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Wednesday June 15, 2011

Trio busted while on prescription pill run

Three persons were arrested Thursday after police responded to a suspicious persons call and ultimately conducted a search that revealed one of the persons had split her prescriptions with another who paid for her doctor visit and other fees.

Larry Bruce Phillips Jr., 32, Walter Street, Speedwell, Tennessee was charged with simple possession of schedule VI, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule IV xanax for resale, possession of

(see Trio pg. 6)



Phillips



Boshears



Moore

Gun safe burgled

A Philadelphia man called authorities Friday when he discovered someone had broken into his gun safe and stole

multiple firearms and other valuables.

According to records, Mr.

(see Burglary pg. 7)

Banned shoplifter busted

Police arrested a woman Wednesday after she reportedly tried to steal numerous items of merchandise from Walmart despite being banned from all Walmart properties more than a year ago.

Penny Melissa Smith, 47, East Morgan Street, Church Hill, Tennessee was charged with theft under \$500 and criminal trespass.

(see Smith pg. 3)



Smith

Musical equipment stolen from church

Authorities were called to a local church Sunday when a worker arrived to find someone had stolen two guitars and an amp from a storage room.

According to reports, Sunday, around 7:30, PM, Mr.

Ricky D. Johnson, Meadside Drive, Maryville, who is a worker at Dixie Lee Church, entered a storage room inside the church. Mr. Johnson stated the room was used to store the church's musical equipment

(see Stolen pg. 8)

2011 Elk Hunt Winners Announcement Among Items on June TWRC Agenda

NASHVILLE --- The four winners selected to participate in Tennessee's third managed elk hunt will be announced during the June meeting of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources

Commission on Friday, June 17.

This month's meeting will be held on one day rather than the regular two-day format. The June meeting will begin at

(see Agenda pg. 5)

Verse of the Day

And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies. I will

even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the Lord. Hosea 2:19-20

Obituaries

John Carlton "J. C." Johnston
Jarvis V. Easter

James A. (Jim) Reiss
Earl W. (Toad) Self

Wazzup

Happy Birthday, Malachi Morgan, we hope it was as great as you are! Love You!!!

Weather

Today: Partly cloudy in the morning followed by scattered thunderstorms in the afternoon. High 84. Winds SE at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 60%.
Tonight: Scattered show-

ers and thunderstorms. A few storms may be severe. Low 67. Winds SW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 60%.
Thursday: Showers ending by midday. Highs in
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Smith

According to reports, after being restricted from all Walmart properties and signing a notification of restriction on September 1st, 2009, Ms. Penny M. Smith was back in the Walmart on Highway

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321 in Lenoir City, Wednesday.

Ms. Smith was observed by Walmart Asset Protection selecting and concealing items throughout the store. After concealing multiple items in her purse, Ms. Smith was apprehended after passing the final point of sale.

Smith admitted to concealing the merchandise in her purse

and removed multiple clothing items, shoes, and a seasonal toy.

Walmart did not seek restitution of the recovered items, which totaled \$150.36.

Officer Jeremy Dishner, LCPD responded and transported Smith to the Loudon County Jail.

Police Beat

Jennifer Marie Kitts, 21, Sanderson Street,

Alcoa was charged with DUI 1st offense.

The report states, Thursday, at 1:23 AM, Deputy Billy Hall, LCSO noticed a green Toyota Corolla traveling at a high rate of speed on Highway 411 around the Blount County/Loudon County line. Deputy Hall checked the vehicle on radar at 81 mph in a 65 mph zone. He turned around on the vehicle and paced it at speeds from 79 to 77 mph in a 50 mph zone.

Hall conducted a traffic stop on Highways 411 and 95 and identified the driver as Jennifer Kitts.

Ms. Kitts had a strong odor of an alco-

holic beverage emitting from her person. She had slurred speech, watery eyes and was having issues finding her license.

After asking Ms. Kitts to exit the vehicle, she kept putting her hands in her apron. The deputy asked if she had anything in her pockets and Kitts said marijuana.

Ms. Kitts was unsteady on her feet and had trouble following directions. She failed all sobriety tasks given. She was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County jail where she submitted to a breath test. Her results were .14%.

Marc Duane Howard, 43, Boggs Avenue, Knoxville was charged Monday with failure to appear.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSO made the arrest.



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Obituaies cont.

in death by his parents Clifford and Clara Reiss and a granddaughter, Kelsey Hendricks. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Friday, June 17, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. the Community Church at Tellico Village with Rev. Marty Singley officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the service in the Christian Life Center. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to The Good Neighbor Shoppe, 320 Leeper Parkway, Lenoir City, TN 37772 or to the Tellico Village Library, 304 Lakeside Plaza, Loudon, TN 37774. Click Funeral Home & Cremations - Tellico Village Chapel is serving the family of Jim Reiss.

Earl W. (Toad) Self - age 85 of Lenoir City passed away Sunday, June 12, 2011 at the Loudon Healthcare Center. He was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Susan Dillard; parents, George and Nelia Self; brothers, Johnny, Riley,

James, David and Charles; sisters, Rosie, Ruth and Stella. Survived by his wife, Fannie Self; daughters, Wanda Williams of Lenoir City and Vickie Rhea of Knoxville; son, Robert Self and wife, Teresa of Lenoir City; step children, Billy J. Brookshire and wife, Mary, Regina Ramsey and husband, Troy; several grandchildren; great grandchildren; brother, Fred Self and wife, Wanda of Maryville; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Click Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Agenda

9 a.m. in the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Region II Ray Bell Office Building and is open to the public.

The four winners of the 2011 elk hunt permits were selected

in a random drawing. The fifth participant will be the recipient of a permit that is donated to a Non-Governmental Organization, which this year was the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Foundation. That permit will be auctioned on eBay. The auction period will run July 14-23. Fund-raising proceeds are designated for the TWRA Elk Program.

The five participants will be contacted and provided information relating to the hunt. The hunt is scheduled Oct. 17-21 at the North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area.

The Wildlife and Forestry Division will provide the commission an overview of major changes that are coming in the area of big game check in. The Wildlife and Forestry Division will also provide the commission with new language that would allow for land purchases to take place without necessitating a proclamation change. Small tracts of land are sometimes purchased adjacent to Wildlife Management Areas when they become available, espe-

cially in West Tennessee.

The Boating Division will present the statewide work efforts made by boating safety during the 2011 Memorial Day holiday weekend. There were no boating fatalities recorded during the holiday period.

The Law Enforcement Division will present an overview of the efforts of TWRA wildlife officers in response to the tornadoes in East Tennessee and the flooding in West Tennessee this spring.

Police Beat

Christopher Eugene Murrell, 41, Wood Street, Loudon was charged with violation of probation out of Knox County.

Officer B. Gentry, LCPD made the arrest Thursday.

Jamie J. Hawkins, 44, Fairview Road, Lenoir City was charged Thursday with outstanding warrants for failure to appear - DUI 4th offense and failure to appear - driving on revoked.

Officer J. Dishner, LCPD made the arrest.

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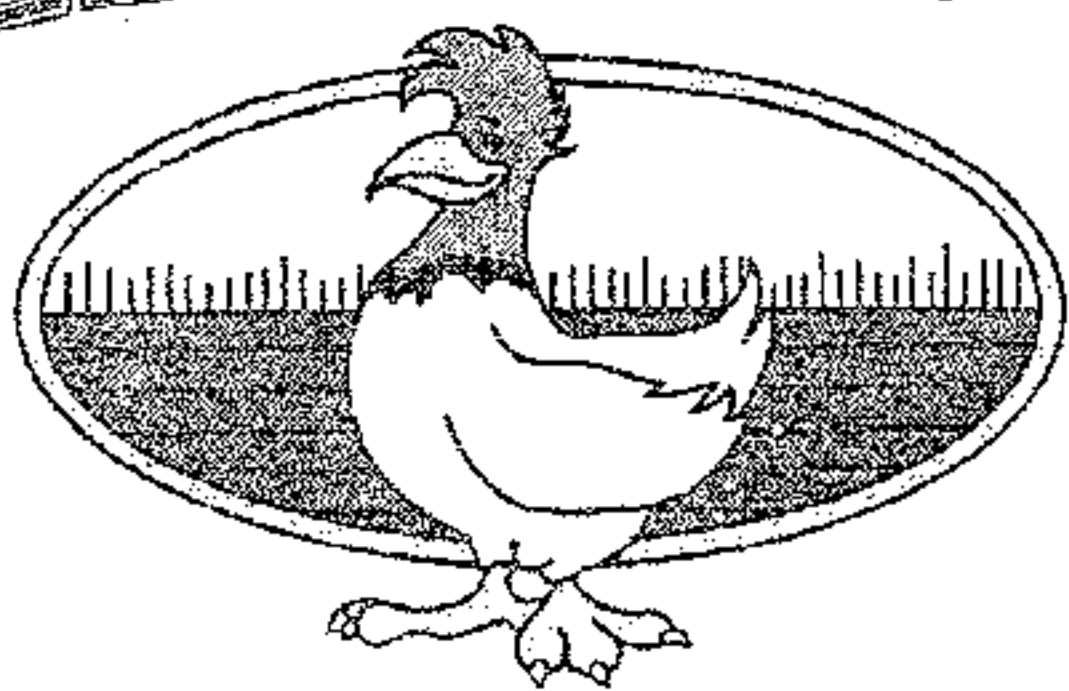
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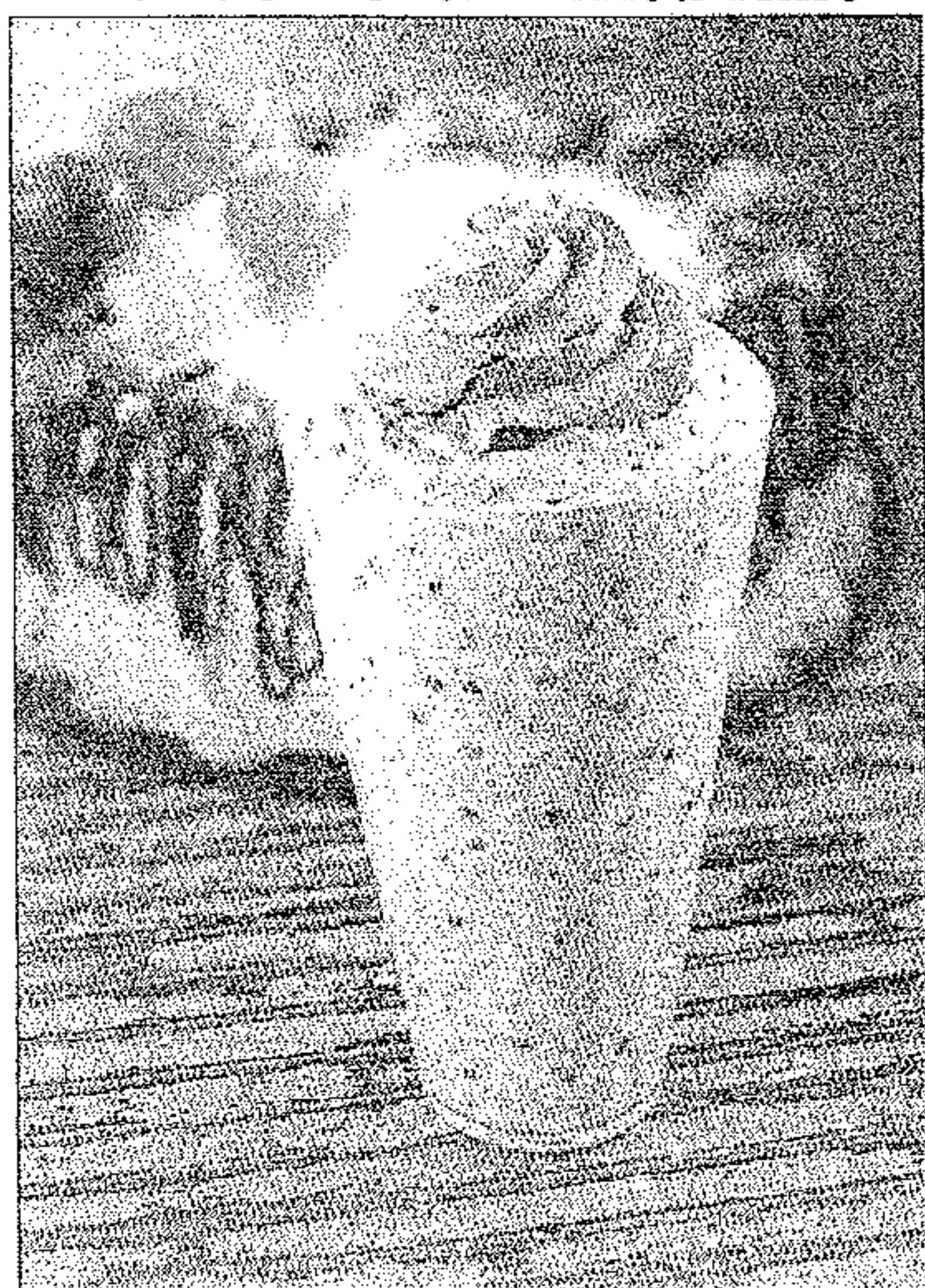
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Trio

schedule II oxycodone 15 mg for resale, and possession of schedule II oxycodone 30 mg for resale.

Chelsea Marie Boshears, 20, Chambers Road, Jacksboro, Tennessee was charged with simple possession of schedule VI marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Maria Ann Moore, 30, Blue Springs Road, La Follette, Tennessee was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule II oxycodone 15 mg. for resale, possession of schedule II oxycodone 30 mg. for resale, possession of schedule IV xanax for resale and simple possession of marijuana.

According to affida-

vits filed by Agent Jonathan Yates, 9th DTF; Thursday, around 3:31 PM, officers with the 9th Drug Task Force, including Jonathan Yates and Brendan DeBoer, responded to the Weigel's on Highway 72 in reference to a call of suspicious persons in a red Ford Explorer. The call came from off-duty Officer April Farmer, LPD. She advised they were extremely intoxicated.

When agents arrived they found two people sleeping in the Explorer and checked on their condition. They were identified as Larry B. Phillips Jr. and Chelsea M. Boshears.

Agent Yates reported he noticed certain items of drug paraphernalia lying in the back floorboard, which included rolling papers, a round

pink container that appeared to have a powder substance in it and a cut straw commonly used to snort narcotics.

Agent Yates removed Mr. Phillips and asked to pat him down. Phillips stated he may have needles on him, but a check did not uncover any.

K-9 Bear was deployed on the vehicle and gave a positive alert to the presence of the odor of narcotics along the passenger side door. A search of the Explorer confirmed the items Agent Yates saw in plain view as drug paraphernalia that contained powder residue believed to be crushed pills.

A pill crusher with residue was found in Ms. Boshear's purse and several hypodermic

needles were found in the back floorboard.

Additional search uncovered a small amount of marijuana in the center console in a candy bag, which weighed approximately 3 grams, that Ms. Boshears had access to. The third party was identified as Marla Moore, who attempted to avoid agents in the store.

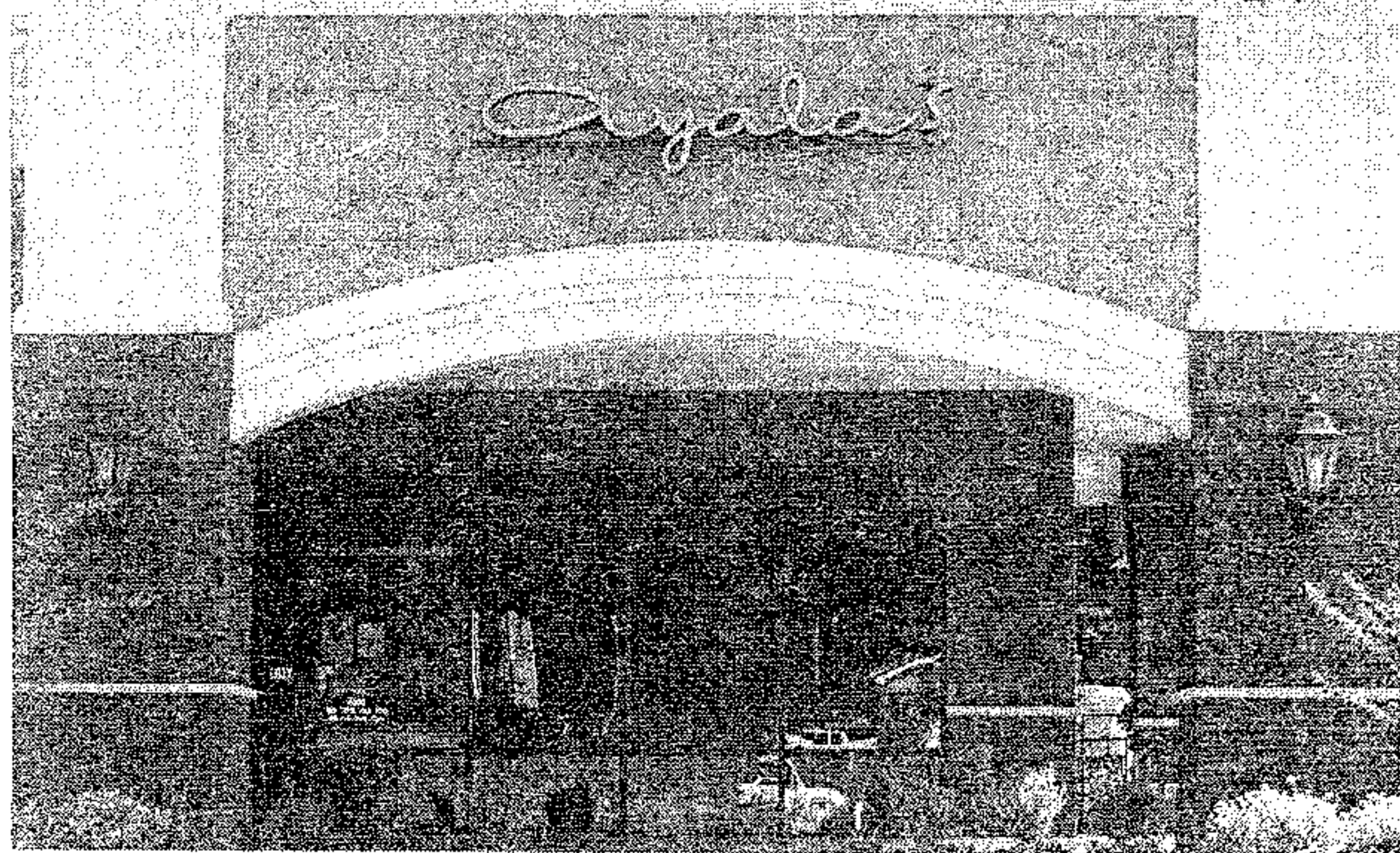
An additional search

of the vehicle uncovered a clear plastic bag containing several pills. It was concealed behind the radio and accessed by removing the glove box. It contained 21 xanax, 46 oxycodone 15 mg, and 68 oxycodone 30 mg, approximately half of Moore's prescription. The pills were proceeds to Larry Phillips from Marla Moore for

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Moore

Robert E. Jones, Reed Springs Church Road, Philadelphia reported to Corporal C. Matthews, LCSO he left his residence around Thursday afternoon and returned

home Friday morning. He stated he went to sleep on the couch and when he awoke he discovered someone had pried open his gun safe.

The stolen items were described as a Taurus

.357 revolver with a 6" blue steel barrel, a Lorcin .380 caliber semi auto pistol with a 4.5 " barrel that was two tone in color, a Lorcin .380 caliber blue steel semi auto pistol with a 3.5 " barrel, a Lorcin .380

calibur semi auto pistol with a 3.5 " barrel, two Remington .44 cap & ball pistols with 8" barrels, an SKS folding stock, a fixed stock SKS, a small Kodak digital camera, a JVC camcorder, a book of checks on a First National Bank checking account and an unknown brand .38 caliber snub nose revolver.

There was no forced entry into the residence. The total value of the loss was estimated to be \$3181. The burglary was turned over to an investigator.

Trio cont.

his paying for her doctor visit, prescription cost and transportation, which agents derived

after Miranda Rights were read and the defendants waived.

Ms. Moore used the medication she obtained at a pain clinic in Georgia as currency to facilitate her drug trade and use. Ms. Moore was also found to have several cut straws commonly used to snort narcotics.

Agent Yates arrested and transported Boshears and Phillips. Agent Brenden DeBoer arrested and transported Moore.

Police Beat

Theresa Ann Smith, 52, Chapel Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Chuck Butler, LCSO made the arrest Friday.



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Stolen

and he noticed two guitars and an amp were missing from the room.

Deputy Butler, LCSO responded to the call and upon arrival spoke with Mr. Johnson and looked at the room. The deputy didn't locate any pry marks on the door.

Mr. Johnson stated whomever is responsible, knew where the

room was located.

The church's loss was estimated at \$650. The case is under investigation.

Police Beat

Chris Michael Bertram, 23, Holder Ford, Kingston was charged Thursday with driving on revoked license.

According to reports, Officer Jason Felts, LCPD observed a red Acura Integra on Highway 321 with expired

registration and stopped it in the Auto Zone's parking lot.

A check of Mr. Bertram's name and date of birth revealed his license were revoked. He

was transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Justin Marcus Thomas, 36, County Road 50, Riceville, Tennessee was charged with

violation of probation out of Monroe County.

Officer Kevin Condee, LCPD made the arrest Saturday at a traffic stop on West Broadway.

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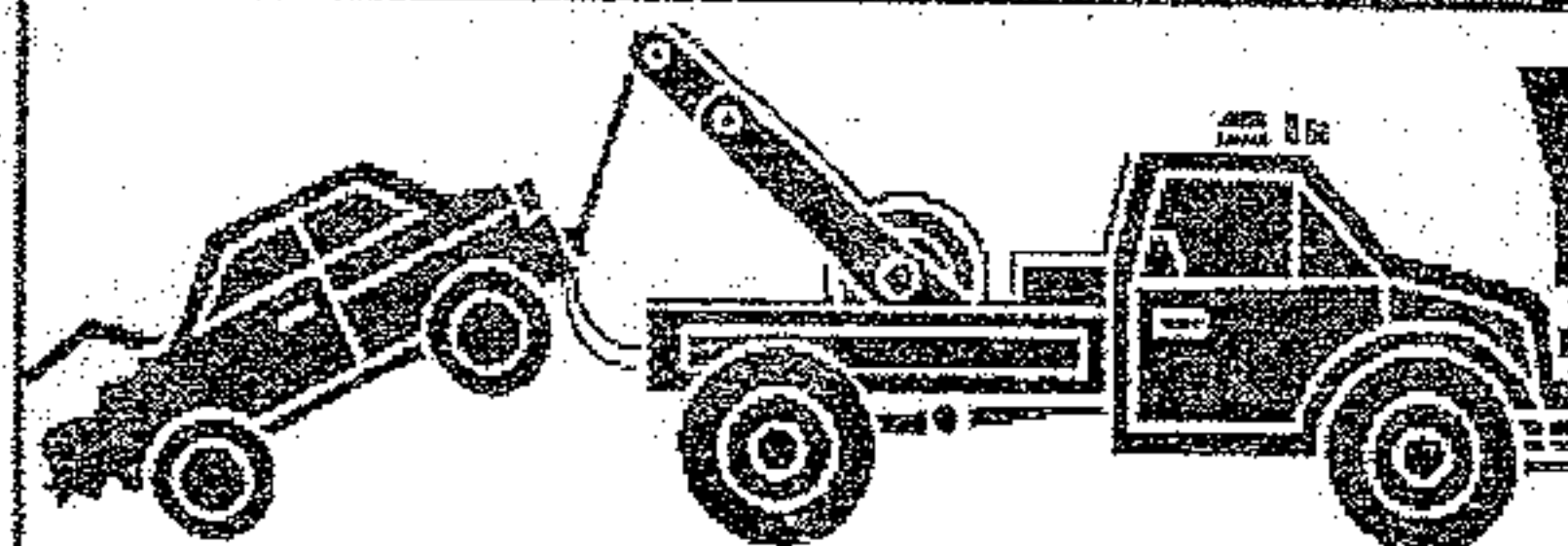
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