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Variety of pills results in 3rd DUI

(see Mayton pg. 7)



Mayton

Pills found in traffic stop

Officer Jamie Whitt, LCPD received a call of suspicious people who appeared to be passed out in a vehicle with the lights on parked on Hwy 321.

According to the report, The subject was identified.

(see Gutch pg. 4)



Gutch

Wanted & shoplifting



Lee

(see Lee pg. 2)

4th DORL for speeder



Morris

(see Morris pg. 3)

The Good News

by Jeff Vittatoe

Natural Consequences



consider the impact that we are making on those who are growing up behind us. We can turn on our television sets

My Sunday school teacher says that when his children make foolish decisions, they must suffer the "Natural Consequences" of those decisions. Is it possible that we as a nation are suffering the same as a result of our actions... or inactions?

The goal of today's message is for each of us to con-

for just a moment to see the direction our nation is headed. Filthy language is now acceptable in almost every context, sex outside of marriage is almost expected within our youth, homosexuality is not just practiced in California but in our middle schools, marijuana possession is be-

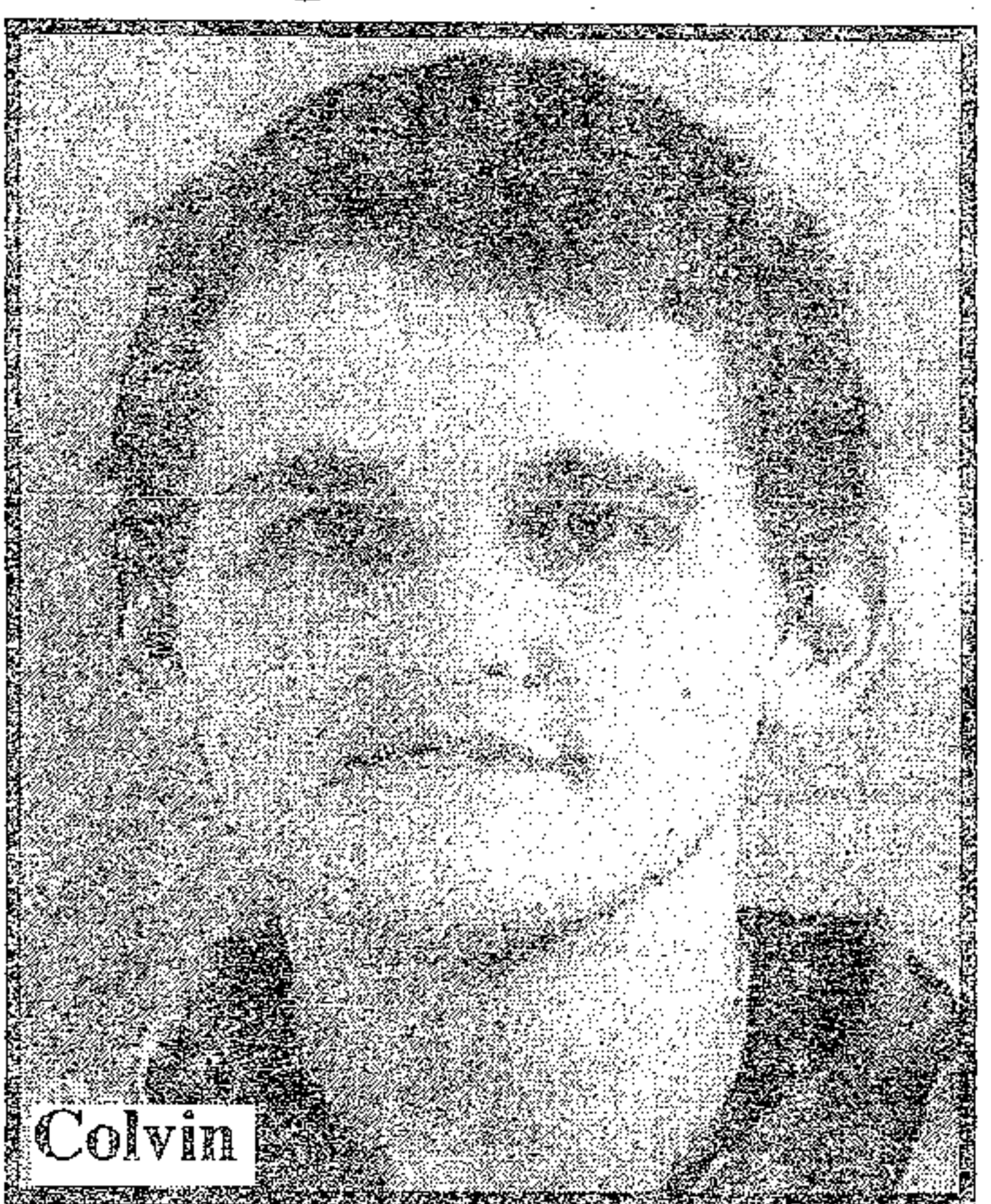
(see The Good News pg. 4)

Vonore man charged with theft

A Sweetwater man was taken to jail after he reportedly stole socks and other items, then tried to make a bogus return with a stolen item at Walmart.

According to the report, Joshua Aron Reed Colvin

(see Colvin pg. 3)



Colvin

State Officials Announce 2012 Tennessee Traffic Fatality Figures

(see Fatalities pg. 5)

Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security officials

joined representatives from the state's Department of Transportation

and Governor's Highway Safety Office to announce the

TWRA Requesting Public Input for 2013-14 Hunting Regulations

(see Input pg. 5)

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency is soliciting comments

for its 2013-14 hunting seasons' regulations. This is an opportunity

Verse of the Day

The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life, but violence overwhelms the mouth of the wicked.

— Proverbs 10:11

Obituaries

None

Wazzup

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when dealing with the public! Thank You!!!

Weather

Today: Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 30s to lower 40s.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a 20% chance of snow showers. Lows around 20.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 30s. Overnight: Partly cloudy. Lows around 20.

Horoscopes

Aquarius 1/20-2/18
You need to push yourself in a new way

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Lee

David Ray Lee, 36, of Woody Avenue, Harriman, was charged with theft under \$500 and two counts of violation of probation.

According to the report, Lee was observed

in Walmart taking baby socks and child panties. The total amount of the items was \$47.36.

A check showed Lee to have 2 warrants from Roane County for violation of probation. Officer B. Brown, LCPD made the arrest.

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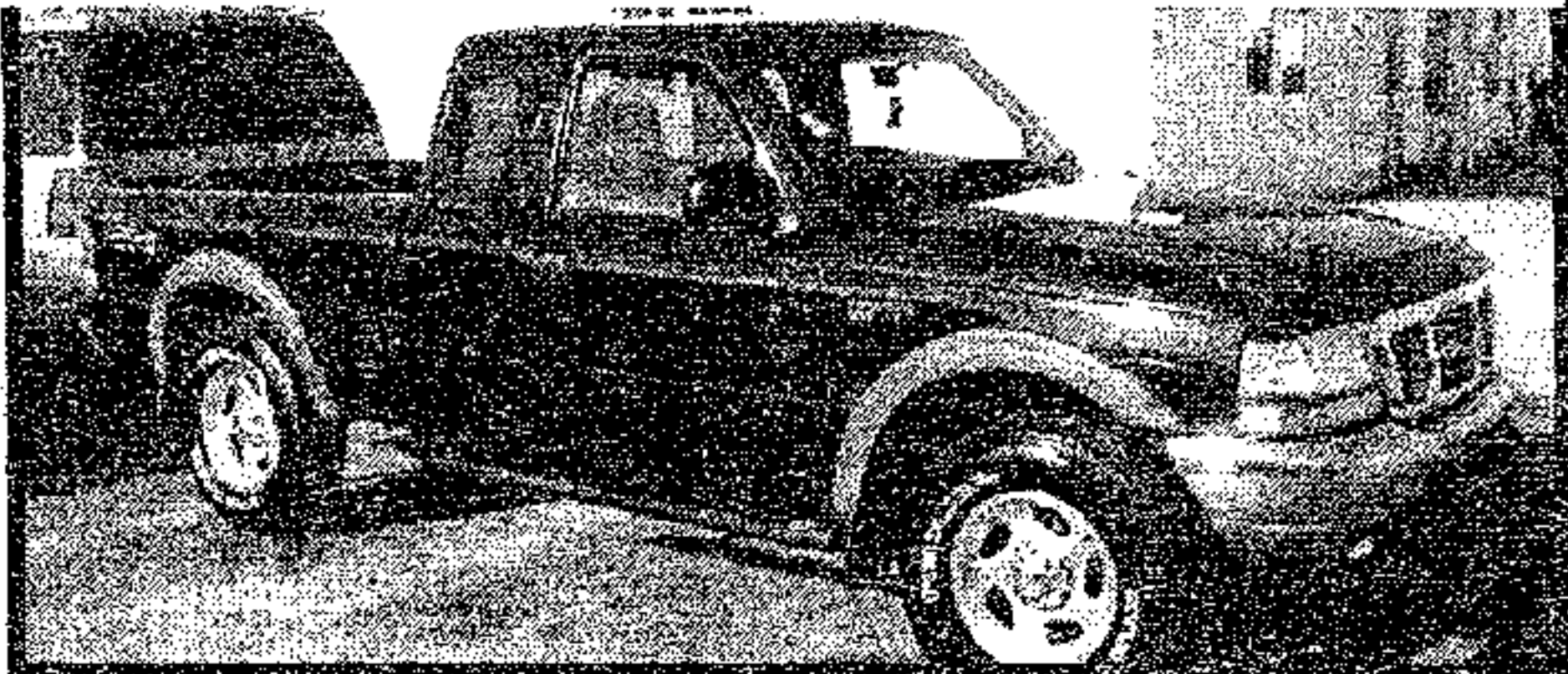
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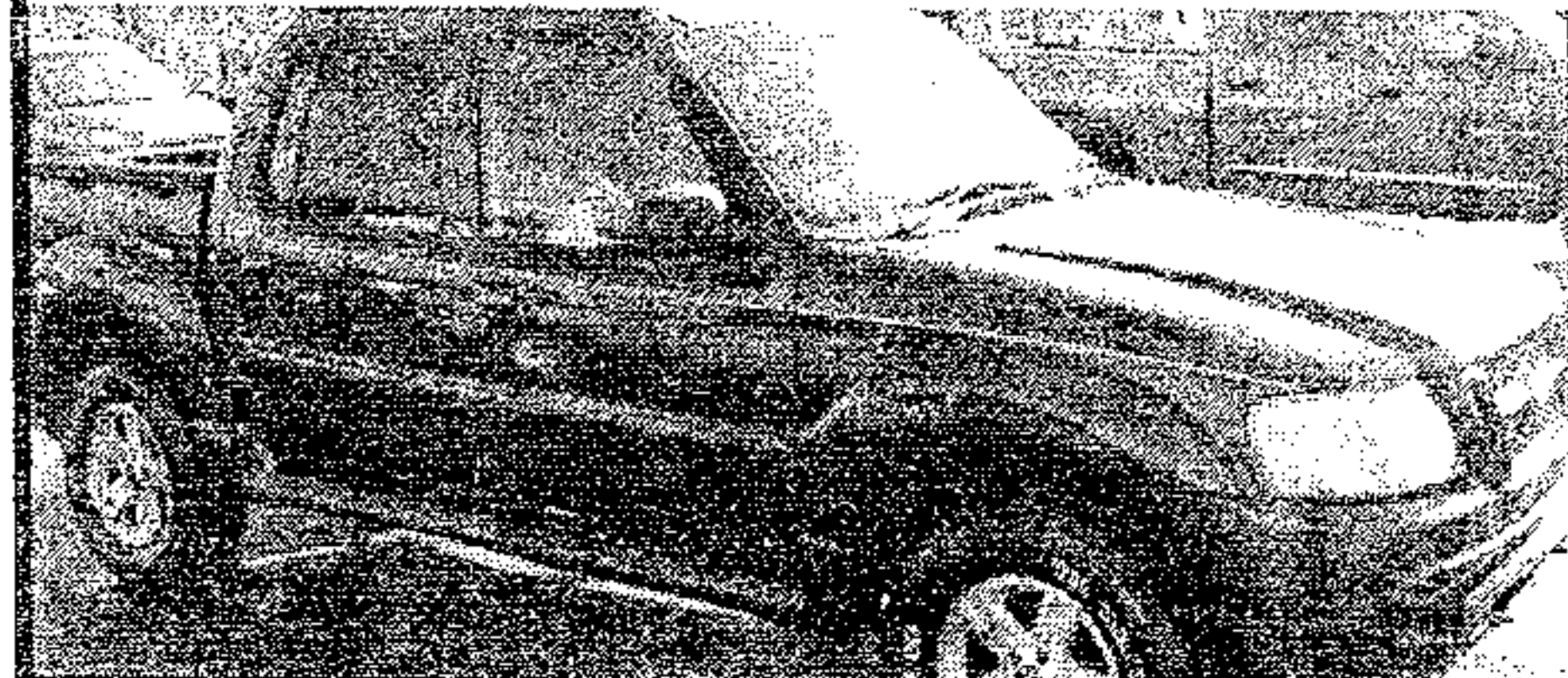


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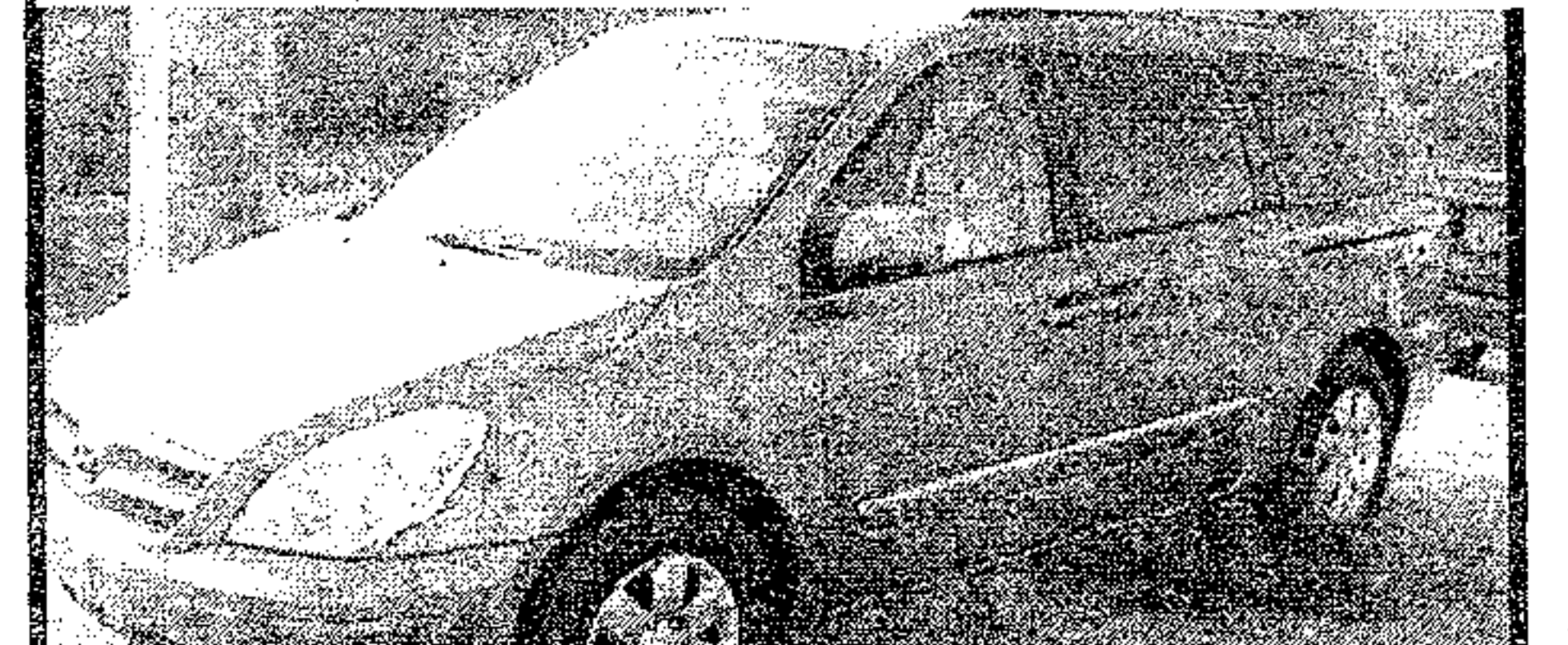
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Morris

According to the report, Deputy Rondel Branam, LCSO was dispatched to check on a red car on Hwy 11 near the cheese farm in Philadelphia. The deputy made contact

with the vehicle traveling at a very high rate of speed with its emergency flashers on.

The vehicle pulled into the American Legion off Hwy 11 where the deputy made contact with the driver. The

driver was identified as Robert Allen Morris.

Mr. Morris provided an ID only card and a check showed his license are revoked for DUI out of Knox County. Mr. Morris had three prior convictions for driving on revoked.

Robert Allen Morris, 25, of Christianburg Lane, Sweetwater was charged with driving on revoked 4th offense. Deputy Rondel Branam, LCSO made the arrest.

Colvin

was observed selecting socks out of the shoe department. He opened the package and took his socks off and put the new socks on his feet. Mr. Colvin then

selected lighters and chapstick and put them in his front pocket.

Mr. Colvin was with another subject who left the store after giving him a pellet gun and pellets to do a fraudulent return. Customer service denied Mr. Colvin because he had too many returns within 6 months.

Mr. Colvin then walked out the side of the store, passing all points of sale, depriving Walmart of \$163.92.

Joshua Aron Reed Colvin, 24, of Depot Street, Vonore was charged with theft. Sgt. Gillis Morgan, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Richard W. Holland, 55, of Martel Road, Lenoir City, was

charged with DUI 1st.

According to the report, Deputy Chris Hutchens did observe a vehicle swerve across the yellow line and speed and stopped it.

The driver, Mr. Holland had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and was unsteady on his feet.

Holland performed poorly on sobriety tasks and gave a BAC at the hospital. Deputy Chris Hutchens, LCSO made the arrest.

Crystal Michelle Mosgrove, 25, of Steekee Creek Road, Loudon was charged with failure to appear.

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Gutch

tified as Phillip Wayne Gutch and while being patted down a green plastic box fell out of his jeans. The box contained 5 small round white pills identified as Suboxen. Gutch did not have a prescription for the pills, a schedule III narcotic.

Phillip Wayne Gutch, 30, of Morgan Road, Morristown was charged with possession of schedule III. Officer Jamie Whitt, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Cassandra Lane, 27, of Foster Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Aaron Carroll, LCSO made the arrest.

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Stricker, 31, of Rock Springs Annex, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Bobby Hamilton, LCSO made the arrest.

The Good News

coming legal in more states each year, someone in almost every household is effected by prescription abuse, people are killing our children and our children are killing our people.

Mainstream America would never agree with the notion that our nation's eminent demise is a direct result of our ungodliness...but what do you believe?

I'm not very good with

math and I don't put a whole lot of stock into statistics, but if the numbers below are even remotely close to being true..... Shame on us!

Dr. Thom Rainer, in his book "The Bridger Generation" researched and described the percentages of Americans who identify with Christ by age group and his conclusions are as follows:

- Age 65 and older - 65% claimed to be Christian
- Age 46-64 - only 35% claimed to be Christian
- Age 34-45 - only 15% claimed to be Christian
- Age 16-33 - only 4% identified themselves with Christ

One more percentage to ponder; almost 70% of our

youth completely leave the church within the first 4 years of graduating high school! Some will return in later


years, but 70% quit going to church and abandon their relationship with Jesus, along

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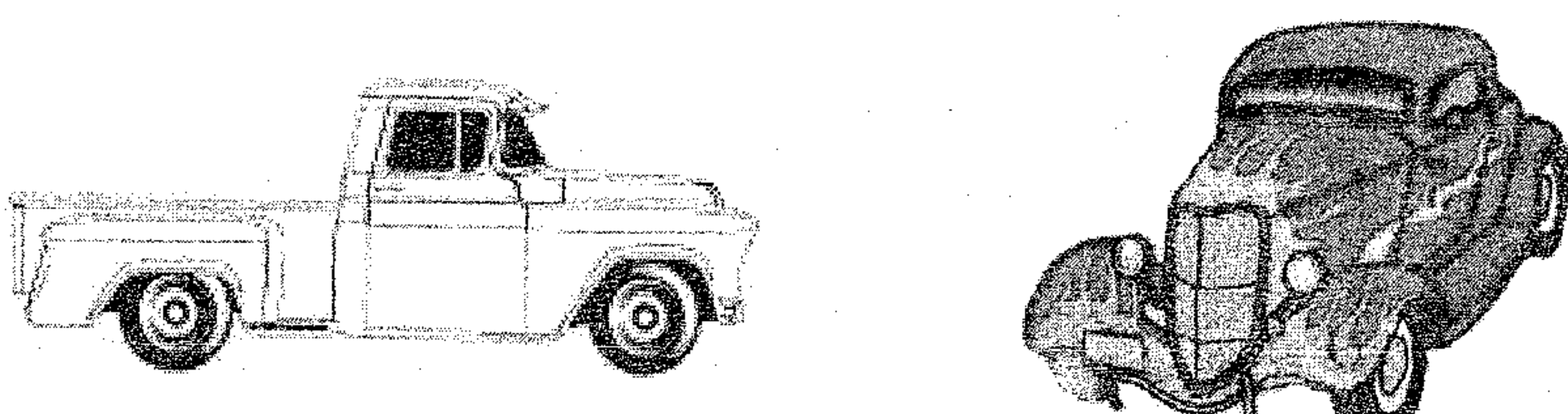
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Input

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Box 40747, Nashville, TN 37204 or emailed to twra.comment@tn.gov. Please include "Hunting Season Comments" on the subject line of emailed submissions.

The comment period concerning the 2013-14 hunting season regulations began on Jan. 15, 2013 and will be open until Monday, Feb. 25.

Fatalities

preliminary number of traffic fatalities in 2012. Early figures indicate there was an increase in vehicular deaths on Tennessee roadways last year. These figures include all vehicular fatalities in Tennessee reported by law enforcement agencies across the state.

In 2012, there were 1,019 traffic-related deaths in Tennessee, representing the third lowest figure since 1963 when 941 people were killed as a result of a crash. However, last year's preliminary number of traffic deaths marks an 8.8 percent increase, compared to 2011, when there was a record-low number of 937 vehicular fatalities.

"We recorded the lowest number of traffic deaths in 48 years in 2011. We knew those figures would be difficult to replicate. However, despite last year's increase, traffic fatalities in Tennessee have declined by nearly 24 percent since 2004. The downward trend indicates that we are moving in the right direction, but we must do better," Safety and Homeland Security Commissioner Bill Gibbons said.

"When we began posting the fatality numbers on our message boards,

our number one goal was to make drivers think about risky behavior that could cost them their lives," TDOT Commissioner John Schroer said. "In addition to raising awareness, we are also investing millions of dollars in projects to improve safety across the state."

Tennessee has experienced a decline in roadway incidents in several categories over the past decade. Since 2004, overall traffic crashes have dropped by 7.8 percent across the state; traffic fatalities involving large trucks have decreased by 39.5 percent since 2005; all-terrain vehicle (ATV) deaths have declined by 50 percent since 2008; and pedestrian fatalities have decreased by 19 percent over the past year.

Also, impaired driving fatalities have fallen 31.8 percent from 2007 to 2011 in Tennessee. In 2012, preliminary statistics indicate 246 people were killed in alcohol-related crashes across the state (24.1%). Additionally, Tennessee State Troopers had increased their number of DUI arrests by 25.4 percent last year over 2011.

"Impaired driving and seat belt usage continues to cause a major concern for the law enforcement community and highway safety advocates," THP Colonel Tracy Trott said. "Our agency will continue to focus on these traffic safety issues with seat belt saturations, sobriety checkpoints and 'No Refusal' enforcement campaigns in 2013. We only hope the citizens of Tennessee help us in this effort to save lives

(see Fatalities ctd. pg. 8)

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Horoscopes

-- maybe far beyond the bounds of normal society. Your ideas are too big to be contained in any one culture, anyway, so go big if you can.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

Blend in with those around you for a while -- you need to avoid attention as much as you can today. It's not like you're to be singled out for abuse, just that you'd rather stick to the quiet life.

Aries 3/21-4/19

You're quite excited to be where you are, and can hardly feel the exhaustion that must be setting in. This second wind is exhilarating, and you should be able to push yourself in all sorts of interesting ways.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

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you, but on days like today, it may cause others to get riled up. Don't let them push you around - you know best how to live your own life, after all!

Gemini 5/21-6/21

You need to speed things up a bit, and the only way to do that is to speak up about your ideas. That may take some gumption, but you've got a good sense of how people will react, so go for it!

Cancer 6/22-7/22

You may need to avoid tense situations or delicate negotiations today, because you are likely to speak without thinking. In some situations, that's great -- think romance or brainstorming!

Leo 7/23-8/22

You should find a smile on your face no matter what's happening today -- your energy is that great! Some situations call for a more somber attitude, of course, but you can play the part if need be.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

It's a bad time to try to share evenly -- and you may want to avoid sharing at all! Your energy is too diffuse to keep yourself and all your people satisfied, so start with yourself and then see what you can do.

Libra 9/23-10/22

You may not be feeling so great today -- but that's okay. In fact, you're creating the negativity by misinterpreting something someone has told you recently. Ask around or think things through.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You don't need much to make today work -- in fact, you're at your best if you're not thinking about your own needs at all! Throw yourself into something bigger and let karma take over.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

Your creative energy is firing you up for new activities -- and you may find that you are influencing friends and colleagues to do the same! It's a really good time for you to branch out in some way.

Capricorn 12/22-1/19

It's nothing life-or-death, but you do need to step up and make sure that you're not over-committed. It's a great time to ask for a postponement of a deadline or something similar.

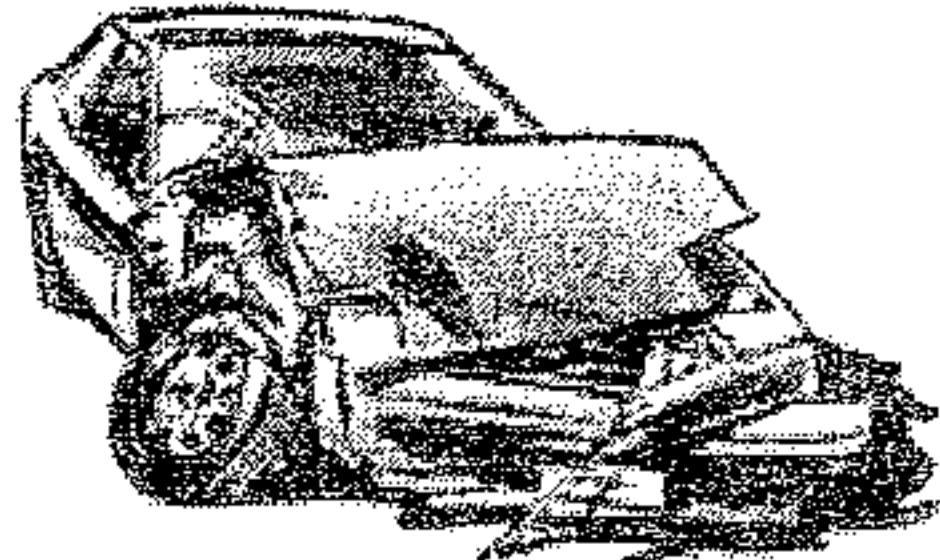
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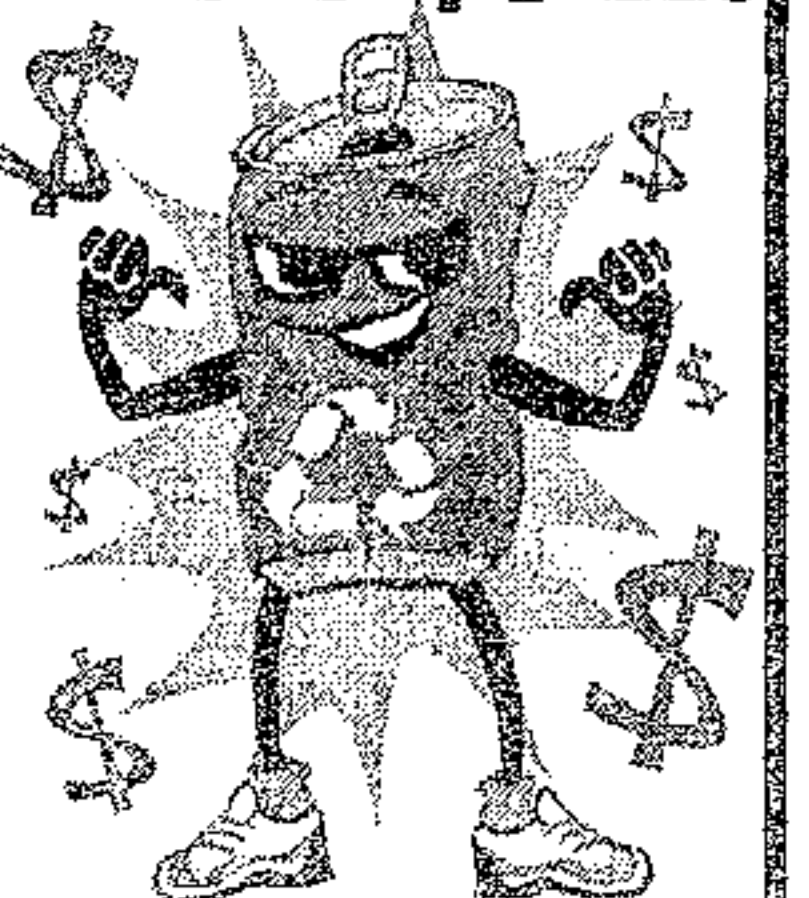
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Mayton

A local woman reportedly had a variety of hydrocodone pills in her possession when she was taken into custody for her third DUI after a motorist alerted authorities of her driving while possibly drunk.

Christie Lyann Mayton, 38, of East First Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with 3rd DUI, driving on suspended and possession of schedule II (hydrocodone).

According to the report, Officer Jonathan Yates, LPD was flagged down by a motorist who reported the driver of a white Pontiac was possibly drunk. The officer followed the vehicle a short distance and noticed it traveling at a slow speed and the driver was breaking erratically without cause. The vehicle was stopped and the driver identified as Christie Mayton.

Ms. Mayton was lethargic and fumbled for her license and her paperwork on the car. Ms. Mayton performed poorly on sobriety tasks and reported she had been in the hospital that night and was given hy-

drocodone and had also taken several throughout the day.

A search of the car was done and officers found a pill bottle in another persons name, which contained 25 pills, all of which are believed to be a form of hydrocodone in 4 different varieties. A pill bottle prescribed to Mayton for Oxycodone contained a cellophane bag with 9 white oblong pills believed to be hydrocodone.

A recently filled, but empty bottle of Lorazepam was found as well.

A blood draw was done and a check of Mayton's license showed them to be suspended for financial responsibility with two prior DUIs.

Officer Jonathan Yates, LPD made the arrest.

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with their Biblical obligation to spread the gospel to others. (Mathew 28:18-20) God's instructions to the Israelites concerning the importance of maintaining and teaching His Word is well defined in the following scripture:

Deuteronomy 6:6-9 (NKJV) (6) And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. (7) You

shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. (8) You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be frontlets between your eyes. (9) You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

While throwing numbers at you may seem boring and not very entertaining, the purpose in sharing them is to remind you that we, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, are miserably failing the generations behind us and then we wonder why the world is so messed up. Shame on me! And if you claim to be a Christian and are not teaching your children the ways of God... then shame on you too!

In the last two years, God has changed what is important to Blondie and me. We once wanted to have lots of "stuff" and to do lots of "stuff" and to be "somebody". God has since changed our focus from ourselves to His gospel. We are trying to sell our house, pay off our debt and be prepared to answer God's call to share the gospel whenever, wherever and however He asks us to, and we are excited!

God has reminded us that our life on earth is only as a vapor (James 4:14) and how we spend it can have an impact that lasts for eternity.

God has given us the opportunity to speak to others through our lives, through this column, through social media and through our church. I cannot bring back the years that I wasted running from the Lord but I CAN spend my remaining years proclaiming the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ. I have went to each of my children recently and asked them specifically about the condition of their souls. It matters to me that they graduate college, provide for themselves and remain healthy... but it matters much more where they will be the moment that their life on earth is over.

I care where you will be when it's your turn to stand before the Almighty God of the universe. My prayer is that someone reading today may evaluate their own life and how their decisions, lifestyle and belief system is affecting their children. Are we raising a Godless society? Are you teaching your children that it is important to have a relationship with Christ and that He alone can heal your life and save you from eternal damnation? Do these words go in one ear and back out the other as if they have no value?

If so, you might want to read this; *Romans 14:11-12 (NKJV) (11) For it is written: "As I live, says the Lord, Every knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God." (12) So then each of us shall give an account of himself to God.*

If I did not believe with

my whole heart that the Bible is true, Jesus is alive and that we each have the choice to spend eternity with Him or apart from Him, I wouldn't spend hours each week studying, praying, typing, and then sometimes retyping what I believe is a message that God wants one of us to hear.

Is it you today? Are you teaching your children what it means to accept Jesus? Are you living your life in a way that God can use you to reach your children? If not, wouldn't today be a great day to start? What if you died tomorrow? Worse yet, what if something happened to one of your family members tomorrow? Did you show them Jesus? Did you tell them that "Whosoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved"? Is it partly your fault that our nation is falling apart? Let me remind you what God told Solomon;

II Chronicles 7:14 (NKJV) If My people, who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

Think about it. If only 4% of this generation of teenagers identify themselves with Christ, where will the next generation be and what are we doing to change that? What are you willing to do to change it? Are those natural consequences really acceptable to you?

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— buckle up and don't drink and drive," he added. In Tennessee, unrestrained motorists accounted for more than half (52.7%) of vehicle occupants killed in 2012. Other contributing factors in fatal crashes included speed and distracted driving, with 141 and 56 deaths, respectively.

"Distracted driving is the number one killer of teens nationwide," GHSO Director Kendell Poole said. "Last year, teen traffic fatalities increased just over 10 percent in Tennessee. Our goal is to coordinate safety initiatives with state and local law enforcement partners to educate the public on responsible habits on the road, including enforcements and safety messages on seat belt usage and impaired and distracted driving."

Another area of concern is the number of motorcycle fatalities, which have more than tripled in Tennessee in the last 14 years. Last year, 138 motorcyclists lost their lives on state roadways,

compared to 114 motorcyclist deaths in 2011. That's a 21.1 percent spike in motorcyclist fatalities.

"Drinking and driving is not just a problem for motorists in passenger vehicles," Colonel Trott said. "Of the 138 motorcycle fatalities in Tennessee last year, 20.3 percent of them were alcohol-related. We hope to reduce serious injury and fatal crashes amongst motorcyclists in 2013, by focusing on education and enforcing impaired driving laws."

According to the National Safety Council (NSC), traffic fatalities increased by five percent nationally in the first 11 months of 2012. Besides Tennessee, preliminary statistics indicated increases in roadway deaths were experienced in several surrounding states, including: Georgia, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina and Virginia.

Preliminary statistics indicate 36 people have died on Tennessee roadways in 2013, the same figure as this time last year.

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