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TVA footprint looms over community



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Georgia and Durrell Smith walk at their home near the Bull Run Fossil Plant on Thursday in Claxton. TVA is proposing to buy the Smiths' property and additional land in the Claxton community as part of its conversion to coal-ash dry storage for Bull Run.

Bull Run expansion plan leaves Claxton residents uneasy

BY BOB FOWLER

more plainspoken about the proposal that's vexing the couple and many nearby residents: "I think it's a bunch of crap," he said.

"At our age, it would be a terrible thing to have to move,"76-year-old Georgia Smith said.

properties are clearly visible from the Smiths' backyard.

Next door, also off Old Edgemoor Lane: a 110-year-old Methodist church and cemetery that TVA also covets. Also in that area: Anderson County's oldest known building — a cabin built around 1799 by Revolutionary War veteran David Hall. "I'm just devastated," said cabin owner Libby Bumgardner, who with husband Harry Bumgardner has spent years restoring the cabin, once a tavern along the main route

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Video: TVA executive. Claxton landowner

3 Ky. men indicted in 2 Sevier homicides

Fourth suspect sought in fatal February shootings outside apartment complex

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Three Kentucky men are in custody and authorities were looking for a fourth person Thursday in connection with the Feb. 3 killings of two young men outside a Sevier County apartment complex. Matthew Oakes, 25, Ja-



Oakes

cob Sharp, 29, and Marcus L. Chaney, 28, all of Somerset, Ky., were indicted by a Sevier County grand jury this week on two counts of reckless homicide stemming from the fatal shootings of Brandon Paul Lindsey, 21, of Pigeon Forge and Brandon J. Breitweiser, 23, of Sevierville. The men were shot at Murrell Meadows Apartments off Newport Highway.

The three suspects turned themselves in to Sevier County Sheriff's Office detectives and Tennessee Bureau of Investigation agents Thursday before being booked into the Sevier County Jail, said Sheriff's Office Capt. Jeff McCarter.

The homicides, Mc-Carter said, stemmed from

Chaney a "confrontation that went bad," but he would not give a motive or elaborate because a fourth arrest was pend-





CLINTON—Georgia Smith doesn't mince words when it comes to TVA's plan to buy property — including her longtime home — for an expanded storage area for coal ash and gypsum.

"We think it's terrible," she said, seated next to her husband of 57 years.

Since 1977, the Smiths have lived on 5 acres off Old Edgemoor Lane near TVA's Bull Run Fossil Plant in Anderson County's Claxton community.

The steam plant's smokestacks and the 50-foot-high, grass-covered ash storage mound that TVA wants to someday expand onto the Durrell Smith, 83, was even Smiths' land and their neighbors'

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discuss possible coal-ash storage expansion.

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ing. He said officers were "on the trail" of a male suspect from Sevierville.

Both shootings were reported within moments of each other.

Officers found Lindsey lying in the backyard of the complex just after 8:30 p.m. Feb. 3 after responding to a call of shots fired, according to the Sheriff's Office.

Before arriving on scene, officers re-

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Signs of compromise cue debt limit raises

Negotiators so far have agreed to \$1.5 trillion in cuts

BY DAVID ESPO AND ANDREW TAYLOR Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With time growing short and warnings more dire, the first, fragile signs emerged Thursday of a possible compromise to raise the nation's debt limit and avert a potentially catastrophic default on Aug. 2.

Under a plan discussed by the

Senate's top two leaders, President Barack Obama would receive enhanced authority to raise the debt ceiling at the same time procedures would be set in motion that could lead to federal spending cuts.

Word that Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., and Republican leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky were at work on the fallback plan came as Obama and congressional leaders held a fifth straight day of debt-crisis talks at the White

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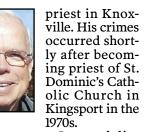
Former ET priest convicted of sexual abuse in 30-year-old case

BY KACIE BREEDING Kingsport Times-News

BLOUNTVILLE, Tenn. — A former East Tennessee priest faces sentencing July 22 after being convicted Thursday of charges that he raped and sexually abused a teenage boy 30 years ago who looked to him as a father figure.

William Casey, 77, of Greeneville was taken into custody immediately from a Sullivan County courtroom and is being held without bond.

Casey formerly had been a



Jurors delivered their verdict of guilty to firstdegree sexual misconduct and two counts of aggravated rape about 1 p.m. Thursday.

Sullivan County District At-

priest in Knox- torney General Barry Staubus called the case "one of the most emotionally draining" that he's ever handled, but he felt the victim, Warren Tucker, now 46, has finally been "vindicated" after 35 vears.

Tucker could not be reached for comment. Cal Pfeiffer, a representative of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, the nonprofit group that first encouraged Tucker to go to police, offered

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