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Wednesday August 20, 2014

Suspicious activity lands three in jail in separate stops

Three people were charged after Lenoir City Police Department was investigating some suspicious activity at a local convenient store. As a result three people received various charges.

Amy Foland, 23, Homeless, was charged with Public Intoxication.

Tracey Langley, 40, Sycamore Dr. Harri-

(See LCPD pg. 4)



Tracey Langley



Jeffrey Hinds

Counterfeit Goods Smuggling Ring Dismantled

Undercover Agents Infiltrated Massive International Operation

When Ning Guo was sentenced to prison earlier this year, it marked one of the final chapters in a massive international counterfeit goods smuggling case—one of the largest ever charged by the Department of Justice—in which criminals attempted to flood the U.S. market with bogus cigarettes, handbags, and sneakers from China that would have been worth \$300 million on the retail market.

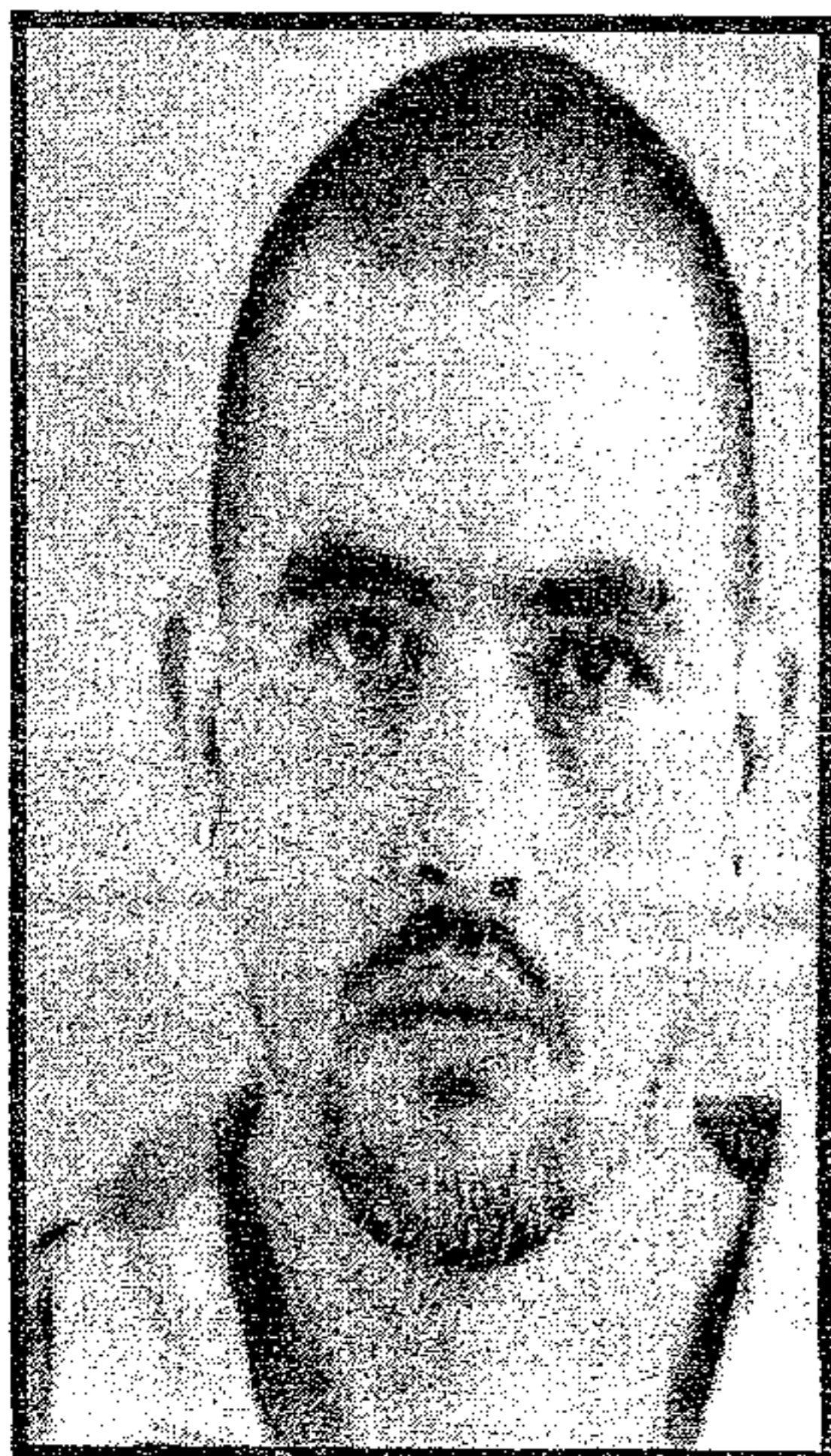
From November 2009

through February 2012, the smugglers and their conspirators attempted to import hundreds of shipping containers full of counterfeit Nike shoes, Gucci handbags, cigarettes, and other items from China into the U.S. through the Port Newark-Elizabeth Marine Terminal in New Jersey.

When a multi-agency force took down the operation in 2012, nearly 30 individuals were arrested and charged with various counts of conspiracy to traffic in counterfeit goods, as well as other crimes—includ-

(see FBI pg. 5)

Gun and knife stolen in theft



Jonathan Monroe

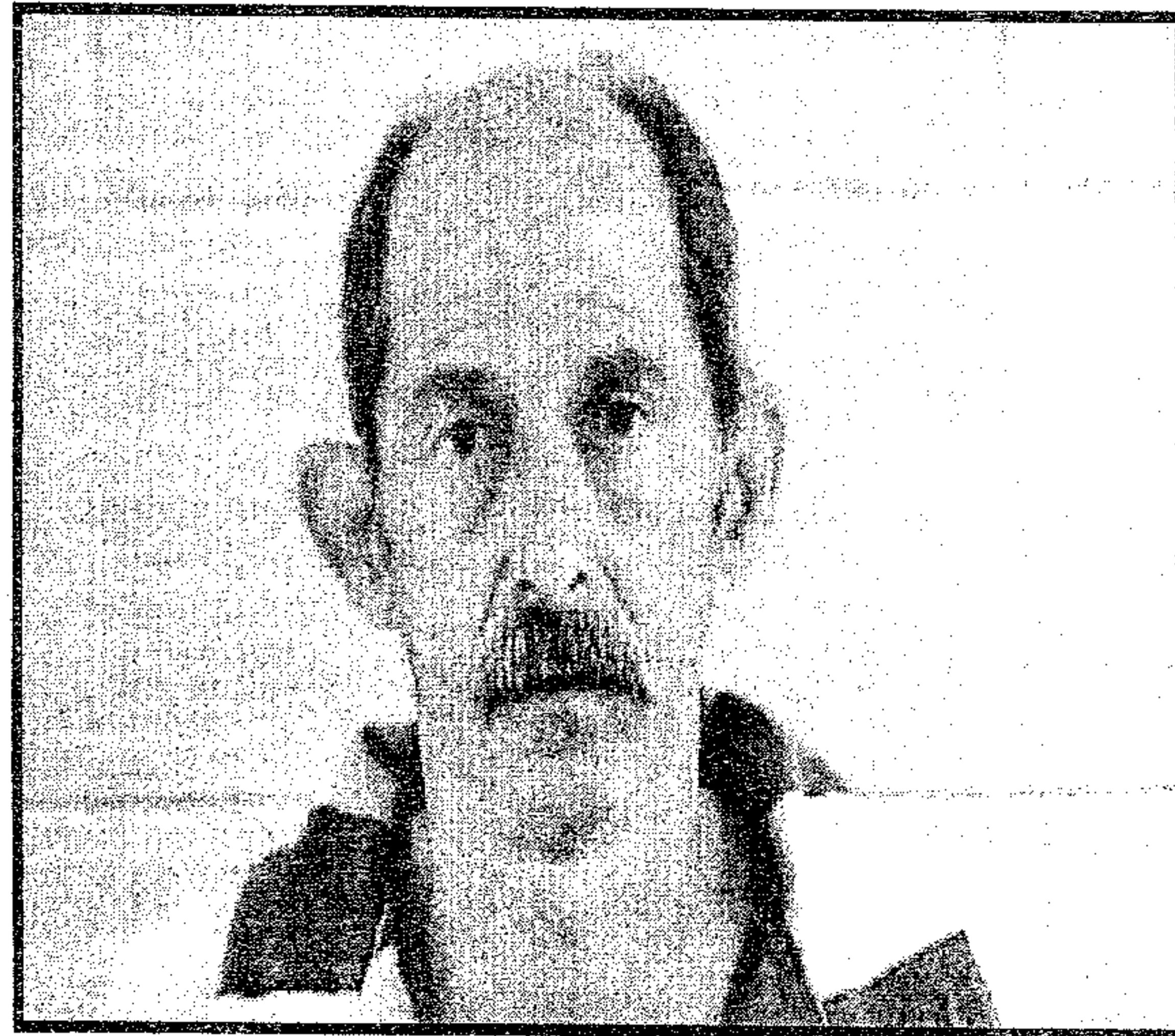
(See Theft pg. 2)

Guest Speaker at American Legion Post 256 Shares Horrifying Details of Mission in Afghanistan (see Legion pg. 3)



(L to R) American Legion member Robert Haldi and Post Commander Vic Vickery share their appreciation to guest speaker, Master Sergeant Michael J. Trost of Maryville, TN.

Revoked driver found to have pills by LCSO



Michael Branaum

(see Revoked pg. 7)

Verse of the Day

Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God. — 2 Corinthians 7:1

Obituaries

see inside

Wazzup

We would like to welcome our new friends, Jiffy Park Produce and Goodfellas in Loudon where you can now get your Daily Edition.

Weather

Today: Scattered thunderstorms in the morning. Partly cloudy skies late. High 91F. Tonight Variable clouds with scattered thunderstorms. Low around 70F. Thursday Partial cloudiness early, with scattered showers and thunderstorms in the after-

noon. High 92F. Thursday Night Partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms possible. Low near 70F.

Horoscopes

Leo 7/23-8/22

You're quite open with your ambitions and de-

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Theft

Jonathan Monroe, 37, Valley Drive Oliver Springs, was charged with Theft of Property. Officer Tim Buckner LCPD, was dispatched to Walmart for a possible shop-lifter. Upon arrival Officer made contact with Jonathan who was walking out the door past all points of sale in

attempt to deprive Walmart of its property. Walmart observed Jonathan concealing a knife and an air gun, and also a mountain dew beverage in his pocket. Officer Tim Buckner LCPD, made the arrest.

Police beat

Jessica Redmon, 31, Pine Orchard Road Oakdale, was charged with Driving on Revoked Li-

cense. Said date 08/15/14 Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, responded to I-75 North to a reckless driver call. Deputy made contact with said vehicle a white Buick and observed the vehicle in the left lane of travel. Deputy observed the vehicle cross the center lane and observe the vehicle following a ve-

hicle at a unsafe distance. Deputy conducted a traffic stop on said vehicle and identified the driver as Ms. Jessica Paige Redmon. A run of Ms. Redmons license through NCIC showed her license to be suspended for failure to satisfy citations in 06/2013. Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, made the arrest.

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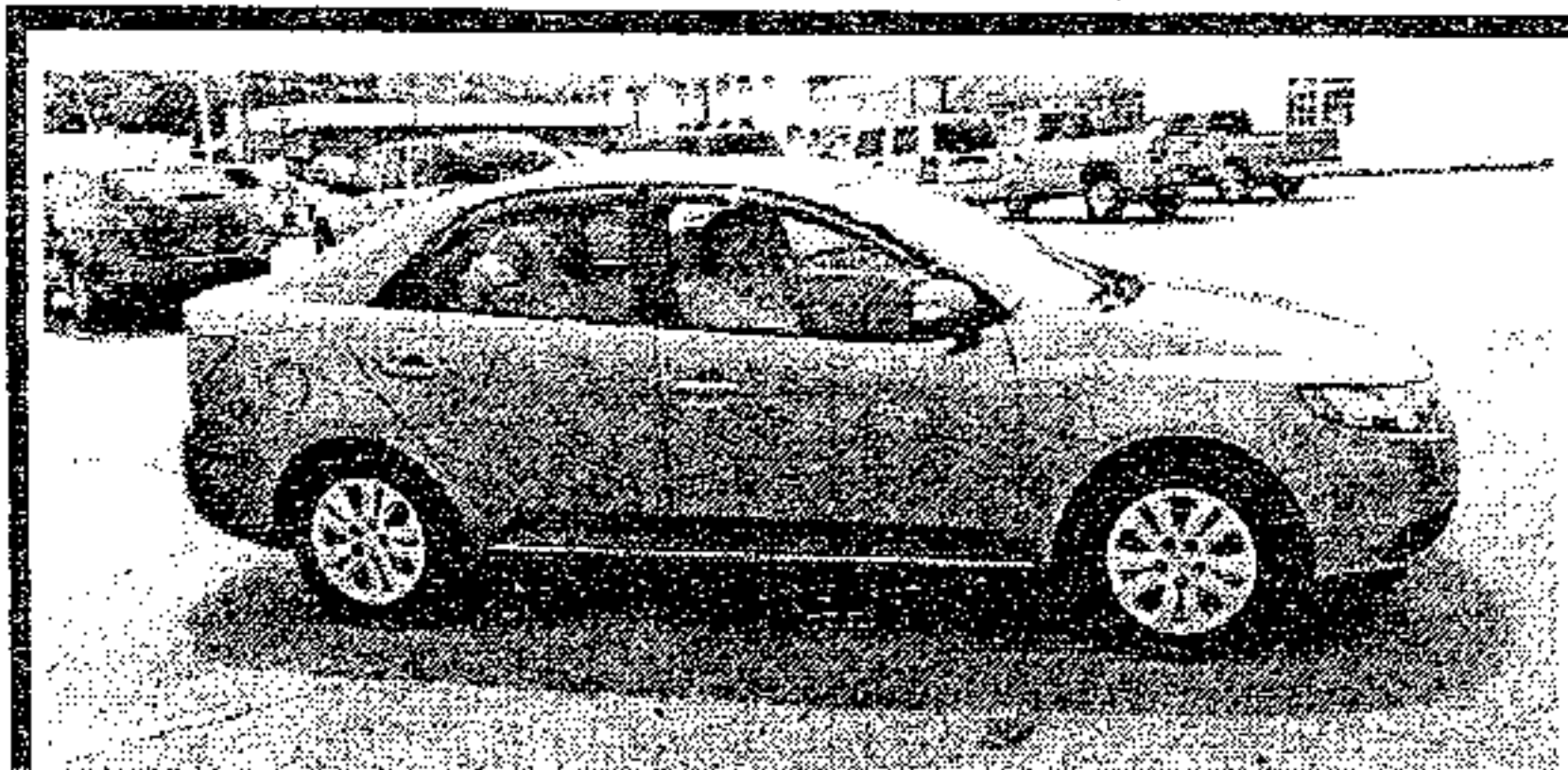
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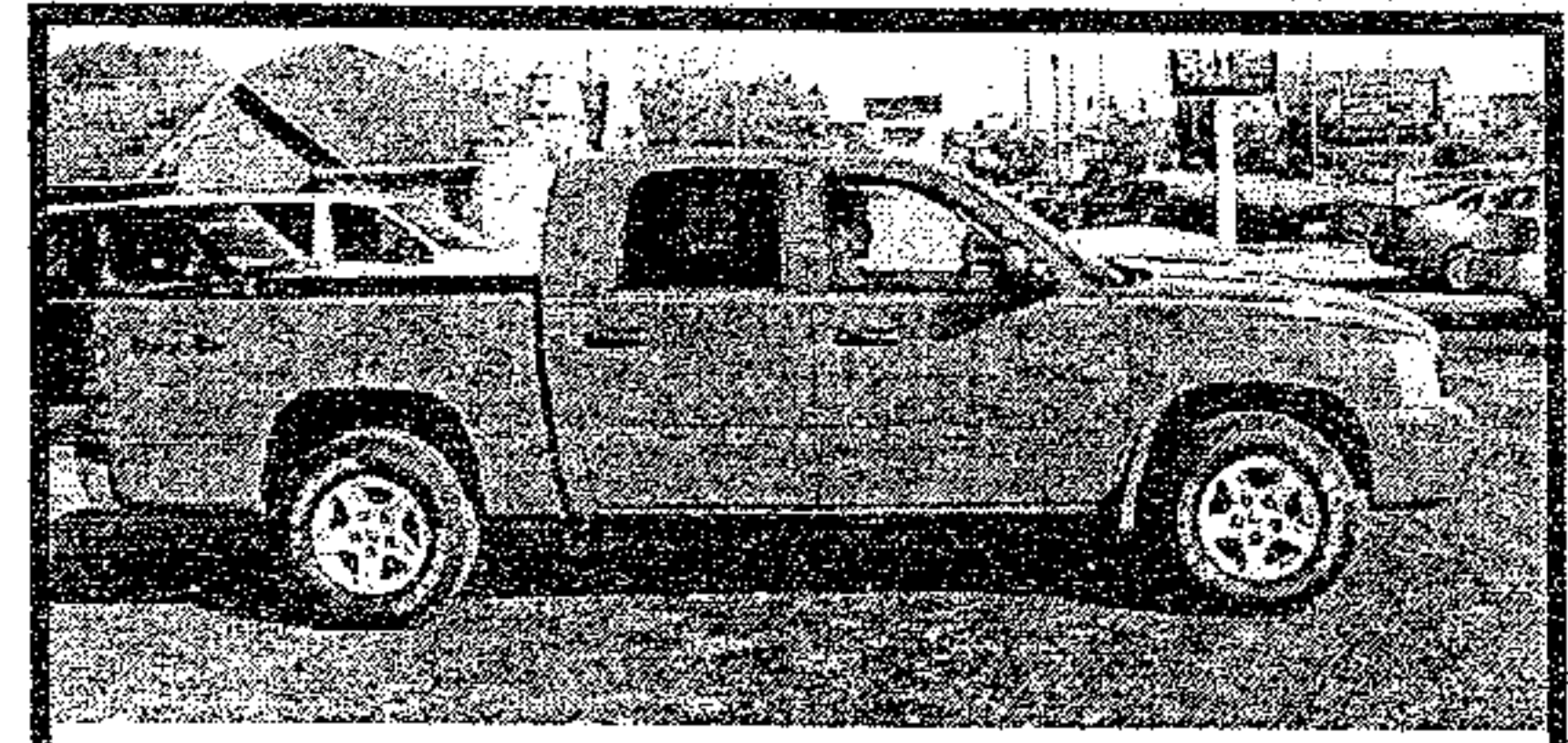
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Legion

Shot multiple times while on a mission in Afghanistan, Master Sergeant Michael J Trost recently conveyed the details of his horrific experience to members of American Legion Post 256. Bearing many physical scars from his injuries, as Legion members listened to his story, they were amazed at his positive mental attitude. Not only a positive attitude now, but also while bleeding from a half dozen gunshot wounds. All that time, praising his soldiers around him as they did their job and attended to his wounds. MSgt Trost was also highly complementary of the professionalism of the medi-

cal teams that were providing him assistance from helicopter evacuation, to the operating room, to his flight home for continued medical attention. Soon to retire and maintain residence in Maryville, Michael Trost wants to give back to the community, as stated in his goals, "I want to first and foremost provide for my wife Stephanie and son Houston. Secondly I want to use my time to physically recover from my war wounds and support Soldiers, families, spouses of other wounded warriors. Additionally, I want to support local charities....". As Post Commander, Vic Vickery stated, "Master Sergeant Michael Trost is an inspiration to be around and a true American patriot." For more information about the

American Legion and Post 256 contact, Vic Vickery at 423-884-6476.

Police beat

Tessa King, 30, West 10th Ave Lenoir City, was charged with Possession of SCH. IV, and Failure to appear. Officer Bruce Padgett LCPD, was serving a Capias Warrant.

Upon contact with Tessa King Officer advised Tessa that she had a Capias Warrant for FTA. Tessa grabbed something and dropped the item in another bag,

Officer retrieved the item and identified it as a silver pill vile containing 4 white pills

identified as clonazepam. Tessa was transported to Loudon Jail.

Officer Bruce Padgett LCPD, made the arrest.

Autumn Roseburg, 23, Angel Row Loudon, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, arrested Autumn at the Angel Row address on a FTA Warrant and transported to Loudon Jail.

Zachary Roseburg, 25, Angel Row Loudon, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, arrested Zachary at the Angel Row address on a FTA Warrant and transported to Loudon Jail.

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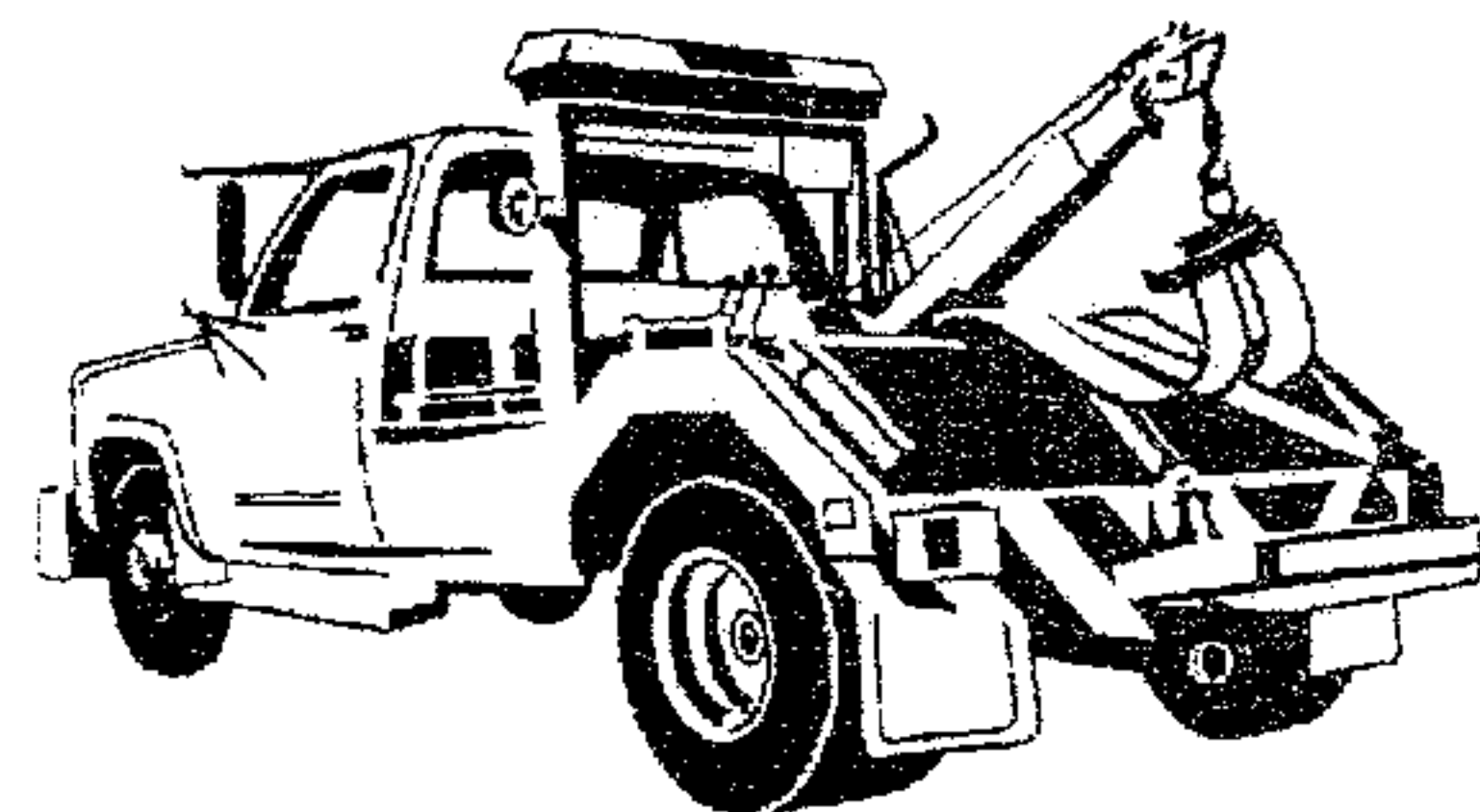
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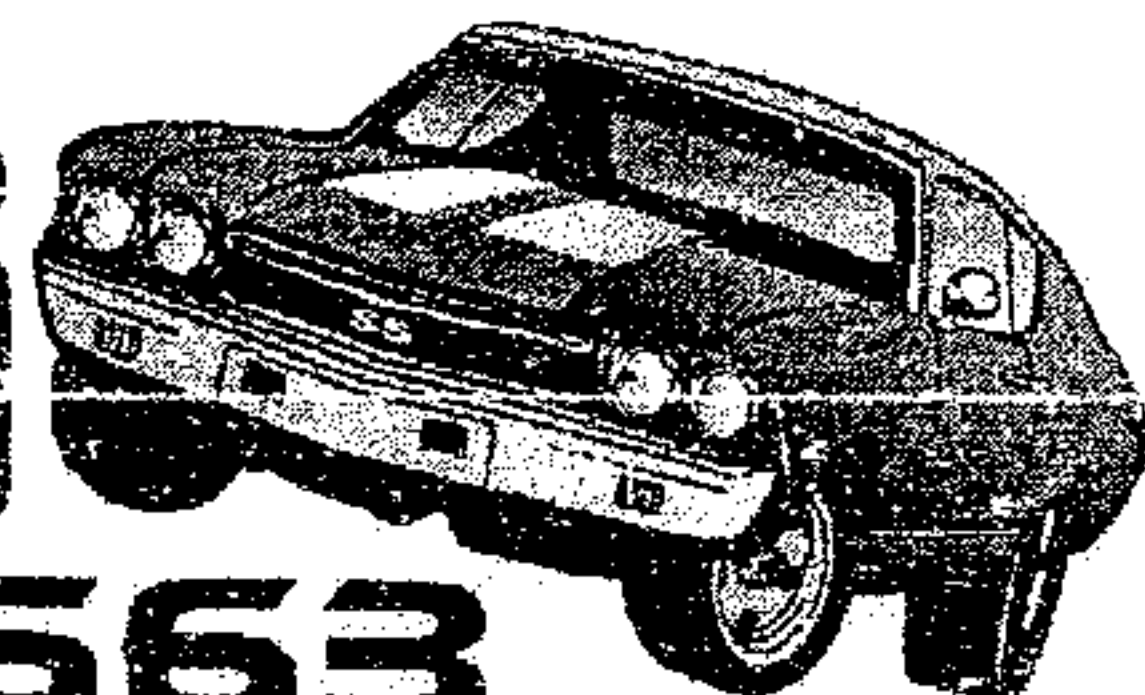
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LCPD

man, was charged with Simple Possession.

Officer Keith Sennett LCPD, was dispatched to the Marathon Gas Station for two suspicious females. Officer located the defendant matching the description. Officer made contact with Amy who was unsteady on her feet, very slurred speech, and was confused and unaware of her location, Xanax were found in the vehicle Amy was traveling in. Officer also made contact with the second female



Amy Foland

Tracey Langley, Tracey was also unsteady on her feet, slurred speech, and unable to state where she had been or coming from. During

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the pat down Officer found 1 and 1/2 pink pills in Tracey's Bra. Both was placed under arrest. Officer Keith Sennett LCPD, made the arrest.

The 2nd stop

Jeffrey Hinds, 36, Ben Henry Road Harri-man, was charged with Simple Possession. Of-ficer Alex Gambrell LCPD, while investiga-tion a report of sollicita-tion at the Lenoir City Marathon an involved subject was observed driving by the scene. Officer left the scene and performed a traffic stop on a vehicle driven by Jeffrey Hinds. Hinds gave consent to search the vehicle, during the search Officer located a cigarette pack in the back seat area that contained a clear plastic baggie containing 5 green pills believed to be Xanax. Hinds was placed under arrest. Officer Alex Gambrell LCPD, made the arrest.

Obituaries

Herbert Frank (Herb) Egan age 84 of the Telli-co Village community, Loudon, TN passed away on August 19, 2014 at his home. Herb was a member of the Church of the Res-urrection, Loudon, TN. He served his country from 1950-1954 in the Navy aboard the carrier Midway.

In 1976, Herb retired from the New York State Police after working in the beau-tiful Adirondacks. He was stationed at the Mayfield, NY Barracks. Before mov-ing to Tennessee in 2007, he lived in Venice, FL and enjoyed boating. He was very active in the Radio Controlled Flying Club of Venice. He designed, built and flew his own model airplanes. Herb was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert and Mary Egan; brother, James Egan; sister Rosemary Marshall; sons James Egan and Seth Krogoll and daughter Holly Krogoll. Survivors include his wife, Judith Egan; children Donald Egan (Diane), Bill Egan, Deborah Lucas (Kevin Manning), Joni Nichols (Fred), Aimee Harrison (Dennis) and Terri Austin; grandchildren Matthew

Egan, Jacob Harding, Adam, L.H. and Liz Nich-ols, Alexis and Meghan Harrison. Arrangements are incomplete at this time. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Church of the Resur-rection, 917 Pond Road, Loudon, TN 37774 or to AMEDISYS Hospice Care, 665 New Highway 68, Suite B, Sweetwater, TN 37874.

Michael Elwood Haynes - age 57 of Lenoir City, passed away Tuesday morning, August 19, 2014, at Parkwest Hospital after a brief illness. Michael was a member of First Baptist Church in Lenoir City and an employee of the Fresh Market in Far-ragut. He was preceded in death by his father, Jesse Elwood Haynes. Michael is survived by his wife, Brenda Akins Haynes;

son, Brandon Michael Haynes; mother, Tommie L. Haynes; brother and sister-in-law, Mark and Patty Haynes; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Jim and Sally Akins along with several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. Saturday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. with Rev. Donny Crass officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 1:30 p.m. Sunday and proceed to the cemetery for 2 p.m. graveside ser-vices. Memorial contri-butions may be made to: "Ride for Mike Benefit" which will be August 30th. For information contact Mark Haynes at 865-591-8421. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

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 "This was a complex case," said Special Agent Ron Pascale, who worked the investigation from our

Newark Division. "But over time, we identified the entire conspiracy and dismantled it."
 In 2008, our sources overseas identified a Chinese subject who wanted to smuggle counterfeit goods

into the U.S. from China. That individual was introduced to an FBI undercover agent posing as a person at the port who had connections and could clear containers through customs. Later, when the smug-

gler shipped a container of counterfeit cigarettes and learned that his U.S. buyer had fallen through, he asked our undercover agent to sell it for him—and he gave the agent a list of potential buyers.

With that list, Pascale said, the investigation expanded significantly—and soon led to Ning Guo. Known as Danny, Guo bragged that he was the best person in the New York region to store and distribute counterfeit merchandise.

Using a variety of undercover operatives and working with other law enforcement partners—including U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection—conducting parallel investigations, the conspiracy was unraveled from top to bottom:

Using false paperwork, the counterfeit merchandise was shipped in containers fraudulently associated with legitimate importers. Some of the

conspirators created and managed the flow of those forged documents.

Others in the ring managed the distribution of the goods once they were safely in the U.S. and cleared through the port.

The merchandise was delivered to warehouses and distributed throughout New York, New Jersey, and elsewhere. Some of the conspirators paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to our undercover agents, whom they believed were assisting them.

Some conspirators acted as wholesalers for the counterfeit goods, supplying retailers who sold the merchandise.

Other conspirators took the profits and wired the money back to China.

In addition to undercover operatives, investigators used court-authorized wiretaps and sophisticated surveillance techniques to gather evidence. "At every step of the way, we had the bad guys incriminating themselves in their own words," Pascale said, "and it was usually on tape and video."

The smuggling investigation also uncovered a scheme to import 50 kilograms of crystal meth into the U.S. "Counterfeiting always seems to be the gateway into something else," Pascale explained. "If these guys think they can get counterfeit shoes into the country, pretty soon they think they can get anything in. And that's a problem."

He added, "Counterfeiting is never going to stop, so there will always be a reason to smuggle."

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Revoked

Michael Branaum, 54, Hines Valley Road Lenoir City, was charged with Poss. of SCH. III & IV, and Driving on Revoked License.

According to the report, Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, observed a blue Toyota pickup traveling down Hines Valley Road. Deputy observed the driver Mr. Michael Lynn Branaum was not wearing his seatbelt. Deputy stopped the vehicle on Cardwell Chapel Road just off Hines Valley Road. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Branaum at which

time Deputy asked him for his license registration and insurance. Mr. Branaum appeared very nervous and got out of the vehicle when Deputy was approaching the vehicle.

Mr. Branaum gave the deputy his license and registration at which time Deputy ran it through dispatch. Dispatch advised that Mr. Branaum's licenses were revoked for DUI.

Mr. Branaum gave consent to search his person and his pockets. Mr. Branaum stated that he had some medication in his pocket. While searching Mr. Branaum's pocket Deputy located a pill bottle in his left front pocket. Deputy found four oval yellow pills identified

at Hydrocodone 10 mg and two round yellow pills identified as Diazepam 5 mg.

Mr. Branaum stated that he had a prescription for the medication but did not have it with him. Deputy observed the medication was in a bottle for morphine that was filled in 2013. Mr. Branaum stated that he knew the medication was supposed to be in the original bottle if he was going to carry it on his person. Mr. Branaum was placed under arrest. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

Police beat

Charles Washington, 62, Lay Ave Knoxville, was charged with Failure to Appear.

Deputy Dylan Moore

LCSO, served a FTA Warrant on Charles at the Knox. Co. Jail and transported to Loudon Jail.

Frank Quince Jr., 42, Cary Road Crossville, was charged with Violation of Probation. Deputy Jordan Samuels LCSO, served a VOP

Warrant on Frank at the Rhea Co. Jail and transported to Loudon Jail.

Cody Chastain, 23, East 1st Ave Lenoir City, was charged with Violation of Probation. Deputy Dylan Moore LCSO, served a VOP Warrant on Cody at the Loudon Jail.

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 The City of Lenoir City Personnel Committee will meet at City Hall, in the small conference room, on Monday, August 25, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the following:

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Police beat

Jerry Rhodes, 36, Hickory Creek Road, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI, and Driving on Suspended License. Officer Brandon Gentry LCPD, was traveling south on Hwy 321 and witnessed a black vehicle crossing the lanes of travel several times. Officer conducted a stop on the vehicle as it pulled

into Walmart. When Officer made contact with the driver identified as Jerry Rhodes. Jerry had blood shot eyes, and slurred speech. Officer could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from Jerry. Officer had Jerry perform sobriety test and did poorly. Jerry was placed under arrest: Officer Brandon gentry LCPD, made the arrest.

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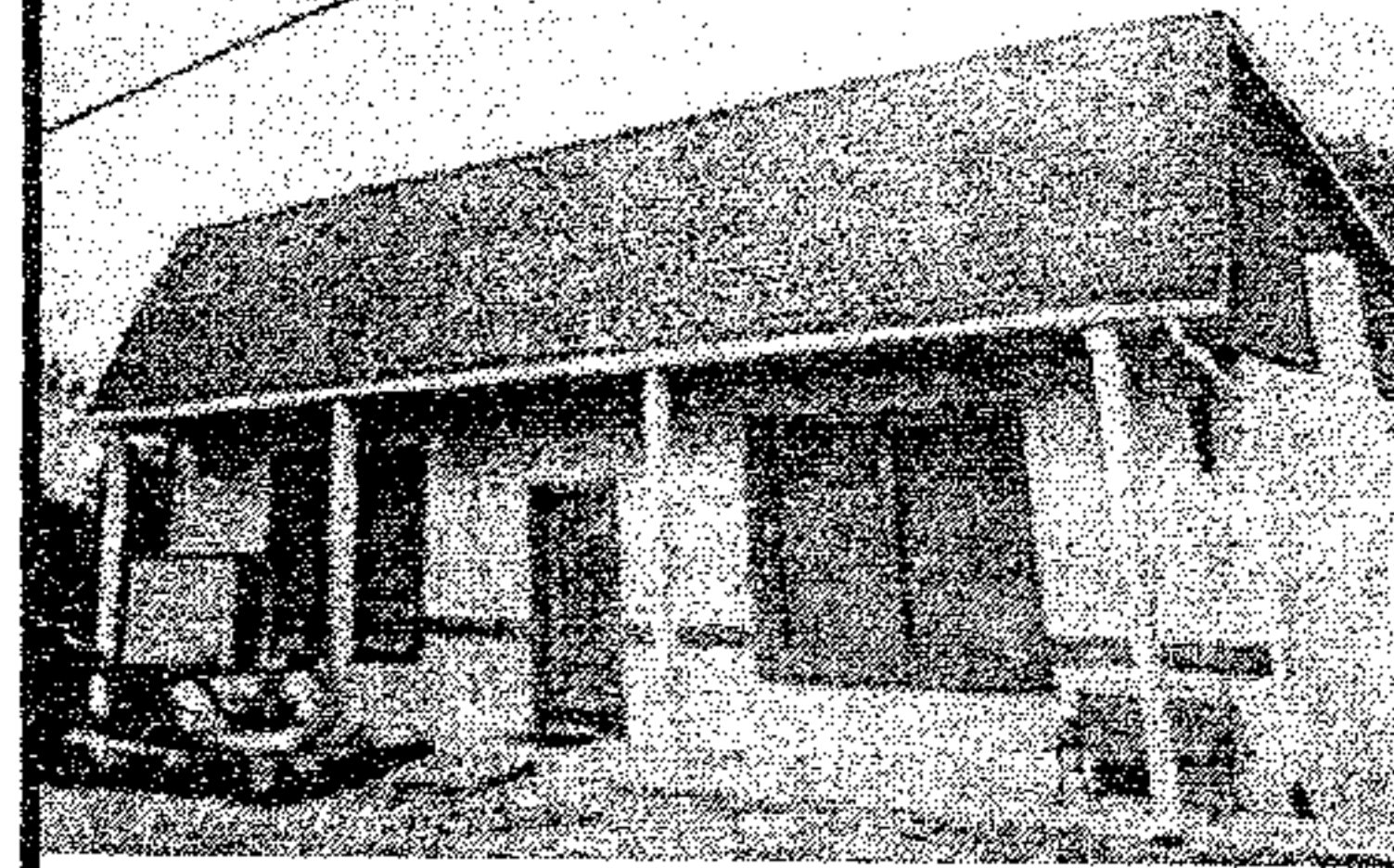
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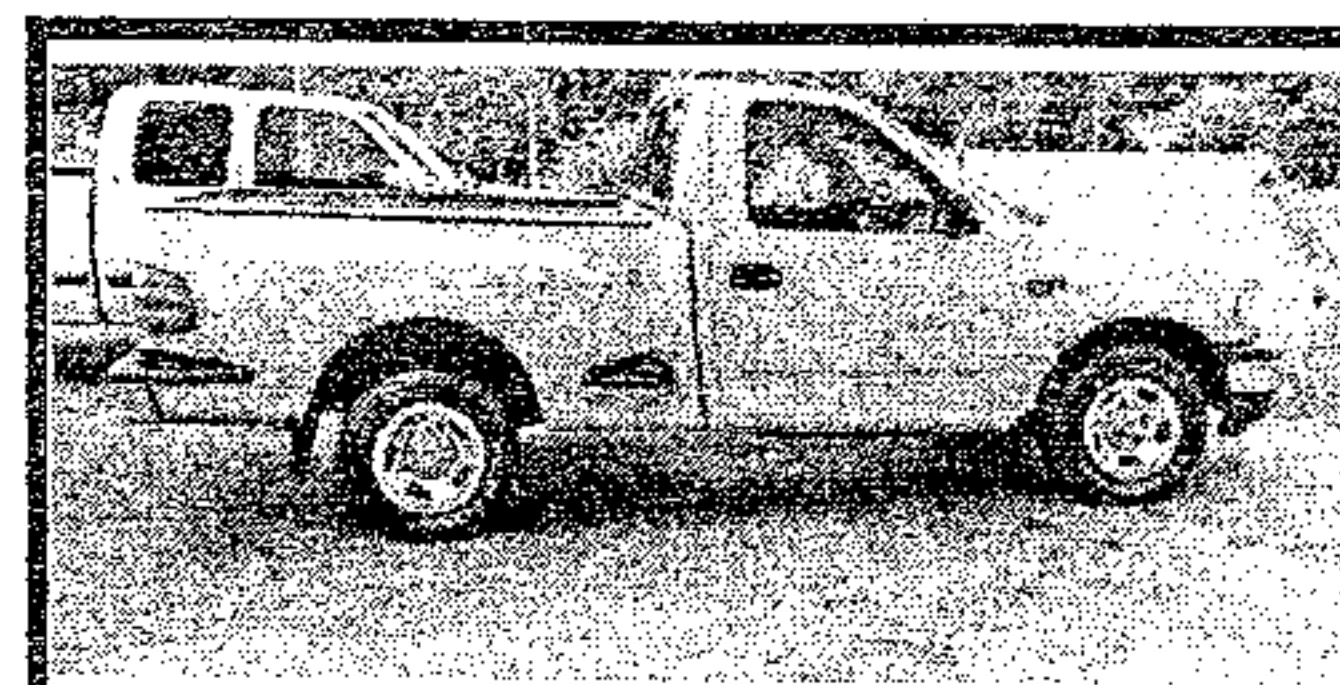
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