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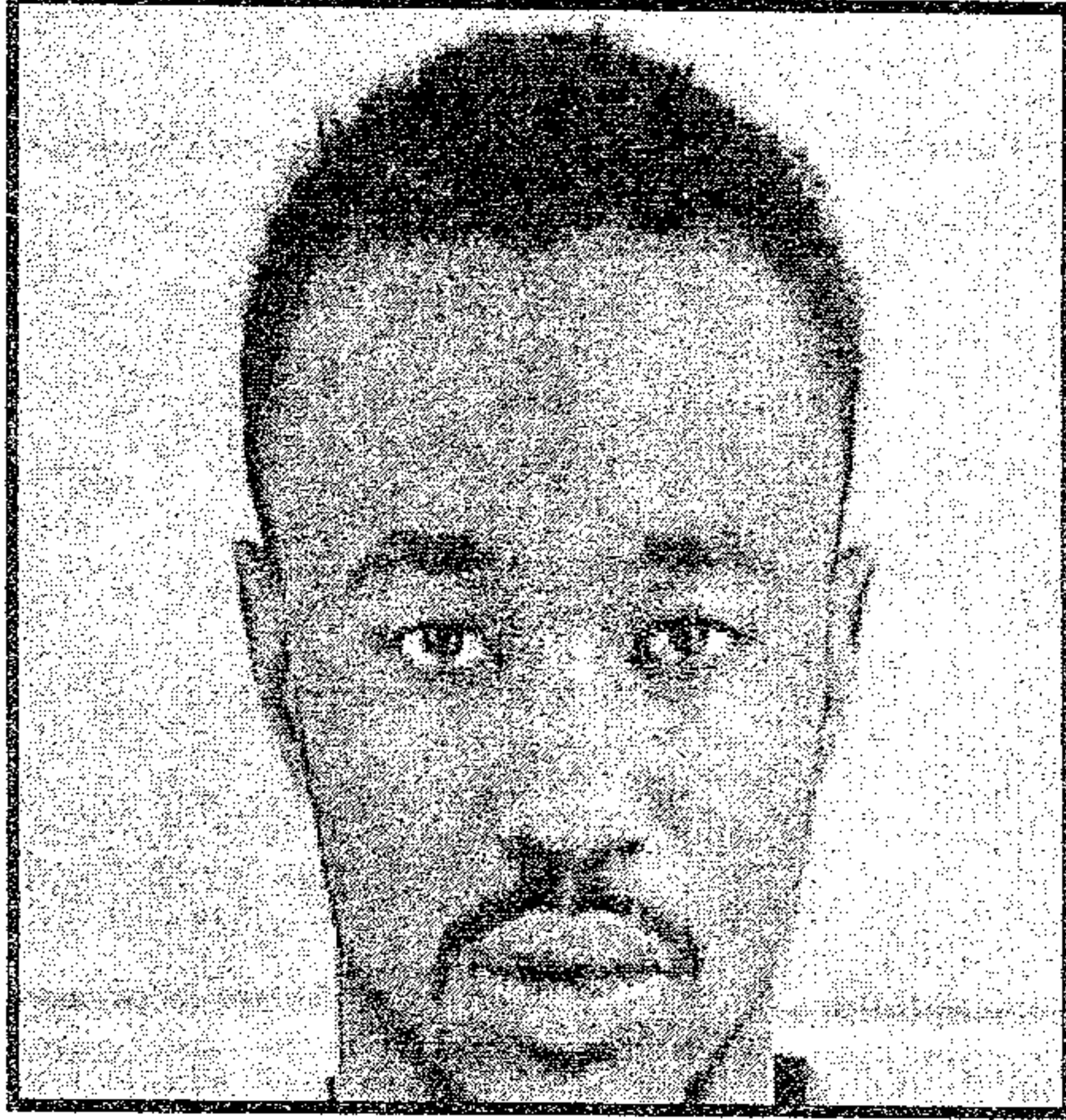
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Wednesday, May 6, 2015

Man with gun; DUI driver and more in LCSO traffic stop



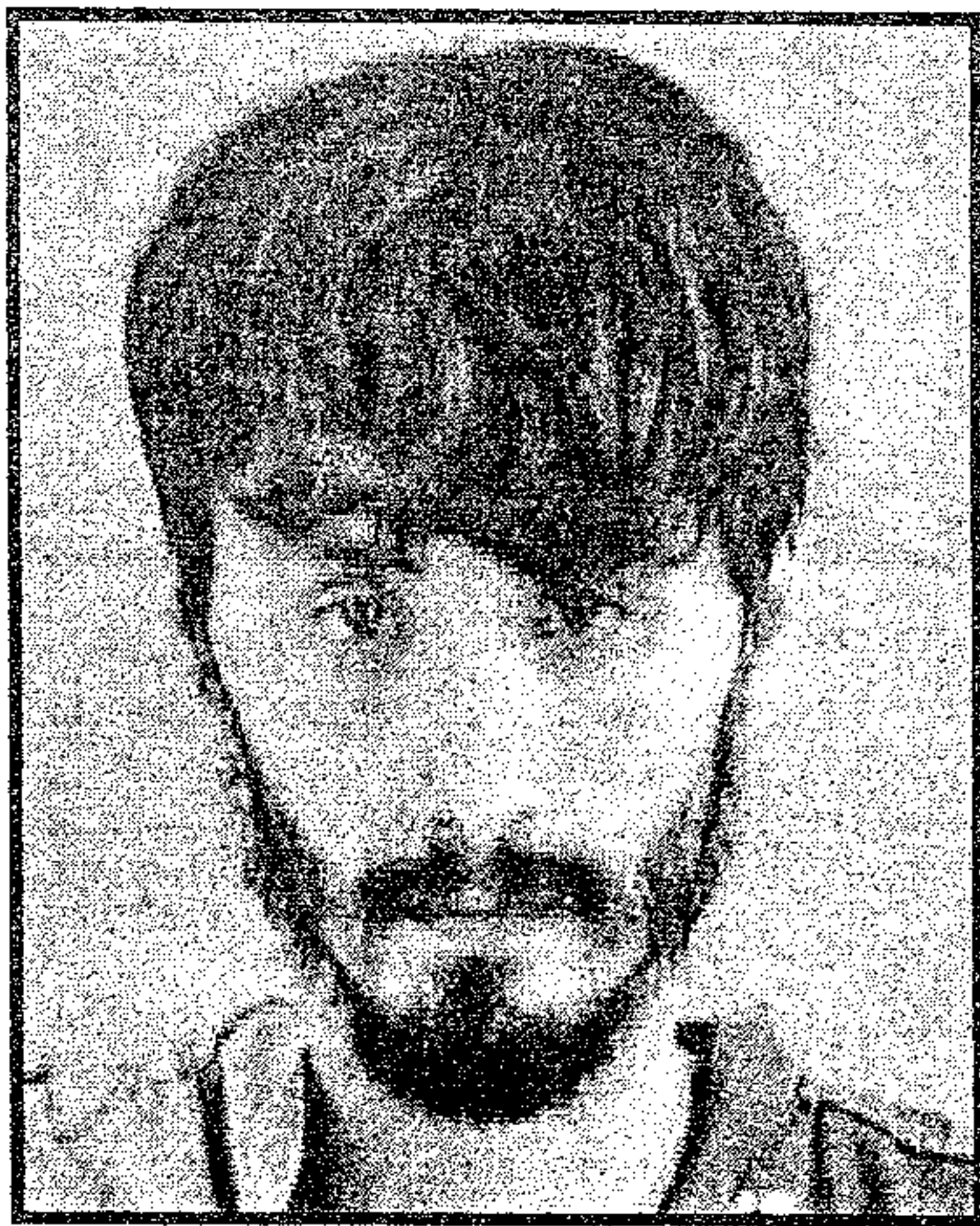
Ronnisha Smith



Isiah Mabin

(see LCSO pg. 4)

Suspended driver charged with paraphernalia



Matthew Ferguson

(see Suspended pg. 5)

ICE found on DUI driver in LC



Jonathan Jones

(see ICE pg. 5)

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY WILLIAM C. "BILL" KILLIAN COMPLIMENTS AGENCIES' ACTIONS IN BARGE REMOVAL

The U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee issued a statement today about the removal of the Casey Barge (barge) from the Chattanooga waterfront near downtown Chattanooga. The barge, which has been a source of contention for more than a year, left Chattanooga on Thursday, April 30, 2015, to

be transported to Mobile, Alabama.

"The recent removal of the Casey barge was a result of cooperative efforts by several federal and state agencies. Through the diligent efforts of Assistant U.S. Attorneys Kent Anderson and Kenny Saffles, who worked closely with trustee Jerry Farinash, Assistant

(see Barge pg. 3)

Community Partners Recognized

2014 Director's Community Leadership Awards

Creating community programs that empower at-risk and underprivileged youth. Providing support and resources for refugees from war-torn countries. Training child protective services personnel, health care workers, and other professionals to recognize and provide assistance to victims of human trafficking. Strengthening the academic experience for students in

struggling schools.

Today at FBI Headquarters, 57 individuals and organizations from around the nation were recognized by Director James Comey for making extraordinary contributions—like those noted above—to education and to the prevention of crime and violence.

The Bureau has been presenting its Director's Community Leadership

(see Partners pg. 2)

Verse of the Day

Rid yourselves of all the offenses you have committed; and get a new heart and a new spirit... Repent and live! — Ezekiel 18:31-32

Obituaries

see inside

Wazzup

What a horrible fight the May-Pac fight was! The great days of boxing are officially OVER!

Weather

Today: Intervals of clouds and sunshine. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High around 85F.

Tonight: A few clouds. Chance of a shower or thunderstorm throughout the evening. Low 57F.

Thursday Mainly sunny.

High 86F.

Thursday Night Clear.

Low 58F.

Horoscopes

Taurus 4/20-5/20

No one seems to understand you today because you're at a loss to find the

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Partners

Awards (DCLA) for more than two decades to ordinary citizens and organizations striving to build stronger, safer, and more cohesive communities, and this latest group of honorees continues to set the bar exceedingly high.

Comey said that there are two reasons for presenting these awards every year. First, it's an acknowledgement of

the fact that part of the FBI's work of contributing to the protection of communities around the country is to "build partnerships with other people who are all about the protection of the community." And second, the awards enable the Bureau to hold the recipients up as role models of "what being a citizen really looks like, what being part of a community really looks like."

This year's DCLA honorees, as in past years, were selected by FBI field offices and represent many different sectors—non-profits, business, military, academia, the clergy, behavioral sciences, the media, sports, and civic groups. But while their back-

grounds may differ, they all have the same overarching goal: Change their communities for the better and make a positive difference in the lives of other people.

Among those we honor today for their selfless actions:

(see Partners ctd. pg. 7)

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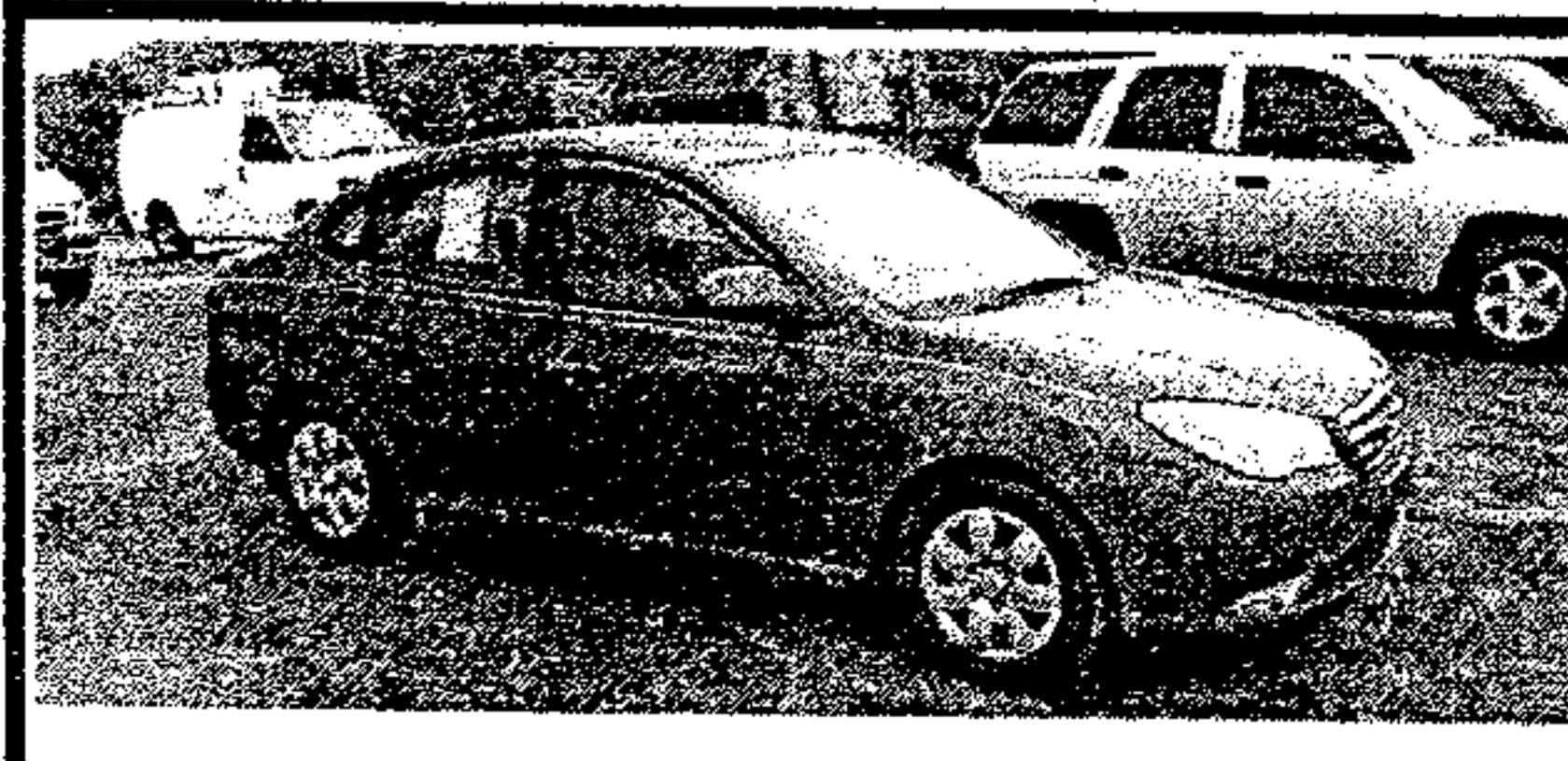
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Barge

U.S. Trustee Kim Swafford, the Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Tennessee Valley Authority, this long-time eye sore is now gone from the city of Chattanooga," said U.S. Attorney William C. "Bill" Killian. Killian added, "The agencies involved all worked together to protect the environment and the Chattanooga waterfront from a potential disaster. We wish to thank them for their efforts to expedite the removal of the barge consistent with safety, law and regulations."

Owners of the barge have been involved in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy proceedings for several years. In February 2015, Nashville District Counsel for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) contacted the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Tennessee, regarding concerns over the condition of the barge, its potential hazards to the environment and navigation on the river, and the need for its removal. Assistant U.S. Attorneys from the Eastern District of Tennessee, together with the Corps and the office of the U.S. Trustee, advocated for the appointment of a special trustee to oversee the barge owner's estate and the disposition of the barge

itself. The U.S. Bankruptcy Court appointed Chattanooga attorney Jerry Farinash to serve in this capacity.

In an effort to have the barge removed from the Chattanooga waterfront, Mr. Farinash initiated the removal process by seeing that required inspections of the barge were performed and that necessary governmental approvals regarding seaworthiness were obtained. During the process, the barge, which had partially sunk on at least one prior occasion, again took on water. Mr. Farinash arranged for the water to be pumped out and the barge raised up to an acceptable navigable level. Ultimately, Mr. Farinash obtained the required approvals and

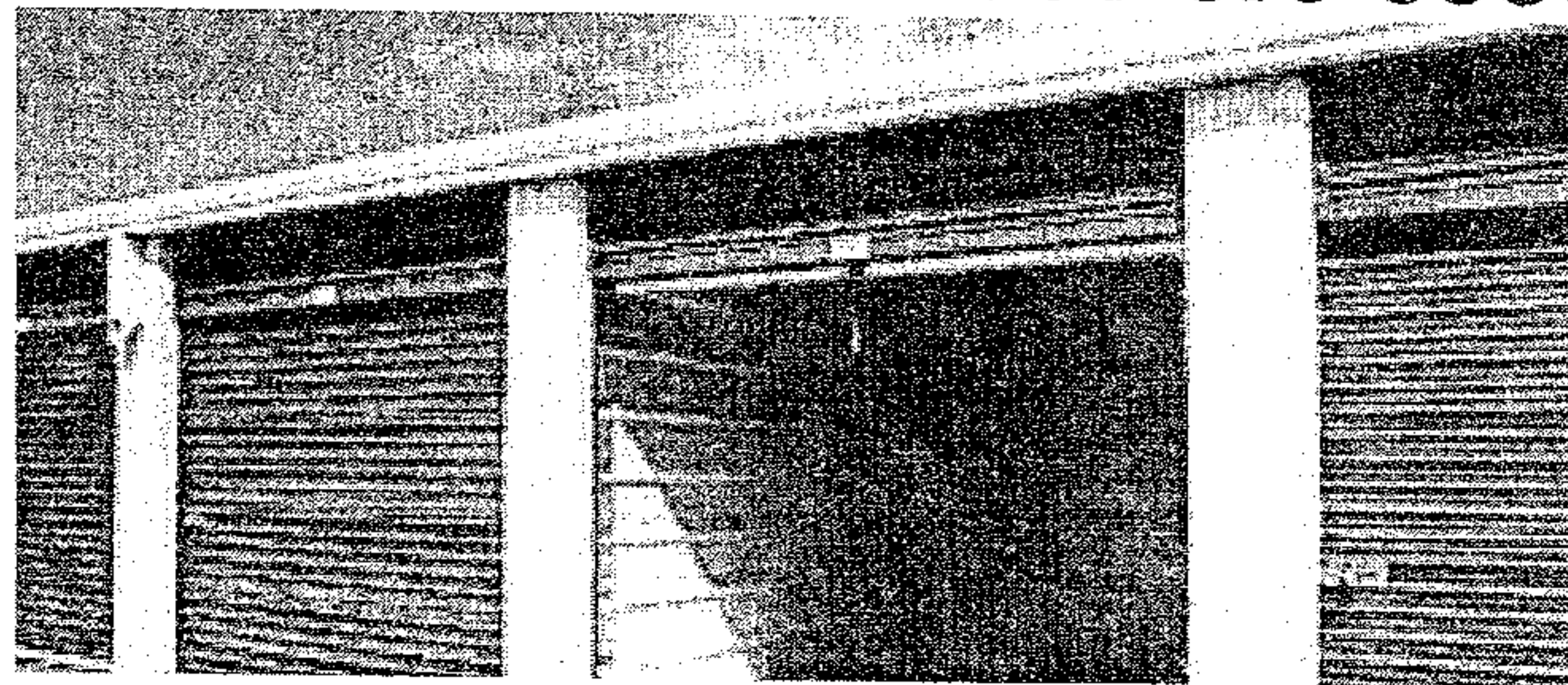
entered into a contract for permanent removal of the barge.

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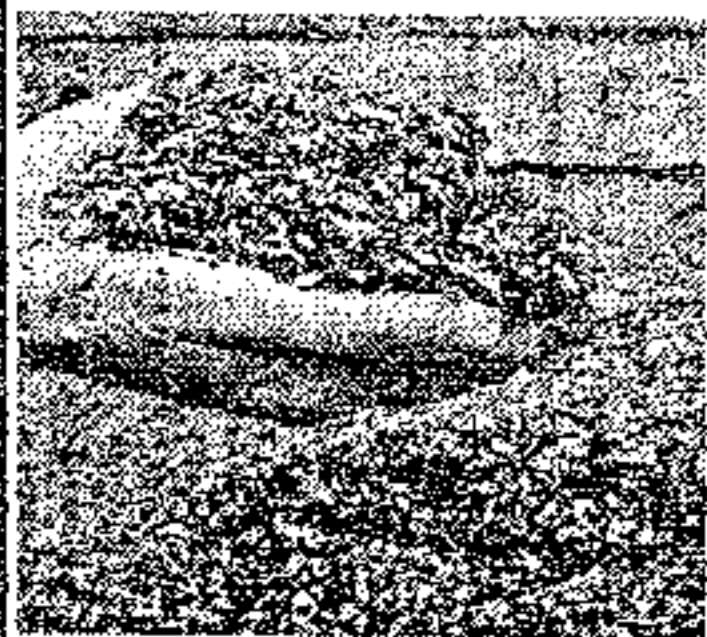
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CSO

Ronnisha Smith, 27, Timber Clarie Way Georgia, was charged with DUI, Driving on Revoked License, and Simple Possession.

Isiah Mabin, 24, Homeless, was charged with Poss. of Handgun while Under the Influence, Poss. of Firearm during a Felony, Criminal Impersonation, SCH. III Drug, Contraband into a Penal Institution, Public Intoxication, and Simple Possession.

Sgt. Jerramie Bowen, responded to a reckless driver on the Interstate south bound near the 81 MM. Deputy Langley was following the vehicle and advised that it was driving in the middle of the road and had almost struck his vehicle causing a wreck. The vehicle also almost stopped in the roadway. Sgt. Bowen did make contact with the vehicle as it came under Hwy 321 on the Interstate south bound. The vehicle was in the middle of the road. Sgt. Bowen then got behind the vehicle and the vehicle then slowed almost to a stop in the fast lane of the Interstate south bound just past the 81 MM. Sgt. Bowen then turned on his emergency lights and the vehicle did pull over in the roadway, Sgt. then asked the driver to pull to the shoulder. Sgt. then went up to the window and the driver later identified as Ronnisha Smith was having trouble finding the win-

dow switch or the door unlock Sgt. then asked her to open the door and she rolled down the window. Sgt. smelled a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. Also there was a

redds apple ale beer in the consloe open. Sgt. then went around to the passenger because he was being very evasive and keep putting his hands down beside him Sgt. then asked him to

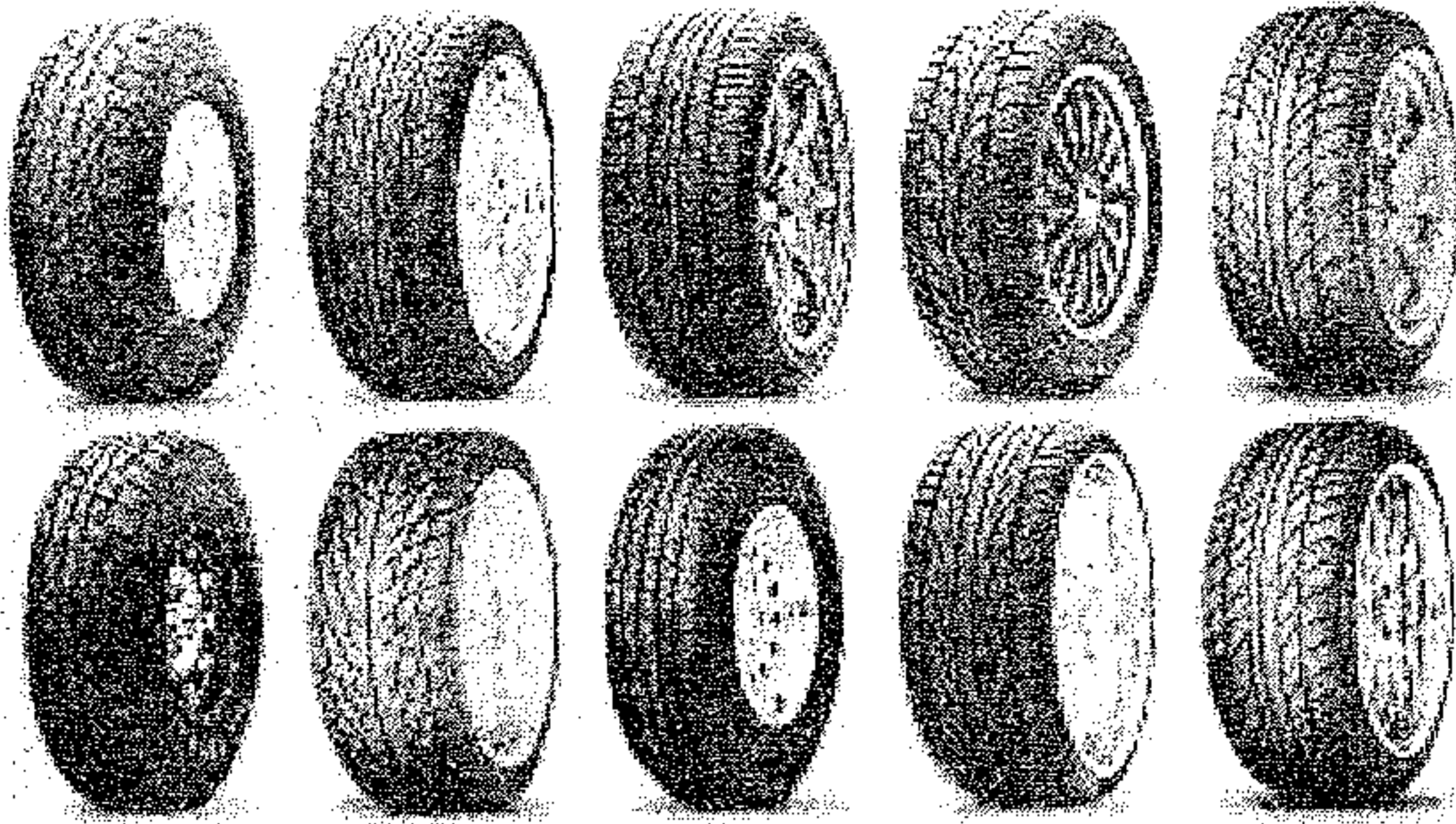
step out of the vehicle with his hands on his head. As he was exiting the vehicle he reached around to his side. Sgt. then pulled his weapon and advised him to put his hands on his head. Sgt. then placed him into cuffs and Deputy Langley did a pat down and found a Smith & Wesson 9mm in his waist band. He was later identified as Mr. Thames. Sgt. then ask the driver to perform field sobriety and she did consent and performed poorly on these task. Also in her purse was a baggy with a green leafy substance inside believed to be

marijuana. Sgt. then ran her TN ID and it came back suspended. Sgt. then placed her under arrest for DUI and transported her to the jail. Sgt. then read her a copy of the implied consent and she did consent to a blood draw at the ER.

Also at the jail Mr Thames was stripped searched and there was a baggy found in his groin area with a white powder substance. Also Mr. Thames gave several different name and was later identified as Isiah Mabin. Sgt. Jer-ramie Bowen LCSO, made the arrests.

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ICE

Jonathan Jones, 32, Dearmond Road Kingston, was charged with DUI, Simple Possession, and Violation of Implied Consent.

According to the report, Lt. David Flynn LCPD, responded to a possible drunk driver on Hwy 321 at Hwy 11. Officer observed a male in a 1998 Acura on

Hwy 321 was stopped at a red light at Hwy 11 in the middle lane to go straight, when the light turned green to go west on Hwy 11 the male ran the red light and turned west also.

Lt. Flynn stopped the vehicle and made contact with the driver identified as Jonathan Jones. Jonathan appeared to be under the influence of drugs.

Jonathan had large pupils, was twitching uncontrollably and could not stop moving.

Jonathan admitted to Officer to taking Adrol and had a prescription for Suboxone and Gabapentin. K -9 was on scene and alerted to the presence of drugs in the vehicle.

A search conducted and a blue metal container was in the front

seat and contained what appeared to be ICE or Methamphetamine. Substance tested positive for Amphetamina, also a 1 mg klonopin was located which Jonathan did not have a prescription for. Jonathan did poorly on sobriety test and placed under arrest.

Lt. David Flynn LCPD, made the arrest.

Suspended

Matthew Ferguson, 26, Harrison Road Lenoir City, was charged with Driving on Revoked License, and Poss. of Drug Para. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, observed a red vehicle traveling 54 in a 45 mph zone on Hines Valley Road. Upon stopping the vehicle Deputy identified the driver as Matthew Ferguson, who stated he was coming from a friend house. Matthew appeared to be nervous. Deputy ask if he had anything illegal in the vehicle he stated yes a bowl. Upon searching the vehicle Deputy also located a one inch straw with a white powder residue. Upon checking Matthew through dispatch it was revealed that Matthews license were suspended. Matthew was placed under arrest. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, made the arrest.

Police beat

Brian Dotson, 18, Old Sinking Creek Road Greenback, was charged with Domestic Assault, and Contributing to the Delinquency o a Minor. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, arrested Brian at Hwy 95 on two active Warrants and transported to Loudon Jail.

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Partners ctd from pg. 2

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An anti-violence group in North Carolina that works with a local police department to target the most violent offenders with focused messages about the impact of violence and offers to help them turn their lives around;

A marketing professional in Indiana who uses her expertise to help law enforcement solve cold cases, bringing justice for victims and ensuring closure for families;

A Florida doctor who works to facilitate cooperation and goodwill between the Sikh community and local law enforcement;

A Kentucky man who works to provide a full range of services to refugee and immigrant families moving into the city to help them successfully integrate into the community;

An Oklahoma wom-

an who has worked tirelessly on behalf of consumers—particularly seniors—who have been victimized by financial fraudsters; and

A California organization that offers a variety of prevention and intervention programs to support victims of human trafficking.

Comey noted the diversity of the Director's

Community Leadership Awards recipients—the “diversity of good in America,” he called it. He added, “I was struck by how many different people from different backgrounds, with different heritages and different traditions, were all doing good but in so many different ways.”

Police beat

Lennis Dyal, 37, Lucinda Drive Knoxville, was charged with Violation of Community Correction. Deputy Cheryl West LCSO, served a VOCC Warrant on Lennis at the Knox Co. Jail and transported to Loudon CO Jail.

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