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Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Triple trouble for Decatur man found at closed business

Loudon Police Officer Blake Norman had a little help from Deputy Mike Watkins, K9 Den-ero, and Trooper Eric Miller Friday when he busted a Decatur man on a variety of charges at a closed business, in spite of the man's refusal of any and all requests made by law enforcement during his filed interview.

Jay Joseph Myers, 42, of Central Point Road was charged with first (see Myers pg. 5)



Jay Joseph Myers

Man violates order with phone call, charged

A local man was charged with aggravated assault after he allegedly called a woman for a ride after he was released from jail on a charge related to the woman, who has an order of protection against him.

Edgar Paul White, 29, Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City was charged with aggravated assault.

According to an af- (see White pg. 7)



Edgar Paul White

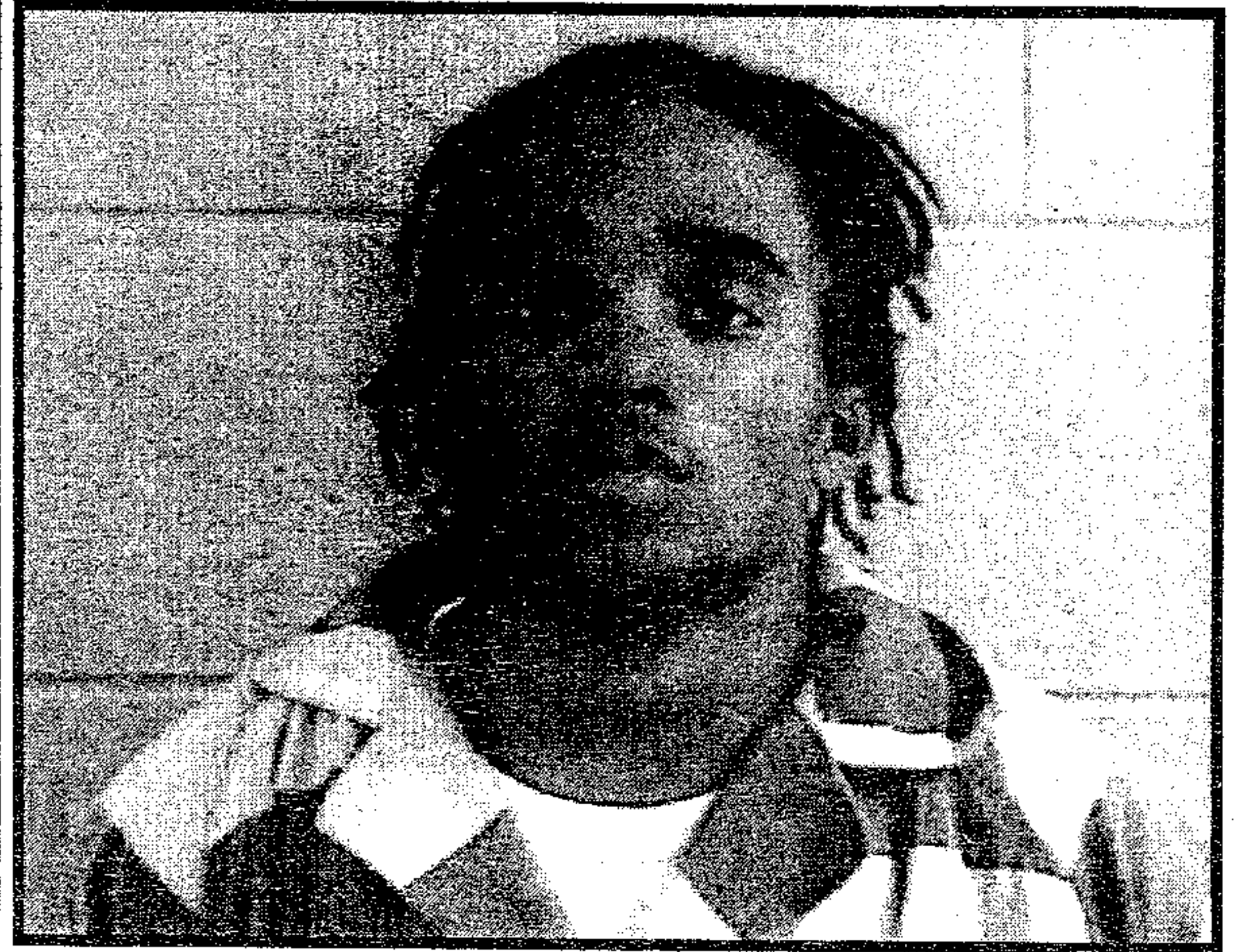
Man drives at more than double the legal limit

A Loudon man reportedly registered more than double the legal limit on an intoximeter test after Officer (see .17% pg. 3)

Covered in vomit & driving on the sidewalk

Officer Bobby Lankford arrested a young Loudon man after he received a call to be on the lookout for a pos- (see Overdosed pg. 6)

Meth indictment



Jamarri Dejuan Jackson (see Jackson pg. 4)

TDA Foresters Offer Advice on Storm Damaged Trees and Forests



Tree Damaged in East Tennessee by Tornado

NASHVILLE – From general storm damage across the state, the recent wave of severe (see Advice pg. 8)

Verse of the Day

"Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."
Matthew 26:41

Obituaries

Wallin W. "Woody" King
Wazzup
It's going to be hard to beat those biscuits & gravy, EZ Stop - they were pretty darn good! And the biscuits & gra-

vy wars rage on...

Guess the one thing you didn't count on Monday morning was an eyewitness, did you, Cody K.? Was home & watching you the whole time....

Weather

Today: Cloudy with occasional showers. High 62. Winds W at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 40%.
Tonight: Cloudy with a few showers. Low near

50. Winds light and variable. Chance of rain 30%.
Thursday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.

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.17%

Brendan DeBoer saw his vehicle cross over the lines on both sides of his lane numerous times along Mulberry Street and upon stopping him found he was under the influence of alcohol.

Jose Alfredo Mejia, 31, Summer Street, Loudon, was charged Sunday with DUI.

According to reports,

early Sunday morning, Officer Brendan DeBoer, LPD conducted a traffic stop on a silver Ford Thunderbird for failure to maintain it's lane on Mulberry Street near the Foothills Credit Union after he saw the vehicle cross over the center line and the white line numerous times.

The driver, Mr. Mejia, had an odor of an

alcoholic beverage on his person and was slow to respond to questions. He performed poorly on all field sobriety tasks and was transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Mr. Mejia was read the Tennessee Implied Consent form in Spanish and agreed to take a breath test. The test produced a result of .17%.

Police Beat

Dennis Benton McCurry, 48, Myers Road, Lenoir City was charged with second offense driving on revoked license Thursday.

According to reports the arrest came after Deputy Charles Butler, LCSO checked the tag on the white Ford Ranger McCurry was driving and the tag

came back registered to a Ford sedan.

The deputy stopped the vehicle and McCurry reportedly said he did not have a drivers license because they were revoked for DUI.

A drivers license check confirmed the revocation and McCurry was placed under arrest. He was issued a warning for the improper tag.



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death by his parents, Wallin and Alice King, and his brother, George King. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Carol King; children Christopher King, Douglas King and his wife Donna; grandchildren Riley and Anna King. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Friday, May 20, 2011 beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Community Church at Tellico Village. The family will receive friends immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall in the Christian Life Center. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Community Church at Tellico Village, 130 Chota Center, Loudon, TN 37774 or to the Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department, 210 Chota Road, Loudon, TN 37774. Click Funeral Home & Cremations Tellico Village Chapel is serving the family of Woody King.

Jackson

Jamarri Dejuan Jackson, 18, Ridgebrook Lane, Knoxville was charged with promoting methamphetamine manufacture after being indicted by the Loudon County Grand Jury.

Deputy Vance Wright, LCSO made the arrest Friday.

Police Beat

Chandler Thomas Sokol, 18, of Chestnut Ridge Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended license.

According to the report, Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD responded to a reckless driver call in the area of Chestnut Ridge Subdivision. A vehicle matching the description of the suspect vehicle passed the officer

and was taking up two lanes of travel.

The officer conducted a traffic stop and a check showed Mr. Sokol to have a suspended license. Officer B. Gentry, LCPD made the arrest.

Robert D. "Bobby" Lewis, 54, Bon Street, Lenoir City, was charged with domestic assault Thursday.

According to records, Officer B. Brown, LCPD, was dispatched to Lewis' residence in reference to a fight and upon arrival found Lewis had been fighting with a male family member, who had visible signs

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of injury to the left side of his face.

A witness told the officer Lewis had started the fight and once he was deemed the primary aggressor he was taken into custody and transported to jail.

Shaun Wesley Pena, 39, Abbott Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest Tuesday at the jail.

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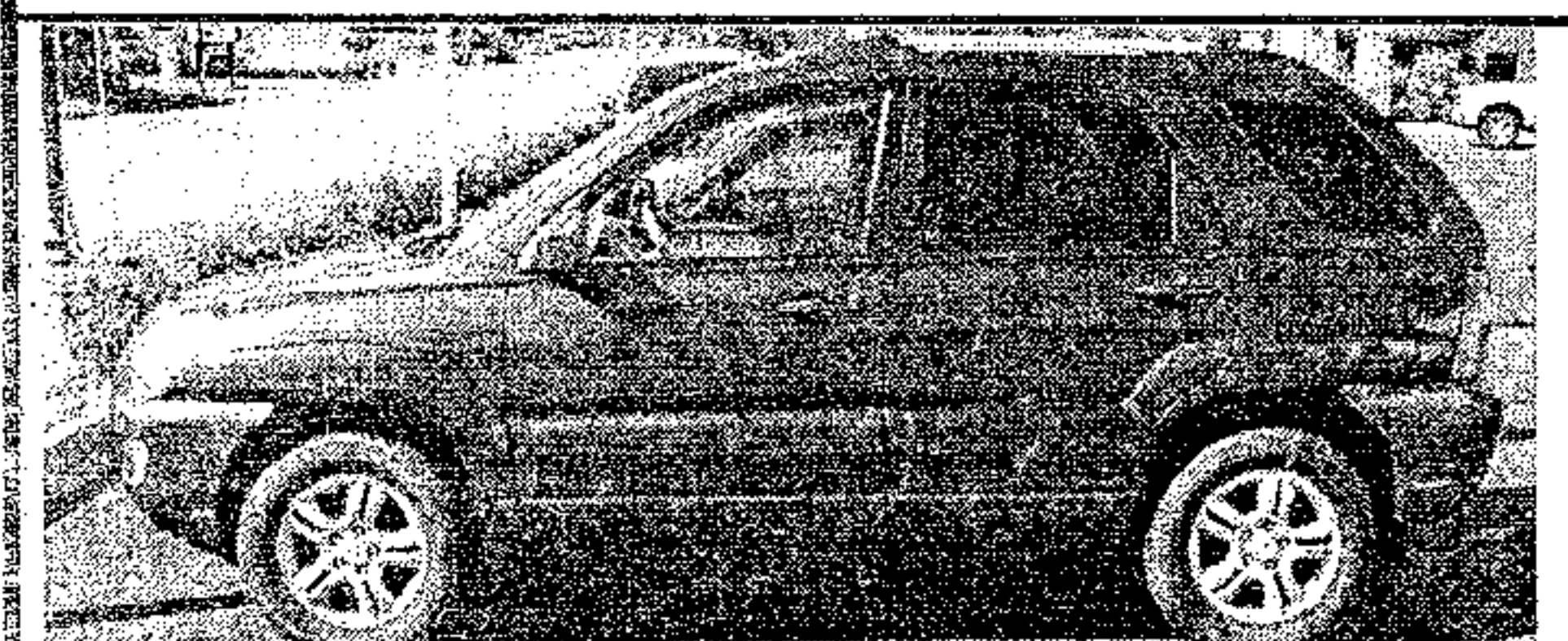
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Myers

offense DUI, violation of implied consent, possession of a firearm with intent to go armed, and possession of a firearm while intoxicated.

Officer Norman reported he noticed a 60's model Mustang parked at the Marathon on Highway 11 around 1:00 a.m. while he was on routine patrol. The business was closed and the officer ran the tag on

the vehicle, noting it came back to a 2001 Ford.

Records indicate the lawman then conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and as he approached he saw the driver, later identified as Myers, digging around in the back seat.

Myers, who had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person, was asked for his license, registration and insurance, but could only produce his drivers license.

Officer Norman reported he returned to his patrol unit to run Myers's information for a warrants check and Myers again kept digging in the back seat of his Mustang. It was at that point he was asked to exit his vehicle and come back to the patrol unit.

Officer Norman noted he asked Myers to perform a series of field sobriety tasks, but he refused all tasks. Trooper Miller then advised Myers of the implied consent law and Myers refused all tasks and any tests.

When asked for consent to search his vehicle, Myers refused and denied consent.

Deputy Watkins then deployed Officer Denero on the Mustang and K9 gave a positive alert. A search of the vehicle then uncovered a .38 Special handgun under the back seat where Myers had kept digging.

Myers was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail where he was again read implied consent and he again denied it.

Police Beat

Edward Lee West, 45, Florence Drive, Pigeon Forge was charged with public intoxication.

According to reports, Officer Brendan DeBoer, LPD came in contact with Edward Lee West in the parking lot of the Shell Station on Highway 72 Saturday night. Mr. West was unsteady on his feet, had an odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and performed extremely poorly on field sobriety tasks.

West was taken into custody for his safety and the safety of the public.

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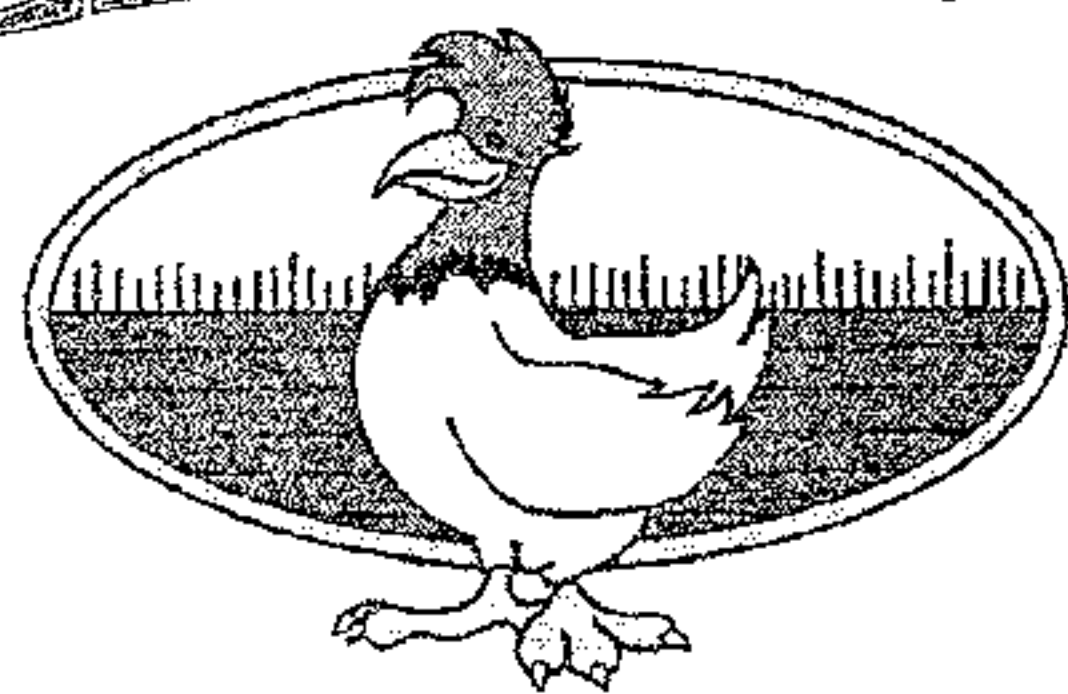
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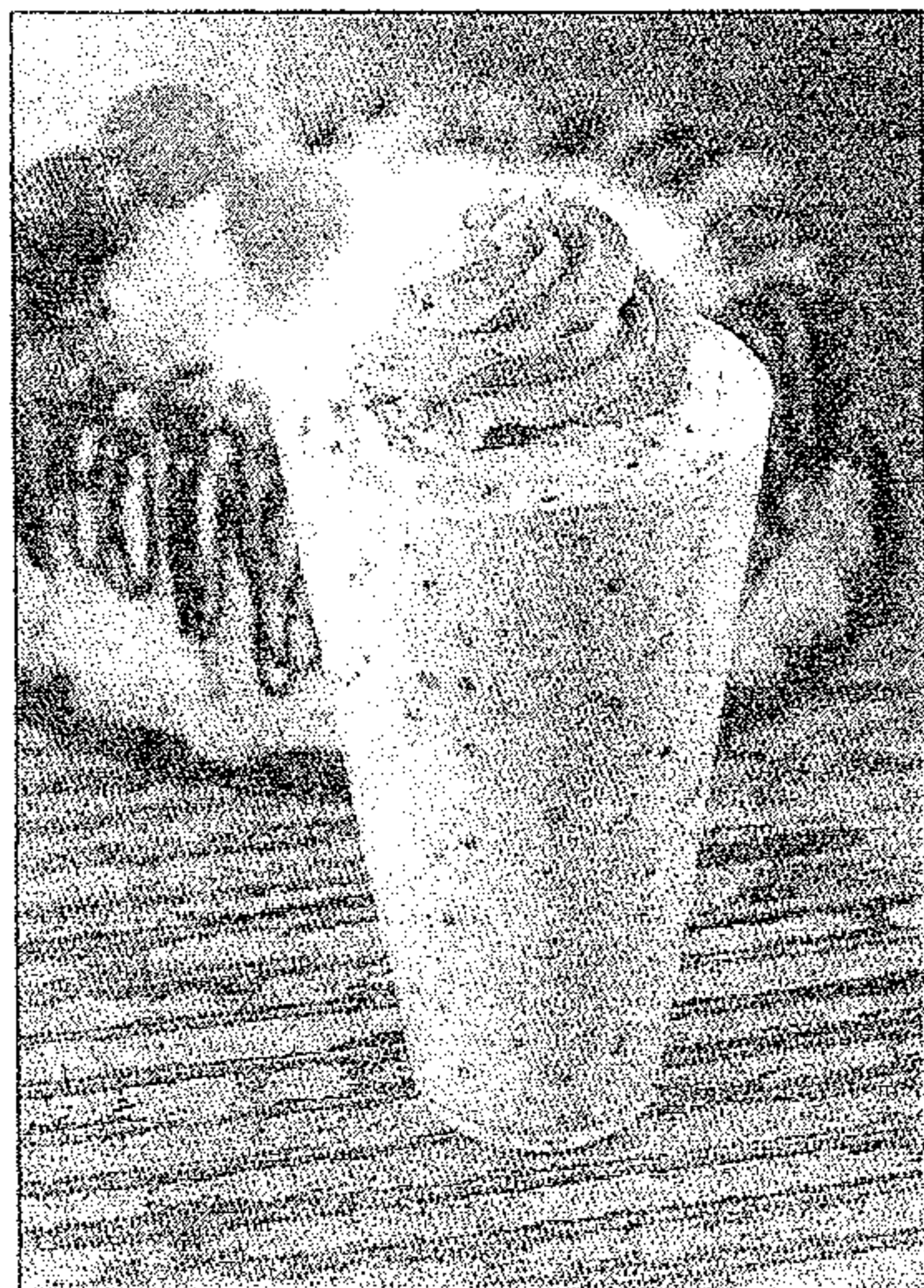
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Overdosed

sible drunk driver. The officer reported he saw the suspect vehicle drive on the sidewalk at least twice and when he pulled it over the driver was covered in vomit and admitted to overdosing himself on xanax throughout the day.

Cody Tyler Jackson, 21, Steekee School Road, Loudon was charged with DUI 1st offense and possession of schedule IV xanax.

According to records, Thursday at around 1:00 PM, FTO Bobby Lankford, LPD received a call about a possible intoxicated driver on Grove Street. Officer Lankford was parked at Brigham Street and observed a silver GMC pickup traveling north on Grove Street.

The lawman reported the truck left the roadway and traveled along the sidewalk two separate times and he stopped it at the Loudon Market. When he approached the truck he found the driver, later identified as Cody T. Jackson, trying to clean vomit off himself.

Mr. Jackson was slow to react to questions and did poorly on field sobriety tasks. Jackson told the officer he had taken a total of eleven xanax. Six xanax that morning and five

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Jackson further stated he had more xanax in his possession and in his truck. Three xanax

were found.

After being placed under arrest Mr. Jackson was transported to Fort Loudoun ER for a

chemical test and then to the Loudon County Jail. Officer Brian Jenkins, LPD was also on scene.

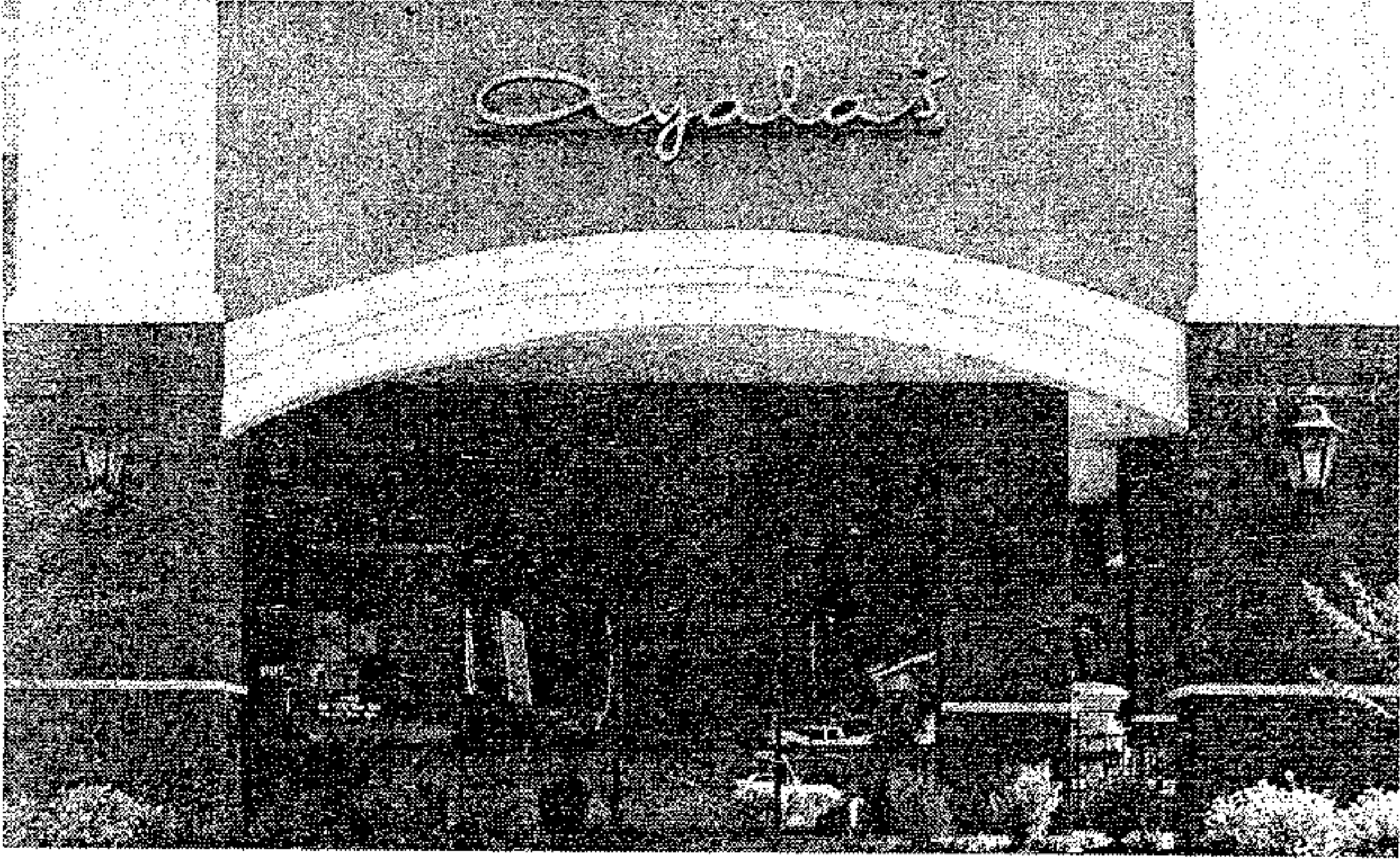
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White

fidavit filed by Detective Charles Cosner, LCSO-CID; on December 1st, 2010, Mr. Edgar Paul White was released from the Loudon County Jail where he was being housed on harassment

charges stemming from an incident involving a woman.

After being released, Mr. White contacted the woman by telephone, wanting her to come and pick him up from jail. She didn't answer the call and a short time later, she re-

ceived another call from Mr. White stating he was coming to her home. She fled from her home for her safety and contacted the Loudon County Sheriff's Office.


After the deputy arrived and made contact with the

woman, Mr. White called two more times. During the investigation, it was discovered the woman does have an active order of protection against Mr. White preventing him from making contact

with her or her children. The woman stated she is in fear of her life from Mr. White as he has an extensive criminal history as well as a history of abuse. Officer Jason Felts, LCPD made the arrest at a traffic stop Friday.

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While cleanup of downed trees is critical to recovery efforts in urban areas, damaged yard trees that are still standing should be left undisturbed unless they present an eminent hazard.

“Even though the top has been blown away, there is still the possibility that the tree may live,” said TDA urban forester Bruce Webster. “Trees have an amazing capacity to re-grow after damage, so it is good to give the tree time to recover.”

There are several factors for tree owners to consider when assessing damage:

If the tree has a significant lean that wasn't present before the storm, if most or all the major limbs are broken or gone, or if there are obvious breakage of the trunk, AND there is the potential that the remaining portion could fall causing additional damage or personal injury, then the tree should be removed.

If there is little or no lean, if the trunk is relatively sound, AND there is little potential of limbs or the tree falling and causing damage or injury, then the tree can remain. Even if the tree has lost major limbs, it may recover.

Flooded trees will have to be watched over time. Flooding causes more root damage than top damage, so the dam-

age may not be visible for several weeks. And, trees are less tolerant of flooding during the growing season of April through September than they are November through March.

After trees appear to be recovering, homeowners should consult a certified arborist, a trained and credentialed tree care professional. Homeowners can find a certified arborist in their area at <http://www.isa-arbor.com/faca/findArborist.aspx>.

In rural areas, many forest landowners face the challenge of salvaging forest products from felled trees. Salvaging timber can be challenging and hazardous so it should be handled by professionals. Timing is also critical due to high heat and moisture, which will cause defects making the wood less merchantable.

In some cases, salvaging small pockets of timber may not be practical, or the damage may be too extensive. However, in cases where the timber may have just been blown over, opportunities to salvage timber will exist until June or July when staining and decay set in.

Landowners seeking to pursue timber salvage should:

Select a logger willing to cut the trees and deliver products to market.

Do market research and negotiation a fair price and terms.

Work only with a logger under a signed, written agreement or contract.

Take into consideration the perishability of felled trees if harvest is delayed.

Consider federal income tax implications.

For further advice contact an area forester with Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry. A listing of

area foresters by county can be found at <http://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forestry/directory.html>

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