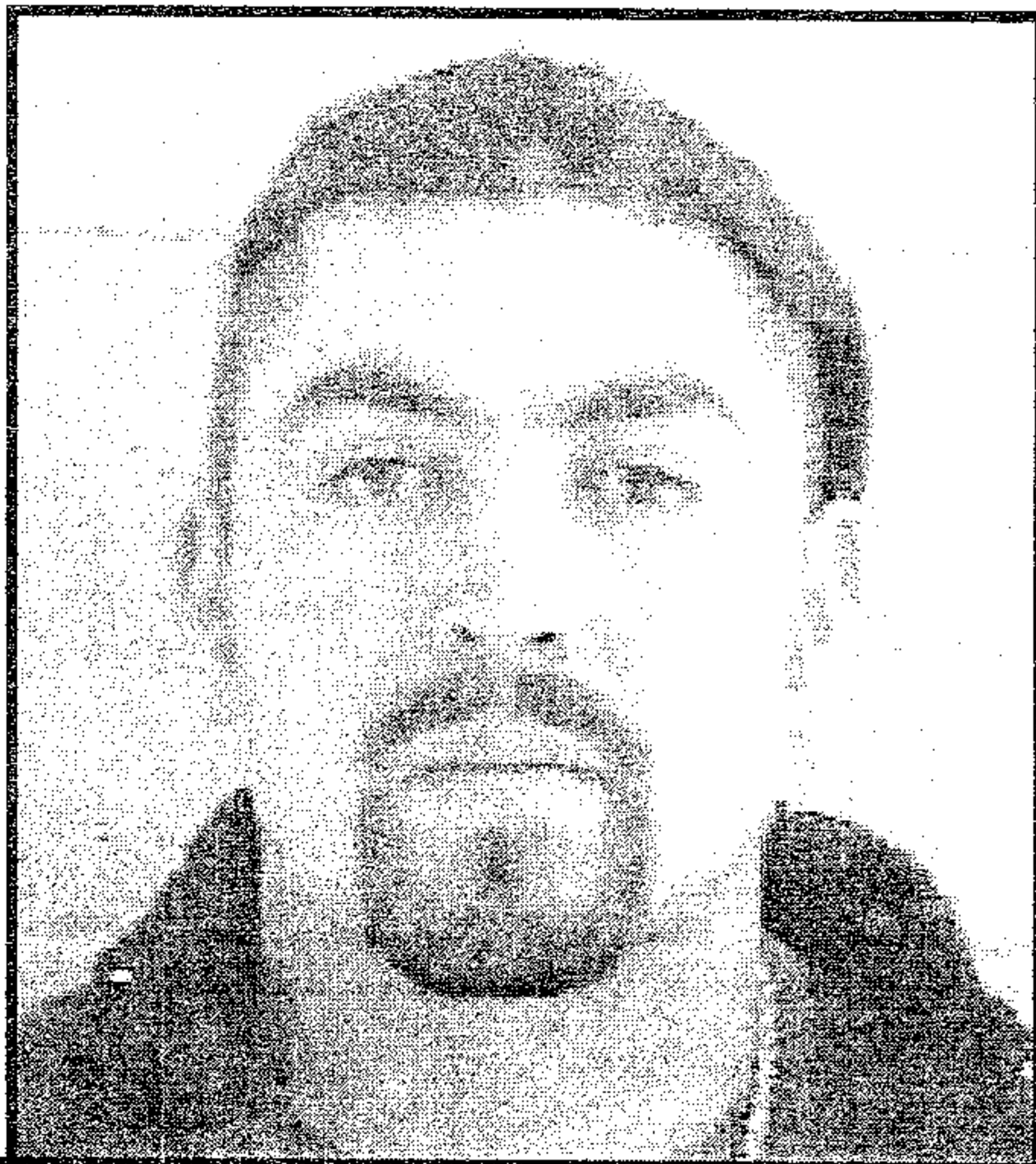
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Thursday, March 11, 2010

LCSO-ND gets their man in connection with 2007 drug warrant

A Maryville man wanted for allegedly selling marijuana after a half pound of the illicit plant was found in his bedroom during a 2007 Narcotics Division operation was taken into custody in the General Sessions Court lobby on Monday.

Jesus Zamucho Pantoja, 28, Taylor Road, Maryville was
(see Pantoja pg. 4)



Jesus Zamucho Pantoja

LCPD charges man with contributing

Detective Jonathan Sartin arrested a Lenoir City man on charges he picked up two children at a park and took them for a ride, then took the youngest one back to his residence after returning the teen female to the park.

Robert Thomas 'Bobby' Alguire, 21, Mealer Road, Lenoir
(see Alguire pg. 6)

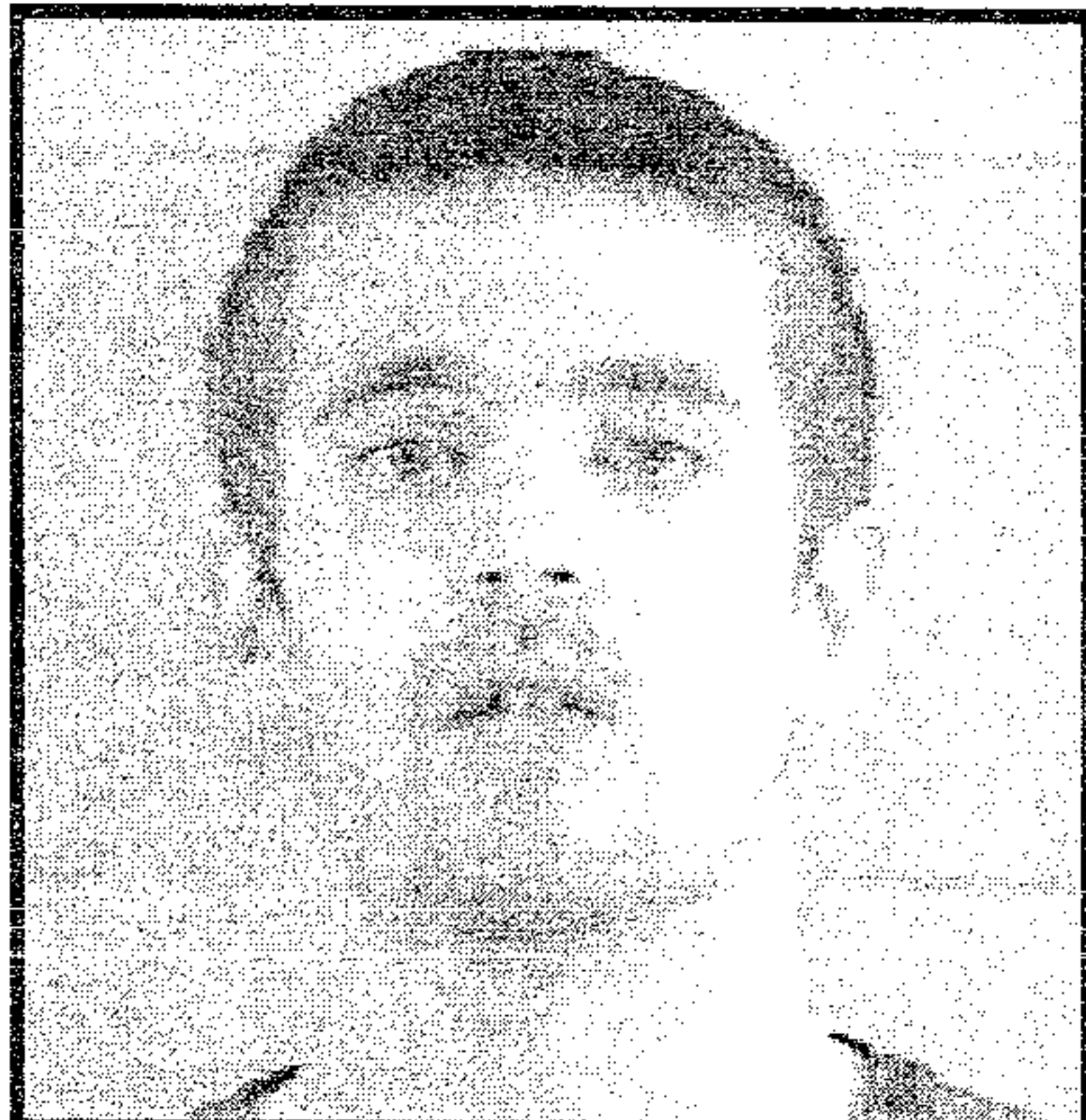


Robert Thomas Bobby Alguire

Brass knucks bad news for Loudon man found at possible crime scene

When police responded to a breaking and entering Monday, a young Loudon man was found at the location who reportedly was uncooperative and in possession of a pair of brass knuckles, a prohibited weapon.

Derek Allen McCreary, 20, Dogwood Lane, Loudon was charged
(see McCreary pg. 7)



Derek Allen McCreary

Tools stolen from truck

A Wisconsin man called authorities to report the larceny of tools from his company truck after he'd stayed at a local motel

and discovered over \$1000 worth of power and hand tools had been taken sometime overnight.

According to reports,
(see Tools pg. 6)

February Revenues

NASHVILLE – State revenue collections once again fell short of budgeted estimates last month. Overall February revenues were \$638.9 million, which is \$47.1 million less than the state budgeted.

"This entire fiscal year has brought us negative growth in the sales tax, which is almost two-thirds of our revenue," Finance and Administration Commissioner Dave Goetz said. "Moreover, the running total is
(see Revenues pg. 7)

Verse of the day

For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

1 Corinthians 15:25-26

Obituaries

Pamela Lashonne Slaton
Marie Ann Alish
Betty Jo Fellers

Jack W. Henry, Jr.

Weather:

Today: Rain early...then remaining cloudy with showers in the afternoon. High 63. CoR: 70%. Rainfall near 1/4 inch.

Tonight: A few showers in the evening, then clouds lingering overnight. Low 48. CoR: 30%.

Friday: A few thunderstorms possible. Highs: mid 60s; Lows: mid 40s.

Wazzup

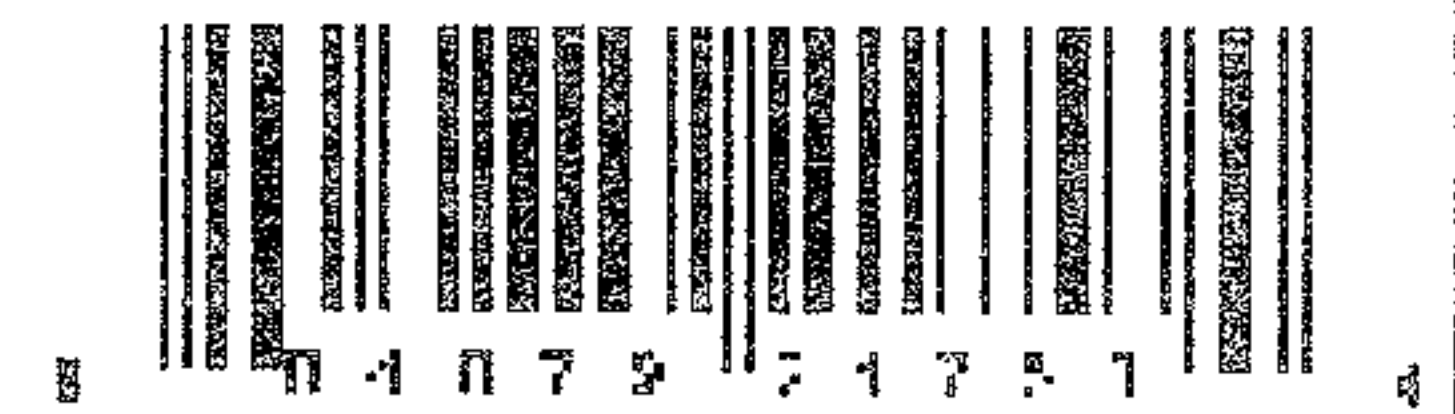
A great big thank you to Wesley Provost for all your help getting my truck winched out! You saved the day!

Horoscopes

Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

Try not to worry about who owes what to whom,
(see Horoscopes pg. 2)



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Pantoja

charged with possession of marijuana for sale.

According to an affidavit filed by Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSO-ND; on July 31st, 2007, the Loudon County Sheriff's Office-Narcotics Division went to an East 1st Avenue apartment in Lenoir City to investigate the sale of drugs. While at the apartment, agents received consent to search.

LCSO-Patrol Division assisted in the search with Deputy Chris Jenkins and his K9 Diego. The K9 alerted in the area of a top dresser drawer. A search of the dresser drawer produced approximately 1/2 pound of marijuana.

During the investiga-

tion it was learned the bedroom where the marijuana had been found belonged to Jesus Zamucho Pantoja. Pictures of Pantoja and identification cards with Pantoja's name also were found in the room.

Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSO took Mr. Pantoja into custody Monday in the court lobby at the Loudon County Justice Center.

Police Beat

Travis Delane Brown, 30, Donelson Road, Philadelphia was charged with failure to appear out of Monroe County.

Officer Blake Norman, LPD made the arrest.

Heather Ann Newman, 22 and Jeremy

Lamar 'Oneal' Bomar, 21, Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City were

charged with theft under \$500 on warrants out of Knox County.

Deputy Charles Butler, LCSO made the arrests.

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Alguire

City was charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The report states, on or about March 8th, 2010, Bobby Alguire went by Rock Springs Park in Lenoir City. After arriving there, Alguire picked up a 14 year old female and a 11 year old male and took them riding around.

Mr. Alguire dropped the female back off at the park. The male was found with Alguire at his residence on Mealer Road. Bobby Alguire took the children without permission of their father.

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD made the arrest Monday.

Tools

Wednesday, at 6:00 PM, Deputy J. Schultz, LCSO answered a theft call where he met the victim at the Justice Center.

Upon arrival, the deputy spoke to Mr. Kurt Sommers, of Hortonville, Wisconsin who stated he stayed at the Econo Lodge on Highway 321 in Lenoir City on February 28th, 2010 and as he was getting tools from his company truck the next morning he noticed some tools were missing.

The missing tools included a cordless impact 1/2" drive yellow DeWalt with a black case, an electric impact 3/4" green

Makita in a case, a 9" yellow DeWalt grinder, a 5" green Makita grinder, a red and black Hilti drill in a red case, a yellow and black DeWalt nut driver, a red and black Milwaukee Sawzall in a red case, a Craftsman wrench set in a black case, and a 3/8

Crescent ratchet set in a gold case.

The total estimated value of the loss is \$1345 and the case is under investigation.

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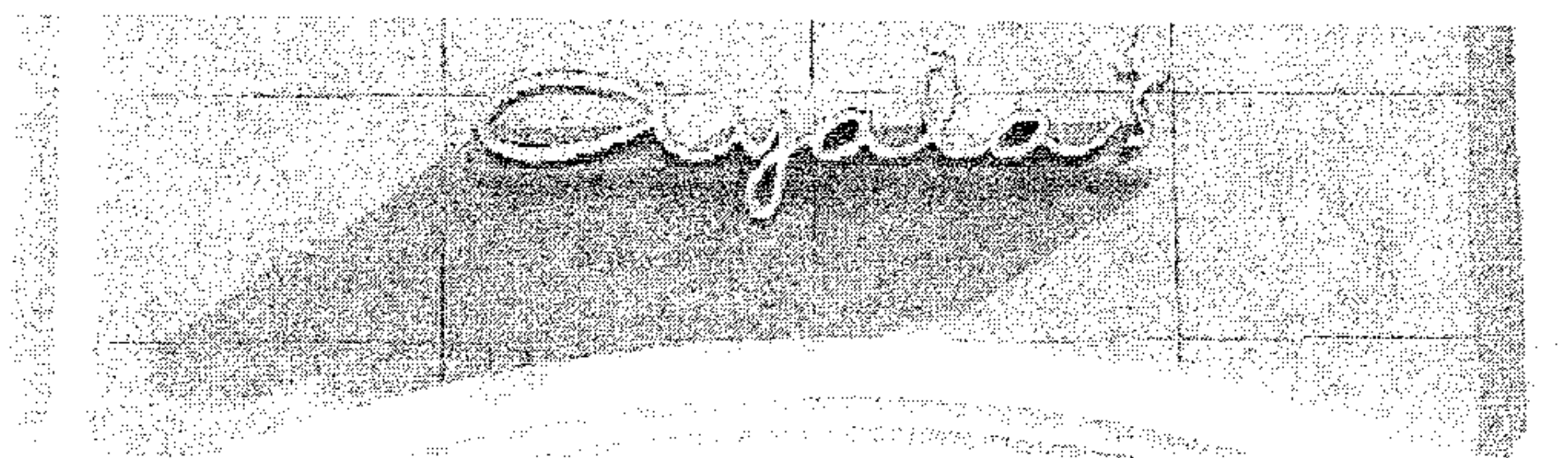
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Revenues

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On an accrual basis, February is the seventh month in the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

The general fund was under collected by \$43.8 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$3.3 million.

Sales tax collections were \$38.4 million less than the estimate for February.

The February growth rate was negative 6.67%. The year-to-date growth rate for seven months is negative 5.84%.

Franchise and excise taxes combined were \$1.4 million above the budgeted estimate of \$33.0 million. For seven months revenues are over collected by \$7.4 million. The year-to-date growth rate for seven months is 8.32%.

Gasoline and motor fuel collections for February decreased by 3.86%, but were \$180,000 above the budgeted estimate of \$68.3 million. For seven months revenues are under collected by \$13.9 million.

Tobacco tax collections were \$4.0 million under the budgeted estimate of \$23.1 million. For seven months revenues are over collected in the amount

of \$303,000.

Year-to-date collections for seven months were \$232.4 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$196.3 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$36.1 million.

The budgeted revenue estimates for 2009-2010 are based on the State Funding Board's consensus recommendation adopted by the first session of the 106th General Assembly in May of 2009, and are available on the state's Web site at <http://www.th.gov/finance/bud/budget.html>.

The State Funding Board met again on December 18, 2009 and adopted revised revenue ranges for 2009-2010. The revised ranges reflect growth rates ranging from negative 1.50%

to negative 0.25% in total taxes, and negative 2.35% to negative 0.85% in general fund taxes.

Based on the funding board's consensus recommendation, the official budgeted estimates for 2009-2010 were revised in late December. The revised estimates are reflected on pages A-70 and A-72 in the 2010-2011 Budget Document. The revised estimates assume an under collection in total taxes in the amount of \$161.3 million, and an under collection of \$153.2 million in the general fund.

McCreary

Monday with possession of a prohibited weapon.

According to an affidavit filed by Officer Blake Norman, LPD; Loudon City Police Department received a call in reference to someone attempting to break into a vehicle on Dogwood Lane. The complain-

ant identified the person as Derek Allen McCreary.

Upon arrival, Officer Norman made contact with Mr. McCreary and reported McCreary was very uncooperative with officers.

When advised to take his hands out of his pockets McCreary refused.

After detaining him, a search of Mr. McCreary uncovered a pair of brass knuckles in his right front jacket pocket. He was then placed under arrest.

Police Beat

Charles Boone Wolfe, 18, Moatswell Road, Vonore, was charged with failure to appear on suspended license charge.

Deputy Steve Helm, LCSO made the arrest.

Courtney Leann Pollard, 19, Julian Drive, Luttrell was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

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