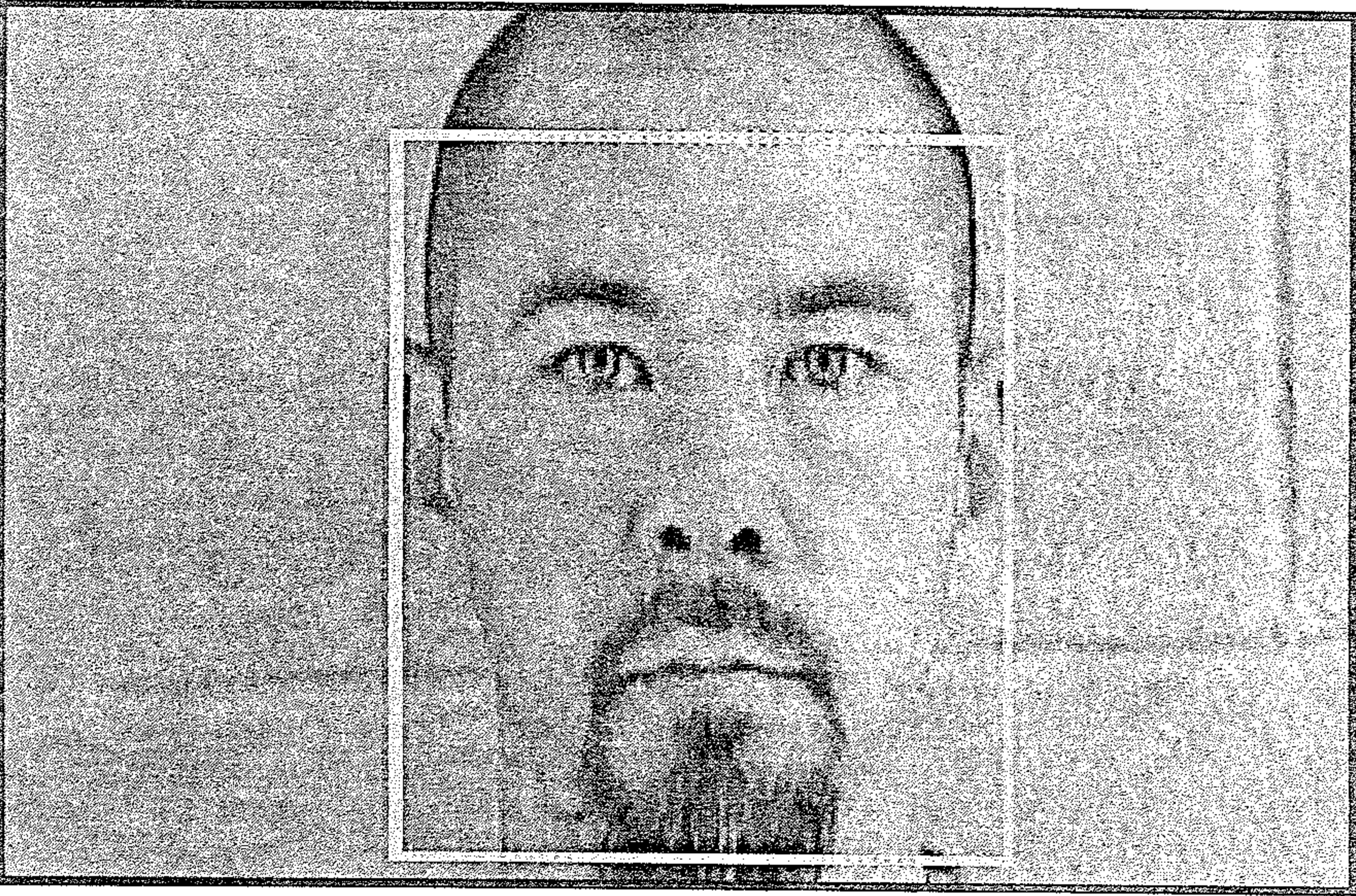


## Theft of Car Parts Lead Man To Flee



Brent Snyder

## Argument Gets Violent



Benjamin Mclemore

see Choke pg. 3

## Texas Man Charged With Assault



John Powers

See Assault P.5

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## TGN

The Good News  
The Rev Dr Julius McCarter

Scripture: Psalm 85:8-13

He had profound hearing loss and no money. His hearing aids had been broken so long ago he had forgotten what it was like to hear

See TGN P.5

## Interstate Cargo Theft

*Sophisticated Crime Ring Stole Millions Before Being Dismantled*

The criminals knew exactly what they were doing. A crew of four—each with a specific job—could steal a tractor-trailer full of electronics or pharmaceuticals worth millions of dollars

and within minutes disappear without a trace. Well, almost without a trace.

In May 2018, a federal judge in Indiana sentenced four leaders of the interstate cargo theft ring to lengthy pris-

(see FBI pg. 4)



### Verse of the Day

When I said, "My foot is slipping," your love, O Lord, supported me. When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought joy to my soul. —

Psalm 94:18-19

### Obituaries

See p. 7

### Wazzup

Best wishes to Lacey and Brian, the day is finally here!! We love you!

### Weather

Today: Sunny. High of 91F.

Tonight: Clear. Low of 70F.

Tuesday: Sunny. High of 90F.

Tuesday Night: Cloudy. Low of 70F.

### Horoscopes

Virgo 8/23-9/22

There is an odd sense of dj vu with your current situation. The same old patterns seem to spin back around, and once again you take on a very comfortable role that

(Continued on page 6)

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**Starter**

Brent Snyder, 35, Caldwell Road Loudon, was charged with Aggravated Burglary, Theft, and Simple Possession x2.

Deputy JC Schultz LCSO, and Deputy Cody Bengel LCSO, responded to a aggravated

burglary and theft call at Caldwell Rd. Upon arrival, Ms. Deputy made contact with victims, who both gave written statements that said Mr. Brent Snyder had went into victims residence without his knowledge or consent, and was seen there by victim. Mr. Snyder then

stole a package that contained a new starter for a Saturn and went to Circle Drive in Loudon, TN to try to sell the starter to a male for \$20.00. The area was canvassed to no avail. When Mr Snyder heard that law enforcement was in route he brought the starter back to victims. He then fled the scene. The male also gave a written statement to this affect. see Starter ctd p3

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Starter ctd. from pg. 2

## Choke

avail. Sgt Inv C. Cosner #940 was contacted and informed of this event. Deputy Charlie Huskins did locate Snyder and placed him under arrest. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.

Benjamin McLemore, 22, Corinth Road Loudon, was charged with Aggravated Assault, and Vandalism.

Deputy Spears and Deputy Pesterfield LCSO, responded to

a call of a Domestic at 3898 Corinth Rd. Upon arrival Deputy made contact with the victim. The victim stated that her boyfriend, the offender, Mr. Benjamin Mclemore had been at home with her where they were both drinking, got into an argument, and he choked her with one hand. Upon looking at the victims neck there were obvious red marks and swelling. The victim stated after being choked that she then started to choke him back when they fell onto the bed, after which she kicked him off of her. He then grabbed her .22 Caliber handgun out from under the mattress and attempted to rack the slide putting it into battery; however, there was no ammunition in the gun at the time. She stated that she believes he did steal 11 rounds of .22 Caliber Ammunition for the handgun from the home at some point. After this occurred the victim went outside, then returned back inside when she heard slamming inside and she told him to leave. The victim stated that he grabbed his keys at this time and walked out of the door where she told the offender to stay gone. The offender at this time drove off, but then returned shortly after and started kicking the victims door and ended up breaking the dead bolt lock and doing major frame damage

to the door. The victim then told the offender that she was calling the cops and the offender left the scene. The victim was explained options of safe places to go; however, she called her mother, who the victim rents the home from, stated that she was going to be staying with her until she took her to work at 5:00am. The victim refused any medical attention; however, she did state that she was in fear of harm. Deputy is charging the offender with Aggravated Assault by Domestic Violence (TCA 39-13-102) and Vandalism (TCA 39-14-408). All above did occur in Loudon County, TN. Warrant served on 08-19-2018 at 3898 Corinth Rd. Loudon, TN.

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on terms. In all, a dozen defendants that were part of the Kentucky-based organization — which had ties to the Cuban mob in Miami — have been convicted of stealing more than \$30 million in cargo between 2012 and 2015.

“The crimes charged in the indictment exceeded \$30 million during a roughly three-year period,” said Special Agent Paul Meyer, who investigated the case from the FBI’s Indianapolis Division. “But we believe during a span of six or seven years, this criminal group stole over \$100 million worth of cargo.”

Members of the theft ring traveled around the country to pick their targets — often shipping facilities in the Midwest used by national companies to distribute cell phones, computers, clothing, cigarettes, and a range of other products.

The criminals

would surveil a facility, target a tractor-trailer leaving the distribution center, and then follow the rig — sometimes for a day or more — to find the appropriate time and place to steal it, usually when the driver pulled into a truck stop to rest or refuel.

“The crews were very sophisticated,” Meyer said, explaining that many of the thefts were committed at truck stops near interstate highways in Indiana, Kentucky, and North Carolina. Cigarettes, pharmaceuticals, and all types of electronics, especially cell phones, were favored targets.

The thieves typically worked in four-man crews. “Two crew members would do surveillance in cars,” Meyer said. “A third would break into the tractor, get it running, and then turn it over to the fourth member of the team, who would drive the stolen load away.”

Within 10 or 20

miles of the theft, the crew would separate the tractor from the trailer, attach their own tractor, and drive away. First, they might paint over the trailer logos or alter license plates. Knowing that trucking companies put electronic trackers on their trailers, the crew tried to find and disarm the trackers. Sometimes they would leave the load unattended for a period of time to see if law enforcement responded. If not, Meyer said, “they would hook their own legitimate tractor to the stolen trailer and move it on.”

Cargo theft ring member surveils victim driver during a 2014 theft in Illinois

Stolen merchandise was transported to locations in Kentucky, New Jersey, Florida, and elsewhere and then sold. It was a load of

cell phones, stolen in Gary, Indiana in 2013 and valued at nearly \$12 million, that got the FBI investigation underway.

Veteran investigator Meyer had worked cargo theft cases in the past, and he had formed valuable partnerships with local law enforcement, including the Kentucky State Police, the Louisville Metro Police Department’s Auto Theft Unit, trucking industry groups, as well as individual companies. “Some of the companies had been victimized time and time again,” he said. “They were glad to cooperate.”

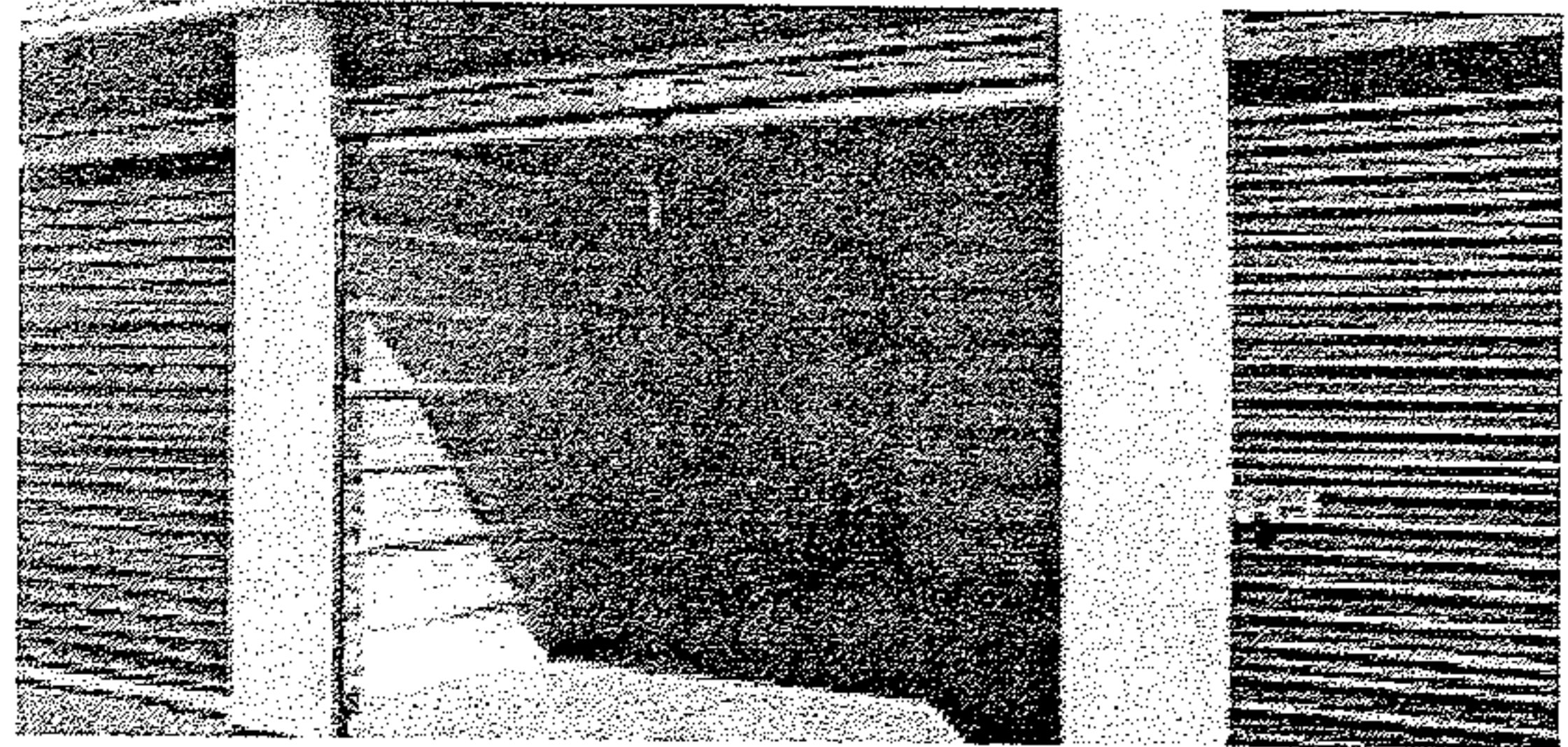
Sharing information and expertise, investigators identified suspects in the 2013 cell phone robbery that would ultimately lead to the entire theft ring. Using truck stop surveillance vid-

eo, bank records, rental car records, cell phone analysis, court-authorized wiretaps, and confidential sources, “we put together a huge historical conspiracy case,” Meyer said.

In May 2015, investigators set up a sting operation. The “bait” was a load of cell phones leaving a distribution center in Louisville. Using a confidential source, Meyer’s team “injected false intel” to members of the theft ring. “We knew they were going to be watching the facility in Louisville,” he said. “They took the bait. We watched them steal the load, and then we took them down.”

Since then, Meyer said, “we’ve seen a drop in thefts in our area. We’re not having the issues we used to have,” he added. “That tells you we got the right people.”

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## Assault

John Powers, 19, Saranac Trail Texas, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Deputy was dispatched to South Long Hollow road and HWY 321 in Maryville to assist Blount County. Deputy arrived on scene and met with Deputies, who had stopped the vehicle containing the victim, and the witnesses and the offender John Powers, who is the victims younger brother. Their attention was drawn to the truck because J. Powers was in the back of the truck. victim, and the two witnesses stated that they had been at a friends house on Hwy 95 in Loudon County, they decided to leave and J. Powers began trying to assert that he was going to be driving, but he had consumed alcohol.

Victim attempted to prevent J. Powers from driving at which time he did strike her in the face numerous times. She did have a bloody nose, and was checked by EMS, and declined to be transported. J. Powers provided a similar story but stated that the altercation part he could not remember very well. J. Powers was taken into custody and transported to the Loudon County Jail for domestic assault. This did occur in Loudon.

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and secretly resorted to reading lips. We learned of a generous foundation and found a wonderful audiologist who cheerfully donated his time. Many weeks later the two new hearing aids were

ready. On the way to the fitting he confessed he was nervous. In the chair he was trembling with fear, and said, "It's been so long. I'm afraid." Then came the miracle. When the new hearing aids were activated, his face overflowed with tears and a huge smile. Sin is like ear wax, it clogs our ears and prevents us from hearing the good news. Then the Holy Spirit opens our ears and we hear the joyous sounds of the gospel. What a song the psalmist sings to us this day! In the wondrous notes there is peace and a vision when "steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other." When our ears are opened,

then we can hear again God's glorious song.

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