

# The Daily Edition

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## LCSO busts yet another meth lab; 3 charged



Charles Miller



Brandon Myers



Beth Veit

(See Meth Lab pg. 4)

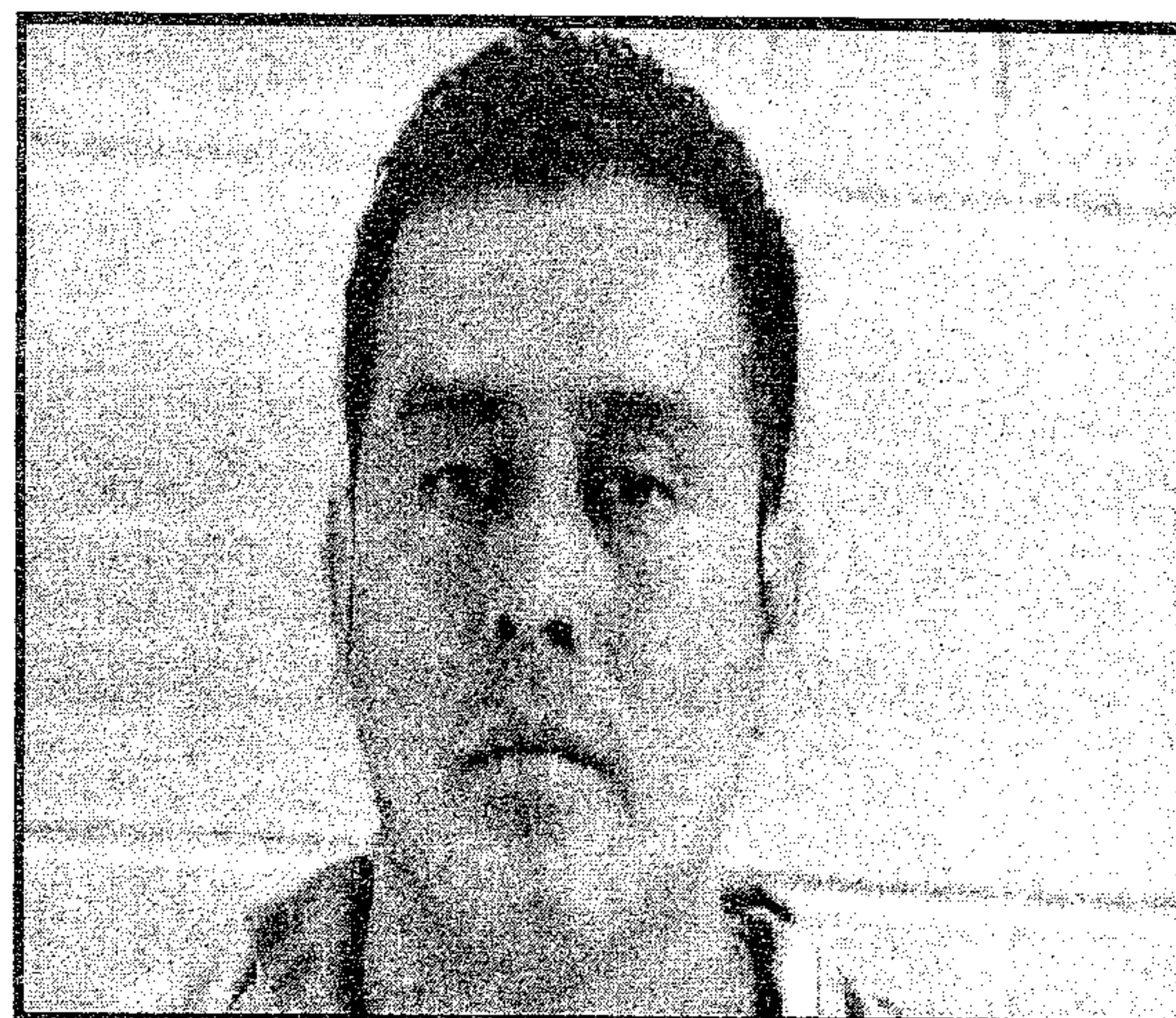
## Drag racers caught; one goes to jail



Kristopher Pierce

(see Racer pg. 3)

## LCPD's Holloway nabs 2nd DUI while enroute to work



Abiel Matias

(see LCPD pg. 5)

## Ain't no magic in stealing sir!



Stephen Beauford

(See Magic pg. 2)

## Chattanooga man sentenced to serve 150 months for crack cocaine conspiracy from Chattanooga to Johnson City

On July 21, 2014, Garry Lee Brown, 25, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was sentenced by the Honorable J. Ronnie Greer, U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 150 months in federal prison, for his conviction of conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine.

Beginning in 2011,

law enforcement began investigating a large-scale crack cocaine conspiracy originating out of Chattanooga. As part of the conspiracy, they discovered that numerous individuals, including Brown, were trafficking multi-ounce quantities of crack cocaine to Johnson City for resale. Private vehicles, taxi cabs, and

(see FBI pg. 7)

### Verse of the Day

Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. — Hebrews 11:1

### Obituaries

none

### Wazzup

Wow all that traffic on Tuesday and bad tornado warnings on Monday. Turning out to be a crazy week.

### Weather

Today: Generally sunny. High 83F

Tonight Partly cloudy. Low around 60F.

Thursday Partly to mostly cloudy. High 84F.

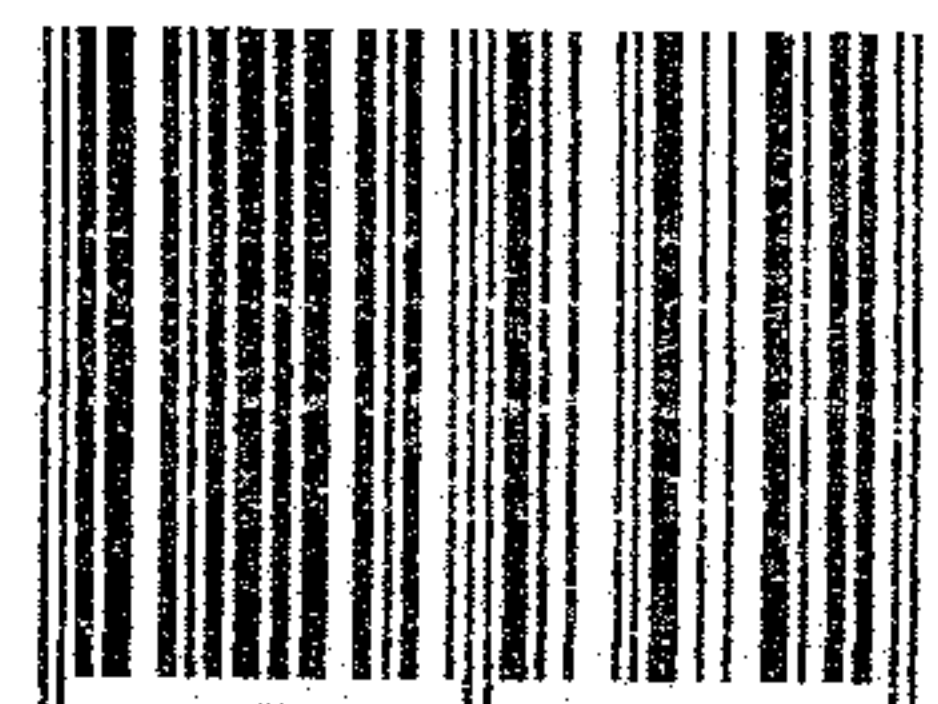
Thursday Night Partly cloudy skies. Low 64F.

### Horoscopes

Leo 7/23-8/22

A budgetary issue is

stuck in your mind today -- so make sure that you're giving it your full attention. It may be a good time to re-think your spending or to consider options for  
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### Magic

Stephen Beauford, 25, Braun St. Crossville, was charged with Theft of Property. Officer Tim Buckner LCPD, was dispatched to Walmart in reference to a shoplifter. On arrival Officer made contact with Loss Prevention which stated they observed Stephen concealing magic cards in his pocket, Ste-

phen also went to the infants section of the store and put several more packets of cards in his diaper bag total of 15 packs. Stephen was placed under arrest. Officer Tim Buckner LCPD, made the arrest.

### Police beat

Davis Smith, 26, Smokey Crossing Way Seymour, was charged with Harassment. On

7/23/14 Lt. Patrick Upton LCSO, received a phone call from the victims stated that they have received threatening messages from their son Davis. Davis Smith started the intimidation back in 3/14 sending private facebook messages stating that Davis would see victim in a casket.

Davis stated that the government had put a chip in his chest. The investigation revealed that Davis Smith had been threatening the victims and a Warrant was issued. Sgt. Jerramie Bowen LCSO, arrested Davis at the Blount CO. Jail and transported him to Loudon Jail.

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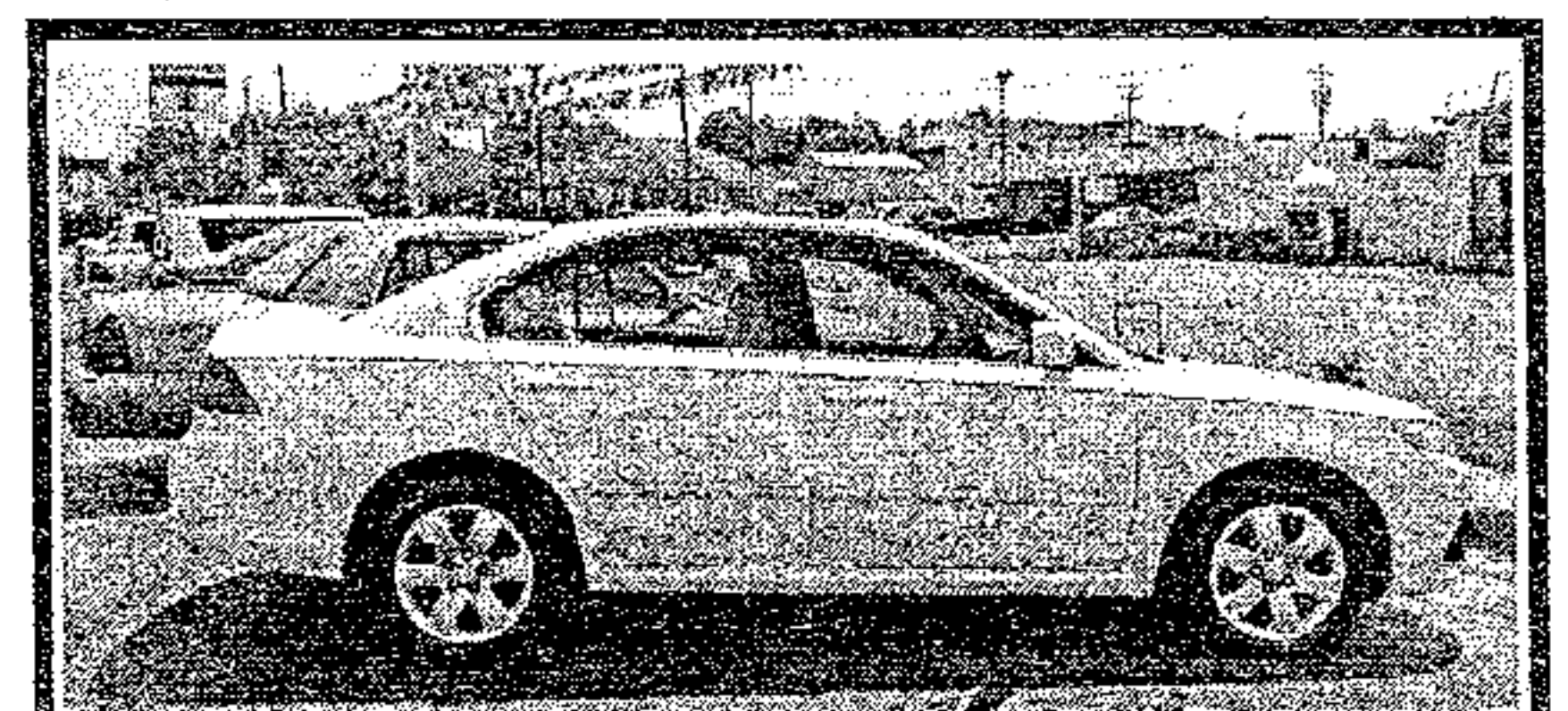
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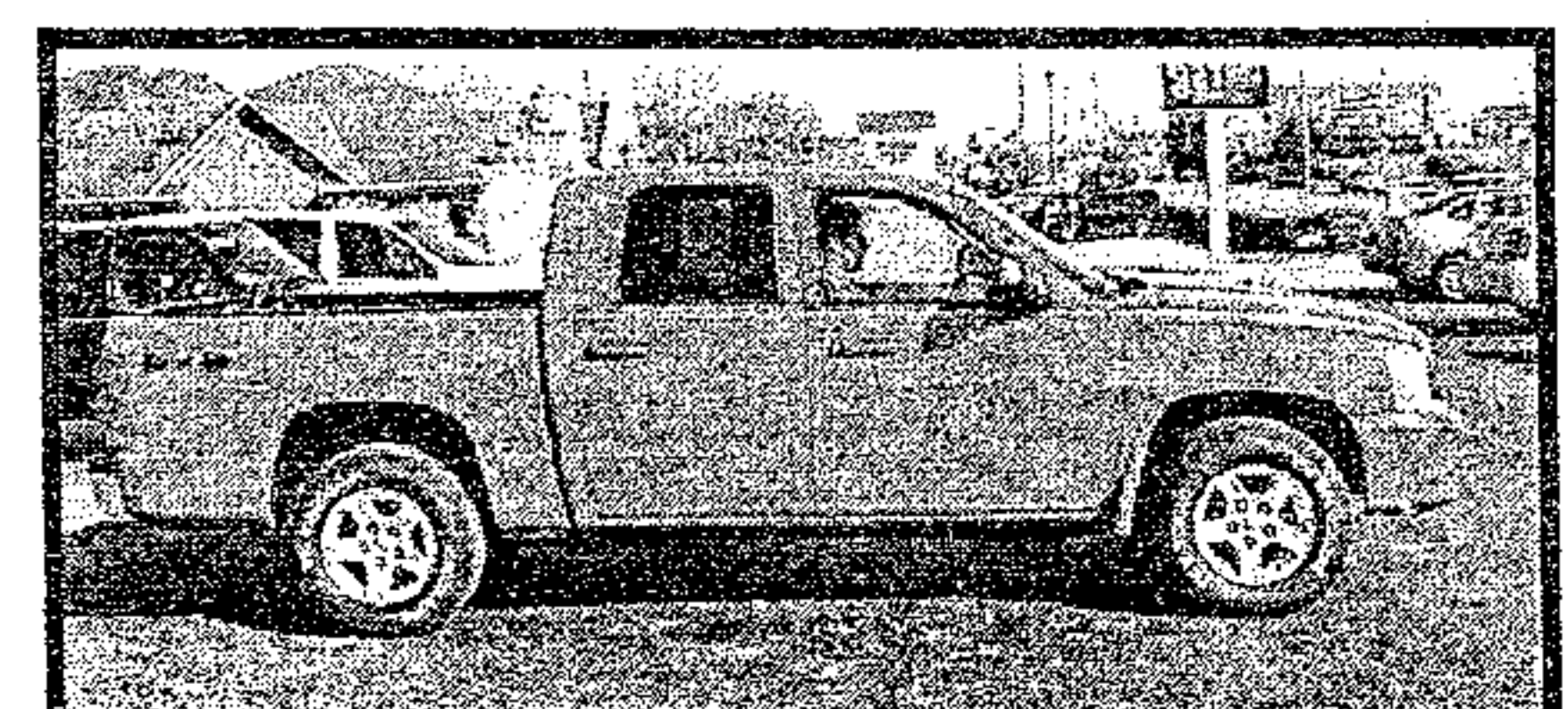
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**Racer**

Kristopher Pierce, 20, Stockton Valley Road Lenoir City, was charged with Driving on Revoked License, and Drag Racing.

On 7/25/2014, Deputy Tony Branson LCSO, was traveling on Highway 11 East. Deputy noticed two vehicles traveling Highway 11 West at a high rate of speed, appearing to be drag racing. Deputy then turn around and proceeded to pursue them with lights and sirens. Both vehicles then started to pull over, Deputy got behind a Hyundai at which time this vehicle started to pull over. Deputy advised this vehicle to pull up next to the other vehicle. The other vehicle then continued on Highway 11 west. Deputy then advised the

Hyundai to pull into 12680 Highway 11 East. Deputy then walked up to the driver side and found the driver to be Kristopher Drake Pierce who handed me a Tennessee I.D. only card. Deputy then ran his I.D. number to check the Driver License number. The Driver license came back to be revoked. Deputy then took Mr. Pierce into custody.

Deputy Tony Branson LCSO, made the arrest.

**Police beat**

Frank Hogan, 42, Kelvin Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Theft of Property. Officer Tim Buckner LCPD, was dispatched to Walmart on a shop-lifter. Upon arrival Officer made contact with Loss Pre-

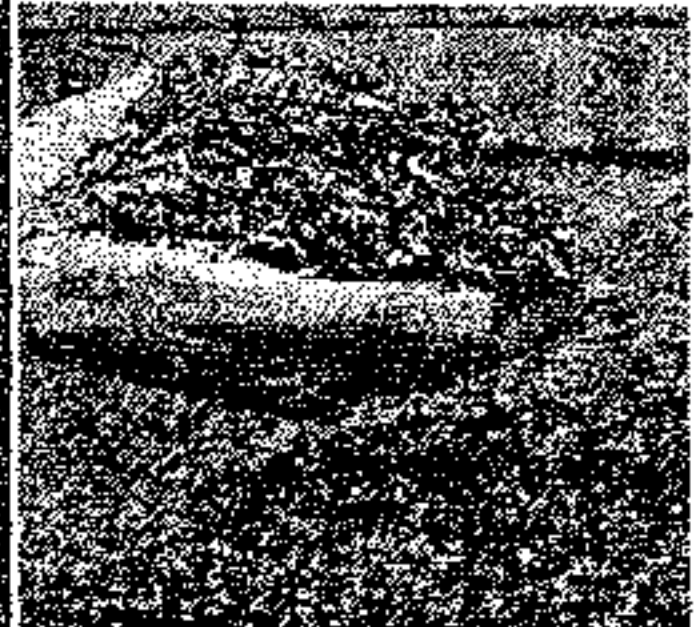
vention who stated that Frank concealed multiple items and passed all points of sale in an attempt to deprive Walmart from its property. Frank was placed under arrest. Officer Tim Buckner LCPD, made the arrest.

Nancy Rogers, 62, Farris Road Maryville, was charged with DUI, and Driving on Revoked License. On 7/24/14 Sgt. Eddie Range LCPD, received a call in reference to a white van headed towards Lenoir City from Maryville driving all over the roadway almost hitting the bridge. Upon arrival at HWY 321 Officer observed Nancy operating

the vehicle as Nancy turned left into Weigels she ran over the curb and got stuck then backed up almost striking another vehicle, then pulled into a parking space. Upon Officer contact with Nancy she stated to Officer that she had taken medication and drank Vodka. Nancy speech was slurred and unsteady on her feet. Nancy could not perform sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Sgt. Eddie Range LCPD, made the arrest.

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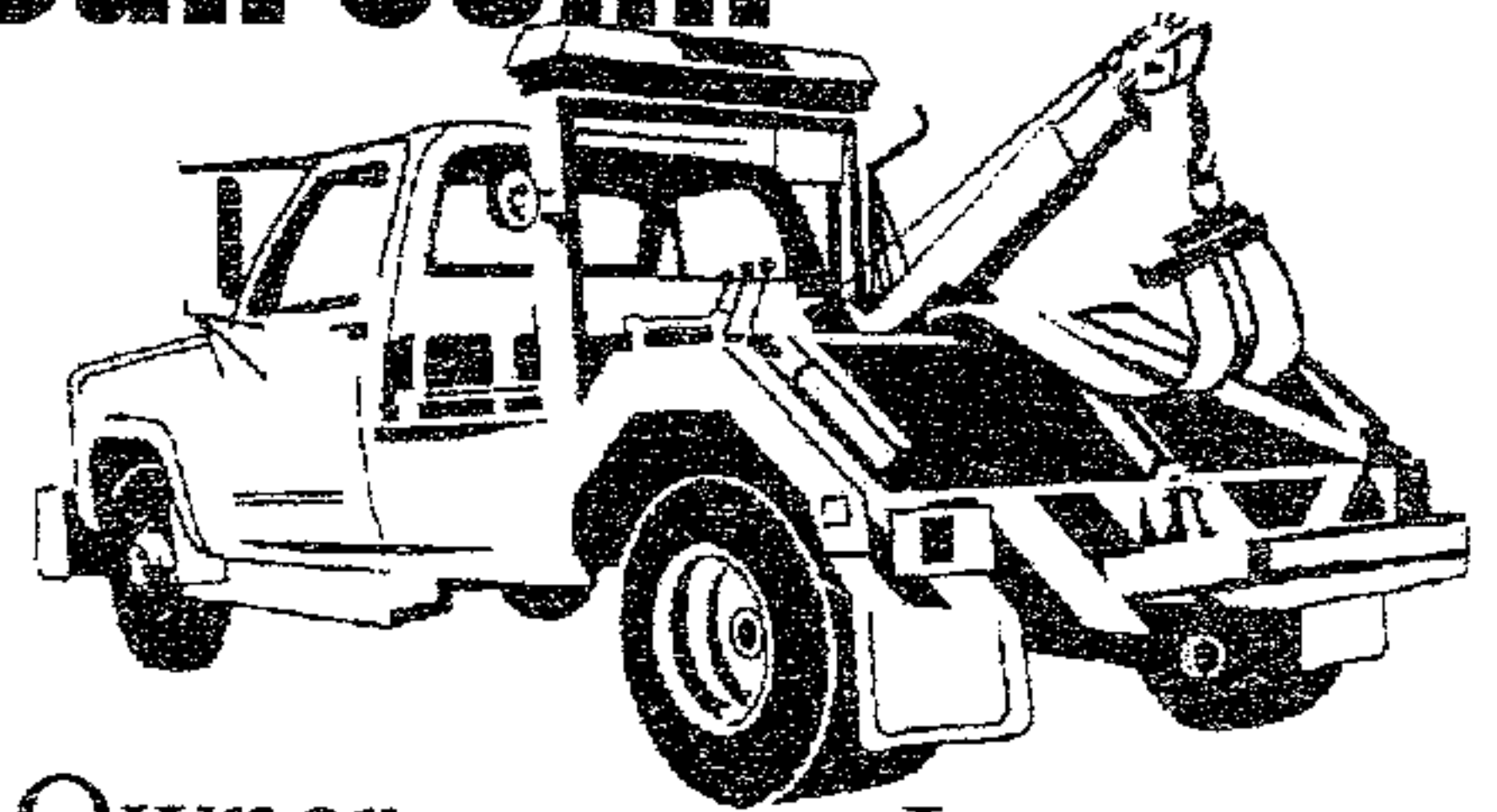
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**Meth**

Beth Veit, 40, Homeless, was charged with Criminal Impersonation, Criminal Trespass, Manufacture/Sell/Poss. of Controlled Substance, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Charles Miller, 22, Valley View Drive Loudon, was charged with Criminal Trespass, and Promotion of Methamphetamine Manufacture.

Brandon Myers, 22, Holt Drive Loudon, was charged with Criminal Trespass, and Promotion of Methamphetamine.

According to the reports, Deputy Charlie Huskins LCSO, was dispatched to a unwanted guest and possible drug activity at Hwy 72 south. Upon arrival Deputy found a vehicle in the driveway. On the front porch of the residence was a female, when Deputy approached the female and asked her name

she gave me a name of Megan. Inside the residence there were two males later identified as Brandon Myers and Charles Miller.

Sgt. Bowen did arrive on scene and advised me that the female was not Megan in fact she was Beth Veit.

None of the subjects at this residence were supposed to be here according to the home owner. When outside Sgt. Bowen did find what was believed to be a one pot meth lab in a black back pack in the back seat of the vehicle in plain view.

At that time Sgt. Bowen did advise

Lt. Curtis and Inv. Ezell with the Loudon County Narcotics unit. Upon their arrival Sgt. Bowen and Inv. Ezell did confirm that this was an active methamphetamine lab and it was processed and disposed of. Investigator Ezell did do a search warrant on the phones of the males and did confirm that the males had purchased pseudoephedrine for the process of manufacturing meth.

Both males and the female had also purchased or had attempted to purchase pseudoephedrine in the last several weeks. When processing the lab Inv. Ezell and Sgt. Bowen did find an active one pot meth lab in a coke bottle along with tubing and approx 25 pseudoephedrine pills.

Also in the back pack there was

a silver pipe used to smoke crack cocaine. All three subject were taken from the scene

and transported to the Loudon County Jail. During a mirandized interview Mrs. Veit did

admit that the lab was hers. Deputy Charlie Huskins LCSO, made the arrests.



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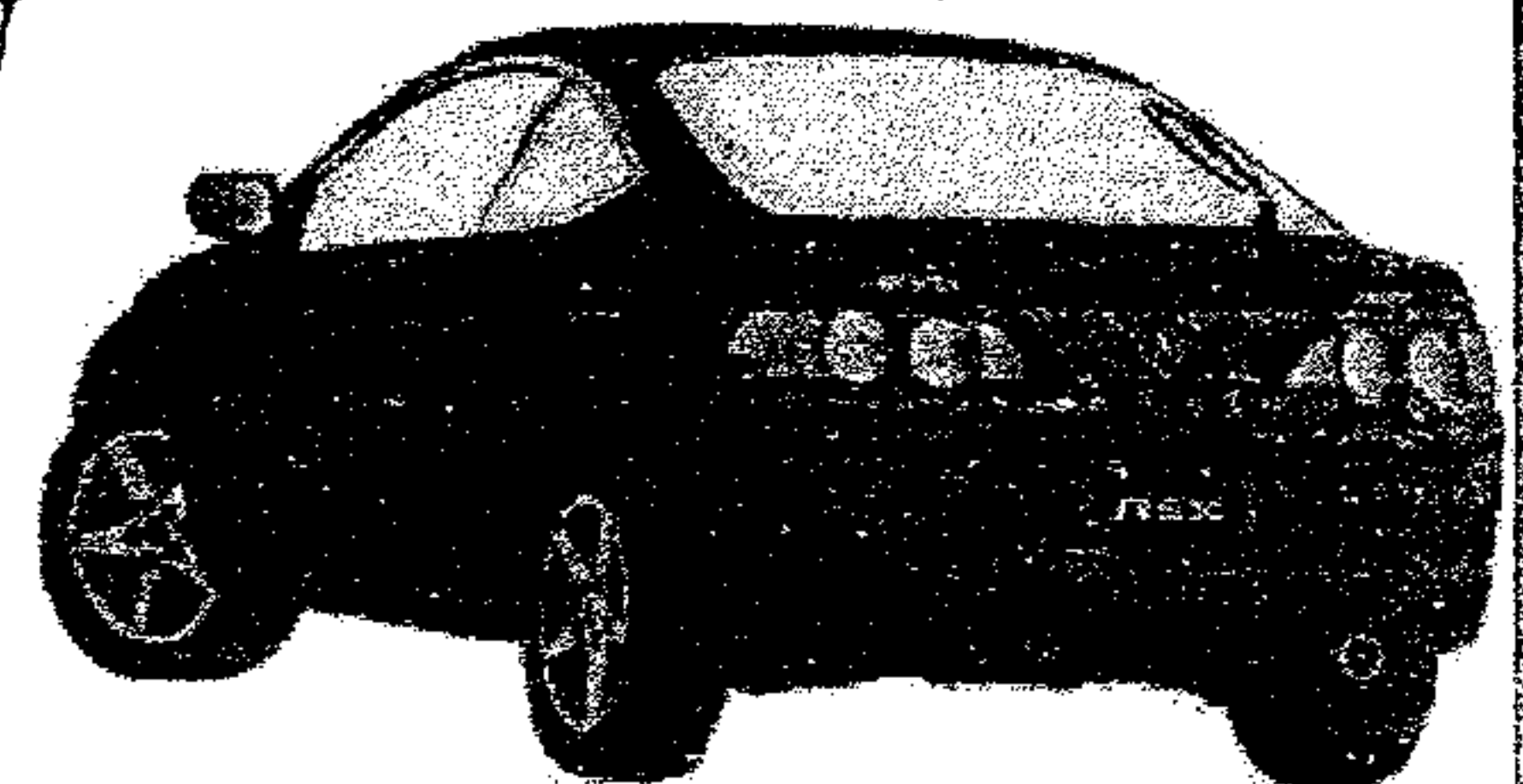
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**LCPD**

Abiel Matias, 33, C Street Lenoir City, was charged with DUI 2nd and Driving on Revoked License. Officer

Tim Holloway LCPD, while enroute to the Police Dept. observed a black vehicle unable to maintain its lane of travel, with a concern for public safety Offi-

cer requested a marked unit to affect a traffic stop. Officer observed the vehicle nearly striking several other vehicles and running a stop sign at Walnut St. Upon

Officer approaching the vehicle after he stopped. Officer made contact with Abiel which failed to put the vehicle in park before exiting the vehicle. Abiel had a strong odor of alcoholic beverage on his person, and red watery eyes. Field sobriety test was conducted by Officer Buckner and Abiel perform poorly and was placed under arrest. Officer Tim Holloway LCPD, made the arrest.

which was confirmed by dispatch. Officer stopped the vehicle and identified the driver as Antonio Parra, as Officer was speaking with Antonio he could see an open Bud Light can in the center console and to the rear of the driver. Officer could smell a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the vehicle. Officer ask Antonio if he had been drinking he said a couple. Officer asked Antonio to step out of the vehicle and perform sobriety test which Antonio did poorly. Antonio was placed under arrest and cited for Expired Registration, Open Container and Underage Consumption. Officer Don Lorenz LCPD, made the arrest.

**Police beat**

Antonio Parra, 20, Finley Drive Lenoir City, was charged with DUI. Officer Don Lorenz LCPD, while on routine patrol observed a silver vehicle traveling N on Kingston St. near Donna's Diner. The vehicle had an expired tag

Mike Hensley, 36, Main St Loudon, was charged with Possession of SCH. II Drug. Officer Anthony Akins LPD, while on routine patrol noticed a male and female walking along Main St. Officer stopped to speak with the two individuals and identified the male as Mike Hensley. A check of Mike information revealed Mike had a VOP out of Knox. Co. a search of Mike Officer found 1 1/2 suboxone on Mikes person. Mike was placed under arrest. Officer Anthony Akins LPD, made the arrest.

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**FBI**  
public transportation were commonly used to transport the drugs. Many of the co-conspirators, including Brown, had ties to street gangs based in Chattanooga, including the Rollin' 60's Crips and Woodlawn Crips. Upon arrival in Johnson City, Brown and others would distribute their drugs, return to Chattanooga with their drug sale proceeds, purchase additional drugs, and repeat the cycle.

As part of the investigation, law enforcement agents conducted a series of controlled drug transactions with Brown and other co-

conspirators. On three separate occasions, Brown sold crack cocaine to confidential informants acting under the supervision of agents and officers. In total, the conspiracy involved kilogram quantities of crack cocaine. Three of Brown's co-conspirators remain to be sentenced in Greenville. Numerous others are being prosecuted in Chattanooga.

This long term investigation was the product of a partnership between the Johnson City, Tennessee Police Department; Chattanooga, Tennessee Police Department; Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Drug Enforcement Administration. Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Nick Regalia represented the United

States. This case was brought as part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), a comprehensive national strategy that creates local partnerships with law enforcement agencies to effectively enforce existing gun laws. It provides more options to prosecutors, allowing them to utilize local, state, and federal laws to ensure that criminals who commit gun crime face tough sentences. PSN gives each federal district the flexibility it needs to focus on individual challenges that a specific community faces.

This case was also a result of the Department of Justice's Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) program, the centerpiece

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**Police beat**

Daniel Ernest, 29, Russell Road Loudon, was

charged with Violation of Probation. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, arrested Daniel at the Russell Rd. address and transported to Loudon Jail.

Cheyanna Suddath, 22, Corey Drive Lenoir City, was charged with Failure to Appear x2, and Violation of Probation. Investigator Shane Ezell LCSO, arrested Cheyanna at the Tellico Swimming Area and transported her to Loudon Jail.

David Langley, 46, Dailey Ave Loudon, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Kevin Parks LCSO, arrested David at an address on Hines Valley Rd and transported to Loudon Jail.

James Duncan, 43, Underwood Road Oak Ridge, was charged with Violation of probation. Deputy Dylan Moore LCSO, served James with a VOP Warrant at the Anderson CO. Jail and transported to Loudon Jail.

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**Police beat**

Courtney Taylor, 23, Harrison Road Lenoir City, was charged with Violation of Community Correction. Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO, served a VOCC Warrant on Courtney at the Loudon Co. Jail.

Jeremiah Downs, 37, Knotty Oaks Way Knoxville, was charged with Attachment(C/S) Officer David Flynn LCPD, served Jeremiah with a

Attachment at an address on Doyle St. and transported to Loudon Jail.

Priscilla White, 29, Roane St. HWY Harri-man, was charged with Violation of probation. Of-ficer Don Lorenz LCPD, served a VOP Warrant on Priscilla and transported her to Loudon Jail.

Michael McGrath, 23, Industrial Park Drive Lenoir City, was charged with Violation of Probation. Deputy Vance Wright LCSO, served a VOP

Warrant on Michael at the Monroe Co. Jail and transported to Loudon Jail.

Katherine Johnson, 35, Riverside Drive Clinton, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Dylan Moore LCSO, served a FTA Warrant on Katherine at the Anderson Co. Jail and transported to Loudon

Jail. Dustin Rollen, 26, Old Bailey Road Lenoir City, was charged with Failure to Appear. Officer Chris-tian Dragon LCPD, served a FTA Warrant on Dustin at the Bradley Co. Jail and

transported to Loudon jail.

Leada Manor, 29, New HWY 68 Madisonville, was charged with Failure to appear. Deputy Ron De-land LCSO, served a FTA Warrant on Leada at the Monore Co. Jail and trans-ported to Loudon Jail.

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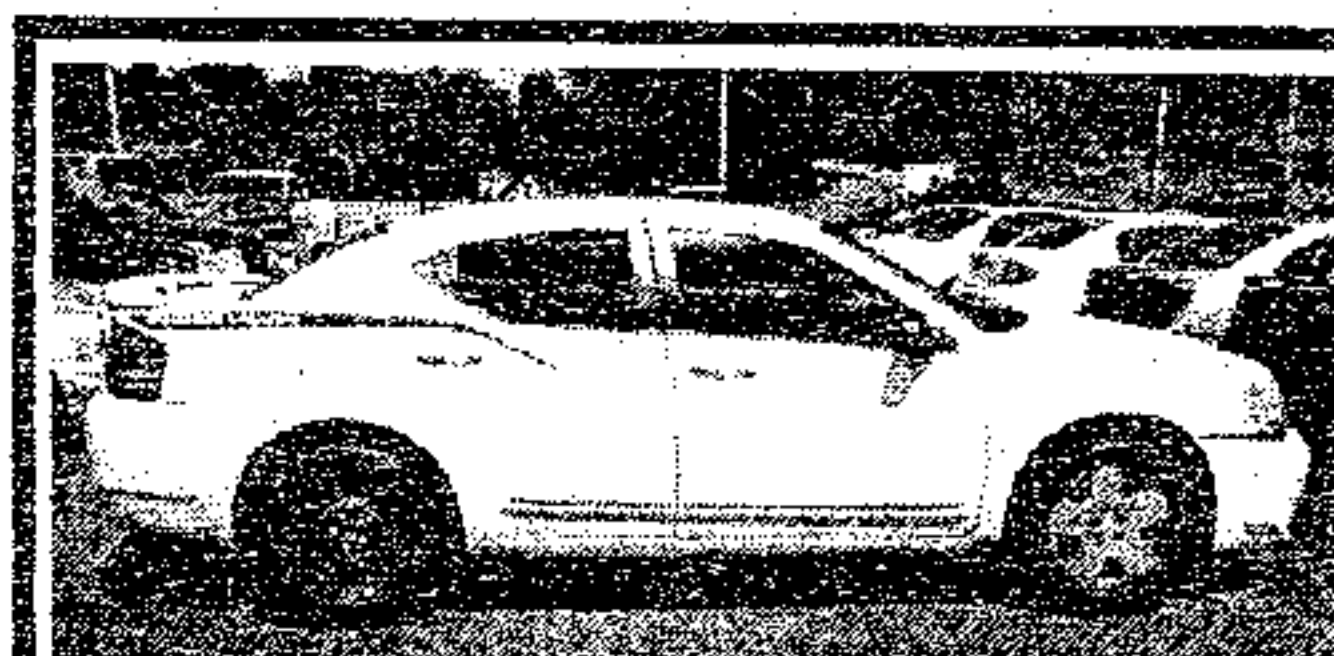
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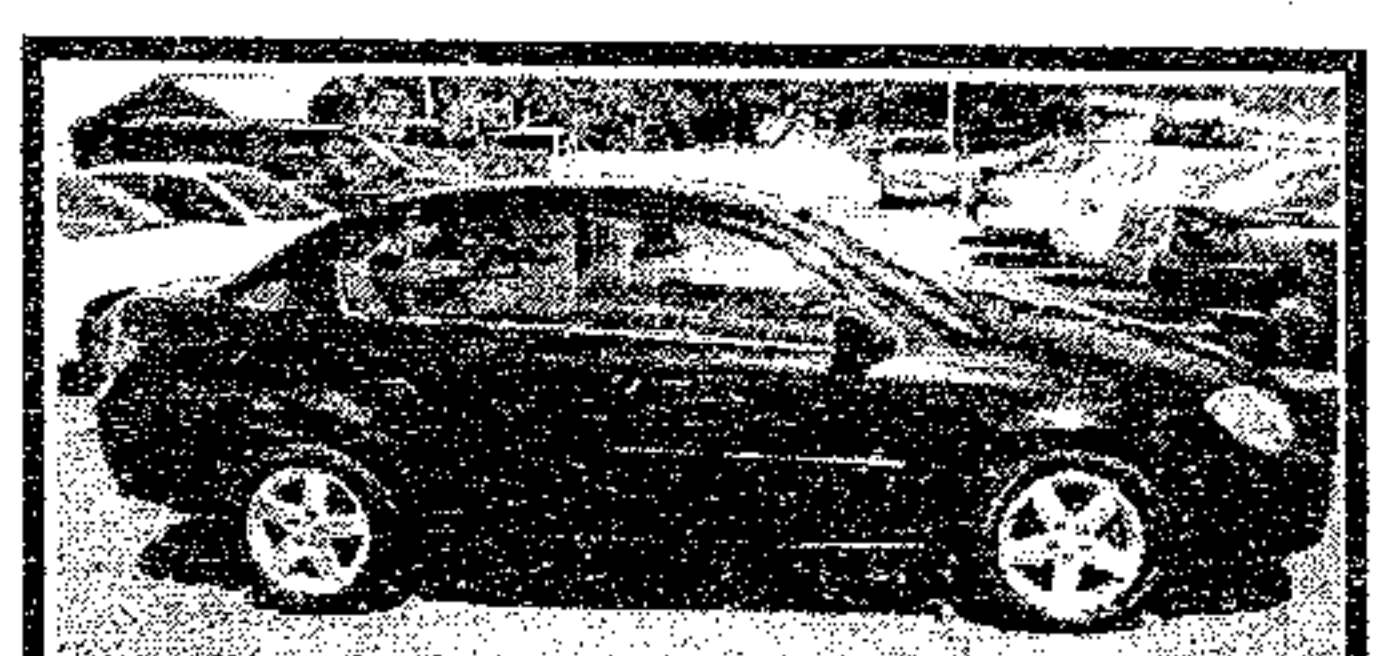
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