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## Local and State News

### ◆ VEC TO PASS ALONG TVA RATE INCREASE

TVA recently approved a rate increase that Volunteer Energy Cooperative will pass along to its members. Residential customers will see an increase of about 1.7% in their monthly electric bill beginning today. VEC President/CEO Rody Blevins says VEC will not receive any additional revenue from the increase. He says this is "strictly a pass-through."

### ◆ TWO INSURANCE AGENCIES MERGE

The Omega One Insurance Group has announced that it has merged with Carter Insurance. Omega Insurance is located at 1255 Decatur Pike. Carter Insurance is located at 206 North White Street. Steven Shelton, partner with the Omega One Insurance Group, says the merger will increase the company's level of service and product availability.

### ◆ TAX NOTICES ARE IN THE MAIL

Property tax notices for the City of Athens were mailed on September 25th. If you do not receive your notice by October 7th, you should call the Finance Department at 744-2710. You may pay your taxes at the Municipal Building Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 101.28 at 15,156.96. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 8.54 at 1,683.21, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 12.86 at 3,768.73.

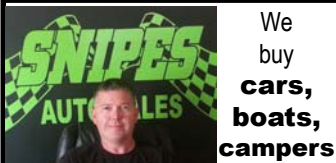
## NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ A federal government shutdown officially began at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday after a deadlocked Congress failed to reach an agreement on a short-term funding measure. The shutdown is expected to place tens of thousands of federal workers on furlough, close national parks and monuments, and disrupt services like food assistance and IRS audits. However, the mail will continue to be delivered, the Social Security checks will continue to go out, TVA will keep making power, the national weather service will continue to provide weather forecasts, and the nation's active duty military personnel will remain on duty.

◆ Syria's foreign minister claims that his government is fighting a war against al-Qaida-linked militants who eat human hearts and dismember people while they are still alive and then send their limbs to family members.

◆ A planned documentary about Hillary Clinton has been canceled by CNN after the project's director abruptly dropped out of the project claiming that the Clinton camp had pressured people not to talk to him. Charles Ferguson, who had been tapped earlier this year to direct the film, scrapped the documentary because potential interview subjects refused to be interviewed.

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**WEATHER**  
**Tuesday** - Mostly sunny. High in the upper 70's to lower 80's.  
**Tuesday night** - Mostly clear. Low in the upper 50's.  
**Wednesday** - Mostly sunny. High in the lower to mid 80's.  
 More Weather & Zoom Radar at: [www.wyxi.com](http://www.wyxi.com)

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### Etowah High Holds Reunion

The Etowah High School Alumni Reunion was held last Friday and Saturday at the L&N Depot. The school's last graduation class was in 1966. In the picture, Kay Dobbs Melton on the left receives a plaque from Rosie Williams Buckner for her many years of service as chairperson of the Reunion Committee. (Photo by Gene Choate)



### Obituaries

**Lottie Jeanette Smith Moore**, age 90, of Buffalo, New York (and a native of Niota) died September 4th in New York. Funeral services were held on September 12th. The announcement is courtesy of M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Homes.

**Winnie Mae Hatfield**, age 83, of Etowah died Sunday at Hospice of Chattanooga. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday.

**Barry Gordon Brooks**, age 61, of Englewood died Monday at his home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Mars Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**David Edmund Dorsey**, age 75, of Etowah died Sunday at Etowah Health Care Center. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

**Alger Thomas Reid**, age 96, of Etowah died Sunday at Etowah Health Care Center. He was a veteran of the US Army and served in WWII receiving two Purple Hearts, Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, 3 Bronze Stars, Good Conduct, Presidential Unit Emblem, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, WWII Victory Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge & Honorable Service Lapel Button. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bordwine.

**James Alan Hansen**, age 63, of Athens died last Friday at his residence. He was a veteran of the Army, a welder, and an avid motorcycle rider. At his request, his ashes will be spread along some of the southern roads that he loved riding. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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### TODAY IN HISTORY-OCTOBER 1

**1878** - General Lew Wallace was sworn in as governor of the New Mexico Territory. He went on to deal with the notorious outlaw, Billy the Kid. He also wrote the novel, *Ben Hur*.

**1890** - Yosemite National Park was dedicated in California.

**1908** - The Ford Model T went on sale. More than 15 million Model T's were eventually sold, all of them black.

**1924** - Jimmy Carter was born in Plains, Georgia. He went from a peanut farmer to a state senator to governor and in 1977 became the 39th president.

**1926** - Pianist Roger Williams was born. His biggest hit records were "Autumn Leaves" and "Near You."

**1935** - Actress and singer Julie Andrews was born. Her movies include "Mary Poppins" and "The Sound of Music."

**1974** - Five Nixon aides, including John Ehrlichman and Nixon's Chief of Staff H.R. Haldeman went on trial for conspiring to hinder the Watergate investigation.

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