

Flood deterrent



A line of large stones has been placed along the bottom of Warren County Animal Control and Adoption Center's new exit road to prevent its use. Members of the county Highway and Bridge Committee will meet Thursday, Feb. 1, at 4 p.m. to consider how to address concerns for potential flooding of the Animal Control building and completion of a circle drive project.

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Auction

Saturday, February 3rd 10:00 a.m.

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1979 Ford F250 4x4 351 Cleveland truck, Auto Buckshot mudders, runs great-only needs brakes, 456 John Deere Baler, logging supplies: chains, boomers, cables, log grabbers, John Deere riding lawn mower, Husqvarna riding lawn mower, Honda push lawn mower with bag catcher, garden hoses, electrical and plumbing parts, oil changing pump for boat, 500 BTU like new Frigidaire window air conditioner, bundle of Red Oak hardwood flooring, 3-hay and feed rack for horses, 4 TVs- Sanyo, Hitachi, Sony, and Samsung and DVD player (all working when unplugged), TV stand, fireplace grate, tractor radio, shop work bench, load lockers, gas grills, cultivator teeth, cutting torch, hose and gages, 4" Dezurik water valve, implement hydraulic cylinders, electric motor, 4 all-terrain tires 50R15, 4 15" chrome wheels, 5 horse Craftsman air compressor, new and used old antique hand tools, Scott lawn fertilizer spreader, old coffee grinder, nursery ball carrier, lamps, hunting deer stands, horse saddles and blankets, old side saddle, antique horse drawn equipment: turning plow, bull nose, double shovel, cultivator and dirt pan, antique Coke cooler, squirrel cage fan, window barn fan, oil space heater, water pump with hose, aluminum tool box, Rubbermaid tool box, one tarp for gooseneck trailer, one shade cloth for truck, 1- 8ft. folding table, 1-5ft. folding table, card table, Bamboo window blinds (various sizes), 2 swivel office chairs, gasoline cans, antique dishes and dish pans, 10x10 fold out tent, stackable plastic chairs, Christmas tree stand, 10 speed bicycle, Honda pressure washer 5 horse power, children's toys and play table, household items, hand tools, antique ironing board, Indigoo pet mate dog house, picnic table, rocking chairs, 12 ft. aluminum flat bottom boat, cattle watering trough, mirafound cattle watering trough, old chandelier, 2 wheel farm wagon, charcoal grill, live animal catch cage, 3 point chemical sprayer, hay elevator, metal farm gates-all sizes, cattle head catcher, salt feeder, wooden fence post, 10 rolls high tensile fence wire, high tensile fence supplies, high tensile wire Jenny, woven wire, electric fence charger, electric fence supplies, steel fence post driver, 2-mount on boat seats, welding supplies and helmet, plastic drain pipe, Michelin 11R 24.5 truck tire with aluminum rim (like new), hand tools: shovels, post hole diggers, grubbing hoe, hay forks, snow shovel, manure forks, corn scoops, briar hooks, sling blade, hand sanders, circular skill saw, power drill and much more. 1979 GMC Sprint New parts are as follows. 350 4 bolt main crate motor,carpet,seats,weatherstripping, suspension, exhaust system, stereo, battery, alternator, hoses, belts, fuel pump, electric fan, valve covers, breather, Holley carburetor, polished aluminum intake and more.

This auction will be held rain or shine. Inspection of items will be on sale day only. All these items are left over after the family farm was sold. Everything must be removed day of sale- NO EXCEPTIONS.

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STATE ROUNDUP

George Washington signature brings \$138K

KNOXVILLE (AP) — A book signed by George Washington that made its way from the Founding Father's personal library to a now-deceased Tennessee man has sold for \$138,000 at an auction.

A Case Antiques vice president Sarah Drury tells WBIR-TV an anonymous phone bidder purchased the leather-bound copy of Volume 1 of the Massachusetts Magazine during Saturday's auction in Knoxville.

Washington gave the book to his biographer and former U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Marshall. The book last belonged to a Chattanooga man who died in 2017.

It was offered for a preliminary catalog estimate of \$28,000 to \$32,000. The same bidder also purchased a copy of Marshall's biography of Washington for \$21,600.

LEBANON (AP) — A Tennessee high school student's anti-bullying video has resulted in nearly 600,000 views on YouTube and a suspension for its creator.

Lebanon High School student Emily Gipson said school administrators accused her of "trying to incite violence" and gave her a two-day, in-school suspension for the video entitled "Welcome to Lebanon High School," posted Jan. 22.

In the video, prompted by a classmate's October suicide, she asks students to treat each other better.

"Welcome to Lebanon High School, where smiles are fake and suicide prevention is something to laugh at," she said in the video, criticizing her peers' reaction to the Stop It app issued in response to the death.

Her ire was not restricted to students, however. Perhaps the harshest words in Gipson's free-verse speech were reserved for school administration.

"Posters say 'Smile' and 'Be happy,' but how am I supposed to be happy in a world — no, in a community — where creativity is put down, where the people who make fun of others never get punished because 'There's no proof,' or 'There's nothing we can do about it,' or, my favorite, 'Kids will be kids,'" she says in the video.

"So let's summarize: We're expected to come to this emotional prison every day, and we're expected to forgive the bullies because the authorities are sure they didn't mean it. Sometimes I wonder how many kids it takes dying to make a difference."

Principal Scott Walters told *The Lebanon Democrat* he can't discuss the 16-year-old's punishment, but said he took issue with the fact the speech was recorded in a classroom without a teacher's permission. Gipson disputed that, saying she had two coaches' permission.

"I can appreciate the perspective of the video," Walters said. "Of course, she's 16, and her perspective is going to be different from mine."

MURFREESBORO (AP) — The TBI says a police officer fired into a suspect's vehicle.

The bureau said in a press release Monday that Murfreesboro police officers spotted a vehicle believed to be stolen by 23-year-old Jesse Caldwell on Sunday and pursued it. When the chase stopped, an officer exited his vehicle, identified the driver as Caldwell and shot into the car.

Caldwell wasn't shot, but he suffered injuries from broken glass. No law enforcement officers were injured.

Caldwell was the subject of a multi-agency search following a Friday burglary. He was treated for his injuries and booked into Rutherford County Jail on multiple charges.

Tittle charged for stashing gun under child seat

BY **DUANE SHERRILL**
Reporter for the Southern Standard
(McMinnville, Tennessee)

A man faces child endangerment charges after he allegedly stashed his gun under a child seat after he was pulled over.

The man, Terry Austin Tittle, 28, of Spencer is charged with child endangerment and possession of drugs.

The incident happened after deputy Bristol Davis pulled over a Nissan Maxima, suspecting the driver was a man who was wanted on outstanding warrants.

"Upon making the stop, the driver was not (the man we were looking for

but a backseat passenger was identified as Austin Tittle," the deputy said, noting Tittle was wanting for violation of probation in Davidson County.

Davis said he noticed something suspicious as Tittle was instructed to get out of the car. "When asked to step out of the vehicle, I saw him placing a handgun under a child seat that was occupied."

The deputy arrested Tittle for stashing the gun under the child's seat and then found a bag of marijuana lying in the floor near where he had been sitting. The handgun, a 32-caliber Cobra, was retrieved from under the child seat.

CIRCUIT COURT

BY **DUANE SHERRILL**
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Sentences were handed down by Circuit Court Judge Bart Stanley recently on charges ranging from violation of probation to statutory rape.

Included in court action: Isaac Gregory Oldfield was directed to serve 120 days of a two-year sentence and complete the sexual offender program for statutory rape.

Mark Dewayne Alley was ordered to serve 90 days of a one year-sentence on house arrest for violation of the sexual offender registry. He will be allowed only to go to the doctor and pharmacy during his restriction.

Heather Michelle Lopez was directed to serve six days of an 11-month, 29-day

sentence and must perform 16 hours public service work for perjury.

Misty Carol Comfort was given a three-year probationary sentence for bringing contraband into the county jail.

Dewayne Warren Wilder was instructed to serve 120 days for driving on a revoked license.

Leslie Claire Farless was given an 11-29 sentence, but released on time-served for theft and auto burglary.

Chad Layne Rogers must serve 364 days for violation of probation.

Lou Ann Sanders had her probation extended by a year for violation of probation.

Ronald Lee Tresler was ordered to serve 100 days for violation of probation and failure to appear in court.

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