

## Texting and sleeping is definitely a no no

Brandy Louise Standridge, 29, Dickey Valley Road, Harriman, was charged with public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia and introduction of drugs into a county jail.

According to reports, Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSO, was stopped near the TA Truck Stop on Watt Road Wednesday and the complainant told him while she was behind a gold

(see Asleep at the TA pg. 3)



(see Enraged pg. 3)

## Villager charged with theft

A Tellico Village man took off when a deputy tried to stop and talk to him following a theft that occurred at the Food Lion in Tellico Village.

Jeffrey Robert 'Jeff' Hallam, 44, Chatuga Lane, Loudon, was charged with theft under \$500 and resist stop, halt, frisk or search.

According to reports, Tuesday, around 3:09 pm, Deputy Brandon Dixon, LCSO, responded to a theft call at the Food Lion in Tellico Village. The complainant advised the

(see Villager Runs pg. 4)



(see Enraged pg. 3)

## The Good News

by Jeff Vittatoo



### "Are We Christians Being Christ-like?"

As many in our community are struggling with how to feel and how to respond to a young lady in Lenoir City who believes much differently than many of us do regarding faith in Jesus, I have found myself amazed and a little disappointed at how some folks are handling the opportunity to love like Jesus.

Angie and I are aware of the controversy regarding this high school student and her desire to submit an editorial about atheism. We have watched this controversy grow into issues related to prayer before school board meetings, prayer before swim meets or even football games.

We have read local opinions and remarks from some good people trying to stand up for their faith and uphold local tradition, but unfortunately I am saddened that many who have respectable intentions are doing more harm for the cause of Christ than good. Let me explain;

Angie and I were traveling

home from Nashville today and she began to read some of

the blogs and Facebook postings related to this young lady and her quest to be free from religious "pressure". As Angie read the following post I could only imagine what our Lord and Savior thought of this person's witness for Him; "I'm going to pray anytime I want to and if they don't like it, they can get the #?! out of our country!"

I write almost every week about "We Christians" doing more for the Kingdom of God by living in a way that others will see Christ in our lives and desire a relationship with Him as well. I constantly harp on how we need to witness to others and make disciples of all nations. I share how God convicted me of the sin in my life, how He forgave me and how God is using Angie and me every week in some way. I often encourage Christians to give to missions, to go serve in another context and if you can't go, to pray for those

(see TGN pg. 6)

## Fire Dept calls for police help in domestic

The Loudon Fire Department witnessed a woman on a rooftop reportedly trying to pull the male victim out a win-

dow. She already had taken the phone away and threw it to the ground preventing the man from calling 911 when he re-

(see Up on the Rooftop pg. 5)

### Verse of the Day

...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

—Romans 3:23-24

### Obituaries

Sue Gibson Johnston

### Wazzup

A Big Shout out to Steve May at S&R Pawn in Loudon. You sure do have some great jewelry deals.

How about it sunshine all week and raining on the weekends? Sounds like we need to rework the work week....hmmmm.

### Weather

Today: Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 70s

Tonight: Clear skies with lows in the low 50s.

Tuesday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 50s.

### Horoscopes

Aries 3/21-4/19

You need to snap into action and try something really wild and different today -- your fierce energy demands it! See if you can get your friends to follow along with you as you have a blast!

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## Asleep at the TA

Seabring it was all over the roadway and it just pulled into the TA.

Deputy Brewer found the vehicle in the parking lot and identified the driver as Brandy Standridge and the only occupant of the vehicle.

The deputy reported, Mrs. Standridge was asleep behind the wheel and apparently fell asleep while trying to text someone. When the lawman asked her to exit the vehicle she started to shove something into her shorts.

Once out of the car Mrs. Standridge was very unsteady on her

feet, she had slurred speech and bloodshot eyes. She was deemed a danger to herself and others if left alone and she kept trying to reach in her shorts as the deputy was asking her questions.

Deputy Brewer received consent to

search her vehicle and discovered three mirrors with white powder residue on them.

While enroute to the Loudon County Jail Mrs. Standridge was asked multiple times if there was anything on her that she should not

have. She said no every time.

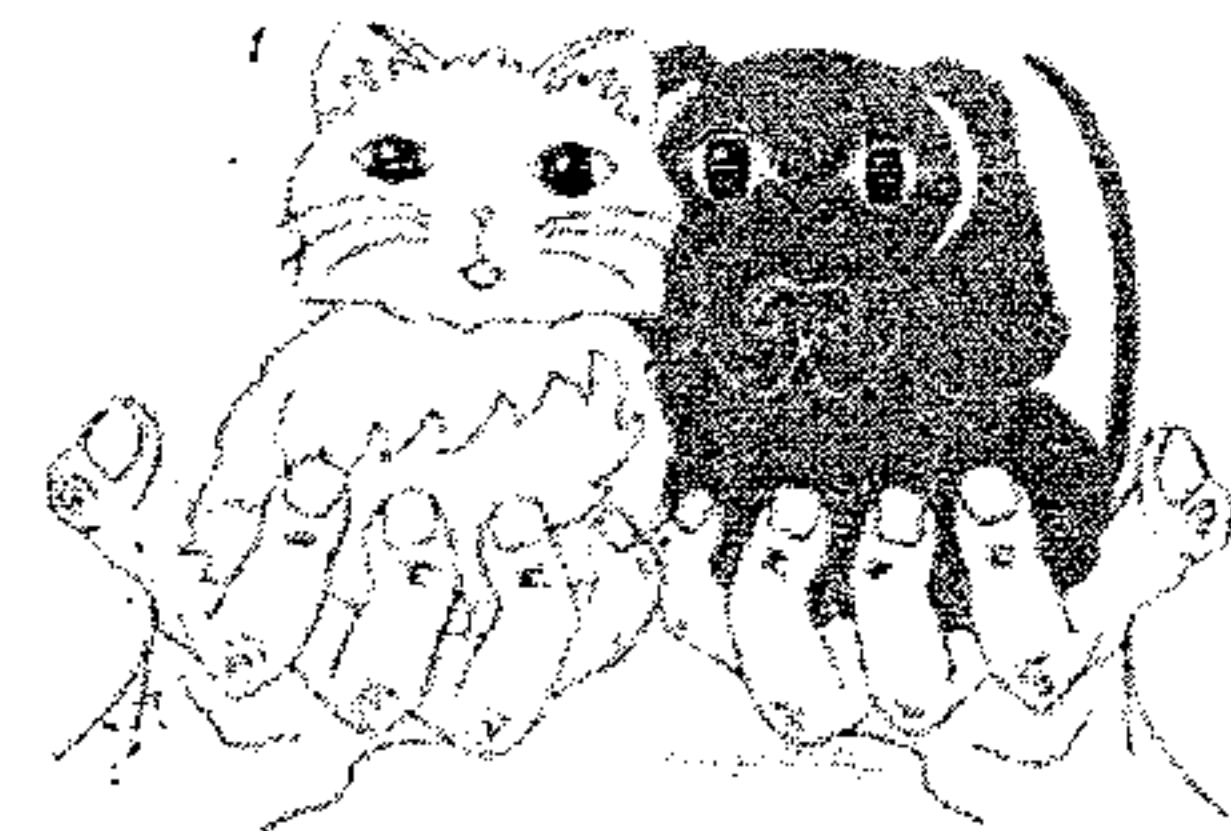
Once at the jail, she was searched by Deputy Pam Snow, LCSO. Deputy Snow found a needle in Mrs. Standridge's vaginal area.

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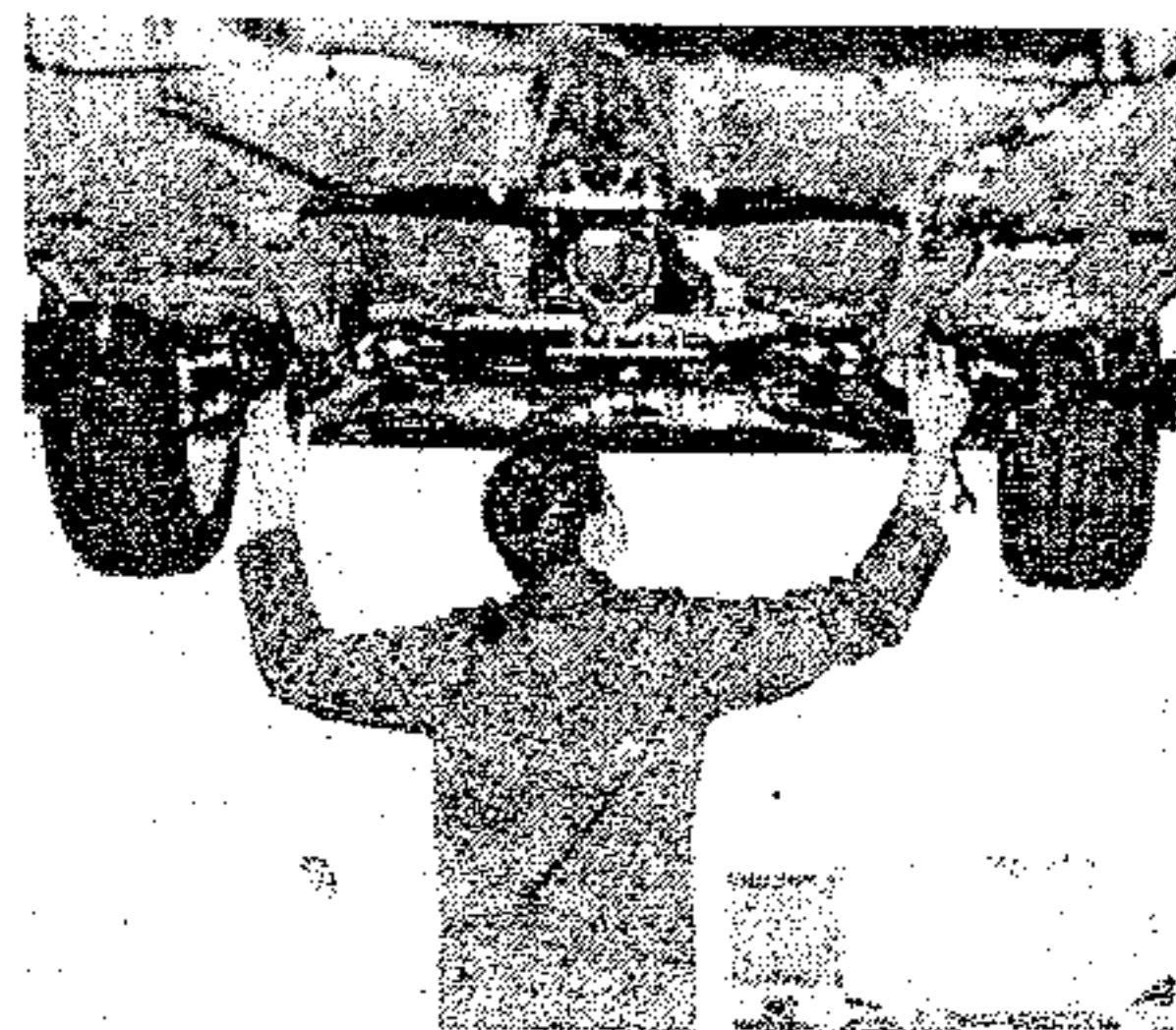
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### Villager runs

white male suspect was wearing a yellow bandana and had dread locks and he was walking toward the bank on Highway 444. The complainant further advised the man stole over \$300 in cigarettes. Five cartons of Marlboro and one carton of Camel cigarettes amounting to \$313.72. Deputy Dixon was driving down Highway 444 and spotted the suspect walking on Chatuga Drive approaching Chatuga Way. He got out of his patrol unit and advised the man to stop walking. He did have a bag a bag of cigarettes in

his possession. The man continued to walk away from the deputy and he told him he would deploy his taser if he didn't comply with commands. Deputy Dixon deployed his taser and the man went to the ground, he told him to give him his hands and stop resisting, but the deputy had to deploy his taser several more times because the suspect was resisting arrest. Deputy Dixon along with Deputy Dusty Langley, LCSO, finally got the man into custody. The man would not communicate with the lawman and wouldn't give him

his name or where he lived. The man's mother arrived at the scene and advised the deputy his name was Jeffrey Robert Hallam. EMS responded and took the probes out of Mr. Hallam's back and he was placed under arrest. He was transported to the Fort Loudoun ER for evaluation and refused treatment.

### Obituaries

Sue Gibson Johnston - age 82 of Seymour formerly of Lenoir City passed away Friday morning, March 23, 2012. She was a member of Martel United Methodist Church and was retired from Park-

west Hospital where she was a member of the original switchboard operations team. Sue enjoyed singing and listening to gospel music as well as spoiling her grand and great-grand children. She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, John Carlton "J.C." Johnston; her parents, James and Jewel Scrivner Gibson; sister Gloria Simmons; brother Billy Van Gibson. She is survived by her children: Stephen Johnston and wife, Susan of Seymour, Whitten Johnston and wife, Devita of Lenoir City, LaDonna Johnston of Canton, GA; grandchildren: Tai Johnston and wife, Amanda, Kristin Reed and husband Paul, Micah Johnston, Kirk Johnston and wife Andrea, and Ashley Lackey; great grandchildren: Lucas and Lauren Lackey, Olivia and Isaiah Johnston, and Brylee

Johnston; brothers James Gibson of Nettleton, MS; Andrew Gibson and wife, Mary of Spring, TX; sister, Betty and husband Will of LaFollette, TN; and multiple nieces and nephews. A special thanks to all at Asbury Place Maryville and at Blount Memorial Hospital who assisted in her care. The family will receive friends from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 25th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City with funeral services immediately following in the Click Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Bill Beard officiating. Graveside services and interment will follow in the Loudon County Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Martel United Methodist Church, 4561 Muddy Creek Road, Lenoir City, TN. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.



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fused to let her in.

Theresa Lynn Brandfast, 48, Thurman Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with domestic

assault.

According to the affidavit, filed by Sgt. R.S. Newman, LPD, Ms. Brandfast came to her boyfriend's apart-

ment on Cedar Street in Loudon. She knocked on the door repeatedly, when her boyfriend refused to answer she climbed onto the roof.

While on the roof Ms. Brandfast reportedly forced open the window that held an air conditioner yelling and throwing her purse into the window. The victim told her to leave, she refused, pushing the air conditioner out of the window.

The victim reported he attempted to call 911 and she jerked the phone out of his hand throwing it off the roof, in an attempt to keep him from calling the police.

Also while on the roof she attempted to pull him out the window. Ms. Brandfast's actions on the roof were witnessed by the Loudon Fire Department members who called Sgt. Newman to respond.

Ms. Brandfast was determined to be the primary aggressor and was arrested for domestic violence assault. Sgt. Scott Newman made the arrest Wednesday, on Cedar Street.

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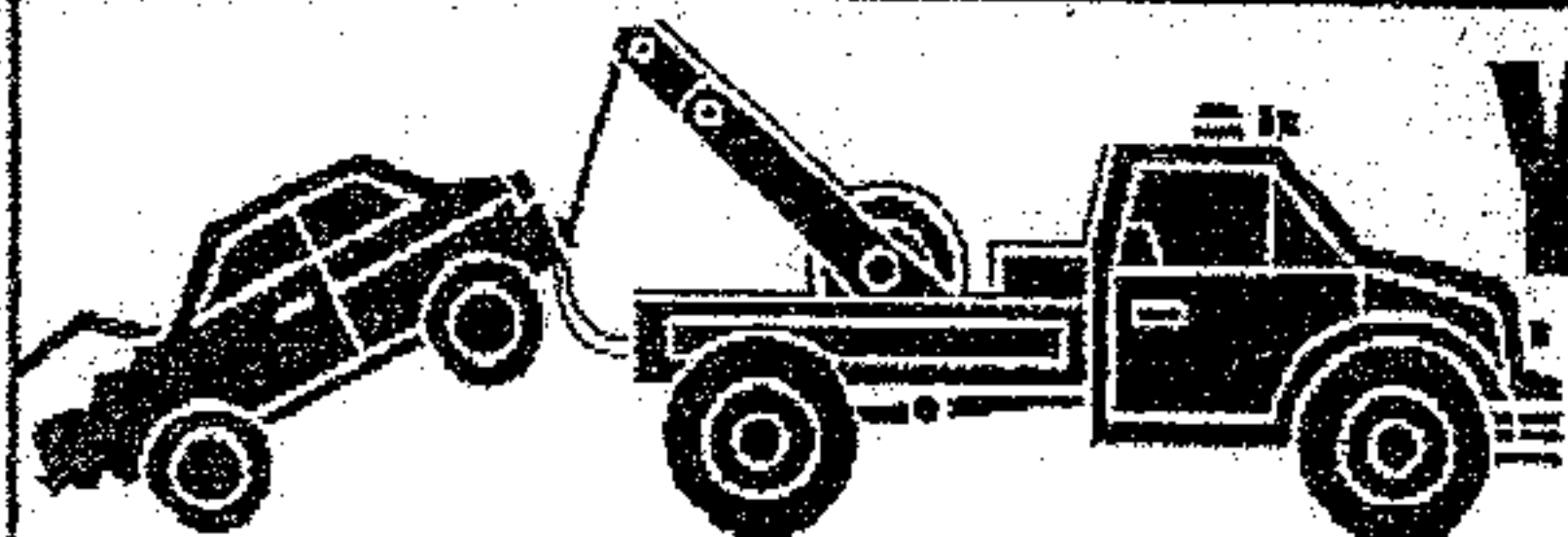
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who are going.

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We live in a world that is becoming less and less tolerant to having prayer at any public function of any kind. I hate it as much as you do but here is how

I look at it; How many of the people that posted hateful comments about this controversy actually pray with their children? How many of you pray in restaurants before each meal or thank God for the breath within you each morning? How many of you have shared your faith in Christ with a lost person in the last twelve months?

If we have to rely on Wayne Miller to have someone pray for our athletes before each ball game then what does that say about us as Christians? Do you think if we as parents and fans began openly praying before each game for the safety of the children, the safety of the fans and the souls of any lost people within the stadium that we would be violating anybody's rights? Do you think some might

wonder why so many Jesus believing Christians are concerned about their salvation? Could Jesus use that for His glory? You betcha!

I believe that if we as a Christian community were more focused on loving like Jesus and following His commandments regarding how to be Christians that maybe this young lady might not have changed her mind concerning her faith in God to start with. I think that if we were loving like Jesus we would be stopping by Wayne Miller's office to put our hand on his shoulder and ask God Almighty to bless him as he educates our children.

I know that Jesus Christ loves that young lady regardless of what she thinks she believes at seventeen years old. If she sees the LOVE of Christ within my life, within your life and within the lives of all Loudon Countians that profess to know Jesus, then she, and any like her, will see that we serve a risen Savior who

loves us so much He was beaten, mocked, spat upon, whipped and nailed

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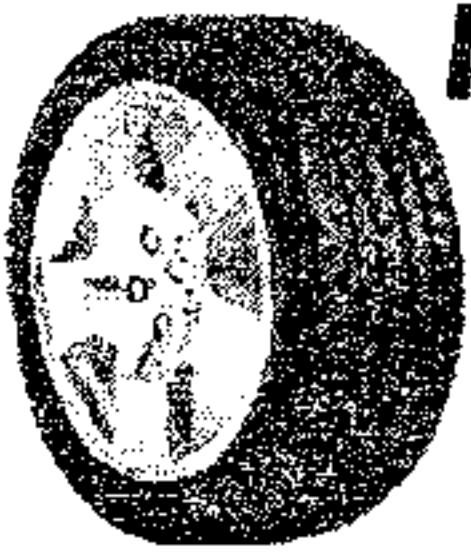
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to a tree so that we may be able to choose eternal life through Him alone.

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Mark 12:29-31 (NKJV) (29) Jesus answered him,

**Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself: I am the Lord. Lev. 19:18.**

The first of all the commandments is: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. (30) And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. (31) And the second, like it, is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

Romans 12: 9-18 (NKJV) (9) Let love without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. cling to what is good. (10) Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; (11) not lagging in

diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; (12) rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; (13) distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. (14) Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. (15) Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. (16) Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion. (17) Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. (18) If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

Christians remember this; regardless of whether the girl's atheist editorial is ever printed or not, regardless of whether the school board members are prohibited from "organized prayer", regardless of whether a single person prays into a microphone before the Panthers take the field or if a hundred Christians pull a "Tebow" in the stands, Jesus died for all of us. He loves me, He loves you and He absolutely loves that young lady who I believe is just confused. If she reads The Good News I want her to know that I care about her. I would love to sit down with her to share why I believe in Jesus and listen to why she doesn't.

My prayer today is that we will all think before we speak, blog or tweet (whatever that is), and that the name of Jesus will be glorified in our actions concerning this and any other hurdle in our lives. Thanks for reading, share with me at jeffvittatoe@yahoo.com or at 865-680-0344.

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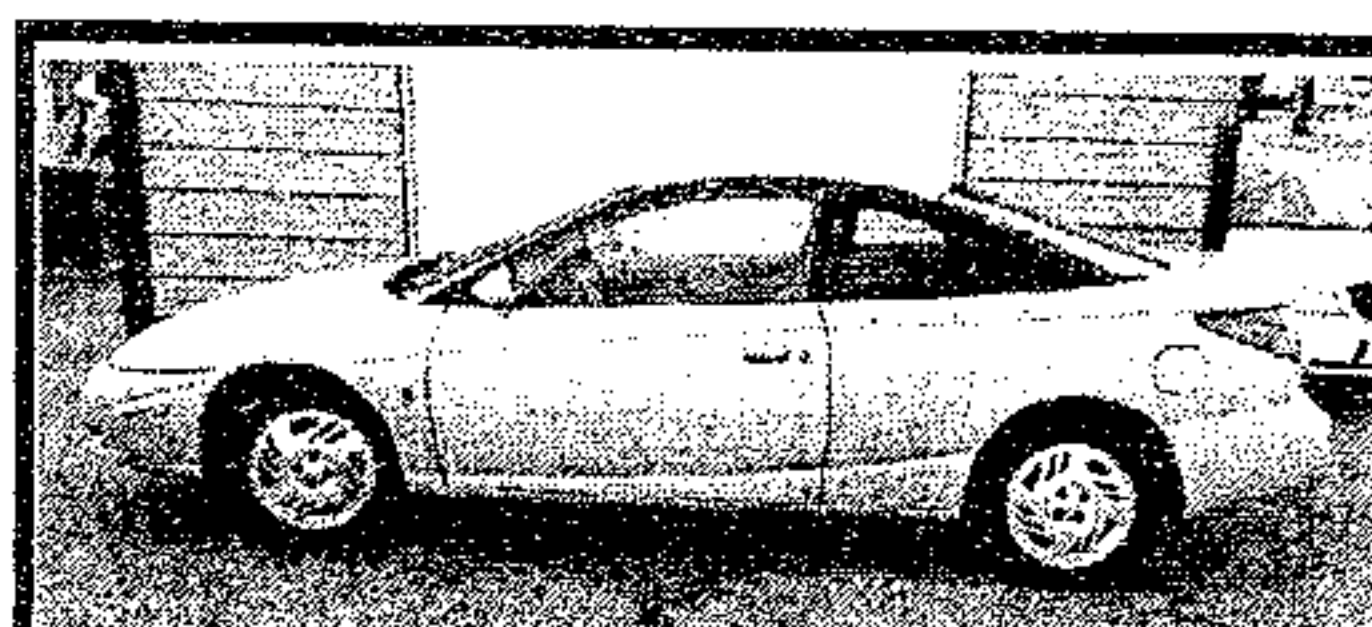


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