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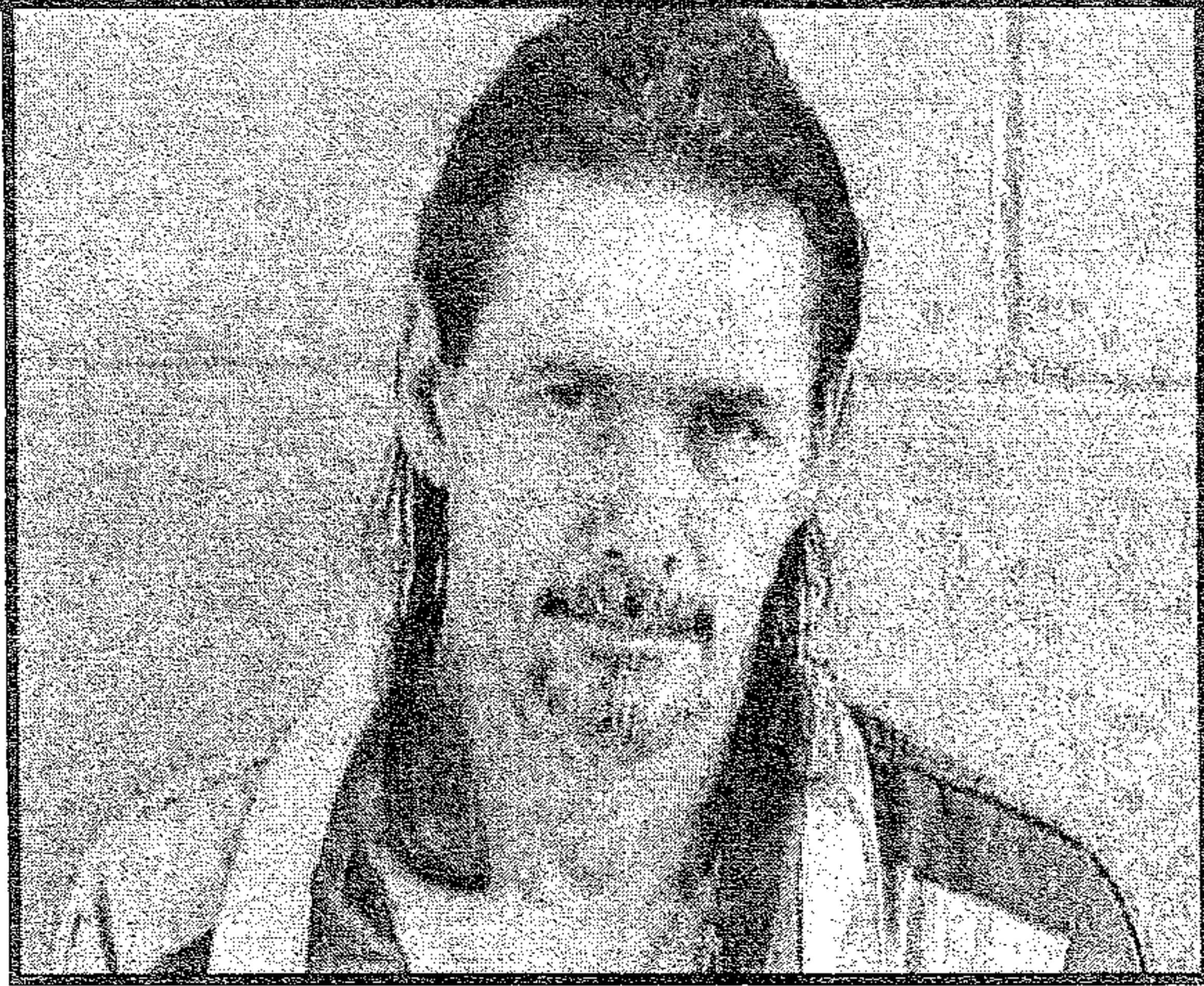
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Monday, October 12, 2015

## Stolen vehicle recovered following hit and run

Joseph Comer, 55, Bobolink Court Loudon, was charged with Leaving the Scene of an Accident.

Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, was dispatched to Grimes road for a past wreck no injury with the vehicle leaving the scene of the accident. Upon Deputy arrival he located damage to about  
(see Hit and run pg. 7)



Joseph Comer

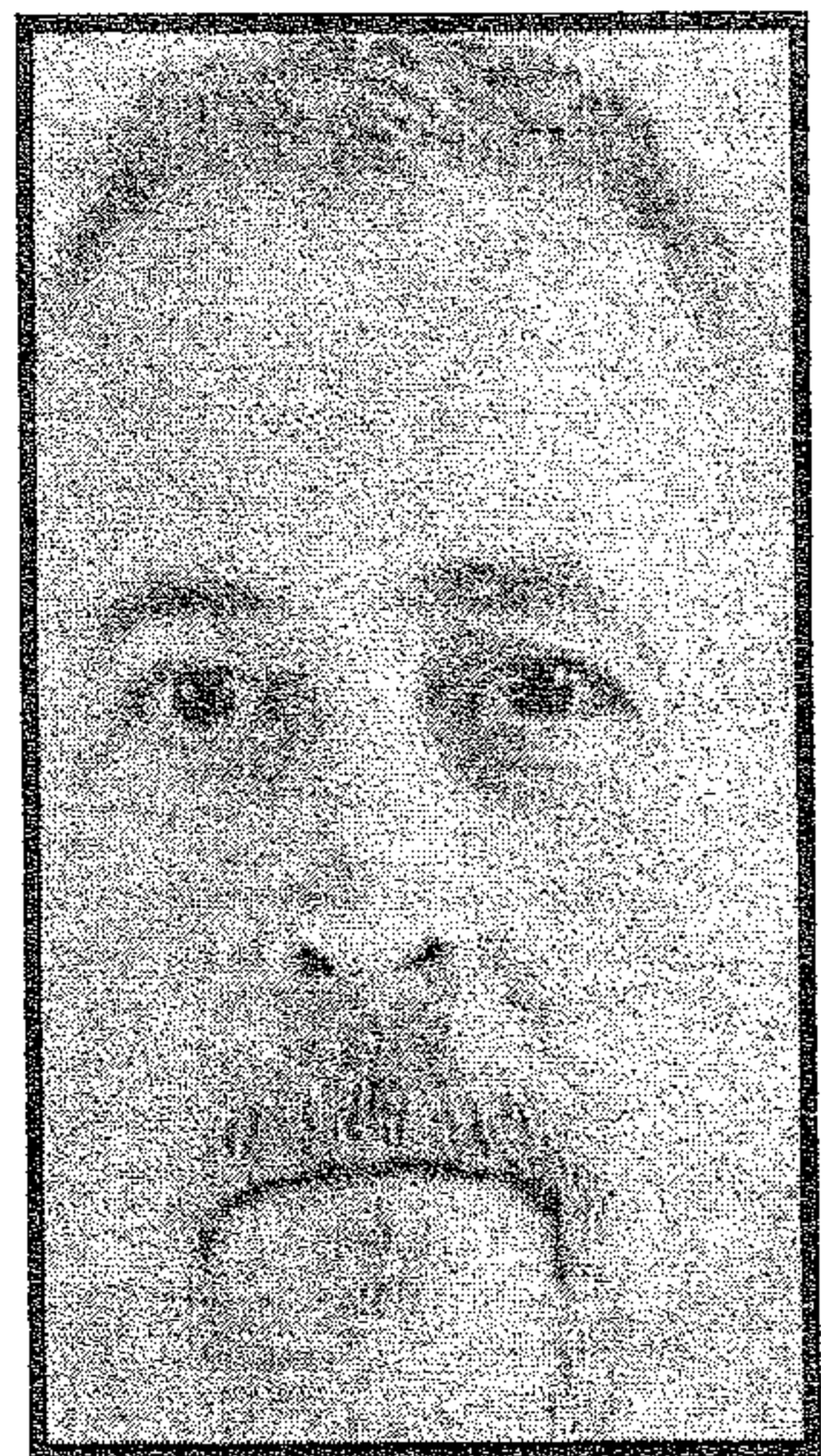
## Aggravated burglary and more for Philly man



David Anderson

(see Philly pg. 5)

## Gun found on DUI driver in LC



Gary Harvey

(see Gun pg. 4)

## Drugs for resale and more for passed out driver



Leona Turner

(see Drugs pg. 2)

## Identity Theft

### Fake Hospice Nurse Treated More Than 200 Patients

Imagine the emotional difficulty of arranging in-home hospice care for a terminally ill family member. Now imagine learning after the fact that your loved one had been cared for not by a nurse but by a medical imposter. That is exactly what happened in more than 200 cases in the Dallas/Fort Worth area over nearly a three-

year period when a woman who had stolen the identity of a registered nurse used those credentials to gain employment with multiple hospice companies.

"Jada Necole Antoine had absolutely no nursing experience or medical training," said Special Agent Brian Marlow, who investigated the case out of

(see ID Theft pg. 3)

### Verse of the Day

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge ... — Psalm 91:4

### Obituaries

see inside

### Wazzup

A Big Shout Out to Jesse at the Domino's in Loudon, appreciate all your support in the local schools.

### Weather

Today: Plentiful sunshine.

High 77F.  
Tonight: Cloudy with occasional showers. Low 57F.  
Tuesday A mainly sunny sky. High 72F.  
Tuesday Night Partly cloudy. Low 47F.  
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It's time to get to work

and set things right, especially if you didn't accomplish all that you intended over the past three weeks while chatty Mercury retrograded in your sign. You're finished talking about what you  
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**Drugs**

Leona Turner, 35, Robinson Drive Loudon, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale, SCH II, & IV, Poss. of Drug Para., and DUI.

Deputy Charles Huskin LCSO, observed a Black Ford Expedition parked at the Kimberlyclark entrance ramp at sugarlimb rd., with

a white female passed out at the steering wheele. Deputy turned on his emergency equipment, and ran the registration. It came back to a Ms. Leona Turner. during his investigation Deputy found that the vehicle was in drive and still running with Ms. Turner's foot on the brake. Deputy made an attempt to wake Ms. Turner but be-

fore he could she awoke and started to roll out into on coming traffic, she slammed on her brakes not knowing where she was. Ms. Turner was ask to exit the vehicle, and she ask me if it was ok to put the vehicle in park so

she could turn off the ignition. Ms Turner was ask to do field sobriety, but stated that she had just been in a traffic accident where her legs and back were injured. Ms Turner

(see Drugs ctd. pg. 7)

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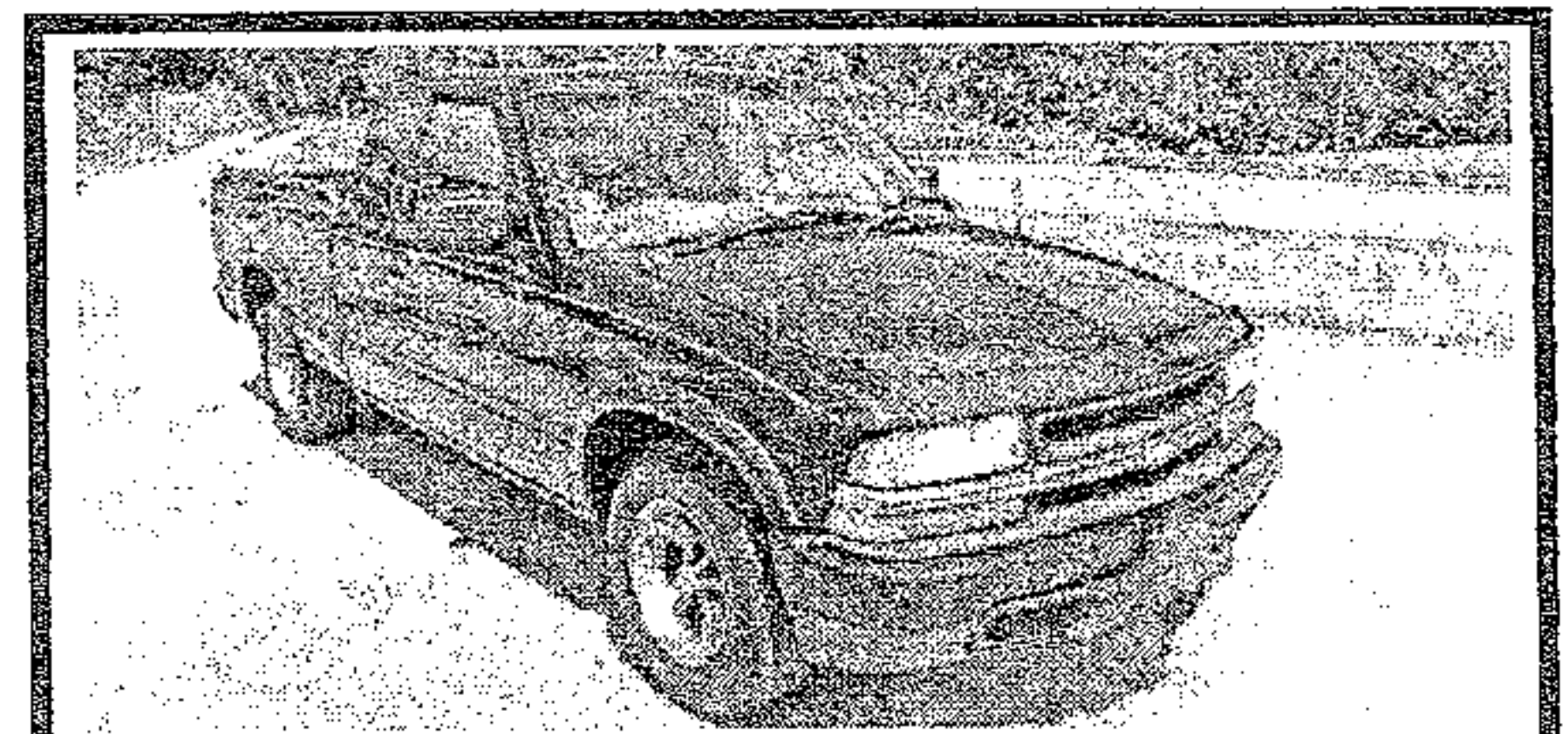
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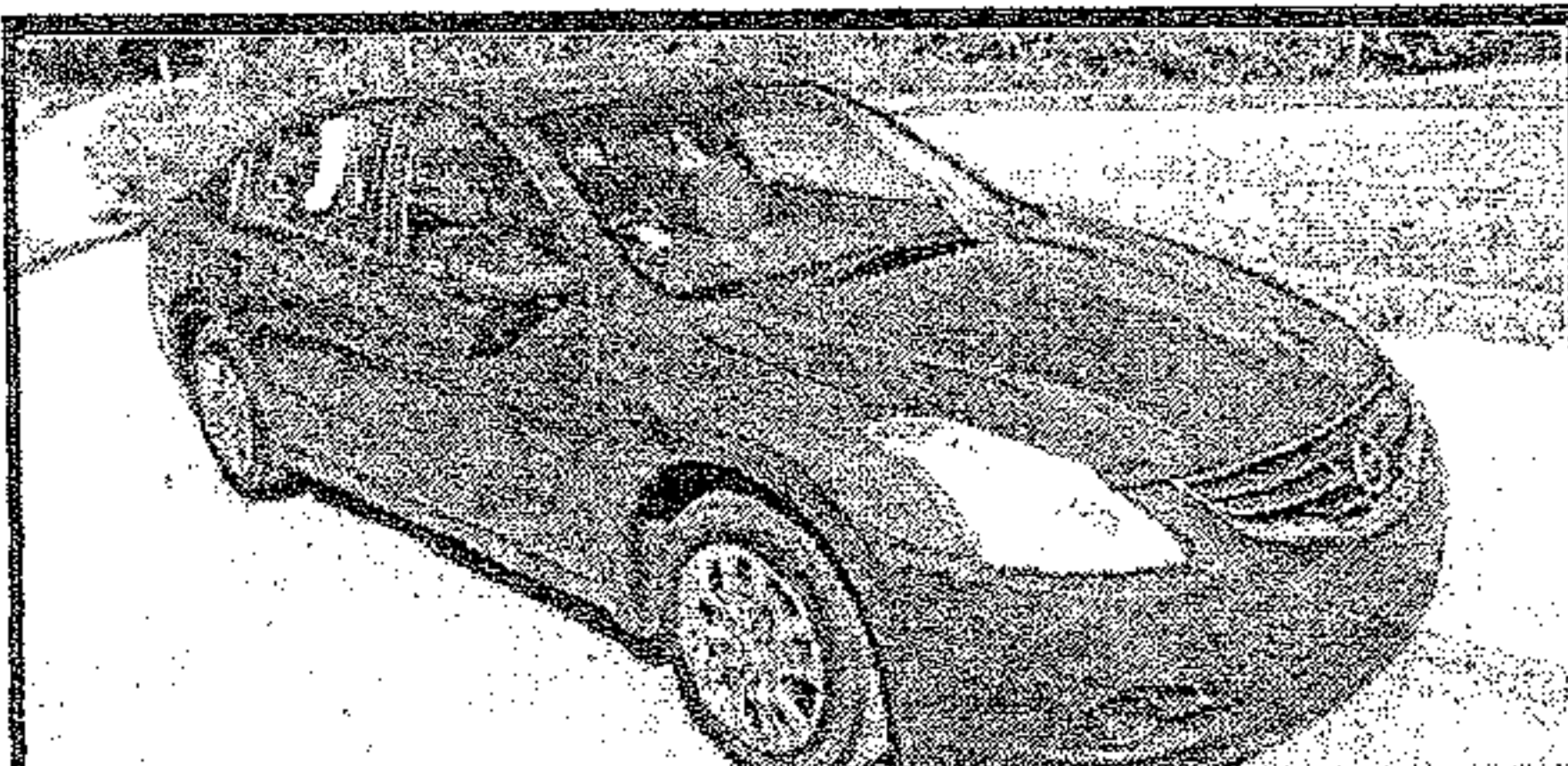
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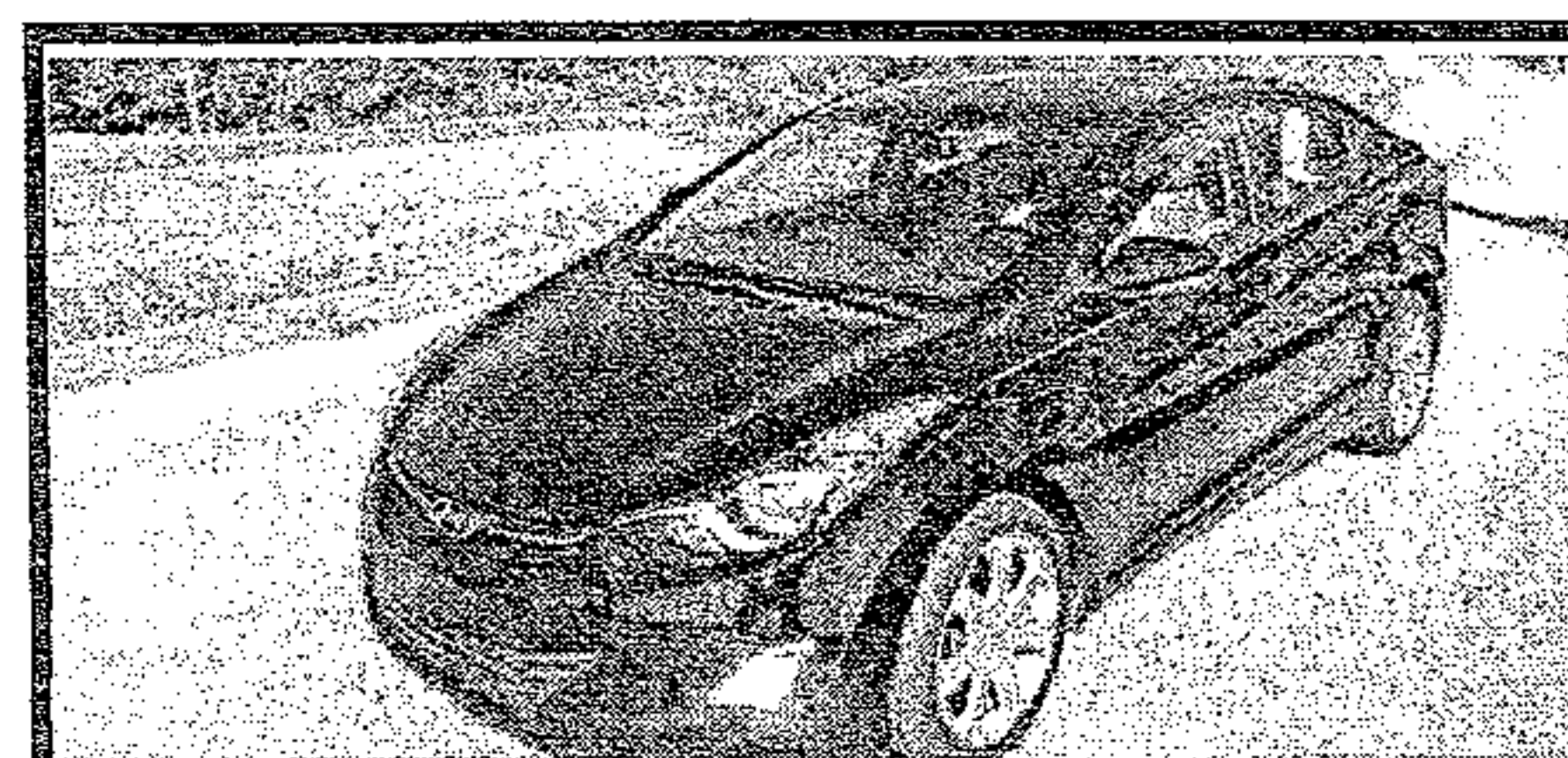
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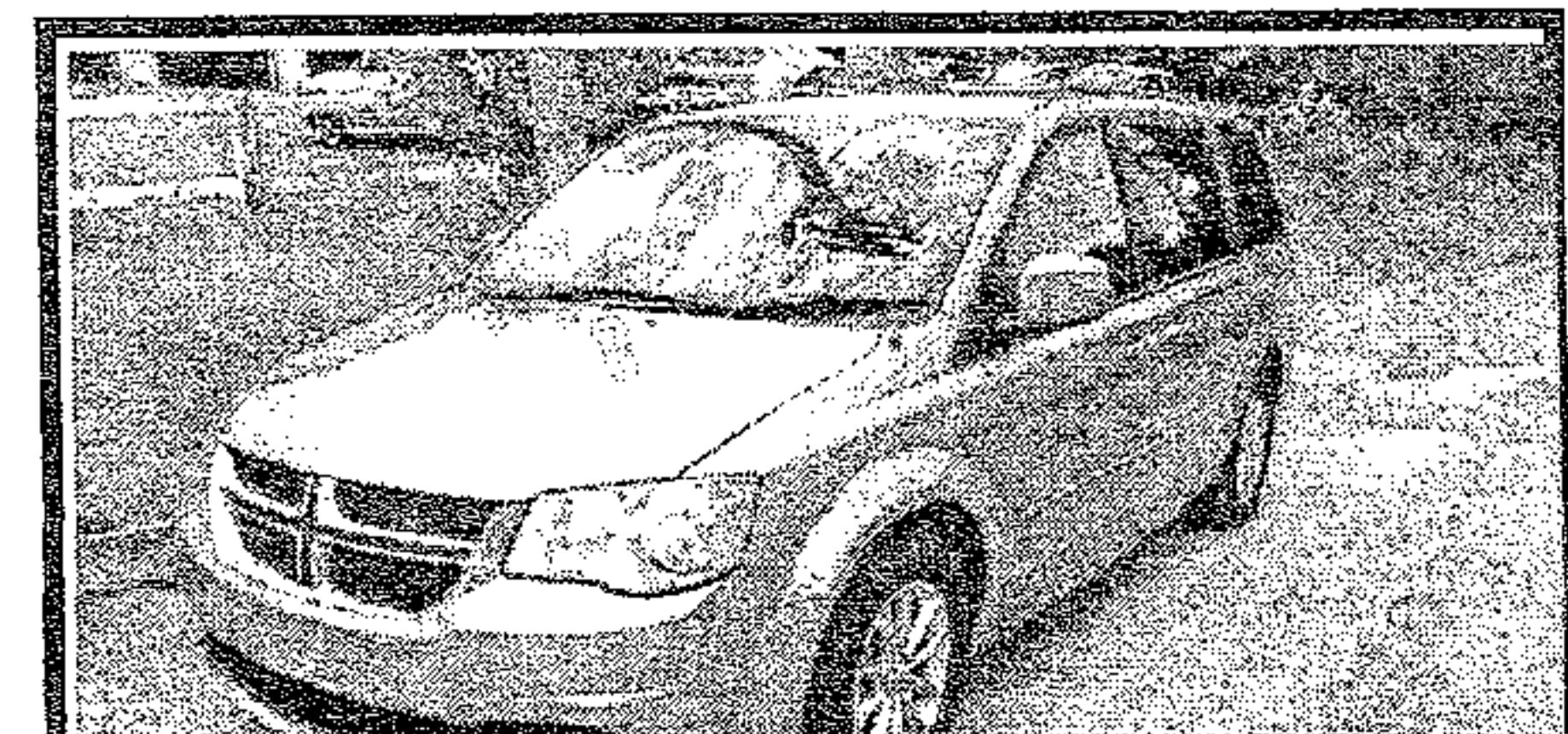
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## ID Theft

the FBI's Dallas Division. "The thought of having someone who is not a nurse taking care of your parent or loved one is not only criminal, it is morally outrageous."

The Bureau's investigation began in 2013 as a result of a local traffic stop in Texas. When the patrol officer asked for identification, Antoine produced her own driver's license, and it turned out there was a warrant for her arrest on another matter. She also had other identification in the car—including documents belonging to the victim nurse—along with a number of medical records. That information was forwarded to the Medicare Fraud Strike Force team in Texas, which consists of the FBI, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Texas State Attorney General's office, and local law enforcement. The strike force is part of a larger, nationwide effort aimed at combating health care fraud and abuse.

As the strike force team began to investigate the pa-

perwork found in Antoine's car, "we learned about the hospice companies Antoine had been associated with," Marlow said. "In all, we found eight different hospices she had worked for using the nurse's stolen identity."

During the time she was carrying on this fraud—from approximately January 2009 through April 20, 2012—Antoine was paid more than \$100,000 from the various companies who unwittingly employed her. She had direct responsibility for patient care and submitted documents to the hospice companies that falsely indicated care was provided by a registered nurse. Those

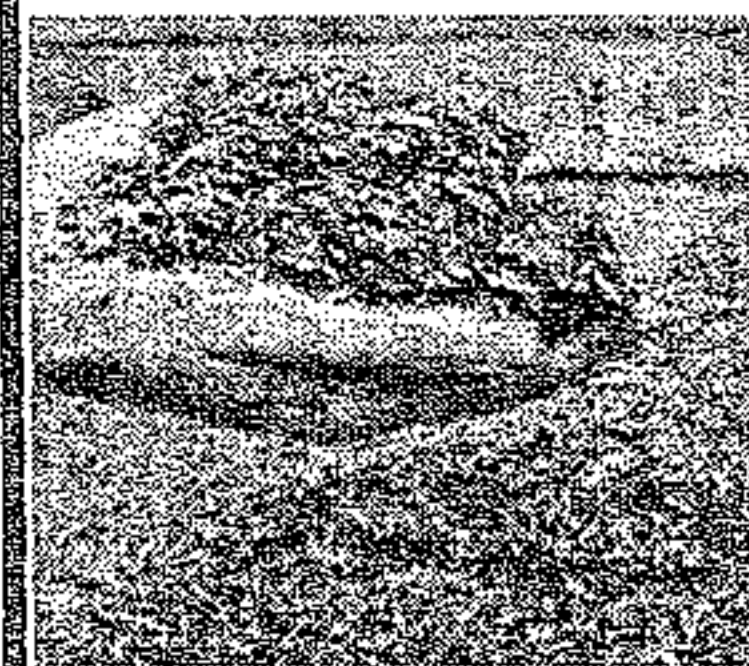
false statements caused the hospice companies to submit false claims to Medicare and Medicaid totaling approximately \$800,000.

Antoine victimized 243 hospice patients by depriving them of legitimate health care from a properly licensed individual, Marlow said. Court records show that Antoine treated patients who

were mentally ill, comatose, asleep, and otherwise unresponsive to sound and touch, and in those instances, she made her own assessments of the patient's pain and comfort levels, digestive function, and breathing.

She also had access to patients' medical charts and detailed personal information, which, said Marlow, "was (see ID Theft ctd. pg. 8)

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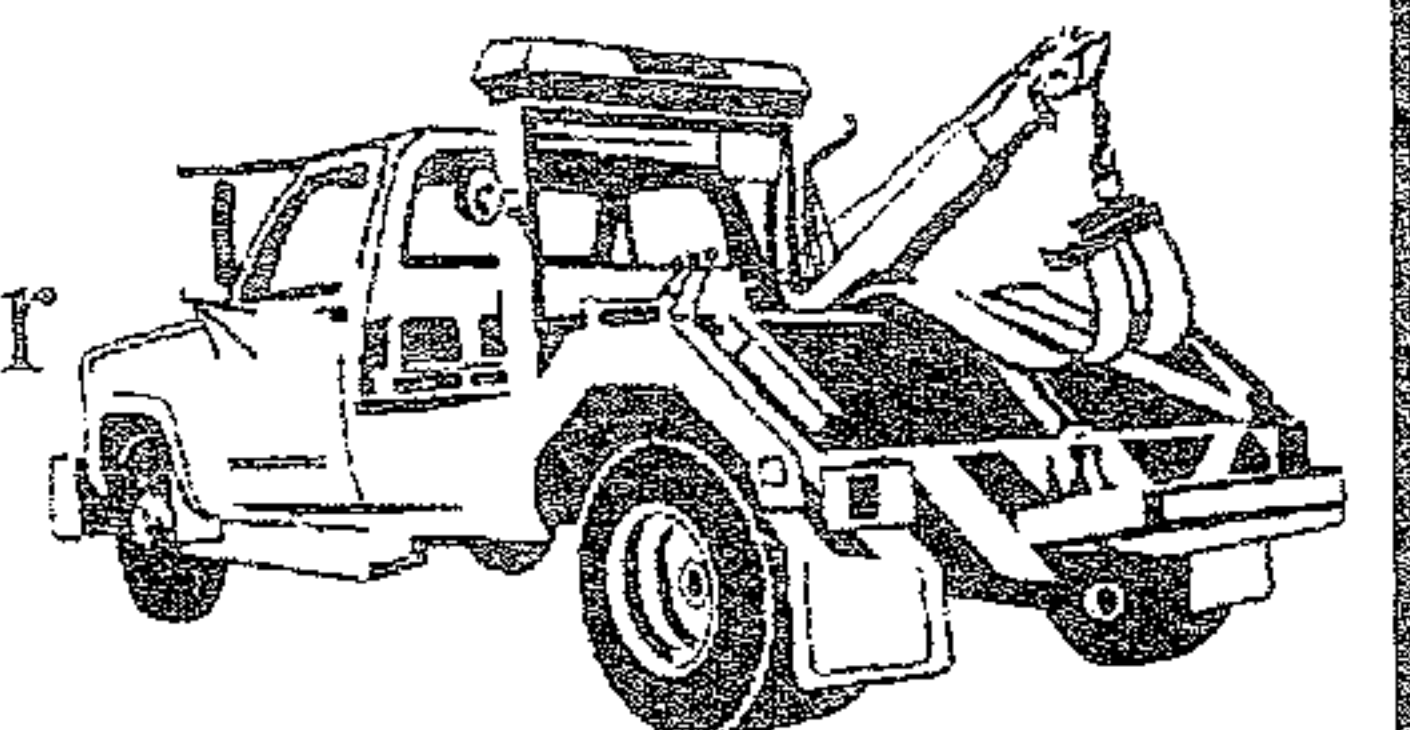
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**Gun**

Gary Harvey, 54, Hardwick Lane Lenoir City, was charged with DUI, Poss. of a Handgun while under the Influence, and Violation of Implied Consent.

Officer Tryel Lorenz LCPD, observed a black vehicle failed to come to a complete stop at Harrison Rd and Norwood St.. Officer observed the vehicle accelerate while spinning its tires, and traveling at a high rate of speed. Officer observed the vehicle cross the center line, before turning on Crestwood Drive. Officer conducted a traffic stop on vehicle and made contact with the driver Gary Harvey. Officer could detect a odor of alcoholic beverage coming from the vehicle. While speaking with Gary he stated to Officer that there was a weapon in the vehicle and he had been drinking. Gary refused to do sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Officer Tyrel Lorenz LCPD, made the arrest.

**Loudon County Sheriff's Office Toys for Tots 2015**

Thanks to the generosity year after year of the Loudon County residents, churches, businesses and industries, the Loudon County Sheriff's Office is once again able to offer the Toys for Tots program. We are beginning our 31st year of providing toys to the needy children of Loudon County, and thanks to generous contributions of time, money and gifts, we are able to make Christmas a more joyful time for more and

more children. In 2014, approximately 500 children were helped by the Loudon County Sheriff's Department Toys for Tots program through their partners. Even with the difficult economic times we are experiencing, we hope that the people of Loudon County will be there once again to help. Beginning Tuesday, September 8, the 2015 applications will be available at the Loudon County Sheriff's Office. Applications will be accepted for children from Age 1 through 8th grade that are enrolled in the Loudon County or Lenoir City School systems. ALL applications must be returned to the Loudon County Sheriff's Department by 4 PM, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015. It is requested that everyone please submit their application as soon as possible. Applications must also include a copy of the parent or guardian's current income information. A current Tennessee Driver's License or State Issued ID is required from the parent, and a copy of the child's social security card is also required.

Names will be available beginning in mid-October through business and churches. If you are considering helping a child this Christmas, please be assured that applicants are thoroughly checked to make sure they require this assistance. Names are also compared with the school systems to make sure no one is receiving duplicate assistance.

If your business or church would be willing to take names please call Debbie Hines, Toys for Tots Coordinator at 986-4823.

**Obituaries**

**Wayne Rasar** - age 66 of Lenoir City passed away suddenly Thursday morning, October 8, 2015.

Wayne attended Central United Methodist Church. He retired from Senior Flexonic's Pathway Division where he worked as an onsite service manager. Wayne enjoyed woodworking and hotrods. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Edna Rasar. Survived by his wife of 44 years, Rhonda Rasar; sons and daughters-in-law, Nick and Ginger Rasar of Sweetwater, Nathaniel and Sabrina Rasar of Lenoir City, Mark Myers of Atlanta, GA, and Marty and Jennifer Myers of Lenoir City; 6 grandchildren: Krystal Myers of Knoxville, Drew Myers, Jenna Rasar, Nick Tinnel, Race Rasar, Marley Myers and Brantley Cleven, all of Lenoir City; sister and brother-in-law, Sandra and Windy Dean of Loudon; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, October 12th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. with Rev. Micah Nicolaus officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 10:30 Tuesday morning and proceed to Loudon Co. Memorial Gardens for 11 a.m. graveside services. Click Funer-

al Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements. [www.clickfuneralhome.com](http://www.clickfuneralhome.com)

**Russell Edward Pullen** - age 71 of Philadelphia, TN formerly of Warrenton, VA passed away Sunday morning, October 4, 2015 at his home. He was a veteran serving in the U. S. Marine Corp. Russell was a retired electrician with IBEW Local #26 in Washington, DC. Preceded in death by his parents, Lewis and Lottie Mae Pullen. Sur-

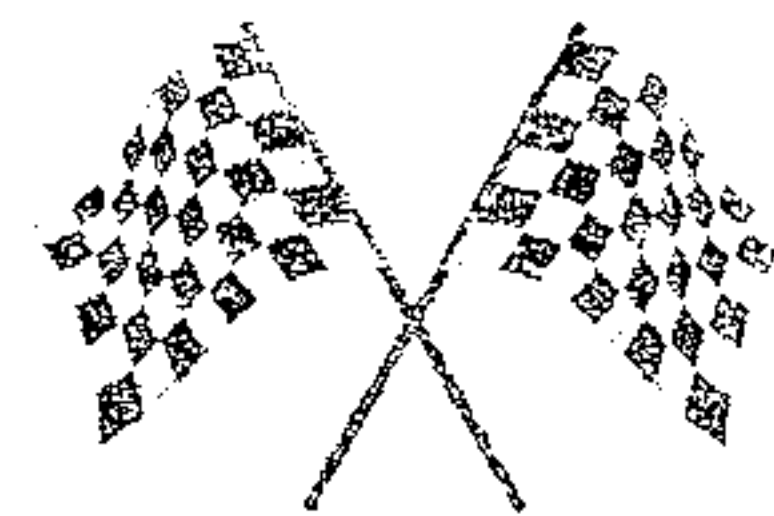
vived by his wife of 34 years, Norma Jean Pullen; daughter, Serena McCulloch; 2 grandchildren, 2 step-grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, Howard and Diane Pullen of Warrenton, VA; stepchildren, Sherry McCallum and April Ray of Lenoir City, and Patricia Hawes of Virginia; several nieces and nephews. Private family services will be held. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrange-

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Philly

David Anderson, 29, Sunnyside Road Philadelphia, was charged with Criminal Impersonation, Theft of Property and Aggravated Burglary.

On 09-25-2015 at 20:39 Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, was dispatched to Sunnyside Road to a burglary. When Deputy arrived on scene he made

contact with victim. The victim stated that he left his residence around 07:00 on 09-25-2015 and returned home around 18:30 on 09-25-2015. Victim stated he notice that a Jack Daniels bottle full of change was stolen. Victim stated that he noticed that a Stevens 22 riffle was also missing. Victim stated that he belived

the suspect broke into his residence and stole the items. Victim also stated that he had a order of protection aginst his the suspect. Deputy did observe text messages on victim's wife's phone where the suspect stated he was in the front of the residence on 09-24-2015. Deputy also observed a text message on victim wife's phone

where the suspect stated he was outside the residence in the road wanting his mother to give him a ride. Victim stated that a neighbor stated that she saw the suspect walking down the road near the residence on 09-24-2015 The firearm was entered into NCIC. Suspect was identified as David Anderson This did occur in Loudon

County TN. On 10-4-15 ,Deputy Kevin Dailey LCSO, observed a tan Toyota Camry with a right rear tag light out on Matlock Alley, Deputy pulled the vehicle over at Matlock Alley. Upon stop Deputy observed a white male later known as David Anderson exit the vehicle and attempt to go inside the house at Matlock Alley. Mr. Anderson came back to the vehicle after Deputy asked him to, Deputy then spoke with the driver a who stated he had just picked him up. After speaking to the subject he handed me a TN drivers license with the name who did not look like Mr. Anderson, Deputy asked his birth date where he gave me a 1986 birth date then a 1991 birth date year. Mr. Anderson was taken into custody for Criminal Impersonation and the driver was issued a warning for the brake light. He was transported to the Loudon County Justice Center without incident.

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#### Police beat

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**Hit and run**

forty yards of fence at Grimes Road.

Deputy Lewis was able to locate a black rear bumper cover off of a Dodge Charger still on scene. Deputy Brian Smith searched the area due to the amount of Debris left behind and was able to locate the vehicle at Comer Private Lane. Deputy Smith was able to make contact with Mr. Joseph Comer who admitted to being the driver of the vehicle. Upon checking the Tennessee Registration through dispatch Deputy was advised the tag was not on file. Deputy Smith checked

the vin through dispatch and was advised vehicle was stolen out of Monroe County victim being Enterprise rental car. Inv. Cosner 940 was dispatched to the scene for the stolen vehicle at which time a hold was placed on the vehicle. The 2014 Dodge Charger was towed due to the vehicle damage and stolen report by Bivens wrecker service. Inv. Cosner has taken over the stolen vehicle case and a Investigative hold has been placed on Mr. Joseph Comer. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, took Mr. Comer into Custody for Leaving the scene of accident with property damage

and Deputy Smith 962 transported Mr. Comer to the Loudon County Jail without further incident.

**Drugs ctd. from pg. 2**

was ran through NCIC where she came back valid and no warrants. Ms. Turner read implied consent and was ask to give a BAC and did agree. Ms. Turner's vehicle was towed to Bivens Body Shop for Siezure. during the inventory of the vehicle Sch II and Sch IV were found in her purse along with drug paraphernalia, \$360.00 along with a drug ledger. Ms Turner was mirandized, and advised that she was under ar-

rest for DUI, Poss. of Sch II for resale, Poss. of Sch IV for resale, and Poss of drug Paraphernalia. Ms Turner was escorted to the FT. Loudon ER. for a BAC and then to the Loudon County Jail. Deputy Charlie Huskin LCSO, made the arrest.

**Obits ctd. from pg. 4**

ments.

Michael Wayne "Shady" Gray, age 57, passed away October 8, 2015 at Madisonville Health & Rehabilitation. He was a faithful member of New Macedonia Baptist Church. Preceded in death by grandparents, Marshall and Myrtle Dunsmore Campbell; and George

and Minnie Shults Gray; infant nephew, Patrick Dalton. Survived by parents, Charles and Louise Campbell Gray; sister, Pamela Gray; brother, Brad Gray, all of Philadelphia; several Aunts, Uncles and cousins. A memorial service will be held 6:00 pm Sunday, October 18, 2015 at New Macedonia Baptist Church, with Rev. Gerald Lynn and Rev. Bill White officiating. Family will greet friends beginning at 4:00 pm. Interment will be 11:00 am Monday, October, 19, at the church cemetery. Arrangements provided by Loudon Funeral Home. www.loudonfuneral-home.net

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**ID Theft ctd. from pg. 3**

greatly concerning because of her history of identity theft crimes." With investigators on her trail, Antoine fled Texas but was apprehended in Georgia in 2014 and charged with fraud and identity theft. She pled guilty, and this past August, a federal judge sentenced the 34-year-old to four years in prison.

"Many of the patients she allegedly cared for were completely at her mercy," Marlow said. "Now that she is behind bars," he added, "she will not be able to victimize anyone else."

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**Police beat**

Jennifer Switzer, 25, Branch Way Newport, was charged with Violation of Community Correction. Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO, served Jennifer with a VOCC Warrant at the Loudon Jail.

Joe Wilkinson, 59, Ford Place Knoxville, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Cheryl West LCSO, served a FRTA Warrant on Joe at the Loudon

**Jail.**

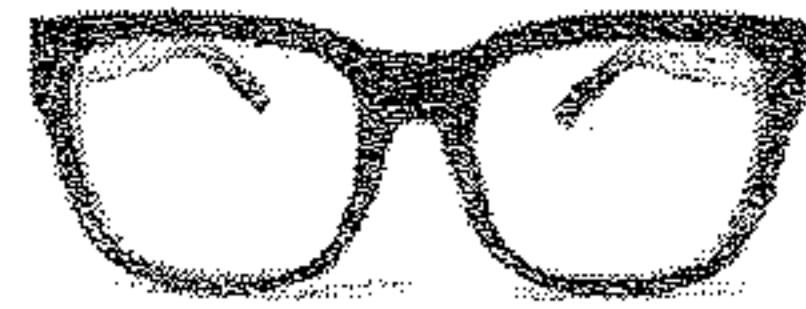
Emma Martin, 47, Etowah, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO, served a FTA Warrant on Emma at the Loudon Jail.

Travis Brown, 36, Donaldson Road Philadelphia, was charged with Contempt of Court. Deputy JC Schultz LCSO, served Travis with a Contempt Warrant and transported him to Loudon Jail.

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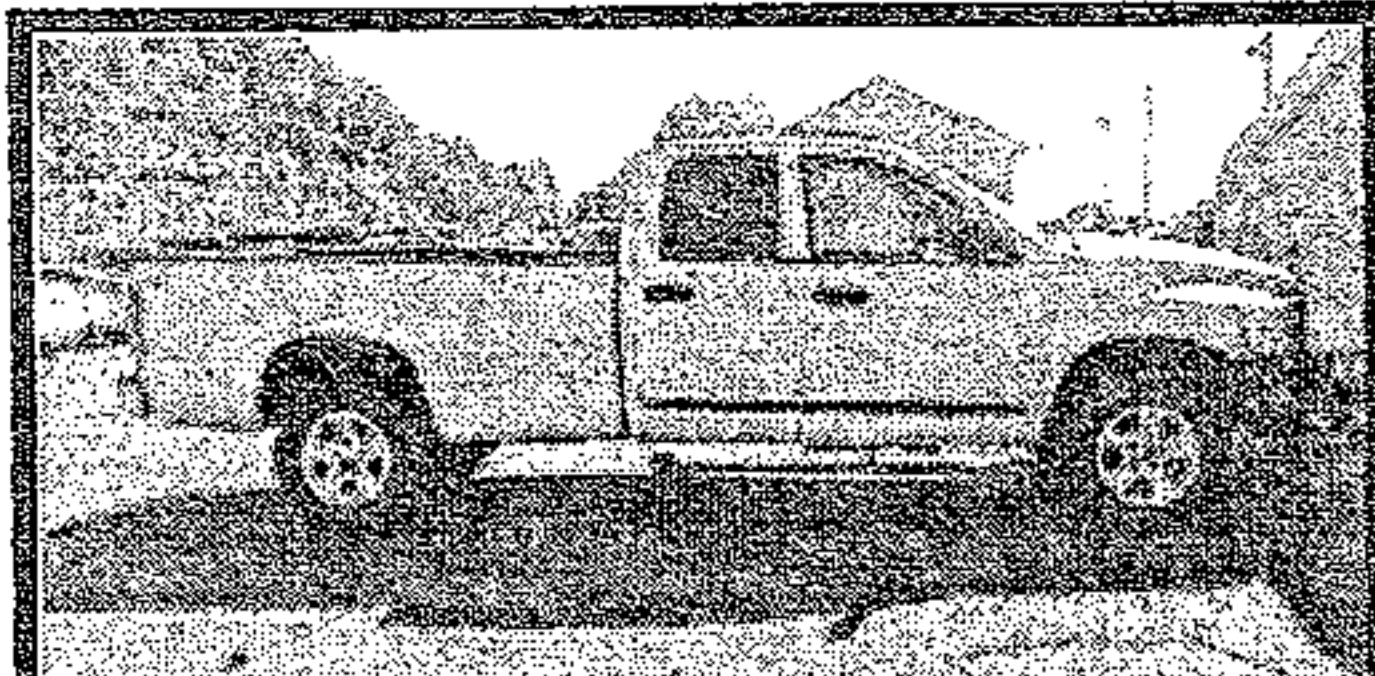
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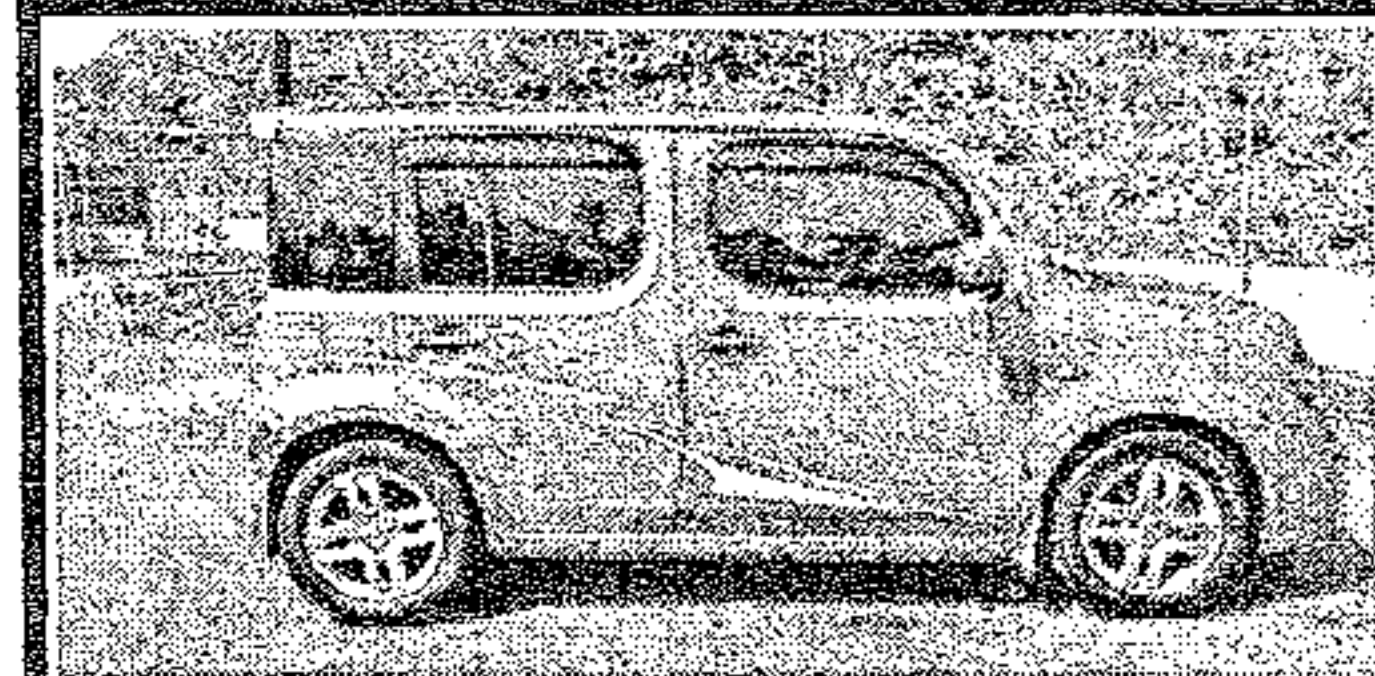
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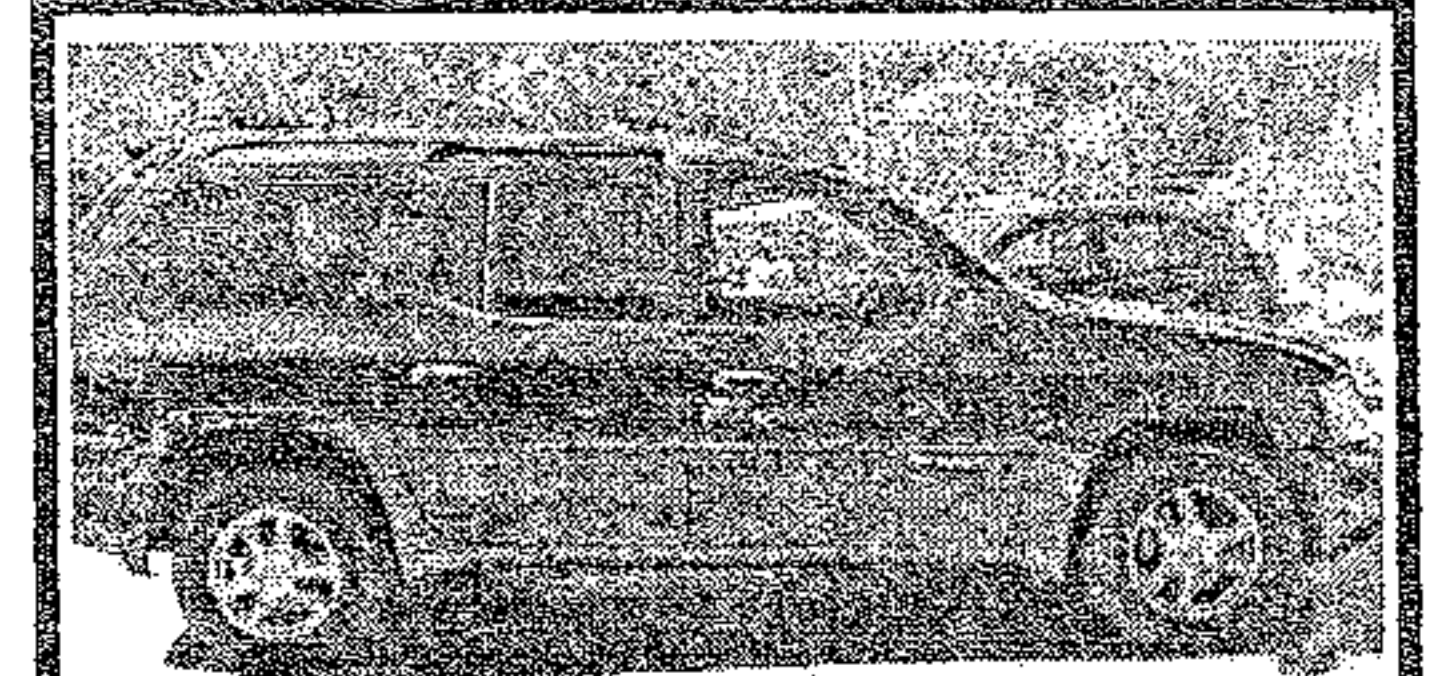
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