

# Daily Edition

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Thursday April 5, 2012

## Lenoir City man charged with arson

Detective Jonathan Sartin arrested a Lenoir City man on arson charges after the man reportedly set several fires in his home because he was mad at his wife.

Darrell Dean Stevens, Jr., 29, Hill Crest Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with arson.

According to an affidavit filed by Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD; on or about March 31, 2012, the Lenoir City Police Department and Lenoir City Fire Department

(see Because I got Mad pg. 3) Stevens

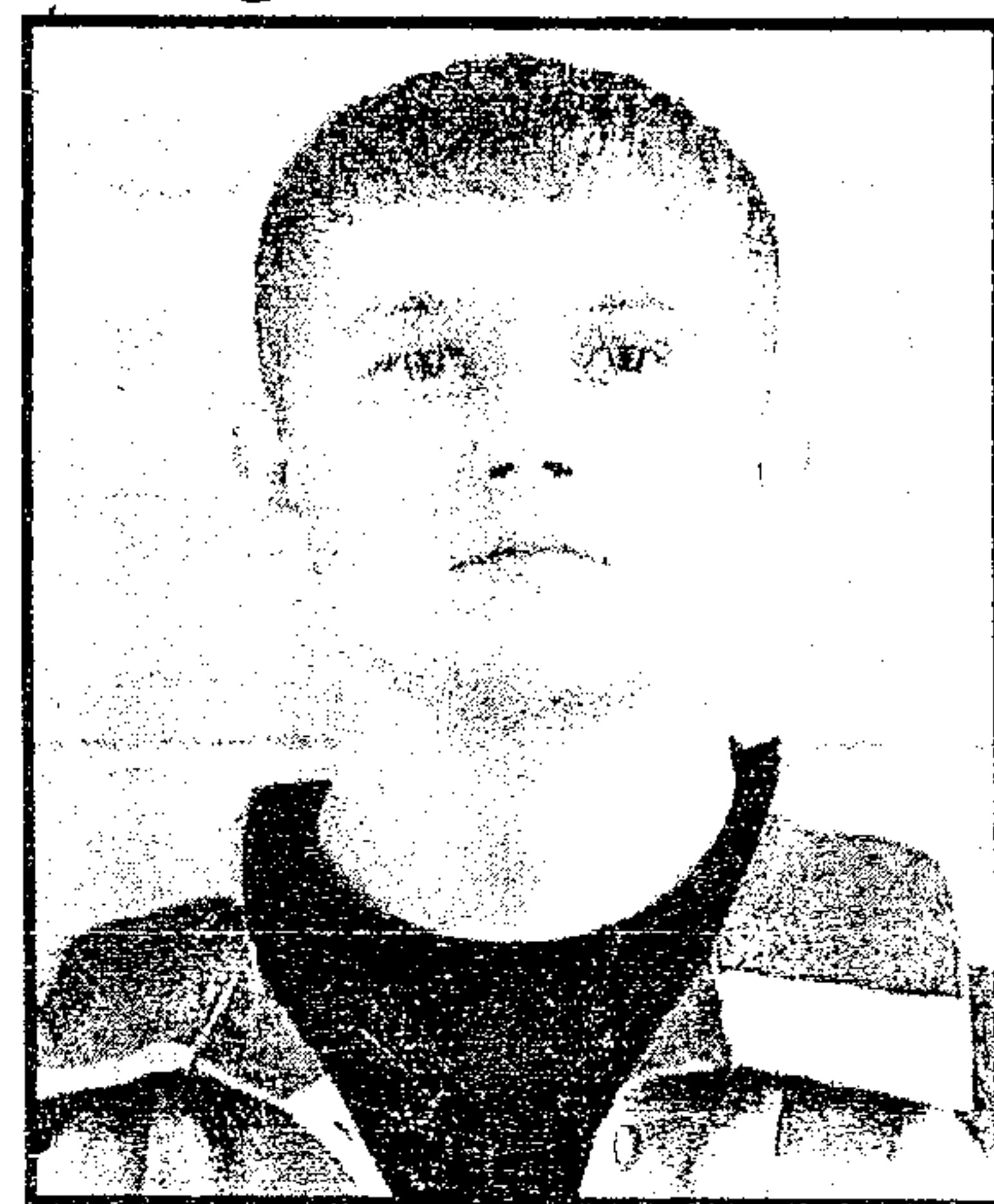


## Felony marijuana

Police charged a Loudon man with felony possession of marijuana after stopping to check on his half parked vehicle and finding he reportedly had two bags of the illicit weed and scales for weighing it out in his possession.

Thomas Jay Mika, Lawhon Farm, Loudon was charged with felony possession of schedule VI marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

(see Weed Dude pg. 6) Mika



## Lawn equipment stolen

A local man called authorities Sunday when he discovered someone had stolen several items of his lawn equipment sometime during the night.

According to records, Deputy

Stegall, LCSO responded to White Wing Road Sunday, on a theft of property report. The victim stated someone took a lawn mower, weed trimmer and a chain saw from his car-

(see Stolen pg. 7)

## Pill snorter popped

When Deputy Cody Fritts responded to a possible drunk driver call Wednesday morning, he reported finding a man with powder around his nose, pills in his possession, and an additional bag of powder in his console. The man report-

edly told the officer he'd taken and snorted pills before leaving home that morning.

Tommy Heath Richardson, 32, Country Lane, Kingston was charged with DUI 1st offense, and possession of schedule IV phentermine, al-

(see Powdered Nose pg. 3)

## Governor Announces Statewide Anti-Meth Campaign

(see Campaign pg. 5)

NASHVILLE – Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam on Wednesday rolled out a comprehensive statewide campaign designed to inform Tennesseans about the consequences of violating the “I Hate Meth Act,” which

took effect on July 1, 2011. The announcement took place in coordination with the Tennessee Sheriffs’ Association meeting in Nashville.

“The goal of this campaign is to communicate the harsh

consequences of violating our anti-meth law,” Haslam said. “We want to deter people from making and using meth in our state, which will save lives, protect children, save taxpayer dollars, and make Tennessee

safer overall.”

The “Meth Stops Now” campaign is an action step in the administration’s public safety action plan and specifically addresses the portion of the anti-meth law that increas-

### Verse of the Day

*Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her, take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.*

Jeremiah 51:8

### Obituaries

Gary D. Page

Wanda White Hamilton  
Elsie Davis McGinnis  
James Rollen Robinett, Sr.

### Wazzup

Today is Pat Morgan’s special day, so be sure to wish her a Happy Birthday! We love you, Pat!

Congratulations to Ethan and Wendy Cook; may your future

together be filled with much happiness and prosperity!

Happy Birthday Mamie Morgan! We love you Mamaw!

### Weather

Today: A few showers in the morning with scattered thunderstorms arriving in the afternoon.

High 73, CoR: 60%.

Tonight: Thunderstorms during

the evening followed by occasional showers overnight. Low 51. CoR: rain 80%.

Friday: Times of sun & clouds. Highs: mid 60s; Lows: mid 40s.

### Horoscopes

Aries 3/21-4/19

Try to reach out and help people

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## Obituaries

**Gary D. Page**, age 73 of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon, TN passed away on April 3, 2012. Gary attended the Community Church at Tellico Village. He loved all sports and was an avid golfer. He enjoyed rooting for the Cubs and the Packers. Gary enjoyed woodworking, boating and especially attending his grandchildren's events. Family time was always a priority in his life. He was preceded in death by his parents, Everett and Evelyn Page; step mother, Leona Page who raised him. Survivors include his wife of 54 years Carolyn Page; daughter Dena White; son, Gary Page, Jr. (Jollylyn); grandchildren Rachel and Roby White, Gary Page III (Katie), Heather and Taylor Page and Nathan Vance; great grandchildren Bryar

White, Gary IV and Keegan Page; brothers Alan and Jack Page and Eddie Wall; sisters Marlene Rudolph, Nancy Keller (Larry), Jeannie Ohl (Larry); several nieces and nephews who knew him as "Uncle G"; three very special friends who shared his passion for music and performance - Renee Anderson, Cobi Singer and Janet Kincaid. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Friday, April 6, 2012 at 10 a.m. in The Community Church at Tellico Village. The family will receive friends immediately following the service. Services in Catlin, IL will be held on Monday, April 9 at the Catlin Church of Christ. The family will receive friends from 4 - 7 p.m. with the service to follow at 7p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Com-

munity Church at Tellico Village or Friends of the Tellico Village Library. Click Funeral Home & Cremations - Tellico Village Chapel is serving the family of Gary Page.

**Wanda White Hamilton**, 75, of Madisonville, Tn. formerly of Scotland, Ind. Passed away Sunday, April 1, 2012. Wanda was retired from RCA and a member of Scotland Full Gospel Church. Preceded in death by parents, Leonard & Frances Kirby White. Survivors: daughters, Donna Linzey & Diana Parnell and husband, Robbie; of Madisonville; two grandchildren, Angela Crites, Loudon & Kristen May; 9 great-grandchildren; sister, Bonnie Boutell, Fla. Graveside services 10 a.m. Thursday Riverview cemetery. Rev. Ron Helderman & Rev. Ron Jones officiating. Visitation: 6 - 8 p.m. Wednesday Loudon


Funeral Home, Loudon, Tn [www.loudonfuneralhome.net](http://www.loudonfuneralhome.net)  
**Elsie Davis McGinnis**, - 91 of Philadelphia, passed away Thursday, March 29, 2012. in Florida. Mrs. McGinnis was a member of the Cedar Fork Baptist Church. preceded in death by husband, Jim McGinnis; son, Mike McGinnis; two great grandchildren.; brothers, Pearl, Joel and Rutherford Davis; sisters, Bertha Pettitt, Edna King, Edith Carroll and Ruby Cockrell. survivors, son and daughter-in-law, Pat and Brenda McGinnis, of Philadelphia; Patricia and Bob Brothers, of Palatka, Florida; 9 grandchildren: 18 great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews. Funeral services 2 p.m. Thursday at Cedar Fork Baptist Church with Rev. Clayton Dunsmore and Rev. Mark Richesin officiating. Interment Church Cemetery. Family will receive friends on Wednesday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. at Loudon Funeral Home. [www.loudonfuneralhome.net](http://www.loudonfuneralhome.net)  
**James Rollen Robinett**, Sr. - age 87 of Lenoir City

passed away Friday, March 30, 2012. He was a veteran of W. W. II and Korea serving in the U. S. Army. Rollen was retired from T. V. A. He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna Mae Robinett; parents, Garlie and Bonnie Robinett; brothers, Roy, Tom and Ray, and sister, Marie Turpin. Survived by his son and daughter-in-law, James R. and Shamon Robinett of Roane Co.; grandchildren, Seth, Saul and Cyrus; sisters, Maxine Johnson, Ethel Robinett and Emma Coley; several nieces and nephews, and special friend, Leon Stokes. A memorial service will be held 5 p.m. Saturday, April 7th at the Hilltop Baptist Church in Roane County. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

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es the penalties for making or using meth in the presence of children and for purchasing pseudoephedrine products for

non-medical uses.

The communications campaign targets the counties in Tennessee where there have been the highest number of children removed from

homes due to meth-related incidents and the greatest number of meth lab seizures. In 2011, the Department of Children's Services removed 321 children from their

parents' custody due to meth use or manufacturing. Law enforcement officials also seized 1,687 meth labs in Tennessee last year, the second highest number in the nation, according to the Tennessee Meth Task Force.

The governor also announced \$750,000 in his budget amendment for the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation to assist local governments with training and equipment costs related to meth clean-up. This funding was originally appropriated for the current fiscal year but required matching funds from local governments of 25 percent. The current budget proposal eliminates the matching requirement.

Created by the Tombras Group, the anti-meth campaign is funded by the Department of Finance and Administration's Office of Criminal Justice Programs through

a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and by the Consumer Healthcare Products Association. It includes radio public service announcements, billboards, gas pump advertisements, in-store signage, informational pharmacy bag fliers, a website ([www.meth-stopsnow.com](http://www.meth-stopsnow.com)), and bumper stickers for law enforcement vehicles.

Partners in the effort include the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Department of Children's Services, Tennessee Meth Task Force, Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference, Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, Tennessee Sheriffs' Association, Tennessee Pharmacists Association, and the Consumer Healthcare Products Association.

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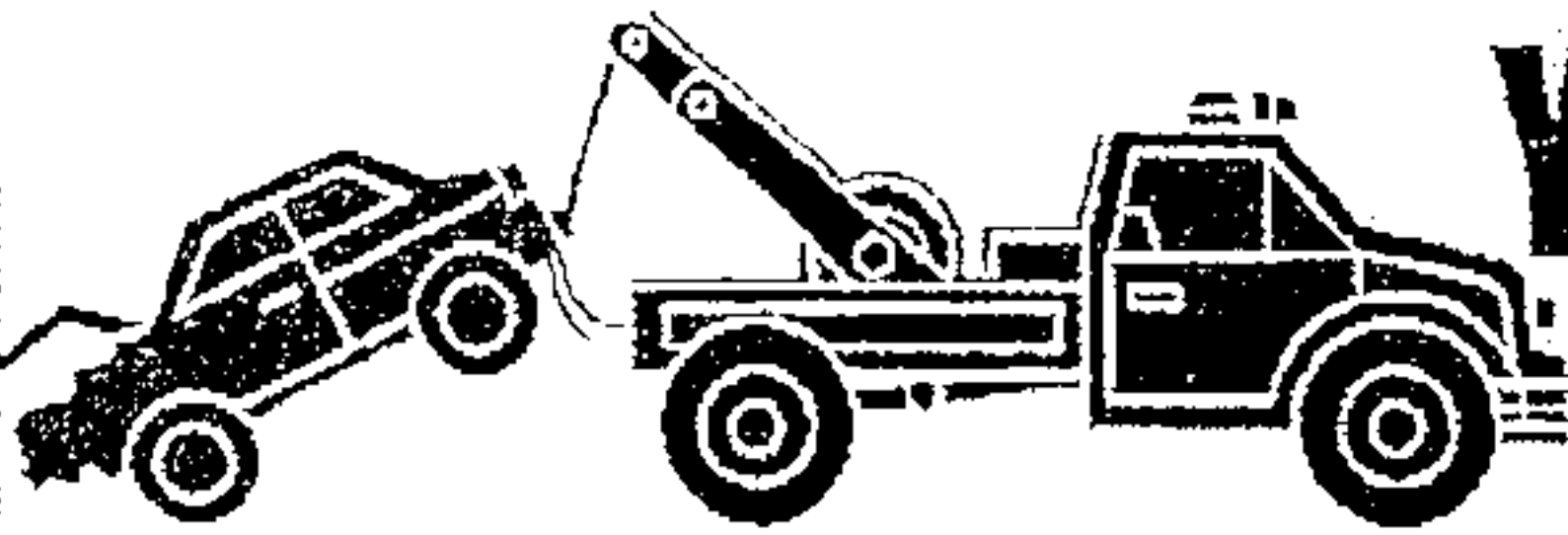


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**Stolen**

port sometime between Saturday night after 8:00 PM and Sunday morning.

The stolen items were described as a Troy Built 22 inch push mower, a green Walmart chain saw, and a Toro weed trimmer, all with an estimated value of \$500.

The crime was turned over to a investigator.

**Police Beat**

Misty Michelle Summer, 39, B Street, Lenoir City was charged with driving under the influ-

ence.

According to reports, Wednesday, around 9:24 PM, Officer Jason Felts, LCPD noticed a blue Ford Escort on Kingston Street, all over the road and failing to stay in the correct lane. The vehicle was stopped on B Street and the driver was identified as Misty M. Summers.

Mrs. Summers was very unsteady on her feet, her eyes were glassy and she had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person.

Officer Felts asked Summers to perform field sobriety tasks, which she

couldn't complete successfully. Mrs. Summers was taken into custody and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Douglas D. Dickerson, 43, West First Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with domestic assault.

According to records, Officer Jeremy Dishner, LCPD was dispatched to a residence on West First Avenue Wednesday, on a domestic disturbance. The victim stated an argument began with Dickerson because he took money from her and tried to steal her medication.

During the verbal altercation, Douglas Dickerson's brother asked him to calm down, but Dickerson began throwing things in the home and at one point, he balled up his fist and acted like he was going to punch his brother.

Both the woman and the brother advised they were in fear for their safety because of Dickerson's violent actions.

Douglas Dickerson was determined the primary aggressor and was transported to the Loudon County Jail and duly charged.

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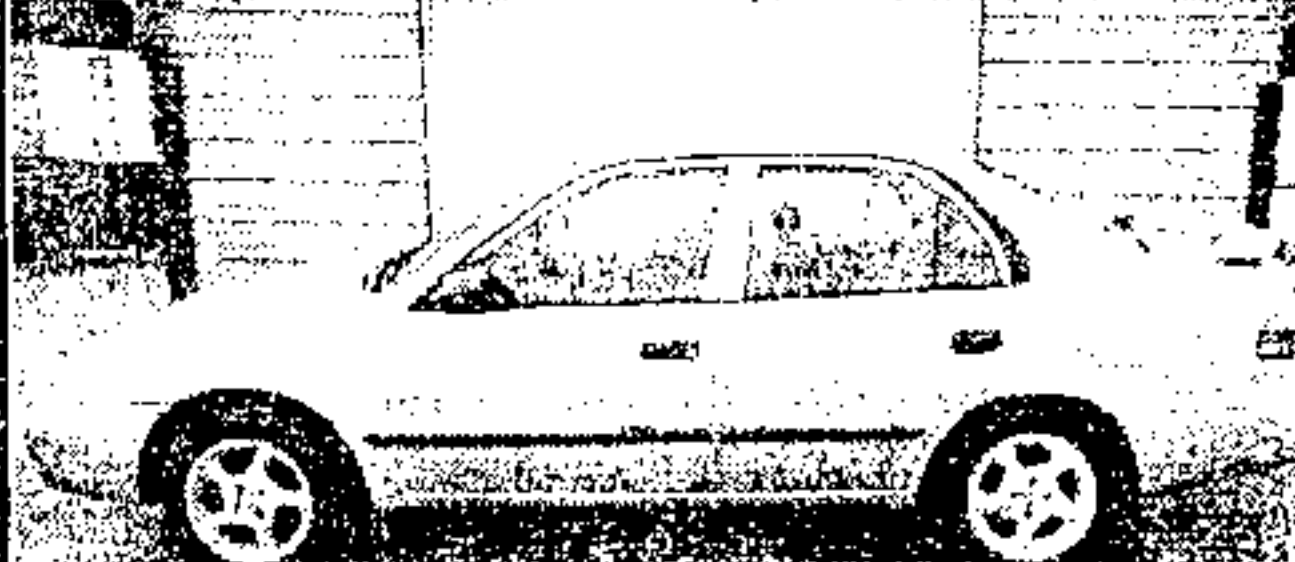
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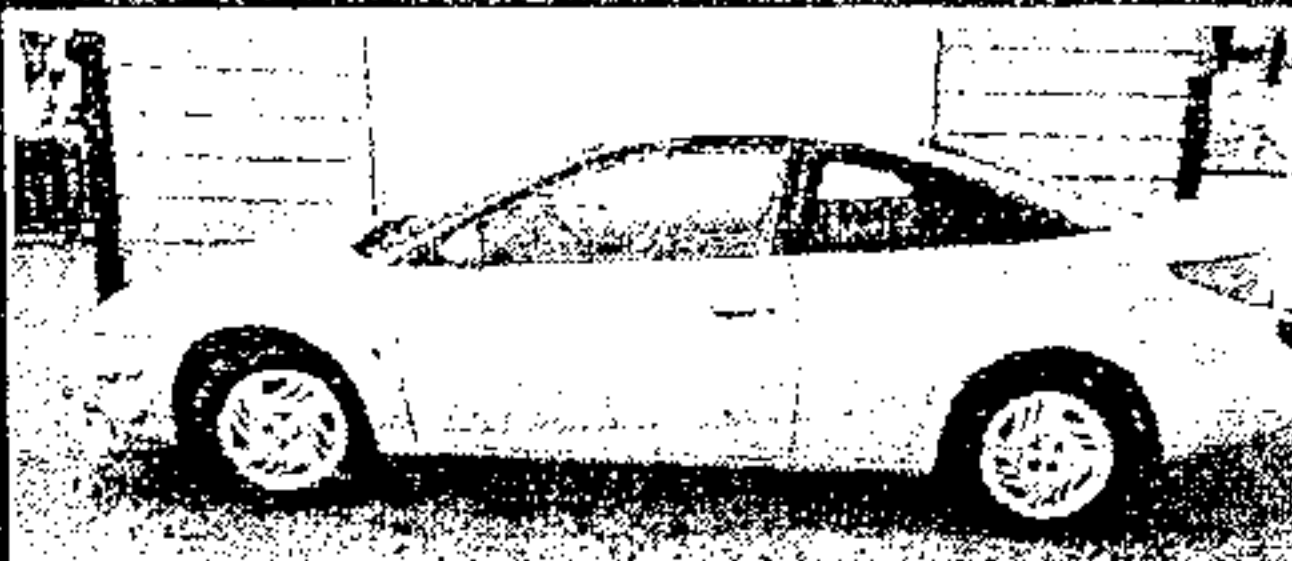


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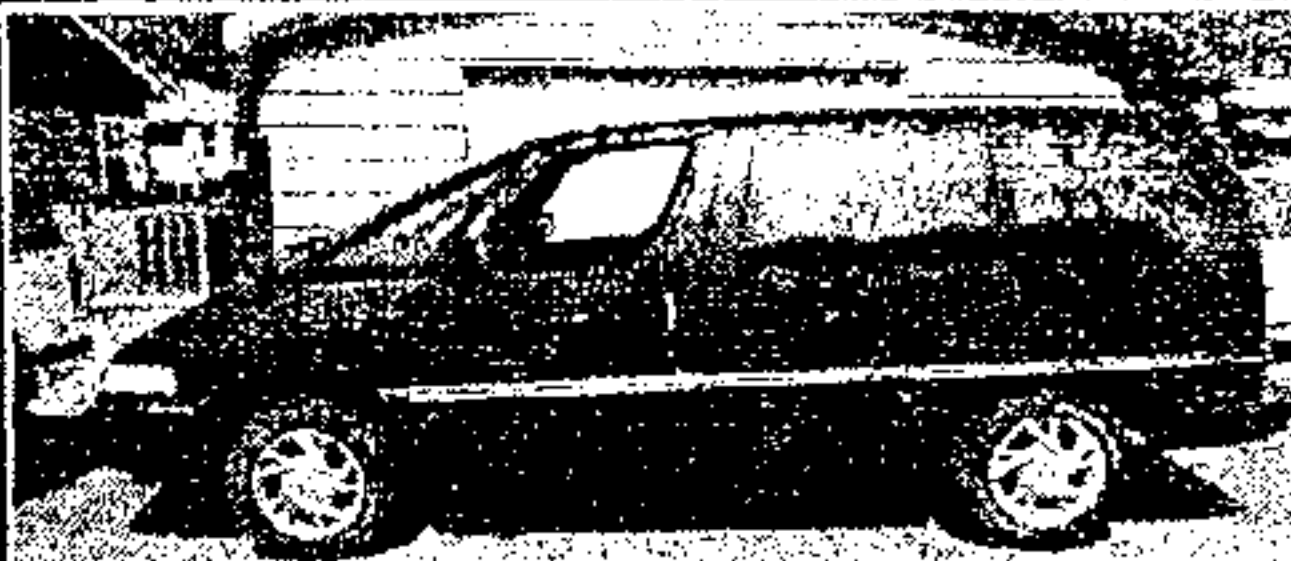
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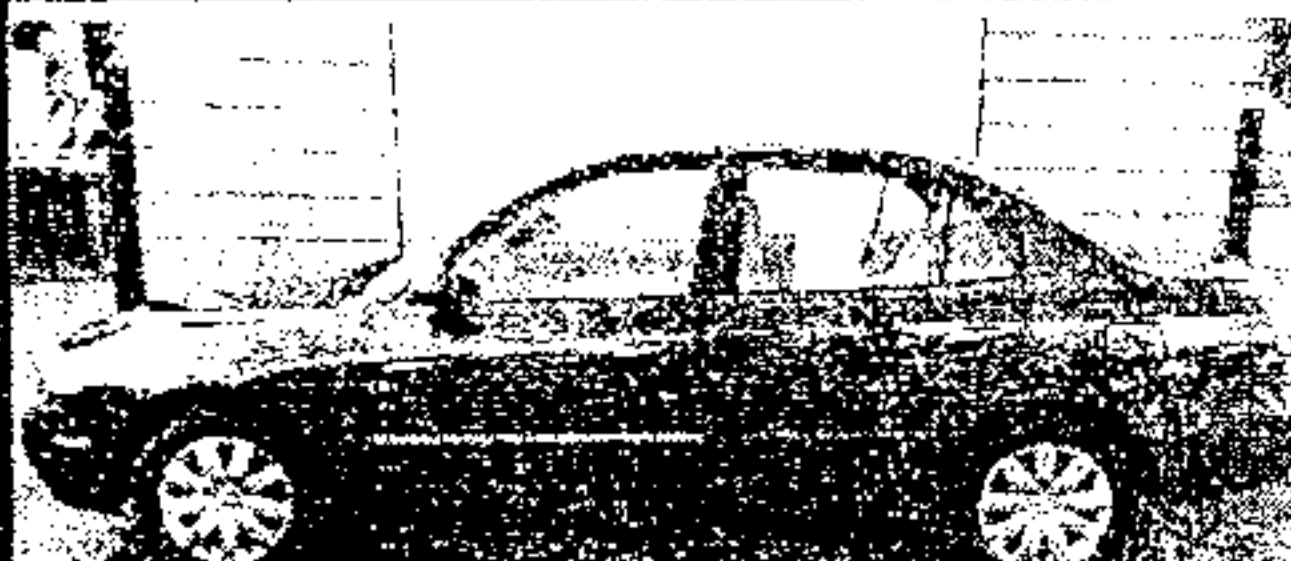
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