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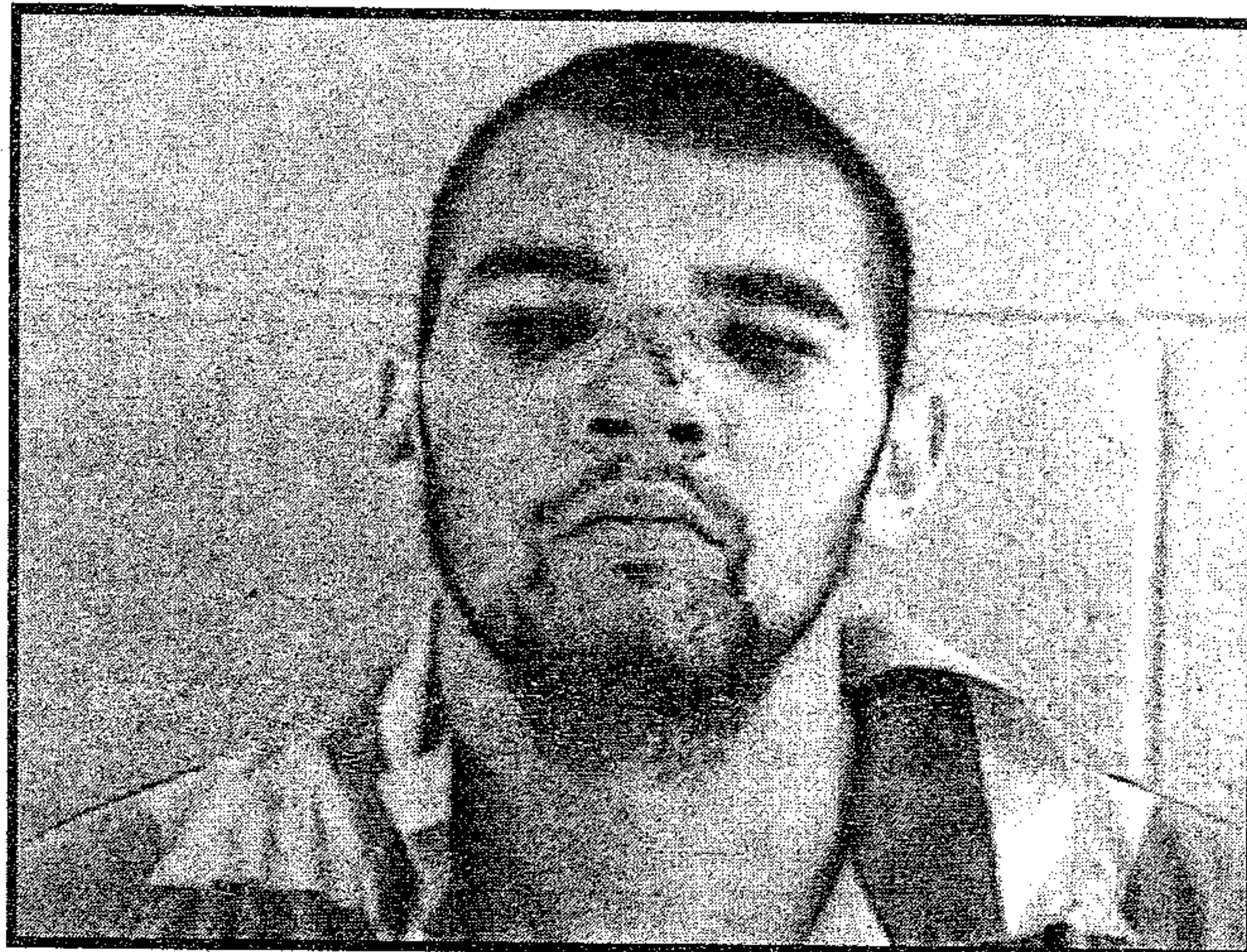
Man charged following 2 county chase after brutally beating girlfriend, stabbing father

A local man faces multiple charges after he brutally beat his girlfriend then stabbed his own father when he tried to help her during a jealous domestic rampage Monday night.

George Patrick Locklear, 21, Jackson Bend Road, Lenoir City was charged with attempted 2nd degree murder, aggravated kidnapping, aggravated assault, revoked license, reckless driving, and felony evading.

According to Loudon County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Tony Aikens, on Monday, May 23rd, 2011, around 11:00 PM, a domestic violence call came into the 911 Center about a

(see Locklear pg. 3)



George Patrick Locklear

Man accused of stealing, pawning DVDs, busted

Sgt. Lynette Ladd charged a local man with stealing and pawning approximately fifty DVD movies that belonged to another person.

Mitchell Shawn Griggs, 37, Cory Drive, Lenoir City was charged with theft under \$500.

According to an affidavit filed by Sgt. Lynette Ladd, LCPD; on or about May 21st, 2011, at approximately 1:19 PM, Mitchell Griggs

(see Griggs pg. 8)



Mitchell Shawn Griggs

Shoplifter nabbed

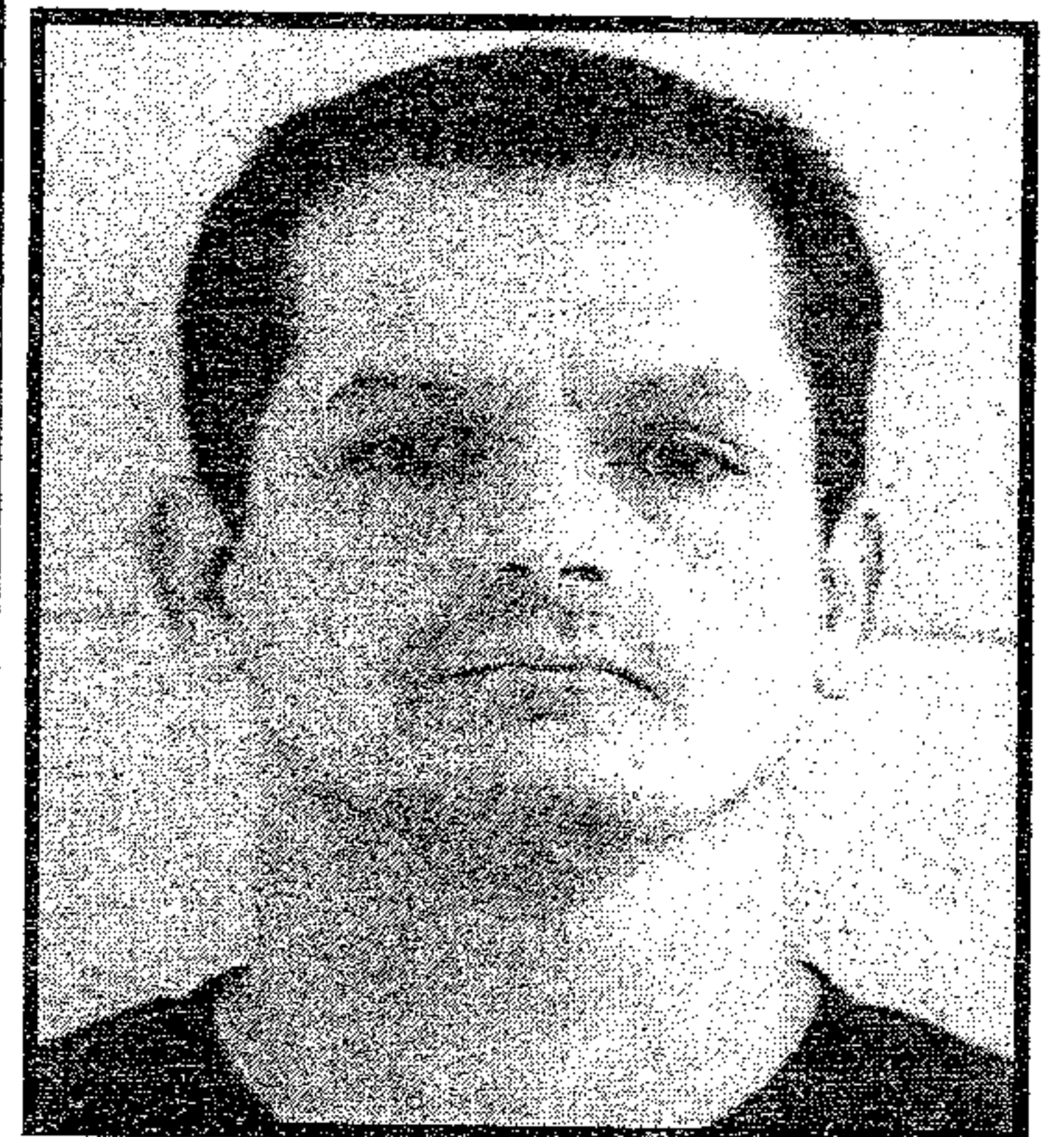


Tracey L. Southworth

Police arrested a Madison, Tennessee woman after she

(see Southworth pg. 5)

Indicted



Lorin Lee Furlong, Jr.

Lorin Lee Furlong, Jr., 41, Flint Gap Road, Knoxville was charged with a Criminal Court capias for theft of property \$1000-\$10,000. He turned himself into the Loudon County Jail Thursday.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO served the warrant and made the arrest.

TN Identifies Large Animal Care Shortage Areas

(see Program pg. 6)

Veterinarians Can Apply for School Loan Repayment Program



Farm Animal Care

Verse of the Day

That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.

Numbers 15:40

Obituaries

James A. Fritts
Cheryl Hearn Pendleton
Anna Lee Dutton Preston
Janet Mary Ahern
Janice Faye Kern
Nancy Louise Rubano

Wazzup

Did you know? U.S. Route 11 is a north-south United States highway extending 1,645 miles across the eastern United States. The southern terminus of the route is at U.S. Route

90 in the Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge in eastern New Orleans, Louisiana. The northern terminus is at the United States-Canada border in Rouses Point, New York. The route continues across

the border in Canada as Quebec Route 223. US 11, created in 1926, runs through at least 20 Tennessee counties.

Weather

Today: Scattered thun- (Continued on page 2)

Locklear

woman who was being beaten on Highway 444, also known as Tellico Parkway.

Detective Charles Cosner, LCSO-CID filed the attempted 2nd degree murder, aggravated kidnapping, aggravated assault charges against Locklear his affidavits state that on Monday, at approximately 11:11 PM, the

Loudon County Sheriff's Office responded to a stabbing call, at a residence on Jackson Bend Road in Lenoir City. During the investigation, the suspect identified as George Patrick Locklear, fled from officers after forcing his girlfriend, Chrystal Kerley, from the residence.

Ms. Kerley was interviewed about the

incident and gave a statement saying approximately one hour prior to the stabbing, she and Mr. Locklear were traveling on Tellico Parkway in Loudon when he started accusing her of having a relationship with another person. Mr. Locklear became violent, striking Ms. Kerley several times about her face with his closed fist,

causing multiple facial fractures. Ms. Kerley attempted to call 911 but was still under attack and unable to seek help.

When the Communication Center attempted to call Ms. Kerley back for a location, Mr. Locklear threw the cell phone out the window. Locklear then drove Ms. Kerley to his residence on Jackson Bend Road, where his father then attempted to pro-

tect Ms. Kerley.

While at the Jackson Bend Road residence, George Patrick Locklear stated he was leaving with Ms. Kerley at which time, his father, Mr. George Floyd Locklear refused to allow him to take Ms. Kerley.

A physical altercation ensued when George Patrick became enraged. His father then picked up a hammer and again told his son he was not taking Ms. Kerley. That's when George Patrick pulled a knife from his pocket and attacked his father, George Floyd. The elder Mr. Locklear sustained a large laceration of the inside of his left forearm and a puncture (see Locklear cont. pg. 6)



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Program

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Department of Agriculture has identified four areas of the state that are now eligible for USDA assistance in filling a shortage of large animal veterinary practitioners.

The USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP) will pay up to \$25,000 each year towards qualified educational loans of eligible veterinarians who agree to serve in an underserved area for three years.

"Livestock production is a billion dollar industry in this state, and it's critical that Tennessee farmers have access to quality

veterinary services," said state veterinarian Charles Hatcher. "This program is a great way for veterinarians to not only get financial assistance but to provide a valuable service to the agricultural community."

Areas eligible for the loan repayment program include Carroll and surrounding counties in West Tennessee; Hawkins, Greene and surrounding counties in East Tennessee; the Upper Cumberland; and, Bedford, Moore and surrounding counties in southern Middle Tennessee.

Criteria such as availability of current veterinary services, the number of veterinarians at or near retirement age and number

of livestock operations were used to identify underserved areas in the state.

The deadline to apply for the VMLRP is July 8. USDA-NIFA will hold two live webinars on May 23 to provide an in-depth explanation of the application process. For an application and more information about the VMLRP, visit http://www.nifa.usda.gov/nea/animals/in_focus/an_health_if_vmlrp.html.

Locklear cont.

wound to his left chest. After the assault, the son, George Patrick, picked up Ms. Kerley and took her from the residence with force, leaving in a white pickup truck. The victim told the Daily Edition the truck belonged to her father, who had

loaned it to them, and that her father was away from home due to medical reasons when the incident occurred and had no idea of what had transpired.

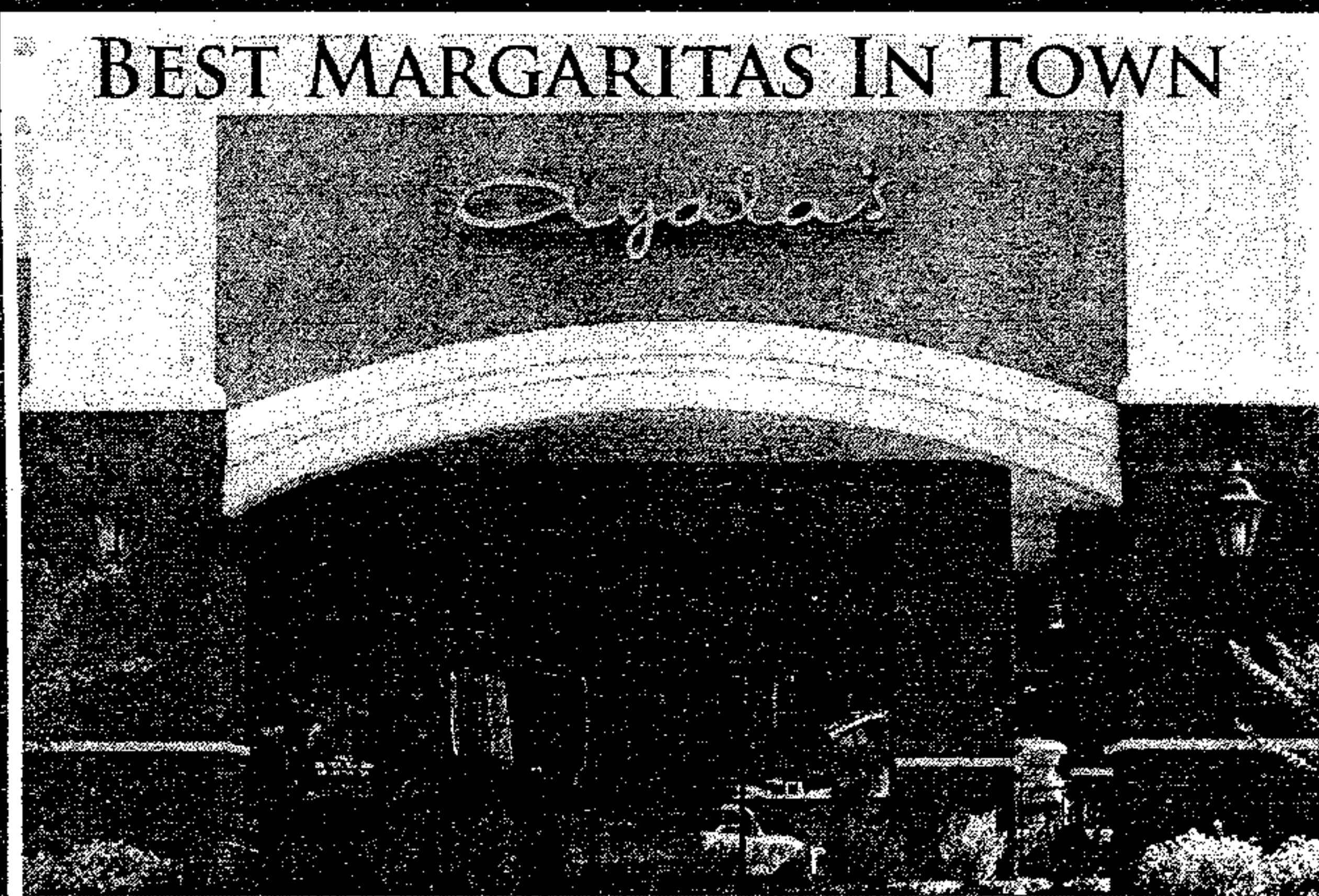
George Floyd Locklear was transported to Fort Loudoun Medical Center in Lenoir City for his injuries.

The 5'4", 120 lbs. Kerley further told The Daily Edition she also was treated at

Fort Loudoun Medical Center for injuries she sustained in the beating by Locklear, whom she said is 6'4" and weighs 225 lbs. Her injuries included four broken facial bones around her right eye socket, a broken nose, six cracked ribs and other head trauma.

Prior to the arrival of rescuers, however, George Patrick was (see Locklear cont. pg. 7)

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Southworth

reportedly tried to steal nearly \$100 in merchandise from Walmart Friday.

Tracey L. Southworth, 46, Riverchase Boulevard, Madison, Tennessee was charged with theft under \$500.

According to records, Friday, at approximately 3:40 PM, Walmart Asset Protection Officers saw Ms. Southworth in the toy department, conceal-

ing bubbles, probiotic chews, and 2 one touch ultra's in her purse.

Later, Southworth laid a heating pad on top of her purse and covered it up with her jacket. She went out the general merchandise door, passing all points of sale and the final point of sale, without paying \$91.93 for the merchandise.

No restitution was sought. Officer Allen Bean, LCPD made the

arrest.

Locklear cont.

leaving the driveway of the residence when deputies initiated their emergency equipment. Mr. Locklear refused

to stop and took Highway 321 into Blount County.

Deputy Brian Smith was traveling on Jackson Bend Road when he saw a white truck leaving the residence

of the stabbing in an erratic manner. The deputy began following the vehicle, watching it, until the truck started reaching unsafe speeds and traveling from the (see Locklear concl. pg. 8)


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Transportation Committee Meeting

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Thank you.



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Griggs

did intentionally and knowingly deprive the owner of 50 DVD's. Griggs took 50 DVD's from the victim's bedroom on Cory Drive and took them to Executive Pawn on Highway 321, Lenoir City, and pawned them.

Griggs pawned 20 DVD's at one time on May 21st and returned with 30 DVD's later the same day.

Griggs admitted to taking the DVD's. Sgt. Ladd went to Executive Pawn and confirmed that Griggs had indeed pawned the DVD's. A hold was placed on the property.

Sgt. Ladd made the arrest.

Locklear concl.

right side of the road to

the left side.

Deputy Smith also activated his emergency equipment to try and stop the vehicle, which he believed was suspected in the stabbing, near the Lazy Acres RV Park. The truck continued on, failing to yield to law enforcement, while increasing in speed.

While pursuing the vehicle on Jackson Bend Road, it lost control in some gravel in the roadway, spun around and came to a stop sideways in the road, then continued down Jackson Bend. At the end of Jackson Bend Road the truck turned onto Highway 321 south and still refused to stop.

Deputy Smith continued the pursuit, crossing into Blount County at speeds of 95 to 100 mph until the truck left the right side of the roadway and struck an unknown

object in the ground, bringing the vehicle to a rest.

George Patrick Locklear was transported to the Fort Loudoun Medical Center for injuries

sustained in the crash. A check of his license showed they are revoked.

Locklear was placed into custody at the hospital and transported to the

Loudon County Jail.

Deputy Smith filed the driving on revoked license, reckless driving, and felony evading against Locklear in the incident.

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