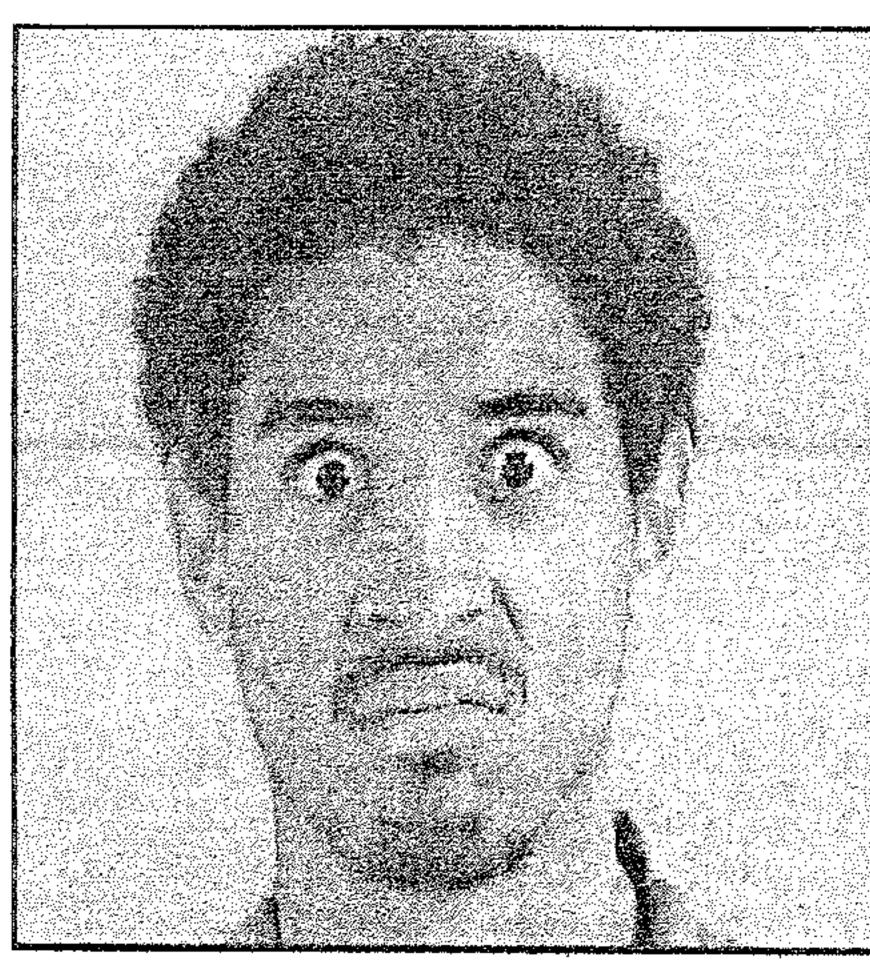
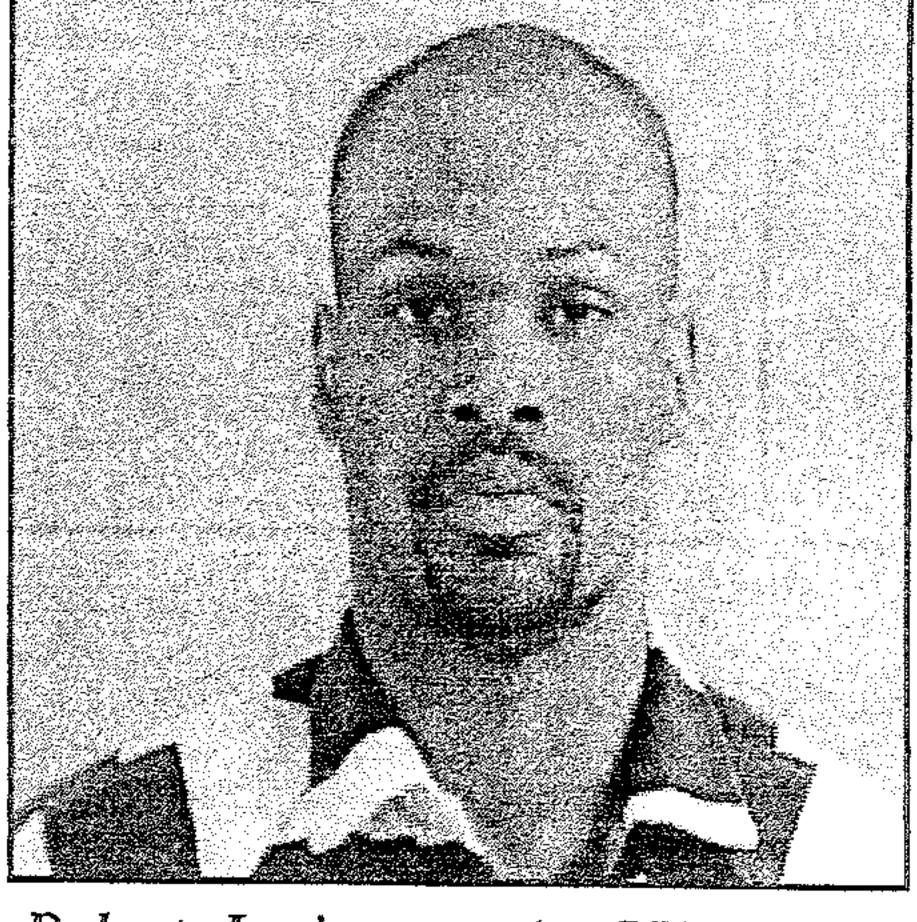
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## Loudon Police Department discovers sto- | DUI for revoked driver len vehicle and runaway juvenile





Ethan Remairez

Work

Dalante Lavine

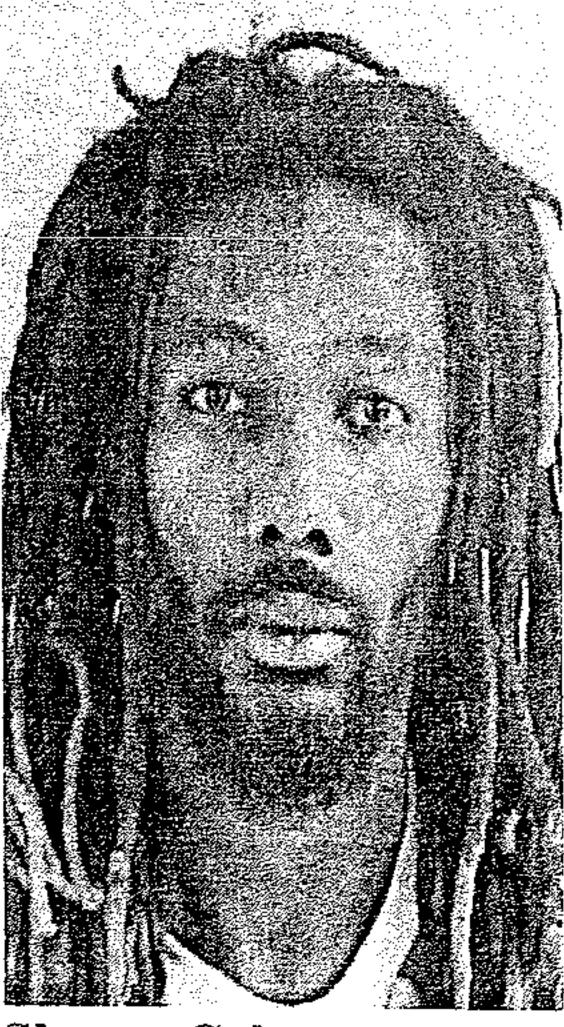
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Victim just tried to go to known revoked driver nabbed with gun and more





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Shanta Coleman

see gun pg. 7

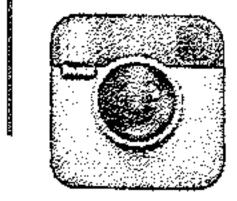


Shaina Welch

see DUI pg. 3

## Drug Trafficking Aryan Brotherhood Methamphetamine Operation Dismantled

When a federal judge recently sentenced the last two of 34 Aryan Brotherhood of Texas gang members to prison for their roles in a methamphetamine drug distribution network, it marked the end of the gang's foothold in Central Texas—and also highlighted the extraordinary partnership between local, state, and federal



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to justice. Methamphetamine—also known as "meth" and "ice" because it is usually sold in crystallized form—can devastate

law enforcement that

brought the criminals

communities. In a 60-square-mile area of rural Central Texas where the Aryan Brotherhood gang was

(see FBI pg. 4)





## Verse of the Day

So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on \_\_\_Acts 13:3

Dbituaries see inside

Wazzup Has anyone seen Stephen Francis? Several people have them and sent them off. been wondering his whereabouts if you know please let us know. Thanks.

## Weather

Today: Mainly sunny. High 84F.

Tonight: A few clouds. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. Low 66F.

Saturday Partly to mostly cloudy skies with scattered thunderstorms in the morning. High 86F. Saturday Night Partly cloudy in the evening followed by scattered thunderstorms after midnight

Sunday Scattered thun-(Continued on page 6)

LPD

Ethan Remairez, 22, Home-Criminal Attempt Theft of Property, and Theft of an Automobile.

Dalante Lavine, 28, Elizawith Joyriding, and Criminal Attempt of theft of Property.

Officer J Russell LPD, recieved a call of 3 black males in a Dodge Charger begging

ceived a call of an attempted theft by persons of the same description at the Exxon. Ofless Va., was charged with ficer Russell and Sgt. Newman Newman attempted to stop the vehicle and it finally pulled over more than a half mile away. No one in the vebeth Ave Virginia, was charged hicle could provide Identification and none of the names matched the owner of the car. One individual was a thirteen year old male juvenile that was reported missing from New for money in the parking lot York State. Mr. Levine admitbut would not leave. Upon ted to picking up the juvenile arrival, Officer observed the at Penn Station in New York. car leaving the Exxon parking The store manager at the Exxlot next door and dispatch re- on stated two of the individu-

als came into the store (Lavine and Remarez) and attempted to put two phone chargers under Levine's shirt. He confronted them and they gave him the chargers and left.

After Contacted campus Police at Virginia Union Uni-

versity in Richmond VA, it was determined that the vehicle, a 2018 Dodge Charger was reported stolen from campus and was being entered into NCIC. Mr. Ramirez admitted to taking the car from virginia (see LPD ctd. pg. 5)

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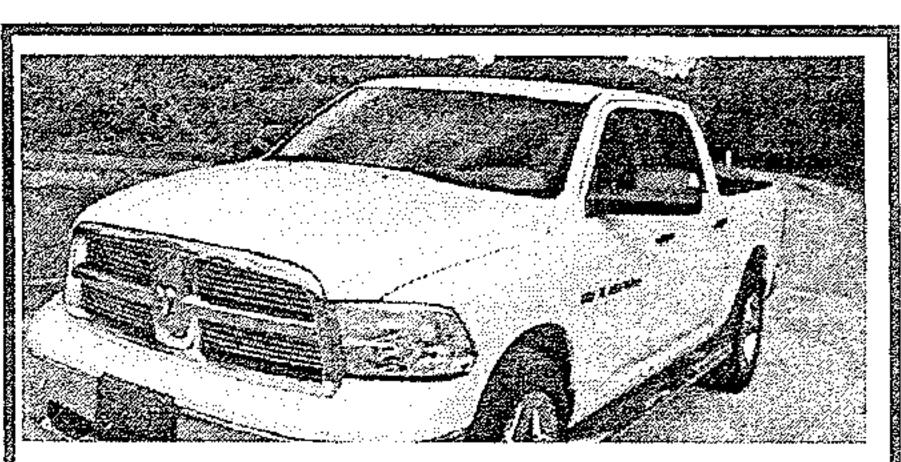
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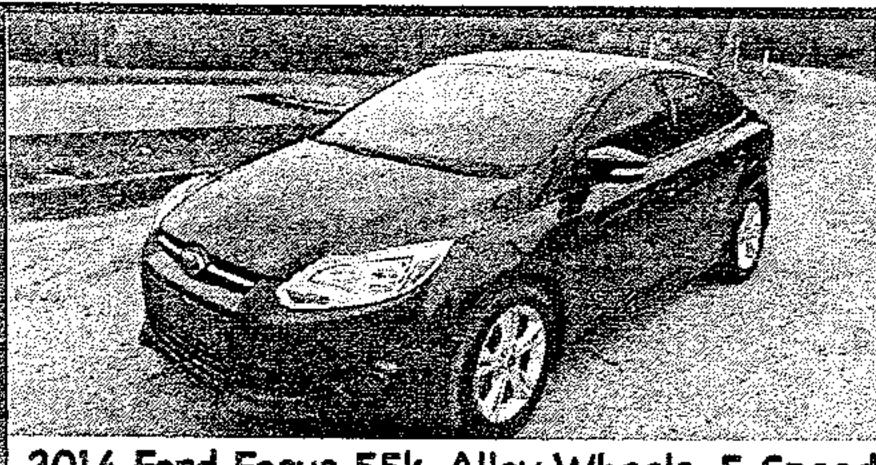
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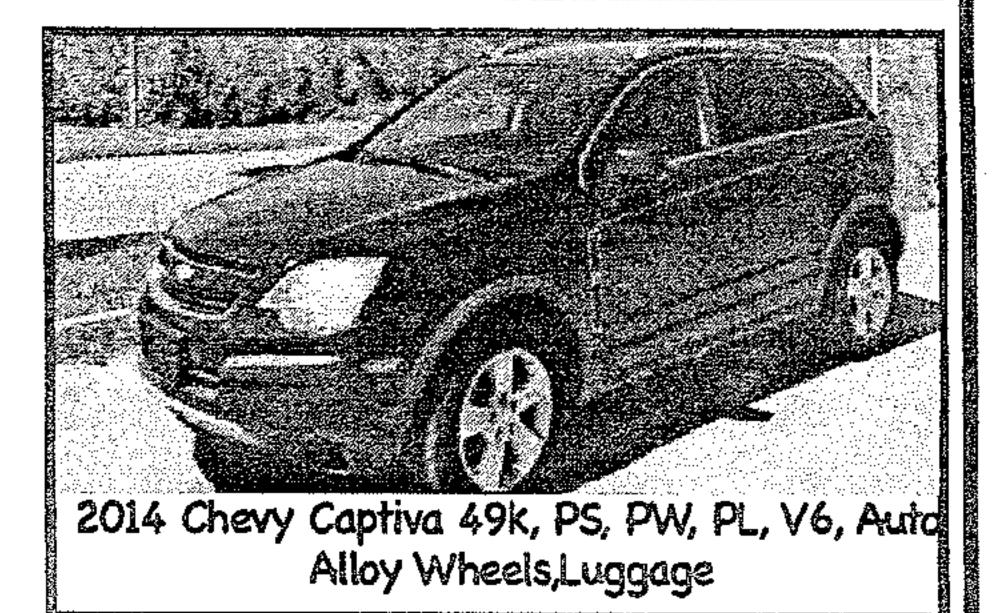
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DUI

Shaina Welch, 38, Harper Street Loudon, was charged with DUI, and Driving on Revoked/Suspended License.

Deputy Robbie Lane LCSO, observed a silver Ford Escort traveling south on Hwy 11. I observed the Ford cross the fog line several times. Deputy conducted traffic stop with

the Ford on Hwy 11 at Cox rd. Deputy made contact with the driver Ms. Shaina Welch. Ms. Welch had red eyes and was very nervous on time of contact. Ms. Welch was asked for her license and she handed him a insurance card. Deputy asked Ms. Welch if she had a license and she stated no it was suspended. Deputy ran

Ms. Welch with dispatch by name and date of birth and she came back suspended for failure to satisfy times six. Deputy asked Ms. Welch to step out of the car at which time

Ms. Welch was very unsteady on her feet. Deputy asked Ms. Welch to perform Standardized Field Sobriety Test and she agreed to the test. Ms. Welch had dilated pupil size and red eyes. Ms. Welch had no HGN present but did have lack of smooth pursuit. Ms. Welch was unable to keep balance during instruction phase of the walk and turn due to extreme leg tremors.

Ms. Welch stepped off line and missed heel to toe several times during the walking phase. Ms. Welch had leg tremors while standing during instructions of one leg stand. Ms. Welch was swaying and hopping during the testing

phase. Ms. Welch was positive for Lack Of Convergence her left eye would not converge on two attempts. During the Modified Romberg Ms. Welch had muscle tremors in legs as well in her eyelids. Ms. Welch estimated time was at 41 seconds.

Deputy placed Ms. Welch under arrest for driving under the influence and driving on suspended license. Deputy read the Tennessee Implied Consent Advisement to Ms. Welch and she agreed to summit to blood test. Ms. Welch was transported to Fort Loudon ER and then to the Loudon County Jail with out incident. James Wrecker Service towed the vehicle away from the scene. Ms. Welch could not provide proof on insurance and was written a citation of Financial responsibility. This did happen in Loudon County TN.



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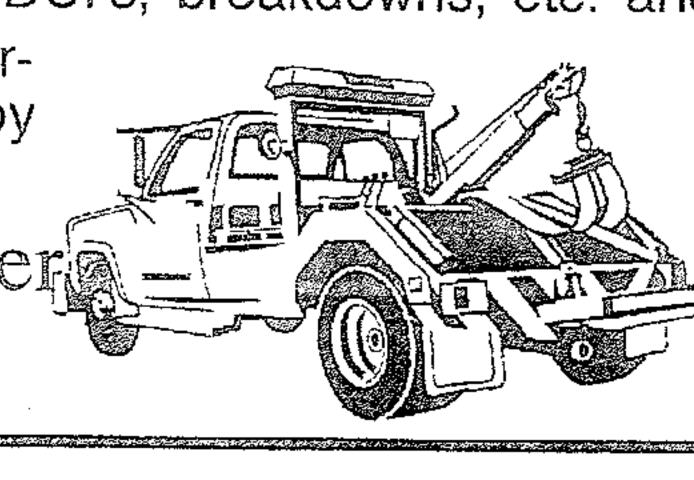
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FBI

selling as much as four kilos of the drug each month, meth was taking a toll.

"The area was being tormented," said Special Agent Dan Snow, who supervises a violent gangs and enterprise criminal the FBI's San Antonio Division. "When you're addicted to meth, you will steal anything that's not bolted down to get money to feed your habit."

In multiple Central Texas counties near Waco and Fort Hood, crime was spiking burglaries, property crimes, arsons, assaults, firearms thefts, even homicides—and when local authorities compared notes, they realized that a signifproblem resulted from the meth trade.

In late 2013, the FBI participated in a lic Safety, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the radar." and local police dehearing from our local Aryan Brotherhood." Waco. "From the outset, this investigation between local, state, and federal agencies."

Through good police gang members central to the drug distribution tified. "The main targets intentionally lived

icant part of the crime in very rural areas," Cooper, 35, received a Tichenor said, "so law seven-year term. enforcement couldn't "We do drive-bys of their their entire organizahouses or conduct sur-tion, from the leadmeeting with the Tex- veillance. For a time," ership to suppliers to as Department of Pub- he explained, "they distributors," Tichenor were operating under said. "This case has

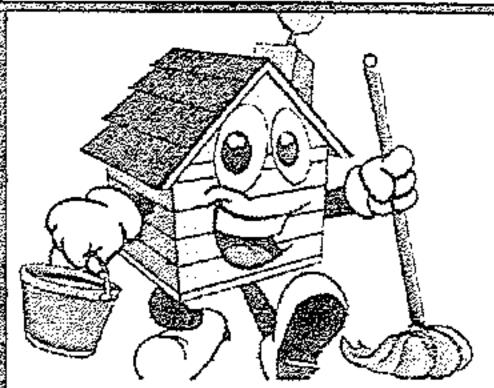
partments. "We were of the three-year investigation, the FBI counterparts about the developed confidential issues related to the sources and administered court-ordered said Special Agent Dan Wire taps. Controlled Tichenor, who investi- drug buys were made, gated the case from the and evidence was com-FBI's regional office in piled against the gang members. Eventually, investigators learned was a true partnership the source of the gang's cartel-affiliated supplier in Dallas.

In September 2014, work, approximately 20 members of the 30 Aryan Brotherhood gang were arrested and charged with drug distribution related to the operation were iden- methamphetamine operation. Since then, all 34 Aryan Brotherhood of Texas members who have been charged and convicted for their Audit roles in the drug network are now serving time in federal prison. On December 9, 2015, Chris Voerhis, 51, was in prison, and Derrick

dismantled had a big impact on During the course the community," he

added. "Local police departments reported a significant drop in crime—especially property crimes—after the drug operation was stopped."

At the time of Voerhis' and Cooper's see FBI ctd. pg. 5



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DV

Carl Kress, 35, Riverview Street Loudon, was charged with Domestic Assault. Officer Brandon Nix LPD, was advised of a pos-

the Jiffy. Upon arrival Officer made contact with the victim who stated that earlier in the day, her live in boyfriend Carl Kress assaulted her. The victim advised she got sible past domestic at called into work early,

and woke Kress up to advise him. Victim stated the two started arguing cause Kress did not want her to go to work. Victim advised she went out side and Kress followed her. Victim stat-

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without the owners consent or knowledge. Mr. Ramirez was the driver of said vehicle, Mr. Lavine was the front seat passenger and the juvenile was in the rear

seat. Said actions did occur in Loudon Coun-

FBI ctd. from pg. 4

sentencings, Special Agent in Charge Christopher Combs of the San Antonio Field Office noted that "these sentences resulted unprecedented from collaboration of federal, state, and local law enforcement." He added, "This effort not only exemplifies our commitment to prevent gang violence and criminal activity from poisoning our communities, it sends a clear message that we will relentlessly pursue and prosecute the leaders and members of these violent criminal enterprises regardless of where they lay their heads."

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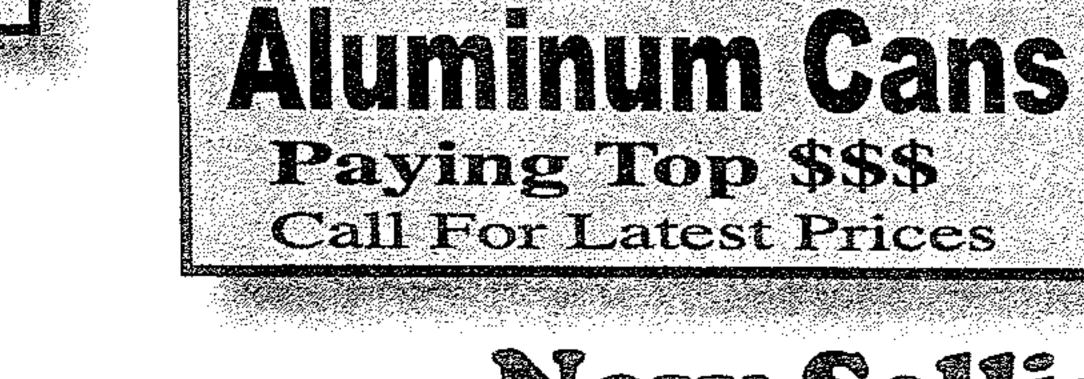
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Shanta Coleman, 29, London Circle Knoxville, was charged with Driving on Revoked/ Suspended License, Poss. of Drug Para., and Prohibited Weapons. Deputy Charlie Huskin LCSO, observed a gray dodge. Deputy had prior knowledge that the driver had suspended license. Deputy traffic stop the vehicle at the Dollar Store at Bon Street, and identified the driver as Shanta Coleman. A check through dispatch did reveal Coleman license were suspended. Deputy did ask for permission to search the vehicle. Coleman became sick and had to sit down before he passed out. Coleman sat in front of Deputy patrol vehicle while he called for Narcotic Unit. LCSO Investigator Ezell and Ketner arrived on scene and Coleman did give

permission to search. During the search of the vehicle a pipe believed to be used to smoke marijuana was in plain view, in the center console a small black pouch with a pipe and rolling paper was found. And a loaded gray firearm 9mm was found in the center console, along with a jar that did contain marijuana residue. Coleman is a convicted felon. Coleman was placed under arrest.

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