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Athens, Tennessee

Attempted Murder Charges

A McMinn County man remains in custody after shooting his wife on Sunday. Sheriff Joe Guy says that McMinn County deputies and detectives responded to a report of a person being shot at a residence on County Road 783 around 5:00 a.m. Sunday. Upon their arrival, they found the victim, Joanne Johnson, suffering from at least 2 gunshot wounds. Her husband, Jan Johnson, advised he had shot his wife after becoming angry with her. "Mr. Johnsons seemed to think there were some marital problems going on," according to Sheriff Guy. "He claimed that he'd become upset at some of his wife's behavior and decided to take her life." Officers placed Mr. Johnson under arrest and rendered aid to Mrs. Johnson until an ambulance arrived. Mrs. Johnson was transported to a regional hospital for treatment. Jan Johnson was charged with Attempted First Degree Murder and was taken to the McMinn County Jail where he remains in custody on a \$100,000 bond.



State News

- ✓ Four inmates who escaped from the Silverdale Detention Center in Tennessee have been captured. Officers discovered that the inmates were missing during a headcount early Saturday in a minimum security housing unit. The facility was placed on lockdown. Two of the inmates were captured within a few hours at a motel. Hours after authorities requested the public's help to locate two other inmates, one was found in Soddy Daisy, Tennessee, and the other was found in Jackson County, Tennessee.
- ✓ According to new data released from the CDC, the following East Tennessee counties are under high risk for Covid and need to wear a mask: Anderson, Campbell, Carter, Grainger, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Morgan, Roane, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington.

◆ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Juliette Wells. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

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Today in History

1789 - Congress established the Department of Foreign Affairs, the forerunner of the State Department.

1866 - Cyrus W. Field finally succeeded, after two failures, in laying the first underwater telegraph cable between North America and Europe.

1905 - Baseball player-manager Leo Durocher was born. He managed pennant winning teams for the Dodgers and the Giants.

1909 - Orville Wright tested the Army's first airplane, flying himself and a passenger for one hour and 12 minutes. That set a world record for staying aloft.

1940 - Bugs Bunny made his debut in the Warner Brothers animated cartoon, "A Wild Hare." Mel Blanc was the voice of Bugs Bunny.

1953 - The Korean War armistice was signed at Panmunjom, ending three years of fighting. 1960 - Vice President Richard M. Nixon was nominated for president at the Republican National Convention in Chicago.

1980 - The deposed Shah of Iran died in Egypt at age 60.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT. Equity markets sold off sharply. U.S. Treasury yields continue to move lower. The 10-year yield is now at 2.80% levels. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 228.50 to 31,761.54. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 45.79 to 3,921.05, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 220.09 to 11,562.58.

National News

◆ According to new data published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the United States now leads the globe in monkeypox cases with 3,846 known cases. The World Health Organization (WHO) has declared monkeypox a 'public health emergency'. Spain has recorded 3,100 cases and Germany has recorded 2,352 cases.

◆ After a record amount of rain poured down on the St. Louis area, one person has died. St. Louis has recorded 8.56 inches of rainfall since midnight. This surpassed the old record of 6.85 inches set almost 107 years ago on Aug. 20, 1915. The historic rainfall event caused widespread flash flooding across the region Tuesday morning. Some areas received more than half a foot of rain in just a few hours.

◆ The Oak Fire near Yosemite National Park has grown to nearly 18,000 acres. A heat wave that brought triple-digit temperatures for multiple days combined with extremely low humidity contributed to extremely dry fuels, consisting of dead leaves and trees. These accumulated on the ground and allowed the Oak Fire to advance, according to Marshall Burke, an associate professor of Earth system science at Stanford University.



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