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Thursday May 10, 2012

Citizens Beware: Property Scam Reported

Loudon County Sheriff Tim Guider and Littleton warn that a Loudon County Registrar of Deeds Tracie Littleton warn that a scam recently reported in Middle Tennessee pressures the victim to order a certified copy of their property deed for a fixed processing fee, ranging anywhere from \$75 to \$100. The let-

(see Warning pg. 5)

Berry charged with November Burglary

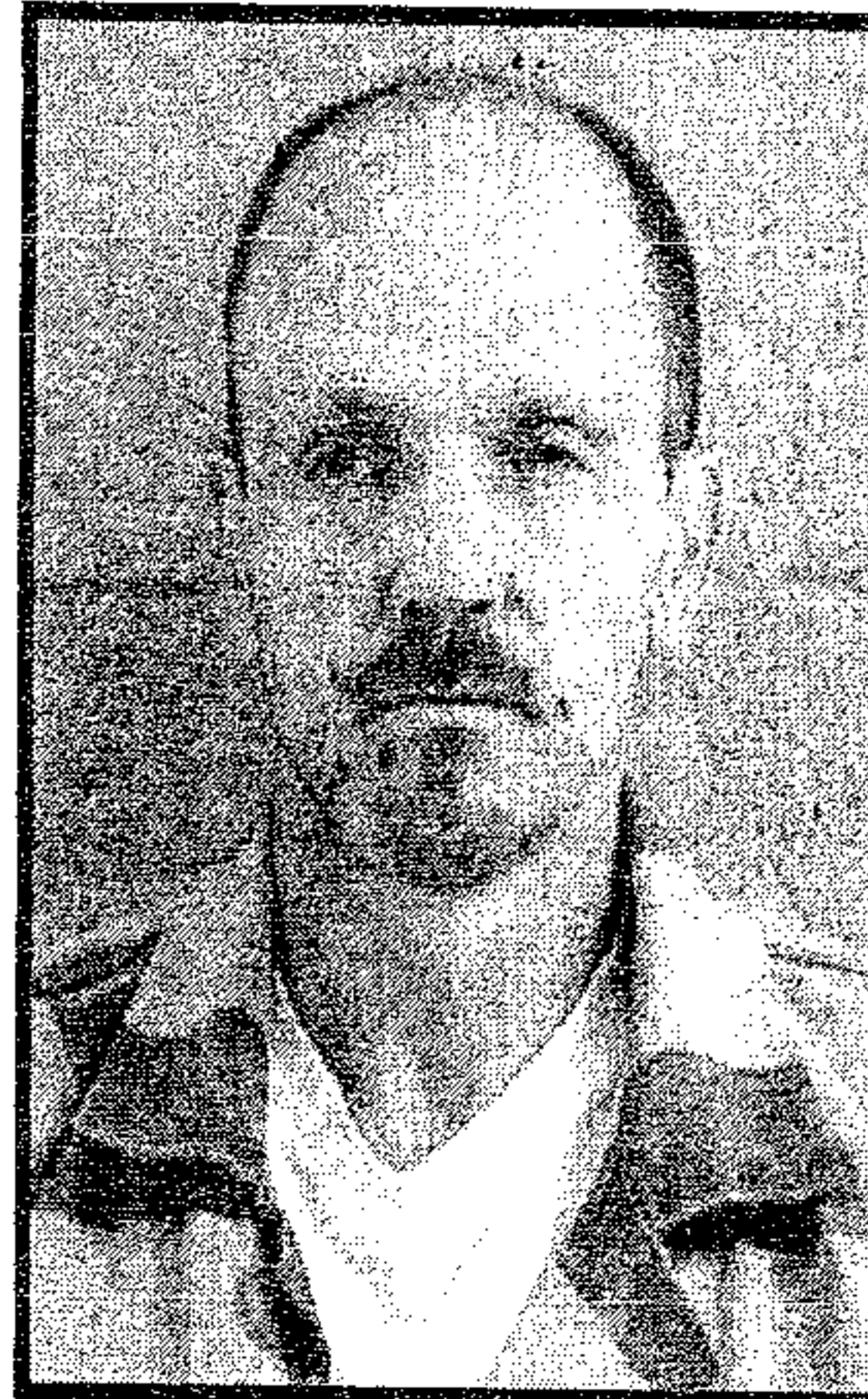
Detective Jack Fine charged Greg Berry with aggravated burglary and related charges following an investigation into the November, 2011 break-in of a Lenoir City home where the door was kicked in and numerous firearms and other



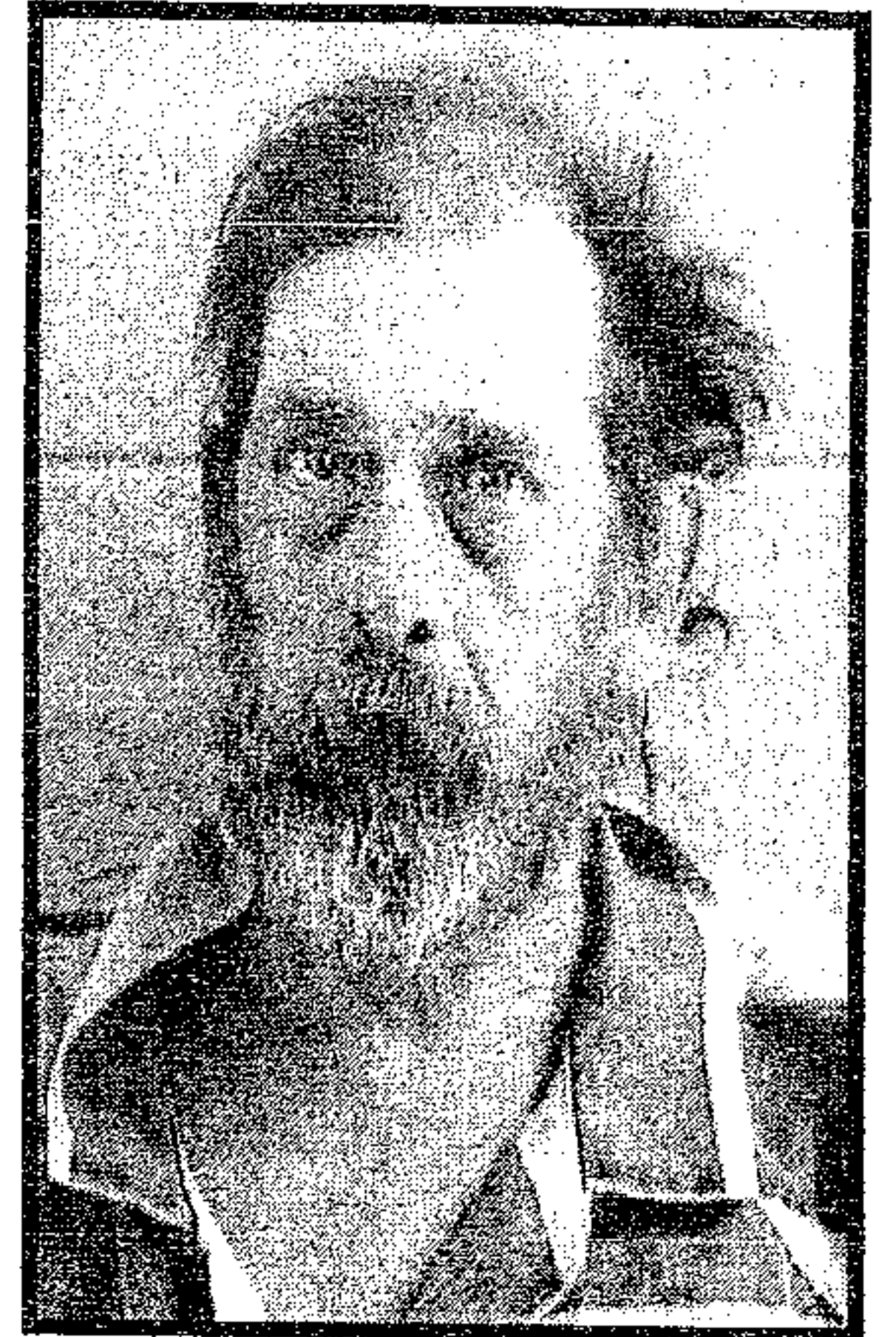
(see Berry pg. 6) Berry

Tweakers come to town to shop for meth making supplies

Two Ten Mile men were taken into custody on meth promotion charges after police were summoned to a Lenoir City pharmacy Tuesday night to check on their suspicious activity and an interview led to the discovery of multiple boxes of pseudoephedrine products and other precursors to make meth.



(see Tweakers pg. 7) Shelton



Schallau

Over \$10K in property stolen

A local man told officials he returned to his room in late April and discovered someone had taken numerous pieces of gold jewelry and some cash while he was gone.

According to records,

Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSO responded to a residence on Lee Hi Street on a report of a theft. The victim stated when he came home on April 26, 2012, he found the items missing from his room and named a

(see Stolen pg. 3)

Guns stolen

A Philadelphia woman called authorities when her son discovered numerous firearms were missing from their residence Thursday.

According to reports, Deputy Chris Hutchens, LCSO responded to Sunnyside Road Sun-

(see Guns pg. 6)

Greenback home burglarized

Authorities were called to a Greenback residence Saturday when a man returned home to find someone had kicked in his door and had stolen several items from his residence.

According to reports, Saturday, around 9:55 PM, a Big Hill Road, Greenback man stated when he arrived home and pulled into the carport he noticed the door to his residence was open.

(see Burglary pg. 3)

Verse of the Day

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me."
— Deuteronomy 5:6-7

Obituaries

Mary Varner Bennett

Cynthia Colleen Sharpless

Wazzup

The Law Enforcement Memorial 5K Run/Walk is this Saturday and is not limited to employees of Law Enforcement Agencies. Registration opens at 6:30 a.m. Race starts at 8:00 a.m. at Volunteer Landing. You can register online at <http://www.runnerreg.net/register/>

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Weather

Today: Sunny skies. High 74. Tonight: A mostly clear sky. Low

around 45. Friday: Sunshine. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 40s.

Horoscopes

Taurus 4/20-5/20

You're having some weird feelings popping up from

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Warning

ter looks quite official and is worded in such a way that convinces the victim that he must act now. Usually the

homeowner receives the letter shortly after purchasing a property. Currently property owners in middle Tennessee have received

letters requesting \$89, with a Nashville return address, which is a rented mail box at a FedEx store on Church Street. There is no way

to trace who is getting the money.

The catch with this scam is that homeowners don't need a middleman to get a certified copy of their property deeds. Property deeds are included in that packet of closing papers received from the escrow company when the property was purchased. And, even if you are missing a copy of the property deed, all it takes is a visit to the Register of Deeds office to obtain a copy. Littleton fears victims may end up with their

identities stolen. "They only take checks so that means they have your personal information, router number, and checking number. So all that's going to somebody, but we have no idea who." She adds "Most personal property information is available free on the internet, and for a minimum charge for copies at our office." Loudon County citizens with questions regarding their property deeds should contact the Register of Deeds office at 865-458-2605.

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The Lenoir City Utilities Board (LCUB) Budget Committee will meet on Friday, May 11, 2012, at 9:30 a.m. at the LCUB main office building, 200 Depot Street, Lenoir City, Tennessee 37771. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the FY 13 Budget.

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Berry

items were stolen. Gregory Clay Berry, 29, West Broadway, Lenoir City was charged with theft over \$500 and aggravated burglary.

According to affidavits filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; on November 12, 2011, Greg C. Berry entered a residence on West Broadway by kicking in the rear door. Mr. Berry removed a Wii game, a black Ruger .22 caliber pistol, a stainless steel Rossi .38 caliber pistol, a 9mm Highpoint carbine and \$40 in change.

Mr. Berry committed the offense without the permission of the homeowners.

The total value of the items was \$745.

Corporal Michael

Wilson, LCSO served the warrants and made the arrest Monday at the Loudon County Jail.

Guns

day, and spoke with a mother and son about the theft of guns. The woman said her son noticed several of their guns missing on Thursday and the last time the firearms were seen was Tuesday.

The weapons were described as a blue .25 caliber Cobra pistol, a Real Tree painted Moss-

berg .12 gauge shotgun, a Russian made 7.62 bolt action rifle with a wood stock, a Marlin lever action 30/30 rifle with a wood stock and a Pioneer .410 shotgun with a wood stock.

The total value of the firearms was estimated at \$1350. Suspects were named and the investigation is underway.

Police Beat

Billy Wayne Malone, 21, Martel Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Michael Wilson, LCSO, made the arrest.

Michael Lee Hol-

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lis, 44, Wilson Street, Lenoir City was charged with two attachments.

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Stolen

suspect. The items were described as a gold Timex watch, a gold ring with a small diamond, a gold bracelet with last name, a gold necklace with diamonds and \$500 in cash.

The total value of the stolen loot was estimated at \$10,800.

The investigation is ongoing.

Burglary

The victim said he walked into the house and noticed several items had been stolen and the house was ransacked. Some items were also stolen out of the storage room in the carport.

Deputy Butler, LCSO reported when he arrived on the scene he observed the side door appeared to have been kicked open.

The stolen items were described as a blue steel .38 caliber handgun, a Husqvarna chain saw, black 40" flat screen

television and a black DVD player.

The estimated value of the stolen property was \$840. The case was turned over to an investigator.

Police Beat

Joshua Eric Allen, 21, Lake Drive, Loudon was charged with DUI, driving on suspended, and violation of implied consent.

According to reports, at approximately 2:50 AM, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a red Chevy Blazer turn onto Grove Street and cross the center line numerous times. The officer conducted a traffic stop on Cedar Street and identified the driver as Joshua E.

Allen.

Mr. Allen had a strong odor of an intoxicant on his person and stated he'd drunk a cup of 100 proof vodka. He performed poorly on field sobriety tasks and was taken into custody.

Mr. Allen advised he did not have a drivers license and a check of his name and date of birth came back sus-

pending.

Allen was read the implied consent advisement and refused. Officer Samuel Harrison, LPD was also on the scene.

Heather Sue Cogdill, 22, 9th Street, Cleveland was charged with violation of probation. Deputy Nathan Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

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James 'Calvin' Shelton, 42, Pleasant Hill Road, Ten Mile was charged with promotion/manufacturing methamphetamine and initiation of meth manufacture process.

Stephen Harold Schallau, 56, Branham Hollow Road, Ten Mile was charged with promotion/manufacturing methamphetamine.

According to affidavits; Tuesday, at approximately 10:43 PM, Officer Emily Lawson, LCPD responded to

CVS on Highway 321 in reference to a report of two suspicious men in the store attempting to purchase Sudafed. Upon arrival, Officer Jason Felts, LCPD had already made contact with the individuals inside the store and had brought them outside to their red Ford Escort. The men were identified as James 'Calvin' Shelton and Stephen H. Schallau, both from Ten Mile.

Officer Lawson spoke with the clerks in the pharmacy who stated Mr. Shelton and Mr. Schallau had already been in the store once, approximately

30 minutes earlier, and had inquired about the Sudafed they had in stock before advising the clerk they would be back to make a purchase.

Mr. Shelton advised Officer Felts they came to purchase Sudafed to transport to another individual. Shelton also gave Officer Felts permission to search his Ford Escort.

During a search of the vehicle a plastic bag, which was tied off, was located in the cargo pocket of a pair of shorts in the trunk. Inside the bag was a box of 15 tablet Walitin D pseudoephedrine sulfate 240 mg with the receipt showing the purchase had been made that day at 9:20 PM at the Walgreens located at 11927 Kingston Pike in Knoxville. A second

receipt from the same store showed another purchase consisting of a box of 10 count Walitin D pseudoephedrine sulfate 240 mg, had been made at that store at 9:11 PM.

Also in the bag was a box of 96 count Walphed pseudoephedrine hci 30 mg. and a CVS brand instant cold pack that had been cut open.

Mr. Shelton told Officer Felts he'd purchased two cold packs, opened them to remove the crushable water module inside, and had consolidated the two bags of ammonium nitrate, a methamphetamine precursor, into one bag to be delivered with the pseudoephedrine.

Mr. Shelton and Mr. Schallau were taken into custody and duly charged.

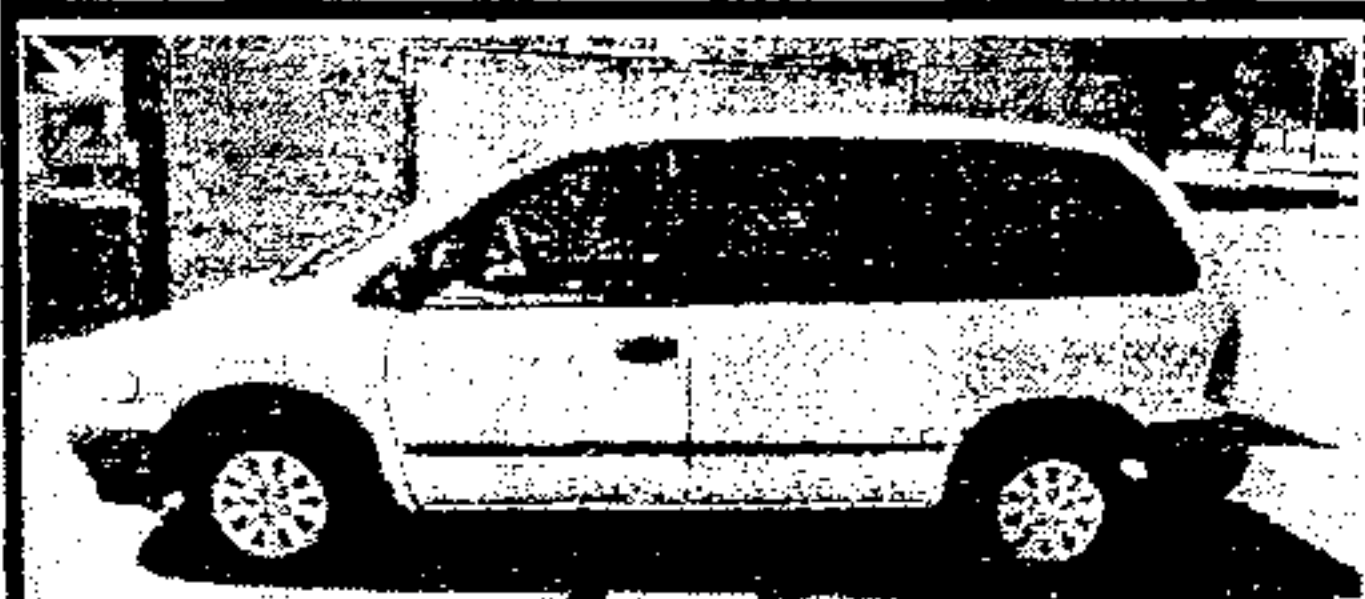
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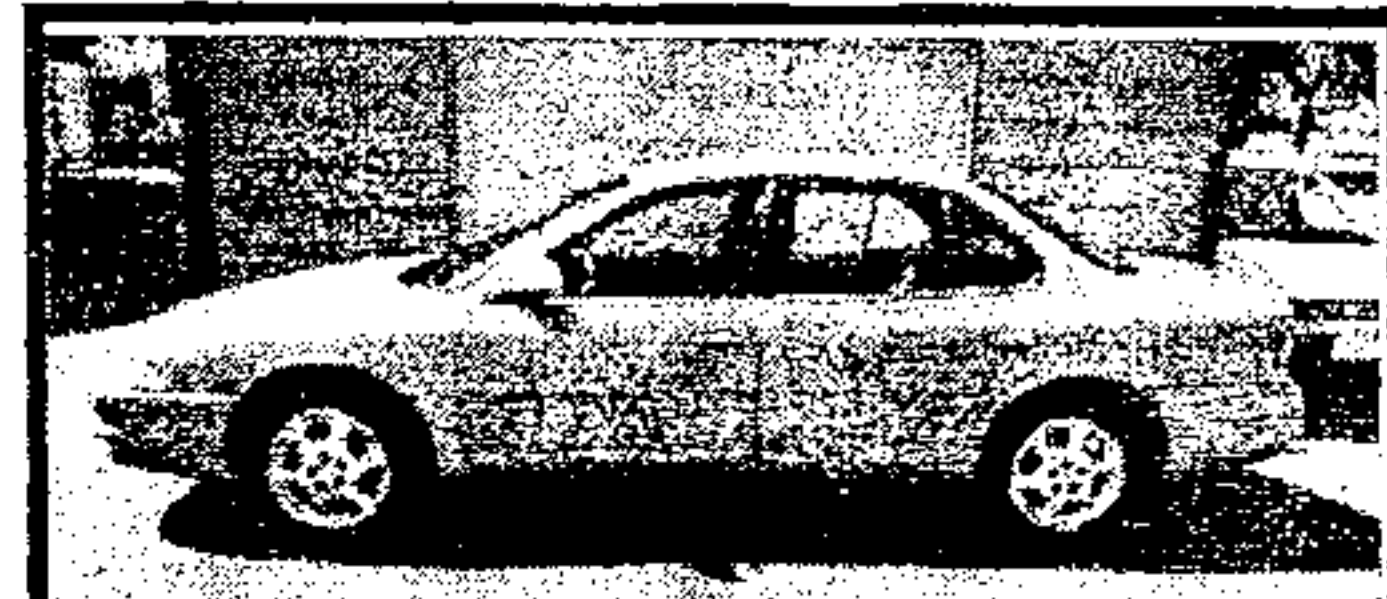
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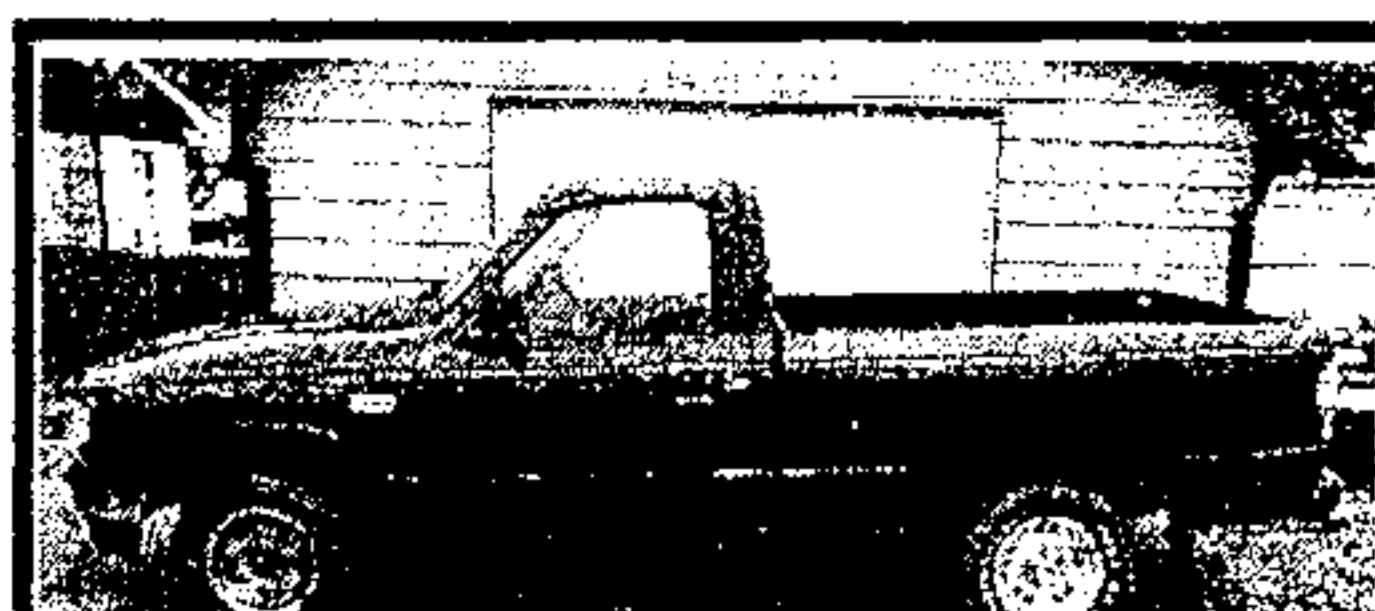


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