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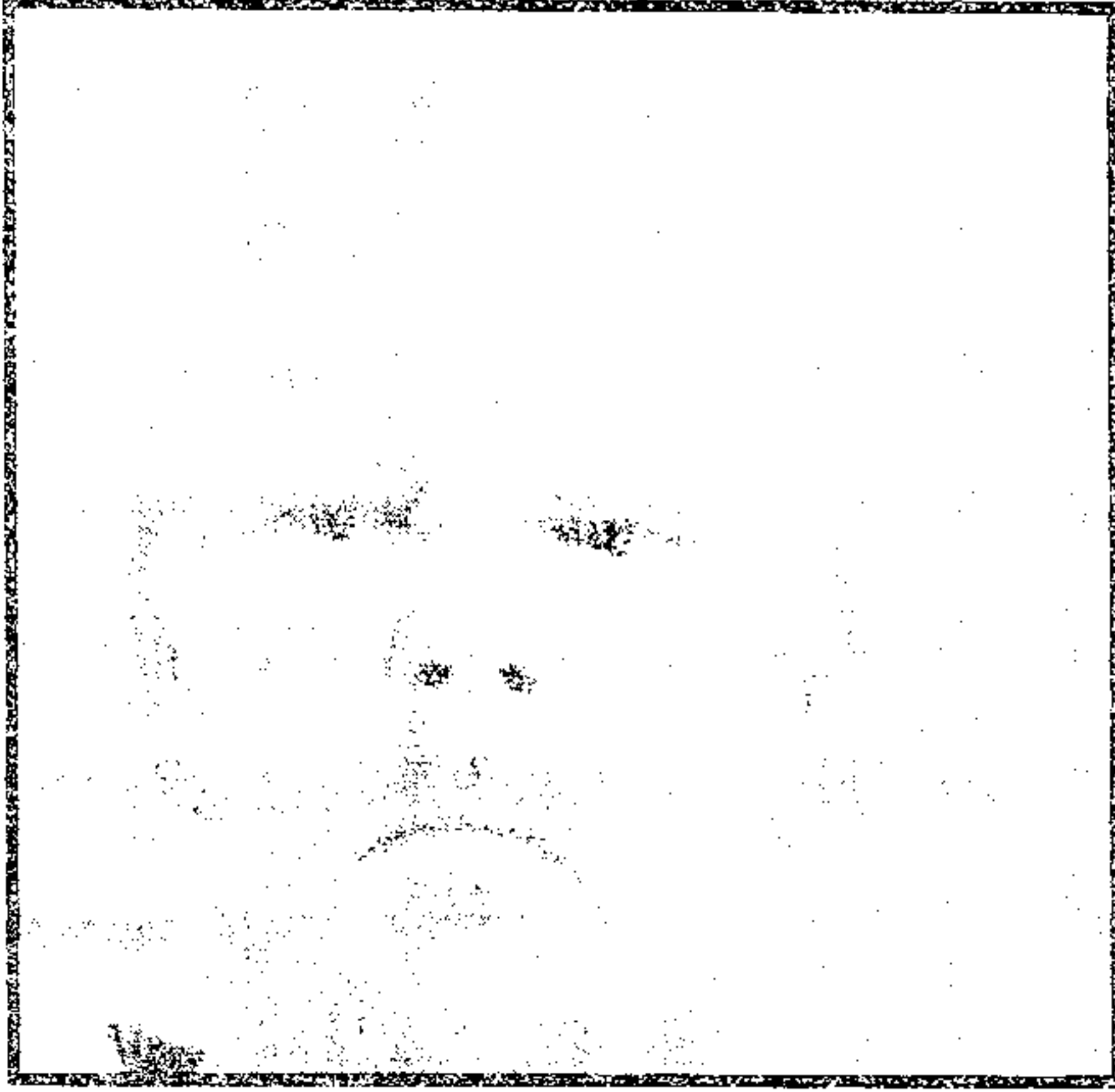
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## We was just driving around looking and stuff

(see LCSO pg. 4)



Brian Stowell



Courtney Stowell

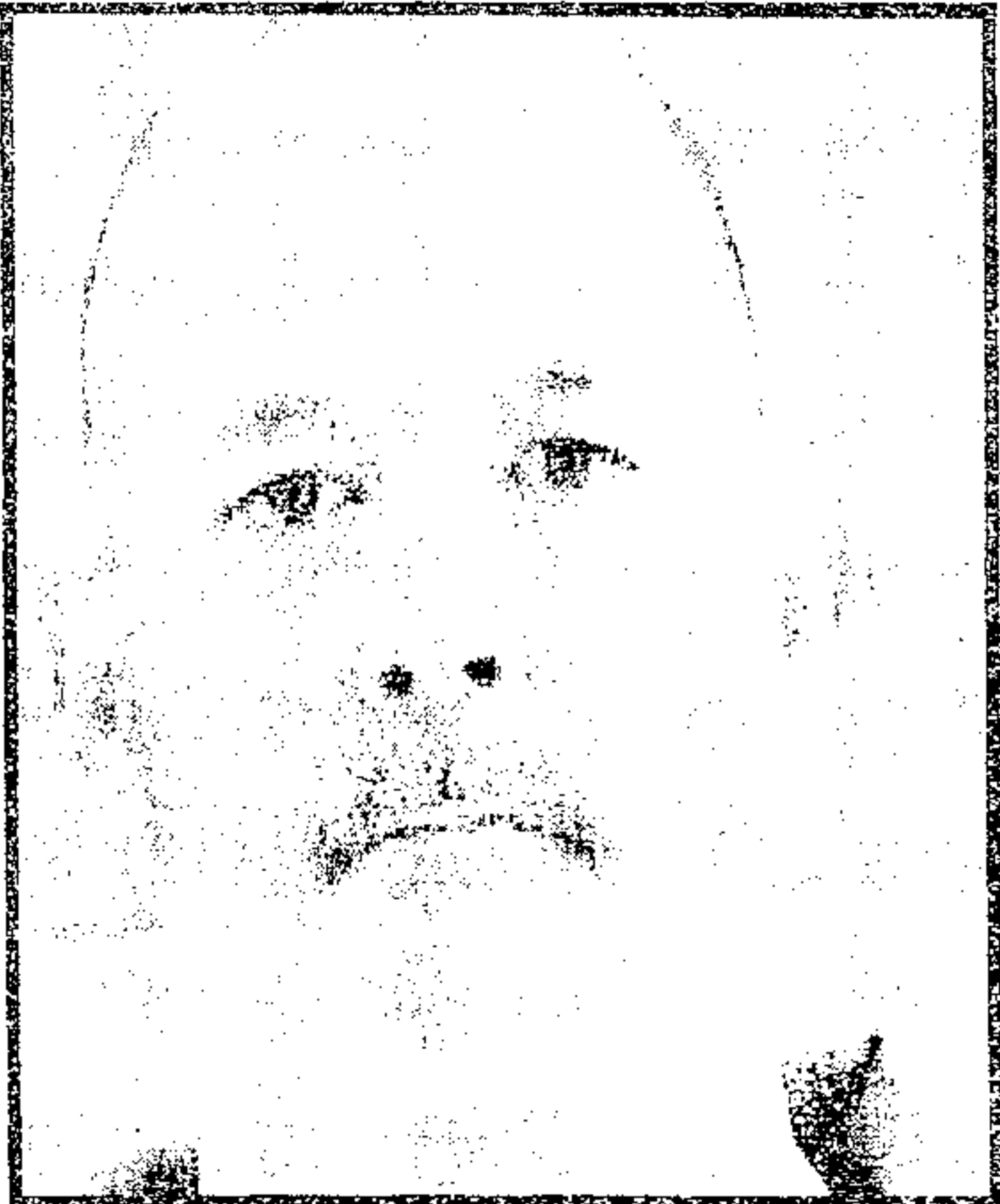
## 9th DTF charges Ldn man with drugs for resale



(see 9th DTF pg. 3) Jody Townson

## Capias served

Toby Townson, 46, 9th Ave Kingston, was charged with a Criminal Court Capias.



Toby Townson

## 5th DUI for driver nabbed by LPD



Hector Almanza

(see Habitual pg. 5)

## Investigation Reveals Issues with Rockwood Revitalization in Roane County

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has uncovered several issues related to Rockwood Revitalization, Inc., in Roane County, Tennessee.

Rockwood Revitalization was organized to stimulate downtown economic development for the City of Rockwood. The organization is primarily funded from grants and donations.

The investigation centered around a 2012 State of Tennessee, Department of Economic and Community Development, revitalization grant.

(see Roane pg. 2)

### Verse of the Day

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.  
— Ephesians 3:20-21

### Obituaries

see inside

### Wazzup

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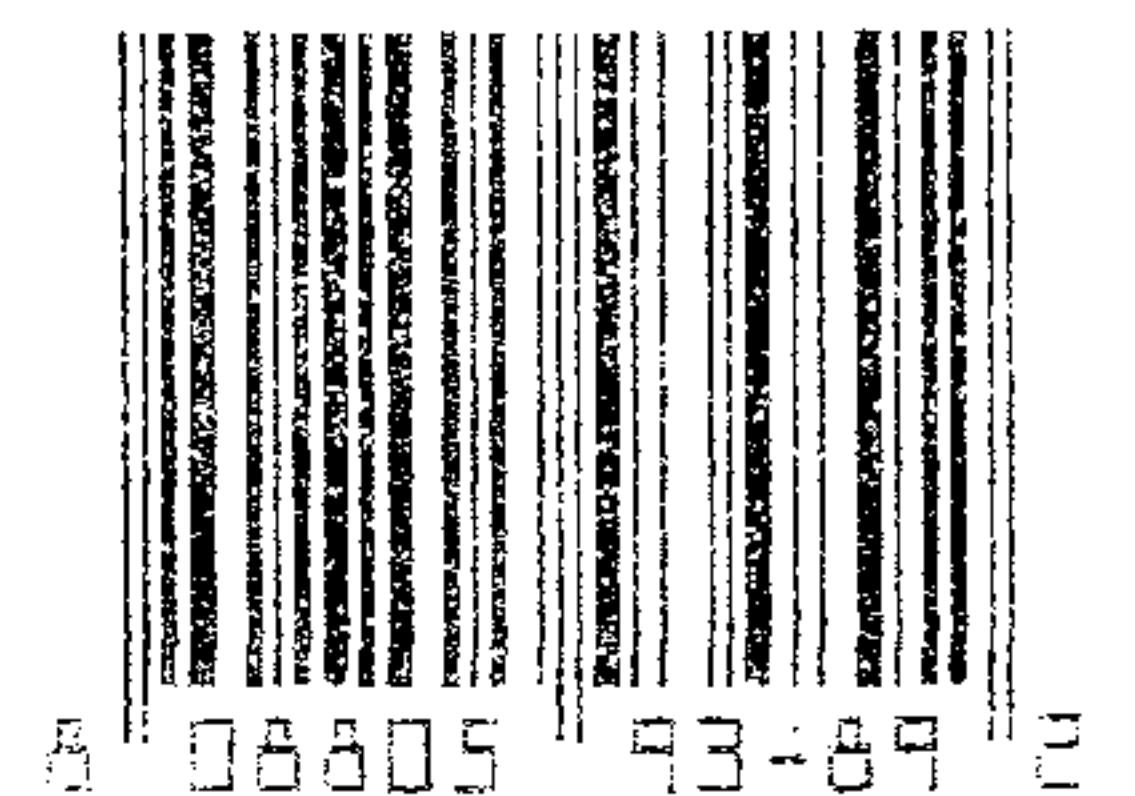
### Weather

Today: Cloudy early with

partial sunshine expected late. High near 40F.  
Tonight Mainly clear early, then a few clouds later on. Low 24F.  
Saturday Partly cloudy skies during the morning hours will become overcast in the afternoon. High 47F.

Saturday Night Overcast. Low 33F.  
Sunday Cloudy with rain developing later in the day. High 46F.  
Sunday Night Rain early... then remaining cloudy with showers late. Low 33F.

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**Roane**

The \$15,000 grant was intended to help develop a new visitors' center by including a public restroom.

Investigators found that Rockwood Revitalization did not comply with the grant contract. Although building materials were purchased, no work ever began on the visi-

tors' center during the grant period. Furthermore, in February 2014 Rockwood Revitalization submitted false information to TNECD by indicating the visitor center and restroom facilities were completed on the grant close-out report.

Rockwood Revitalization eventually used the purchased materials to develop and open

a welcome center in October 2014.

Comptroller investigators also noted questionable business practices within Rockwood Revitalization, and found the organization did not follow its bylaws. All of the

findings and recommendations have been reviewed with the district attorney general for the 9th Judicial District.

"Grant money can play an important role in spurring economic development

(see Roane cont. pg. 7)

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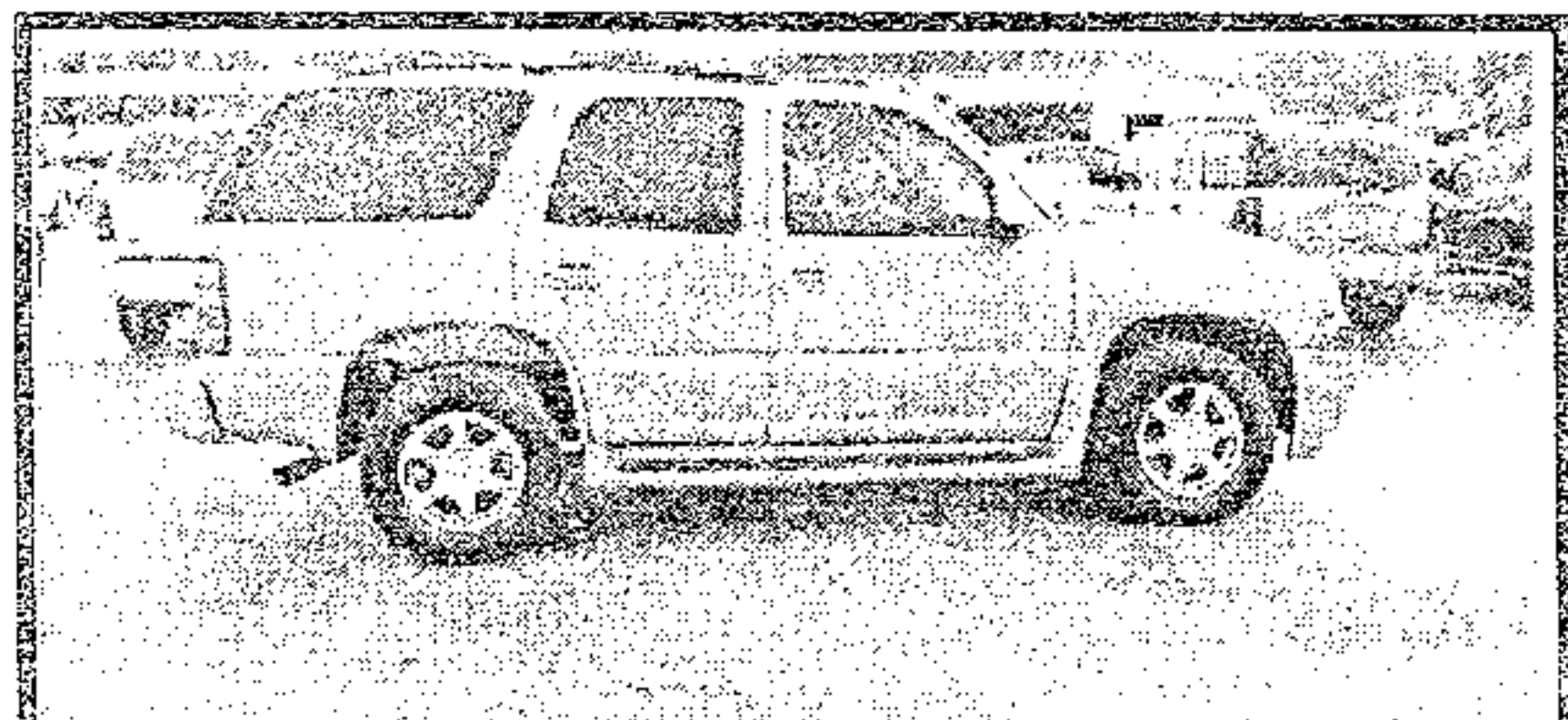


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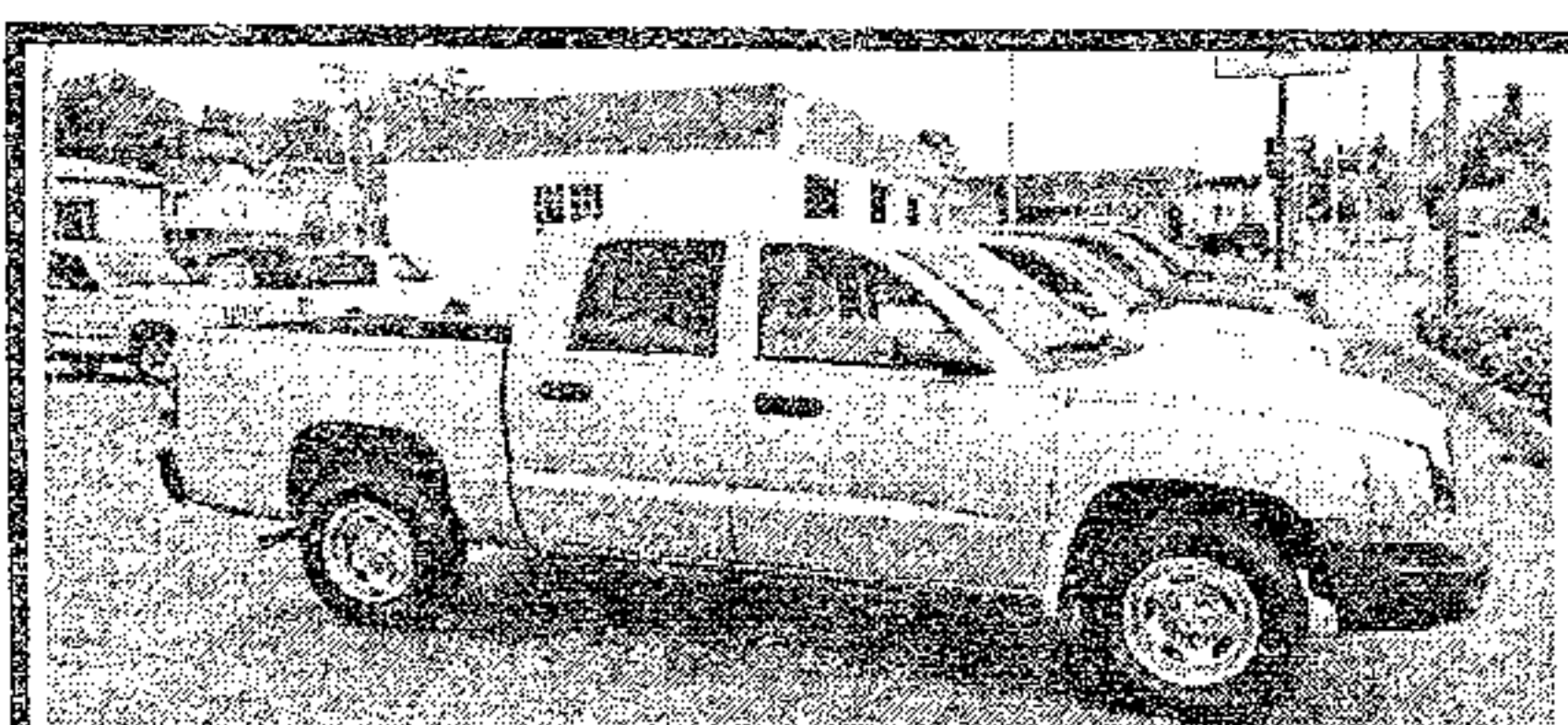
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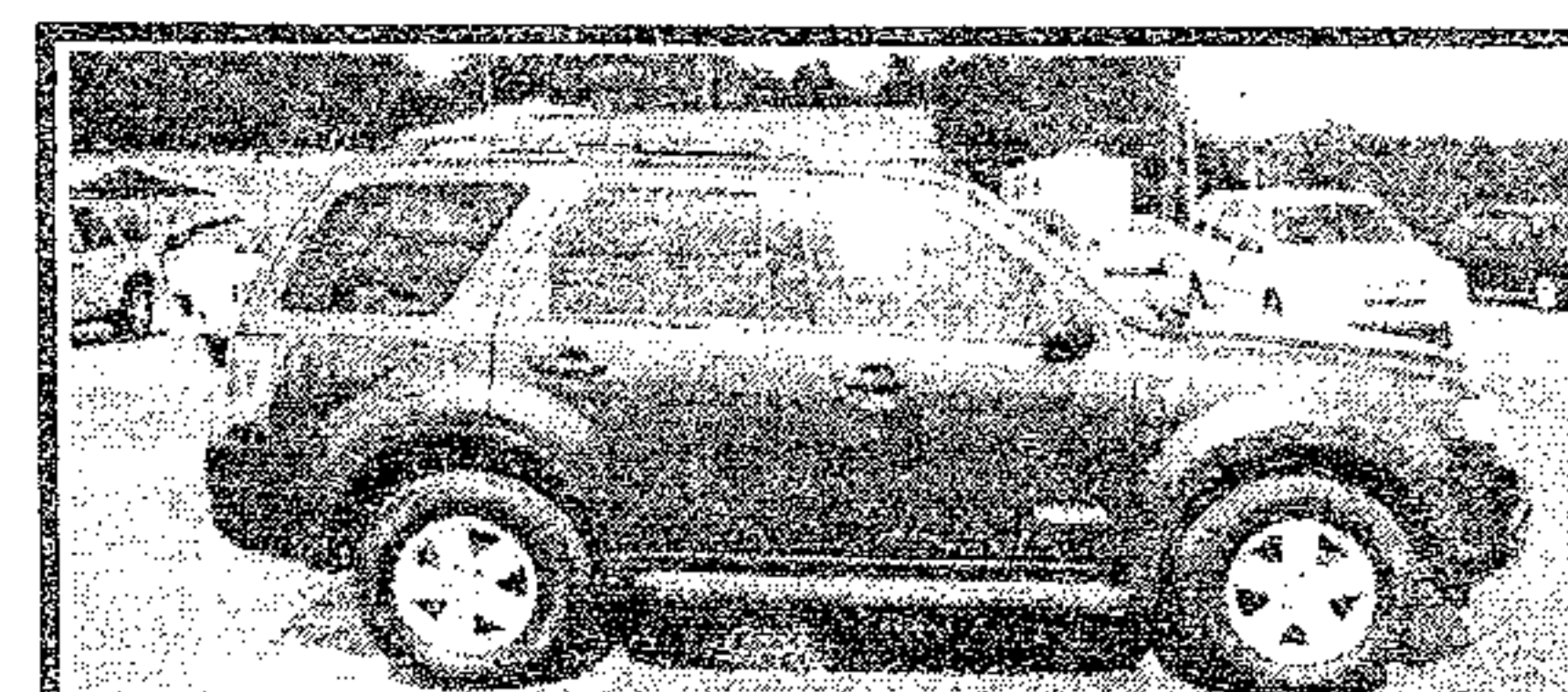
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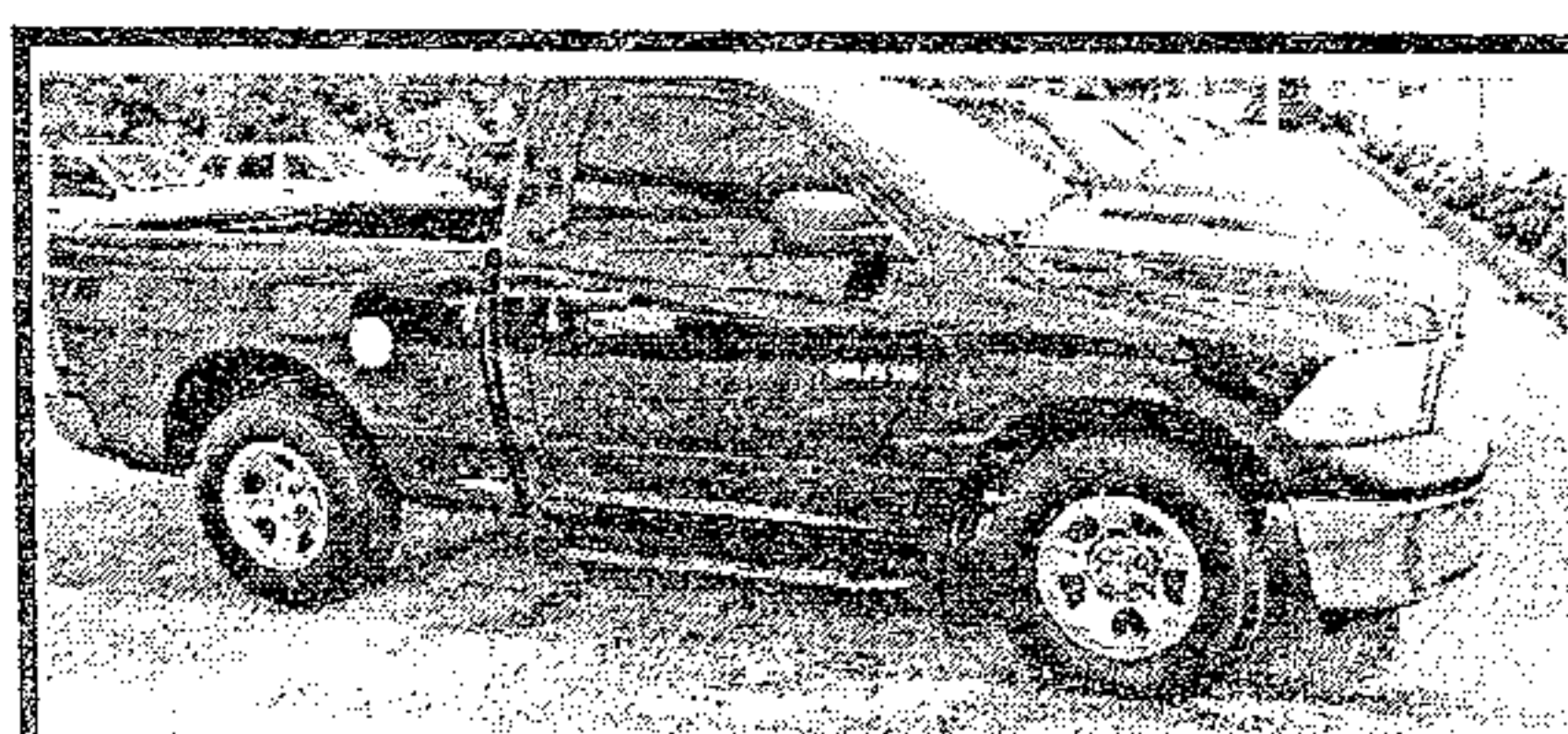
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**9th DTF**

Jody Townson, 44, Julian Street Loudon, was charged with SCH. II x2 for resale, SCH. IV for resale, Poss. of SCH. IV, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Agents from the 9th Drug Task Force conducted a search Warrant at Julian St. where Jody resides. Agents have been conducting an investigation into the sale of prescription narcotics from this residence by Jody. During the search of the residence Agents located an unmarked pill bottle and a plastic bag containing a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana. Agent April Farmer DTF, made the arrest.

**Obituaries**

**Sherri Lynn Hornbeak Skinner** age 49 of Lenoir City passed away Monday, January 26, 2015. She was affiliated with the Multiple Sclerosis Association and a member of Calvary Baptist Church. Sherri had been a resident of Kindred Healthcare Center in Loudon for the past eight years. She had a very strong faith and was a positive influence in many lives. Preceded in death by her husband, Randall Scott Skinner and father, Walter Hornbeak. She is survived by her daughter, Kristen Brooke Skinner; mother, Patricia Ann Hornbeak; sister and

brother-in-law, Kerri and Todd Johns; nephew, Brycen Johns; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jack and Gwenn Skinner; brothers-in-law, Tony Skinner and Brady Skinner; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Susan and Derek Williams and their children, Elijah and Nathan Williams. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. Friday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Memorial services will follow at 7 p.m. with Rev. Rick Harrell and Rev. Donny Crass officiating. A private interment will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Association. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

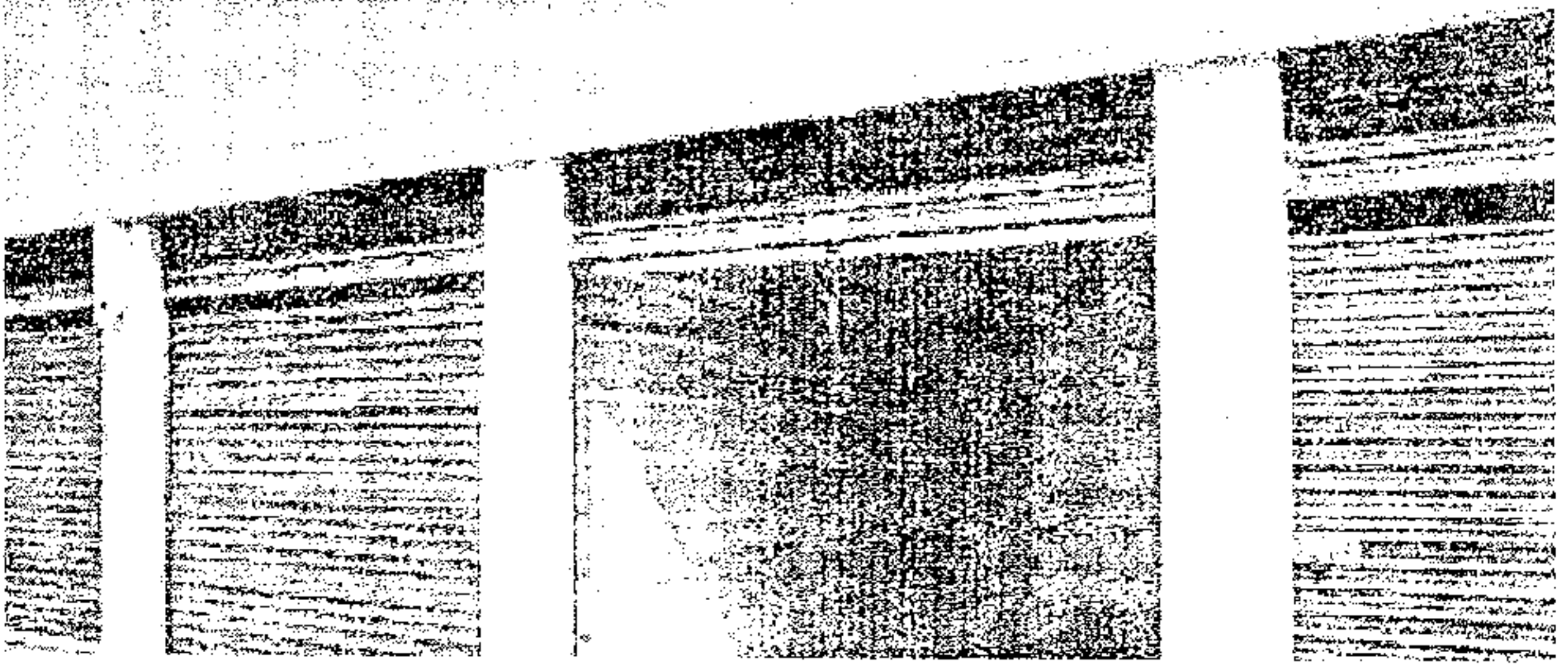
Joyce Fritz Lewis, age 70 of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon, TN passed away January 22, 2015 at her home after a long fight against cancer. Joyce loved golf and playing cards with her family and friends. She also loved to travel. Preceded in death by her parents, Irwin & Ma-

rie Fritz of New Baltimore, MI and brother, Donald of Sterling Heights, MI. Survivors include her best friend and husband of 50 years, William (Bill) Lewis; son David (Kristi) Lewis and Dana (Garrett) Wedlick; grandchildren Josh and Justin Lewis and Abigail and Jacob Wedlick; brother and sister-in-law Ken and Valerie Fritz, sister-in-law Dottie Fritz; brother-in-law Bob (Dec) Lewis and Jim (Anita) Lewis and sister-in-law Maryann Chrisman; many loving nieces and nephews and

very dear friends. The family will receive friends on Friday, February 6, 2015 from 5 - 7:30 p.m. with a Rosary to follow at 7:30 p.m. at Click Funeral Home & Cremations - Tellico Village Chapel. Mass will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2015 at 11 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Lenoir City, TN. Burial will take place at a later date in New Baltimore, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

(see Obits etd. pg. 5)

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**LCSO**

Brian Stowell, 44, McWayne Circle Lynchburg, was charged with Attempted Burglary, and Possession of Burglary Tools.

Courtney Stowell, 20, McWayne Circle Lynchburg, was charged with Attempted Burglary, and Poss. of Burglary Tools.



David Turman

David Turman, 20, Perch Road Monroe Va., was charged with Attempted Burglary and Poss. of Burglary Tools.

According to the re-

ports, at approximately 23:15pm, the Loudon County Emergency Communications Center received a call from Fleenor Security Systems who provided information that a person was verified through surveillance cameras to be on the property of Farragut Lawn and Tractor located at Kingston Pike in Knoxville, Tennessee. The call was dispatched and the responding deputies were provided with a description of the clothing that the person was wearing. Sgt. Bowen was near the location when the call was dispatched and observed a red Ford F-150 leaving from the business with

the occupants. Sgt. Bowen stopped the vehicle and while speaking with the driver learned that the driver was the person seen on the video camera.

Sgt. Detective Cosner arrived at the location of the traffic stop and spoke with the three occupants of the vehicle about their reasons for being at Farragut Lawn and Tractor after the business was closed and in the middle of the night. The female passenger, who identified herself as Courtney Stowell, stated that they were traveling from their home in Lynchburg, VA to her aunt's house about two hours west of Nash-

ville. They stopped and purchased a room at a hotel in Morristown, TN and then decided to go to the store and ride around. She also stated that they were at the business so that her father, the driver of

the truck, could use the bathroom. The second passenger, who identified himself as David Turman, made a statement similar to Mrs. Stowell about just riding around but did not (see LCSD etd. pg. 7)

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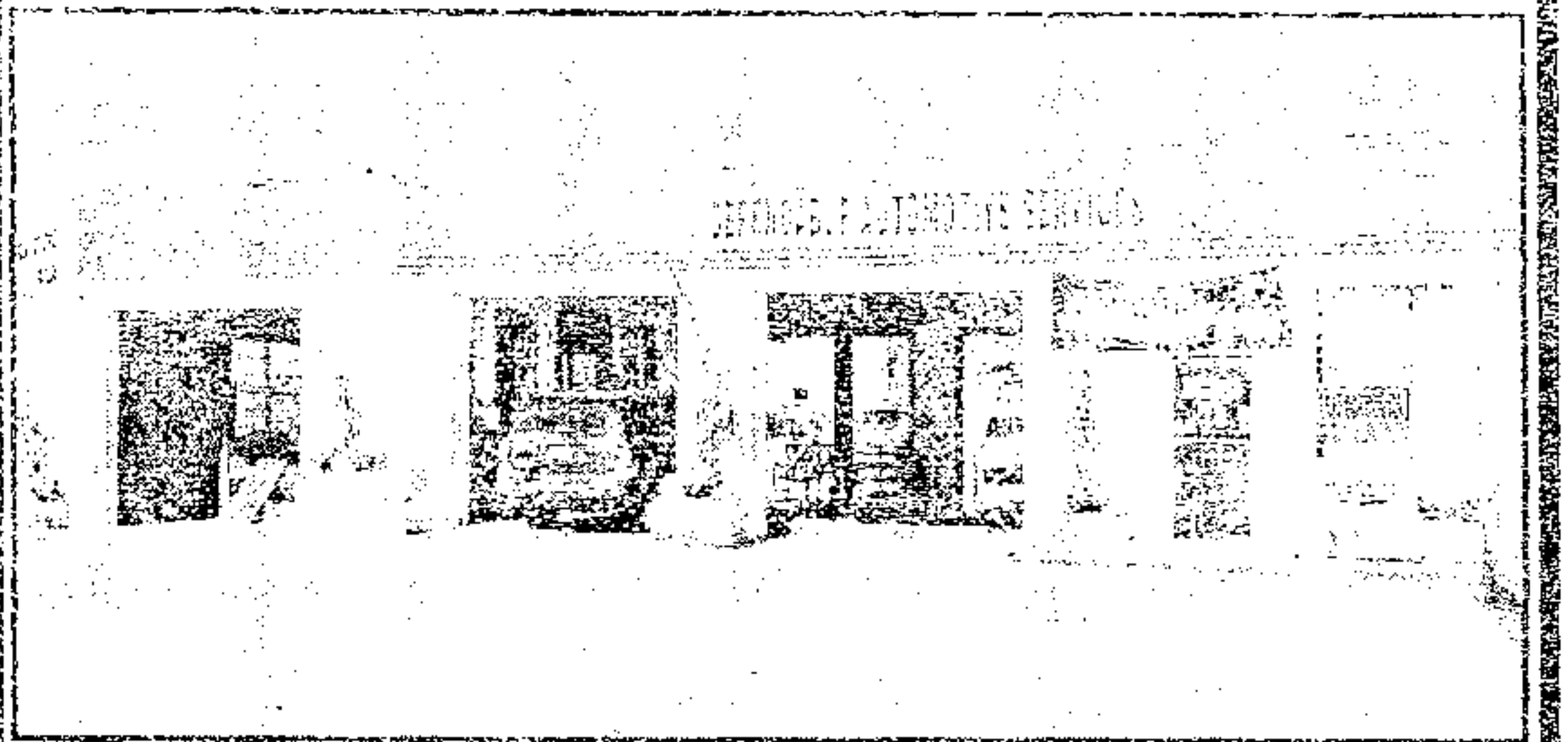
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**Habitual**  
Hector Almanza, 27, Huffland Drive Loudon, was charged with DUI 5th, and Violation of Implied Consent. Officer Benny Houser LPD, observed a vehicle run a stop sign on Church St. at Ward Ave onto Rosedale. After stopping the vehicle on Rosedale at Highland Officer made contact with the driver Hector Almanza. Offi-

cer advised Hector why he had stopped him, and ask to see his Driver License, Registration, and Ins. Hector had a strong odor of alcoholic intoxicant about his person. a check of Hector through Dispatch revealed valid License with with ignition interlock requirement. A check of the devise showed showed failed. Hector performed poorly on sobriety test

and was placed under arrest. Officer Benny Houser LPD, made the arrest.

Obits etd. from pg. 3

**Emma E. Watson**, age 84 of Loudon, passed away Wednesday January 28 at Kindred Healthcare Loudon. Emma was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church. Preceded in death by parents, Andy and Bessie Pickering Presley and

husband, Raymond Watson. Survivors: sons, David and Brenda Watson of Loudon, Ronnie and Kaye Watson of Nashville and Jeremy Watson; several nieces and nephews. Funeral service 7 pm Friday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Asa L. Majors officiating. Interment 1:30 pm Saturday, Valley View Cemetery. Family will receive friends 5 - 7 pm Friday. Arrangements provided by Loudon Funeral Home

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**Johnnie A. Brogdon**, age 83 of Loudon, passed away Tuesday, January 27. Johnnie was a volunteer campground host for over 35 years at Indian Boundary and a carpenter at Carter Lumber Company. Preceded in death by parents, Alford and Minnie Lemons Brogdon; brothers Hershell, Chester and Sammy Brogdon; sisters Reba Jean Carey, Patty Sue Romine and Edna Mae White. He is survived by wife, Mary Thompson Brogdon; son, Johnny Brogdon and wife, Carlin of Loudon; daughters, Shirley and Mike Gardner of Philadelphia and Mary Faye Palmer of Nashville; brother, Harold Brogdon of Kingston; sisters, Dorothy Posey, Linda Smith, Ruth Gray of Loudon, Alice Green of Vonore and Irene Jones of Knoxville; 6 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Funeral service 7 p.m. Friday at Loudon Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Gennis Best officiating. Graveside service 11 a.m. Saturday, Corinth Cemetery. Family will receive friends Friday, 5 - 7 pm. Loudon Funeral Home [www.loudonfuneral-home.net](http://www.loudonfuneral-home.net)

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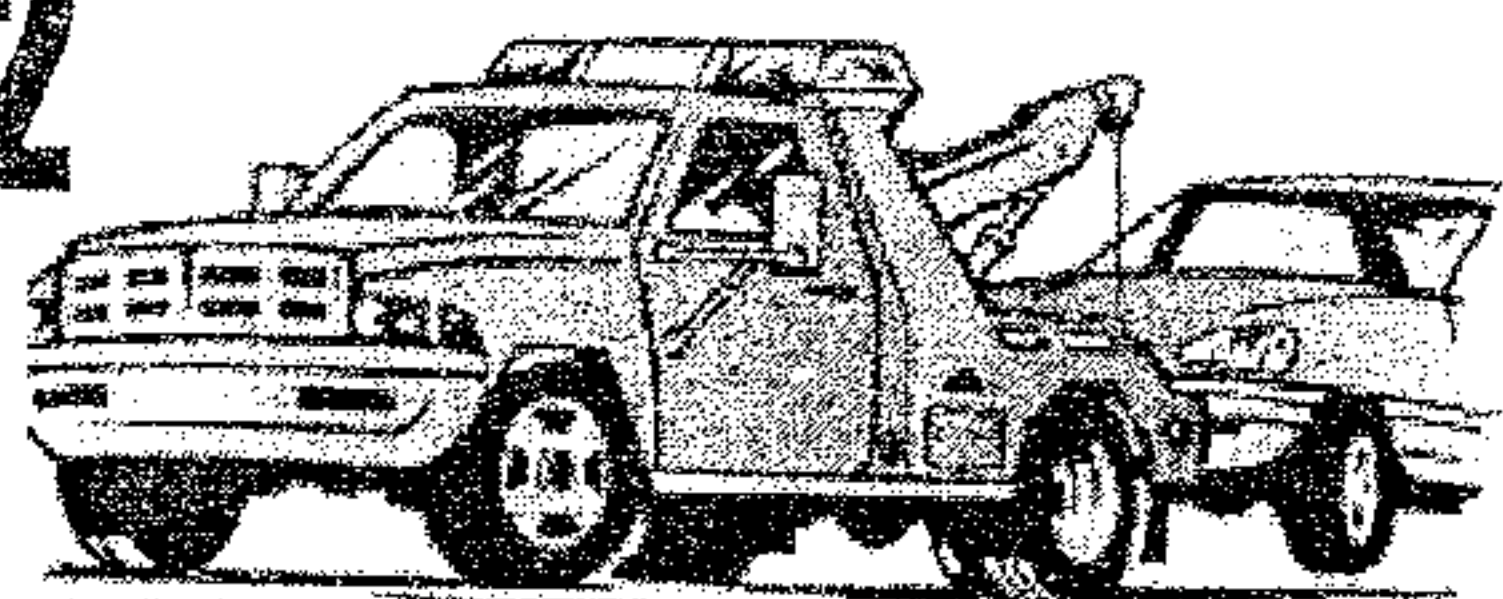
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**LCSO ctd. from pg. 4**

know why they were at a closed business and wasn't sure why they were so far from their hotel riding around because he didn't know the roads in Loudon County and was lost. The third occupant of the vehicle was the driver, who identified himself as Brian Stowell, stated that the reason they were at the business was because he had searched the internet and found a specific lawn tractor that he was planning on purchasing at this location and wanted to show his son-in-law (Mr. Turman) the tractor.

Several tools were located inside the vehicle and in the bed of the truck that, given the circumstances, was considered evidence that the three occupants were planning to take a lawn tractor or other

item while the business was closed, for example, bolt cutters, masks, hoody, scotch blocks, tie downs, and a tarp. All three were placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Detention Center. Detective Charlie Cosner LCSO, made the arrest.

**Wayne County Audit Shows Continuing Problems**

Wayne County leaders have made some progress, but more needs to be done to correct the problems detailed in its annual audit by the Comptroller's office.

The audit highlights 17 problems spread

across several county offices. 12 of these findings were also cited in last year's report but had not been corrected.

The office of the county executive accounted for nearly half of this year's issues. All eight of the findings related to that office were also presented in last year's report. The findings include problems with accounting, budgeting, purchasing, and payroll. Several issues with the Wayne County Board of Public Utilities, which is led by the county executive, were also noted.

Most of the other findings in the report concern financial management issues and poor internal controls, (see Wayne Co. ctd. pg. 8)

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 such as multiple employees operating from the same cash drawer and a failure to divide money-handling responsibilities.

Auditors also noted a Comptroller investigation of the Wayne County School Department released in July

2014. This report revealed a cash shortage of \$319,134.58. This report can be viewed at <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/repository/ia/waynecountyschools.pdf>.

Justin P. Wilson said, "While I'm pleased to see some improvement, there is still much work to be done. The Audit Committee and county leaders must be serious about fixing these lingering problems."

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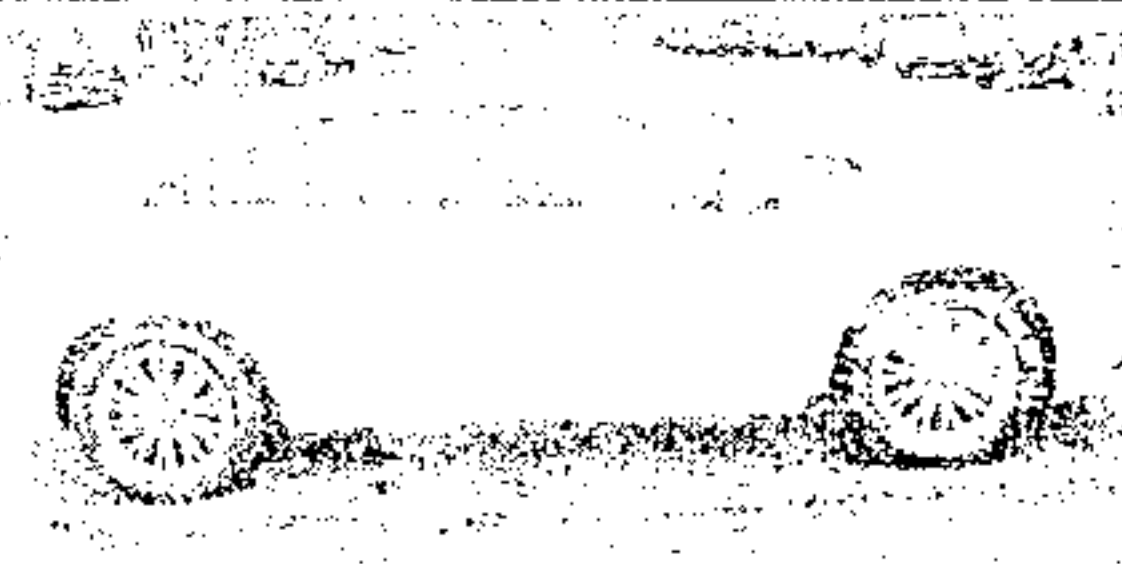
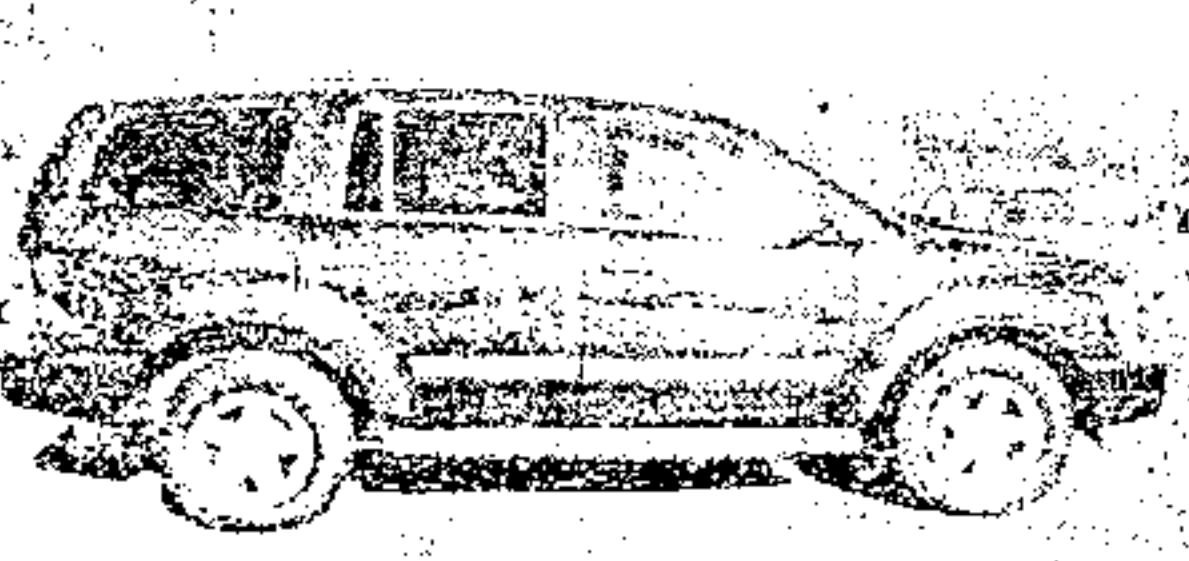
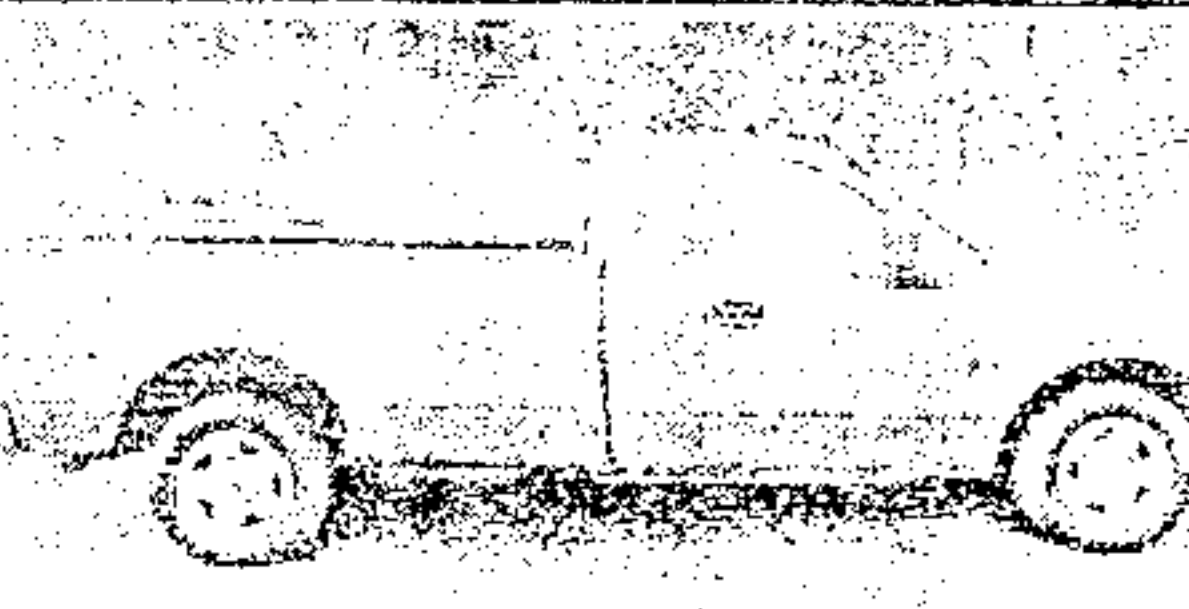
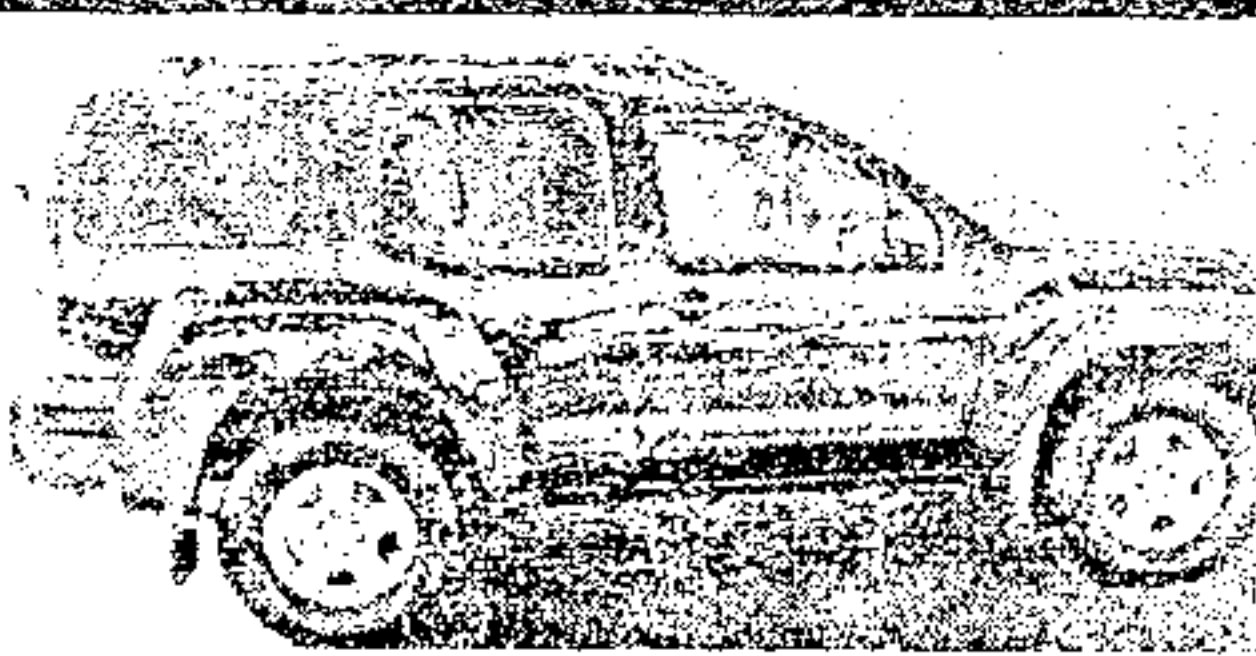

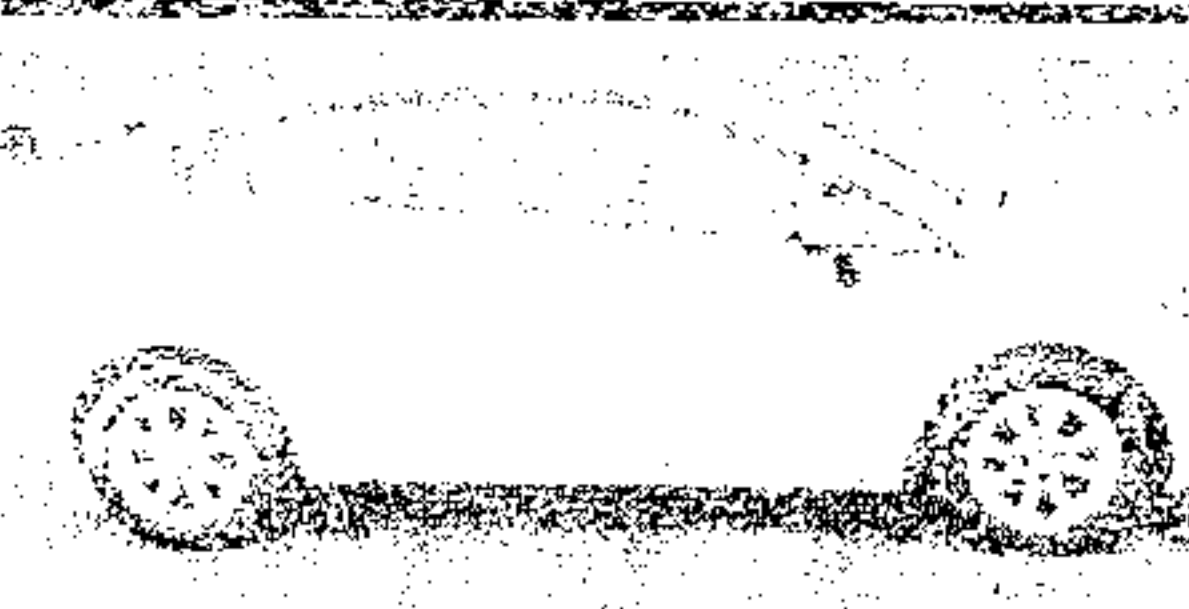
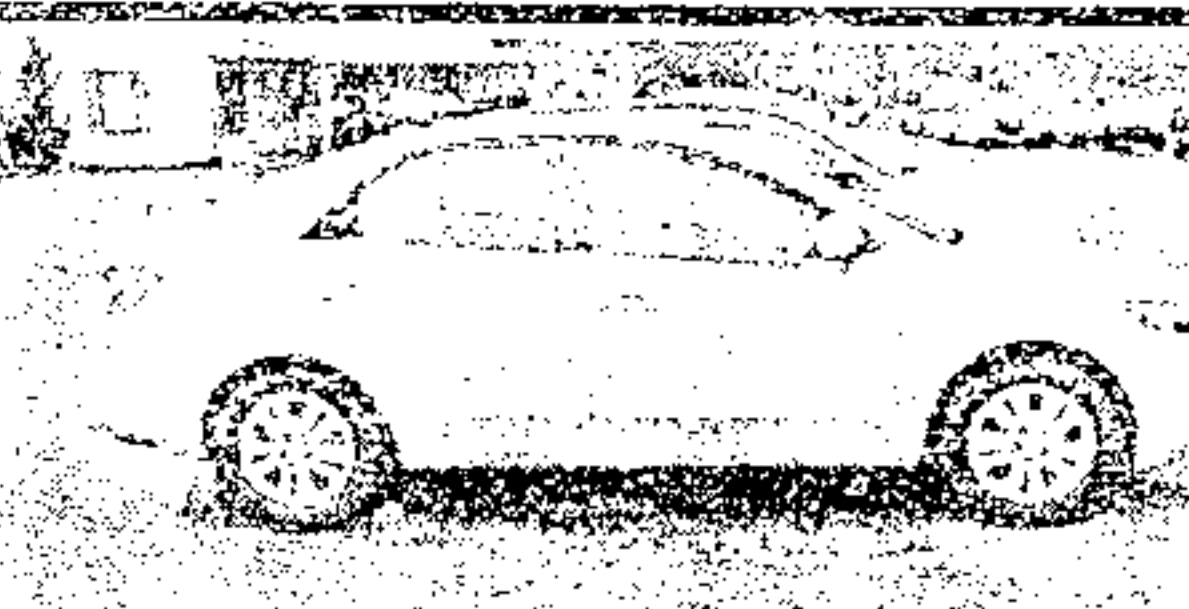
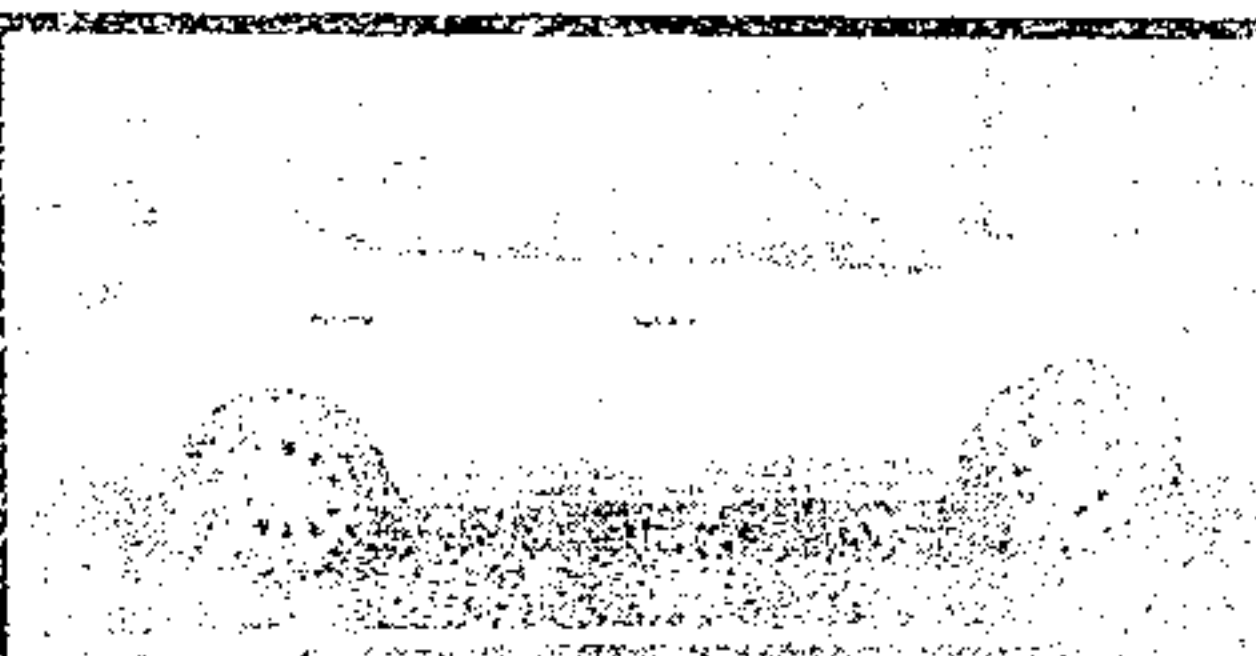
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