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Monday-July 8, 2013

Athens, Tennessee

Local and State News

◆ DOMESTIC DISPUTE ENDS IN DEATH

An Athens man, 34-year-old Robert Vann Marshall, was shot to death by his wife Saturday, just 11 minutes after he was served with an order of protection to stay away from her. McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy says officers received a report Saturday morning that Marshall was irate, armed, and threatening to kill his wife and children. He was arrested a short time later by Athens police and was found to be in possession of a small handgun and numerous narcotics pills.

Marshall was booked into the McMinn County Justice Center where the order of protection was served against him. He was released after posting bond and being instructed not to contact his wife or go to their residence.

Eleven minutes later, dispatchers received a call from the Marshall residence on County Road 178 (Velma Road) in which Marshall's wife, Melissa, said he was at the residence in violation of the order of protection. As she spoke with dispatchers, she said her husband had forced his way into the home and that she had shot him. When officers arrived, they found the front door of the (Continued in next column)

MORE ON DOMESTIC DEATH

residence had been kicked in and Marshall was lying in a bedroom with a fatal gunshot wound to his chest.

Sheriff Guy says it appears to be a case of self defense and no charges were filed against Melissa Marshall. The district attorney's office will make a decision on whether or not to present the case to the grand jury. (Photo of crime scene courtesy of the McMinn County Sheriff's Office)



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Crash Sends One To Hospital

A one-vehicle wreck at the intersection of County Roads 890 and 475 in East Etowah last Thursday sent the driver to the hospital. The Etowah Rescue Squad responded to the crash, and rescue personnel extricated Anthony Kincaid. He was airlifted by AirEvac to Cleveland, where the helicopter had to land due to bad weather. An ambulance transported him to Chattanooga. (Photo by Jay Thomson)



Obituaries

Georgia E. Rice Dezon, age 108, of Athens died last Thursday in an Athens health care facility. Funeral arrangements will be announced by M.D. Dotson and Sons Funeral Home.

Jackie Rogers Conatser, age 81, of Calhoun died last Friday at Etowah Health Care Center. He was an aircraft mechanic and retired in 1972 after 20 years in the U.S. Navy as an electrician. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

James Uyles Brady, age 91, of Riceville died last Friday night at his home. He was a dairy farmer. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Mount Harmony Baptist Church of Riceville. Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Martha Jean Morgan Gunter, age 68, of Etowah died last Thursday at Woods Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

Candace DeLaine Shore Dennis, age 52, of Athens died last Wednesday at Athens Regional Medical Center. She was an employee of City Park School and Wellington Place. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

Sarah Coleman Overstreet, 87, of Niota died Friday. She was retired from Athens Furniture Company. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at East Niota Baptist Church. Visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

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1838 - German inventor Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin was born. He invented the lighter-than-air air vehicles known as Zeppelins or blimps. His flying machines were used by Germany during World War One in air raids on Great Britain.

1839 - American financial tycoon John D. Rockefeller was born. He made a fortune in the oil business, and was once the world's richest man. When someone asked him how much money is enough money, he replied, "Just a little bit more."

1932 - Singer Jerry Vale was born. His hit records include "You Don't Know Me" and "Have You Looked Into Your Heart."

1935 - Singer Steve Lawrence ("Go Away Little Girl" and "Footsteps") was born.

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