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Friday, January 15, 2016

## 2 busted at known drug haven by 9th DTF, LCPD, THP and LCSO

Christopher Hicks, 45, Mountain View Road Lenoir City, was charged with Maintaining a Dwelling Drugs Sold, Man/Sell/Poss/ of Controlled Substance, Promotion of Methamphetamine Manufacture Promotion of Meth x2, and Poss. of Drug Para.

(see duo pg. 7)



Christopher Hicks



Brandon Clemmer

## Former Union County High School Bookkeeper Indicted for Theft

A special investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has led to the indictment of former Union County High School bookkeeper Tammy Collins. Investigators determined that Ms. Collins stole at least \$30,045 from the school between January 2013 and November 2015.

Tammy Collins used at least four schemes (see indicted pg. 3)

## 13 counts of prescription fraud for LC woman



Leanne Womack

(see fraud pg. 2)

## Update: Parents now charged with abuse/neglect in child rape case



Christopher Hart



Katelynn Perdue

(see update pg. 5)

## Facebook felon sentenced to serve 188 months in prison for possessing firearm in photos

Malik First Born Allah Farrad, also known as Marvin Maurice Buckles, 41, of Johnson City, Tenn., was sentenced on Jan. 14, 2016, by the Honorable Thomas A. Varlan, Chief U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 188 months in federal prison for being a felon in possession of a firearm. There is no parole in the federal system.

In the fall of 2013, officers with the Johnson City Police Department began an investigation

into suspected criminal conduct by Farrad. In so doing, law enforcement examined his use of social media, specifically Facebook. Upon review, investigators found that in October 2013 Farrad uploaded a photograph of three handguns placed atop the toilet seat in his bathroom. Having previously sustained numerous felony convictions for drug, gun, and violent offenses, it was illegal for him to be in possession of such weapons.

(see facebook pg. 4)

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[You were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,] who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession — to the praise of

his glory. — Ephesians 1:14

### Obituaries

see inside

### Wazzup

The \$5 menu at Pizza hut is a great deal for sure, ya outta check it out.

### Weather

Today: Overcast with rain showers at times. High 49F.  
Tonight: Cloudy. Low 36F.  
Saturday Partly to mostly cloudy. High near 45F.  
Saturday Night Mainly cloudy. A few flurries or snow showers possible. Low 29F.

Sunday Mainly sunny. High 43F.

Sunday Night Partly cloudy Low 18F.

### Horoscopes

Capricorn 12/22-1/19

Personal issues demand your attention today, especially if you recently (Continued on page 6)



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**fraud**

Leanne Womack, 53, Evans Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Fraud x13.

On January 11th, 2016 Agents from the 9th JDTF were advised by employees at the Walgreens Pharmacy that a person of interest that was currently involed in a prescription fraud investigation was attempting to fill a pre-

scription for Oxymorphone, a schedule II narcotic. Agent DeBoer had talked to the doctor at office where these prescriptions were from earlier on this date. The doctor, Robert, stated that Leanne Womack, the suspect in this investigation and the individual that Walgreens called on was not a patient at his office and the prescriptions

fraud ctd. pg. 7

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indicted

to carry out her crime. These included making unauthorized payments from the school's account to pay down her personal credit cards and other personal debts, writ-

ing school checks to herself or "cash" and keeping the money for her own use, taking cash from school collections, and using school funds to make personal purchases at Walmart.

Investigators determined that Ms. Collins fabricated documents and made false accounting entries to conceal her theft. This included forging the assistant principal's signature on school checks.

During an interview with Comptroller investigators, Ms. Collins admitted that she used school money for her own benefit. In November 2015, Tammy Collins was indicted by the Union County Grand Jury on one count of theft over \$10,000.

"There were several sig-

nificant issues within Union County High School that allowed this theft to go undetected for more than two years," Comptroller Justin P. Wilson said. "School leaders can help restore integrity to the financial process by improving accountability and oversight."

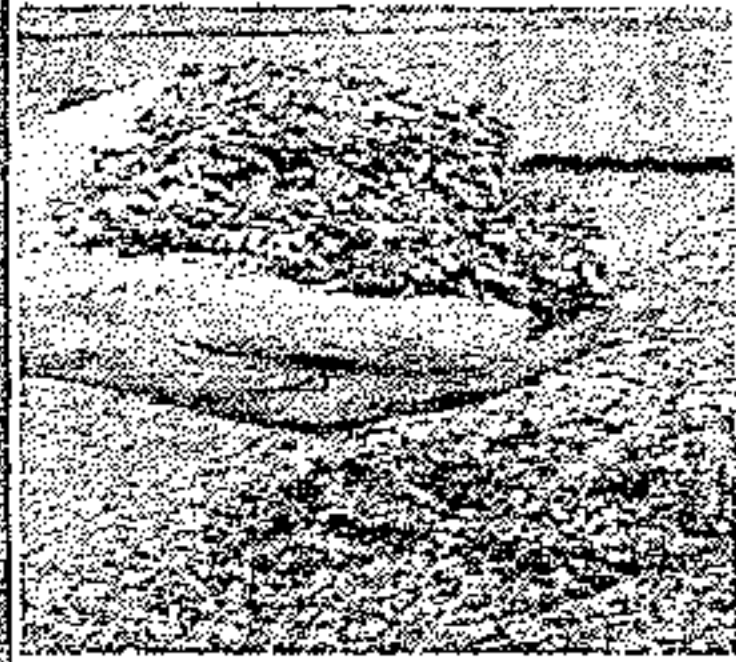
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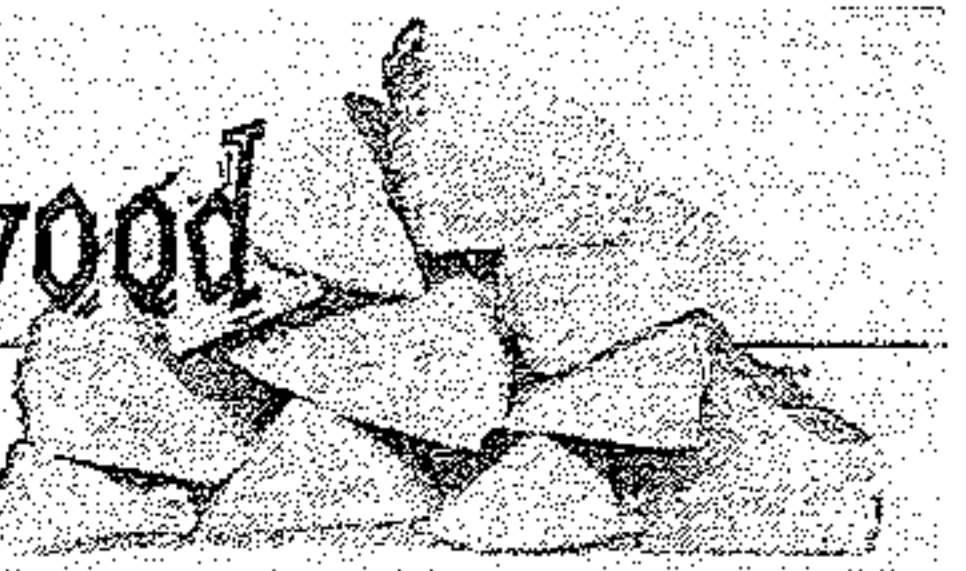
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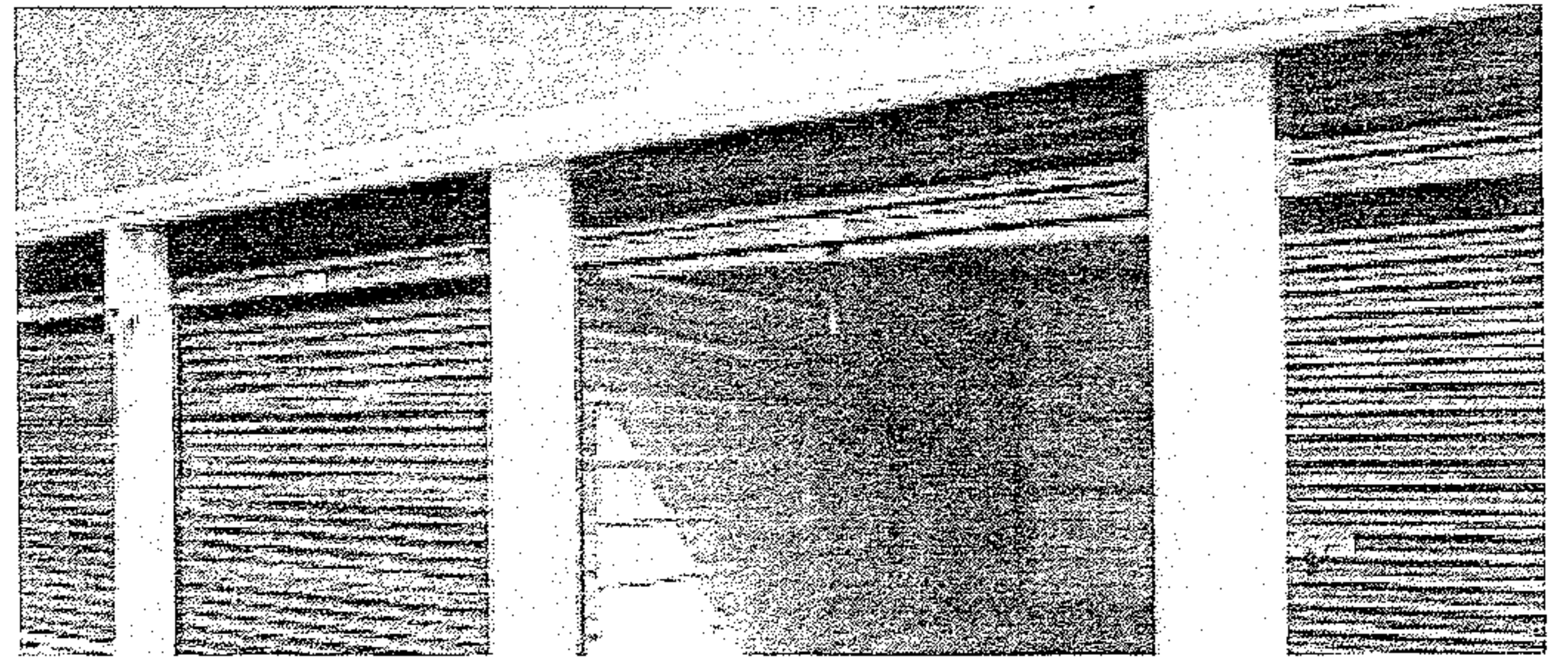
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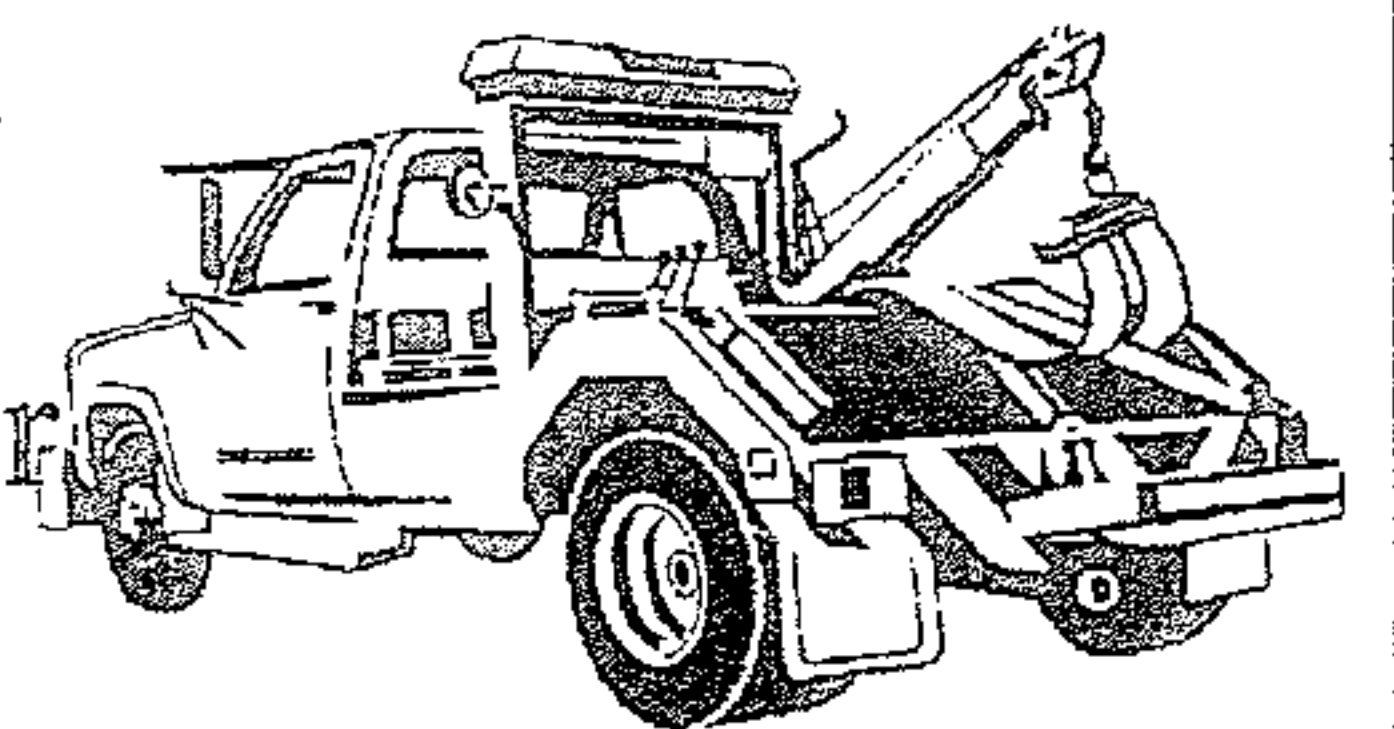
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Subsequently, investigators, working in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), obtained a search warrant for the entirety of Farrad's Facebook account. Once executed, law enforcement discovered a variety of photographs showing him holding, posing with, and displaying a Springfield, Model XD, .45 caliber, semi-automatic pistol. The pictures were taken from inside Farrad's bathroom and were uploaded in quick succession in October 2013.

At trial, exhaustive testimony described the distinguishing characteristics of the firearm seen in the seized Facebook photos.

Those features both confirmed the identity of the firearm, and dispelled any possibility of it being a toy, fake, replica, or imitation. Consequently, following a two-day jury trial, Farrad was found guilty as charged.

This investigation was the product of a partnership between the Johnson City Po-

lice Department and FBI. Assistant U.S. Attorney Nick Regalia represented the United States.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Neighborhoods ("PSN"), a comprehensive national strategy that creates local partnerships with law enforcement agencies to effectively


enforce existing gun laws. It provides more options to prosecutors, allowing them to utilize local, state, and federal laws to ensure that criminals who commit gun crime face tough sentences. PSN gives each federal district the flexibility it needs to focus on individual challenges that

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update

Christopher Hart, 36, Hines Valley Road Lenoir City, was charged with Child Abuse or Neglect.

Katelyn Perdue, 24, Hines Valley Road Lenoir City, was charged with Child Abuse or Neglect. see narrative on Christopher Hart.

On January 5th 2016 During forensic Interview of (4 yrs old) he

revealed that he was touched in a sexual manner by his grand mothers boy friend Terry Shelton on more than one occasion and every time this happen in his home in Terry's bedroom which is located at Hines Valley Rd. Lenoir City. When asked if he had told anyone about this he said he had told his dad that Terry had touched him and his dad Chris-

topher Hart told Terry not to this again. He also stated that he had told his mother Katelyn Perdue and grandmother. On same date Terry Shelton was interviewed and admitted to three counts of child rape, during his interview he made the statement that the first time was on December 29th 2015 and that victim told everyone in the house that he

had touched him and Chris Hart told him to stop or he would make him leave. On January 2nd and 3rd Terry raped Zakary again in his bed room at Hines valley Rd. The referral came about on January 4th when Department of Child Services was in the house doing a drug exposed child referral and victim told the caseworker of DCS that Terry Touched him and pointed to

his penis. Upon interviewing Chris Hart he did state that his son the victim did tell him that Terry had touched him but didn't think it was in sexual manner but did tell Terry he would have to leave if he didn't Quit. This Did happen in Loudon County TN. Both Christopher and Katelyn were placed under arrest.

**Obituaries**

Judith Ann Thompson (Judy) Crass - age 65 of the Galen Community of Macon County formerly of Lenoir City passed away Wednesday, January 13, 2016. Judy was a member of Silver Ridge Baptist Church in Lenoir City. She was preceded in death by her parents, James L. and Dealia Thompson. Survived by her husband of 37 years, Bob Crass of Macon Co., TN; children and spouses, Buddy and Brandi Crass of Limestone, TN, Hannah and Tim Barringer of Lenoir City, Thomas and Natalie of Knoxville; 14 grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law, June and Roy Hattley of Lenoir City; brother and sister-in-law, Eddie and Pam Thompson of Knoxville; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, January 15th at Click Funeral Home. The family will also receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, January 16th at the Silver Ridge Baptist Church. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. with Rev. Scot Wells officiating. Burial will follow in the Pine Grove Cemetery with Rev. Dustin Risher officiating. Serving as pallbearers: Michael Risher, Todd Kennedy, Lynn Vittatote, Ron Allen Powell, Ben Broyles and Matt Broyles. Honorary pallbearers will be H. B. Risher, Wayne Presley and D. L. Robinson. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the funeral home to help with funeral expenses. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

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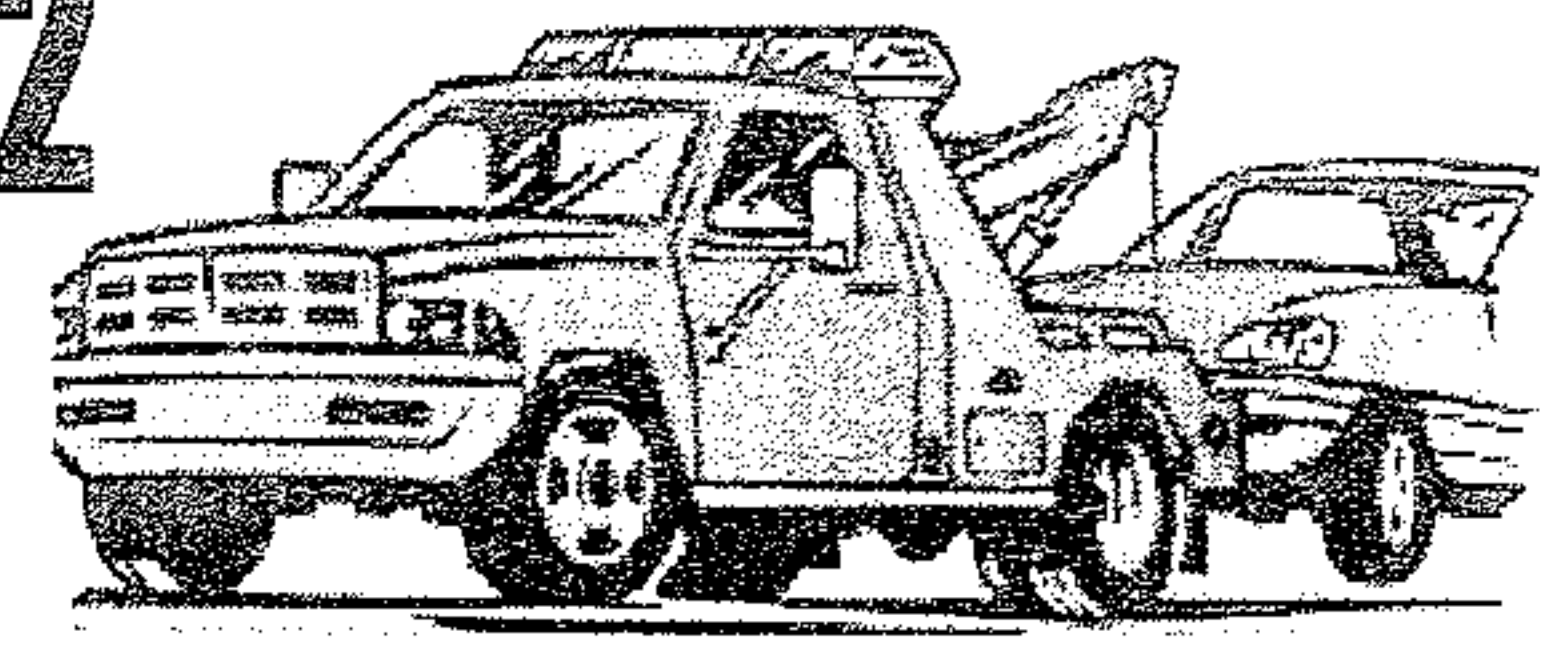
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Brandon Clemmer, 27, Homeless Lenoir City, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale SCH II, Promotion of Methamphetamine Manufacture, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Agents and Officers from the 9th JDTF, LCSO, LCPD, and THP, executed a drug search warrant at the residence of Christopher Hicks. As a result of the search warrant Agents recovered numerous items consistent with the manufacture of methamphetamine. Some of these items included fuel, ammonium

nitrate, muriatic acid, psuedoephedrine pills, rubber tubing, empty bottles of pseudoephedrine, digital scales, coffee filters, and numerous items consistent with drug use and delivery, cut straws, needles, and burnt spoons. Most of the items were located in a child's suitcase in Christopher bedroom. A plastic bag containing a crystal substance tested positive for presence of methamphetamine was recovered in Christopher closet. Also present and interview was Brandon Clemmer. During the interview it was confirmed that the Mountain View ad-

dress was a safe haven for individuals to use, distribute, and manufacture controlled substances. Both parties were placed under arrest. Agent Brendan DeBoer JDTF, made the arrest.

fraud etd. from pg. 2 were from an old stolen prescription pad. Several of the doctors listed on the prescription were not with the office any longer. When Ms. Womack arrived to pick up the fraudulent prescription she was detained by agents. Leanne Womack was read his Miranda Warnings and would not agree to sign the waiver. Agents did

not ask any questions but Womack made statements that she committed these acts cause she is broke and homeless and needed to make money. This specific prescription was for sixty 15 mg oxymorphone pills. This fraud occurred in Loudon County. Agent

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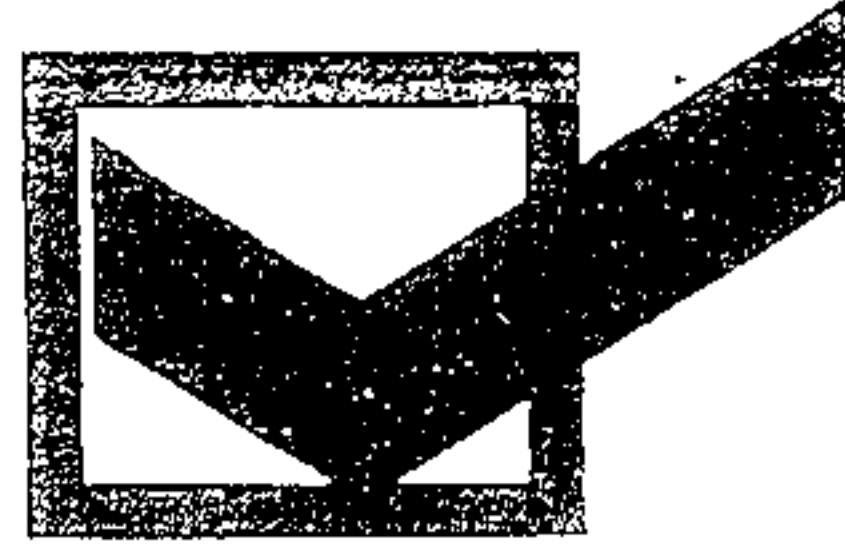
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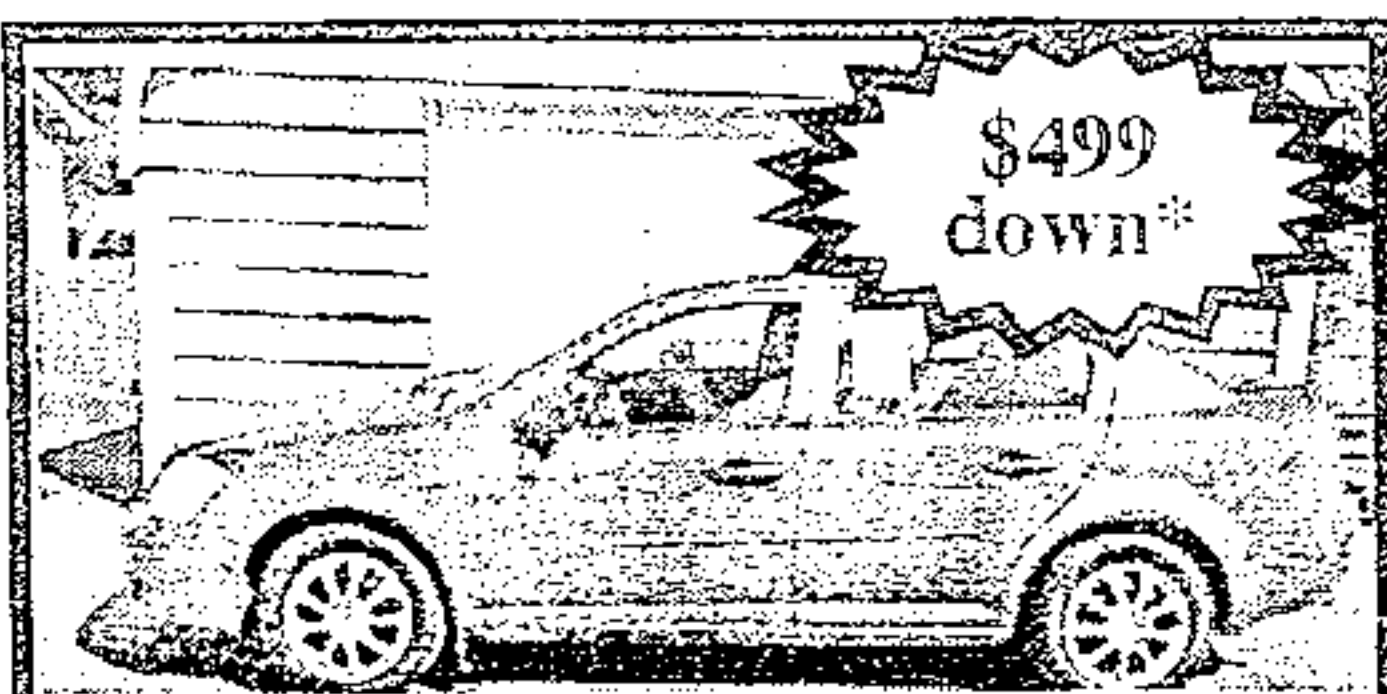
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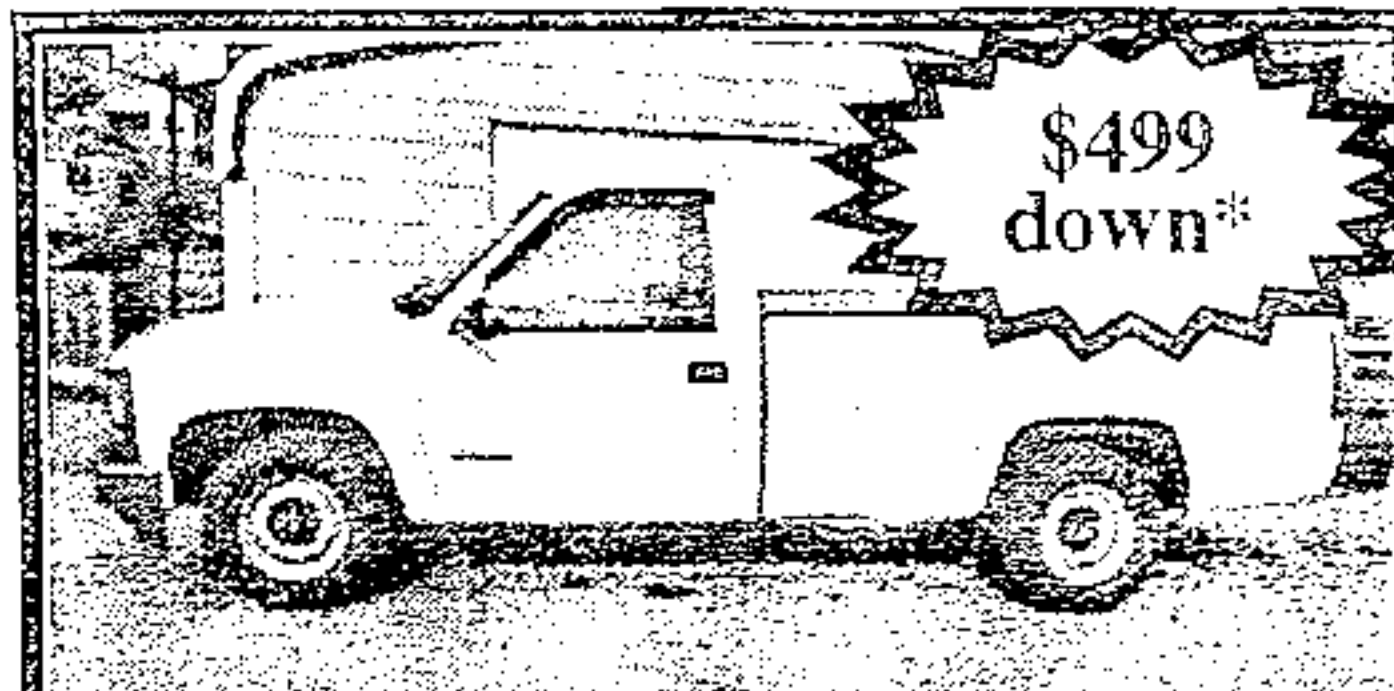
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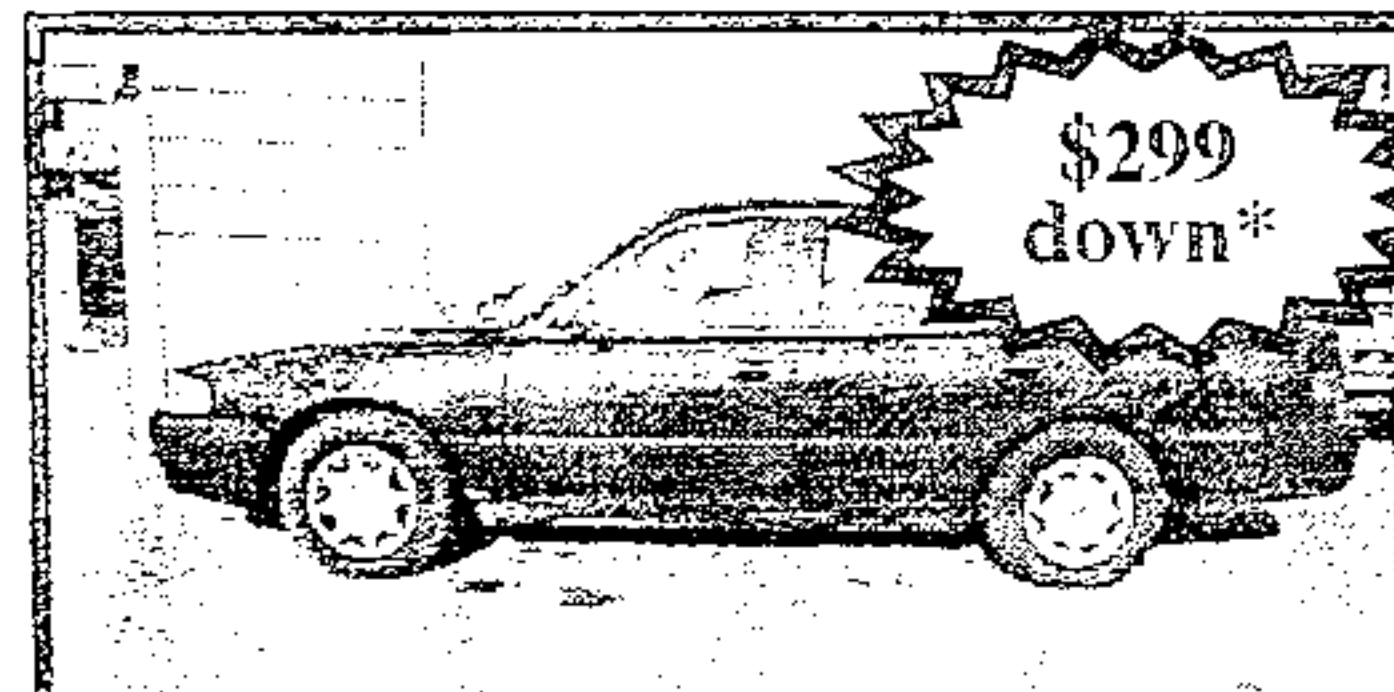
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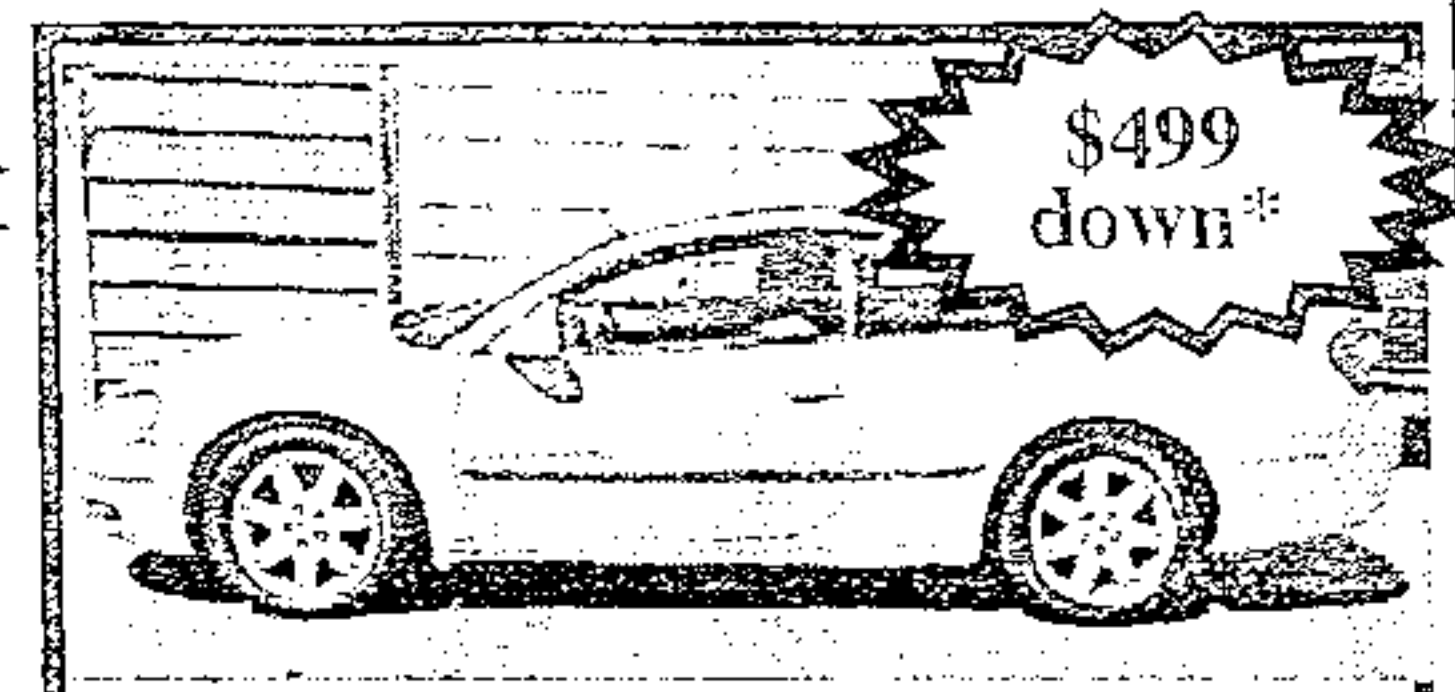
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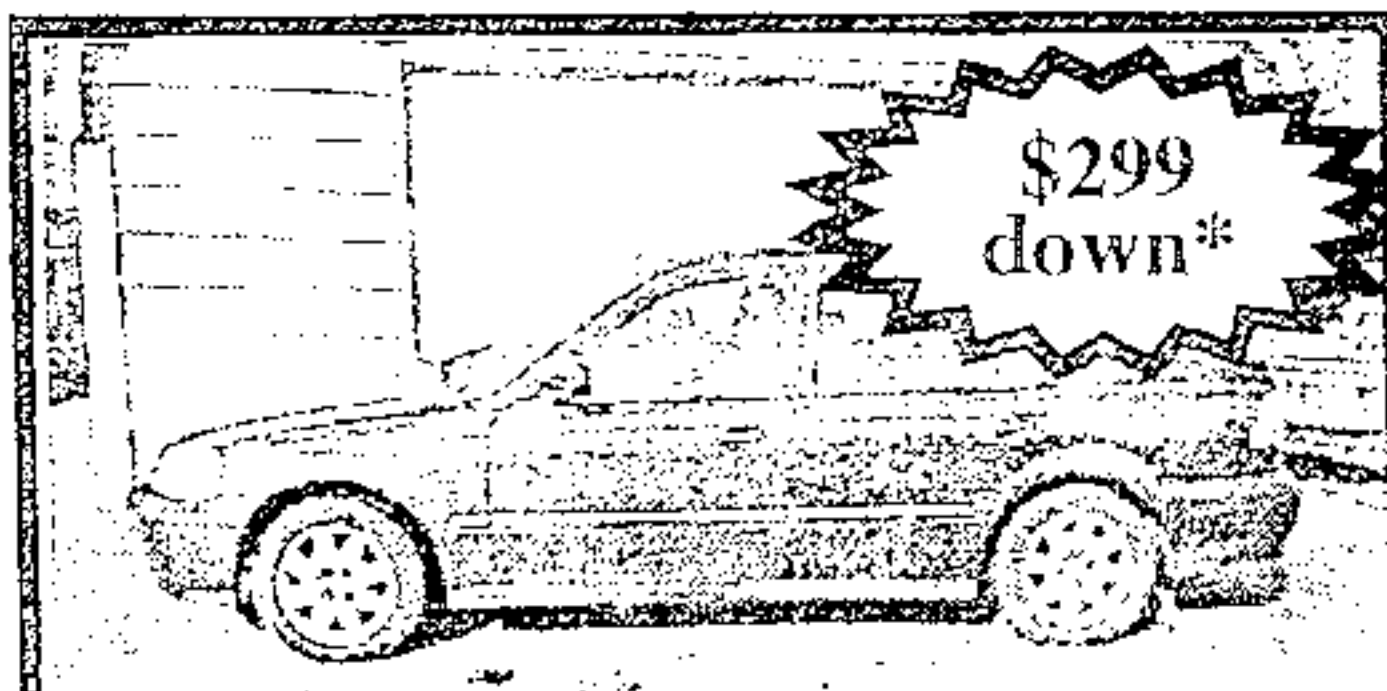
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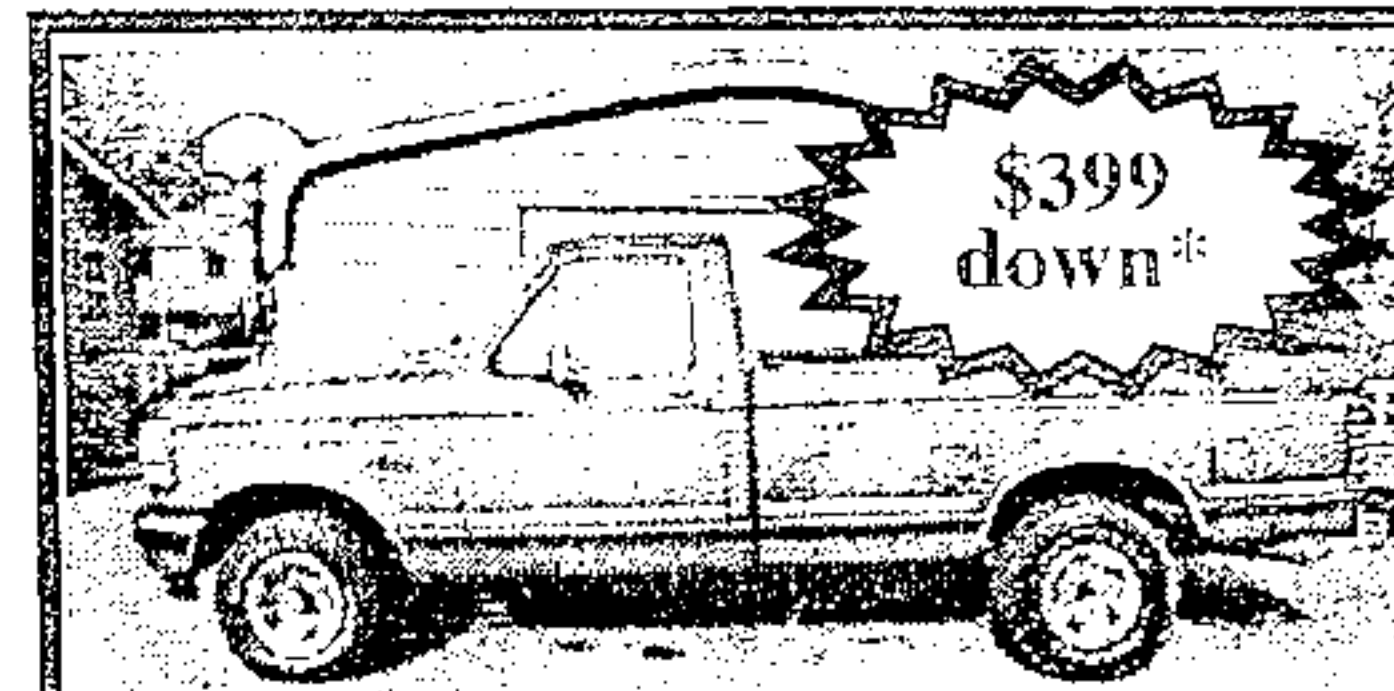
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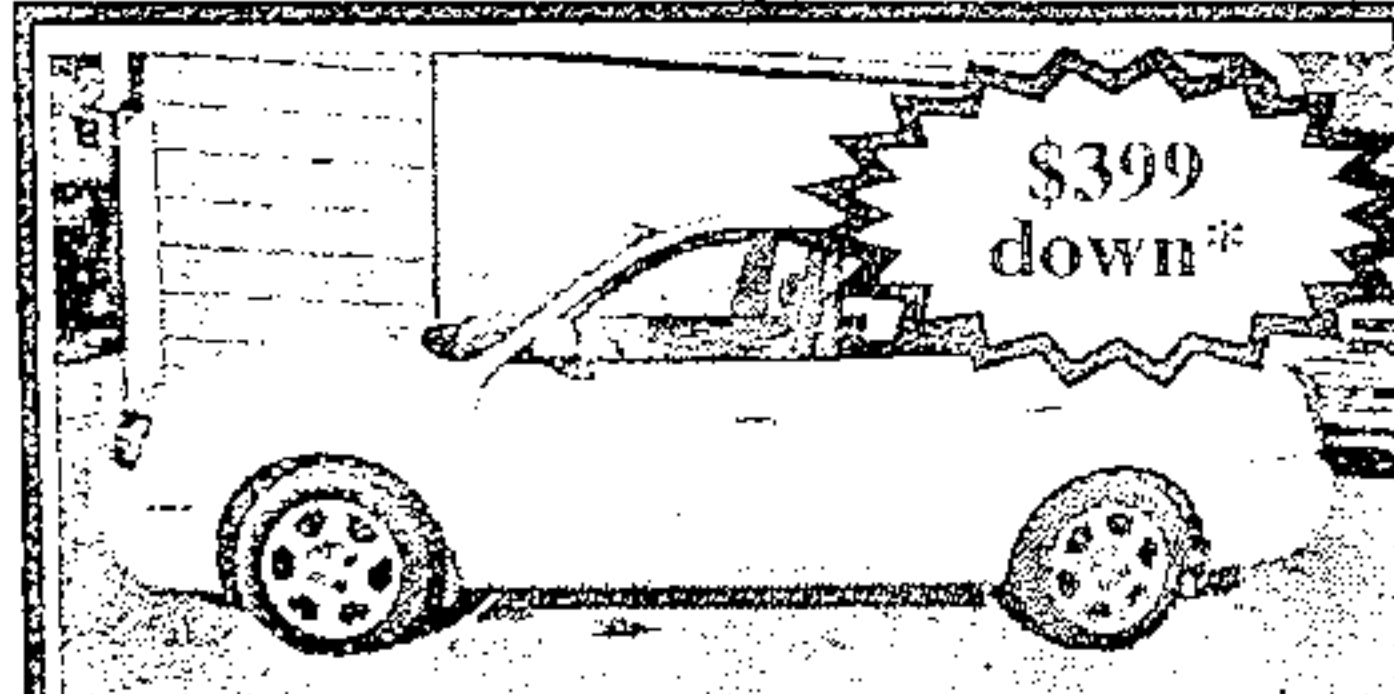
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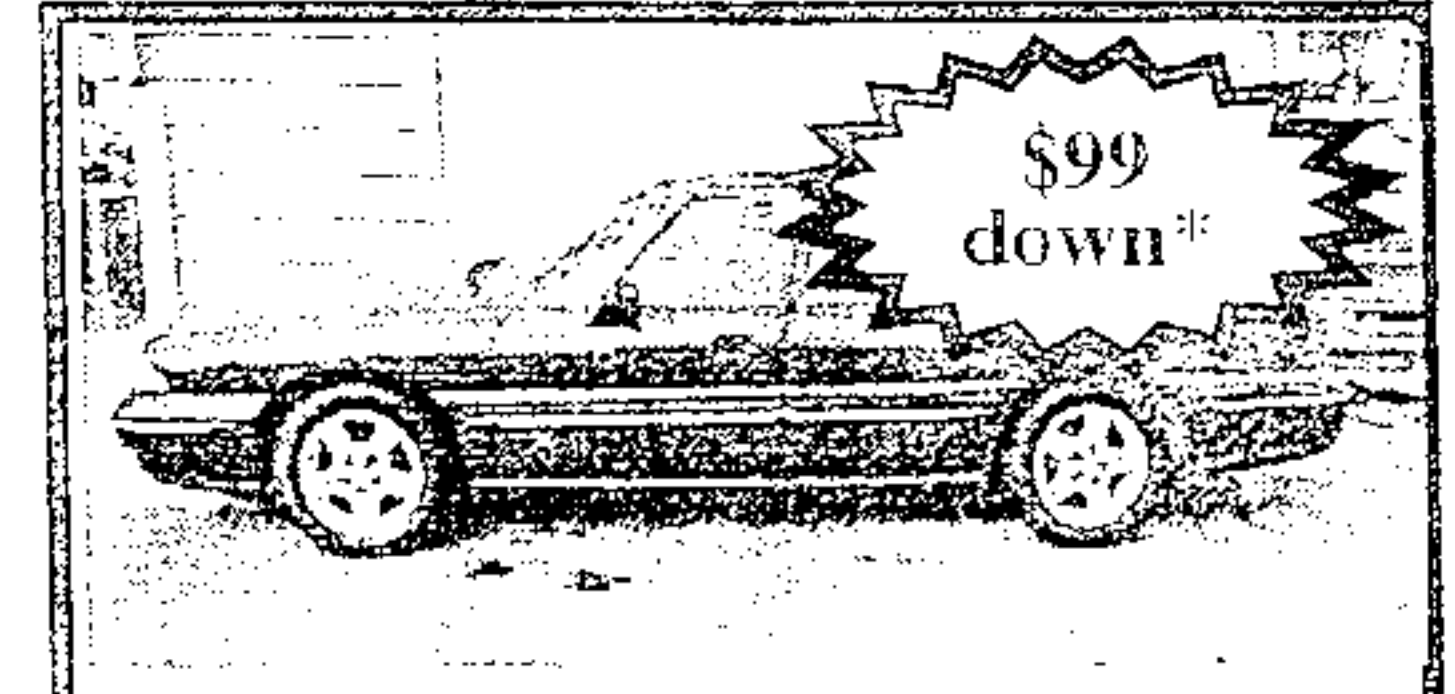
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