

# The Daily Edition

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Friday, May 15, 2015

## Pills found in vehicle after original call for suspicious person

William Hout, 32, Homeless, was charged with Public Intoxication, Violation of Probation, and Simple poss. x5.

Deputy Brandon Burley, did assist Deputy Charlie Parker LCSO, with a suspicious person call on West Lee Highway in Philadelphia, Tennessee at the Kiddie Kingdom Day

(see Pills pg. 4)



William Hout

## Profits Over Safety

Egg Company's Fraudulent Practices Put Public at Risk

The 81-year-old owner of an Iowa egg production company and his son, a top executive in the business, are going to prison for bribing a federal food inspector and distributing eggs that contained Salmonella bacteria, which caused hundreds of consumers to become sick.

A federal judge in Iowa last month ordered

the Quality Egg company to pay a \$6.79 million fine and sentenced company owner Austin "Jack" DeCoster, and his son, Peter DeCoster, who was Quality Egg's chief operating officer, to serve time in prison.

During the spring and summer of 2010, adulterated eggs produced

and distributed by Quality Egg were linked to

(see Eggs pg. 3)

## Dollywood's Little Engine Playhouse is coming to the Library!

Old Bear and his Cub by Olivier Dunrea to kick off the Children's Festival of Reading and tour 10 branches of the Knox County Public Library

Dollywood's Little Engine Playhouse is bringing to life a favorite title in the Imagination Library collection through song and dance. Old Bear and his Cub by Olivier Dunrea is the charming tale of tables turned when Little Cub takes care of Old Bear who has come down with a cold. Little Cub is served some of his own medicine. The Dollywood production presented by the Pen-

(see Library pg. 4)

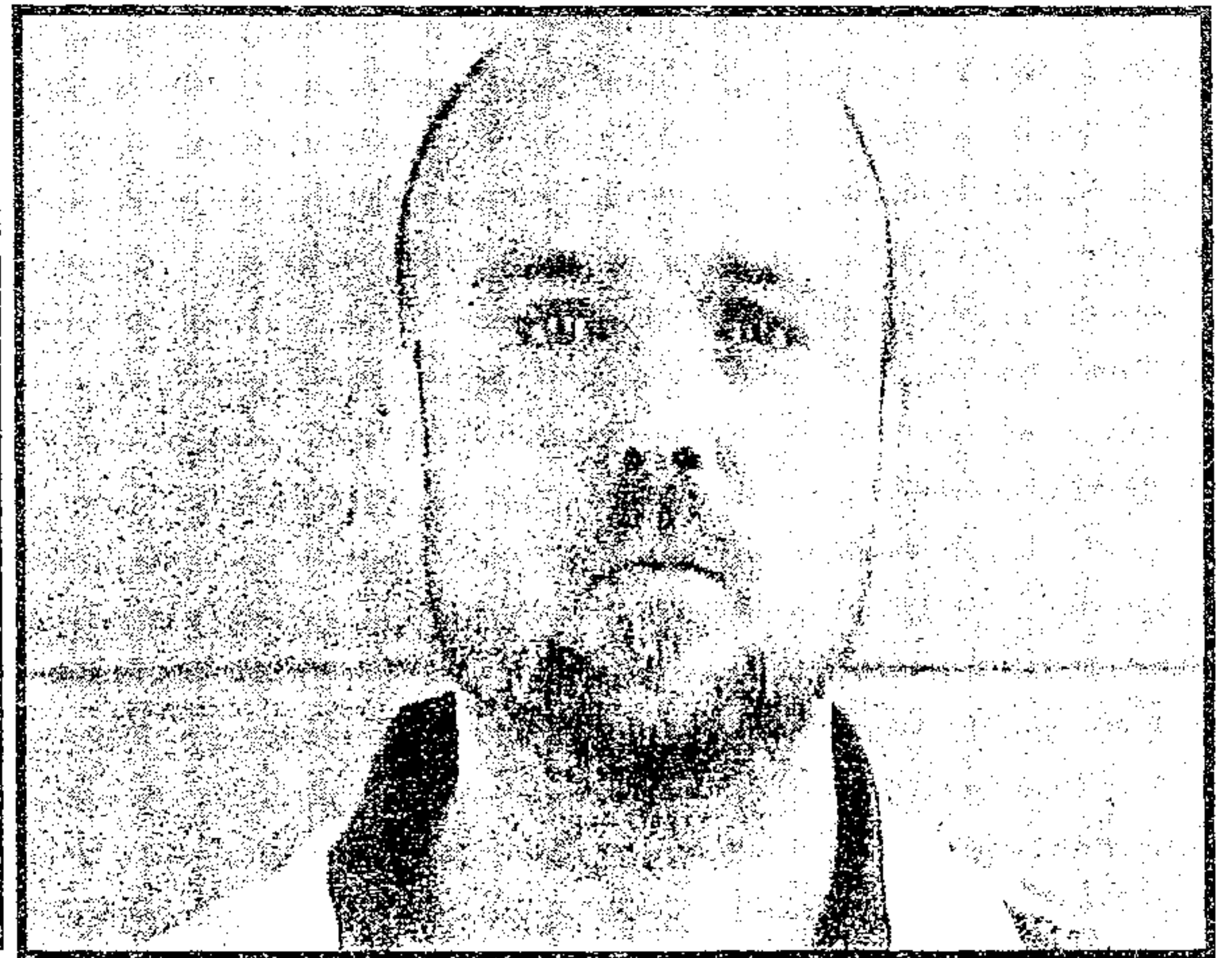
## Employee charged in theft from Love's



Carrissa Burke

(see Charged pg. 5)

## Paraphernalia found on suspended driver



Steven Bivens

(see suspended pg. 2)

### Verse of the Day

Let not my heart be drawn to what is evil, to take part in wicked deeds with men who are evildoers; let me not eat of their delicacies. — Psalm 141:4

### Obituaries

see inside

### Wazzup

Thanks Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO for the good work ya do. Keep stopping them speeders!

### Weather

Today: Cloudy skies. High around 80F.

Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Low 62F.

Saturday Cloudy in the morning, then thunderstorms developing later in the day. High around 85F.

Saturday Night Scattered thunderstorms during the

evening, then partly cloudy overnight. Low 66F.

Sunday Cloudy early. Scattered thunderstorms developing later in the day. High 86F.

### Horoscopes

Taurus 4/20-5/20

You're done with being in charge; you gave it

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### Suspended

Steven Bivens, 36, Carmley Road Vonore, was charged with Poss. of Drug Para., and Driving on Suspended/Revoked License.

Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, observed a Silver Mitsubishi with traveling on Highway 411 with a right rear brake light out. Upon Checking the

vehicles registration through dispatch Deputy Billy Lewis was advised that the registration was NSR not on File.

Upon Stopping vehicle Deputy Billy Lewis made contact with the driver Mr. Steven Bivens who stated that the vehicle was a salvage car and that he has owned it for about 6 to 7 months. Mr. Bivens stated that he has not

registered the vehicle and he did not have any vehicle insurance. Upon checking Mr. Steven Bivens name and date of birth through dispatch for drivers license status dispatch advised he was suspended for child support.

Mr. Bivens has two prior convictions of driving on suspended drivers license. Upon taking Mr. Bivens into custody for driving on suspended drivers license third offense Mr. Bivens advised the depu-

(see Susp. etd. pg. 5)

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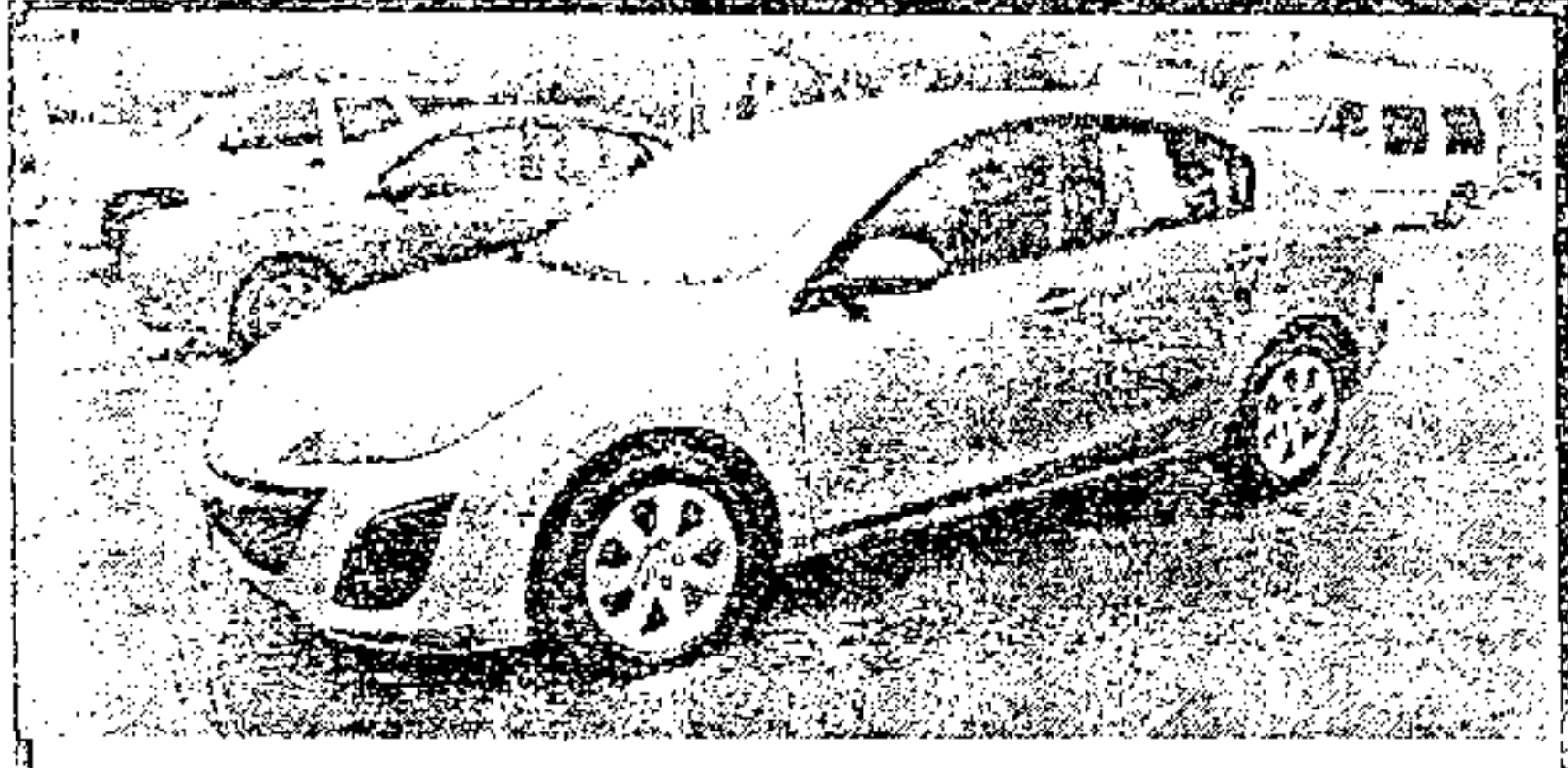
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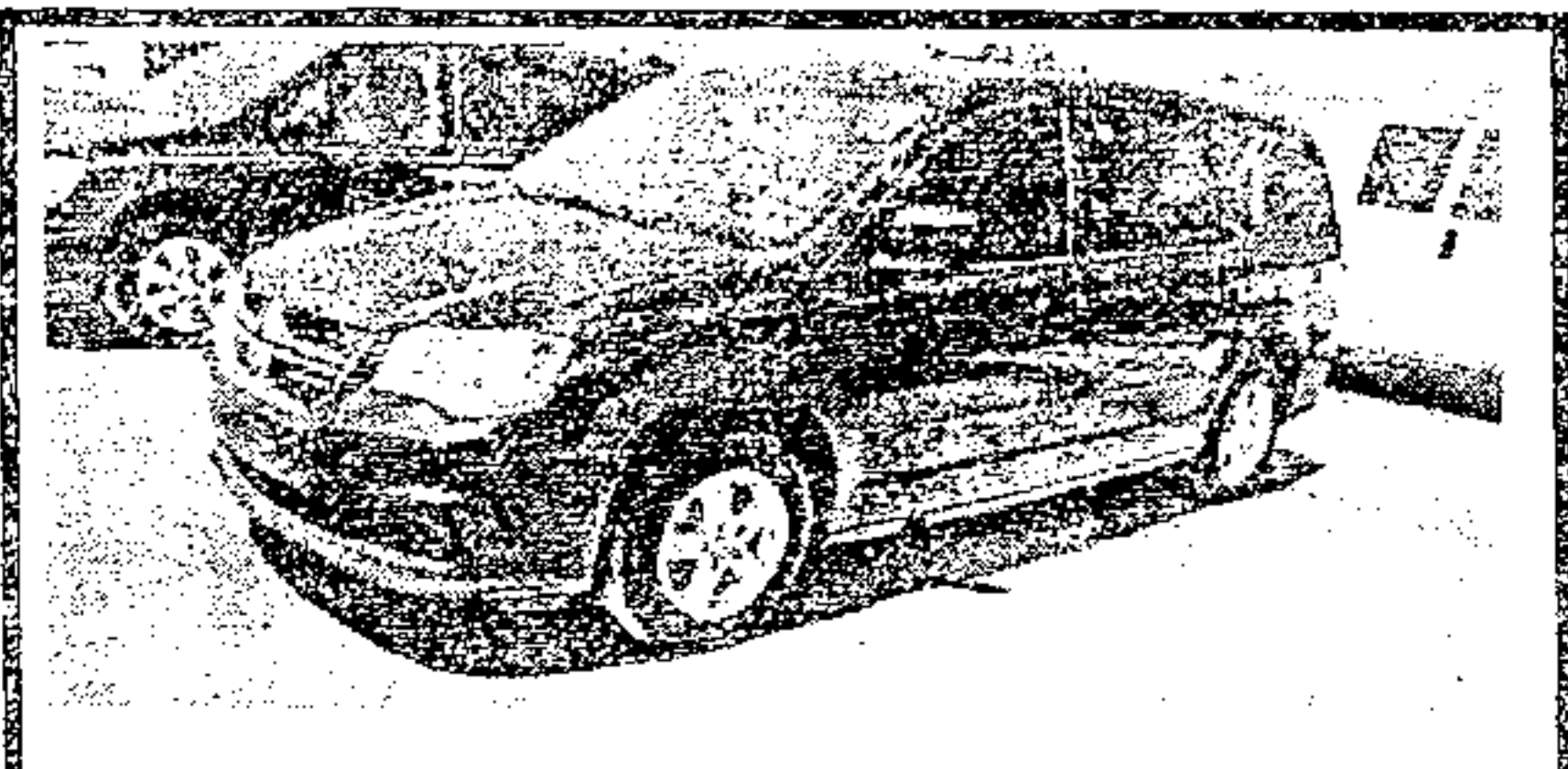
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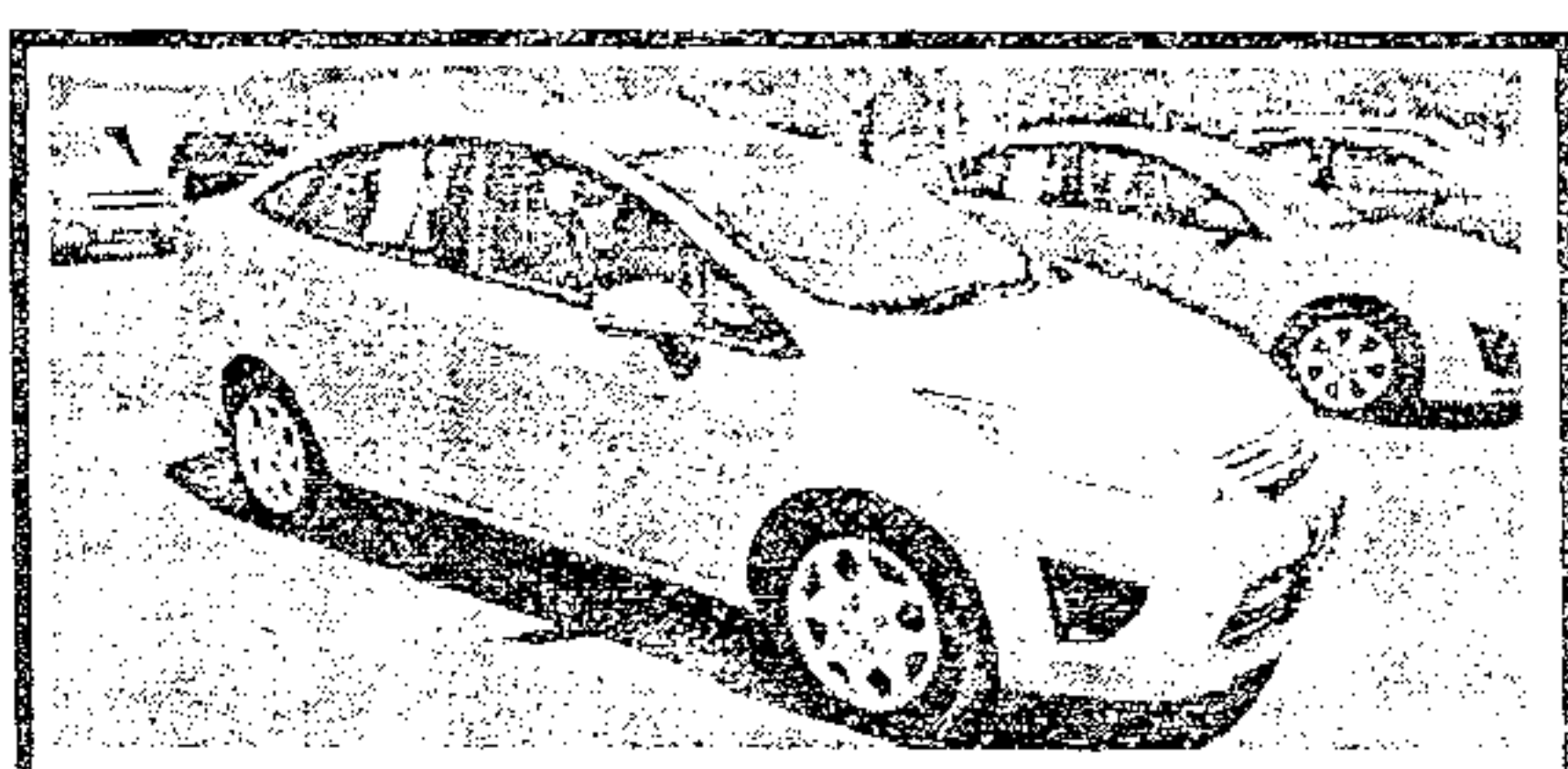
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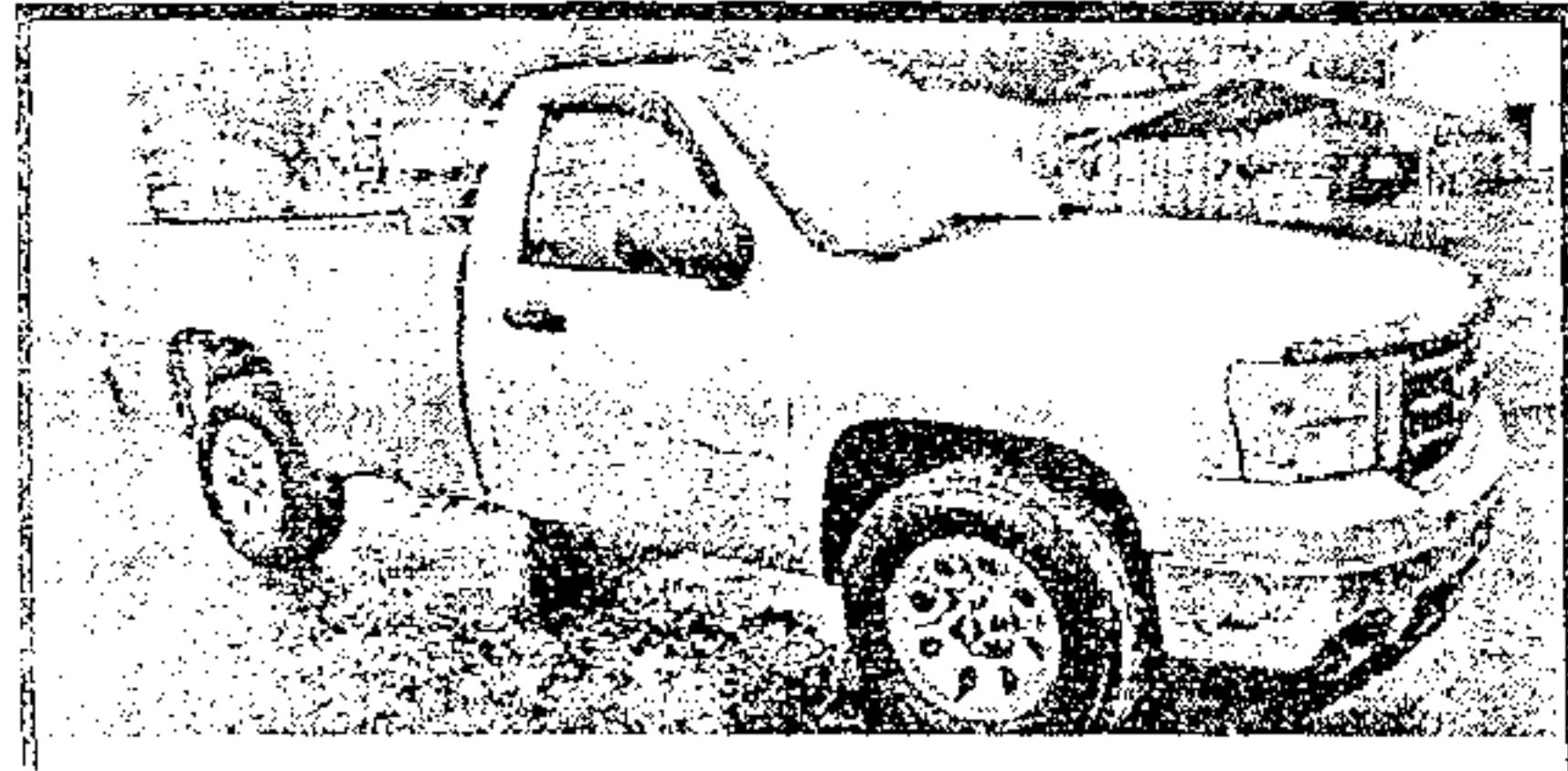
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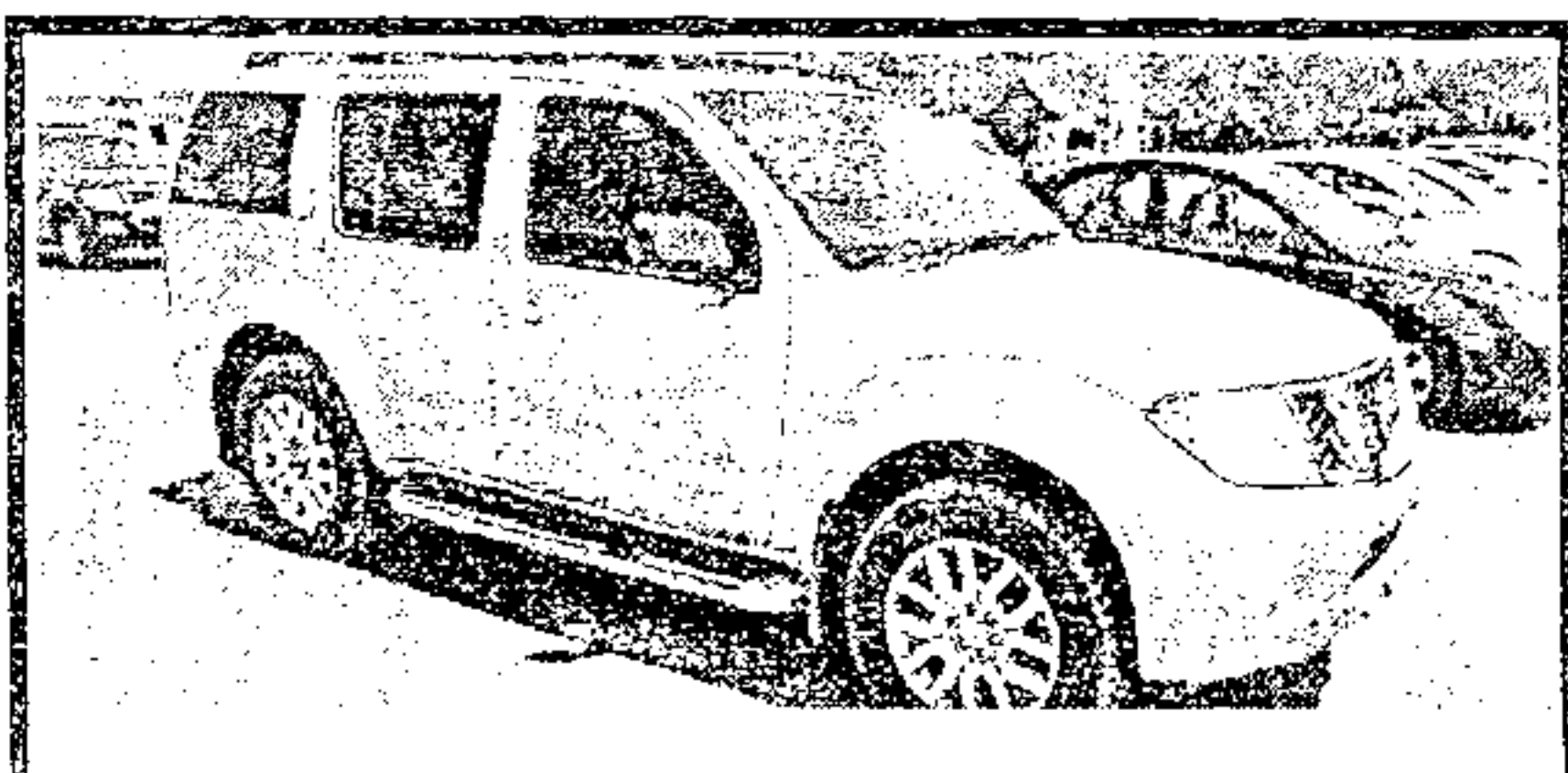
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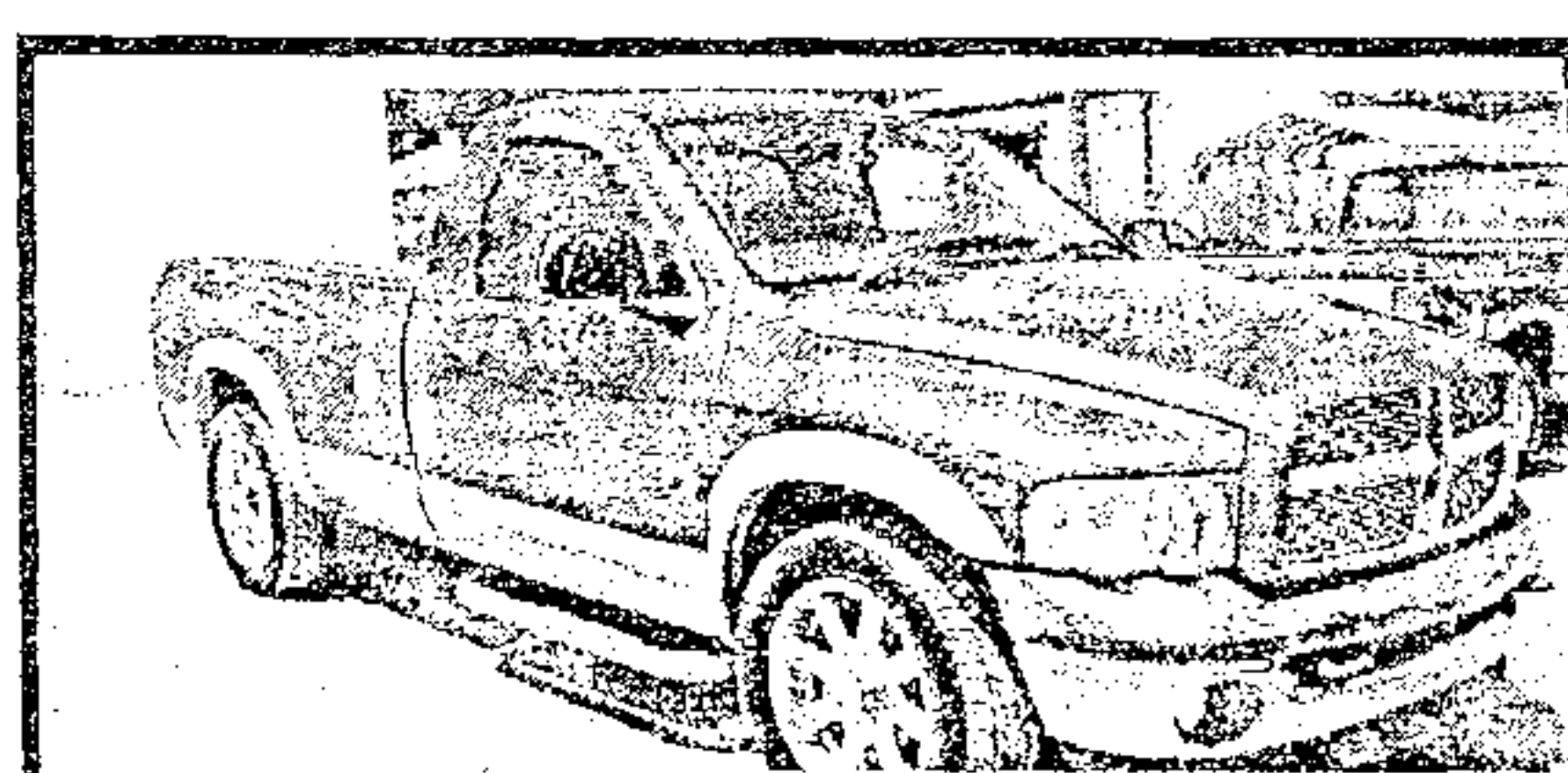
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## Eggs

nearly 2,000 consumer illnesses in a nationwide outbreak of salmonellosis that led to the recall of millions of eggs produced by the defendants.

"This was a classic case of putting profits over public safety," said Special Agent Grant Permenter, who helped investigate the case from the FBI's Omaha Division.

Quality Egg pled guilty to bribing an inspector of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to release eggs that had been retained for quality issues. The eggs had been "red tagged" for failing to meet minimum USDA quality grade standards. The company also pled guilty to introducing misbranded eggs into interstate commerce with the intent to defraud. From approximately 2006 until 2010, Quality Egg employees affixed labels to egg shipments that indicated false expiration dates with the intent to mislead state regulators and retail egg customers regarding the true age of the eggs.

In the government's sentencing memorandum prepared for the court, it was noted that Quality Egg personnel had for years disregarded food safety standards and misled customers about the company's food safety practices.

"As with a lot of fraud cas-

es," Permenter said, "Quality Egg's crimes were committed over and over for years, and, eventually, these illegal practices caught up with them." But this case was not just about deception, he said. "People got sick. There was a serious public safety issue here. Quality Egg's business practices put the public at risk—at times, substantial risk."

Permenter explained that the FBI assisted in the investigation led by the USDA's Office of Inspector General and the Food and Drug Administration's Office of Criminal Investigations. He added that the USDA inspector who received bribes from Quality Egg was in ill health and died before he could be charged.

"The inspector was a federal employee. Had he lived," Permenter said, "he would have been charged and, in all likelihood, would have gone to jail as well."

In June 2014, Quality Egg and Jack and Peter DeCoster pled guilty to bribery and other charges related to adulterated egg distribution.

In the end, Permenter said,

(see Eggs ctd. pg. 7)

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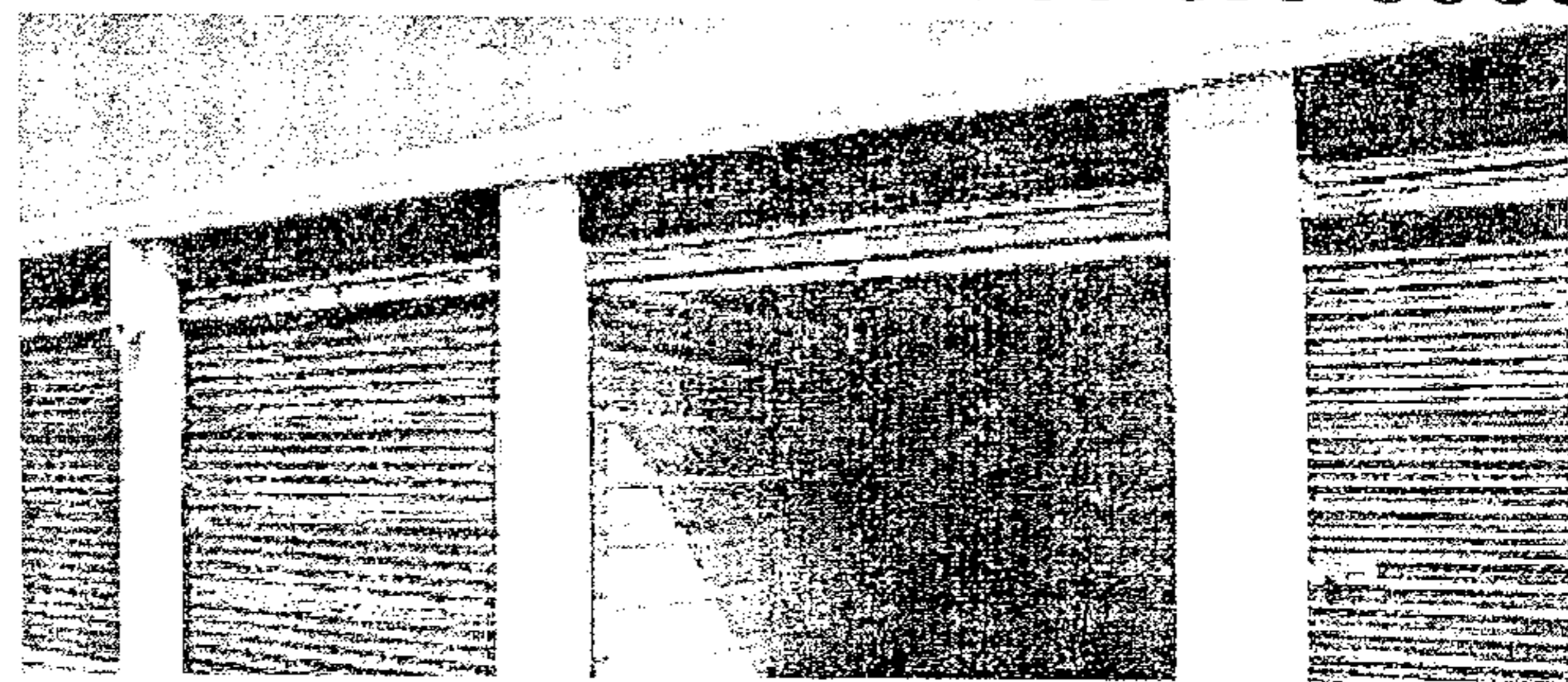
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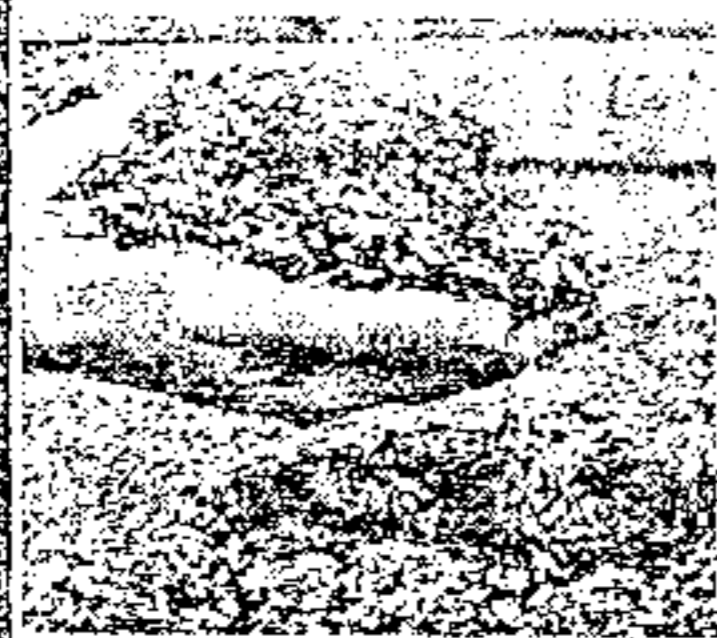
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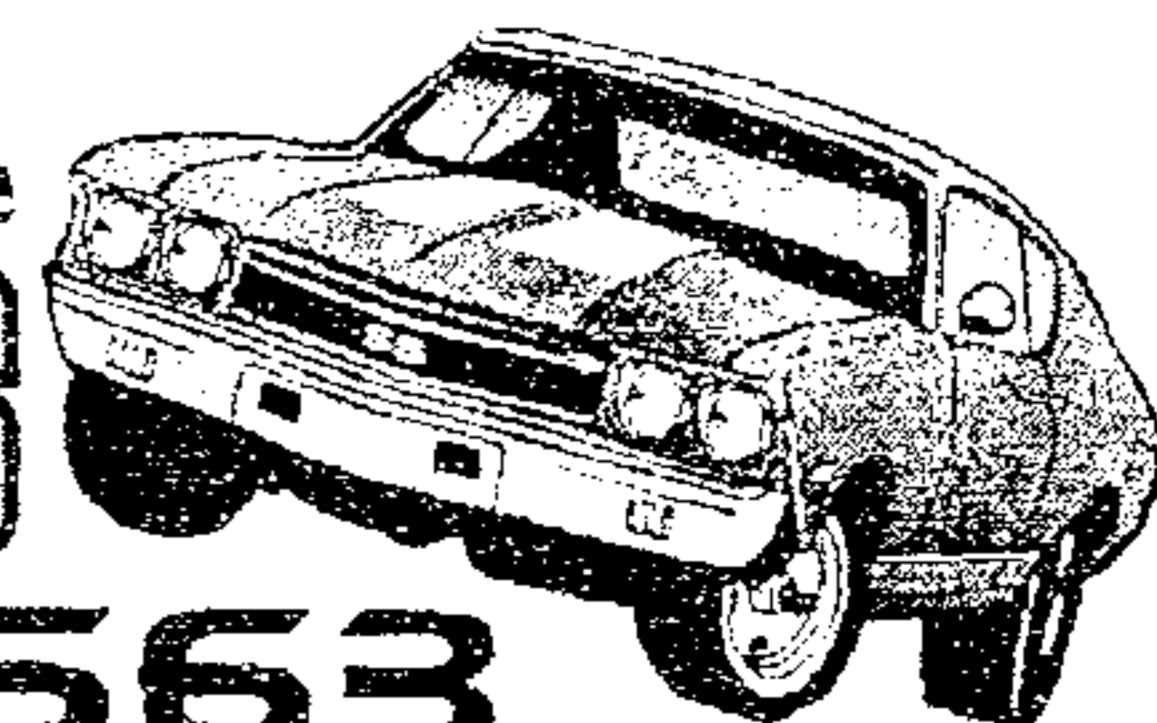
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**Pills**

Care. Deputy Parker was with complainant who advised that he had been assaulted and his vehicle had been taken. The vehicle in question is a 2002 Red Chrysler PT Cruiser.

Through an investigation it was determined that complainant was not the registered owner of the vehicle but an authorized user of the vehicle. The owner of the vehicle gave complainant permission to use the vehicle.

While on Sunnyside Road, complainant gave someone else permission to use the vehicle to "go up the hill and right back". complainant while waiting for someone to return, complainant stated he was beaten and had cell phone stolen. complainant without a phone or way to contact anyone began knocking on random neighbors houses so he could contact law enforcement. complainant did appear to have been in an altercation and was extremely distraught. Consider this assault, which complainant stated did not involve weapons or serious bodily injury, but did recklessly cause bodily injury and reasonable fear of imminent bodily injury as complainant was advised this misdemeanor offense could only be prosecuted by complainant and that he could seek his own warrants if he so chooses.

After leaving the scene in Philadelphia Deputy did observe the vehicle in question at the McDonalds on Highway 72 North in Loudon, Tennessee at approximately 0500 hours. Deputy did observe, a person, operating the vehicle near the McDonalds Drive-Thru. Deputy did make contact with the vehicle and two of the three occupants in the parking lot of the McDonalds. a female and William Hout Jr were still in the vehicle. a female was in the drivers seat, with the vehicle running, female did have United States currency, a twenty dollar bill, in her right hand as well as an assortment of prescription pills in her left hand. When exiting the vehicle, Meddings made multiple spontaneous utterances to the effect. Hout told Meddings to hold the prescriptions because the police were coming and they are not hers. Inside the twenty dollar bill was a white powdery substance believed to be a prescription medication. Med-

dings was using this twenty dollar bill to snort the prescription medication making it drug paraphernalia.

Located both in female hand as well as in plain view throughout the vehicle and on the ground were (5) five types of prescription narcotics.

These prescription tablets located include: (1) Blue round pill marked, "M15" believed to be a 15 milligrams Morphine tablet, (2) Orange round pills marked, "R 029" believed to be 0.5 milligrams Alprazolam tablets, (2) Yellow oval pills marked "A 08" believed to be 15 milligrams Mirtazapine (Anti-Depressants), (2) Gray round pill marked, "OP 15" believed to be 15 milligrams Oxycotin tablets, and finally (6) pink round pills marked "K 56" believed to be 10 milligrams Oxycodone. The Morphine is a Schedule II narcotic. The Alprazolam's are a Schedule III narcotic, a benzodiazepine. The Mirtazapine's are an anti-depressant and a

legend drug. The Oxycotin is a Schedule II drug. The Oxycodone is a Schedule II drug.

After female and Hout were read their Miranda rights; female stated that complainant had given her permission to use the vehicle to 'go up the hill and back', which is in Philadelphia, Tennessee on Sunnyside Road but that she decided to go to Lenoir City, Tennessee with a male and an unknown female. While in Lenoir City, female did pick up William Hout Junior (A.K.A. Billy Hout) and the three others then drove around in Lenoir City

and Loudon until female and Hout dropped off male and the unknown female. female and Hout then continued to drive around in the vehicle that female did not have permission to use and they eventually stopped at the McDonalds on Highway 72 North where they encountered Deputy. Female stated that she knew she was not supposed to still be using the vehicle and did not still have complainant permission but that she did intend to return the car to complainant. Female had no way to

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**Public Notice**  
**Notice of Meetings:**

Loudon County Budget Committee meeting schedule:  
 The following meetings will begin at 4:30 PM at the County Office Building:

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- Thursday, May 21st
- Wednesday, May 27th
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**Charged**

Carrissa Burke, 36, Smith Road Kingston, was charged with Theft of Property x2. Officer Brandon Johnson LCPD, was dispatched to Love's Truck Stop in regards to theft of money. Officer made contact with the manager and advised Officer that an employee Carrissa Burke had taken money on 2 different

occasions from the safe at Subway located at the Love's Truck Stop. Carrissa was observed by video opening the safe and take money out and putting it in her pocket. Officer Brandon Johnson LCPD, made the arrest.

**Susp. ctd. from pg. 2**

ty there was a Syringe, Straw and spoon in the vehicle. Upon search-

ing the vehicle Deputy Billy Lewis found a syringe and a spoon in the left door and a straw in the drivers floor board with a powder residue in it. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, took Mr. Steven Bivens into custody for driving on suspended drivers license third offense and possession of drug paraphernalia and transported him to the Loudon County Jail.

**Pills ctd. from pg. 4**

contact complainant and it is unclear how female would be able to return the vehicle but she did state that as her intent. Female did take another person's automobile without the effect consent of the owner and Meddings did not have the intent to deprive the owner of the vehicle indefinitely. In doing the afore list-

ed female did commit the offense of Joyriding. Female did further state that she did not have a prescription for the prescription tablets that were recovered and that she was aware of their presence in the vehicle. Hout after being read his Miranda rights did also state that the prescription medication was for joint use between female and Hout. Hout stated that had recently been released from a drug rehab and stated that he was already 'messing up'.

Hout did appear to be extremely intoxicated; Hout was extremely slow to speak with glassy eyes and pin point pupils. Hout seemed to be on an emotional roller coaster moving from angry, mad, to happy. Hout was difficult to follow when he would speak because he was speaking frequently and at an extremely fast pace.

Hout did also have an active warrant for his arrest from Loudon County General Sessions Court for violation of probation, issued on April 10, 2014. Hout was taken into custody for five counts of simple possession, public intoxication and a violation of probation warrant. Deputy Brandon Burley LCSO, made the arrest.

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**Eggs conc. from pg. 3**

"it seems obvious that company profits outweighed other concerns." By being able to circumvent the inspection process through bribes and not having to remove the tainted eggs from its inventory, the company saved a significant amount of money. "When you start bending your ethical and moral fibers because there are dollar signs in front of you," he said, "a lot of bad things are likely to happen."

**Library**

guin Players will kick off the Children's Festival of Reading on the main stage at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 16 in World's Fair Park. The show will then tour 10 branches of the Knox County Public Li-

brary from May 18-22.

The free performances will tour the following libraries:

- May 18 at 11:00 a.m. -- Howard Pinkston
- May 18 at 4:00 p.m. - - Bearden
- May 19 at 10:00 a.m. - - Murphy
- May 19 at 4:00 p.m. -- Farragut
- May 20 at 11:00 a.m.-- Sequoyah
- May 20 at 4:00 p.m. - - Carter
- May 21 at 11:00 a.m. - - Karns
- May 21 at 4:00 p.m. -- Norwood
- May 22 at 10:30 a.m. - - Powell
- May 22 at 3:30 p.m. -- Burlington

Dollywood's Little Engine Playhouse's production of Old Bear and his

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About Summer Reading

Research shows that summer reading is one of

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Knox County Public Library's summer reading programs encourage readers of all ages to read or be read to for 20 minutes each day. When readers reach their reading goals, they will earn a Prize Pack valued at over \$200. In addition to a Rewards Book with free entrance to area attractions and free eats and treats, both readers and listeners will earn a stretchy superhero toy. Teens will earn a Rewards Book and a tote bag. Adults in the program can earn a tote bag or note cards.

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