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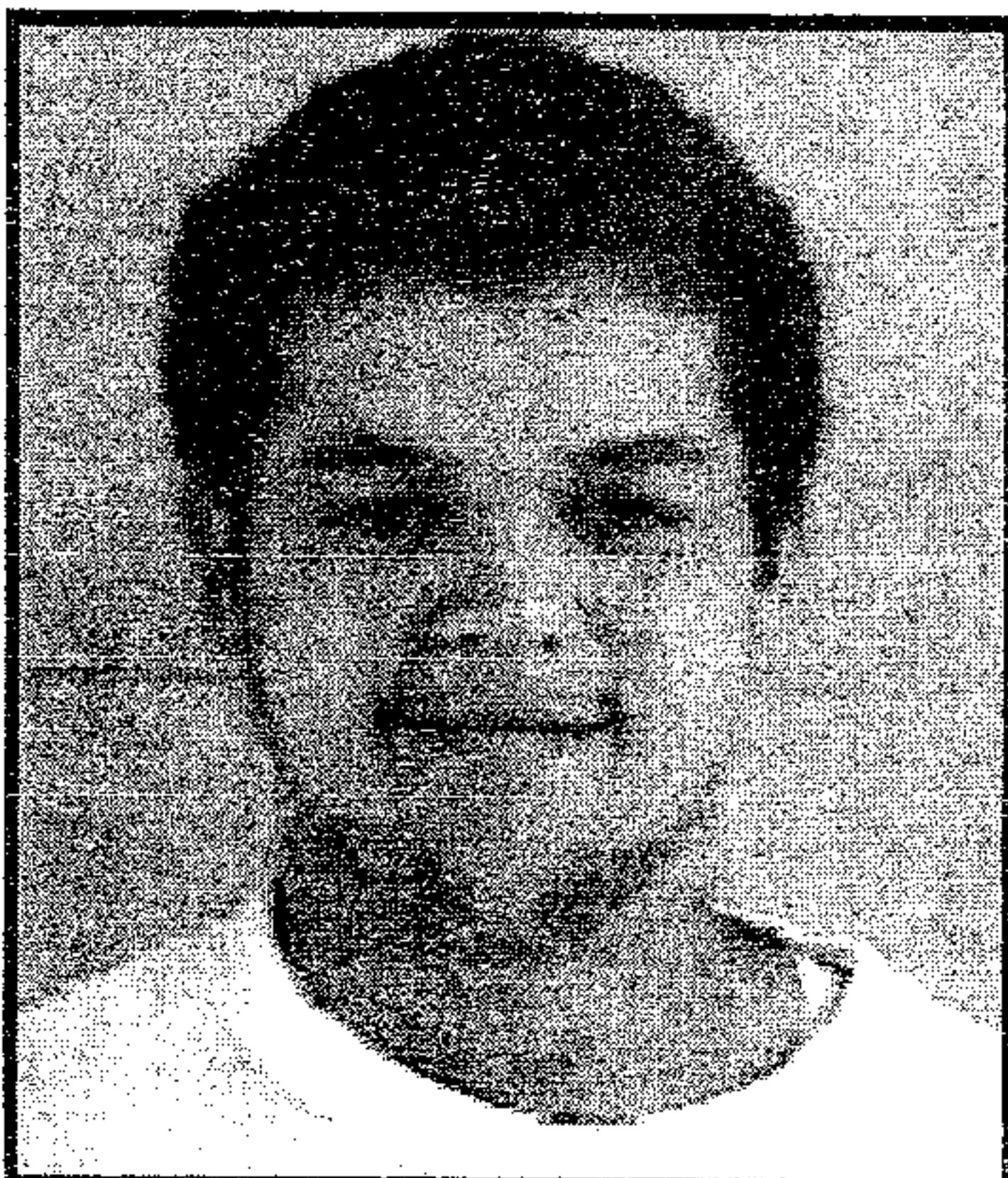
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Monday, July 19, 2010

Three on one: brothers beat, injure sibling

Three young Loudon men, all brothers, were jailed Tuesday after they allegedly beat a fourth brother, causing numerous injuries about his upper body during a domestic dispute at their residence.

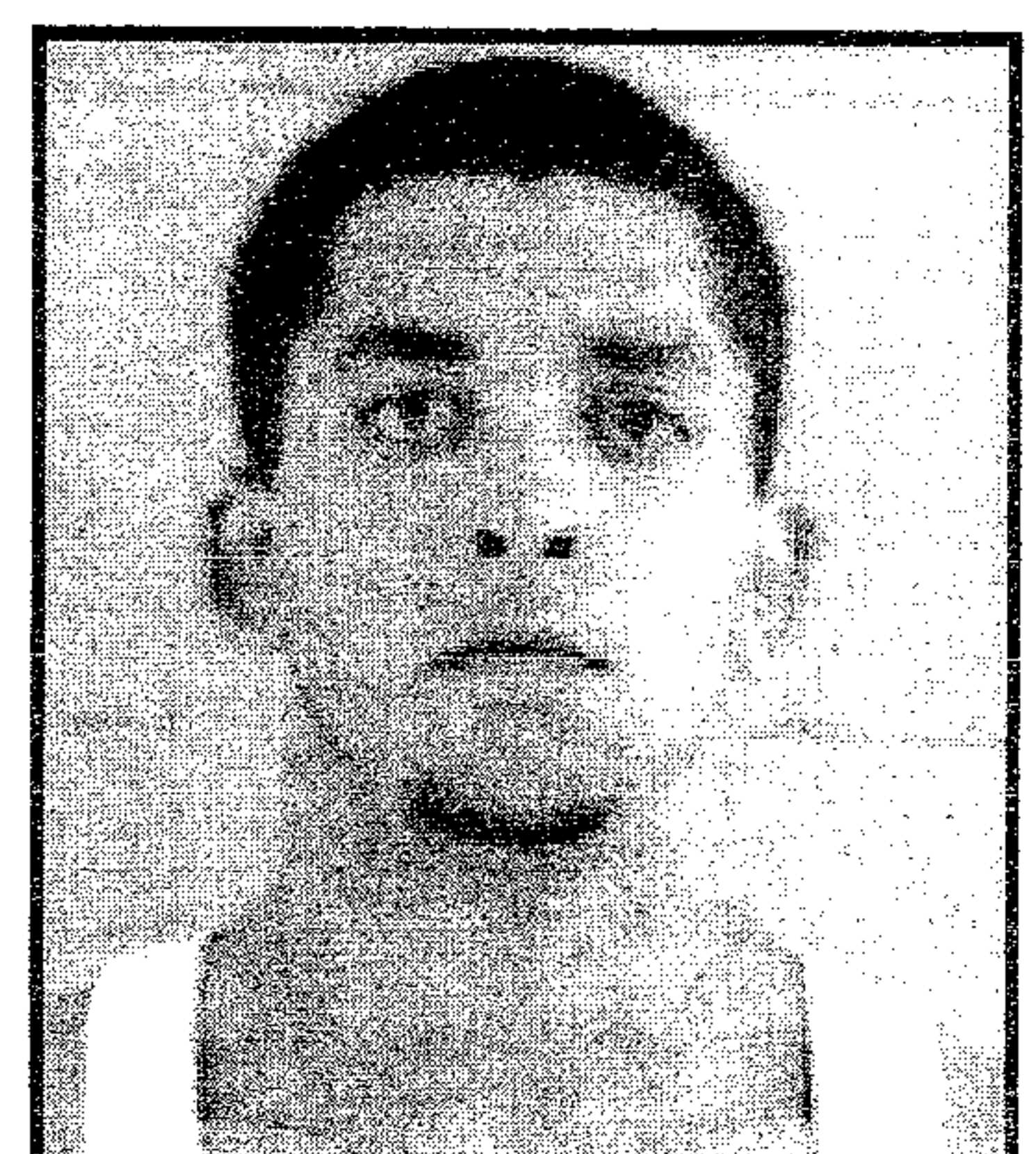
Angel Gabriel Colon, 20, Ricardo Manuel Colon, 21, and Carmelo Luis Colon, 18, Atlanta Avenue, Loudon were charged with
(see Brothers pg. 7)



Angel Gabriel Colon



Ricardo Manuel Colon



Carmelo Luis Colon

Update: Former school bus contractor found Not Guilty

A former school bus contractor who was charged with sexual battery ap-

peared in Loudon County Criminal Court on May 13, 2010 and was found not
(see Roberts pg. 6)

DTF nabs suspended driver after chase ends in wreck

A young Loudon man received multiple felony charges when he led a 9th DTF agent on a high speed chase that endangered others and ended in a wreck after he fled the scene of a traffic stop.

Cody Michael Chastain, 18, Vale Street, Loudon was charged Tuesday with felony
(see Chastain pg. 3)



Cody Michael Chastain

Ldn man charged after assault on 82 year old mother

A Loudon man was charged with assault after he allegedly assaulted his 82 year old mother while reportedly under the influence of an intoxicant.

Jerry Glenn Ricker, 57, Vale Street, Loudon was charged Wednesday with domestic violence assault.

The report states Sgt. R.S. Newman, LPD received a call concerning a domestic
(see Ricker pg. 3)



Jerry Glenn Ricker

Waterfowl Blind Permit Drawings August 7

(see Drawings pg. 7)

NASHVILLE --- Tennessee's long-standing tradition of hand-drawn duck blind

drawings will be held at the usual sites across the state on Saturday, August 7.

Verse of the day

He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

Song of Solomon 2:4

Obituaries

Richard Earl Elkins
Peggy Ann McCollister Moore

Sam E. Ellis

Wazzup

Happy 18th Birthday Taylor Provost! Woo Hoo!!!

If your charges are dismissed just bring us the court paperwork and we'll make sure it gets in!

Weather:

Today: Scattered thunderstorms possible. Highs in the low 90s.

Tonight: Lows in the low 70s.

Tuesday: Scattered thun-

(see More pg. 2)



Ricker

violence assault on Vale Street where the caller advised Jerry Ricker had pushed his 82 year old mother. Upon arrival the Sgt. noticed the front door to the trailer had been broken and it appeared someone kicked it.

Mr. Ricker was lying on the couch and appeared to be intoxicated. As Sgt. Newman was trying to talk

to Ricker's mother, Officer Sam Harrison, LPD observed Mr. Ricker making gestures to his mother, shaking his head no to her.

A family member showed up and advised Mr. Ricker shouldered his mother when she was standing at the refrigerator.

Records indicate Mr. Ricker's action's along with the dam-

age to the door and his intoxication led the lawman to determine him to be the primary aggressor. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD, was also in attendance.

Chastain

evading arrest, felony reckless endangerment, and driving on suspended.

The report states, Mr. Chastain was stopped on Interstate 75 at exit 76 for a traf-

fic violation. As Agent Jeff Vittatoe, 9th DTF approached the gray Nissan Chastain was driving, Chastain drove off and proceeded to run in the vehicle.

According to the agent's report, while in pursuit the Nissan passed numerous vehicles across a double yellow line at speeds exceeding 80 mph on Highway 11. Mr. Chastain wrecked on Commerce Street in Loudon, then ran on foot to his residence on Vale street where he was located and arrested.

Upon placing him under arrest Agent Vittatoe discovered Chastain's license were suspended.

Police Beat

Michael Brandon Clarkson, 23, White

Avenue, Maryville was charged with failure to appear (driving on suspended license).

Deputy Vance Wright, LCSO made the arrest Saturday at the Knox County Jail.

Michael Leon Smallen, 27, Ash Avenue, Lenoir City was charged Tuesday with driving on suspended license.

According to reports, Investigator Shane Ezell, LCSO stopped a white Dodge Neon at Oakland Avenue and Coffey Circle for speeding. Michael Smallen was the driver and a check of his license through NCIC came back suspended for failure to satisfy a citation out of Loudon County.

A passenger in the vehicle, William Elia Jacob Smallen, 20, also of Ash Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Marty Stanley, LCSO made the arrest at Oakland Avenue and Coffey Circle.




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Roberts

guilty by a panel of twelve jurors.

An Order issued by the Court following the trial was brought to the Daily Edition and states, "On the 13th day of May, 2010, the Defendant, William aka Billy Roberts, appeared in Court with Counsel Attorney Brian Nichols and announced he was ready for his trial in is case; and after hearing the indictment read, he entered a plea of not guilty to the charge(s) of: 1ct Sexual Battery. The following jurors, all good and lawful persons, citizens of Loudon, were summoned, elected and sworn to try this cause:

“(Jurors list)

“On Thursday, May 13, 2010, the above jurors, having heard proof, arguments of counsel, and received the charge of the Court, upon their

oath do say that they find the defendant, William aka Billy Roberts, not guilty of the offense(s) of which he stands convicted.”

ed's note: The following is a Letter to the Editor brought with the copy of the Criminal Court for Loudon County's Order.

**The names of the Jurors were not published in respect of privacy.*

Letter to the Editor:

Bus Contractor Not Guilty

Editor; Daily Edition:

William A. Roberts (Billy) was arrested and charged with sexual battery May 21, 2009.

There's a few things that can destroy your family, business, and respect; and that's being falsely accused of something you didn't do.

I have read and listened to all the evidence, and I truly believe Billy was falsely accused of these charges by his daughter-in-law, Nikki Slanter Roberts. (One the arrant she didn't use her married name, Roberts; Why?)

Nikki wanted \$200. When Billy wouldn't loan it to her she used every means she could to get the \$200. When that didn't work, she got mad and had these charges brought against Billy.

When she was at the police station, officers had her call Billy at home, trying to trap him into saying something. He said, "I don't have the money." (Billy didn't know she was at the police station till a few months later when he received a copy of the telephone call. Anyway, these charges were false.

On May 13, 2010 the Loudon County Grand Jury decid-

ed Billy's verdict - 7 women and 5 men listened to both sides - all the evidence and came back with a verdict of NOT GUILTY - INNOCENT.

Sometimes people want to believed the worst in people, not really knowing the truth. A man even had it put on the internet about Billy. People pointed their finger at him, talked bad about him, and he wasn't even guilty.

By Nikki lying and falsely accusing him, nobody would listen to him, he lost his bus contracts, had to sell his buses, lost his business that he owned and operated for over 21 years, on her lies. Don't think this could happen to you? It can.

I have learned a lot

from all this. Don't judge people, mom always told us if you can't say something good about people then don't say nothing. Judge not for you might be judged yourself.

The preacher said if you've got time to talk about someone, you've got time to pray for them.

If anyone has a doubt I'm not telling the truth. I have papers with evidence to prove I'm telling the truth. I will let anybody read them.

Thank You
Gerry Covington

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Brothers

aggravated domestic assault.

According to reports, Tuesday at approximately 7:00 PM, Patrolwoman April Farmer, LPD received a call in reference to a physical assault that occurred on Atlanta Avenue. The officer made contact with the victim at a residence on Steekee Street and identified

him as a fourth Colon brother.

The victim stated he and his brother Angel got into an argument over money and when he turned his back, his brother Ricardo hit him in the back with a metal cane. The young man advised when he was hit with the cane, he fell to the ground and that's when all of his brothers, Ricardo, Angel, and Carmelo,

jumped on him and started hitting and kicking him.

The victim stated one of his brothers cut him with a knife during the altercation and the officer reported the man had numerous injuries to his back, both his arms, and his head.

The victim's three brothers were placed under arrest taken to the Loudon County Jail. Officer Bill Evans, LPD was also on scene.

Drawings

While hand drawings will be held for the majority of the locations, a computerized drawing system for blind sites on Bogota and the new Thorny Cypress Wildlife Management Area in Dyer County and the four units on the Chickamauga WMA (Candies Creek, Johnson Bottoms, Rogers Creek,

and Yellow Creek) will be in place for this season.

The 2010-11 state waterfowl seasons will be established at the August 18-19 meeting of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission in Jackson. The TWRC serves as the governing body of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

Police Beat

Eugene Arthur Graham, 48, Greenwood Circle, Madisonville was charged Saturday, with DUI 1st offense and violation of the implied consent law.

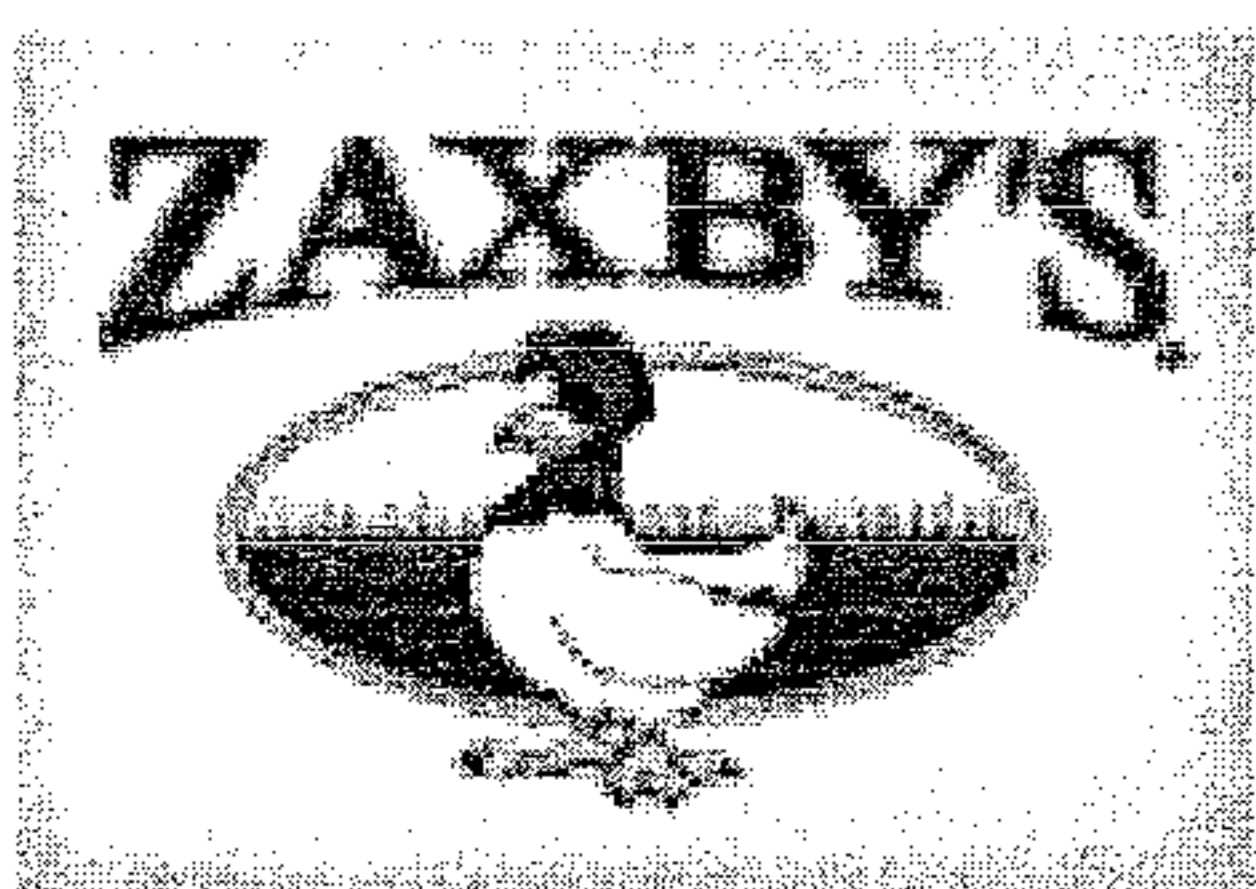
According to reports, Officer Brendan DeBoer, LPD witnessed a gray Ford Taurus crossing the Loudon Bridge, trav-

eling 54 mph in a 30 mph zone. The officer was behind the Taurus and observed it fail to maintain it's lane by crossing over the centerline.

The car was stopped on Mulberry Street at Huffland Drive and the driver identified. Mr. Graham had an odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person, slurred speech and red glassy eyes. He advised he'd drank approximately three beers one hour before being pulled over.

Graham performed poorly on field sobriety tasks and was subsequently arrested for DUI.

Once at the jail, Graham refused to submit to any and all tests to determine the alcohol content of his breath or blood.



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