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Monday, September 28, 2015

Boat parts stolen in theft; trail leads back to thief's residence

Ricky Powell, 40, Jackson Bend Road Greenback, was charged with Theft of Property. Deputies received a phone call of someone stealing part off a pontoon boat located on Hwy 321. Upon arrival Deputy Bobby Hamilton LCSO, found Ricky Powell in possession of aluminum rails that

(see Theft pg. 7)



Andrew Kotronias

Two different domestics end with charges for assailants



Freddy Sanchez
(see Sanchez pg. 4)



Sherry Greer
(see Greer pg. 4)

Con Man sentenced in Fraud case; Promised luxury cars but rarely delivered

It's a cautionary consumer tale that's been around forever: In an attempt to get a deal on something that sounds too good to be true, the customer gets the shaft instead.

That's just what happened in the case of a luxury car salesman in Tennessee who used a website to advertise below-market prices on a variety of expensive vehicles. Not only did he not deliver the vehicles ordered by many of

his customers, he also kept all or part of the fees they paid him in advance.

The perpetrator's scam, however, eventually caught up with him—as did law enforcement—and this summer, Memphis resident Michael Brown was sentenced to more than six years in federal prison after pleading guilty to mail and wire fraud.

Brown was the sole owner and chief executive officer of Valkry

(see Sentenced pg. 3)

Victim taken to hospital after beating



Enrique Patino-Corona
(see Assault pg. 5)

Man charged after stealing car on test drive



Thornton Elmore

(see Theft pg. 2)

Verse of the Day

[The apostle Paul said] "God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us." — Acts 17:27

Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup**

Glad to see good improvements happening all around the county it's long overdue in some areas that's for sure.

Weather

Today: Cloudy skies. High 81F. Tonight: Partly cloudy skies early will give way to occasional showers later during the night. Low 66F. Tuesday Cloudy skies early, then partly cloudy in the afternoon. High around 80F. Tuesday Night Cloudy skies

early followed by scattered showers and thunderstorms later during the night. Low around 65F.

Horoscopes
Libra 9/23-10/22

If your resources are stretched too thin today

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Theft

Thornton Elmore, 38, Boone Hill Court Knoxville, was charged with Theft of Property.

According to the report, On 7/31/14 Thornton did take a vehicle from Friendly Auto valued at 6800.00 dollars and did not return the vehicle after a test drive.

According to the warrant, Investigator Kevin Condee LCPD, conducted an investigation and issued Warrant for Thornton. On 9/23/15 Deputy Daniel Ferguson LCSO, transported Thornton from the Bledsoe Co Sheriff Dept. to the Loudon Jail, where Deputy Chance Gray served Thornton with the theft Warrant.

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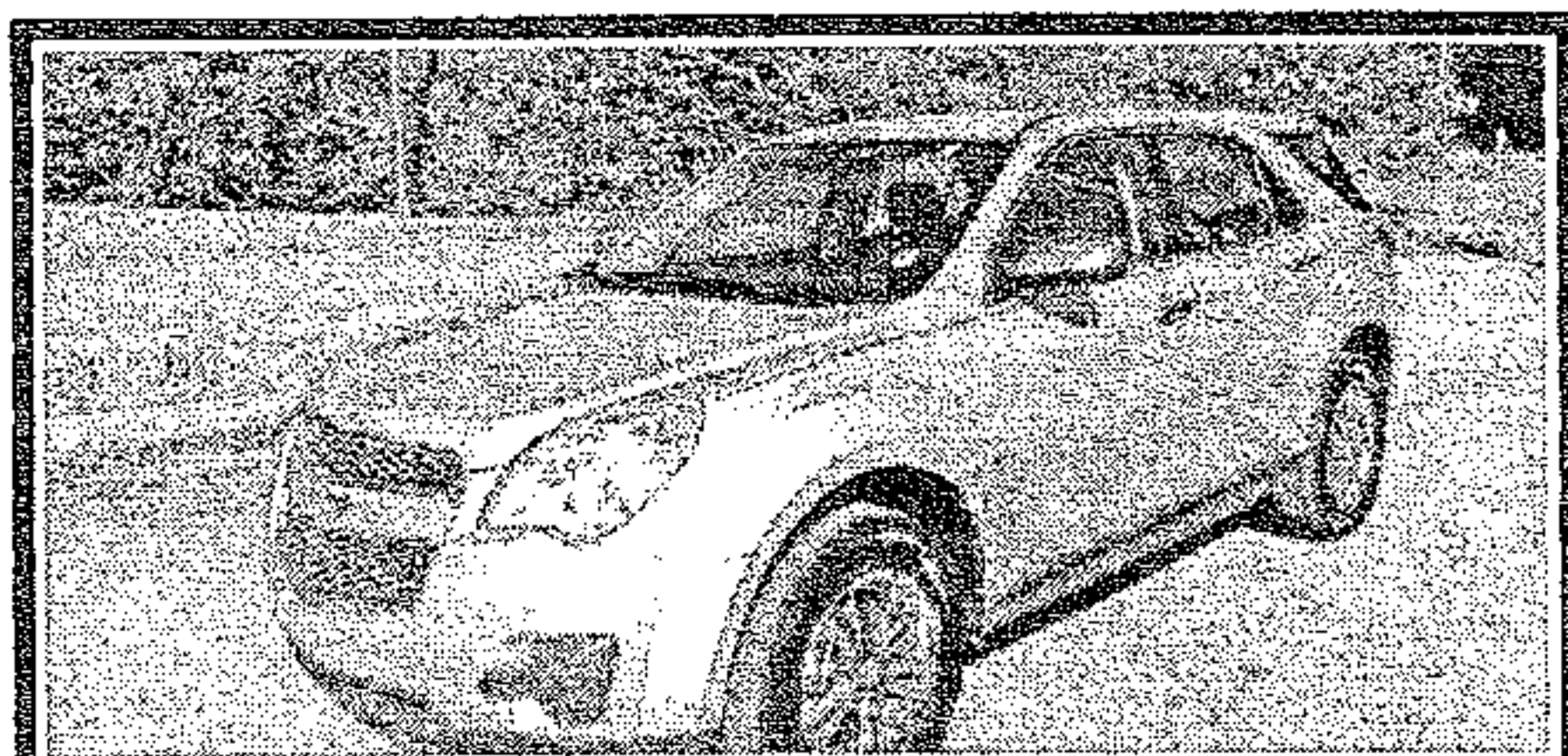
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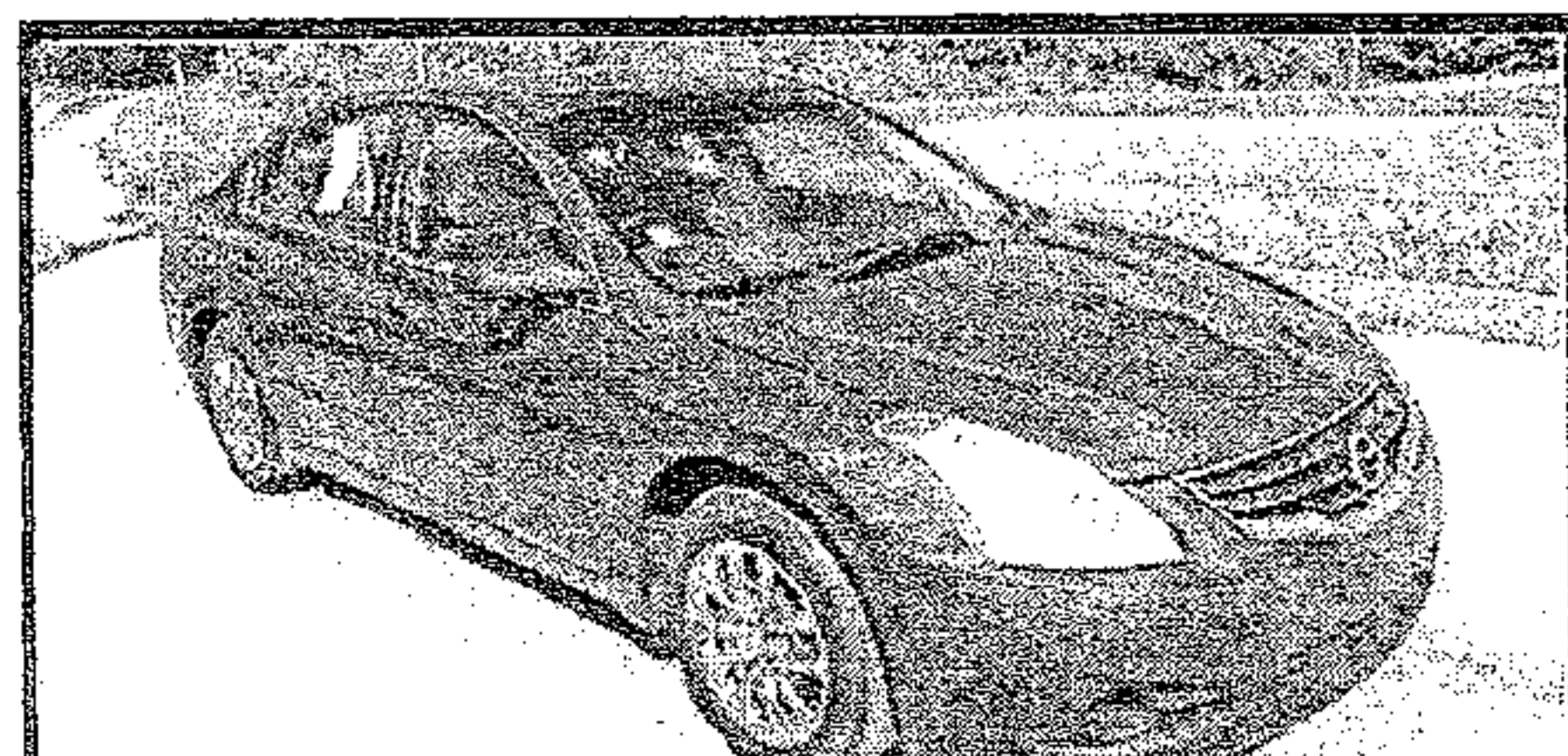
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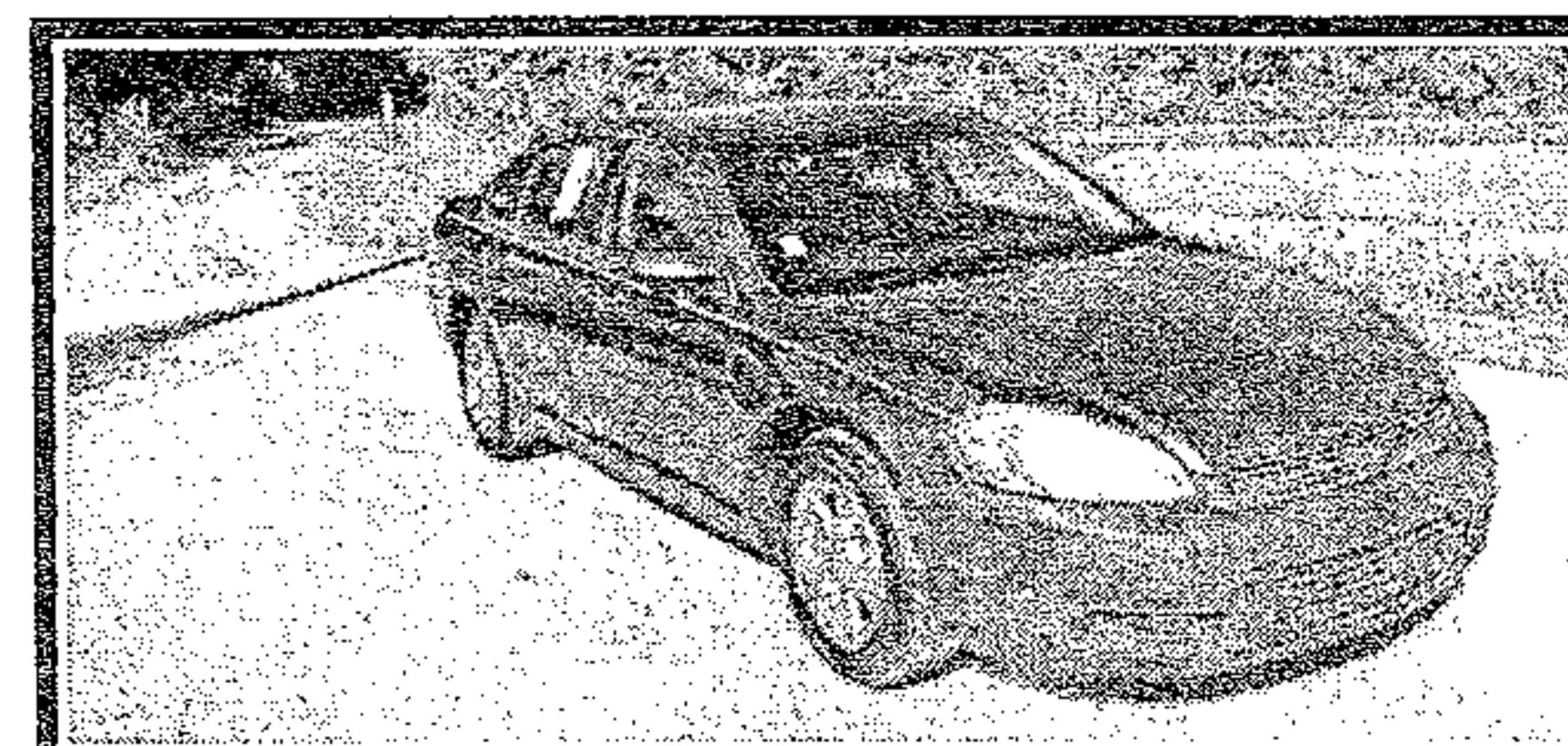
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Sentenced

Corporation, a company incorporated in the state of Georgia in 2009 that maintained a website selling luxury cars—it had no showroom. The FBI began looking into Brown's operation in 2011 on the heels of a more than \$1 million civil lawsuit filed by one of his customers—an international luxury car seller based in China—for failing to deliver 16 vehicles the company had paid for by transferring funds into Valkry bank accounts in the U.S.

A significant portion of the investigation, which was conducted by the FBI's Memphis Field Office, was spent analyzing Brown's personal and business financial records. And by reviewing these records, investigators were able to identify some of Brown's victims, conduct interviews with them, and collect additional evidence. For example:

In late 2012, a luxury car dealership in the United Kingdom placed an order with Valkry for multiple vehicles, with the understanding that the cars would be delivered to them. The company wired more than half a million dollars to a

U.S. bank account in Maine under Brown's control. He transferred the funds to his company account in Memphis and then used the money for personal expenses and to buy and trade vehicles which he sold or leased to other customers. Not a dime was spent on behalf of the U.K. company that ordered the vehicles.

In the summer of 2013, a Tennessee man who had seen Valkry's website negotiated with Brown about the price of a luxury car. The man financed a loan through a credit union and paid Brown for the full amount of the car. Needless to say, the customer never got the car. And Brown used the check for personal and business expenses.

How was Brown able to carry on the scam for several years? According to the Memphis FBI agent who investigated the case, he was a likeable con man and very smart. To make a money trail harder to follow, he set up a number of bank accounts in different parts of the country, using third parties to open the accounts and to purchase some of his vehicles for him. Said the agent, "He was ex-

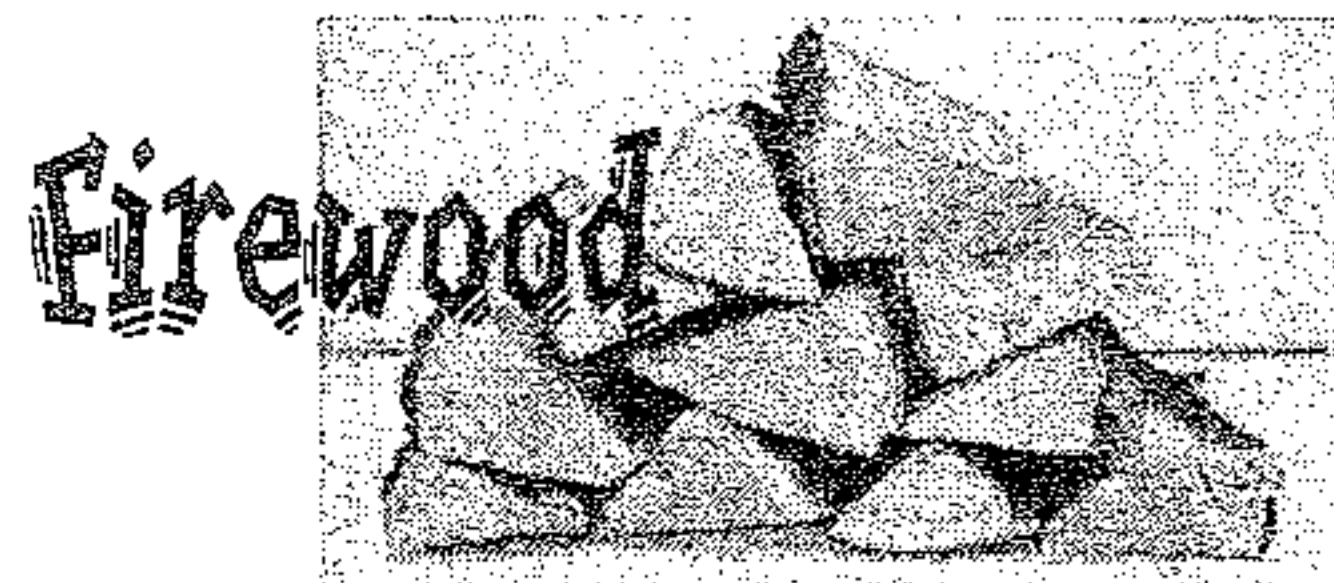
tremely clever in his movement of funds and assets. I often didn't find out about new accounts he opened until the money was gone."

But eventually, investigators were able to piece together what Brown was doing, which our agent likened to a Ponzi scheme: Brown used money from newer customers to issue partial or full refunds to previous customers. (see Sentenced pg. 8)

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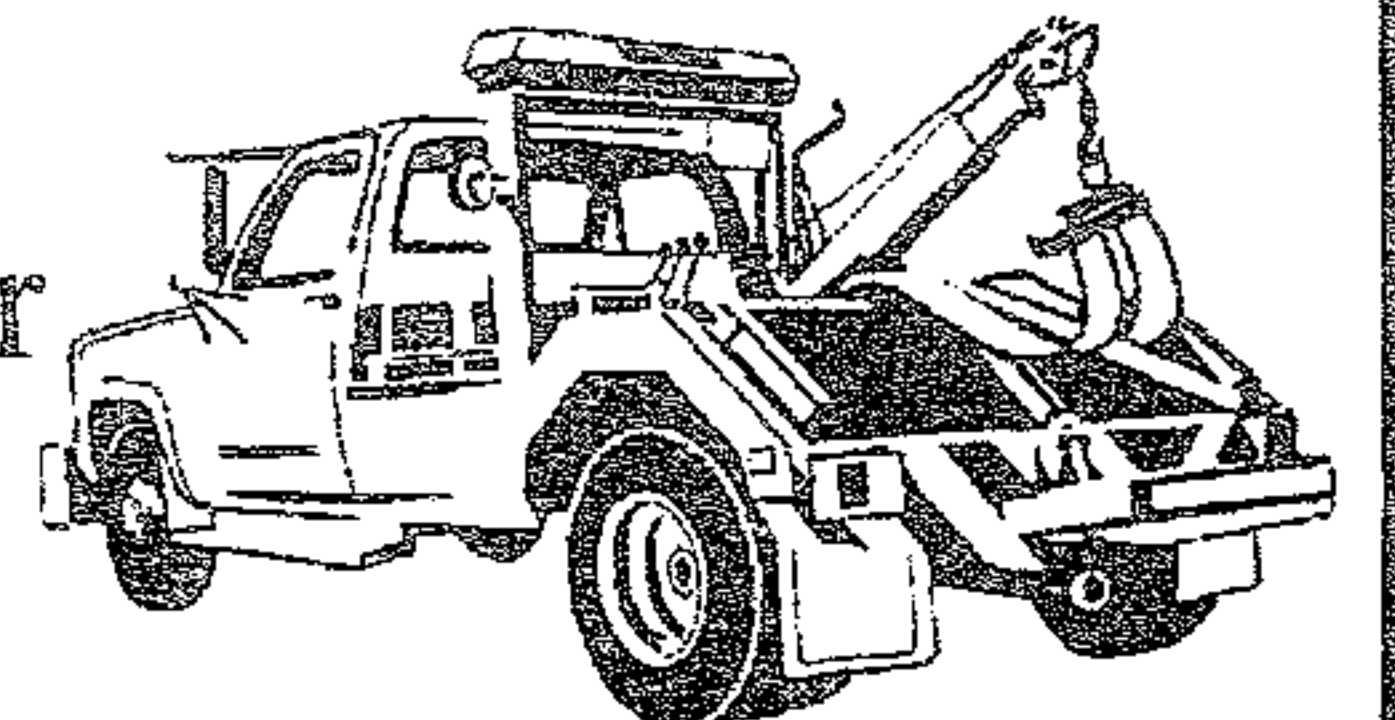
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Sanchez

Freddy Sanchez, 32, E Lee Hwy Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault. Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, responded to a report of a domestic assault. Deputy spoke with the victim and witness. Victim stated that Freddy Sanchez went to the ER due to his child falling. Victim facebook a friend and told what was happening. Freddy found the message and became angry. Victim stated Freddy started accusing her of cheating and threatened to kill her. When they arrived home from ER Freddy pushed the victim on the couch. Witness arrived at the residence and stated they tried to leave and Freddy grabbed victim twisted her arm and pushed her out of the vehicle. Freddy was deemed the primary aggressor and placed under arrest. Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, 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 Sheriffs 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.

Greer

Sherry Greer, 56, Mountain View Road Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO,

was dispatched to a verbal altercation at Mountain View Road. When Deputy arrived on scene and made contact with the victim, who stated she and her roommate Sherry Greer had been in a verbal altercation. Victim stated that Sherry was yelling and screaming at her because victim stated that the dog bite her yesterday. Victim stated she told Sherry she was going to move out because Sherry was very abusive. Victim stated Sherry told her she had to stay till October, victim stated she was not staying till then. Sherry stated she was going to throw victim stuff out of the residence and started walk-

ing down the hallway. Sherry turned around and pushed victim in the chest. Sherry was deemed the primary aggressor and placed under arrest. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

Police beat

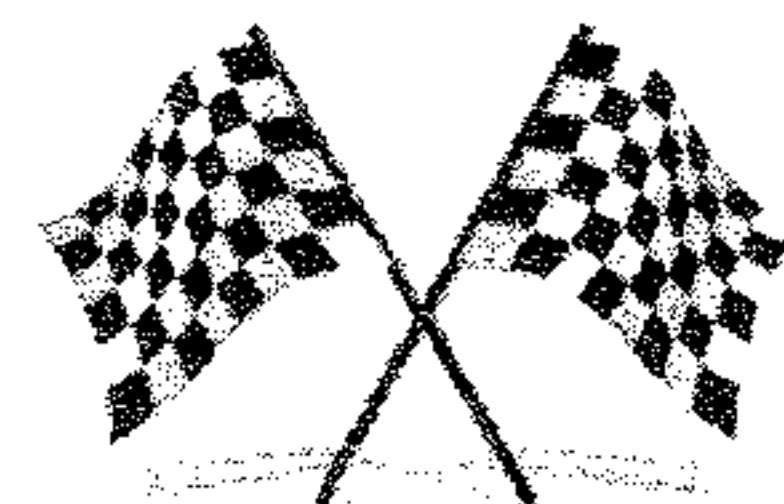
Lisa White, 51, East Crest View Drive, Madisonville, was charged with violation of probation. Cpl. David Bearden LCSO, served a VOP Warrant at the Loudon CO Jail

Brian Gann, 28, Sevannee Street Harri-man, was charged with Violation of Probation. Officer Jason Arden LCPD, served a VOP Warrant on Brian at the Loudon Jail.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lenoir City Utilities Board (LCUB) will have a Special Called Meeting on Monday, September 28, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the LCUB Main Office Building located at 200 Depot Street, Lenoir City, Tennessee 37771. The purpose of the meeting is as follows:

1. Consideration of approving the Minutes from the September 21, 2015 Board Meeting.
2. Consideration of approving the budgets for the construction of the LCUB Operations and Lenoir City Event Center Buildings.
3. Consideration of approving the Contract with Merit Construction for the construction of the LCUB Operations and Lenoir City Event Center Buildings.



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Assault

Enrique Patino-Corona, 33, Bussell Ferry Road Lenoir City, was charged with Aggravated Assault.

According to the report, Officer Mike Newman LPD, received a call of a domestic occurring at Maremont Pkwy. Upon arrival Officer came in contact with the victim who was bleed-

ing from her nose and mouth. Victim advised that Enrique had struck her several times in the face.

Upon arrival, Enrique had fled the scene. Victim was transported to FT. Loudon ER for treatment of fractures to her face. Enrique returned to the scene and was placed under arrest.

Officer Mike Newman LPD, made the arrest.

Obits ctd. from pg. 4

Scott E. Fray - age 55 of Knoxville passed away Tuesday, September 22, 2015. Scott was a member of Parkwest Church. He loved the Lord and to minister through song. Scott was an avid outdoorsman, he loved hunting, waterskiing, and U. T. football. Most of all Scott loved his family. He was an electrician for 25 years, however for the last 12 years served as vice-president for QHI Group, Inc. Preceded in death by his parents, George W.

Fray and Geraldine Fray. Survived by his wife of 37 years, Cheri Milligan Fray; children: daughter, Summer Joy Fray Zeller and husband, Nick, son, Scott E. Fray, Jr. and wife, Christa, daughter, Vanessa Lynn Fray Brown and husband, Brian; grandchildren: Bradly Fray, Kaden Fray, Justin Brown, Braeden Fray, Scott E. Fray III, Savannah Brown, and Peyton Fray; sister, Sandra Lee French and husband, Bob; brother, Skeeter Fray and wife, Sonja; many nieces and nephews; mother-in-law,

Joanna Milligan, and four legged companion, Molly Sue. The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. Monday, September 28th at Parkwest Church, 7635 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville, TN 37909. A celebration of life will follow at 7 p.m. A private interment will be held in the Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lost Sheep Ministry, 1444 Breda Drive, Knoxville, TN 37918. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements for the family of Scott Fray.

Telisha Danielle McCord - age 31 of Lenoir City passed away Tuesday, September 22, 2015. Telisha was of the Baptist faith. She was a loving mother. Telisha loved living life to the fullest. Preceded in death by her sister, Devia Nicole McCord; grandparents, James E. Costner and Frederick Richardson; step mother, Sandy McCord; great grandmothers, Louise Phillips and Ruby Johnson. Survived by her children, Alyssa Henry, Braylen McCord, Bryson McCord, Brody McCord, Abriana McCord and Isabella Tolle; mother, Denise Revis of Lenoir City; father, James McCord of Jacksboro; grandparents, Jeanette Costner and Jeff Adams, Barbara Giles; step father, Jack Revis; brother, Aaron McCord and wife, Kala; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins, and significant other, Justin Bright. She may be gone but he won't be forgotten. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, September 27th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 4 p.m. with Rev. Brad McCall and Rev. Ivan Goodman officiating. Burial will follow in the Loudon Co. Memorial Gardens. Serving as pallbearers, James McCord, Aaron McCord, Brock Johnson, Edward Tolle, Joseph Tolle, Kenny Palmer and Tony McCord. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

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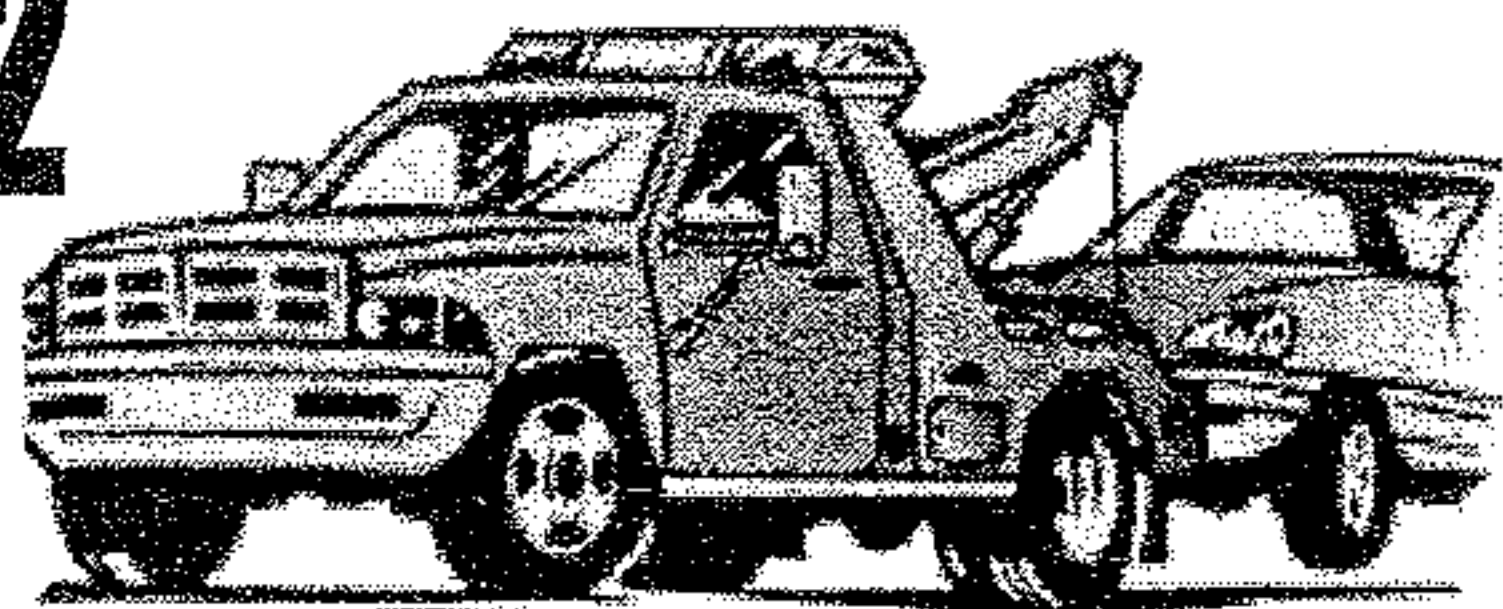
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Theft

appeared to be from an older pontoon boat. With further investigation from Investigator Jeff Russell LCSO, the boat that the rails came from belonged to the victim. Inv. was able to follow a trail from the storage back to the residence at Jackson Bend and found several pieces that matched the boat. Victim did not give anyone permission to take the parts. Investigator Jeff Russell Issued Warrants. Deputy Bobby Hamilton LCSO, made the arrest.

Officer nearly struck by DUI driver

Travis Kirby, 32, Williamsburg Drive Knoxville, was charged with DUI.

Officer Jonathan Yates LPD, responded to a suspicious vehicle call that turned into a possible intoxicated driver call. Caller stated a beige vehicle was traveling south on Hwy 11 and making several erratic moves. The vehicle in question crossed the center line in front of Officer and he had to take evasive action to avoid a collision. Officer turned around and observed the vehicle cross the center line again. Offi-

cer stopped the vehicle at the Family Dollar, and identified the driver as Travis Kirby. Travis was lethargic and trouble communicating with Officer Travis stated that he had a cocktail and had taken medication including, hydrocodone, flexaril, and a sleep aid. Travis was unsteady on his feet and could not perform field sobriety test. Travis was placed under arrest. Officer Jonathan Yates LPD, made the arrest.



Travis Kirby

Police beat

Allyson Fliegner, 34, Newbert Springs Road Knoxville, was charged with Violation of Probation. Cpl. David Bearden LCSO, served a VOP Warrant on Allyson at the Loudon Co. Jail.

Tristen Hamirani, 29, Charles Seviars Blvd Clinton, was charged

with Violation of Probation.

Deputy Chance Gray LCSO, served a VOP Warrant on Tristen at the Loudon Co Jail.

Mark Stevens, 18, Homeless, was charged with Failure to Appear. Officer Bruce Padgett LCPD, served a FTA Warrant on Mark at the Loudon Jail.

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 ers, or to purchase cars to sell to other customers, all while using a large portion of his customers' money to support his own lavish lifestyle.

Even the possibility of going to jail didn't slow Brown's criminal activities down: Advised that he was the focus of a federal investigation in July 2012, he continued to ply his trade. For his last criminal act, committed shortly after his guilty plea in February 2015, Brown managed

to swindle a quarter of a million dollars from a well-known former National Basketball Association player who was looking for a deal on a luxury car.

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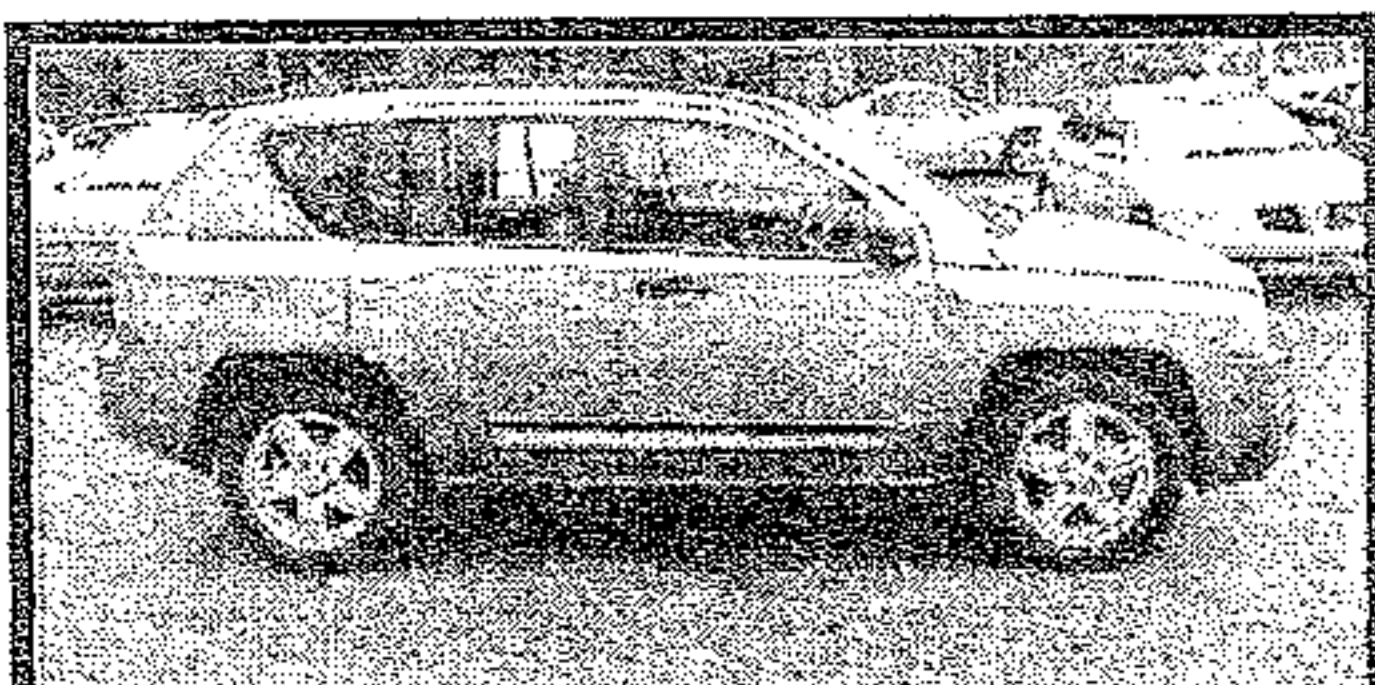
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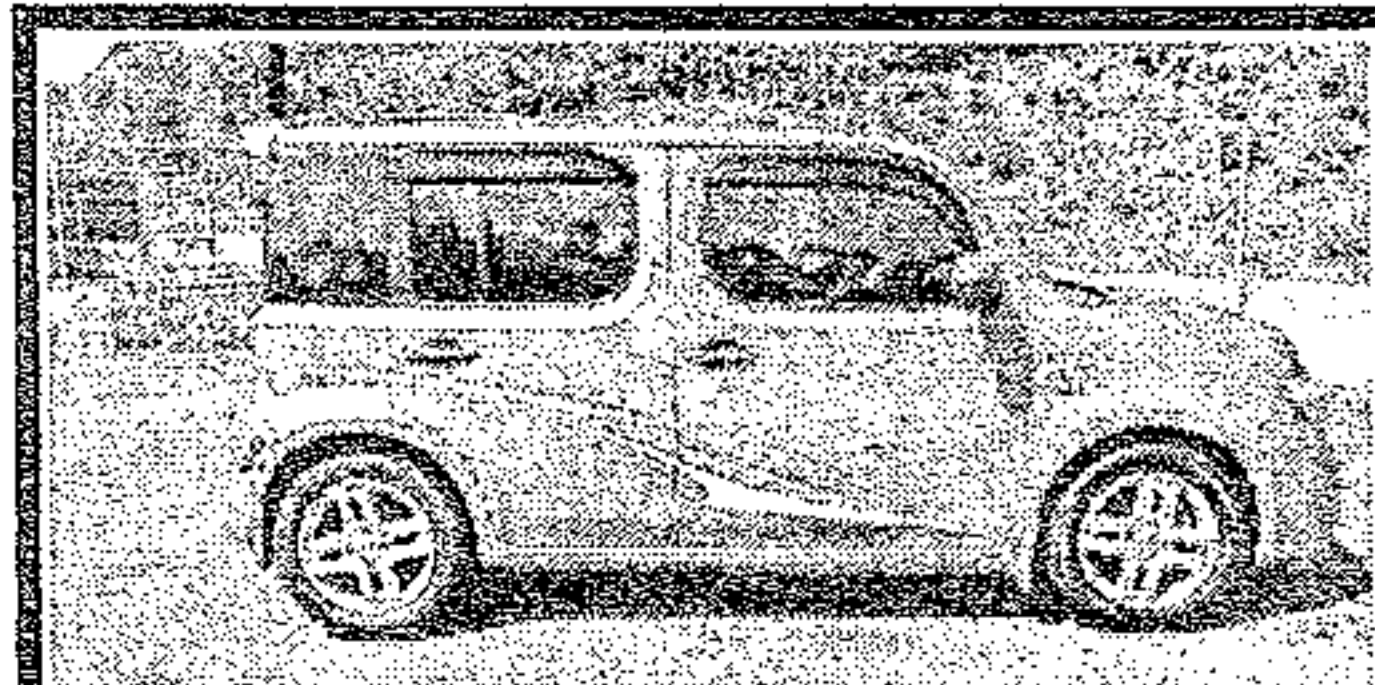
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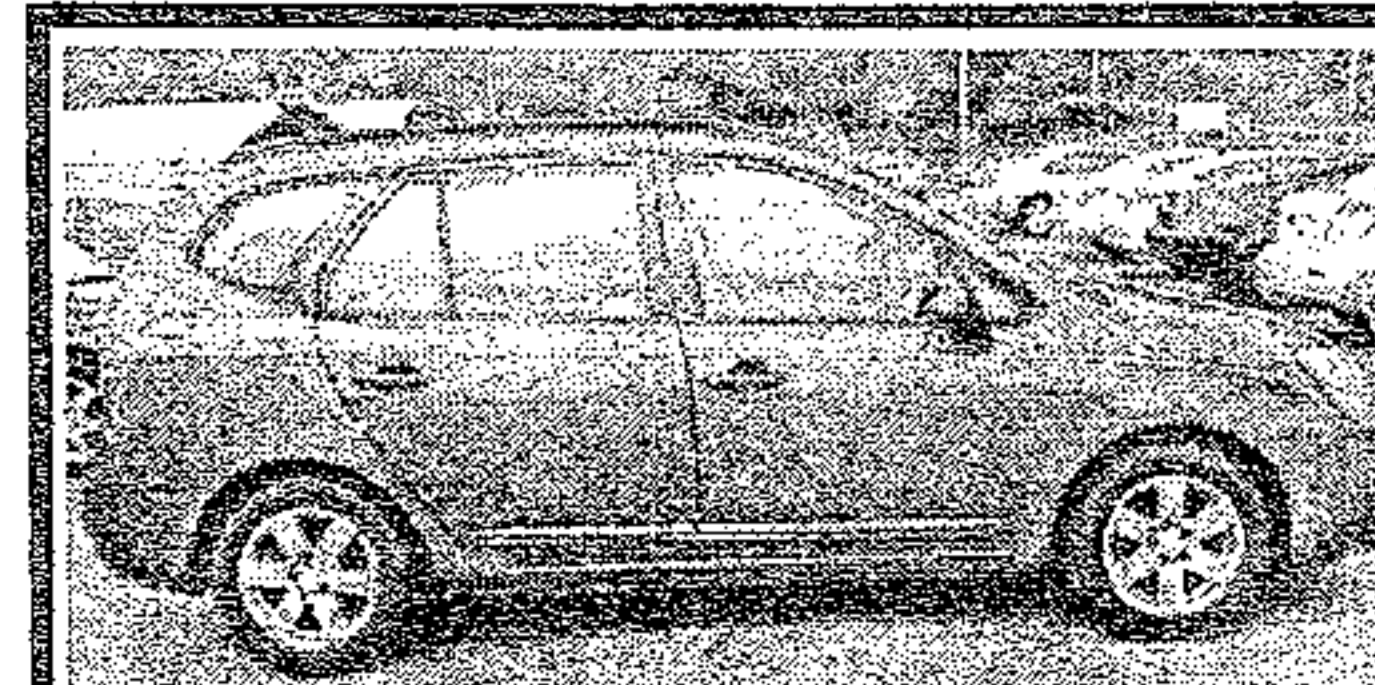
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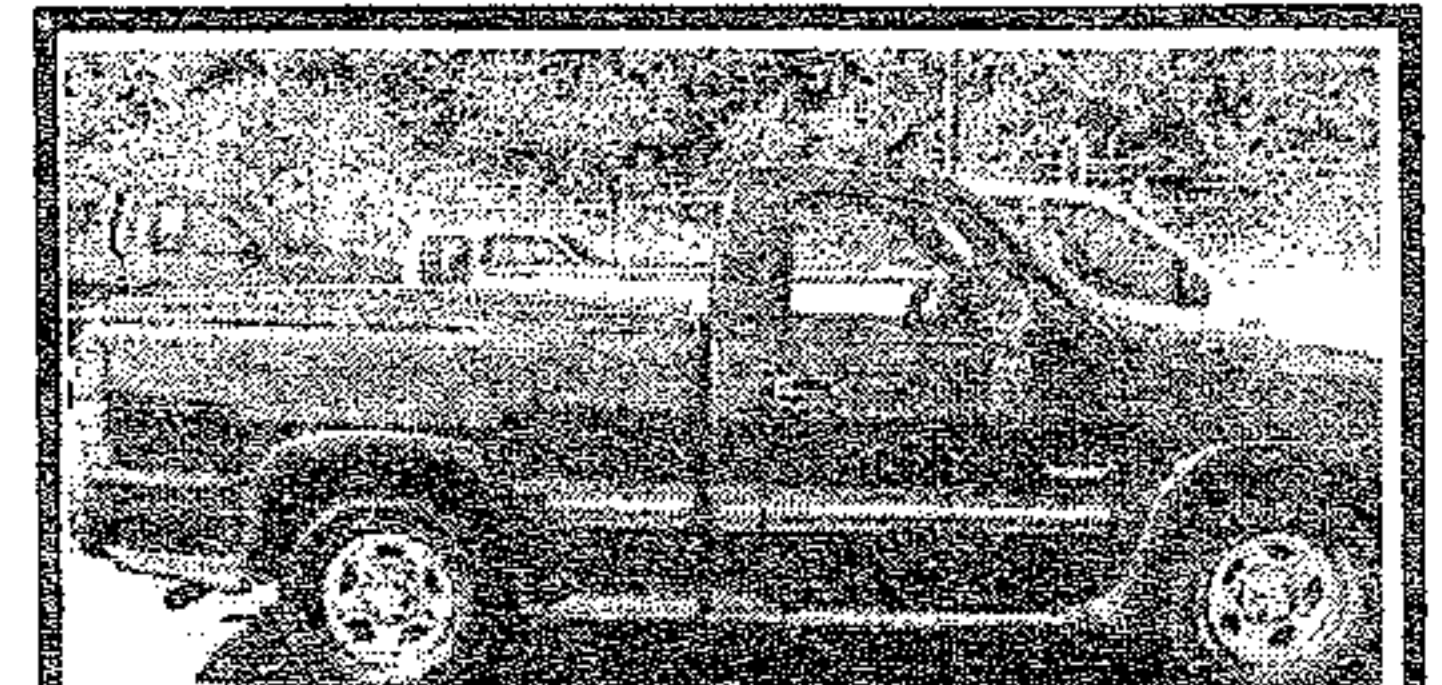
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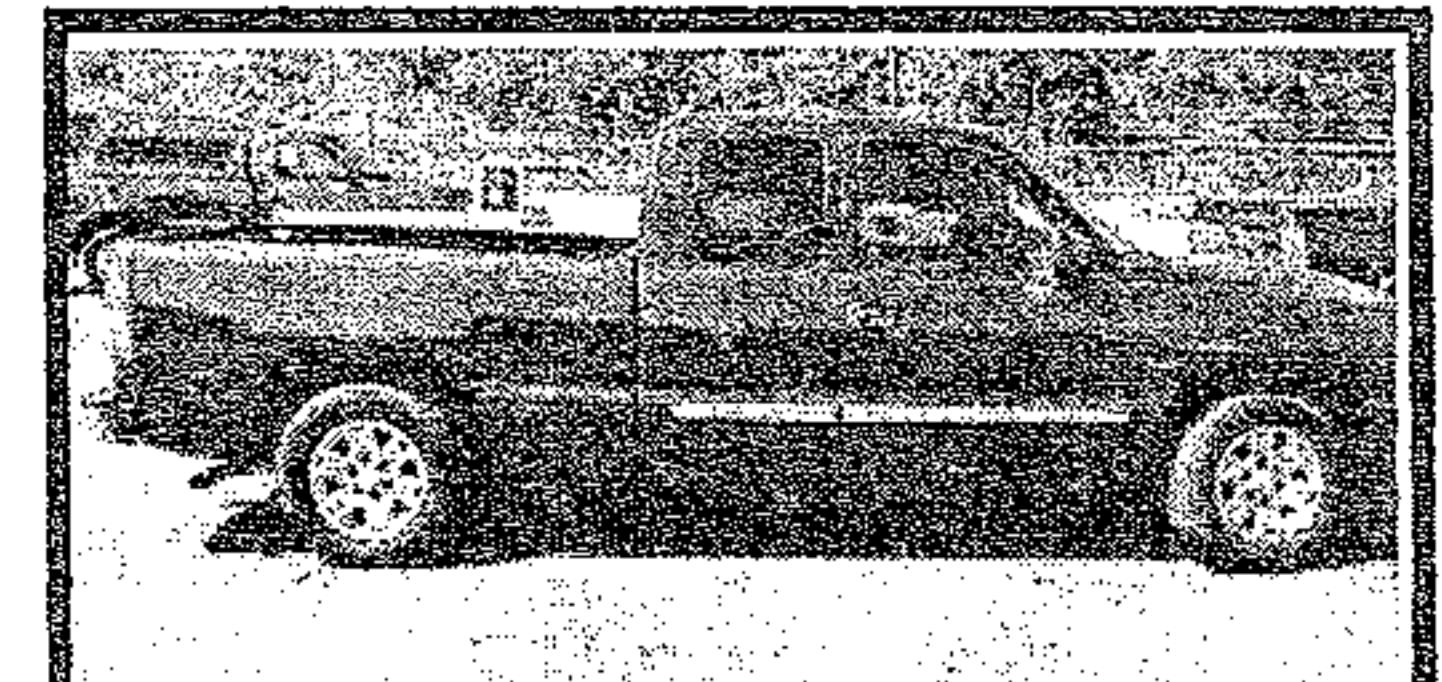
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