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Wednesday, June 3, 2015

## Two charged with pills and more after stolen/lost purse found



Nelson Serrano



Dustin Potter (see Two pg. 4)

## Reckless driver nearly strikes patrol car during stop



Christopher Rogers (see DUI pg. 3)

## Teen charged with Walmart theft



Dalton Tinch (see Theft pg. 7)

## Speeding stop ends with lotsa charges



Ricky Smallen (see Charges pg. 5)

## Johnny White sentenced to 120 month on A-PVP Charges

Johnny White, 46, of Kingsport, Tenn., was sentenced by the Honorable R. Leon Jordan, U.S. District Judge, to serve 120 months in federal prison for his role in an extensive a-PVP (alpha-pyrrolidino-pentiophenone) distribution conspiracy centered in and around the Sullivan County area and for being a convicted felon in possession of ammunition. A-PVP is a synthetic drug which is commonly referred to on the street as "Gravel" or "Flakka." According to the plea agreement on file in U.S. District Court, White admitted that he conspired to distribute and was accountable for a conservative estimate of 1,800 grams of a-PVP between March 2012 and March 2014. Additionally, White maintained a dwelling in Kingsport, Tenn., for (see FBI pg. 5)

### Verse of the Day

We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. — 1 Thessalonians 1:3

### Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup**  
Thanks for all the encouragement Mike, Larry, Marty, Harry, Joe, Ricki, Jonathan, and all those who

believed.

### Weather

Today: Partly cloudy early. Scattered thunderstorms developing in the afternoon. High 82F. Tonight: Scattered thunderstorms in the evening.

Partly cloudy skies overnight. Low 61F. Thursday Partly cloudy skies. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High around 85F. Thursday Night A mostly clear sky. Low 64F.

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**Police beat**

Juaquin Lopez, 28, Riverview Drive Loudon, was charged with Domestic Assault. Officer Brandon Nix LPD, responded to Riverview Road to a possible domestic. Upon arrival Officer made contact with the victim who stated that her and her boyfriend Juaquin Lopez were separating. Victim stated

she had set Lopez's property on the front porch for him to pick up. As the subjects started talking they began to argue. Victim stated she went inside to get away from Lopez. Lopez fol-

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lowed victim inside. During the argument victim stated Lopez grabbed her by the throat and slammed her against the refrigerator. Officer did notice marks on victim. Juaquin Lopez was placed under arrest. Officer Brandon Nix LPD, made the arrest.

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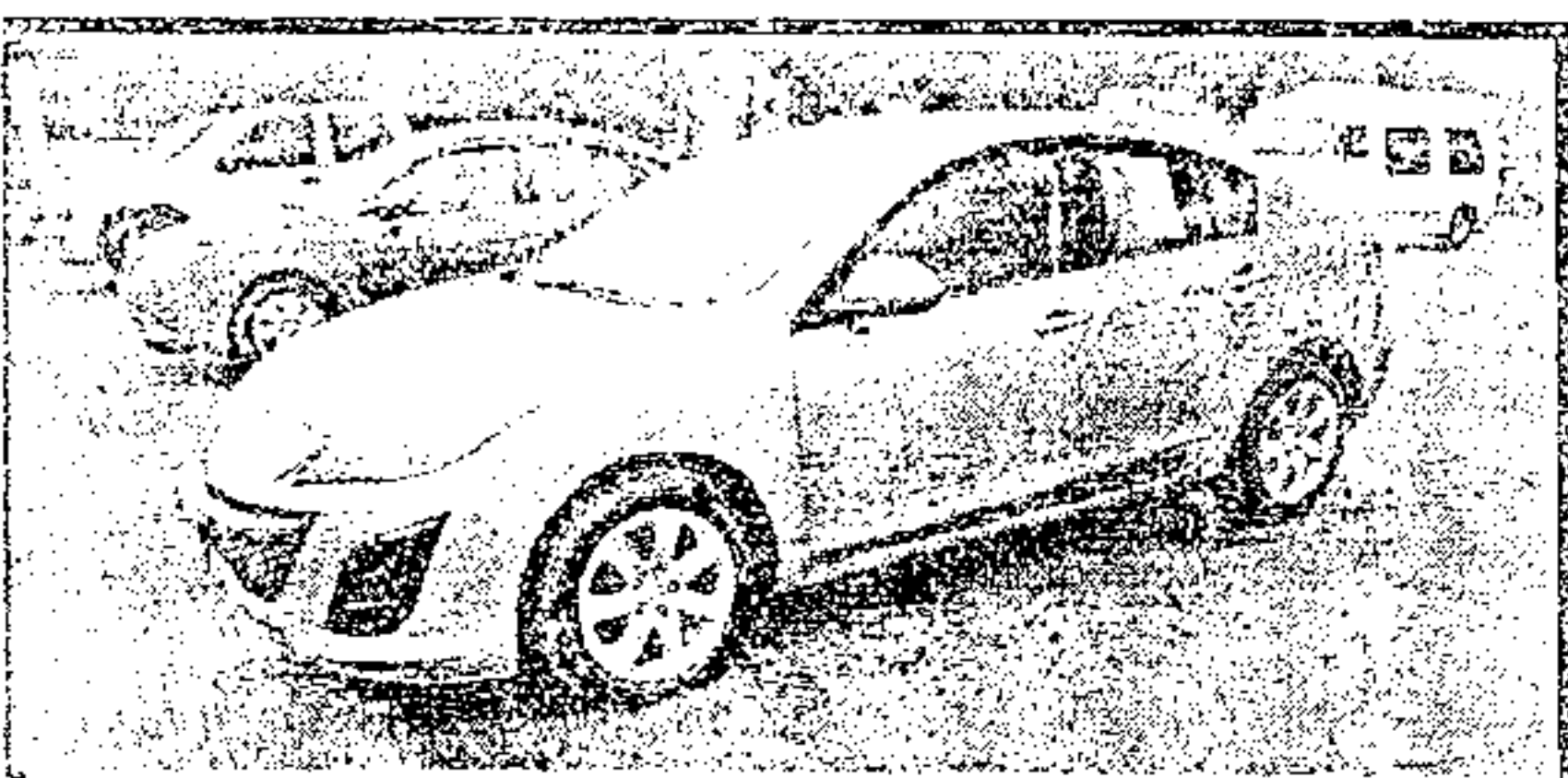
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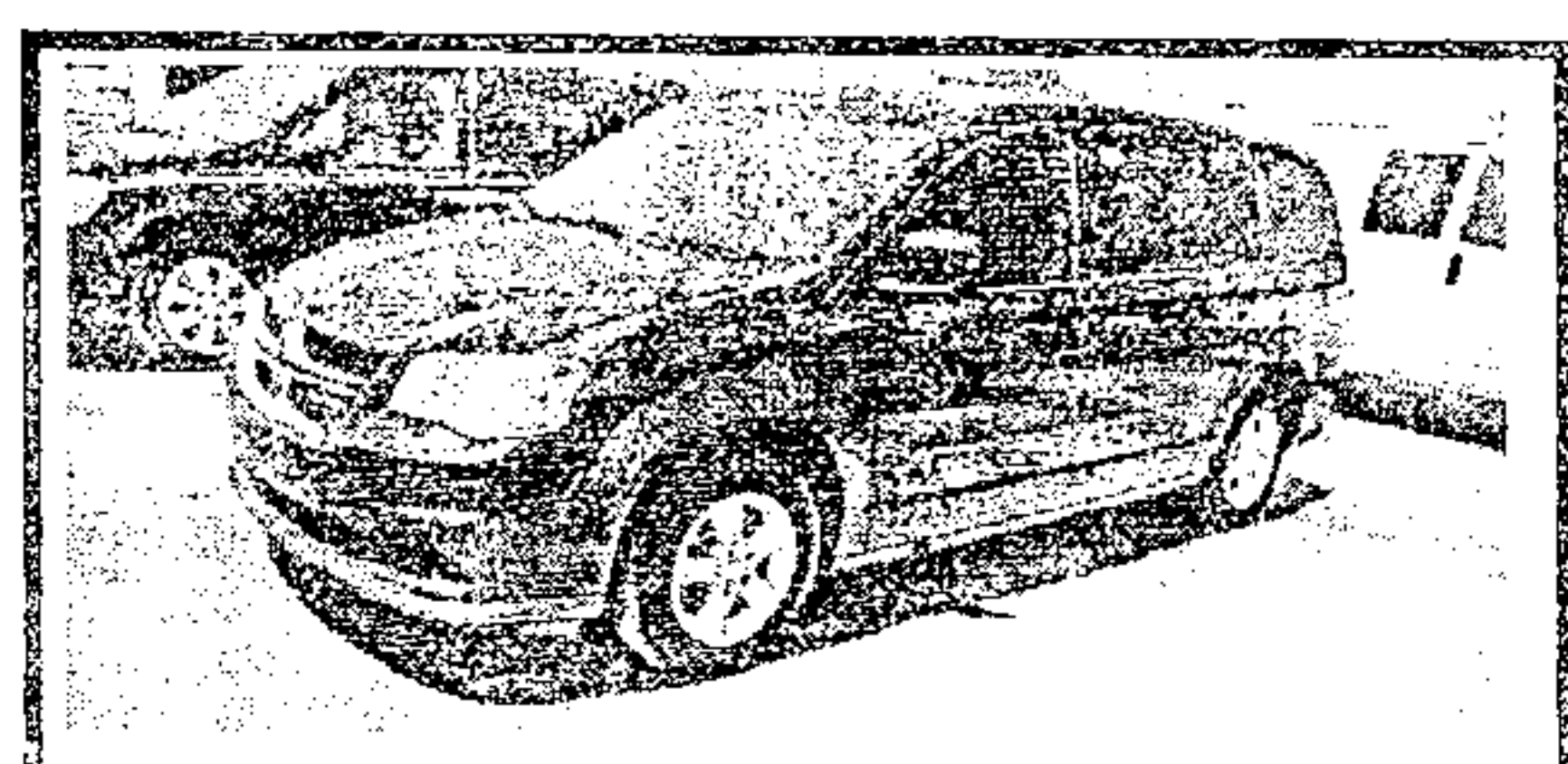
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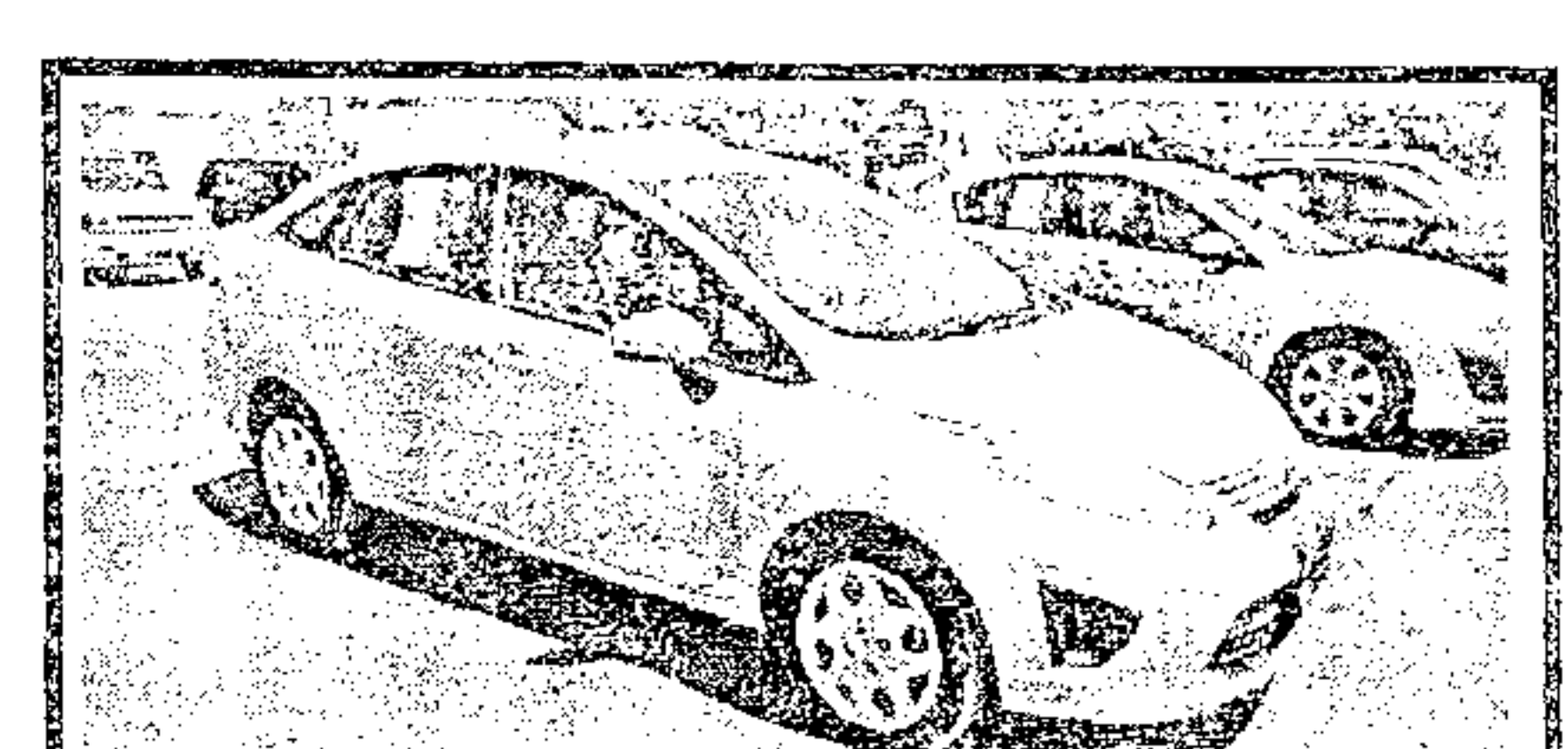
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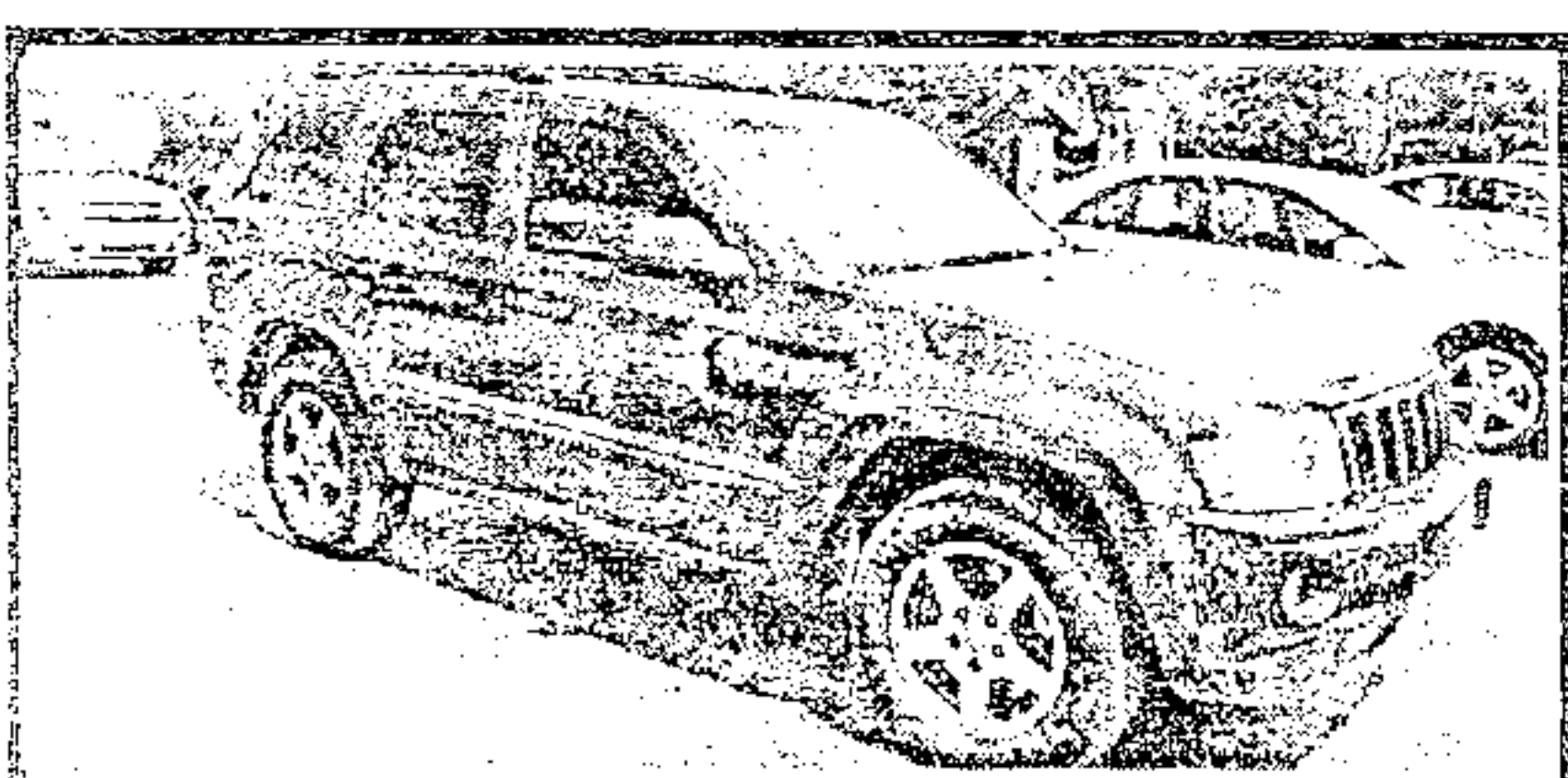
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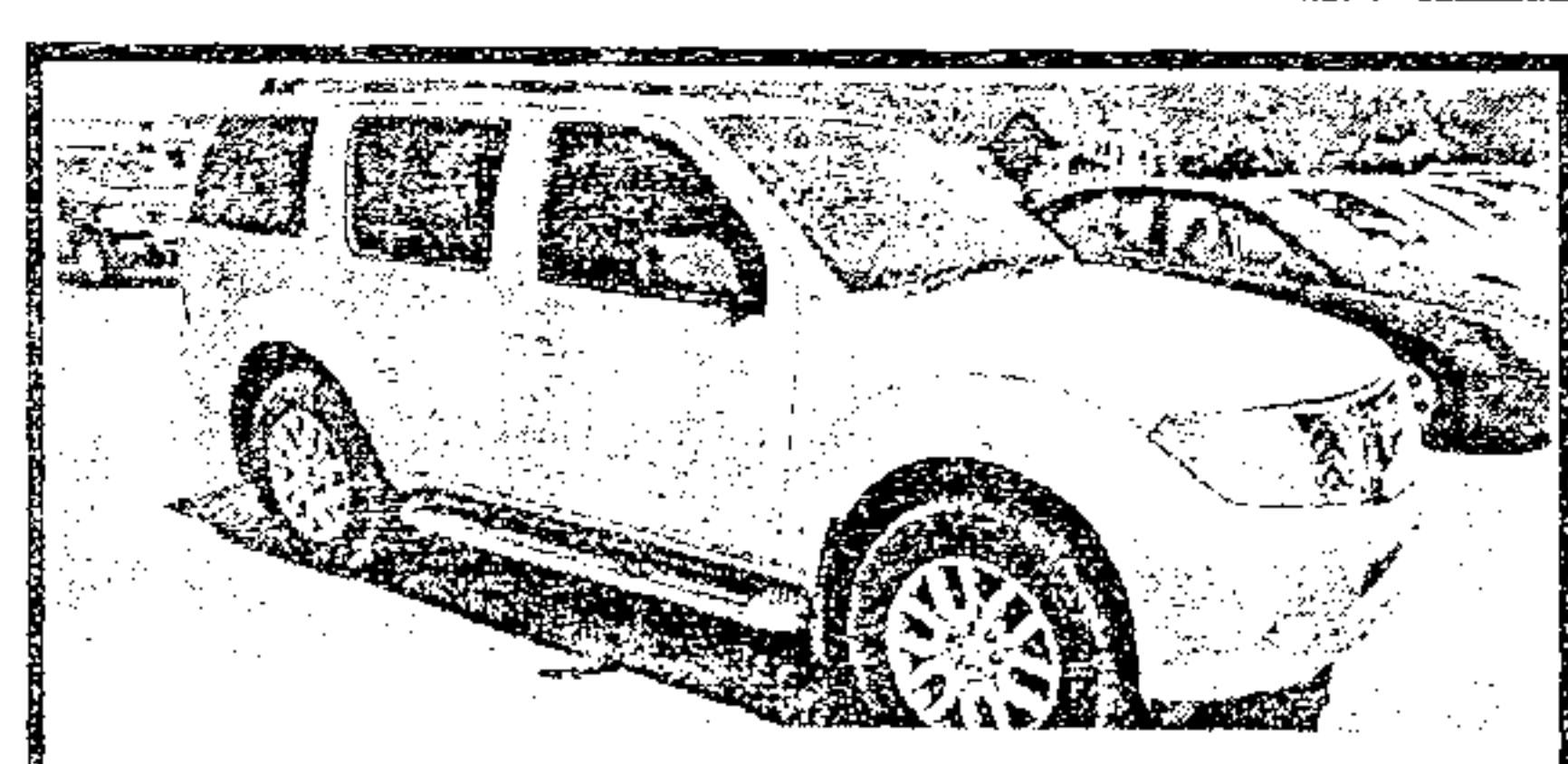
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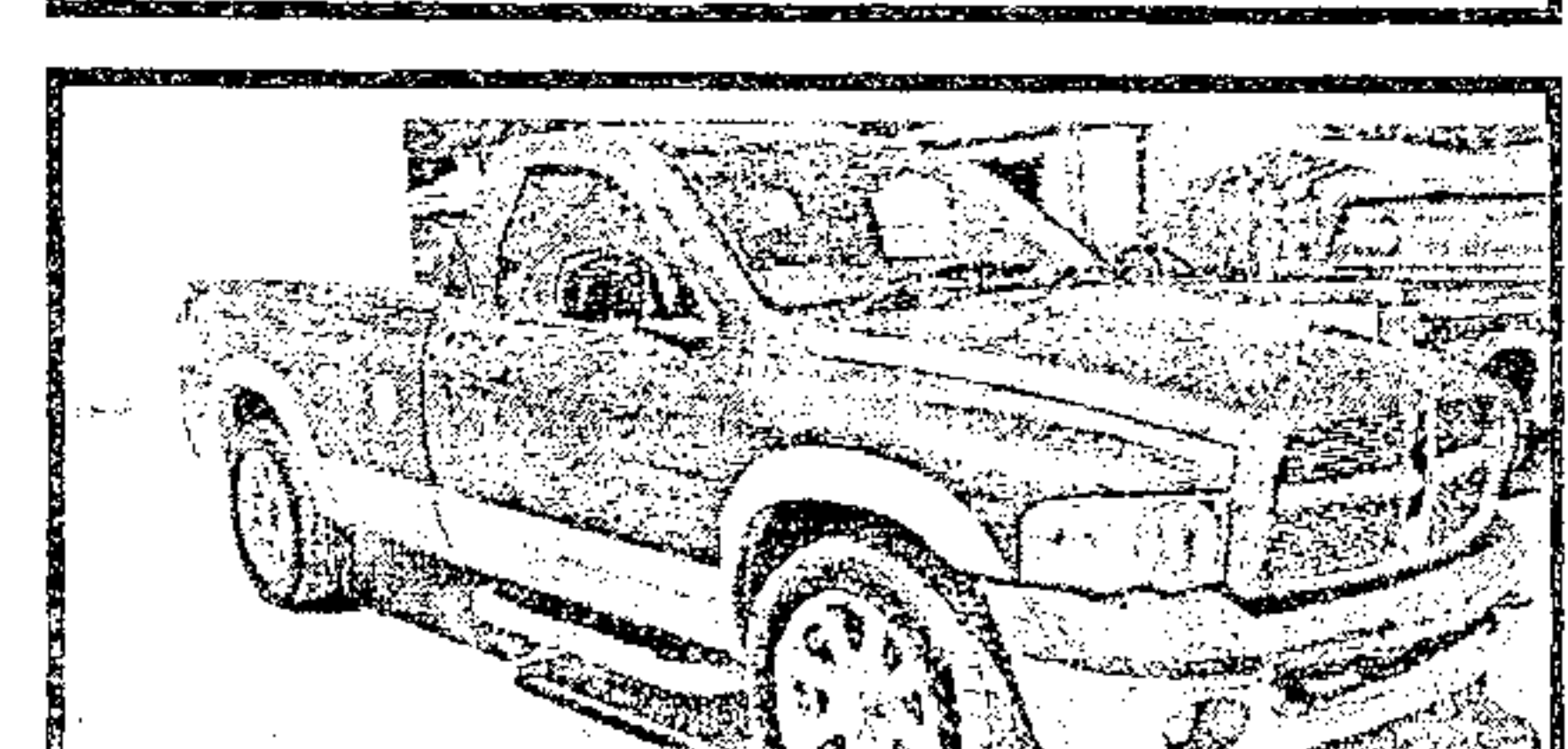
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**DUI**

Christopher Rogers, 36, HWY 411 Greenback, was charged with DUI, Poss. of Drug Para. and Simple Possession. Deputy Lance Anderson LCSO, was dispatched to a reckless driver call on Hwy. 95 in Greenback, TN. Deputy observed a gray Ford F250 traveling East in the West bound lane of Hwy. 95 near Hwy. 411 South. Upon traffic stop Deputy identified the driver as Christopher Rogers, the offender. The offender had slurred speech, extremely dilated pupils, and a white powdery substance on his swollen tongue. While Deputy was conducting my field interview the offender's vehicle began rolling backwards and almost struck my patrol vehicle. The offender acted as if he was confused and did not know what was happening. The

offender agreed to perform standard field sobriety. The offender performed poorly. The offender was taken into custody, read implied consent, and transported to Ft. Loudon ER for voluntary blood withdrawal. The offender was then transported to the Loudon County Jail without incident.

Upon inventorying the vehicle for tow Deputy Fagiana LCSO, found a prescription bottle without a label containing eight round green pills with markings M on one side and C14 on the other side. The pills are believed to be clonazepam which is a schedule IV narcotic.

The vehicle was towed by Malones Towing. Deputy Lance Anderson LCSO, made the arrest.

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Dustin Potter, 22, Sunset Drive Sweetwater, was charged with Legend Drug, Man/Sell, Del/Resale Sch. II. Poss. of a handgun while Under the Influence.

Nelson Serrano, 22, Pedigo Road Madisonville, was charged with Legend Drug, and Man/Sell/Del/Resale Sch. II Drug.

Deputy Jamie Ketner, LCSO, observed a red 2002 Mitsubishi Eclipse traveling 79mph in a 65 mph zone on I-75 Southbound near the 76MM. Deputy got behind the vehicle and saw cigarette being tossed from the passenger side. Deputy stopped the vehicle at the 72MM and identified the driver as Nelson Serrano and the passenger as Dustin Potter. Deputy smelled an odor of alcoholic beverage coming from inside the vehicle. Deputy asked the driver was there any firearms inside the vehicle and he stated "Yes". The passenger then opened the glove box and was reaching for a gun. Deputy asked him to shut the glove box and for both subjects to step out of the vehicle. Mr.Serrano stated that he had one beer and one shot at Cotton Eyed Joe's. Mr. Potter had an odor of alcoholic beverage on his person and stated that he had been drinking at the Cotton Eyed Joe's. Mr Potter also stated that the gun, CPX-1 9MM, belonged to him. Deputy retrieved the gun from the glove box and he retrieved several pills, two bottles (with no labels), a purse, and cards

in the passenger floor board. Mr.Serrano and Mr.Potter stated that the items did not belong to them, and that they found the purse in the parking lot at Cotton Eyed Joe's. The pills were identified as the following: (8) 325 Hydrocodone, (7) 20mg Prednisone, (28) 25mg Promethazine and (18) 100mg Doxycycline. There was a females ID inside the purse and Knox County attempted to make contact with her at her residence. Deputy arrested Potter for Possession Of a Gun while Under the Influence, possession of schedule II and Possession of Legend Drugs. Deputy arrested Mr Serrano for Possession of Schedule II and Possession of Legend Drugs. These above actions did occur in Loudon County, Tn. Deputy Halcomb, Deputy Burly and Deputy Fagino was on scene to assist. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, made the arrest.

**Obituaries**

Janet Lee "Jan" Bloom - age 63 of Lenoir City, TN peacefully in her sleep, went to be with her Lord on Monday, June 1, 2015. Jan was an active mem-

ber of Central United Methodist Church in Lenoir City. She was a loving and kind lady who fought lung disease with great courage. Jan retired from NHC Faragut where she was a Registered Nurse. Preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Mildred Baker. Jan is survived by her husband, Kenneth Bloom; sons, David Lee Cavanaugh and wife, Brittany, and Jeremy Cavanaugh; siblings, Jean Querciagrossa of Edmond, OK, Judy Baker of Cambridge, WS, Joyce Kessinger of Mendota, IL, Jill Fiorenza of South Beloit, IL, and Jim Baker of Westminster, CO; many nieces, nephews and other family members. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 6th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m. with Rev. Micah Nicolaus officiating. Family and friends will gather at 1 p.m. c.s.t. Monday, June 8th in the Centenary Cemetery in Lutts, TN for graveside services with Rev. Larry Liles officiating. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City, TN is in charge of arrangements.

Charles Eugene (Gene) McDonald 70, of Loudon, Tn a native of Loudon County, he was a son of the late Earnest and Grace McDonald. He was a retired from Maremont where he built and painted Cherry Bomb Mufflers. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his second wife, Frances C. McDonald, two brothers, Earnest J. McDonald and Doyle McDonald, his son, Darrell McDonald and his sister, Evelyn McDonald and special uncle and aunt, Homer and Minnie McDonald. Survivors, wife, Evelyn McDonald, five daughters, Debra Russell and

husband Buddy, Shannon Ridcnour, Lori Joslin and Kim Hembree, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, brother, James M.(Jimmy) McDonald and wife Tonya, sisters, Violet Millsaps, and Katheryne (Kathey) Sheehan and husband Melvin, several nieces and nephews. Funeral service 7 p.m. Sunday Loudon Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Gary Cook officiating Interment 1:30 p.m. Monday Corinth Cemetery Family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m Sunday prior to the service at Loudon Funeral Home. www.loudonfuneralhome.net

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

Loudon County Commission will meet in Workshop session on Monday, June 8, 2015, 6 PM at the County Office Building in Loudon.

Loudon County Budget Committee will meeting on Wednesday, June 24th, 4:30 PM at the County Office Building in Loudon.

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**Charges**

Ricky Smallen, 48, Steekee Creek Road Philadelphia, was charged with Simple Poss. x2, Driving on Revoked License, and Poss. of Drug Para. Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, in car radar registered a blue vehicle traveling 65 in a 45 mph zone on Steekee Road.

Deputy Cody Fritts

LCSO, observed the vehicle turn off Steekee onto Macadonia Rd. Deputy observed the vehicle leave the roadway and run into the grass. Deputy conducted traffic stop and made contact with Ricky Smallen. Upon checking Ricky license thru dispatch revealed his license were revoked. Deputy could smell the odor of mari-

juana coming from the vehicle. Ricky admitted to Deputy he had some Marijuana. During a search Deputy found a baggie of marijuana and a baggie of 2 white pills identified as hydrocodone. A plastic straw with a white residue was also found. Ricky was placed under arrest. Deputy Cody Fritts LCSO, made the arrest.

**FBI**

the purpose of using and distributing a-PVP. Multiple searches of this dwelling by Kingsport police officers resulted in seizures of a-PVP and/or items of drug paraphernalia.

In October 2013, during the search of a vehicle in Kingsport, with a loaded .32 caliber handgun located underneath the passenger seat where White was

seated. Officers also located eight .32 caliber rounds of ammunition, a set of digital scales and other items of drug paraphernalia on his person and in his jacket pocket.

Others involved in this a-PVP trafficking investigation include Austin Michael Stallard, Johnny Michael Stallard and Phillip Wayne Mullins, who were sentenced to serve 121 months, 180 months and 151 months in federal prison respectively. White's sentence of 120 months was ordered to run consecutively with his state sentences from Hawkins and Sullivan counties.

Law enforcement agencies participating in the investigation include the Drug Enforcement Administration; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives; Department of Homeland Security Investigations; Sullivan County Sheriff's Office; Kingsport Police Department; Hawkins County Sheriff's Department; Johnson City Police Department; Greeneville, Tennessee Police Department; Hendersonville, North Carolina Police Department; and Scott County, Virginia Sheriff's Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Wayne Taylor represented the United States.

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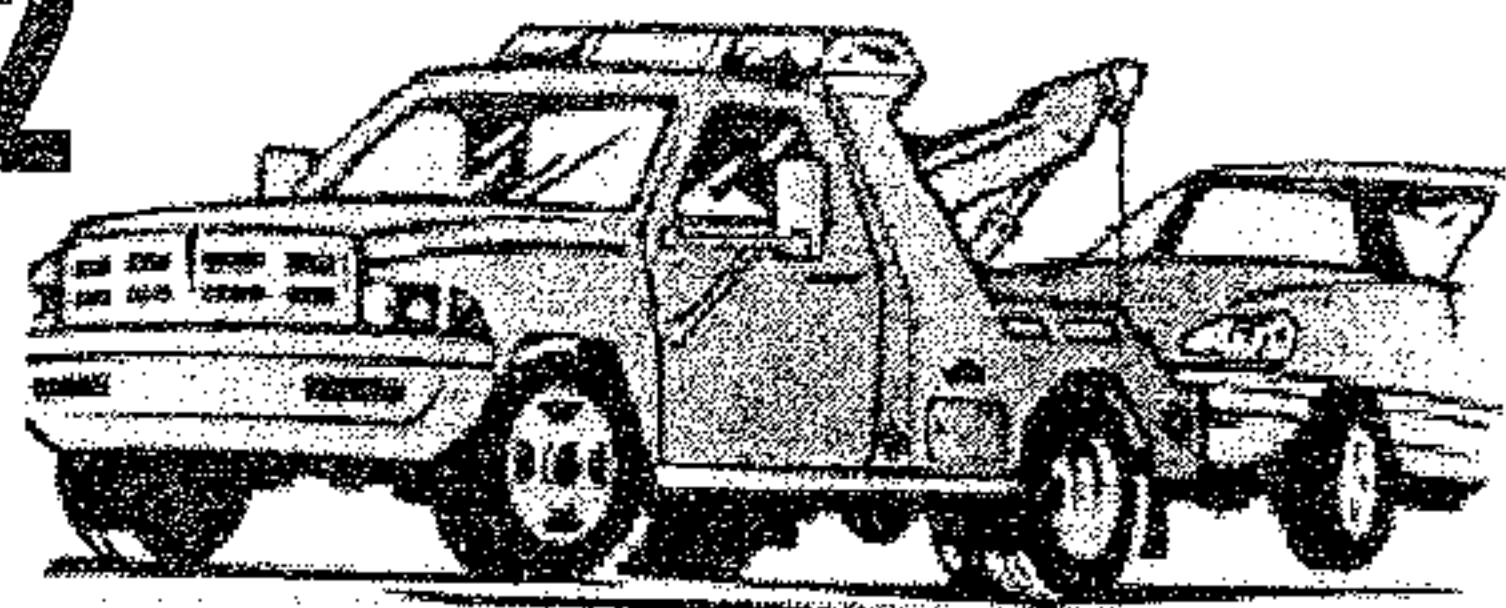
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**Theft**

Dalton Tinch, 18, Zunstien Street Rockwood, was charged with Theft of Property. Officer Nick Halsey LCPD, responded to a shoplifter at Walmart. Officer made contact with Dalton Tinch who was observed by Loss Prevention taken items without paying. Officer Nick Halsey LCPD, made the arrest.

**Police beat**

Stephen Ziglar, 30, Reeds Springs Road Philadelphia, was charged with Driving on Revoked/Suspended License.

Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, observed a black Chevrolet S10 traveling North

on Spring Street. Deputy observed the driver of the vehicle was not wearing his seatbelt. Deputy stopped the vehicle on Spring Street at Knox Street. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Stephen Bradley Ziglar. Deputy asked Mr. Ziglar for his license, registration, and insurance. Mr. Ziglar stated that he did not have his license on him. Deputy ran Mr. Ziglar by name and date of birth though dispatch. Dispatch advised that Mr. Ziglar's license were suspended for failure to satisfy citation. Mr. Ziglar was placed under arrest for driving on a suspended license and transported to the Loudon County Jail. Mr. Ziglar was also cited for not wearing his seatbelt. Deputy

Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

**IHSAN AL-AMIN SENTENCED TO 100 MONTH IN PRISON FOR ILLEGALLY DISPENSING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

On June 1, 2015, Ihsaan Al-Amin, 64, of Smyrna, Ga., was sentenced by the Honorable Curtis L. Collier, U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 100 months in prison, followed by two years of supervised release. In November 2013, Dr. Al-Amin pleaded guilty to a one count bill of information charging him with illegally dispensing controlled substances and two counts of an indictment charging him with tax evasion.

Al-Amin operated the O'Neil Pain Clinic in Chattanooga until 2010, when a joint law enforcement investigation revealed that he had illegally prescribed thousands of pills containing opiates and, during 2005 and 2006, significantly

under-reported his taxable income on his tax returns.

Agencies involved in this joint investigation included the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation (IRS-CI), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Tennessee

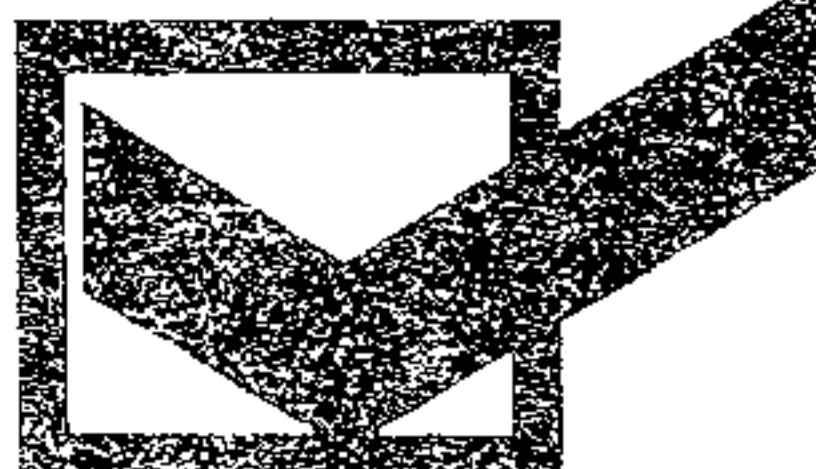
Bureau of Investigation (TBI), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, and Tennessee State Health Related Boards. Assistant U.S. Attorney James Brooks represented the United States.

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