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Thursday, February 11, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ **ATHENS 3-SCHOOL PLAN PUT ON HOLD**
 The plans to reduce the number of Athens schools from five to three have been put on hold. The Athens City School Board voted unanimously this week to suspend their contract with the architectural firm that drew up the plans for additions at City Park and Westside schools. The plans were put on hold because the estimated costs have gone from \$9.5 million to \$14 million.

◆ **FREE FLU SHOTS NOW AVAILABLE**
 The McMinn County Health Department is now offering free flu shots to people of all ages. The shots will be given until vaccine supplies are exhausted. To get a flu shot, call the McMinn County Health Department at 745-7431 to schedule an appointment. This flu season has been later in coming and some vaccine supplies took longer to arrive. The Health Department urges anyone who has not yet received a flu vaccination to get one now to help protect themselves and those around them from the flu virus.

◆ **MONDAY IS PRESIDENTS' DAY**
 Next Monday, February 15th, is Presidents' Day. The public schools will be closed. Federal and state offices, banks, and the Post Office will also be closed.

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ One day after dismal finishes in the New Hampshire primary, New Jersey Governor Chris Christie and former Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina suspended their campaigns for the 2016 Republican presidential nomination.

◆ Senator Bernie Sanders top aides believe his win in New Hampshire's Democratic presidential primary on Tuesday can propel him to the White House.

◆ Michigan Governor Rick Snyder has proposed spending hundreds of millions more dollars to address Flint's water crisis from lead contamination and to update pipes there and across the state. This is a plan that lawmakers from both parties generally welcomed as moving in the right direction with the proper priorities.

◆ On Tuesday, the U.S. Supreme Court delivered a major blow to President Obama by putting on hold federal regulations to curb carbon dioxide emissions mainly from coal-fired power plants. The court voted 5-4 to grant a request by 27 states and various companies and business groups to block the administration's Clean Power Plan. The plan also mandates a shift to renewable energy away from fossil fuels.

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WEATHER
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Thurs. Night - Mostly cloudy.
 Lows in the lower to mid 20's.
Friday - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s to lower 50's.
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Coffman Named to School Board

The Athens City School Board has chosen the person who will fill the seat vacated by Dr. Preston Brown, who resigned in December after moving away from Athens. His replacement will be Johnny Coffman, who is well-known as "The Voice of the Cherokees."



Wednesday's Market Report

✓ U.S. stocks were mixed as investors digested remarks from Fed Chair Janet Yellen as well as choppy trading in oil. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 99.64 at 15,914.74. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 0.35 at 1,851.86, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 14.83 at 4,283.59. In Commodity Markets the spot price of gold rose \$7.14 to \$1,196.27. The spot price of silver rose \$0.03 to \$15.27, and crude oil prices fell \$0.51 to \$27.43.

State News Headlines

~ The Tennessee Department of Health has confirmed the first case of Zika virus in the state. The patient tested positive for the virus after returning to East Tennessee from a trip to South America. Except in pregnant women, the Zika virus is almost always a very mild illness. In fact, about 80% of those infected never show any symptoms of the disease.

~ A federal grand jury has indicted eight former and current Pilot Flying J employees--including former president Mark Hazelwood--for their alleged roles in a diesel fuel rebate scheme. The indictments come almost three years after dozens of FBI and Internal Revenue Service agents raided Pilot's Knoxville headquarters, seizing thousands of documents and copying computer hard drives.

(State headlines continued in column to the right)

STATE HEADLINES (continued)

~ Six women have filed a lawsuit alleging that the University of Tennessee has created a student culture that enables sexual assault by athletes, particularly football players. The lawsuit says UT has a policy of indifference toward sexual assaults by student-athletes. It accuses five former football players of sexual assault.

~ Fire officials in Nashville are warning citizens about the dangers of hoverboards after the two-wheeled motorized scooters caused two recent fires. One of the fires destroyed a million-dollar home in Nashville and sent two teenagers to the hospital. Metro Nashville fire department officials say the January 9th blaze is believed to be the first hoverboard-related house fire in Tennessee. The fire was caused when a hoverboard burst into flames on the first floor of the house. A 16-year-old girl was forced to kick out a second-story window and jump out. Her father then helped a 14-year-old boy out of the second-story window with a ladder.

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