

## Kentucky pillbillies busted after woman takes group to Georgia for 'scripts

### Over 270 pills, drug ledger seized

Three Kentucky persons were arrested and a fourth released after THP stopped the vehicle they were in for tailgating and a subsequent investigation revealed the vehicle owner had taken the others to Georgia clinics, paid for everything, and charged them half of their prescriptions for her trouble.

Bertha B. Ellsworth, 51, Bear Hollow; Mark A. Paul, 37, Tyes Ferry Road; and Jammy D. Poore, 35, Colonel Hollow Road, all located in Rockholds, Kentucky were

(see Pillbillies pg. 4) Ellsworth



Poore



Paul

## Move over Mr. MaGoo, convicted drunk driver makes own shortcuts

A local woman was jailed after police saw her drive off the road, down an embankment, onto another road, then back onto her original road, while running over curbs. She was believed to have been under the influence of an intoxicant.

(see Fifield pg. 3)

## Thieves steal over \$3k in jewelry from elderly woman

An elderly woman called authorities when she discovered someone stole over \$3000 in jewelry from her jewelry box, leaving behind other pieces of jewelry.

According to records, a 91 year old Shaw Ferry Road, (see Jewelry pg. 7)

## TWRC Votes to Delay Sandhill Hunting Regulation Process for Two Years



The TWRC delayed a decision for at least two years to move forward through the regulation process and request the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to establish a hunting season for sandhill cranes in the state. (see TWRC pg. 8)

### Verse of the Day

*"So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought*

*to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting" O grave, where is thy victory" 1 Corinthians 15:54*

### Obituaries

Randy R. McCulloch

### Wazzup

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### Weather

Today: Cloudy skies with a few showers later in the day. High near 50. Winds light and variable. Chance

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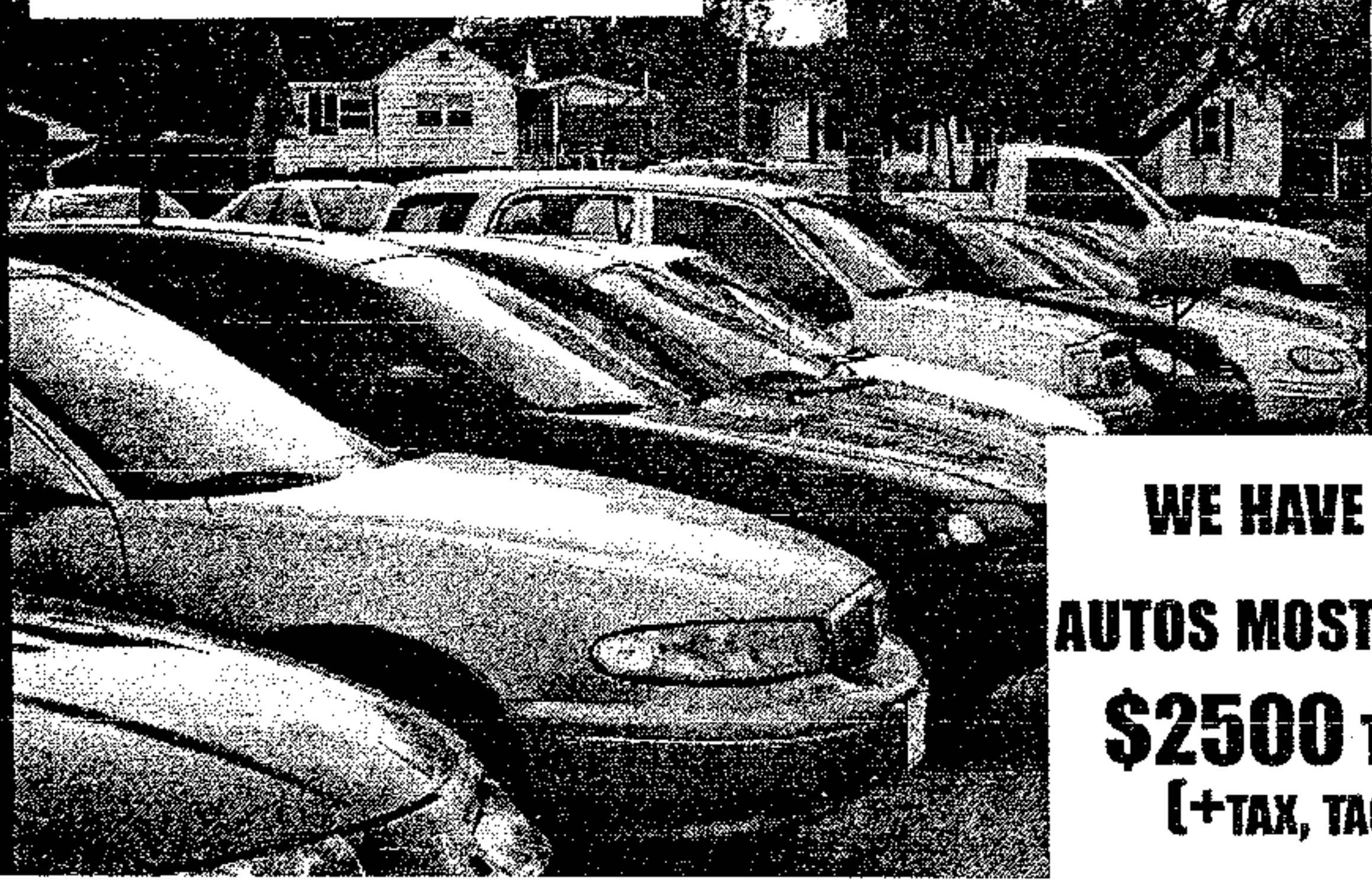
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**Fifield**

Pamela Lynn Fifield, 44, Taylor Drive, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 2nd offense and violation of implied consent.

According to reports, Friday, around 4:00 AM, Sgt. R.S Newman, LPD observed a white Oldsmobile cross the railroad tracks on Commerce Street. The vehicle then ran completely off the road and down an embankment onto another street. It continued, running over a curb, then

pulled back onto Commerce Street.

When Sgt. Newman activated his blue lights, the vehicle traveled for a short time and stopped at the intersection of Grove Street and Commerce. It came to a stop on the curb.

The driver, identified as Pamela Fifield, was asked to exit the vehicle. She was unsteady and had a hard time standing.

Fifield appeared to be under the influence of some type of narcotic. Ms. Fifield was given field sobriety tasks and could not perform all the tasks given. She was arrested for DUI and read the implied consent form. Ms. Fifield refused to submit to a blood test to determine the contents of her blood.

A check through NCIC revealed Fifield had a prior DUI conviction in 2001.

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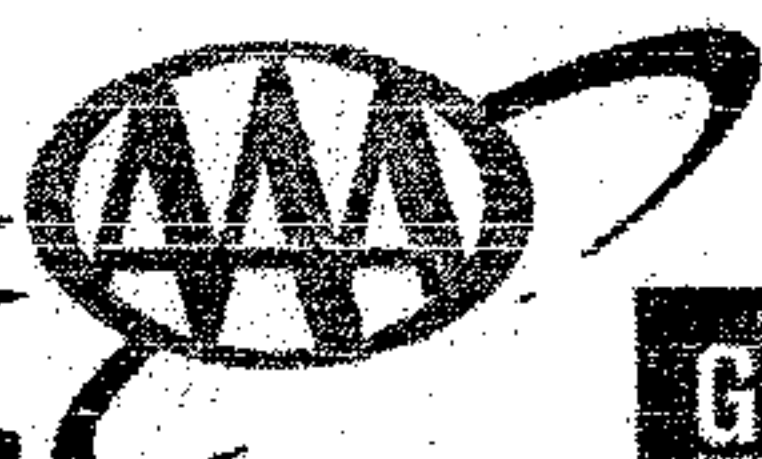
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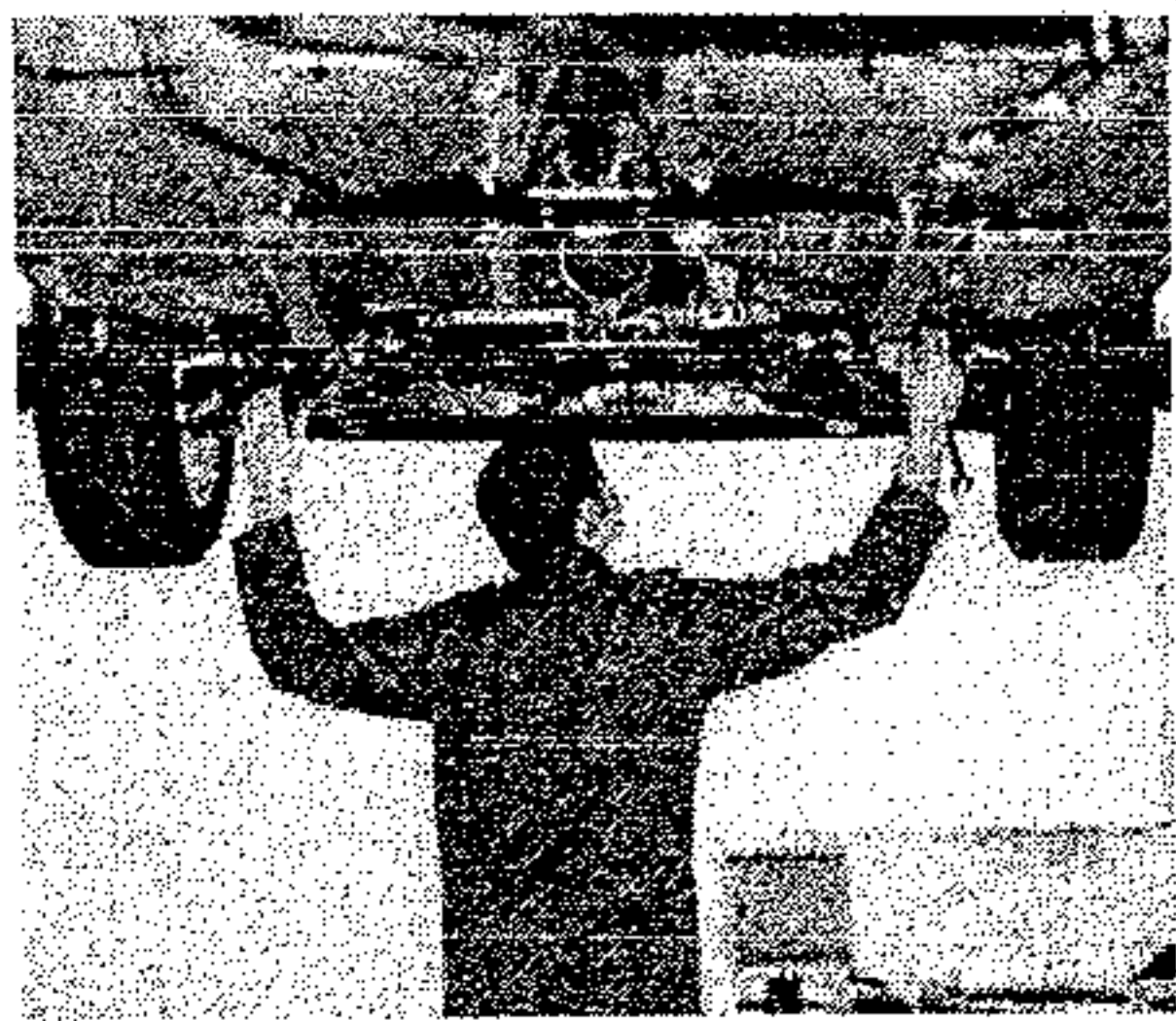
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**Pillbillies**

charged with felony possession of schedule II for resale, felony possession of schedule III for resale, felony possession of schedule IV for resale, and possession of legend drug for resale.

According to reports, Wednesday, around 3:53 PM, Trooper Daniel Morton, THP observed a blue Suzuki Reno traveling north on Interstate 75 near the 73 mile marker. The vehicle was following

other vehicles too closely and Trooper Morton stopped it for the traffic violation near the 76 mile marker. There were four occupants in the car. The back seat passenger on the right had a leather coat lying on his lap. He then moved his hands under the coat and between his legs. Fearing the man was reaching for a weapon, the trooper ordered the man and all the other occupants to show their hands.

The lawman opened the right rear door and removed the coat from the passenger's lap and reported that as he pulled the coat, the man's arm seemed to be stuck in the coat.

The man was not armed and stated he was reaching for his cell phone, although no phone was immediately found. Trooper Morton performed a pat down of the coat and noticed a large object in the coat and looked in the pockets, but nothing was found. He laid the coat on top of the car and continued with the business at hand.

The driver was identified as Jordan Helton. The owner of the car was identified as Bertha Ellsworth, one of the back-seat passengers. The driver was visibly shaking and stumbling over his words.

The lawman asked the driver to exit the vehicle. While performing the license, vehicle and warrants check, Mr. Helton stated he was returning from a trip to Georgia where he did some drinking with a buddy, but he did not know the name of the town, what they did while there, and was unsure of when he left home or where they stayed while in Georgia. Helton said all he did was stayed in the hotel and drank alcohol.

The owner of the vehicle, Ms. Ellsworth, gave a conflicting account of the purpose of the trip, where they stayed and who was there.

(see Pillbillies cont. pg. 5)

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granted consent to search the vehicle from the owner and the driver. Consent was also obtained from the two other passengers in the car. They were identified as Mark Paul and Jammy Poore.

Inside the lining of Mr. Poore's coat were

several medicine bottles, which were clearly missing approximately half of hydrocodone and alpraxolam, even though the bottles were filled that day. Two more medicine bottles were found in the coat and according to their labels the bottles were

filled on Monday, but again more than half of the medication was missing.

A pat down of Poore's person revealed a bottle with an assortment of medication and a contact lens case with different medication. He stated Ms. Ellsworth was holding the rest of his medication for an unknown reason. Ellsworth, however, denied having any medicine

and stated she had not seen a doctor.

Records indicate criminal activity was apparent to the trooper and he escorted the group to the Loudon County Jail for further investigation.

Prior to a search of Ms. Ellsworth as she entered the jail, she pulled from her underwear a black pouch containing three bottles

(see Pillbillies cont. pg. 6)



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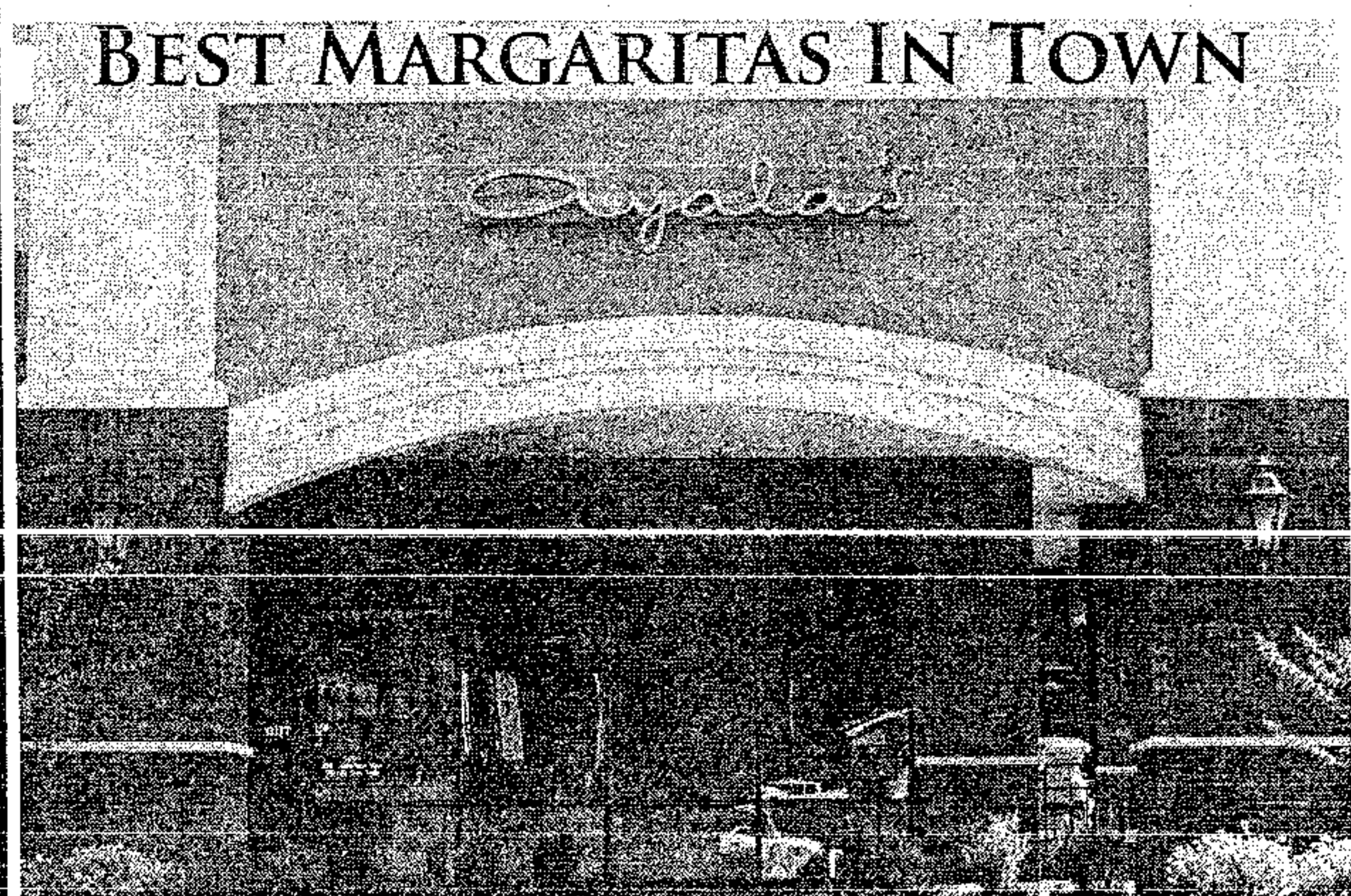
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of medication. The pills did not match labeling, her name, and had many different medicines inside. She also pulled a bottle from her bra, her pocket, and her leg brace. Ellsworth had \$1900 rolled in a rubber band in her left sock.

During the investigation, it was learned Ms. Ellsworth used her

money to fund the trips, including doctor visits, medication, MRI, hotel, food, gas, etc, of the other passengers in exchange for half of the medication. Ms. Ellsworth denied seeing a doctor on that particular trip and had no medication bottles from the trip time frame. However, she was in possession of approximately 273 pills of assorted

types. The amount was roughly the number of pills missing from Mr. Poore and Mr. Paul combined.

There were also ledgers in her purse, with pill milligrams and dollar amounts, as well as names. According to Trooper Morton, these ledgers are typically used to keep tally of what is owed to a person. Ms. Ellsworth, Mr.

Poore, and Mr. Paul were all charged with the intent to obtain, deliver and sell schedule II, III, and IV narcotics. Although Mr. Helton had seen a doctor, no medication was received and therefore no transaction was made. He was released with-

out charges.

**Police Beat**

Alvin Bartley 'Skipper' Barron, 57, Old Highway 95, Lenoir City was charged on a mittimus for theft under \$500.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest Thursday.

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The woman reported her rings were not found after a thorough search of the residence and identified possible suspects.

The rings were described as a ladies 14 carat gold diamond ring, a ladies 14 carat gold garnet birthstone ring, and a ladies 14 carat gold wedding band, all with an estimated value of \$3595.

The theft was turned over to a investigator.  
**Police Beat**

Philip Lawrence Jenkins, 26, Bussell Ferry Road, Lenoir City was charged Thursday with a mitimus x 2 for simple assault and theft under \$500.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

John Jason Cooper, 'aka' John Marlow, 31, South Kingston Street, Wartburg was charged with attachment for child support x 2.

Deputy Nathan Wilson, LCSO made the arrest at the Morgan County Jail Thursday.



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