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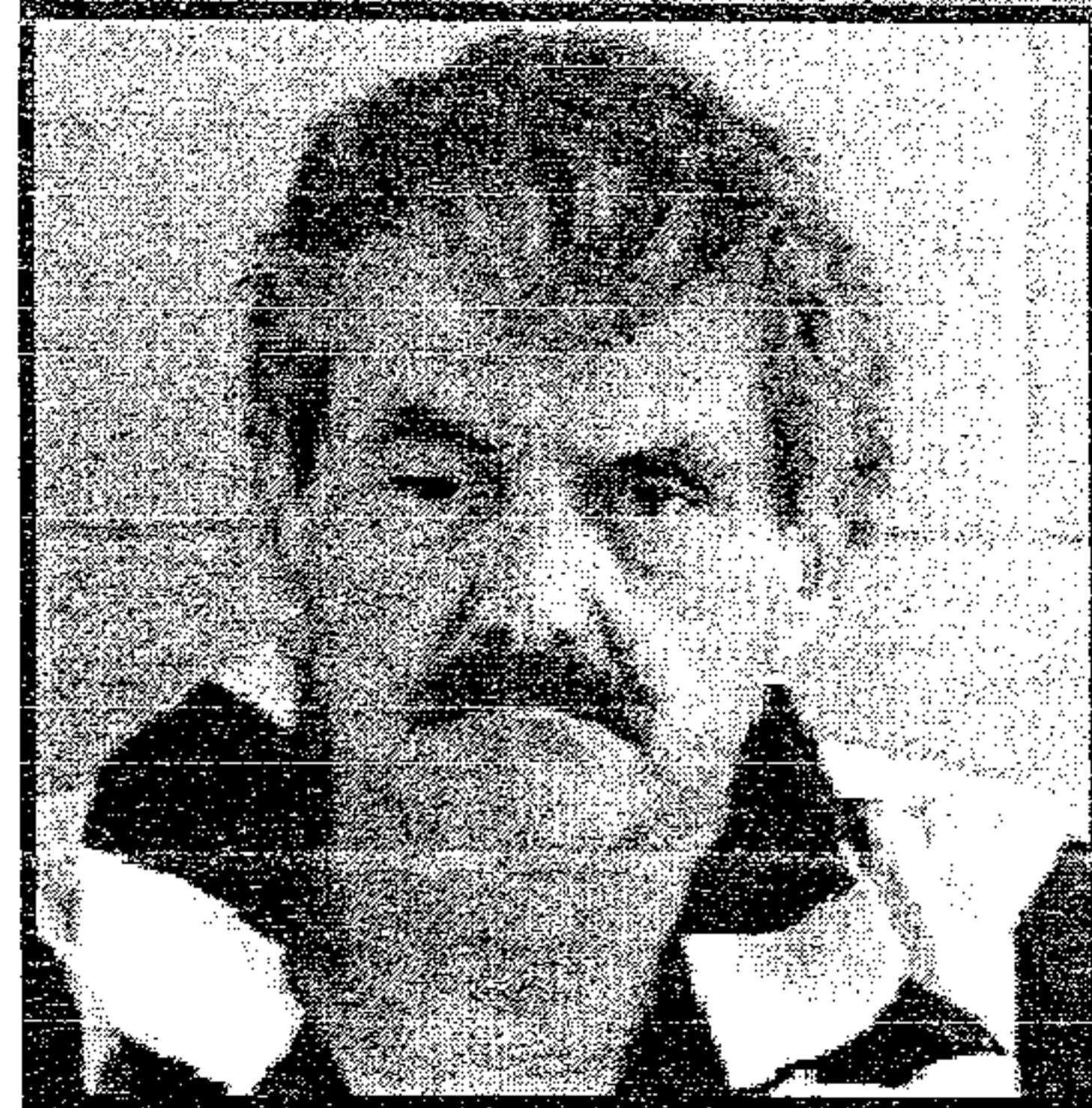
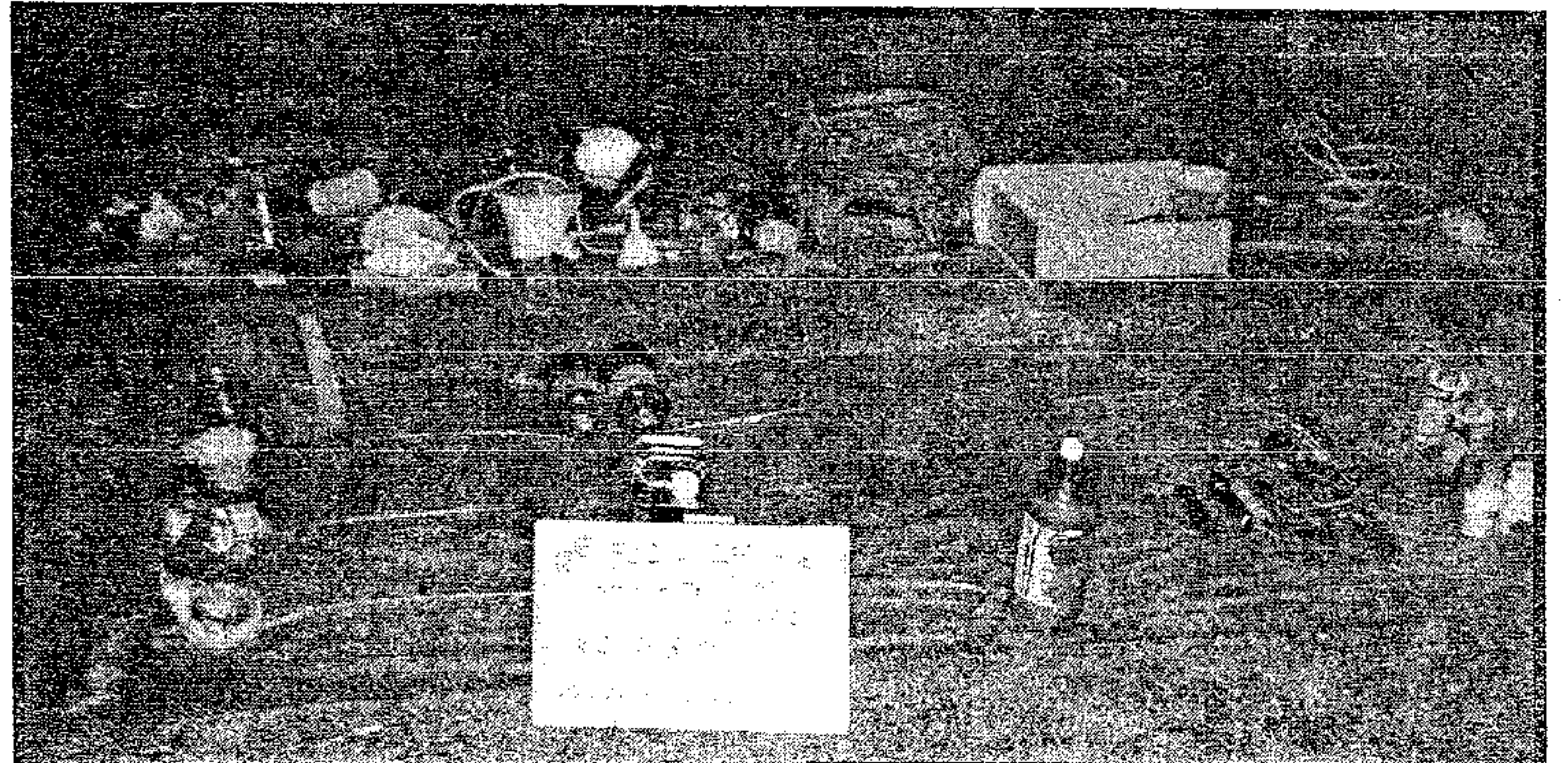
Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Meth chefs nabbed: raid finds "shake & bake" meth lab in LC neighborhood

(see Tweakers pg. 5)



Photos: (above) Investigator Shane Ezell wears protective gear while handling a 2 liter bottle being used to make methamphetamine (top right) Tools of the trade include propane, Coleman fuel, drain opener, tubing, jars and other items



Jenkins



Stringfield

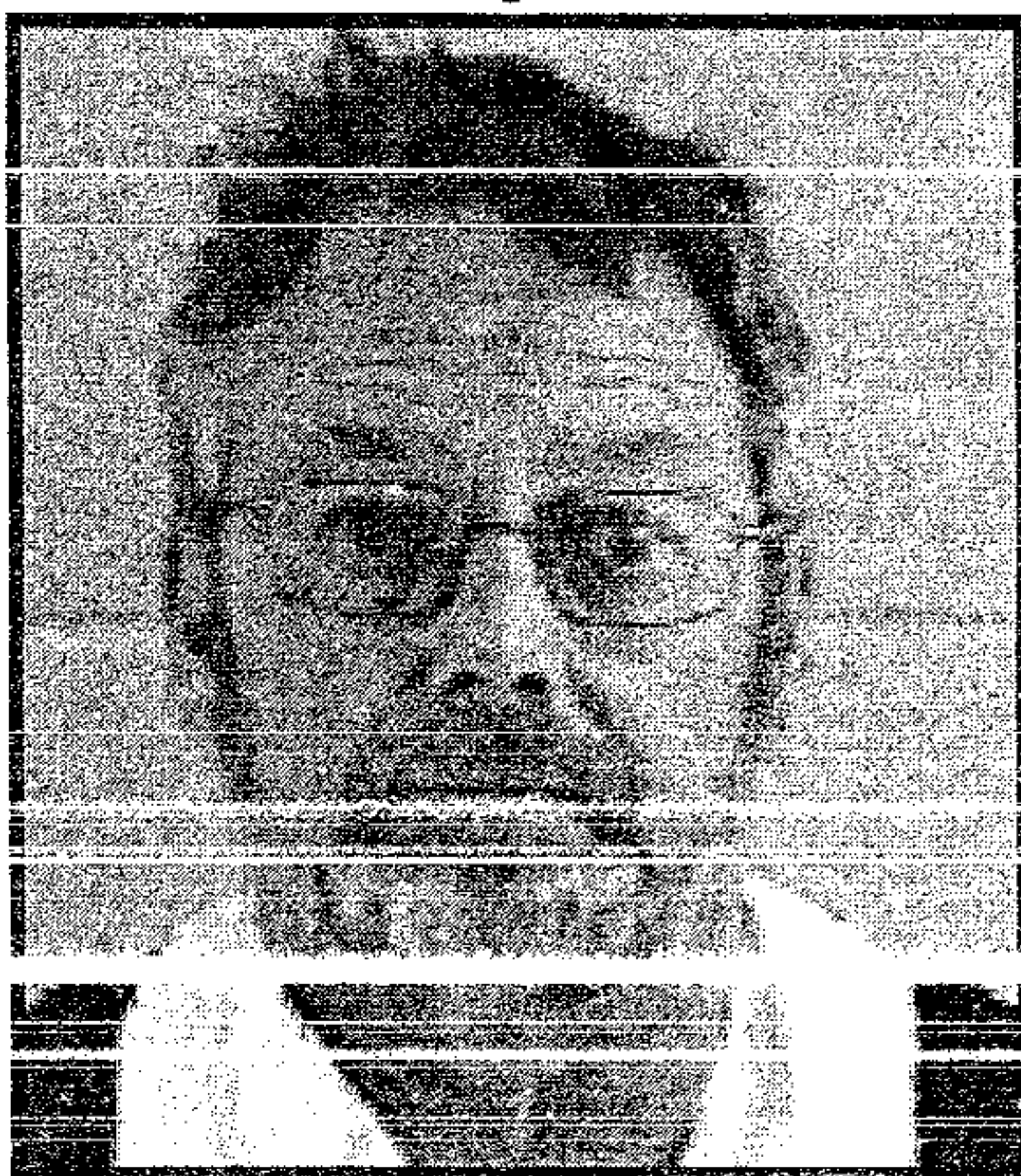
Protection order doesn't stop GB man

A Greenback man was taken into custody for the second time in under ten days Tuesday after allegedly stalking his estranged wife and child in spite of an active order of protection being against him.

Emery Steven Johnson, 52, Highway 95 North, Greenback was charged with aggravated assault by violation of order of protection

According to an affidavit;

(see Johnson pg. 7)



Johnson

Multiple Arrests on Federal Drug Trafficking Charges

(see Charges pg. 4)

Knoxville, Tenn. — Several Thursday and Friday in Knoxville, Alcoa, Atlanta and

THP Supports C.O.P.S. Project Blue Light

NASHVILLE --The Tennessee Highway Patrol will once again partner with C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors) this holiday season to encourage Tennesseans to display a blue light in home or office windows in remembrance of fallen law enforcement officers.

Project Blue Light pg. 7)

Verse of the Day

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12

Obituaries

Dorothy Clearman-Thompson

Drama M. Harrison

Wazzup

A great big thank you to the Cole family at East Tennessee

Scaleworks - Saturday's Christmas dinner was divine! And Happy Birthday to Selena!!!

Merry Christmas from Sharkman.

Weather

Today: Sunshine along

with some cloudy intervals. Cold. High 33. Winds NW at 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight: A mostly clear sky. Cold. Low near 15. Winds NW at 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the

low 40s and lows in the low 20s.

Horoscopes

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

You should be happier than usual today, most

(see More pg. 2)

Police Beat

Ester Espinoza, 48, East Broadway, Lenoir City, was charged with driving on suspended license and financial

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responsibility.

According to records, Friday, at approximately 12:04 PM, the Lenoir City Police Department received a call about a motor vehicle accident at McDonalds.

A check of Ms. Espinoza's license status

came back suspended for failure to satisfy and she was also cited for financial responsibility.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

James Daniel Johnson, 37, West 5th Av-

enue, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD made the arrest Thursday.

David Allen Flanagan, 25, Kelly Lane, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Bobby Hamilton, LCSO made the arrest Thursday.

Marcus Douglas Washington, 33, Coronado Lane, Knoxville was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest Wednesday.

TWRA Sets January 2011 Meeting Dates

NASHVILLE --- The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission has scheduled its first meeting in 2011 for Jan. 19-20. The meeting will be held at the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Region II Ray Bell Building in

Nashville located in the Ellington Agricultural Center.


The session will open with committee meetings at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 19. The regular commission meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on Thurs-

day, Jan. 20. The agenda will be announced about a week prior to the meeting.

The public is invited to attend the meeting. The TWRC met for the last time in 2010 last week (Dec. 1-2) in Gatlinburg.



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Obituaries

Dorothy Clearman-Thompson, age 80, of Lenoir City passed away Sunday morning, December 5, 2010 at her home. Dorothy was a member of the Maryville Church of Christ. She was a native of Sweetwater and was a graduate of Sweetwater High School Class of 1948 and was captain of the championship basketball team and football queen. Dorothy was a former Miss Sweetwater and Miss Monroe County. She was a retired accountant, was the Past President of the American Professional Business Women's Association and was an avid gardener. She was preceded in death by parents, Roy and Alma Lee Murr; brother, Wayne Murr and sister, Ruby Murr. Dorothy is survived by her husband, Jack Thompson; children, Charles Clearman of Maryville, Harry Clearman and wife, Cathy of Shelby, NC, Roger Dale Clearman and wife, Angela of Atlanta, GA, Cindy Floyd and husband, Keith of Friendsville, David Clearman and wife, Lisa of Atlanta, GA; grandchildren, Evan Clearman, Ryan Clearman, Savannah Clearman, Chris Clearman, Travis Clearman, Zach Floyd, Kelsey Clearman, Lexie Hall, Haley Hall, Adam Floyd, Malory Hall, Jake Clearman, and Jessica Grace Clearman; great grandson, Channing Speer; sister, Joan Murr Mowery of Farragut; sister-in-law, Jo Ann Murr of Farragut; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at the Click

Funeral Home Farragut Chapel with Mr. Jonathan Jones II officiating. Interment will follow in the Highland Memorial West Cemetery. Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel, 11915 Kingston Pike is serving the family of Dorothy Clearman-Thompson. **Drama M. Harrison** age 97, of Lenoir City, passed away Sunday, December 5, 2010. She was a member of Central United Methodist Church. Preceded in death by parents, George and Alice Rhea McCown; husband, Charles A. Harrison; deceased sister Jean Waller; deceased brothers Ed, Jack, Bill, JC, and Bon McCown. Survived by children; daughters and sons-in-law Charlotte and Buddy White of Lenoir City, TN; Mary and Michael Bright of Monroe, NC; and son and daughter-in-law Charles Lynn and Janice Harrison of Nashville, TN; grandchildren Kim and Phil Young of Knoxville, TN; Brad and Leslie White of Tampa, FL; Megan Bright of Monroe, NC; Samuel and Katherine Harrison of Knoxville, TN; great-grandchildren Ashley and Justin Irick, Courtney Young, Tyler Young and James Samuel Harrison all of Knoxville, TN; sisters Jo O'Neal of Chattanooga, TN and Nina Straw of Marysville, PA; sisters-in-law Ann McCown, Betty McCown, Stella McCown and Alice Harrison all of Lenoir City, TN and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers Samuel Harrison, Brad White, George McCown, Gary McCown, Bobby Harrison and Jimmy Simpson. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, December 7th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Hawkins Chapel at 102 B Street in Lenoir City followed by a memorial service

with Dr. Phil Young officiating. The family and friends will meet Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. for a graveside service and interment Lenoir City Cemetery. Hawkins Chapel in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Charges

land by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and local law enforcement officers on charges involving a multi-state cocaine and crack cocaine trafficking conspiracy and money laundering charges. On Thursday, federal search warrants were executed at locations in Knoxville, Alcoa and Rockford, which resulted in the seizure of large amounts of United States currency, vehicles, drugs, and other evidence.

Initial appearances were scheduled throughout the day Friday in U.S. District Court in Knoxville before the Honorable H. Bruce Guyton and the Honorable C. Clifford Shirley, United States Magistrate Judges. Initial appearances were also scheduled in the U.S. District Courts in Atlanta and Maryland.

The charges are contained in a 76-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Knoxville on November 16, 2010. Trial has been set for February 8, 2011, in U.S. District Court, in Knoxville before the

Honorable Thomas A. Varian. The defendants under arrest and in custody include:

- Bryan Douglas Walden, 38, of Alcoa;
- Curicio Sehale Hight, 32, of Knoxville;
- Travis Edward Jackson, 31, of Knoxville;
- Thomas Goins, 49, of Knoxville;
- Willie Robert Gilbert, Jr., 42, of Atlanta;
- Tavaris Maurice Wyatt, 28, of Atlanta;
- Courtney Wayne Walden, 41, of Alcoa;
- Dorian Johnson, 22, of Alcoa;
- Willie Lundy, 43, of Rockford;
- Jazmin Tyrin Meredith, 23, of Maryland; and
- Latara Jester, 36, of Atlanta.

Other defendants remain at-large.

If convicted, each defendant faces a term of at least 10 years in prison up to life, fines, supervised release, and forfeiture in the amount of \$2.5 million.

This indictment is the result of a joint investigation by the FBI/Appalachia High Intensity Drug Task Force comprised of officers and agents of Tennessee National Guard, Counter-Drug Division, Knox County Sheriff's Office, Clinton Police Department, Loudon County Sheriff's Office, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, Roane County Sheriff's Office, as well as Knoxville Po-

lice Department and the Fifth Judicial Drug Task Force comprised of officers from the Blount County Sheriff's Office, Maryville Police Department and Alcoa Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Tracy L. Stone will represent the United States.

Members of the public are reminded that an indictment constitutes only charges and that every person is presumed innocent until their guilt has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

This case was part of the Department's Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) and the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) programs. OCDETF is the primary weapon of the United States against the highest level drug trafficking organizations operating within the United States, importing drugs into the United States, or laundering the proceeds of drug trafficking. The HIDTA program enhances and coordinates drug control efforts among local, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies. The program provides agencies with coordination, equipment, technology, and additional resources to combat drug trafficking and its harmful consequences in critical regions of the United States.

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'Tweakers

Law enforcement officials from the Loudon County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant in a residential Lenoir City neighborhood Saturday and reported finding two local men in the process of making methamphetamine using the "shake and bake" method. Syringes and dirty spoons also were found during the raid at the home in the downtown neighborhood where numerous families are raising

children ranging in age from infancy to high school teens.

Bruce Winfred Jenkins, 53, West 2nd Avenue, Lenoir City, and Jack Berten Stringfield, 20, Blair Street, Loudon, were charged Saturday with manufacturing methamphetamine and felony possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to reports, the Loudon County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit, assisted by the Loudon County CID and Patrol Divisions, con-

ducted a search warrant at the residence of Bruce Jenkins, located at 502 West 2nd Avenue, Lenoir City. When they entered the residence, Bruce Jenkins and Jack Stringfield were in the living room.

On the floor between the two men was a green 2 liter bottle with what appeared to be a working "one pot" or "shake and bake" meth lab.

During the search of the residence, numerous other items used to manufacture methamphetamine were found including,

Coleman Fuel, coffee filters, jars containing unknown liquids, Draino, and ammonium nitrate.

Other items were found throughout the residence and included syringes and spoons. The spoons were burnt on the bottoms and had cotton left in them. Coffee grinders with pill residue and powder on them were found in the kitchen.

Jack Stringfield also had two syringes in his pocket.

Both men were taken into custody around 3:00 PM, by Investigator Shane Ezell, LCSO. Lt. AJ Yokley and Deputy Marty Stanley, LCSO were

also on the scene.

Police Beat

Lennis Michelle Dyal, 32, Cherry Street, Lenoir City was charged with suspended license, window tint violation and financial responsibility.

According to reports, Wednesday at approximately 9:20 AM, Ms. Dyal was operating a white Ford F150 on East Broadway and was stopped for a window tint violation. A check of her license came back suspended for failure to satisfy citations.

Ms. Dyal told the officer she didn't have insurance as well. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

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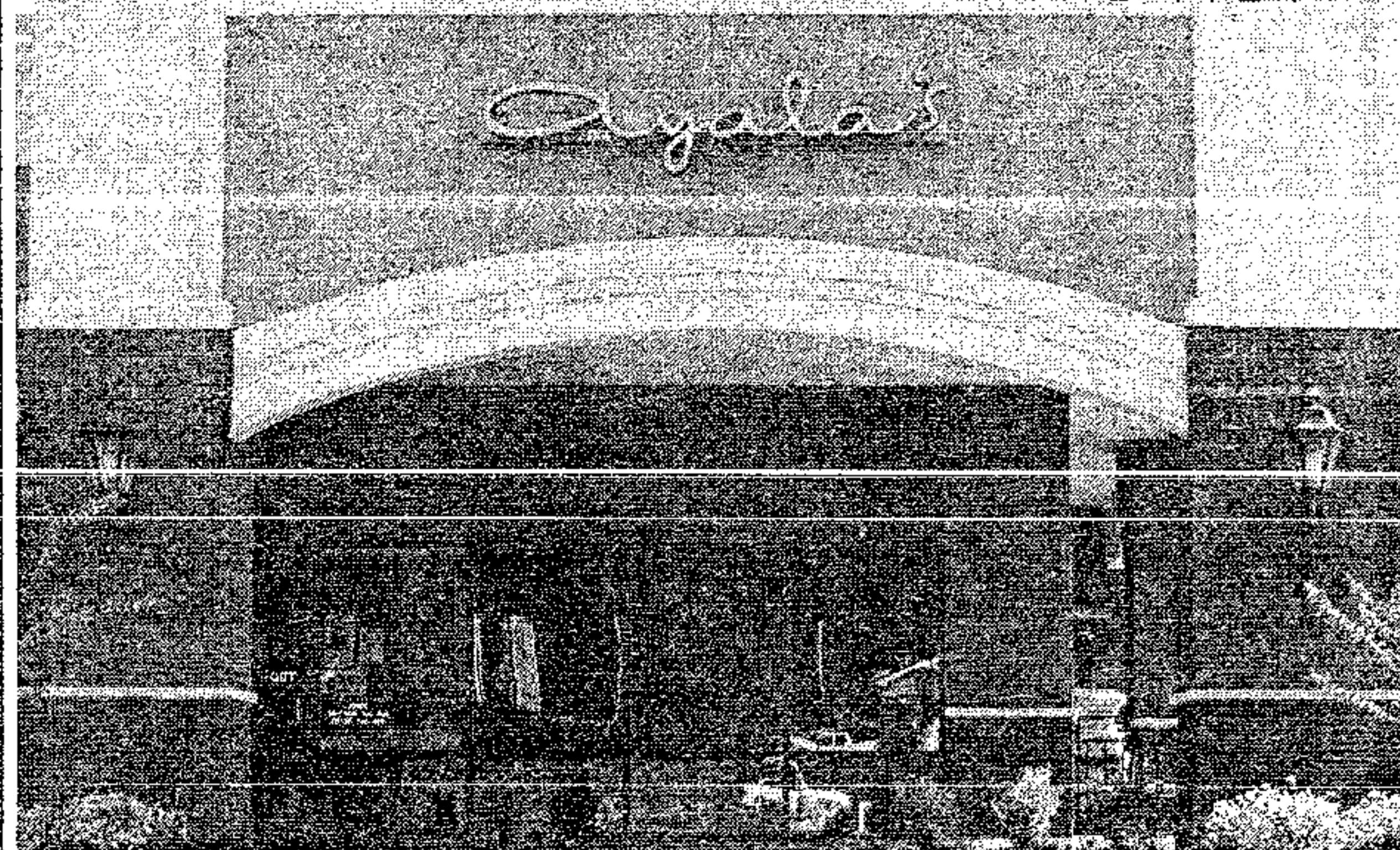
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"The holidays are especially tough for anyone who has lost a loved one," said THP Colonel Tracy Trott. "This simple gesture is a reminder for the law enforcement officers who are no longer

with us and a symbol of thanks to those who continue to keep our communities and highways safe."

Each captain in the eight Highway Patrol districts, along with the nine scale complexes, will display at least one blue light during the month of December. A blue candle also adorns the Colonel's office at Foster Avenue in Nashville and at his home in support of the effort.

For more than twenty years, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) has asked law enforcement families, surviving families, and police families to put a blue light in their windows during the holiday season.

The idea began in 1988 when Mrs. Dolly Craig wrote to C.O.P.S. that she would be putting two blue candles in her living room window that holiday season. One candle was for her son-in-law, Daniel Gleason, who had been killed in the line of duty

while serving the Philadelphia (PA) Police Department on June 5, 1986.

For more information on C.O.P.S. & Project Blue Light, click www.nationalcops.org

Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc., is a nationwide, nonprofit 501© organization comprised of survivors of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. For more information on the Middle and East Tennessee chapter, contact Trina Scott @ 931-801-8587. **Johnson**

on November 28th, 2010, at 2:14 AM, Deputy Travis Estes, LCSO was dispatched to a residence on Hotchkiss Valley Road East for a reported suspicious vehicle that was driving slowly by the home. The driver had pulled in the driveway and turned off the headlights, but then left towards Lenoir City.

Deputy Estes searched the area and

had no contact with any vehicles. He went to the residence and made contact with the woman and her son. They advised it may have been her husband, Emery Steven Johnson, whom she is separated from. The vehicle was described as a gray Toyota RAV 4.

Mrs. Johnson said she has an order of protection against Mr. Johnson and her son is also listed as protected. Both victims reported fearing for their lives and advised Mr. Johnson has made threats of bodily harm, stating he is watching them.

After taking the report, Deputy Estes going down the driveway and spotted a vehicle matching the RAV 4 parked at the edge of the woods in a field beside the residence. The headlights came on and the vehicle fled across the field at a high rate of speed and jumped a large ditch, then took a left on Hotchkiss Val-

ley Road East with the deputy in pursuit with his emergency equipment activated.

The vehicle made a left on Breazeale Road and finally stopped. The driver was removed at gun point and placed in a prone position and detained. He was identified as Emory Steven Johnson.

Inventory of the vehicle produced binoculars in plain sight in the front seat, a digital camera set in night vision mode out of the case, and a video camera.

After being read his Miranda Rights, Mr. Johnson advised he was at the residence to find his wife and said he knew he had an order of protection against him because he was arrested for violating the order on November 19th, 2010.

Sgt. Jerramie Bowen, LCSO was also on scene. Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO served the warrant and made the arrest Tuesday.

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