

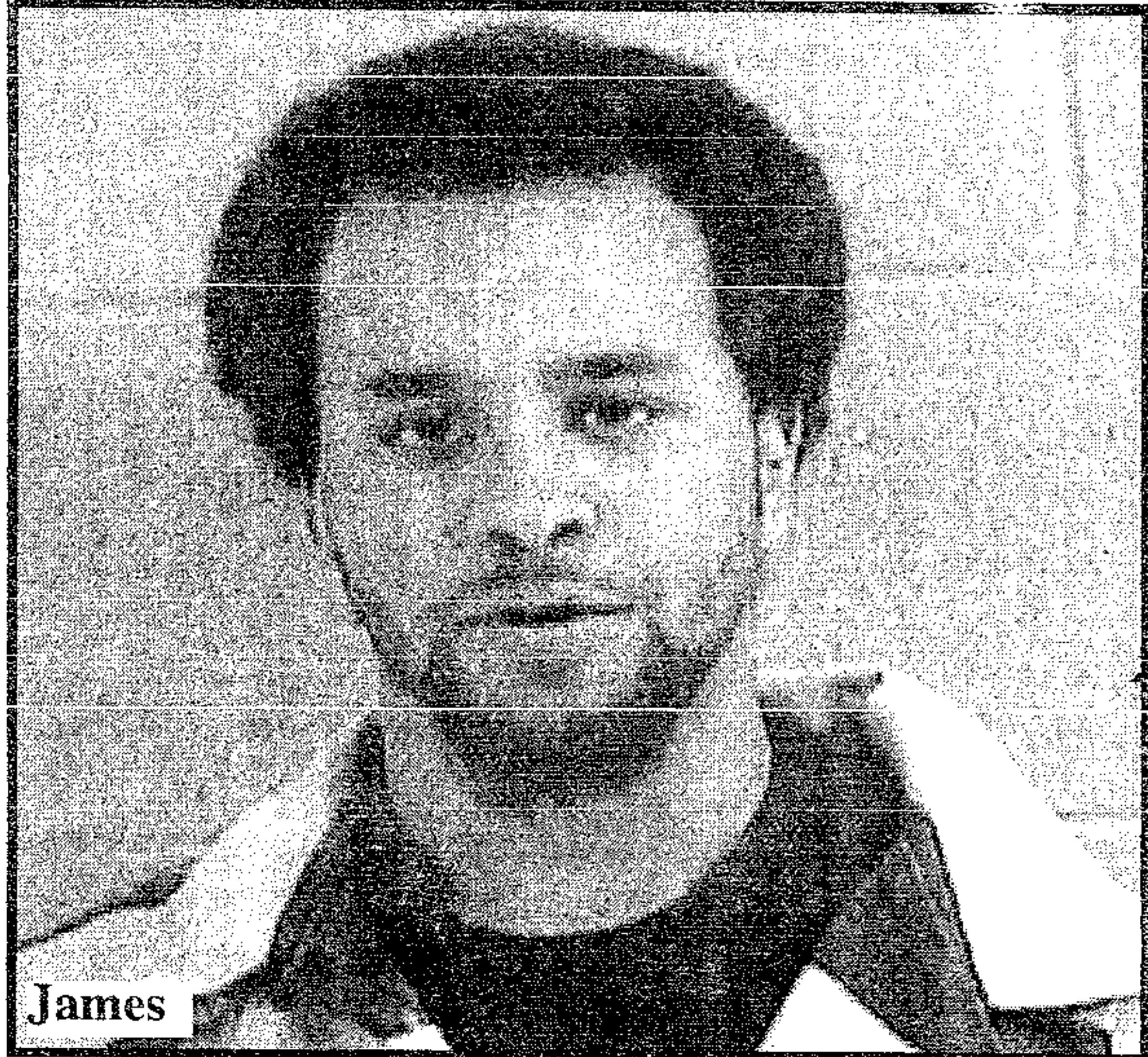
# The Daily Edition

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Tuesday, February 5, 2013

## Wanted man chased, charged after \$19 theft



James

(see James pg. 7)

## DUI at .18% lands man in jail after telephone pole lands on the ground

(see Tauzell pg. 2)

A Loudon reportedly told officials he was on his way to buy more beer after drinking a 12 pack when he ran into a telephone pole, knocking it down.

Matthew Edward Tauzell, 34, of Main Street, Loudon, was charged with DUI 1st.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD was

## Grain Indemnity Assessments to Resume March 1

(see Assessments pg. 7)

An assessment on grain sold in Tennessee will be reactivated effective March 1 at a rate of 1 cent per bushel on soybeans and a half cent per bushel on all other grains announced the

Tennessee Department of Agriculture. The assessment is being reactivated in response to recent changes in state law.

The purpose of the assessment is to increase the bal-

## Verse of the Day

*Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. — 1 John 4:7*

## Obituaries

John (Johnny Reb) Wil-

liam Jenkins

Ralph G. Lovelace

Robert W. "Bud" Bailey

Deana M. Sweeten Lawson

Dorothy Virginia Schultz

**Wazzup**

Here's a pat on the back and a great big Thank You to all the people working

the drive-thru at Burger King during lunch Friday.

Y'all were awesome: everyone was friendly and smiled, the service was exceptionally fast in spite of the obvious lunch rush going on, and perhaps most importantly: every single one of you said,

"Thank You," instead of today's usual standard of, "Here ya go!" Keep up the good work!

## Weather

Today: Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. High of 52. Chance of rain 20%. Tonight: Partly cloudy. Fog overnight. Low of 37.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy in the morning, then clear. High of 59. Overnight: Overcast. Low of 37.

## Horoscopes

**Aquarius 1/20–2/18**  
Your emotional tide comes in early today and it may wash up

(Continued on page 6)

## Sweetwater man dies in I-75 crash

A Sweetwater man died early Sunday morning when he lost control of his vehicle on Interstate 75.

Early reports indicate Gregory Collette, 39, of Sweetwater died when his 2008 Chevy Tahoe veered off the road while traveling south on I-75 near the 75 mile marker.

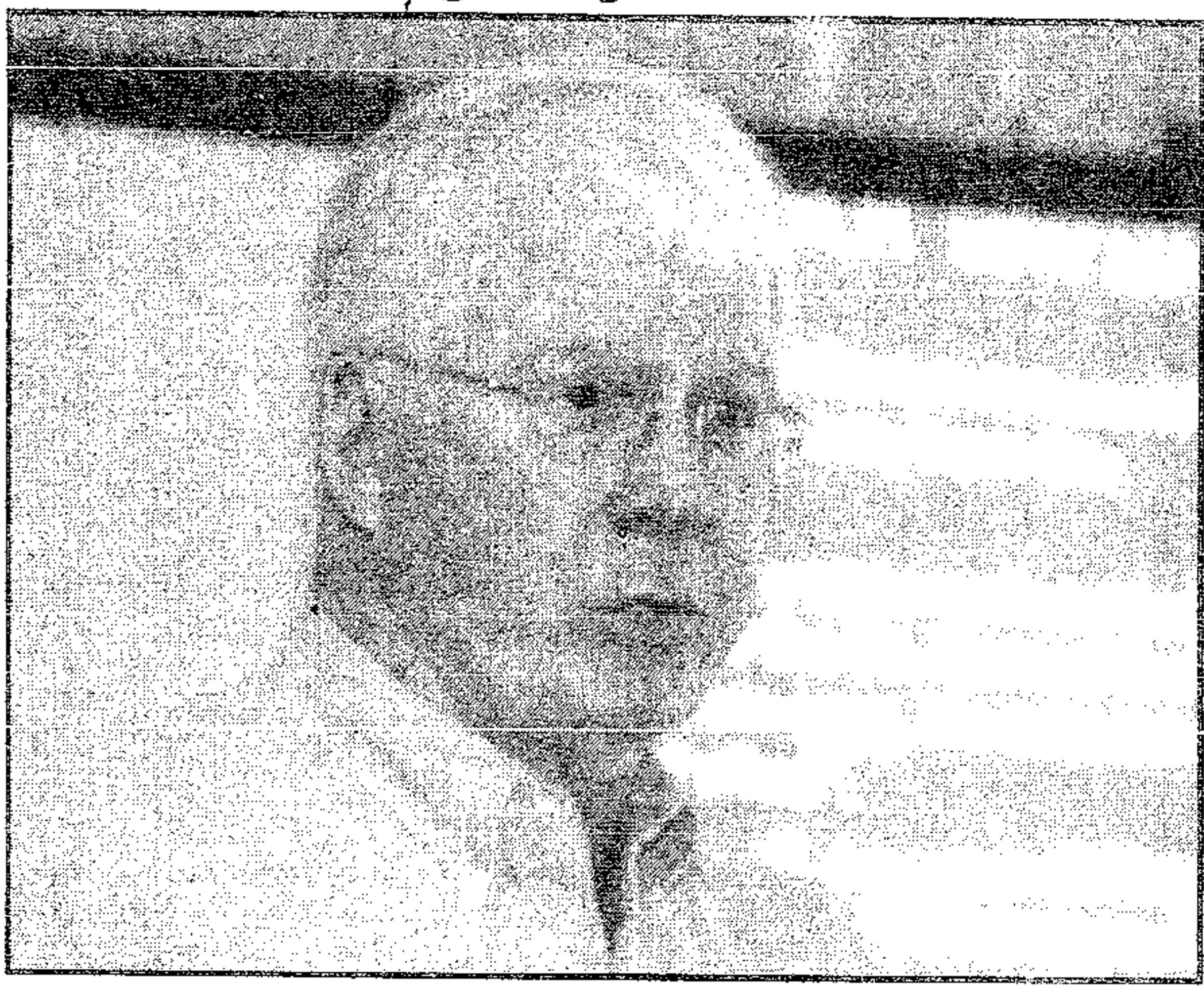
The vehicle reportedly struck a guardrail and flipped onto its side.

THP officials respond-

(see Fatality pg. 4)

## Retired ATF Agent Reviews Waco Tragedy

(see King pg. 3)



Retired ATF agent reviews the 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, TX with members and guests of the Rotary Club of Tellico Lake.

## Unlicensed, uninsured, under the influence at .11%

(see Tello pg. 7)

A Hispanic man who reportedly has no driver's license, insurance or social security number was taken into custody when authorities stopped him for speeding and discovered he allegedly was under

the influence of alcohol.

Geronimo Rocael Rodriguez-Tello, 30, of West Hills Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving under the influence and driving without a license.

## Tomorrow Is Deadline for 2013 Spring Turkey Quota Hunts Application Period

The application period deadline of Feb. 6 is tomorrow for the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency 2013 Spring Turkey Quota Hunts.

Applications are available and will be accepted at any TWRA license agent, TWRA regional office, or online at

(see Deadline pg. 4)

## Tauzell

dispatched to a wreck without injury on River Road. Upon arrival the officer made contact with Mr. Tauzell. Mr. Tauzell had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and was very unsteady on his feet.

The trooper reported

Mr. Tauzell had driven off the road and had knocked down a telephone pole.

Mr. Tauzell reportedly stated he had consumed a 12 pack and was on the way to buy more beer when he wrecked.

Mr. Tauzell registered .18% on the in-

toximeter. Officer Benjie Houser, LPD made the arrest.

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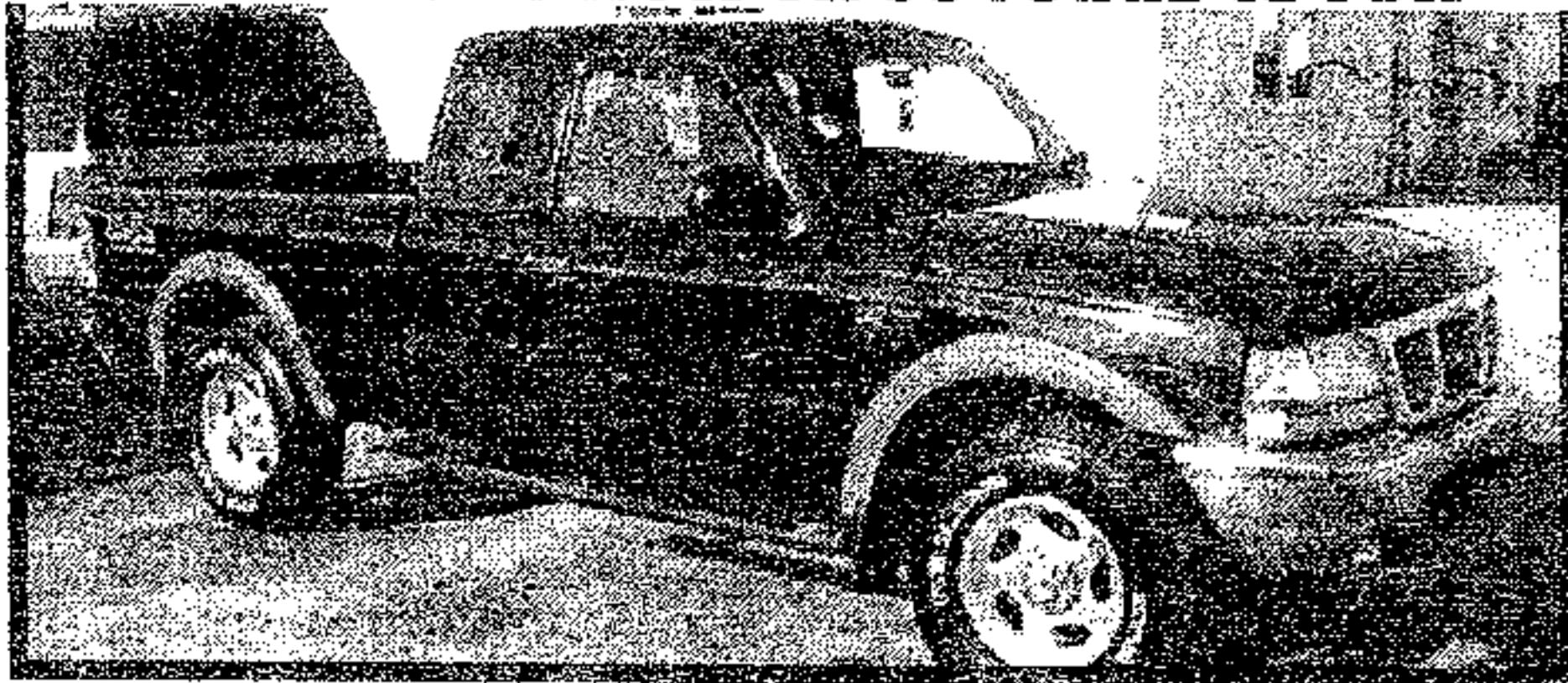
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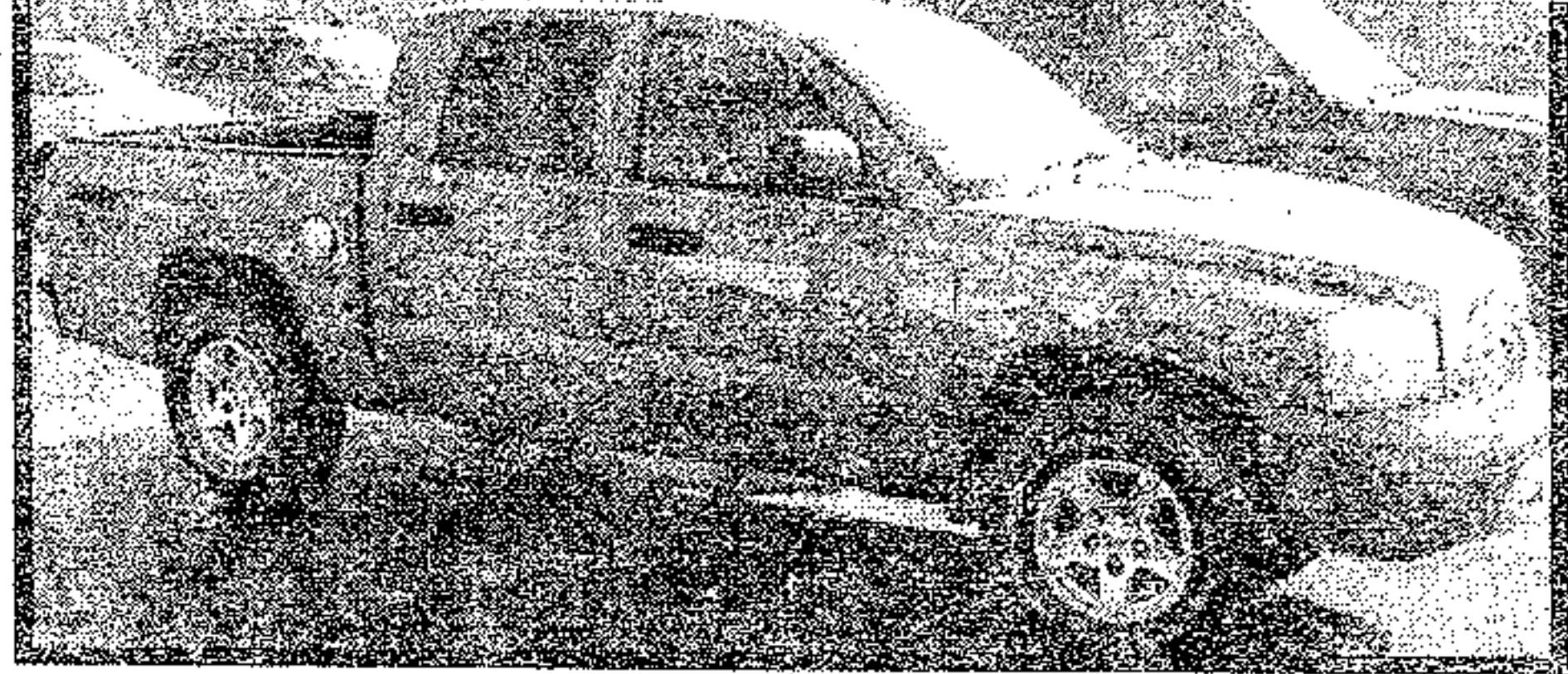
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## Obituaries

**John (Johnny Reb) William Jenkins** - age 59 of Lenoir City peacefully went to the Lord on Saturday, February 2, 2013. He was a member of Riverview Baptist Church and a veteran of the United States Army. Johnny could be seen in all parts of Lenoir City making friends and working at Nelson Tires. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, William "Bill" and Lucy

Billingsley; father, Benjamin Hardin, Sr.; brother/nephew, Jordan Ryan Hardin and great nephew, J'evon Bell. He leaves to cherish his memory, devoted mother, Vivian Hardin; sister, DeLoris (Darnell) Cowart of Knoxville; brothers: Benjamin Jr. (Cassie) Hardin, Nathaniel (Teresa) Hardin of Lenoir City, Perry (Karla) Hardin of Byron, GA; devoted aunts: Mable (Raymond) Kerr, Clara (a.k.a. Mickey) Amos, Shirley Fletch-

er, Wanda McKee; uncles: W.J. (Ernestine) Billingsley, Eddie (Donna) Billingsley, Gilbert (Mary Katherine) Pride, and Paul Walker; nieces: Shimikia Bell, Tiffany Cozart, Raven Ewing, Dannielle Hardin, Cassie Cowart, Taliah Hardin; nephews: Shane Matlock, Brian Winton, Josh Underwood, Nathan Underwood, Michael Hardin, Kyle Jones, Shamar Cowart, Jordan Hardin; devoted friends: Rick, Randall and

Eric Nelson, Kristy Quillen, Johnny Phibbs, and James A. Clark III; nine great nieces and eight great nephews along with a host of devoted cousins, other

relatives and friends. The family will receive friends from 12-2 p.m. Wednesday at Click

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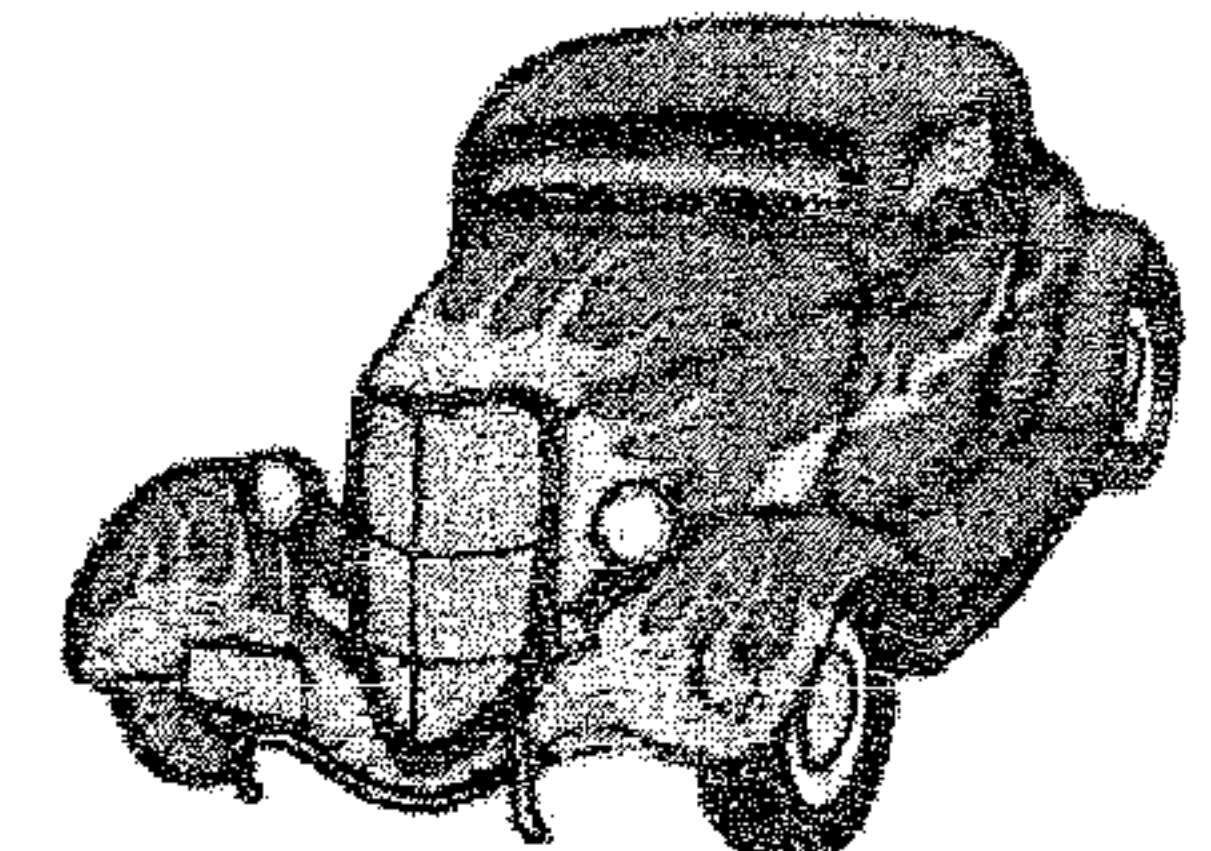
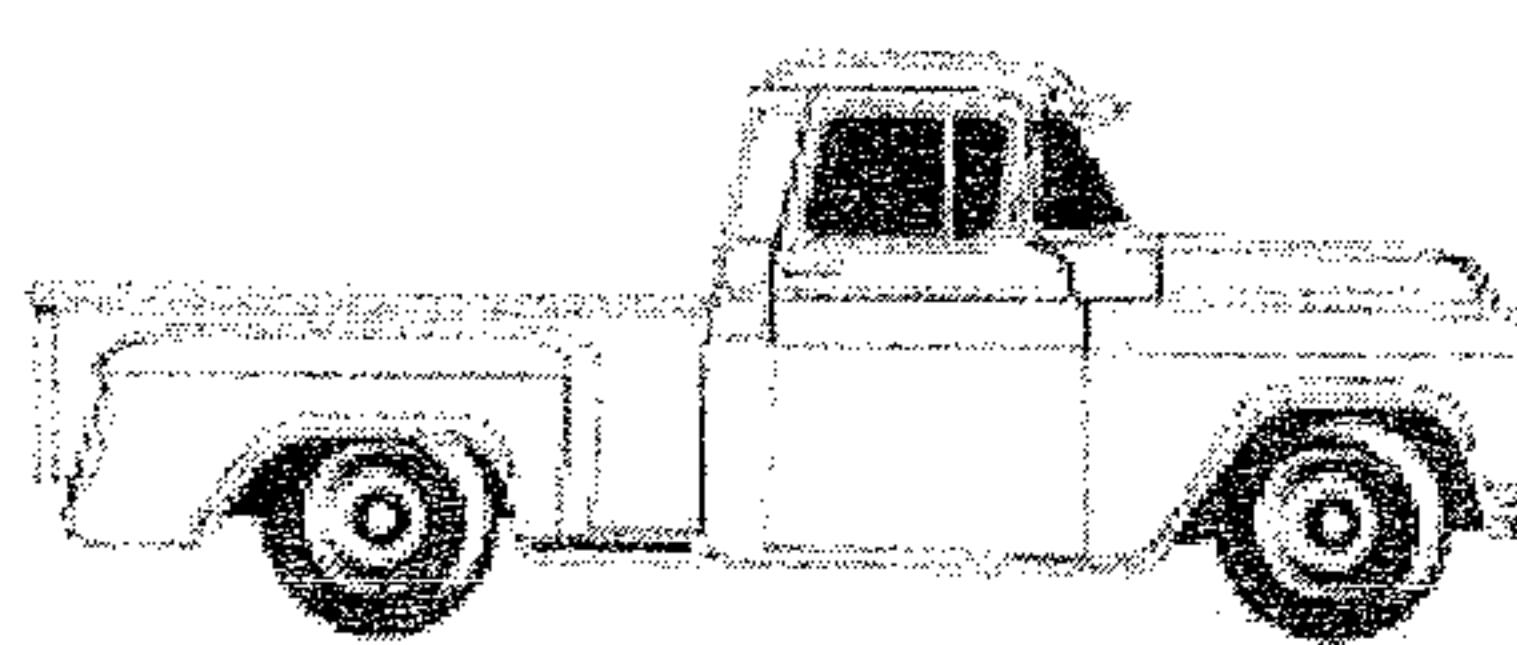
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**James**

According to reports, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD received a call to Walmart in reference to a shoplifter. During the investigation, the suspect took off running and was stopped.

After further investigation the suspect gave a name that was later discovered as false. The correct name was Christopher Lavon James aka Christopher Jones.

James was observed by Walmart loss prevention concealing an HDMI cable valued at \$19 before he ran from the store.

James was wanted for a VOP, and according to that affidavit, Christopher Jones was convicted of domestic assault in sessions court and sen-

tenced to probation for 11 months 29 days. Since then he has failed to report to probation officer, failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$564.50 and failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$207.50.

Christopher Lavon James, aka Christopher Jones, was charged with theft under \$500, criminal impersonation, violation of probation and failure to stop, frisk, halt. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

**Tello**

According to the report, Corporal Michael Watkins, LCSO clocked a vehicle on radar at 70mph in a 45mph zone and stopped it. The driver, Mr. Tello had no license, no social security number, and no insurance.

Mr. Tello did have a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and blood shot eyes. Mr. Tello reported he'd consumed three beers, but he performed poorly on sobriety tasks and registered .11% on the intoximeter at the jail. Corporal Michael Watkins, LCSO made the arrest.

**Assessments**

ance of the Tennessee Grain Indemnity Fund, which was established in 1989 to provide financial protection for grain producers against the failure of grain dealers and warehouses. State law governing the fund was amended in 2011 to increase the minimum balance from \$3 million to \$10 million.

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the grain indemnity law places a responsibility on the commissioner of agriculture to reactivate the assessment in order to maintain an adequate fund balance," Johnson said. "Given the fund's low balance and today's high value grain market, I'm authorizing the assessment in order to comply with state law and to ensure that Tennessee grain producers are protected."

The assessment on all grain will continue until the fund reaches the new \$10 million minimum balance.

Tennessee producer organizations sought the changes in the state law due to the higher market value of grain. All grain producers who participate in the program can file a claim to recover losses in the event of a grain dealer or warehouse failure, depending on circumstances.

Grain producers can request a refund within 90 days of being assessed; however, in doing so they forfeit protection

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under the program. Producers who previously opted out can also be reinstated but are required to pay back assessments with interest.

The law also requires that all grain storage facilities and grain dealers comply with bonding and insurance requirements. Warehousemen and dealers must be licensed with TDA, and the required surety is based on volume and license classification. TDA monitors highly speculative positioning by handlers, conducts an annual inspection of records and may seize assets of failed handlers and take other actions to protect the interest of producers.

Since the fund's inception, nearly \$1 million has been paid in claims to 76 Tennessee producers. In 2011, Tennessee farmers produced a combined 2.3 million acres of corn, soybeans and wheat valued at nearly \$1.3 billion. Soybeans are the state's leading crop, generating \$461.3 million in farm cash receipts last year.

For more information about the Tennessee Grain Indemnity Fund, contact TDA's Regulatory Services Division at 615-837-5150 or visit [www.tn.gov/agriculture/grain](http://www.tn.gov/agriculture/grain).

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