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Wednesday, March 11, 2015

Pursuit ended; evading driver found anyway

Lora Bright, 43, West Lee Hwy Lenoir City, was charged with Evading Arrest, Driving on Revoked License, Failure to Appear, and Assisting other Agency. Deputy Cody Fritts LCSO, observed a tan Nissan traveling on Hwy 70 W with in car radar registered the

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Lora Bright

Ray Mubarak, Dianna Mubarak, and Blythe Bond Sanders III arrested and arraigned in bank fraud scheme

Ray M. Mubarak, 54, of Knoxville, Tenn., Dianna Mubarak, 52, of Knoxville, Tenn., and Blythe Bond Sanders, III, 35, of Norris, Tenn., were arrested in Knoxville today by federal agents of the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation (IRS - CI) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on arrest warrants based upon charges involving conspiracy and bank fraud.

Following their surrender to federal authorities, an initial appearance was held in U.S. District Court in Knoxville before the Honorable H. Bruce Guyton, U.S. Magistrate Judge, at which time the indictment was unsealed and the defendants were apprised of the charges. All three pleaded not guilty to the charges. Trial has been set for May 5, 2015, in U.S.

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DUI charge follows speeding stop



Rebekah Jones

(see DUI pg. 5)

Pills found in ash tray after DUI stop by LCSO



James Norman

(see Pills pg. 5)

Leader of Drug Conspiracy sentenced to 20 years

Demetrius Antwan Dalton, 35, of Atlanta, Ga., was sentenced by the Honorable J. Ronnie Greer, U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 240 months in federal prison. Dalton was previously convicted of conspiracy to distribute, and to possess with the intent to distribute, 280 grams or more of a mixture and substance

containing a detectable amount of cocaine base ("crack"). There is no parole in the federal system.

From March 2012 to April 2013, Dalton operated a massive conspiracy in which he and numerous others sold kilogram quantities of crack cocaine throughout Johnson City. To accomplish this, Dalton

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Verse of the Day

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But

do this with gentleness and respect... — 1 Peter 3:15

Obituaries

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Wazzup

A Big Thanks to Jennifer Downer and her staff at

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Weather

Today: Areas of patchy fog early. Periods of rain. High 66F.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies early will become partly

cloudy late.

Thursday Partly cloudy skies during the morning hours will give way to occasional showers in the afternoon. High 69F.

Thursday Night Cloudy with occasional rain showers. Low around 55F.

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Sentenced

procured powder cocaine from sources of supply in Georgia, transported the contraband to Tennessee, and then manufactured it into crack cocaine. Once that process was complete, he worked with countless facilitators, couriers, and distributors to sell his product.

Law enforcement used a variety of individuals to conduct controlled drug transactions with members of the instant conspiracy. Several of those transactions involved Dalton himself. Ultimately, agents received court authorization to monitor the phone calls of members of this conspiracy. The resulting wiretaps produced phone calls in which Dalton and his coconspirators were repeatedly heard arranging crack cocaine deals, discussing drug prices and quantities, and joking about

the addiction suffered by their customers.

This investigation was the product of a partnership between the Johnson City, Tennessee Police Department, First Judicial District Drug Task Force, and Drug Enforcement Administration. Assistant U.S. Attorney Nick Regalia represented the United States.

A total of 21 individuals were charged as a result of this investigation. Those previously sentenced include:

Tavares Lashaun Dalton, 36, of Covington, Ga., 240 months;

Marcus Lavoya Holliman, 36, of Atlanta, Ga., 210 months;

Eullis Monroe Goodwin, 43, of Elizabethton, Tenn., 188 months;

Micah Antwan Still, 34, of Covington, Ga., 120 months;

Derrick Henry Connor, 40,

of Sherills Ford, N.C., 120 months;

Devin Deonte Blalock, 20, of Jonesboro, Ga., 120 months;

Kwanza Tarveze Worthy, 20, of Atlanta, Ga., 120 months;

Don Juan Glass, Jr., 22, of

Atlanta, Ga., 120 months;

Uhamma Castillo Delgado, II, 24, of Johnson City, Tenn., 120 months;

Demario Jenard Serchion, 29, of Atlanta, Ga., 77 months; and

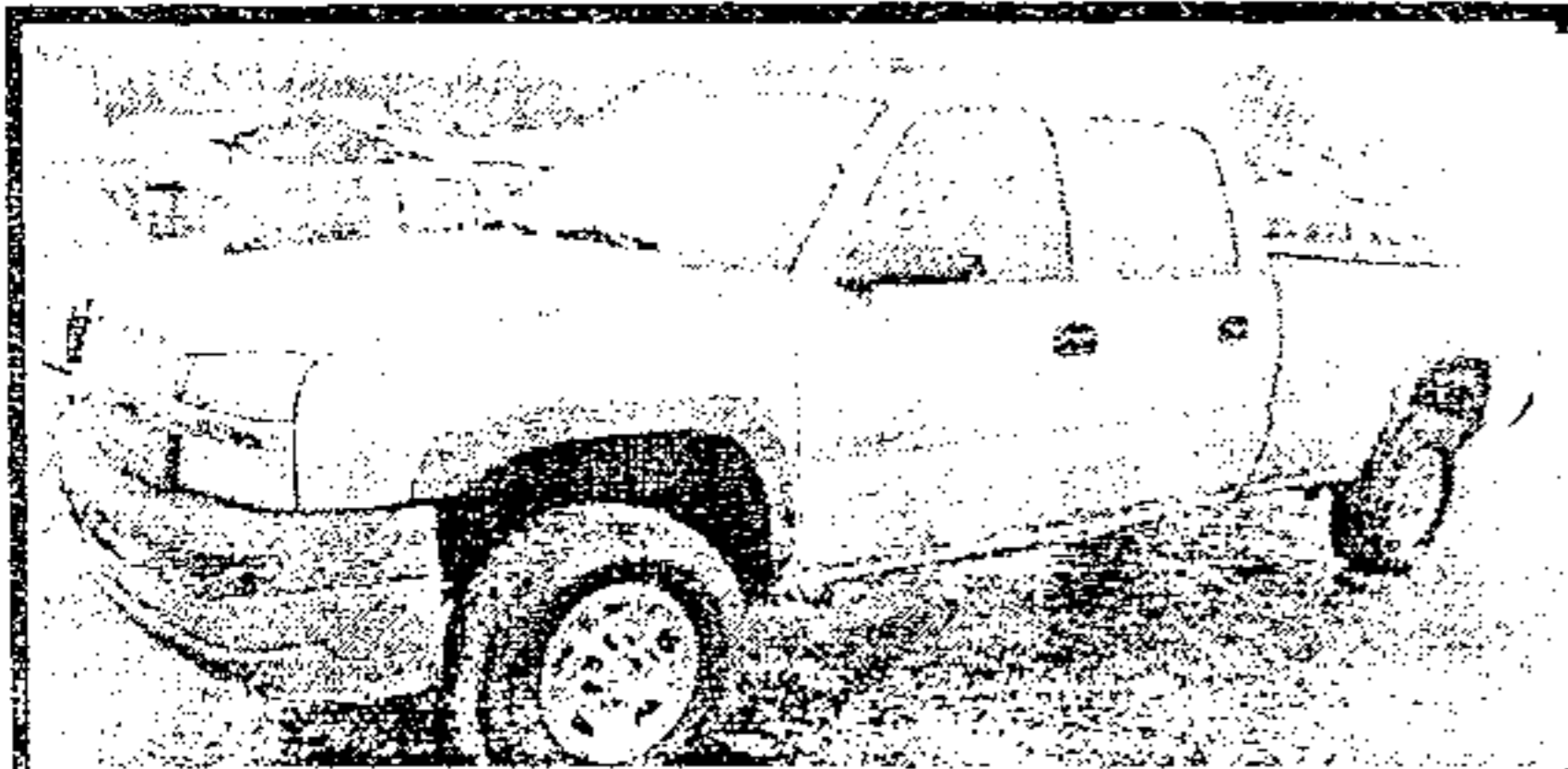
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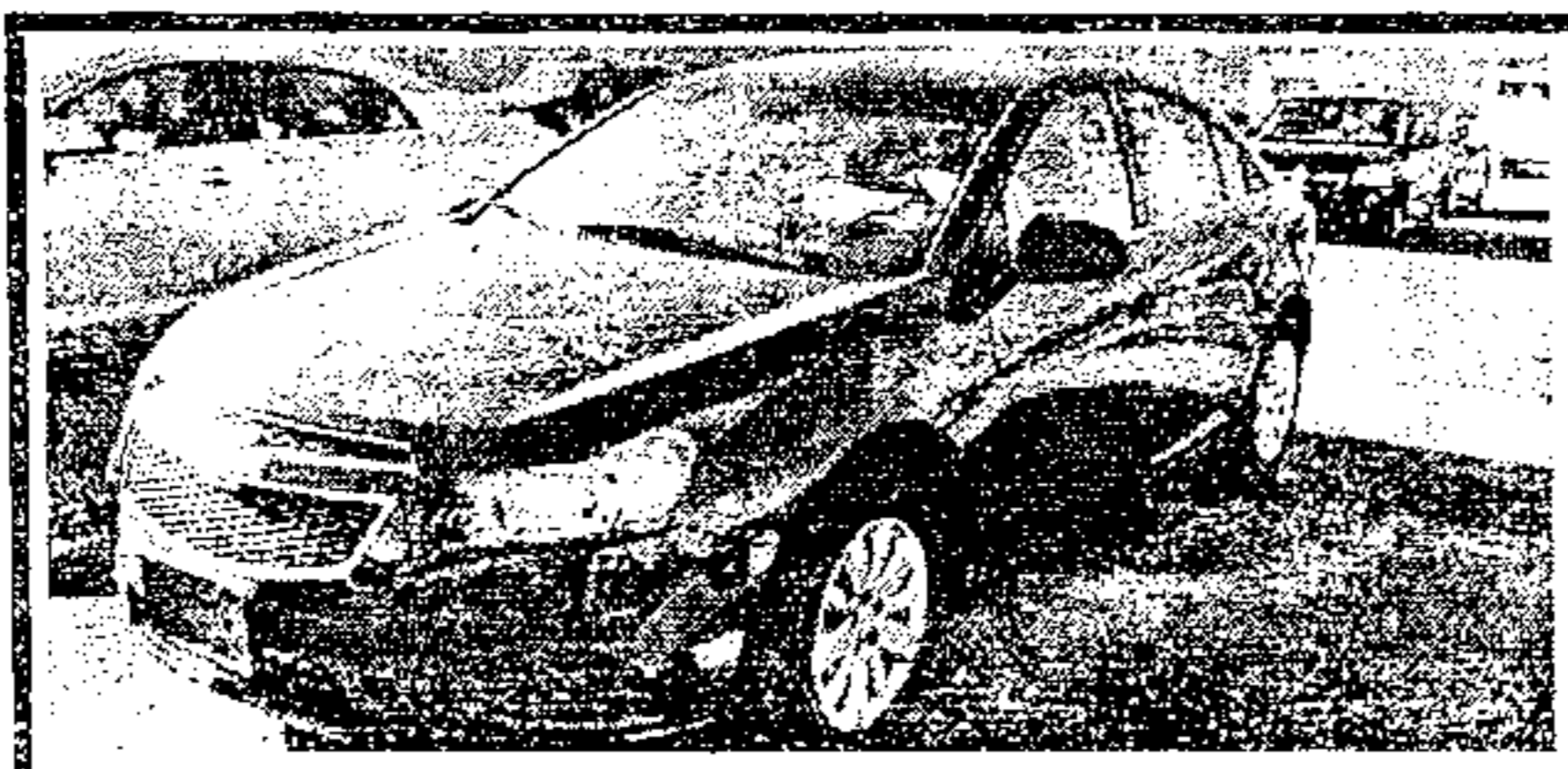
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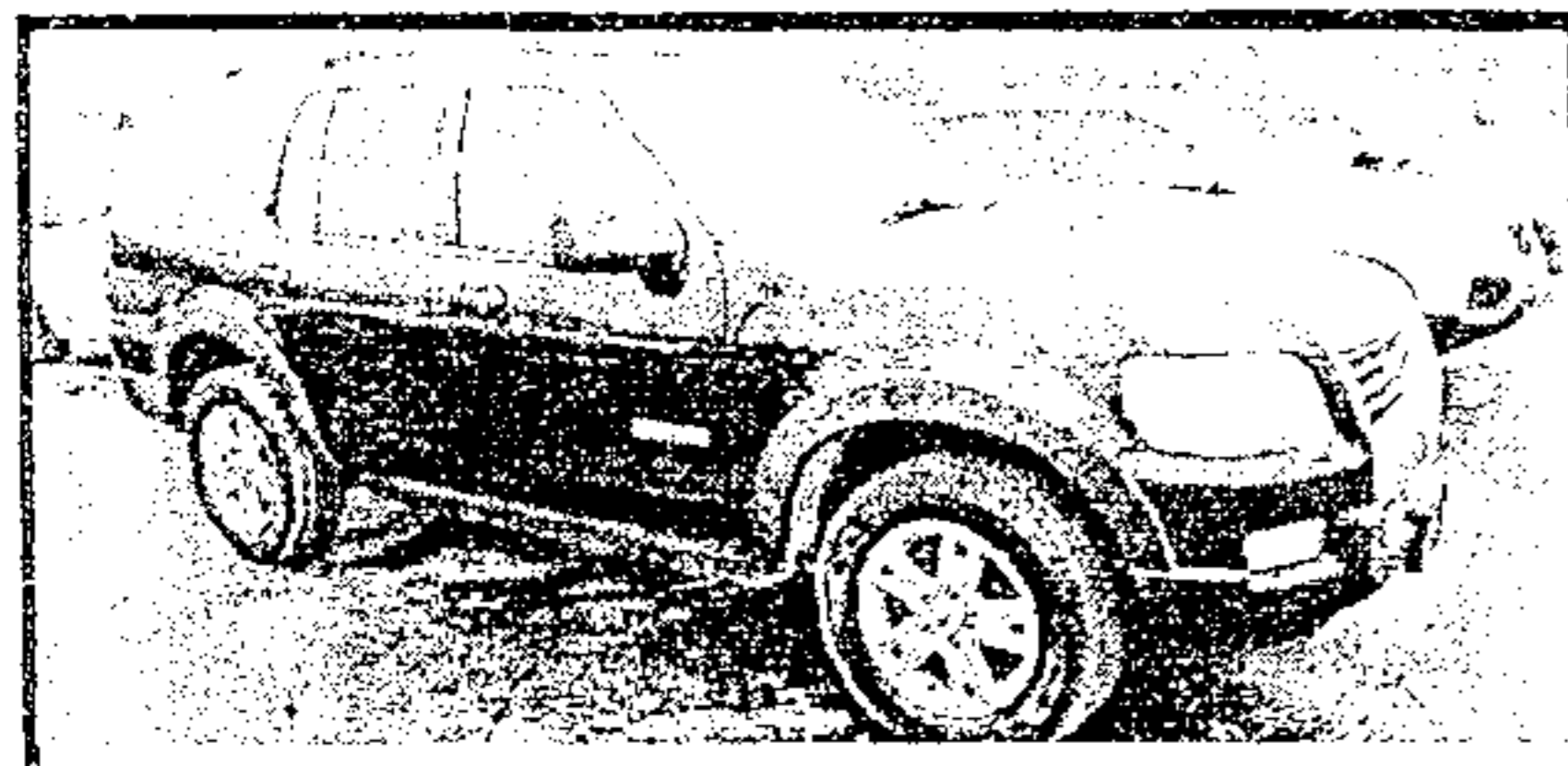
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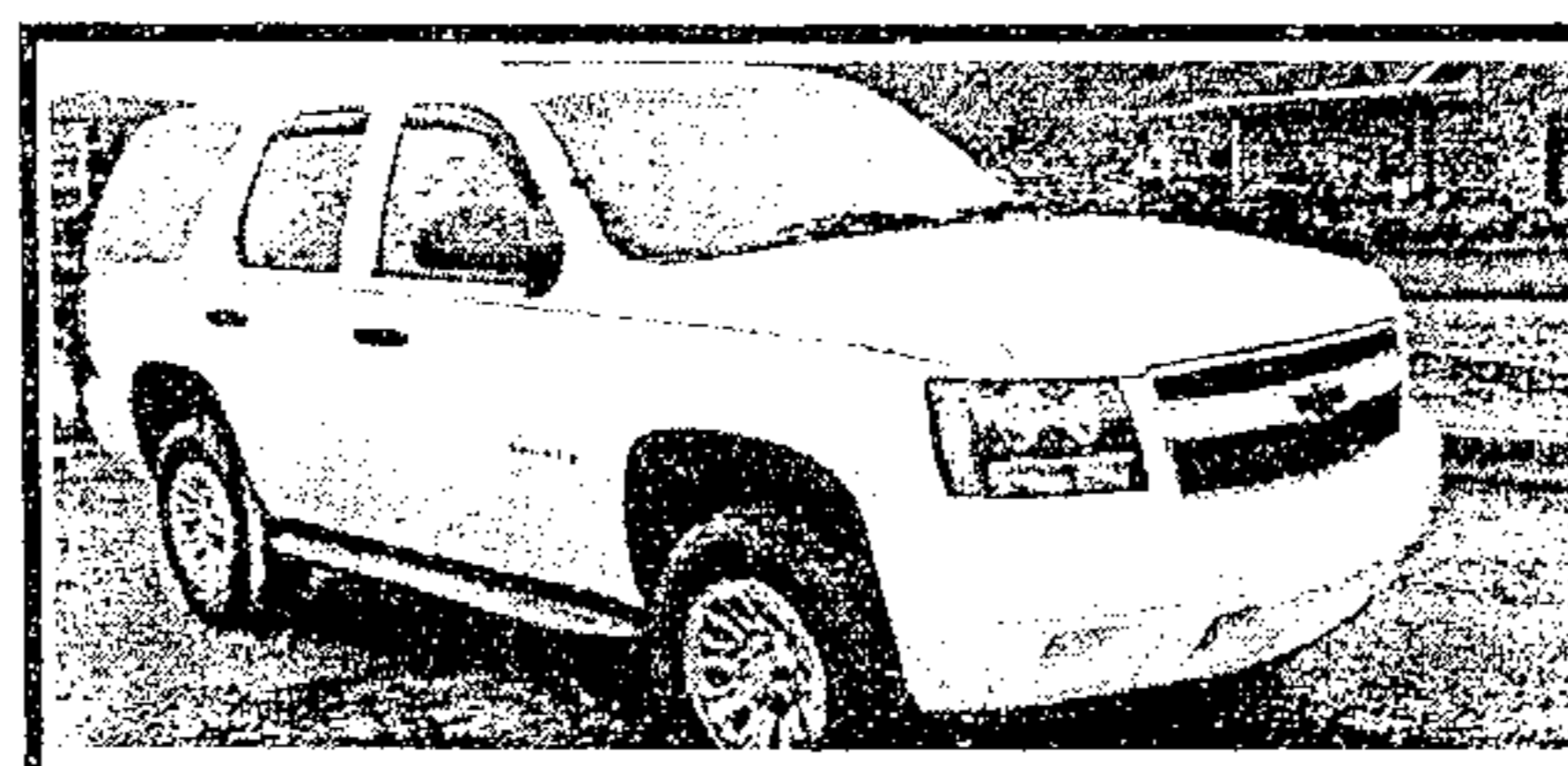
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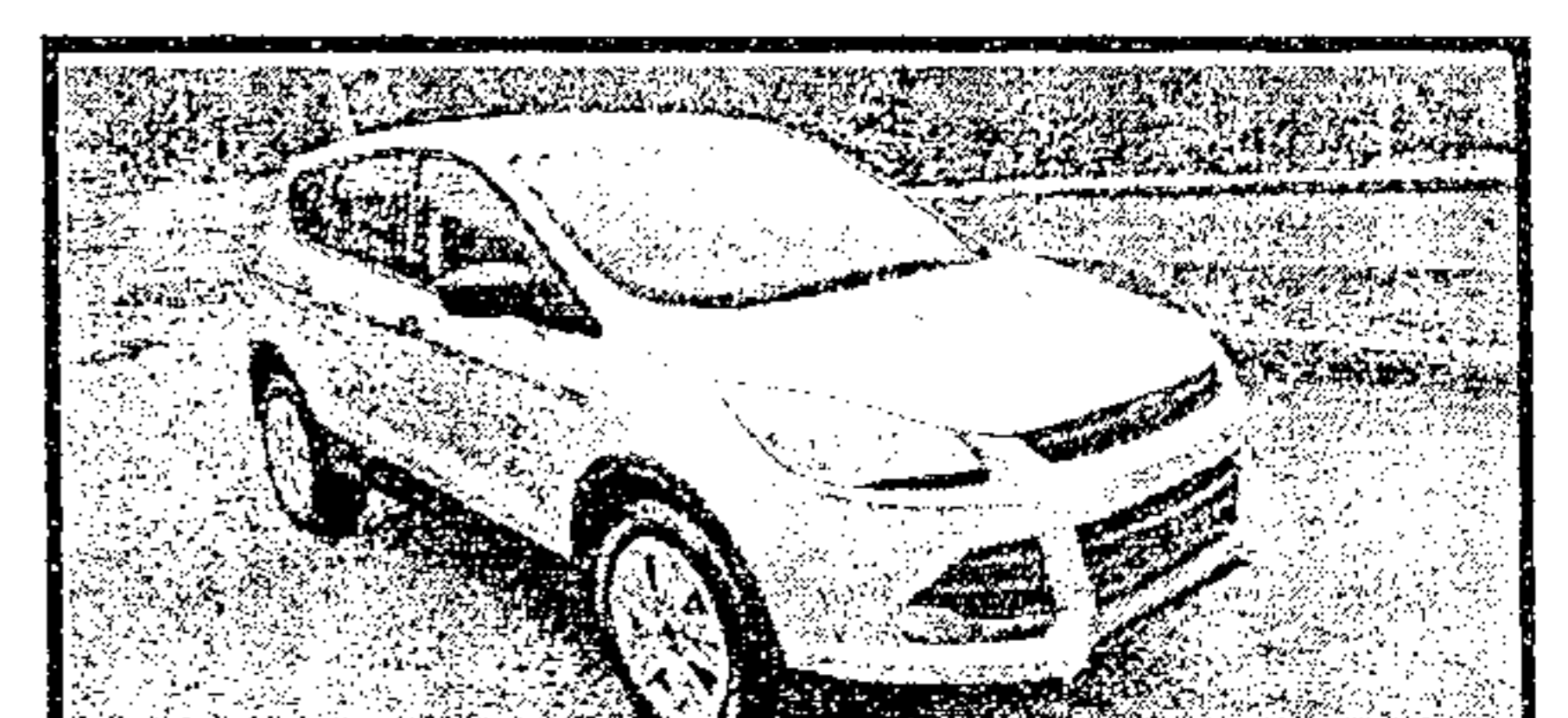
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Fraud

District Court, Knoxville.

The details of the charges are outlined in the 39-page indictment which is on file with the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee at Knoxville.

The indictment alleges that Ray M. Mubarak, Dianna Mubarak, and Sanders engaged in a conspiracy to defraud five banks spanning from 2007 through 2011. The total face value of the fraudulent loans exceeded \$6.7 million. Ray M. Mubarak was also charged with multiple counts of engaging in unlawful monetary transactions greater than \$10,000 in bank fraud proceeds.

The investigation leading to these charges was conducted by IRS - CI and the FBI. Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew T. Morris represents the United States.

Members of the public are reminded that these are only charges and that every person is presumed innocent until their guilt has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

Police beat

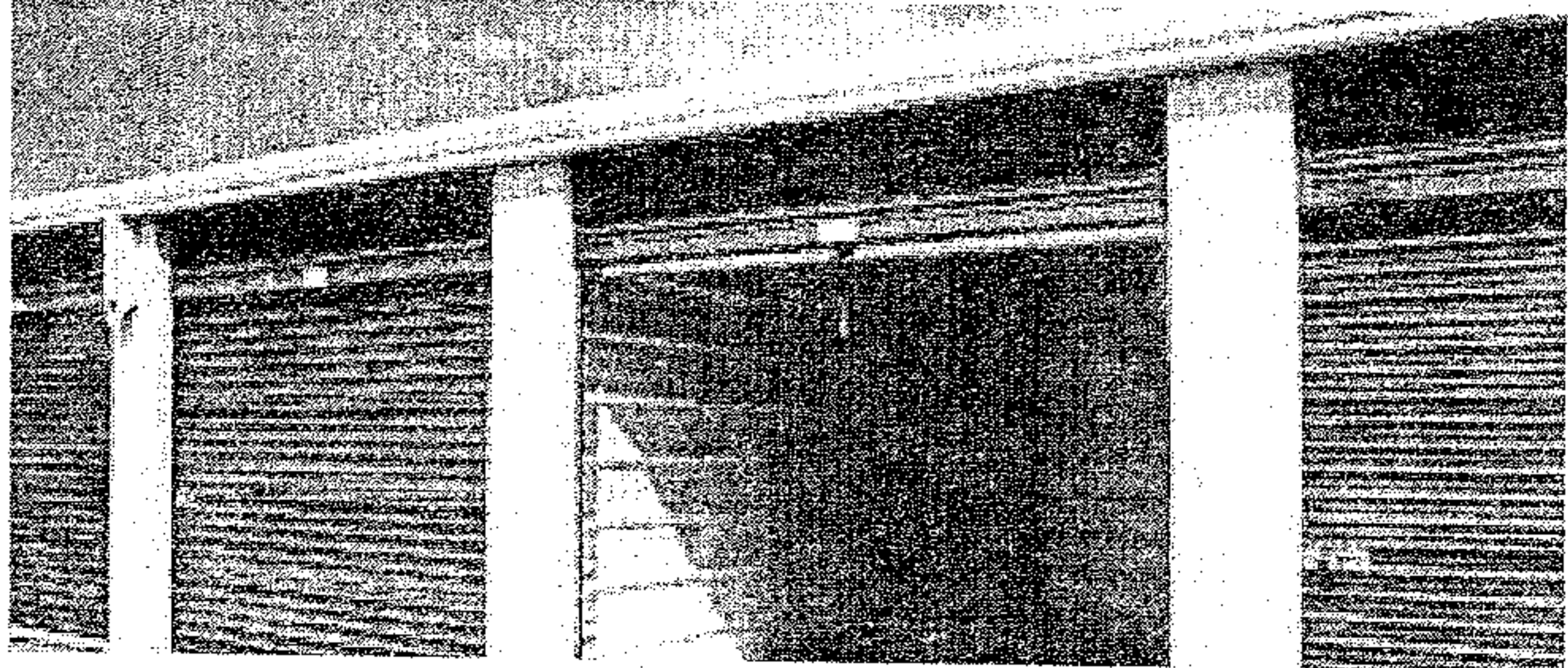
David Morgan, 33, Allison Town Road Philadelphia, was charged with DUI, Simple Poss. and Violation of Implied Consent. Deputy Brandon Burley LCSO, conducted a traffic stop on a green vehicle on West Lee Hwy for speeding, and a broken tail light. Deputy identified the driver as David Morgan, who had an extreme odor of alcoholic beverage about his person as well as red watery blood shot eyes, and slurred speech. David did poorly on sobriety test and a search of his person

Deputy found a marijuana pipe in David's jacket and also a small amount of marijuana.

David was placed under arrest. Deputy Brandon Burley LCSO, made the arrest.

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Evading

vehicle traveling 54 mph in a 40 mph zone. Deputy hit his brakes to turn around and the vehicle accelerated at a high rate of speed. The vehicle then turned onto Hines Valley Rd off Hwy 70 and continued at a high rate of speed and continued to evade Deputy. The deputy was told by his supervisor to terminate the pursuit. Approx. 18 minutes later Deputy found the vehicle parked behind Pine Grove Providence Church with a female identified as Lara Bright close to the vehicle. Lara stated that she was the driver and ran because she had missed court and had a Warrant out of Knox Co. Lara's license were also suspended. Lara was placed under arrest. Deputy Cody Fritts LCSO, made the arrest.

Obituaries

Mary Evelyn Bridges Lane - age 90 of Lenoir City passed away March, 6, 2015. She was a member of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School. Evelyn was a Gold Star Mother; a devoted and loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was a devoted Christian who raised

her children to "love one another as I have loved you." Preceded in death by her husbands, William Earl Bridges and Charlie Brown Lane; her parents; children Kelly Bridges, William Earl Bridges, Jr. (Pete), and Jimmy Bridges; grandchildren Stanley Bridges and Christy King; siblings Katie, Sue, Beecher, Bob, Ralph and Steve. Survivors include her children David Bridges (Carlene), Linda Clemens (Wayne), Terri Jenkins (Jeff); grandchildren Stephanie Sutton (Ricky), Steven King (Teresa), and Jimmy Bridges, Ashlea Clemons ; great-grandchildren Penny Sutton Bryson Sutton; sister Mae Puckett; several nieces, nephews and cousins. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 from 6 - 8 p.m. at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral Services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 11, 2015 with Rev. David Latham officiating. Burial will follow in the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Fund. Click Funeral Home is serving the family of Mary Lane.

Edith Louise Queen - age 85 of Lenoir City passed away Saturday, March 7, 2015. She was a member of South Holston Baptist Church. Edith was preceded in death by her husband, Albert L. Queen; mother, Mamie Yates Quillen; father, Jesse Lee Wright; brothers, Paul Wright and wife,

Joann, and Jesse Lee Wright. Survived by her sister, Jean Angeles and husband, Elias of Orlando, FL; special nephew, Pete Wright and wife, Laura; great nephew, Paul Wright; special cousin, Eleanor Spears; several other nieces, nephews and cousins. Friends may call at their convenience at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Family and friends will gather at 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 10th in the Union Grove Cemetery for graveside services. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Betty Sue (Bivens) Ward ~ age 81 of Loudon, passed away Sunday, March 08, 2015. Betty was a hard worker, spending many years at the hosiery mill and Maremont. For 15 years she lovingly cared for her husband Brenton before his passing. Known for her hospitality, Sour Cream pound cakes and assorted baked goods, you never left Betty without her sending a few goodies with you. She loved working in her flower beds, roses were her favorite. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who will be terribly missed by her family. Betty was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Brenton Robert Ward; parents, Lawrence and Mattie Jane (Bright) Brookshear; sisters, Geraldine Estes and Katie Lucas; and brother, Sonny Bivens. She is survived by her daughter and son in-law, San-

dra and John Cobb; son, Brenton Robert Ward, Jr.; grandchildren, John B. Cobb, Jr. and wife, Lindsey, Bryanne Clowers and husband, Josh, all of Loudon; great grandchildren, Kallie Clowers and John Bentley Cobb; sister, Bernice Smith, Greenback; special friend and confidant, Marilyn Tatum; special friend and neighbor, Patricia "Nancy" Rogers; close and special friends, Tammy Hawk, Gary Fagg and Sky Forkner. Many special thanks to Dr. Pete Stimpson for always being there for Betty; and to the ladies of Home Health of East Tennessee, Wallene, Becky and Angie, you are appreciated. Services honoring and remembering Betty Ward will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, March 11th graveside in Loudon County Memorial Gardens with Rev. Gene Farmer officiating. Contributions in Betty's memory may be made to Central Bap-

tist Church, 719 Cedar St., Loudon, TN 37774. Friends may call at their convenience Tuesday afternoon at McGill-Karnes Funeral Home, Loudon. www.mcgillkarnes.com

Mildred Marie (Malone) Gray, age 84 of Loudon, passed away Monday, March 9, 2015 at Sweetwater Hospital. Mildred retired from Maremont. She was preceded in death by her parents Joe and Sara (White) Malone and brother, Junior Malone. Survivors include her sons and daughters in-law, Brad and Sarah Gray, Oregon, David and Karen Gray, Loudon ; daughter and son in-law, Sandy and Joe Watson, Loudon; grandson, Paul Watson, Nebraska; brother and sister in-law, James and Dorothy Malone; sister, Martha Louise Malone; special friend, Kaye Webb. A special thank you to Dr. Thomas Evans and the staff of Sweetwater Hos-

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Pills
James Norman, 39, Vonore Road Loudon, was charged with DUI, Simple Poss./Casual Exchange x2, and Violation of Implied Consent. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, observed a red vehicle return onto Pond Creek Rd off Hwy 11. Deputy observed the vehicle make a wide turn and crossed the center line entering the Deputy

lane of travel. Deputy traffic stopped the vehicle at McCrary St and made contact with the driver James Norman. Deputy ask James for his license and registration and Ins. While Deputy was speaking with James he could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from the vehicle, James had red glassy eyes. James stat-

ed that he had drank 1 beer and had taken his medication that morning. James performed poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest After a search of the vehicle Deputy located a pill container in the ash tray. Inside the container was Alprazolam, and Oxycodone.. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

LCSO
Rebekah Jones, 39, Minnis Road Cleveland, was charged with DUI, and Speeding 21 mph over limit. Deputy Matt Fagiana LCSO, while on routine patrol was stationary on Interstate 75 at the 72 mm Deputy observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. Radar confirmed a speed of 85 in a posted 65

zone. Upon traffic stop of vehicle Deputy made contact with the driver Rebekah Jones Deputy could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage about her person. Rebekah had red watery bloodshot eyes. Rebekah was unable to perform sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Rebekah was transported to Ft. Loudon Medical for blood draw then transported to Loudon Jail. Deputy Matt Fagiana LCSO, made the arrest.

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pital for their special care. In the event you wish to make a memorial in Mildred's name, the family requests you consider the Gideon's International, Loudon County Camp, Lenoir City. Services honoring Mildred will be held 3:00 PM Wednesday, March 11th, graveside in Roberson Cemetery, Loudon. McGill-Karnes Funeral Home, Loudon.

Mary Nelle Giles Hughes, age 87, of Loudon, passed away March 8, 2015 at Sweetwater Hospital. She was an LPN at Loudon Memorial Hospital for 47 years and was also a member of First Baptist Church of Loudon. Preceded in death by husband John "Buster" Hughes; her parents Albert and Hazel Giles; brothers Thomas E. and Benjamin A. Giles; sisters Alta Ruth Giles Weaver, Dorothy Agnes Giles Lane and Mattie Caroline Giles Snow and her great grandson Shaun Collins. Mary Nelle is survived by her daughters Pat Reynolds and husband Donald and Brenda Kyle and husband Jerry, all of Sweetwater; Betty Rolen and husband Junior of Loudon and son Larry Hughes; sisters Lynda and Jack Goble of Loudon, Geraldine Steele of Texas and brother Roy

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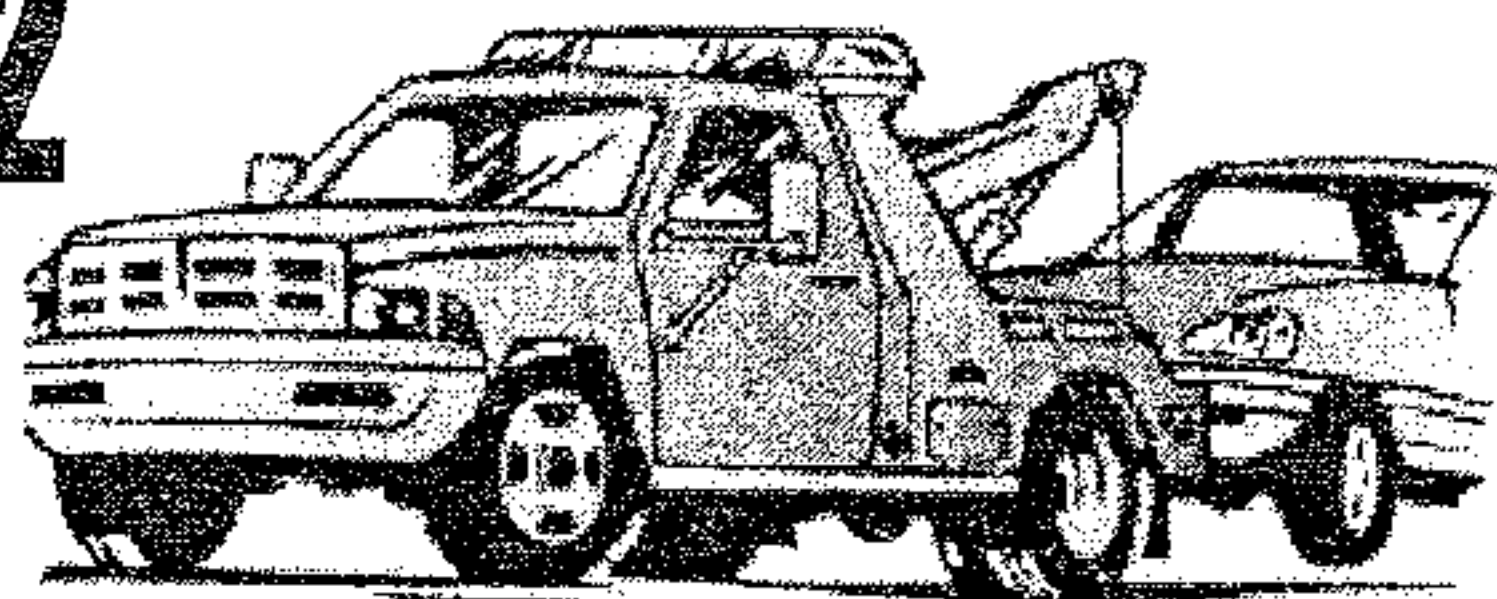
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Cody Alan Sherrill, age 22, of Jonesborough, Tenn., 41 months.

All others are awaiting prosecution or sentencing.

The investigation is a result of the Department of Justice's Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force ("OCDETF") program, the centerpiece of the Department of Justice's drug supply reduction strategy. OCDETF was estab-

lished in 1982 to conduct comprehensive, multi-level attacks on major drug trafficking and money laundering organizations. Today, OCDETF combines the resources and expertise of its member federal agencies in cooperation with state and local law enforcement. The principal mission of

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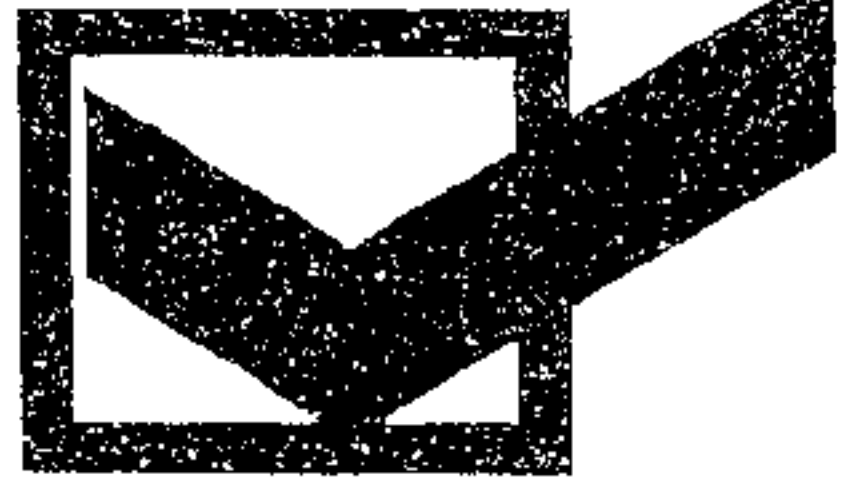
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