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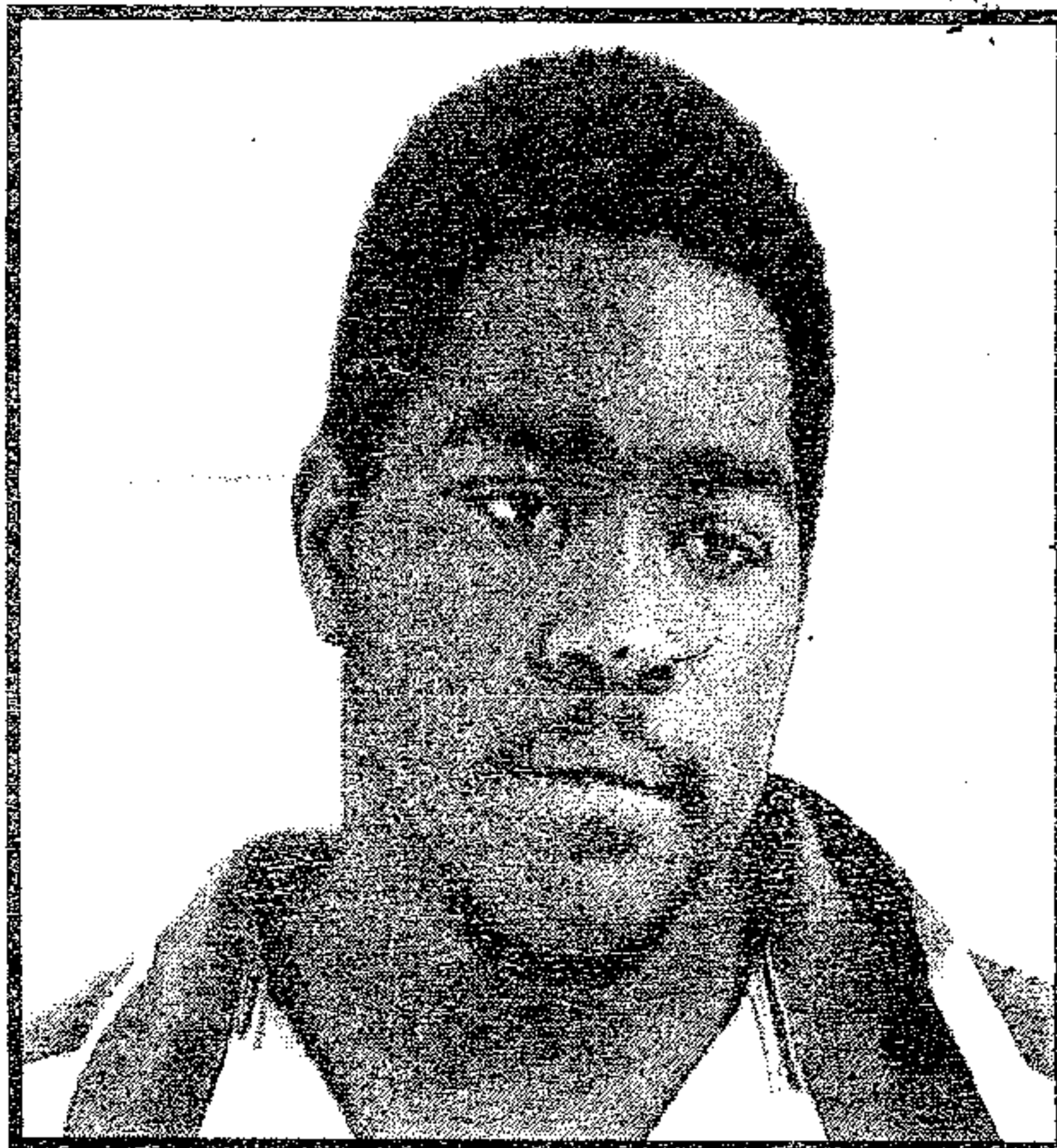
Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Couple has nothing better to do than destroy property

Police arrested a local couple Saturday after they allegedly went to a Lenoir City apartment complex and beat another person's vehicle with baseball bats, causing damage to a window and mirror.

LaBobby Rayshon 'Rayshon' Booker, 20, Beals Chapel Road, and Shoinikjua V. Gillespie, 19, Beals Chapel Road, Lenoir City were charged with felony vandalism.

(see Let's go to jail pg. 4) Booker



Gillespie

Fugitive nabbed



Michael William Boykin
Age 43, Rocky Mount Road, Luthersville, Georgia was charged with being a fugitive from justice.

Records indicate Mr. Boykin was wanted in Clayton, Georgia for violation of probation.

Deputy Olwin Norman, LCSO served the warrant Friday at the Loudon County Jail.

Man lives up to moniker

A Kentucky man was escorted to the hoosegow Wednesday when lawmen responded to a Lenoir City convenience store where he allegedly was found drunk and trying to fight.

Michael Dale 'Pit Bull' Foster, 49, Lincoln Av-
(see Moniker pg. 5)

Banned shoplifter chooses jail over freedom

A Lenoir City man traded his freedom for a cell block when he reportedly stole clothing items from Walmart Friday despite having been banned from entering any and all Walmart stores at the beginning of this year.

Gregory Clay Berry, 29, West Broadway, Lenoir City was charged with theft
(see Sticky Fingers pg. 5)



Berry

Why not just buy it in Tellico?

A Tellico Plains man with driver's licenses in two different states reportedly told officers he was not allowed to buy sudafed in his home town

(see Sad Shopper pg. 3)

State Museum to Display Emancipation Proclamation

Nashville will be only stop in Southeast during 2013 tour of revered document

NASHVILLE — Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam announced the Tennessee State Museum will be the only stop in the Southeast of an unprecedented tour and display of the Emancipation

Proclamation, the document that altered the course of U.S. history and dramatically changed the lives of African-Americans by proclaiming freedom
(see Historic Display pg. 3)

Verse of the Day

"For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen." Romans 11:36

Obituaries

Rachael Irene Norman
Beatrice Shamblin (Bea) Scott
Margaret M. McDowell
Doris Daughtery Goodman

Wazzup

There is an online petition currently in circulation that asks the governor to stop the retrials of the Christian-Newsom killers. Although televised reports indicate the governor does not have the power to do so, this is still an opportunity to have your voice

heard. If all us average Joes and Janes speak out more on important matters, the day will come when our voices will be heard and will be counted. Here's the web address that will allow you to share your opinion: [http://www.change.org/petitions/governor-of-tennessee-stop-the-retrial-for-](http://www.change.org/petitions/governor-of-tennessee-stop-the-retrial-for-murderers-of-channon-christian-and-chris-newsom)

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Weather

Today: Partly cloudy skies. High 64. Winds SSE at 5 to 10 mph.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies. Low 46. Winds S at 5 to 10 mph.

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Historic Display

for millions of slaves.

The fragile manuscript signed by Pres. Abraham Lincoln in 1863 can only be exposed to light for 72 hours while in Tennessee. The document will be displayed at intervals during a to-be-determined six-day period in 2013 marking the 150th anniversary of its signing.

The tour of the historic decree, which rarely leaves the National Archives in Washington D.C., is taking place in conjunction with the acclaimed National Archives multimedia exhibit *Discovering the Civil War*, which will open at the state mu-

seum on Feb. 12, 2013 – Lincoln's birthday – and continue through Sept. 2, 2013.

"It is an incredible honor for Tennessee to host the Emancipation Proclamation, a document whose significance to the history of this country, and this region in particular, cannot be overstated," Haslam said. "This delicate manuscript represents America's recognition that all are entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and we invite people from across the Southeast and the nation to see and celebrate with us the moment our country officially became the land of the

free."

The Emancipation Proclamation linked the preservation of American constitutional government to the end of slavery and has become one of the country's most treasured documents. Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on Jan. 1, 1863, formally proclaiming the freedom of all slaves held in areas still in revolt.

The *Discovering the Civil War* exhibit, which will continue well beyond the Emancipation Proclamation's six day viewing, is the culmination of 150 years of analysis, interpretation, and opinion on the Civil War

through lesser-known stories and perspectives, and previously unseen documents.

"Discovering the Civil War is a fresh, interactive exploration of a well known historic chapter, piecing together original letters, diaries, photos, maps, petitions, receipts, patents, amendments and proclamations to portray the Civil War through a vibrant multimedia experience," said Lois Riggins-Ezzell, Executive Director of the Tennessee State Museum. "The unique approach of the exhibit and the great relevance of the National Archives make it all the more gratifying that Nashville has been chosen as the sole southeastern city located in the heart of the former Confederacy for an installation."

The exhibit will feature 12 themed sections that combine original treasures enhanced by interactive features and social media tools, allowing visitors to see the past through the lens of the future. Diverse

themes of *Discovering the Civil War* include, "Spies and Conspiracies," "Prisoners and Casualties," "Emancipation," "Global War," and "Raising Armies."

The Tennessee State Museum is located in downtown Nashville, at 505 Deaderick Street. Please visit <http://www.tnmuseum.org/> for additional updates on the Emancipation Proclamation and *Discovering the Civil War*. *Discovering the Civil War* was created by the National Archives and Records Administration and the Foundation for the National Archives.

Sad Shopper

when he was taken into custody in Loudon on DUI and related charges.

Curtis LeWayne Jones, 38, Elisha Road, Tellico Plains was charged with DUI 1st offense, violation of implied consent, and suspended license.

According to records, Saturday, at approximately 4:50 PM, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD was dispatched to the Rite Aid for several individuals causing a problem. The (see Shopper cont. pg. 4)

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Let's go to jail

According to records, Saturday, around 4:30 PM, Deputy Charles Butler, LCSO responded to River Manor Apartments in reference to the vandalism of a motor vehicle.

The owner of the vehicle and two other witnesses told the lawman a black male, identified as LaBobby Booker, and a black female, identified as Shoinikjua Gillespie, pulled up next to the victim's vehicle in a dark red van, jumped out and started cursing and striking the vehicle with ball bats.

The coupe is alleged to have broken the rear window and a right side mirror.

Booker and Gillespie were located by Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO after they left the scene and were transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Shopper cont.

clerk stated they were leaving in a white Saturn.

Officer Houser made contact with the driver, Curtis L. Jones

and asked him for his license and what the problem was in the Rite Aid. Jones stated he was getting his license so he could buy some sudafed.

Officer Houser asked him why he didn't buy it in Tellico instead of driving all the way to Loudon, and Jones said they couldn't buy sudafed in Tellico. He further stated he and his mom were buying it for someone else.

Mr. Jones appeared lethargic and was unsteady on his feet.

Asked if he had taken any medication, Jones replied he'd taken his mother's clonazepam. He stated he'd taken four that day and six pills the day before.

Mr. Jones failed field sobriety tasks and agreed to implied consent. He gave the officer a Louisiana drivers license, but he also had a Tennessee license that was suspended for failure to show financial responsibility.

While en route to the ER for a BAC, Jones told Officer Houser to take him to jail because the clonazepam would show up in his blood.

Sgt. Bill Evans was also on the scene.

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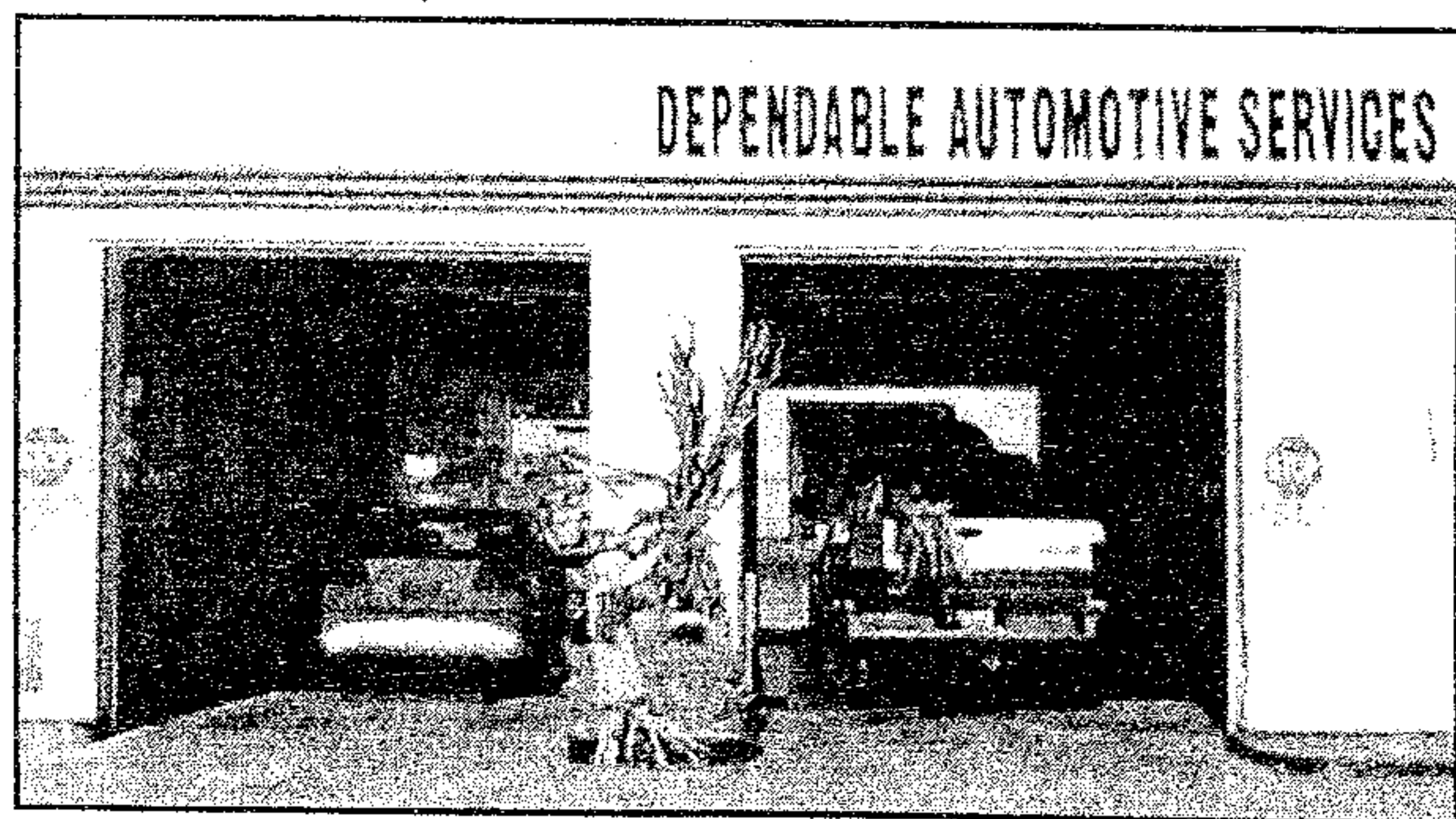
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Sticky Fingers

under \$500 and criminal trespassing.

According to records, Friday, around 5:51 PM, Walmart Loss Prevention

personnel observed Greg Berry in the store even though Mr. Berry was told not to be back in any Walmart store on January 6th, 2011, after being caught shoplifting.

Loss Prevention followed Berry out to a vehicle as Officer Jason Felts, LCPD arrived on scene. Consent to search was granted by the owner of the vehicle and three

shirts and a Coleman parka were found under the seat Berry was sitting in.

Walmart security video showed Greg Berry in the sporting goods department where he selected the merchandise and concealed it on his person.

Moniker

enue, Irvine, Kentucky was charged Wednesday with public intoxication. According to reports,

Mr. Michael D. Foster was inside the Weigels store at the intersection of Highways 321 and 70 where he tried to start a fight inside the establishment.

Upon arrival of law enforcement, officers discovered Foster had an odor of an alcoholic beverage about him and he was unstable on his feet.

Officer K. Sennett, LCPD responded to the call and made the arrest.

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