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\$1,000 bail set in Lothian stabbing

District Judge Martha Rasin set bail at \$1,000 yesterday for a man charged with trying to kill another man two weeks ago behind a convenience store in Lothian.

Robert M. Thomas, 33, of the 3700 block of 27th St. in Chesapeake Beach, could be released until his trial by posting \$100.

He and Thomas A. Tanner Jr., 28, of the 4500 block of Lockes Crossing Road in Mechanicsville, St. Mary's County, are charged with assault with intent to murder.

Lester Conroy Evans, 40, of Davidsonville, was stabbed in the chest, abdomen and arm. He was discharged from Prince George's County General Hospital Saturday.

Police said the men were involved in a drug transaction that went bad. Evans staggered from behind the Dash-In convenience store at Routes 4 and 408 shortly after 10 p.m. April 29.

Shooting suspect held without bail

A District Court judge ordered a man charged with shooting a cab driver April 24 held without bail yesterday.

Homicide detectives arrested Gilbert Eric Daniels, 31, of the 1400 block of Middletown Road in Annapolis Tuesday afternoon. He is charged with assault with intent to murder.

Police said the cab driver, Lesley Randolph Gross, 23, of the 900 block of Franklin Manor Road in Churchton, was shot in the arm by a passenger he had taken to Shot Town Road, near Annapolis.

Police said Gross, who works for the Diamond-Crown Cab Co., picked up the man about 3:50 a.m. at West and Washington streets in Annapolis.

When they arrived at the destination, the man took out a handgun and demanded money. Gross screamed and scared off the robber, who ran into the woods after firing one shot, police said.

Insurance company robbed of \$30

Two men robbed an Annapolis insurance company Wednesday afternoon, escaping with \$30 in petty cash.

The men forced a clerk at Gebco Insurance Co. on Forest Drive into an adjoining room and ran off with the cash, city police said.

One suspect was described as a black male, about 5-foot-5, with a mustache, green shirt, blue baseball cap and jeans. The

other suspect was black, about 5-foot-3, wearing a white T-shirt and white baseball cap.

Man is burned while fixing motor

A 44-year-old man was burned Wednesday afternoon when a flash fire erupted in a boat engine he was fixing.

Ken LaCovey, of the 1700 block of Maryland Ave. in Shady Side, was released yesterday from the burn unit at the Francis Scott Key Medical Center in Baltimore.

Firefighters were called to the Herrington Harbor North Marina in Deale shortly before 1:30 p.m. for a boat fire.

Capt. Gary Sheckells, a department spokesman, said the man was repairing an engine with ether or starter fluid when a flash fire burned his upper body and face, burning off his mustache and facial hair.

Pit bull breaks chain, bites girl, 10

A pit bull that broke a chain and got out of a fenced yard at a trailer park in Lothian bit a 10-year-old girl Tuesday evening.

Marissa Lee Conner, of Lyon's Creek Mobile Estates, was bitten several times on her upper body. She was treated and released from Anne Arundel Medical Center.

A police report said the 2-year-old, 80-pound dog owned by Charles Henry Wilson broke a cast-iron runner about 7:10 p.m. and got out of the secured yard.

The dog attacked the girl in the back yard of a next-door trailer and had the girl's head in his mouth, the police report said.

Debbie Ridgley, of Crofton, who was visiting her mother, saw the attack and rescued the girl by hitting the dog with a broom handle until it released its grip.

Animal Control took possession of the dog.