

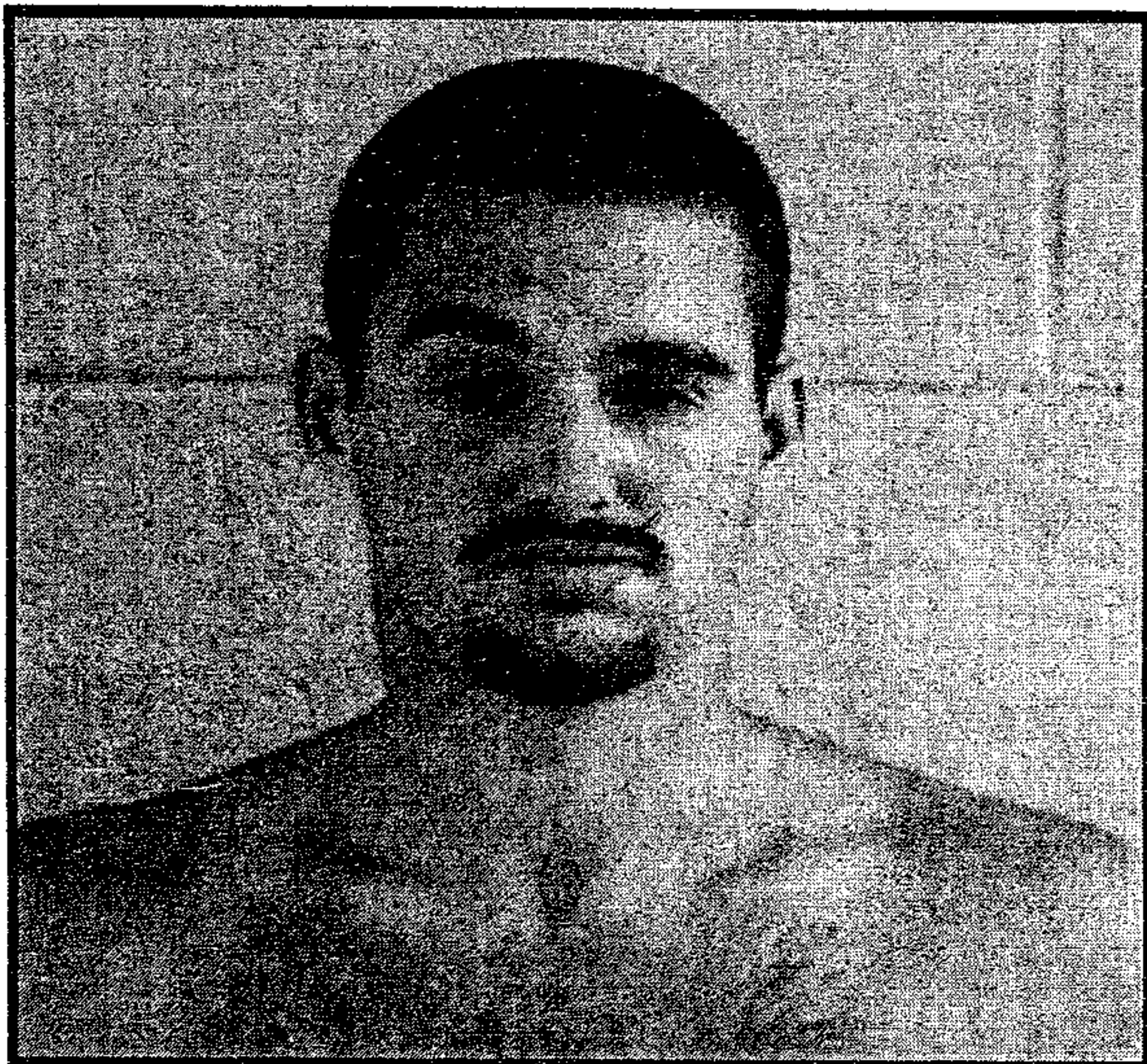
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Tuesday July 5, 2011

Man charged with stealing batteries from school buses More charges added by County

A Browder Hollow Road man was taken into custody and charged by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD with stealing batteries from several school buses. According to the warrants, sometime between June 28, 2011 and June 29, 2011 James Lee Rigney did remove 4 batteries from the victim's school buses. Rigney took the batteries and sold them to Interstate Battery. The amount of the loss was



(see Rigney pg. 6) Rigney

Wrench in pants has impact on man's freedom

A Walland man wanted for a probation violation was jailed in Loudon County after he reportedly was caught stealing an impact wrench from Home Depot.

Jay Ronald Oliver, 24, of Blair Loop Road, Walland was charged with theft under \$500 and a



(see Oliver pg. 4) Oliver

Just Stay Away!

Deputy Scarbrough, LCSO was dispatched to the TA Truck stop to an unwanted person. Upon arrival the manager reported a man sitting at

(see Chavez pg. 5)

2nd DUI for LC woman

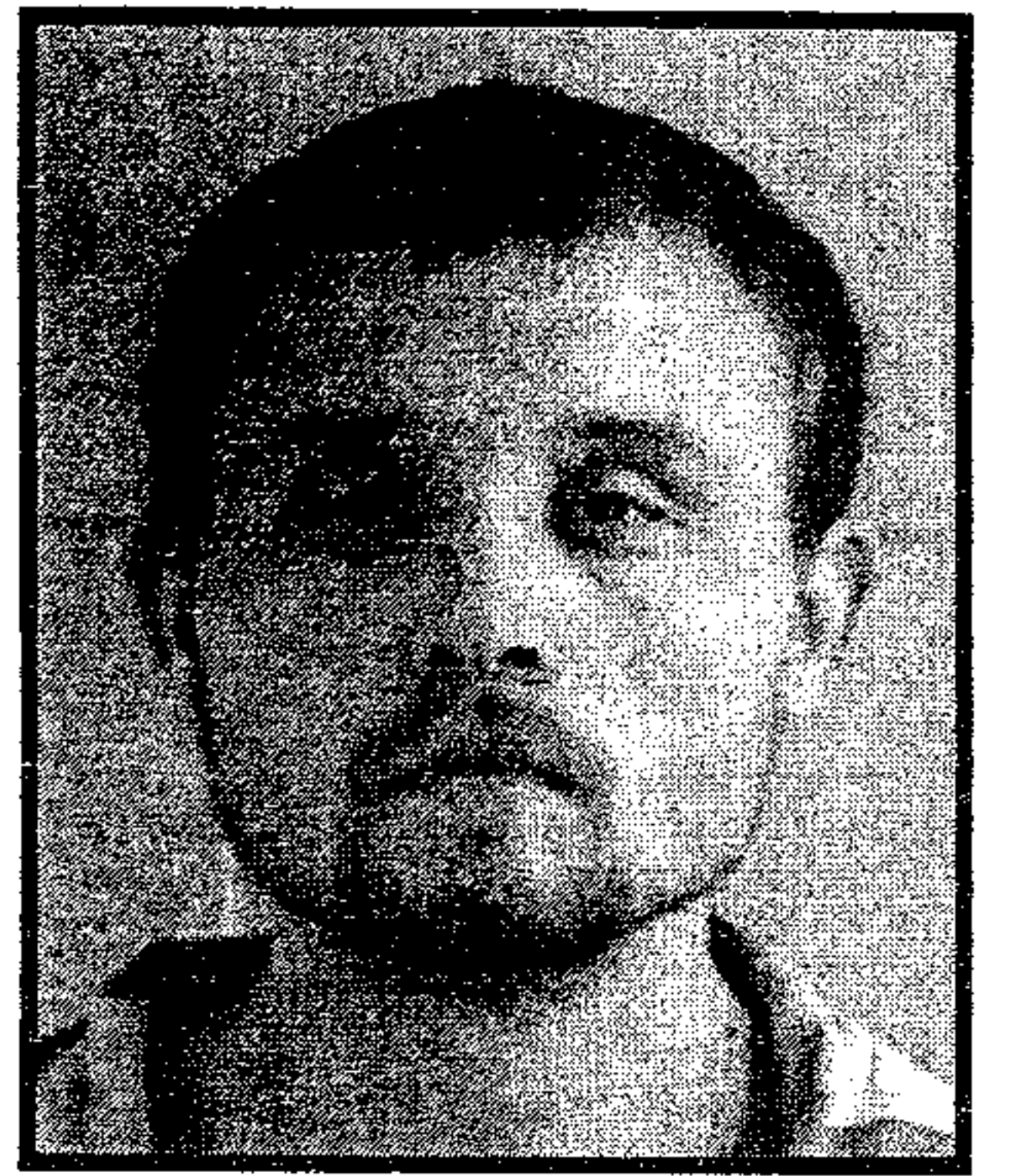
A Lenoir City woman received her 2nd DUI charge following a traffic stop by Deputy Brian Smith, LCSO.

(see Scarlett pg. 7)

Man charged with theft of check

A local man reportedly told police he was trying to cash a check that had been given to him when he allegedly was caught with it a Lenoir City bank after it had been reported stolen.

William E. Smallen, 22, of East 6th Avenue, Lenoir City



(see Smallen pg. 3) Smallen

Loudon County Humane Society continues to offer spay/neuter program

(see Program pg. 5)

The Loudon County Humane Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to addressing issues related to animals in the area

TWRA and Partners Provide Wood Duck Boxes

(see Boxes pg. 8)



Verse of the Day

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments

of the world, and not after Christ."

Colossians 2:8

Obituaries

Ruby Anna Lou Huskin Harper

Wazzup

Hope nobody got in big

trouble this weekend because we'll be reporting on it all this week!

Weather

Today: Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the low 90s.

Tonight: Lows in the

upper 60s.

Wednesday: Isolated thunderstorms. High: 89; Low: 68.

Horoscopes

Cancer 6/22-7/22

Use your impulsive side to your best advantage

today -- things don't need to be the same day in and day out! Your good energy means that you can make the most of your wild ideas.

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Smallen

was charged with theft under \$500.

According to a warrant filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; on June 28, 2011 Mr. Smallen was in possession of a stolen check. The check was stolen from a residence on West 1st Avenue. The checks were reported stolen on the same day that morning.

Mr. Smallen reported he was given the check to cash for \$140 and was attempting to cash the check at Regions Bank in Lenoir City.

Smallen did not have the victim's permission to have the check and did commit the offense with the intent to deprive the victim thereof.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon

County Jail.

Police Beat

Belinda Kay Vincent, 36, Dewitt Drive, Lenoir City was charged with assault by domestic violence.

According to records, Deputy Chris Jenkins, LCSO responded to Ms. Vincent's residence Sunday to a possible

Deputy Jenkins made contact with both parties involved and separated them.

Both parties, which are boyfriend and girlfriend and live in the same residence, got into a verbal altercation when the victim began to leave the home. He stated when he attempted to leave, Ms. Vincent became physical and shoved him into the wall and hit him. As he was still trying to leave, she grabbed him by the shirt and ripped it almost off his back and then hit him again on the left shoulder.

The victim had visible welt marks on his left upper arm and shoulder area and a ripped shirt. Ms. Vincent was

deemed the primary aggressor and was placed under arrest.

Aaron Edmond Hampton, 24, of Joiner Hollow Road, Rockwood was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Vance Wright, LCSO made the arrest at the Roane County Jail.

Toby Douglas Skipper, 32, of Hwy 11, Sweetwater was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Vance Wright, LCSO made the arrest at the Monroe County Jail.

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Obituaries

Ruby Anna Lou Huskin Harper of Longmont, Colorado, formerly of Charleston, TN, passed away June 29, 2011 at home. She was 97. The daughter of Candis Ella Allmon and C.A. Huskin, Ruby was born September 6, 1913 in Loudon County, Tennessee, the youngest of seven children. Ruby married Ralph Harper on May 10, 1936 at Corinth Baptist Church in Loudon, Tennessee. Four children were born to this union. Ralph died in June 1996. Ralph and Ruby were married 60 years. Mrs. Harper was a member of the First Bible Baptist Church in Athens, Tennessee. She attended Faith Baptist Church in Longmont. She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings; husband; infant twins and son-in-law Fred Hasl. Ruby is survived by two daughters, Sharon Ratzlaff and husband Franklin Ratzlaff

and Trena Hasl; two grandchildren, Kirk D. Ratzlaff and wife Debra and their children JonPaul and wife Shea, Austin and wife Paola and Annica Ratzlaff; and Verneta Lechman and husband Antony and their children, Mariah and Nicole Lechman, all of Longmont. Ruby is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends, including her special friend Evelyn Mitchell. 1st Visitation will be held from 10-12 Noon on Saturday, July 2, 2011 at Ahlberg Funeral Chapel. in Longmont, CO. 2nd Visitation will be held from 5-7PM on Thursday, July 7, 2011 at Loudon Funeral Home with a funeral service following at 7PM in the Loudon Funeral Home Chapel. With Rev. Lynn Goodwin officiating. Interment will be 10 a.m. Friday at Corinth Cemetery. www.loudonfuneralhome.net

Oliver

warrant out of Blount

County for violation of probation.

According to the report, Officer K. Condee, LCPD responded to Home Depot on a report of a shoplifter in custody.

On arrival Home Depot loss prevention had detained Jay Oliver after witnessing him conceal an impact wrench in his shorts and walk out of the store without paying for it.

The officer also discovered Mr. Oliver was wanted in Blount County as well.

Office K. Condee, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Neil D. Grayes, 26, Brownstone Way, Loudon was charged with DUI, exercise due care and financial responsibility.

According to records, Sunday, around 5:30

AM, Mr. Grayes was involved in a non-injury crash on Interstate 75 at the 84 mile marker when he struck a parked unoccupied vehicle on the shoulder of the interstate.

Mr. Grayes had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and his eyes were bloodshot. He stated he'd had one beer at Bailey's in Knoxville

about four hours prior to the accident.

Grayes refused treatment by EMS and stated he didn't have any injuries that would prevent him from performing field sobriety tasks. He was unsteady on his feet and was unable to perform the tasks as instructed.

Trooper Russell Smith, THP made the arrest.

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Chavez

a table had been harassing the employees.

The officer made contact with the man, identified as Paul Herman Chavez, and told him the manager requested he leave. Chavez asked to see the manager and the deputy informed him that is why he was there; the manager did not want to talk to him and wanted him to leave.

Chavez was then told again to leave and he refused and wanted a manager.

Deputy Charles Butler was dispatched to the business on the same unwanted person just days before and advised Mr. Chavez not to be back at the business.

Deputy Scarbrough, LCSO

made the arrest.

Program

and serving the community by focusing on efforts to eliminate unwanted litters.

Loudon County Humane Society has been conducting a spay/neuter program for low-income/no-income families in Loudon County for many years. To be eligible for the program, you must be a resident of Loudon County and earn less than \$20,000/year as an individual or \$30,000/year for a household. With this program dog and cat owners can have the financial assistance for a spay/neuter while they are responsible for their pet's vaccinations. The current funding is made available due to a bequeath from the family

of Francis Fitzpatrick in honor of her love of animals and in memory of her and her Collies.

If you are a qualified resident and are interested in participating in this program, please attend a voucher session beginning at 10:00 AM at one of the following dates and sites:

July 9 – Loudon City Hall/Loudon Utilities, 201 Alma Place

August 6 – Lenoir City Library/Roane State Building

September 10 – Philadelphia School

October 1 – Loudon City Hall/Loudon Utilities

November 5 – Lenoir City Library/Roane State Building

December 3 – Greenback Community Center

The Loudon County Humane Society holds monthly

meetings on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Loudon County Animal Shelter. All members are encouraged to participate in numerous ways.

For more information, write to the Loudon County Humane Society at P.O. Box 602; Lenoir City, TN 37771; or call 865-671-8654.

Police Beat

Julia A. Leatherwood, 25, of Abbott Road, Lenoir City was charged with failure to appear.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest.

Joseph Michael Sales, 22, of Fairview Drive, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest.

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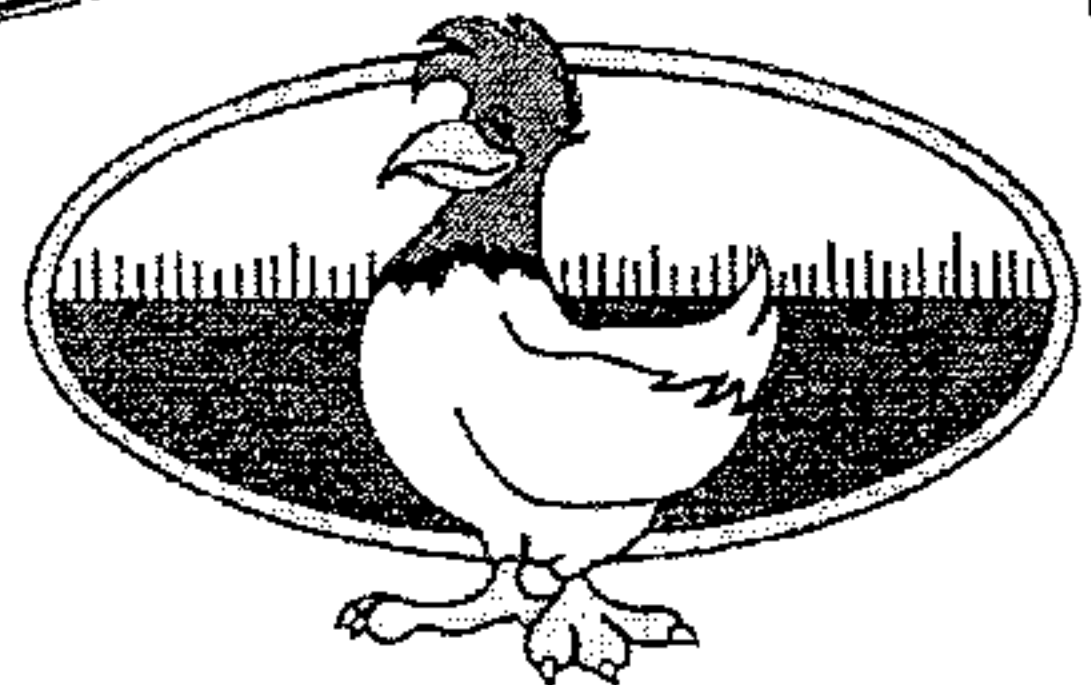
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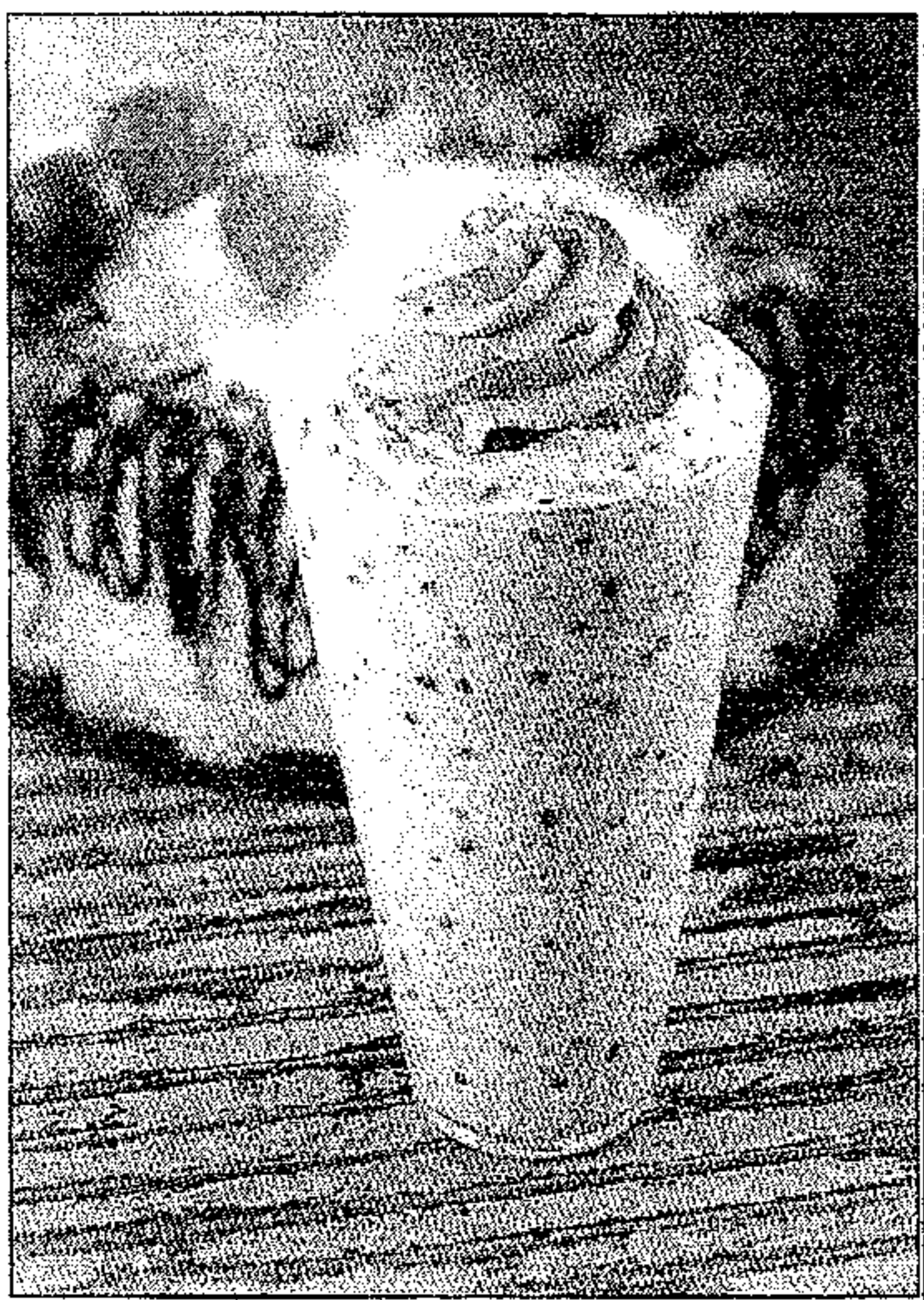
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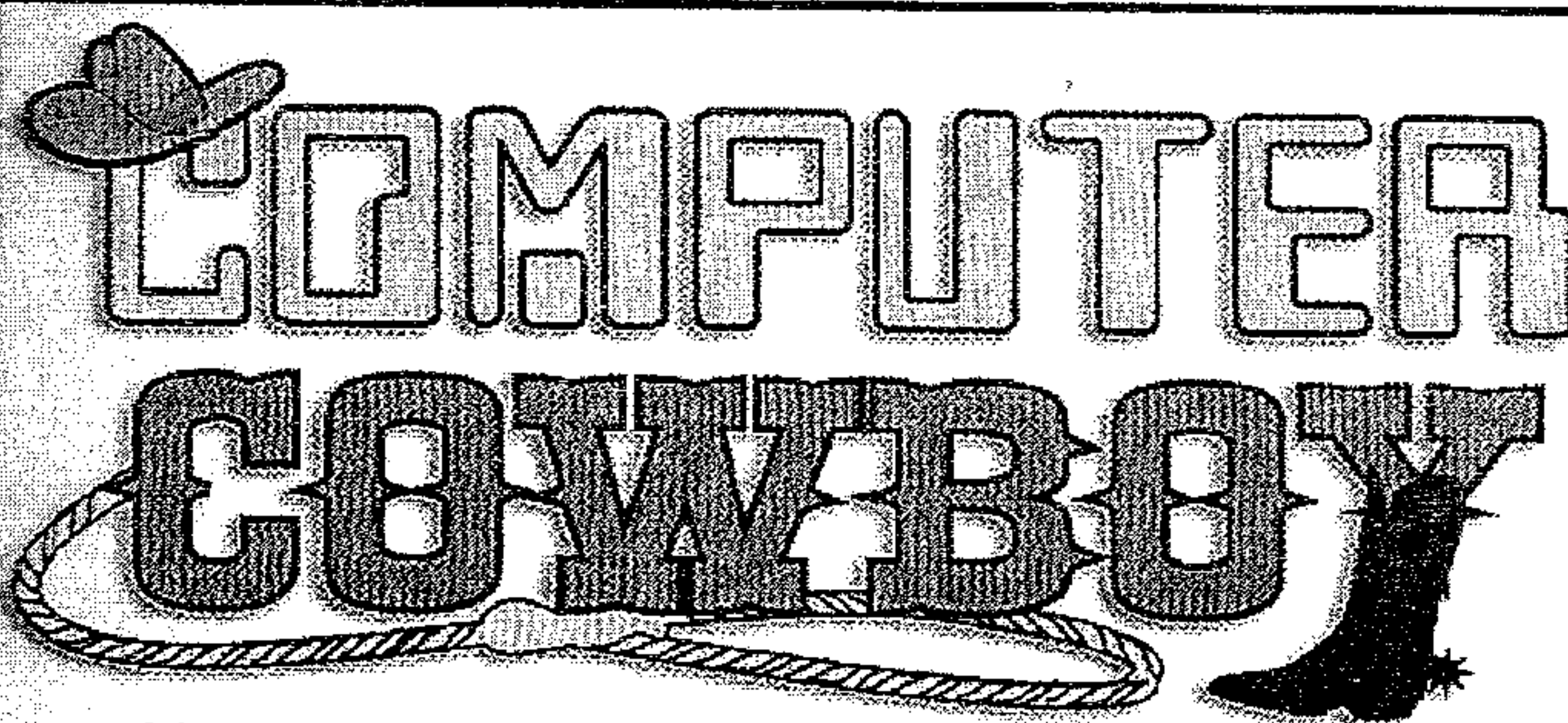
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Rigney

over \$1000.

In another warrant, during the same time frame, Mr. Rigney removed 14 batteries from another victims buses parked at the same location. Rigney then took the batteries to Interstate battery and sold them. The acts were done with the intent to deprive the victim. The amount of the loss was over \$1000.

James Lee Rigney, 26 of Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City, was charged with two counts of theft over \$1000. Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest.

Detective Charles Cosner, LCSO CID, was investigating several thefts of batteries in Loudon County as

well and as a result of the investigation; two charges were filed against James Lee Rigney. According to the warrants, on June 30, 2011 Rigney did take two batteries from a John Deere tractor on Buttermilk Road depriving the true owner of their property.

In another warrant, it was discovered that on June 24, 2011 Rigney did take two batteries from a tractor trailer and one from a forklift that was parked at Ervin's Body Shop on Hwy 11.

After removing the batteries Rigney then sold them for profit. The value of the batteries was over \$500 but less than \$1000.

James Lee Rigney, was charged with two counts of theft of

property \$500-\$1000. Detective Charles Cosner, LCSO CID made the arrest and filed the charges.

Police Beat

David Stephen Morgan, 25, of Broad Street, Bristol was charged with possession of schedule VI and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to the report, Deputy Rondel Branam, LCSO observed a red vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on I75 and was verified on radar at 99mph in a 65mph zone and was stopped.

The driver was asked if a search could be performed and he stated yes and the officer discovered a pair of shoes with a pack of rolling papers and a bag of a green leafy substance believed

to be marijuana that weighed approximately 6.6 grams.

Deputy Rondel Branam, LCSO made the arrest.

Joshua Sean King, 22, of Bon Street, Lenoir City was charged with assault.

According to the report, Deputy Steve Helm, LCSO was responding to the Justice Center to locate for service an order of protec-

tion on a Joshua King. An arrest warrant for assault had also been issued in connection with the order of protection.

Deputy Steve Helm, LCSO made the arrest.

Rodney Lynn Huffine, 47, of Highland Avenue, Loudon was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest.

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Scarlett

According to the report, Deputy Smith stopped a gray vehicle for swerving in the roadway at Kingston Street in Lenoir City. The driver was iden-

tified as Amy Marie Scarlett.

Ms. Scarlett first reported she was coming from a funeral and then stated she was coming from 3rd Avenue.

When Ms. Scarlett went to search for her

insurance card, the vehicle began to roll and finally stopped when the deputy told her to put the vehicle in park.

Upon exiting the vehicle, Deputy Smith reported Ms. Scarlett was unsteady on her feet

and performed poorly on sobriety tests.

While in the jail, Ms. Scarlett's prescription medication was found in her purse, which included hydrocodone, carisoprodol and diazepam. She was not charged for the medication as it was her prescription. The medication, however clearly states do not drive while taking it.

Amy Marie Scarlett, 44, of Ivy Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with driving under the influence 2nd offense. Deputy Brian Smith LCSO made the arrest.

Police Beat

Latresha Mae Littleton, 31, Ford Road Lenoir City was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, driving on suspended license and possession of schedule II.

Jeffrey Shawn Littleton, 36, also of Ford Road, was charged with possession of schedule IV, possession of schedule II, and a warrant out of Loudon County.

The report states, Friday, around 8:57 PM, Loudon City Police Department received a

call of a possible drunk driver on Highway 72 in a white GMC van.

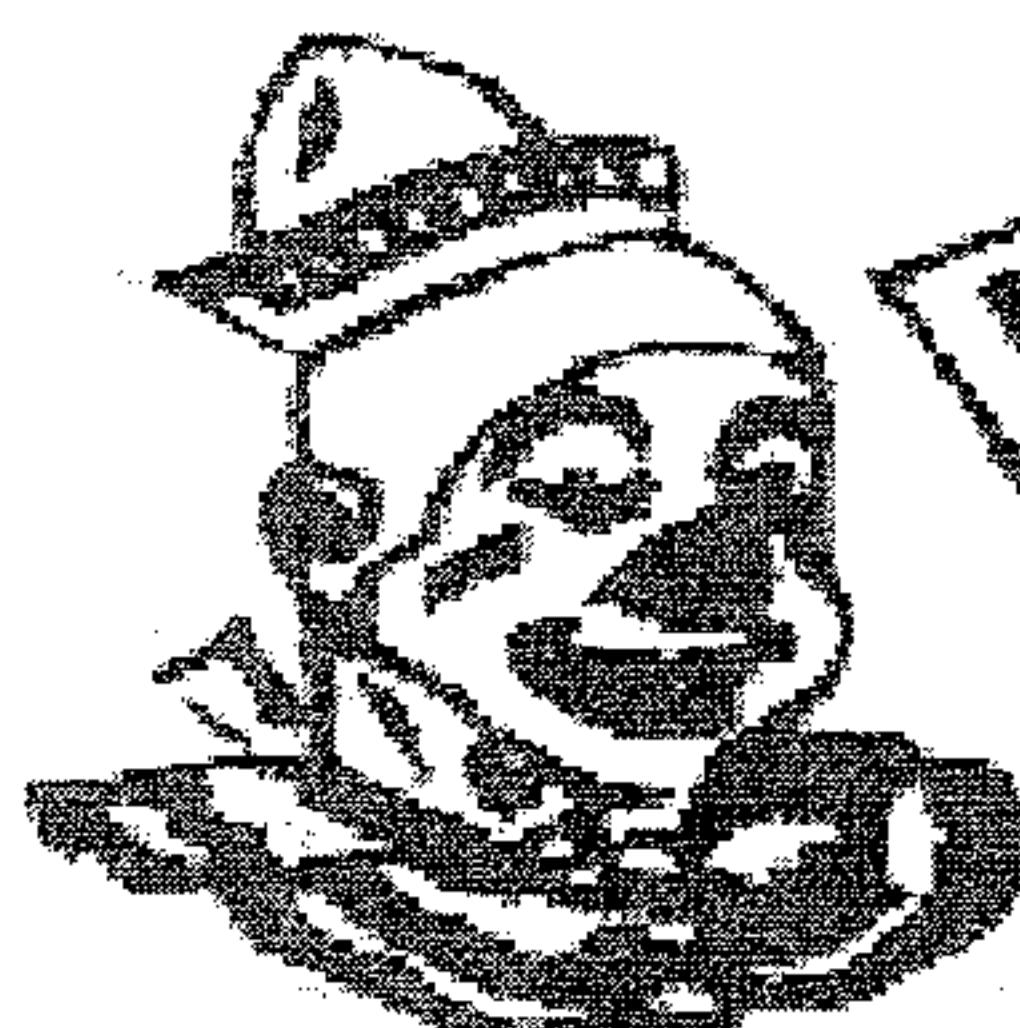
Officer Blake Norman, LPD conducted a traffic stop on the van at Highway 11 and identified the driver as Mrs. Latresha Littleton. A check of her license came back suspended.

A search of Mrs. Littleton uncovered a small pouch with a straw in it, which is commonly used for the consumption of narcotics. The straw contained a powdery substance believed to be narcotics.

A search of Littleton's purse revealed a 30 mg. oxycodone, which she did not have a prescription for.

After placing Mrs. Littleton under arrest, the passenger was identified as Jeffrey Littleton.

A search of Mr. Littleton uncovered a cellophane baggie in his right front pocket containing 15 mg. and a 30 mg. oxycodone, 1 mg. alprazolam, and 25 mg. amitriptyline hydrochloride. He was also placed under arrest and ran through Loudon County 911 Center where he also had a warrant.



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Recently, more than 200 boxes built by Williamson County Boy and Cub scouts were

distributed to Middle Tennessee landowners at an event at the NRCS Area II office in Murfreesboro. The Nashville chapter of Delta Waterfowl supplied materials and coordinated the construction.

Donald Hosse, TWRA Outreach Program Coordinator, and Clint Borum, TWRA Private Lands Biologist, represented TWRA on the project.

The landowners who accept the donated boxes are only asked to

respond once a year to Delta Waterfowl either via email or mail request regarding whether there appears to have been a wood duck nest in the box during the

year. This will provide Delta Waterfowl with valuable habitat information that could be correlated to the success of the project.

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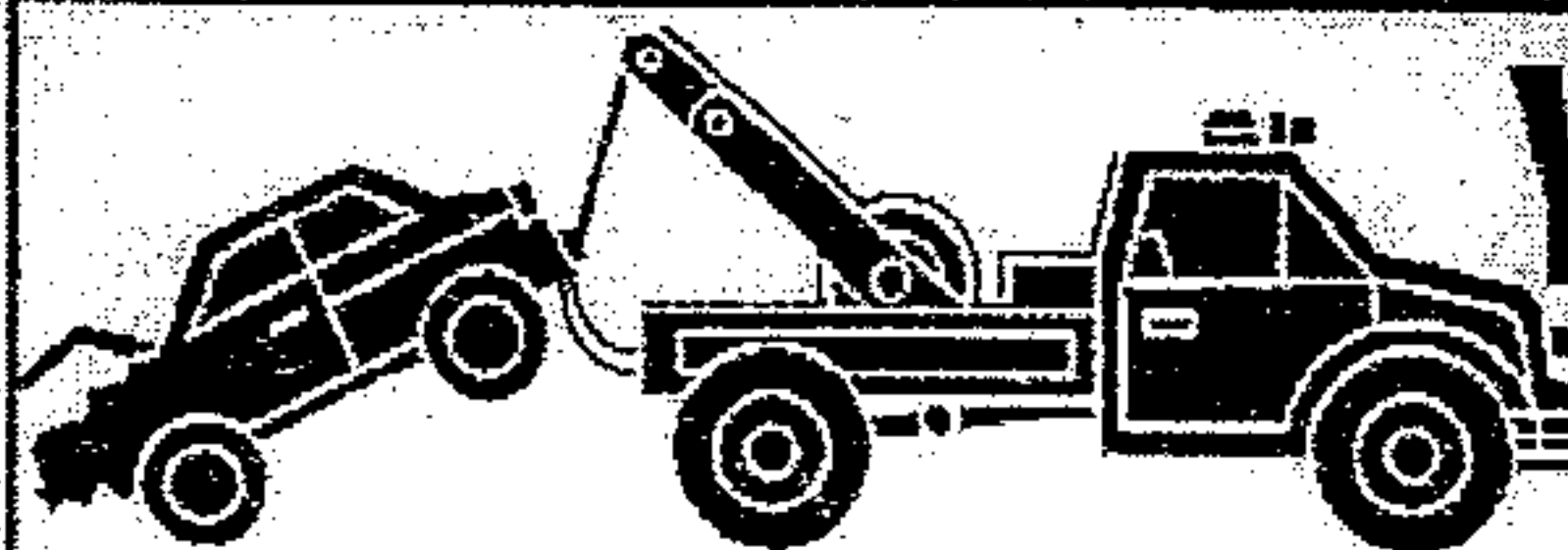
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