

Vicky's Corner: **All the news you** **haven't heard**

This columnist hears that Jamie Byrnes, once owner of local pharmacies, is hauling in a \$4,000,000 insurance settlement for the downfall of the Byrnes' stores. Remember when the pharmacy closed last year after Pattie Zeller took a poisoned Byrnes-brand aspirin her husband (allegedly!) planted at the Byrnes store? Looks like the crime paid . . . Jamie.

Not only is Jamie pocketing the insurance money but also inherits a lordly sum from father Charles, founder of the Byrnes chain, who died earlier this year.

So what is Jamie Byrnes doing with this fortune? Not sticking around town, it seems. Jamie is moving to a pricey villa in Grasse, a southern French town renowned for its perfume industries. Talk about smelling the roses!

Marshall City will again have the pleasure of Byrnes' company when the Martin Zeller trial starts next spring.

Zeller, now a prized guest in the Thompson County Jail's high security unit, is charged with the attempted murder of his wife, Patrice, the event that shuttered the Byrnes stores.

Speaking of Zellers, Patrice's lawyers have slapped liens on some of Jamie's cash before Jamie moved it all out of the country. Pattie blames Byrnes for her misfortune, and is suing. You've got to love her lawyers.

Maybe Pattie will win some of Jamie's money, and spend it here where it came from.