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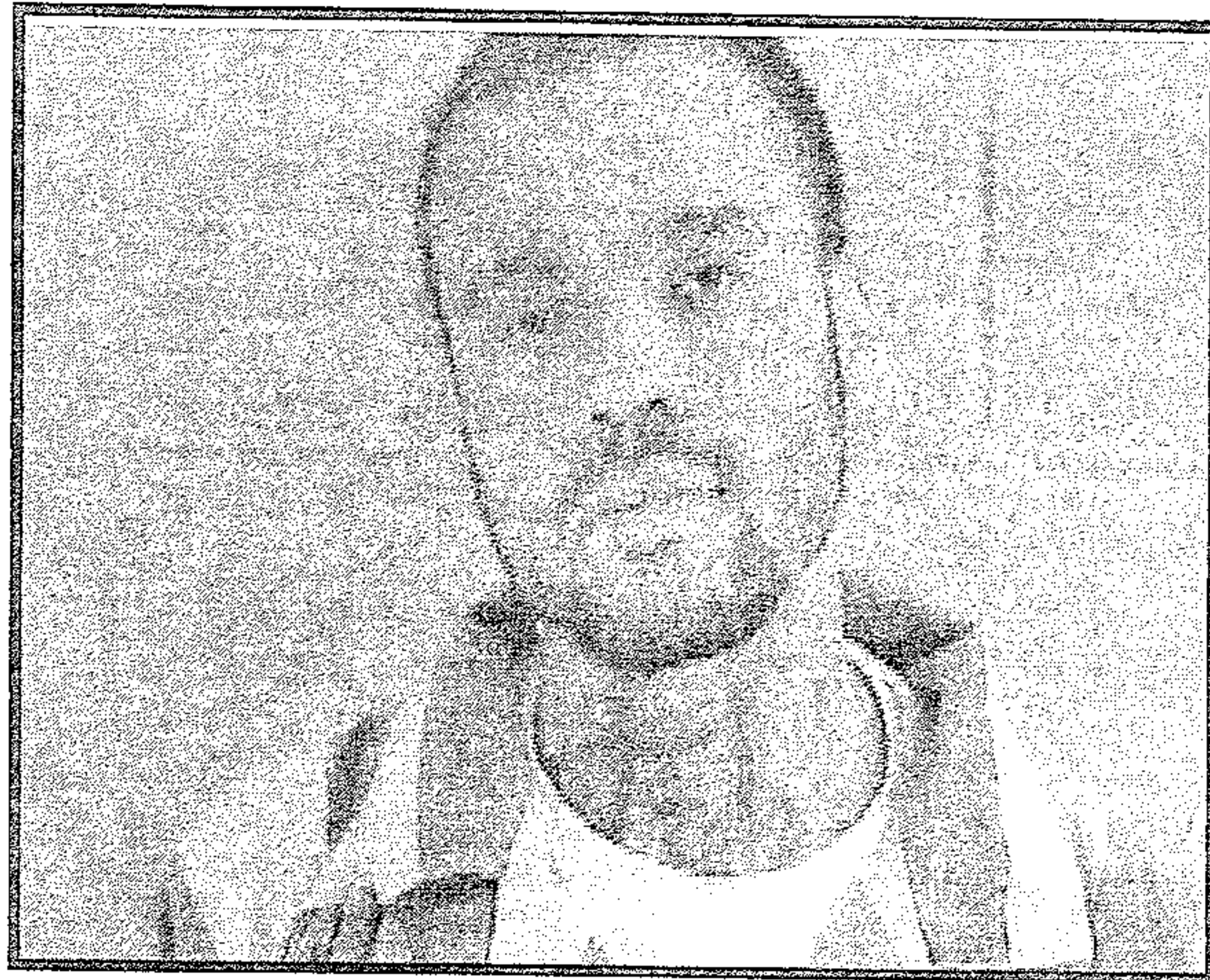
Monday, February 8, 2016

Man who stole TV from Walmart then evaded police nabbed

Gary Hampton, 26, Riverbend Drive Loudon, was charged with Criminal Impersonation, Theft of Property, Reckless Endangerment, Evading Arrest, and Assisting other Agency x2.

Deputy Kevin Dailey LCSO, paced a gold vehicle at 62 in a 50 mph zone at Pond Creek and McCrary St. Upon stopping the vehicle at

(see nabbed pg. 2)



Gary Hampton

2 charged after stop for weaving by LCSO



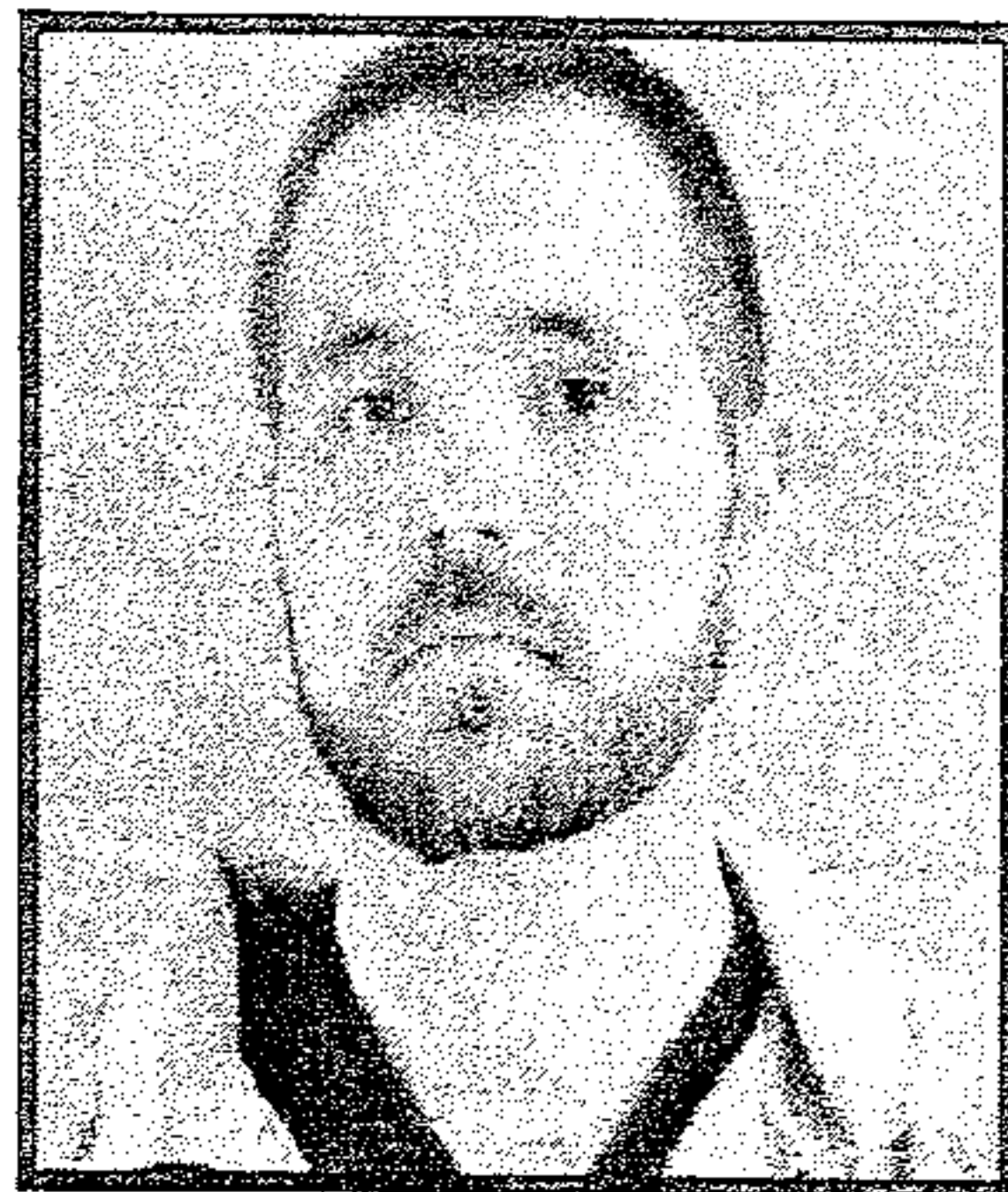
Jared Coatney

(see stop pg. 7)



Stephanie Rutledge

Passed out in the parking lot leads to arrest



Anthony Hood

(see DUI pg. 4)

Attorney General's Smart on Crime Initiative Implemented Locally

At the direction of the U.S. Attorney General in early 2013, the

Raising Awareness of Opioid Addiction

FBI, DEA Release Documentary Aimed at Youth

Every day, the nation's law enforcement agencies at the local, state, and federal levels—including the FBI and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)—use investigative resources to target the supply side in the war against drugs.

But even with numerous law enforcement successes in this area, the demand for drugs continues. And one of the more worrisome trends is a growing epidemic of prescription opiate and heroin abuse, especially

among young people.

Today, in an effort to help educate students and young adults about the dangers of opioid addiction, the FBI and DEA unveiled a documentary called *Chasing the Dragon: The Life of an Opiate Addict* at the Newseum in Washington, D.C., before an audience of educational leaders from the region. The 45-minute film, whose title refers to the

(see Documentary pg. 5)

David Elbert Hall sentenced to 120 months on Marijuana Conspiracy and Firearm Charges

David Elbert Hall, 54, of Kingsport, Tenn., was sentenced on Feb. 2, 2016, by the Honorable R. Leon Jordan, U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 120 months in federal prison for his role in an extensive marijuana distribution conspiracy centered in the

Eastern District of Tennessee and the Western District of Virginia and possessing one or more firearms in furtherance of drug trafficking.

According to the plea agreement on file with U.S. District Court, Hall admitted that between 2003 and 2015 he conspired to distribute and was accountable for at least 100 but less than 400 kilograms of marijuana. After another in-

(see sentenced pg. 4)

Verse of the Day

From inside the fish Jonah prayed ... "In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me. From the depths of the grave I called for help, and you listened to my cry." — Jonah 2:1-2

Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup**

How 'bout ya gonna take the big strawberry from me Ralph! Good thing they had more at the Country Kinfolks and it was awesome!

Weather

Today: Rain and snow in the morning will become intermittent in the afternoon. High 39F.

Tonight: Mainly cloudy with snow showers around before midnight. Low 23F.

Tuesday Cloudy. A few flurries or snow showers pos-

sible. High 32F. Tuesday Night Cloudy. A few flurries or snow showers possible. Low 23F.

Horoscopes

Aquarius 1/20-2/19

A vivid dream could feel so real today that you search for

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nabbed

Fort Creek Rd and Hwy 11 contact was made with the driver also in the vehicle was a black male that gave a name of Charles but did not have an ID. A check of the driver and passenger came back clear and was warned for speeding. After Deputy spoke with fellow Deputies it was learned by a phone that the passenger

was not Charles but Marquis Hampton. Marquis has active warrants. On 1/14/16 Marquis was identified on a surveillance camera at Walmart enter the back stock room and selected a TV then loaded the TV in a white vehicle. Marquis evaded law enforcement earlier in the week and finally located and placed under arrest.

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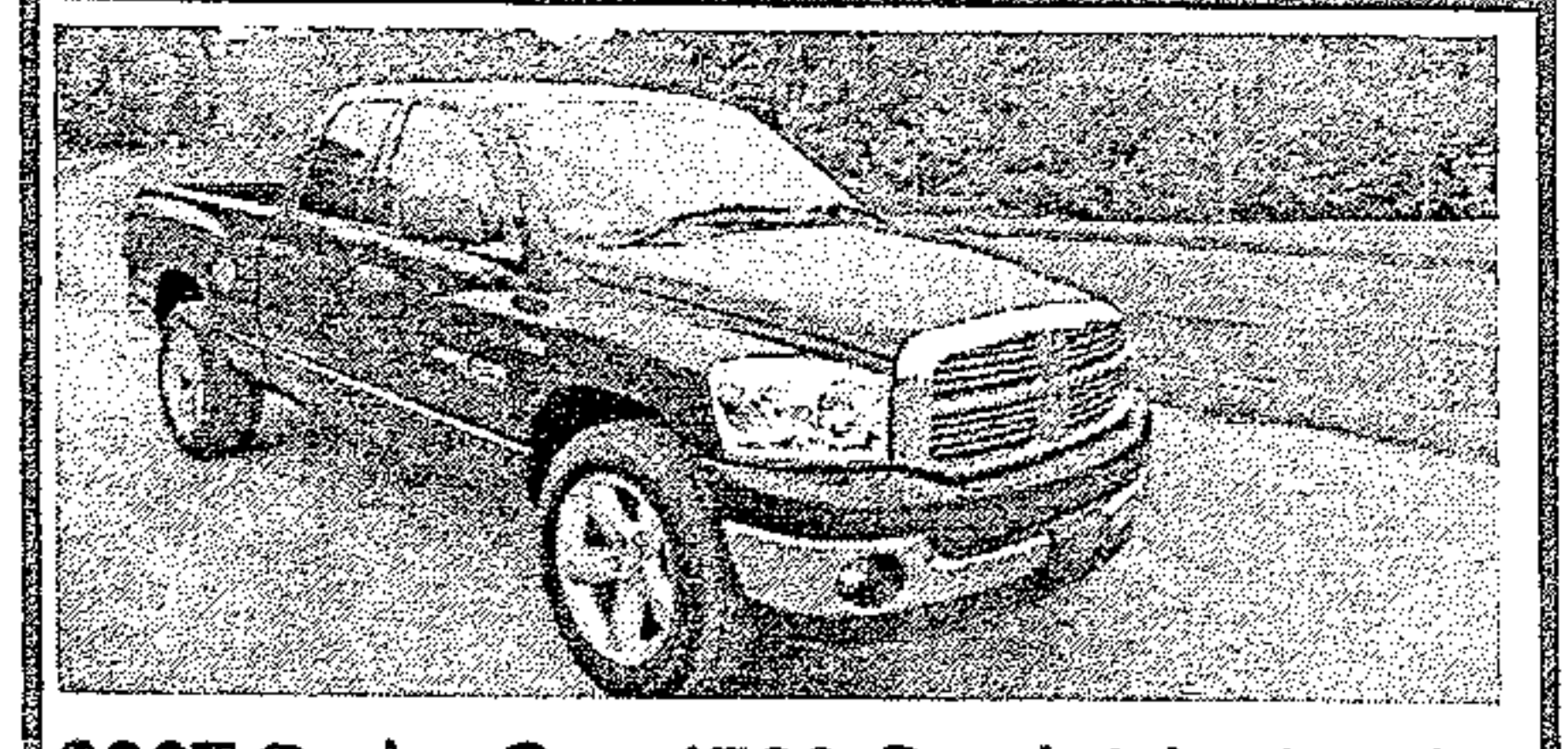
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 hensive review of the criminal justice system in order to identify reforms that would ensure federal laws are enforced more fairly and—in an era of reduced budgets—more efficiently. Five goals

were identified as a part of this review:

To ensure finite resources are devoted to the most important law enforcement priorities;

To promote fairer enforcement of the laws and alleviate disparate impacts of the criminal justice system;

To ensure just punishments for low-level, nonviolent offenders;

To bolster prevention and reentry efforts to deter crime and reduce recidivism; and,

To strengthen protections for vulnerable populations.

The Justice Department refers to this initiative as “Smart on Crime.” The U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of Tennessee partnered with the Chief of the U.S. Probation Office

for the Eastern District of Tennessee, Tony Anderson, and his staff to implement the program locally. The local program focuses on ways to make the district safer by providing federal ex-offenders with the resources necessary to successfully re-enter the community and reduce recidivism. On Monday, Jan. 25, 2016, the local Smart on Crime Initiative started

with a Community Resource Expo in Chattanooga, Tenn. Anderson kicked off the inaugural event by addressing the ex-offenders during the expo. The expo included a partnership with or featured community service providers who include Behind the Bars, BlueCross BlueShield, Bureau of Alcohol, To-

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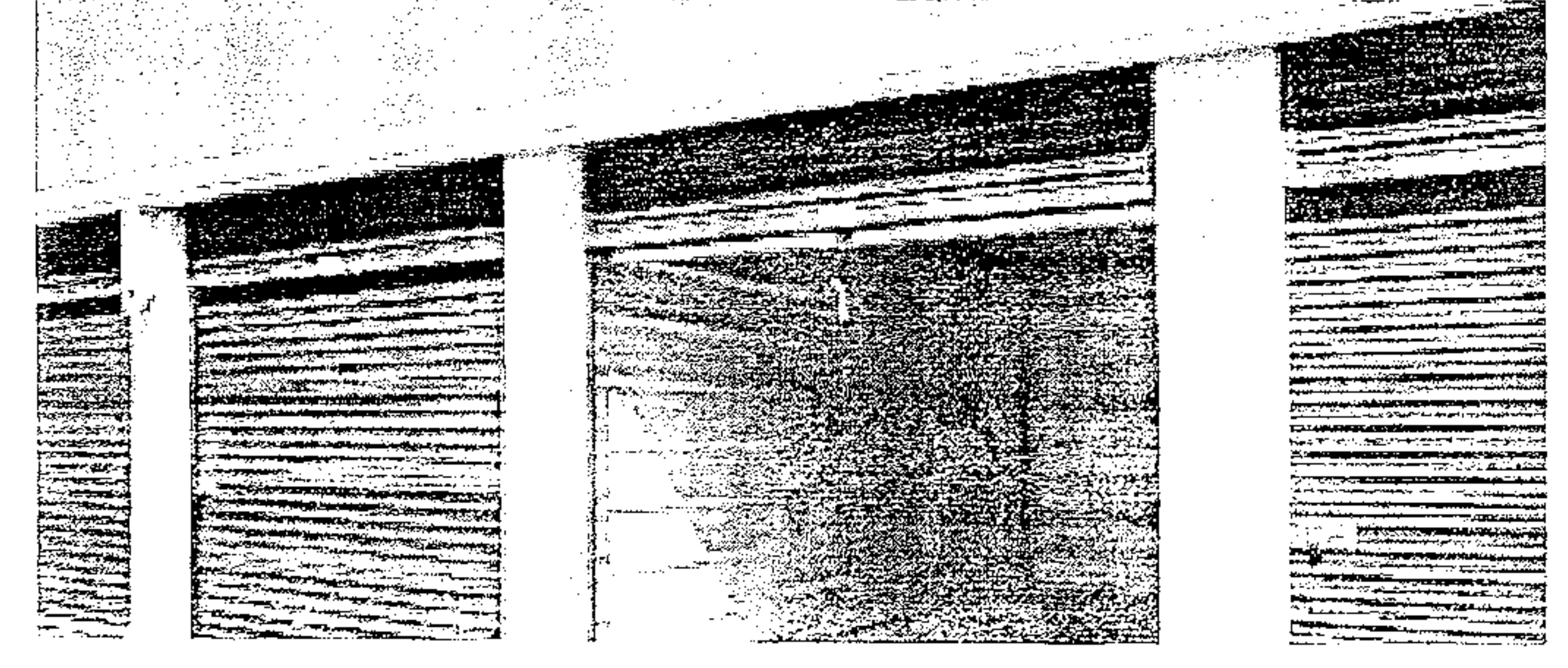
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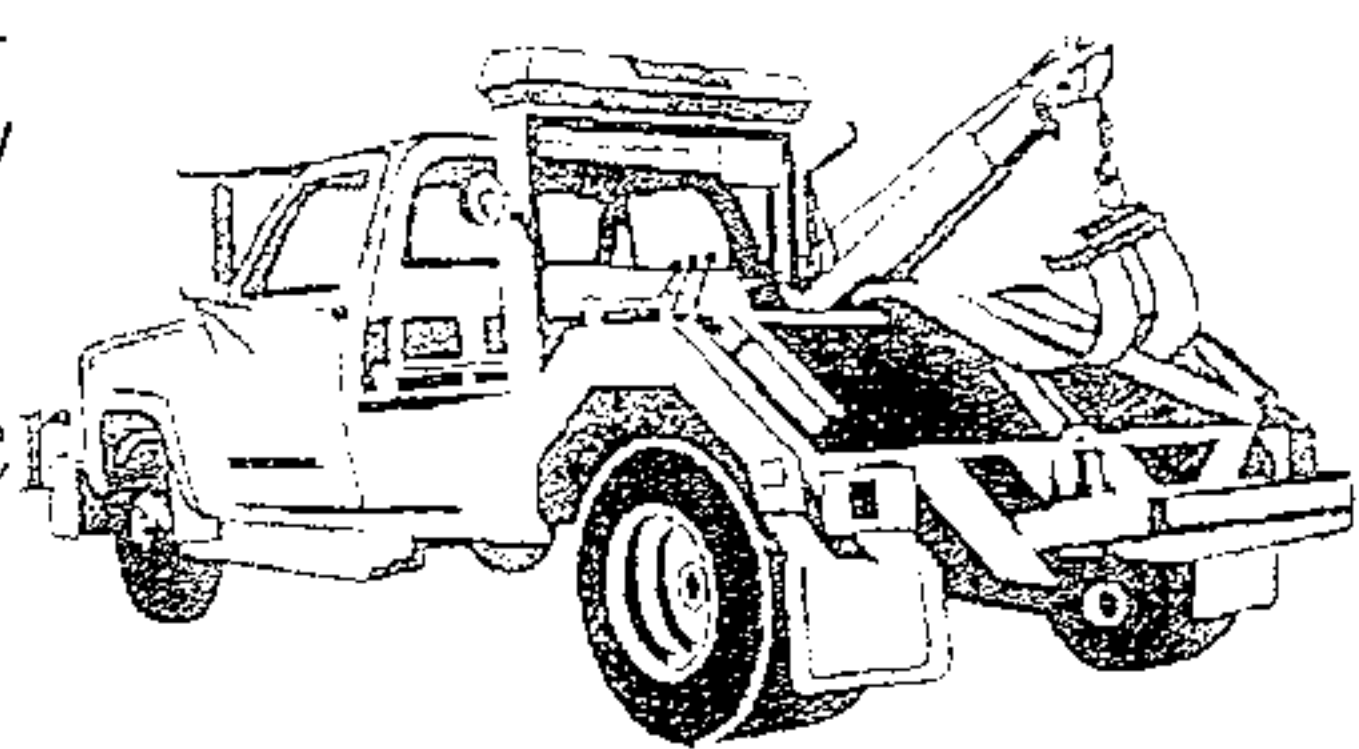

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sentenced individual received shipments of marijuana from California, Hall often stored them at his farm in Mendota, Va. Hall also stipulated that he sold marijuana to a number of people, including his son, Michael Elbert Hall, 29, of Kingsport, who was previously convicted and

sentenced in federal court to serve 12 months and one day for a marijuana conspiracy charge. Hall acknowledged that the bulk of the marijuana attributed to his son came from him.

In April 2015, Hall was pulled over for a traffic stop in Kingsport. A search of his person and vehicle resulted in the seizure of

approximately \$32,496.00 in cash, over three pounds of marijuana and a loaded 9mm pistol. A search warrant was subsequently obtained for Hall's Kingsport residence, which resulted in the seizure of approximately 110 firearms, \$56,989.00 in cash, thousands of rounds of ammunition and over six more pounds of marijuana. Two

of the firearms were determined to be stolen.

Others who were previously sentenced in this conspiracy included: Morris Anthony Phillips, 39, and Antonio Barrington Parsley, 24, both of Culver City, Ca.; Glenn Draughn, 69, of Kingsport, Tenn.; Larry Thomas Williams, 68, of Mendota, Va.; and Kenny

Russell, 57, of Kingsport, Tenn., who were sentenced to 144 months, 46 months, 63 months, 140 months and 60 months in federal prison respectively.

Law enforcement agencies participating in this investigation include the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation, Second District Judicial Drug Task Force, Kingsport Police Department, Russell County, Virginia Sheriff's Office and LA IMPACT (Los Angeles Interagency Police Apprehension Crime Task Force), which includes the Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Alhambra, Pomona, Inglewood and Culver City Police Departments. Assistant U.S. Attorney Wayne Taylor represented the United States.

DUI

Anthony Hood, 26, H Street Sweetwater, was charged with DUI. Officer Benny Houser LPD, was dispatched to the McDonald on Hwy 72 for an unconscious male in the parking lot.

Upon arrival Officer made contact with the driver identified as Anthony Hood, after numerous attempt Anthony finally rolled down the window and Deputy unlocked the vehicle.

Officer made contact with Anthony who had a strong odor of alcoholic beverage about his person. Anthony was ask to perform sobriety test which he did poorly on. Anthony was placed under arrest. Officer Benny Houser LPD, made the arrest.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Special-Called Purchasing Committee Meeting

The Lenoir City Purchasing Committee will be holding a special-called meeting at City Hall on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 9:30 A.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to review and discuss the bids received in the previous Purchasing Committee Meeting.

Thank you.

Lenoir City Planning and Codes Department Public Notice

Public Hearing

The Lenoir City Mayor and City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 22, 2016 at 6:55P.M. at Lenoir City Hall to consider final passage of the following ordinance:

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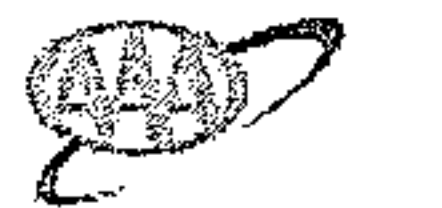
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Documentary never-ending pursuit of the original or ultimate high, features stark first-person accounts told by individuals who have abused opioids or whose children have abused opioids, with tragic consequences.

"This film may be difficult to watch," explains FBI Director James Comey, "but we hope it educates our students and young adults about the tragic conse-

quences that come with abusing these drugs and that it will cause people to think twice before becoming its next victim."

And according to Acting DEA Administrator Chuck Rosenberg, "The numbers are appalling—tens of thousands of Americans will die this year from drug-related deaths, and more than half of these deaths are from heroin and prescrip-

tion opioid overdoses. I hope this [documentary] will be a wakeup call for folks."

The individuals featured in the film—a few of whom are highlighted below—chose to tell their stories to help stop others from going down the same destructive path.

Katrina, a former business executive and mother who became addicted to opiates after self-medicating

with pain pills and alcohol and whose own daughter died of a drug overdose. "You can't go back and say, 'I'm sorry,' or set a better example, or talk 'em out of it," she says. And of her own addiction, she explains, "The spiral down is so fast... and I lost everything. I lost my daughter first and foremost. So all the work I did, all those dreams I had, it's like I'm starting over again

with a huge weight on my shoulder...all for a pill."

Matt, who began using marijuana at age 11 and became addicted to opiates at age 15. "In the beginning," he explains, "I would always try to get pills because you know what you're getting. Eventually, that just got too expensive...so then you'd go for heroin because it's cheaper."

Trish, whose daughter Cierra—an honor roll student at her high school—died after a heroin overdose. "Cierra did not take life for granted until she started using," says her mother. "It is much stronger than you, and it will win." Noting the broader impact of addiction, Trish adds, "It affects everyone in your family for the rest of their life...we're the ones stuck missing you."

Chasing the Dragon also features interviews with medical and law enforcement professionals discussing a variety of issues, including how quickly addiction can set in, how the increasing costs of prescription opioids can lead to the use of heroin as a less expensive alternative, the horrors of withdrawal, the ties between addiction and crime, and the fact that, contrary to popular belief, opiate abuse is prevalent in all segments of society.

The documentary is available on this website for viewing or downloading. Copies can also be obtained by contacting your local FBI or DEA field office.

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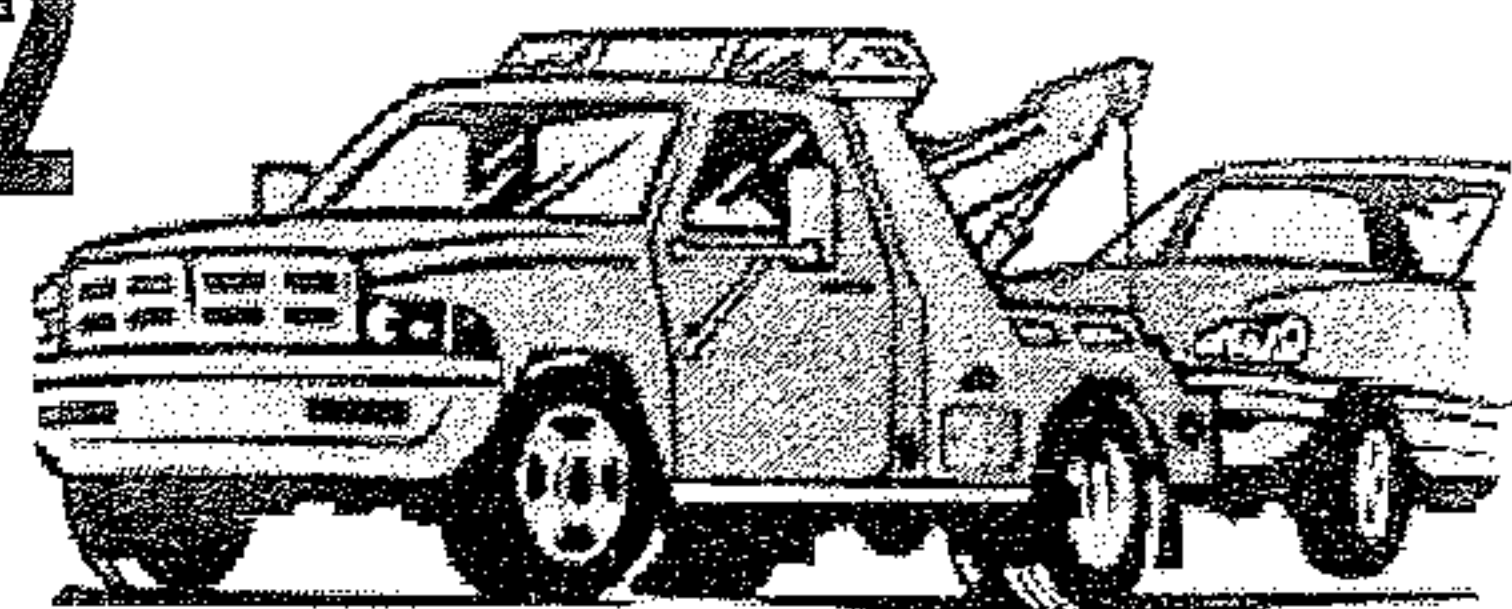
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DV

Jared Anthony Coatney, 26, Finley Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with driving under the influence and driving on suspended.

The passenger, Stephanie Rutledge, 25, Finley Drive Lenoir City, was charged with PI.

Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, was dispatched to a reckless driver on Interstate 75 south near the 81 mm. Dispatch advised it was a white vehicle getting off at the 81 exit. Deputy made contact with the vehicle, and observe it cross the fog line several times, and weaving inside the lanes.

Deputy made a traffic stop on the vehicle and made contact with the driver Jared Coatney, who appeared to be under the influence and the passenger Stephanie Rutledge passed out. Jared had slurred speech and talking very slowly. Jared did poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest. The passenger Stephanie fell asleep several times during the traffic stop and was placed under arrest. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

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Community Kitchen, Chattanooga State Community College, Christian Women's Job Corp, Father to the Fatherless, Johnson Mental Health, Marion County, Tennessee Jail Chaplain, Mt. Canaan Baptist Church, Northside Neighborhood House, Olivet Church, Salvation Army, Stephens Table, Tennessee Career Center, Tennessee Department of Human Services, Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development Career Center, and the United Way 2-11. Through this network of federal law enforcement officials and community service providers, the

Smart on Crime Initiative is working to make this community safer through being both smart and tough on crime. TechTown, a technology and entrepreneurial learning center, provided space for the event and

Southern Star, a local Chattanooga-based restaurant, donated full-catering services for the event. Similar events are scheduled for Knoxville and Johnson City, Tennessee this week.

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J.) Walker; daughters, Tonya, April and Kimberly; mother, Dorthy Walker; sister, Donna; brother, Tommy Walker; several nieces and nephews; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Earnest Jr. and Tammy Stevens, Tommy Skidmore and Reese; special friend,

Kevin Jones. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, February 7th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 4 p.m. with Rev. Earnest Stevens officiating. A private interment will be held. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

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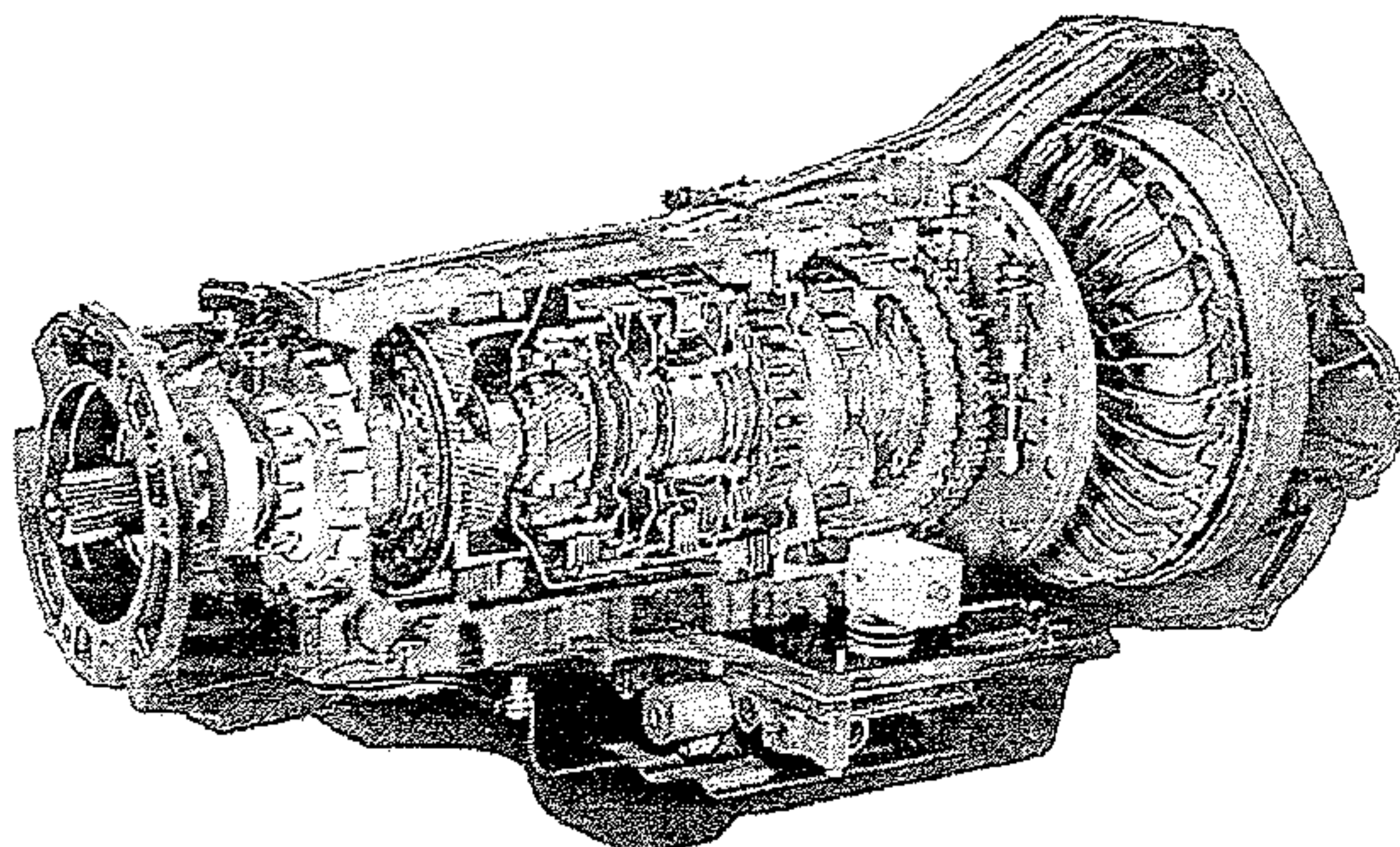
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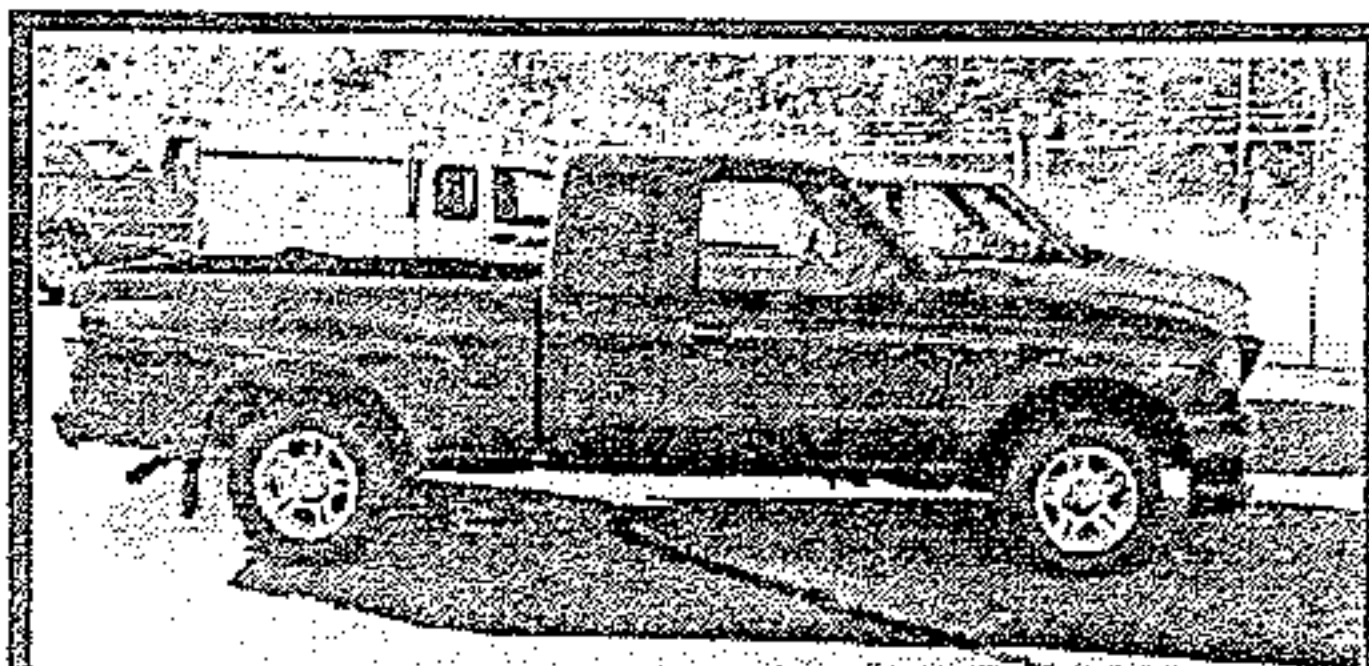
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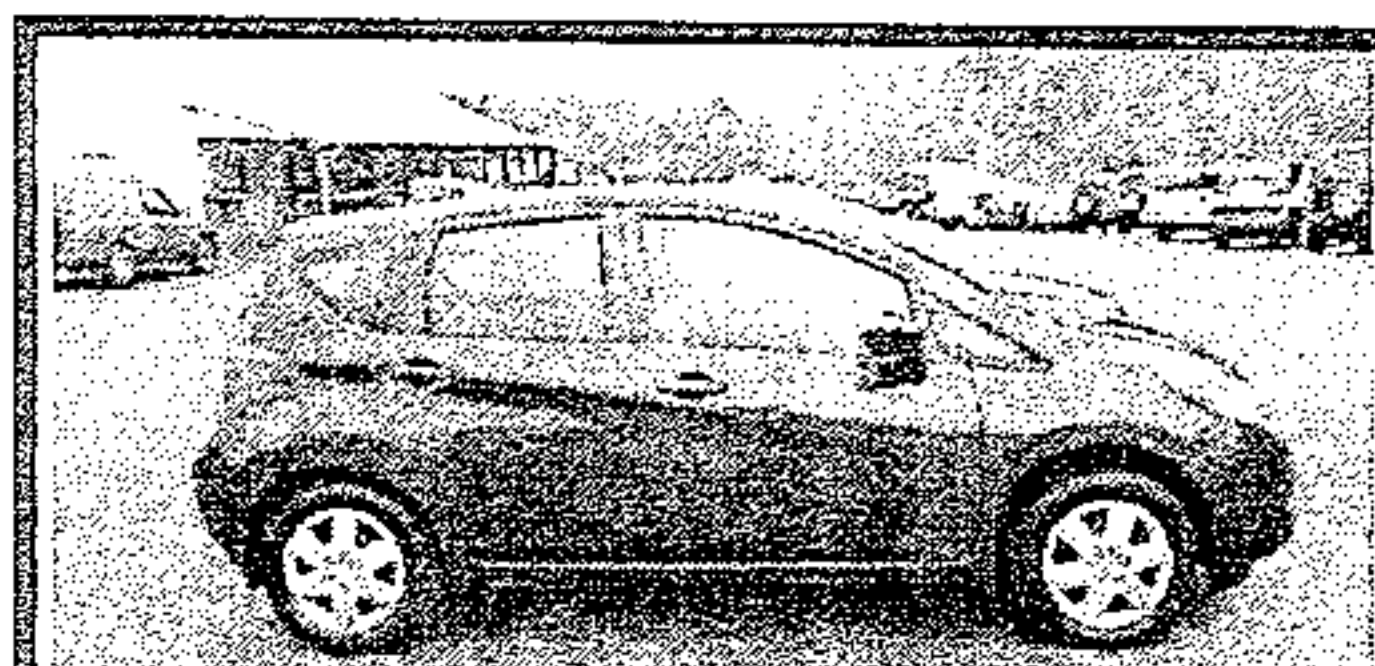
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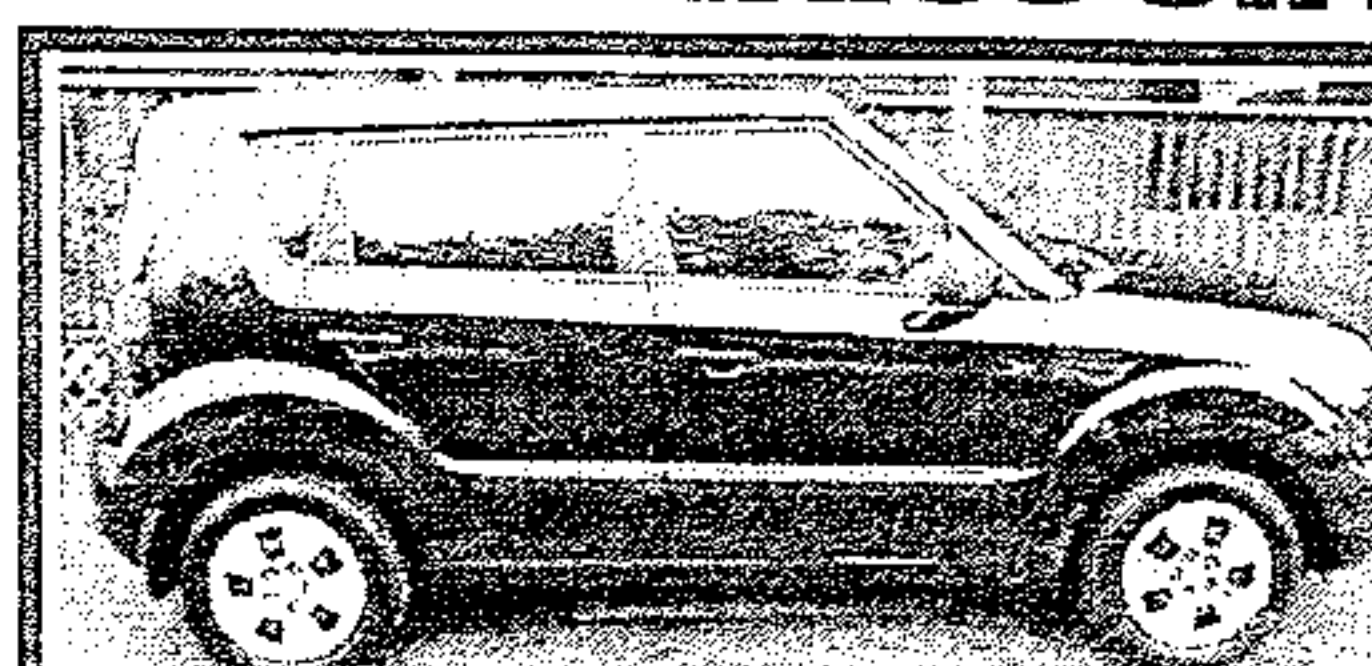
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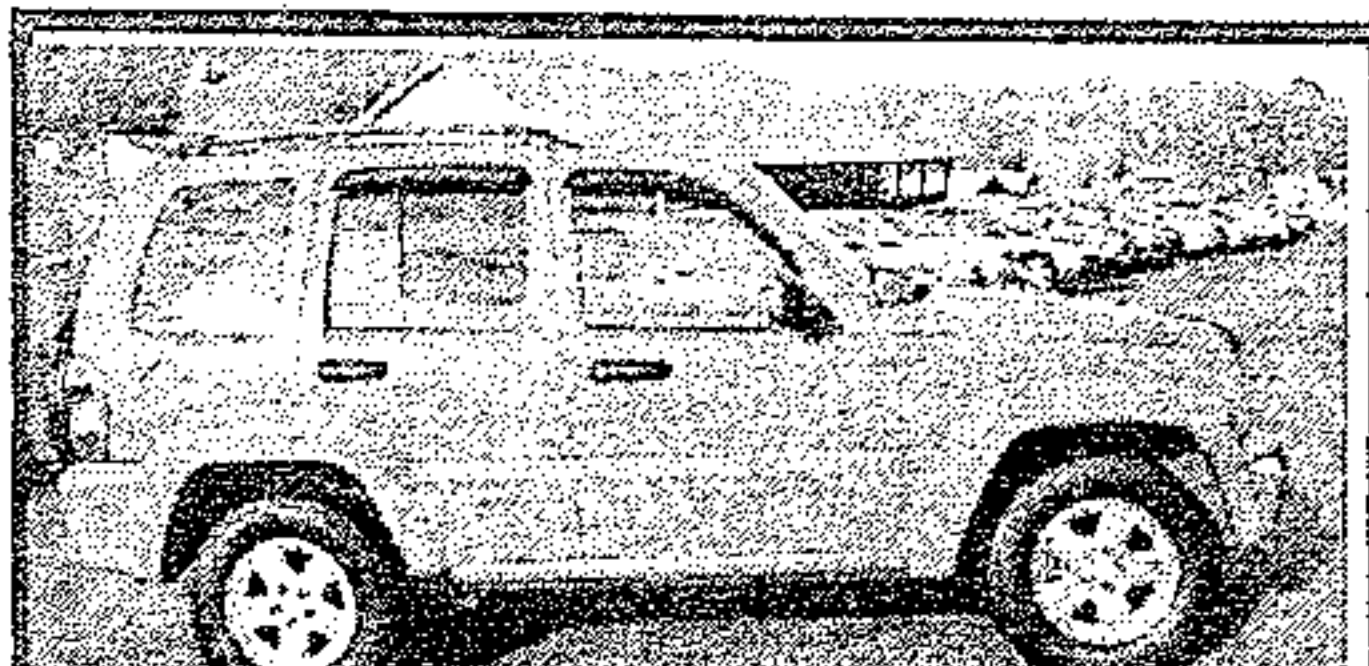
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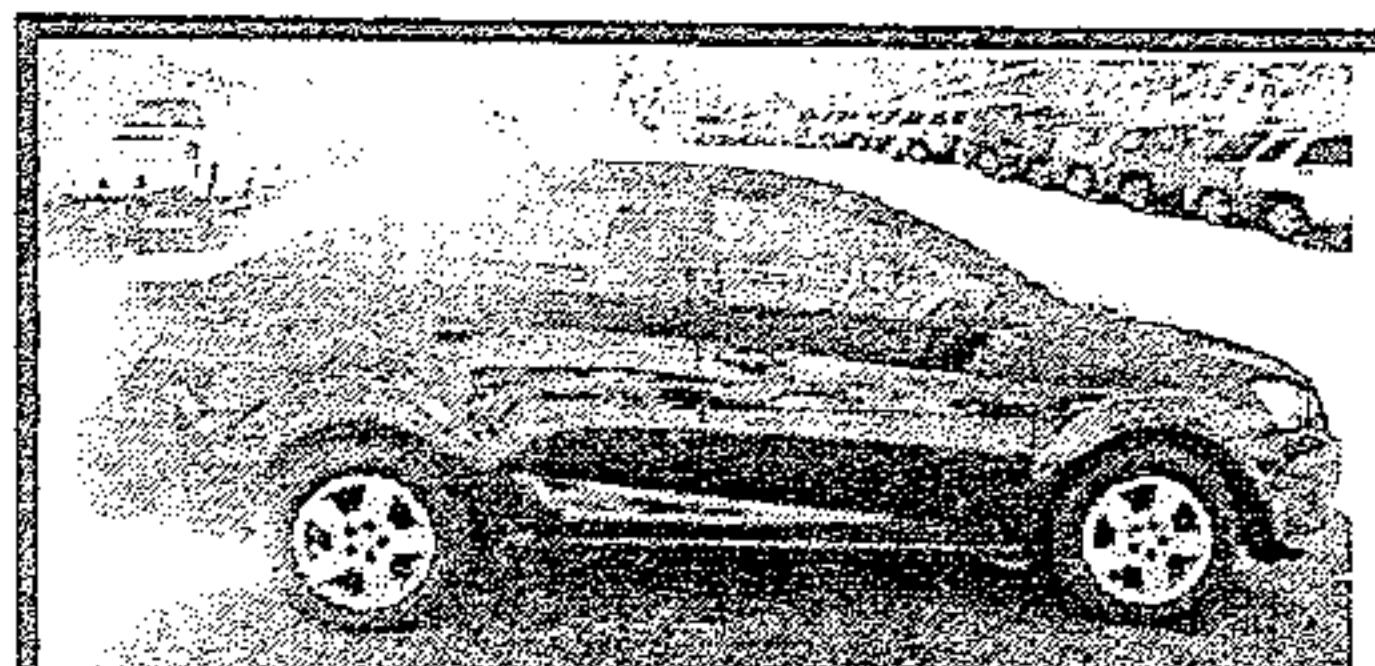
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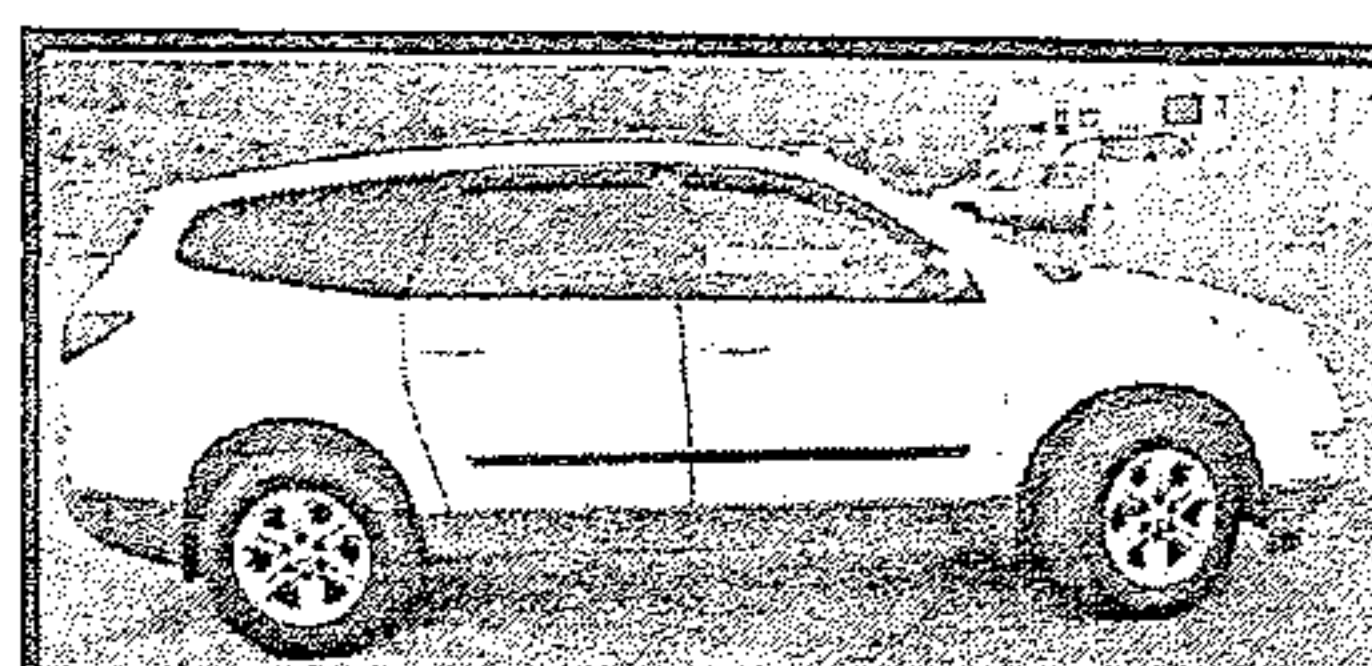
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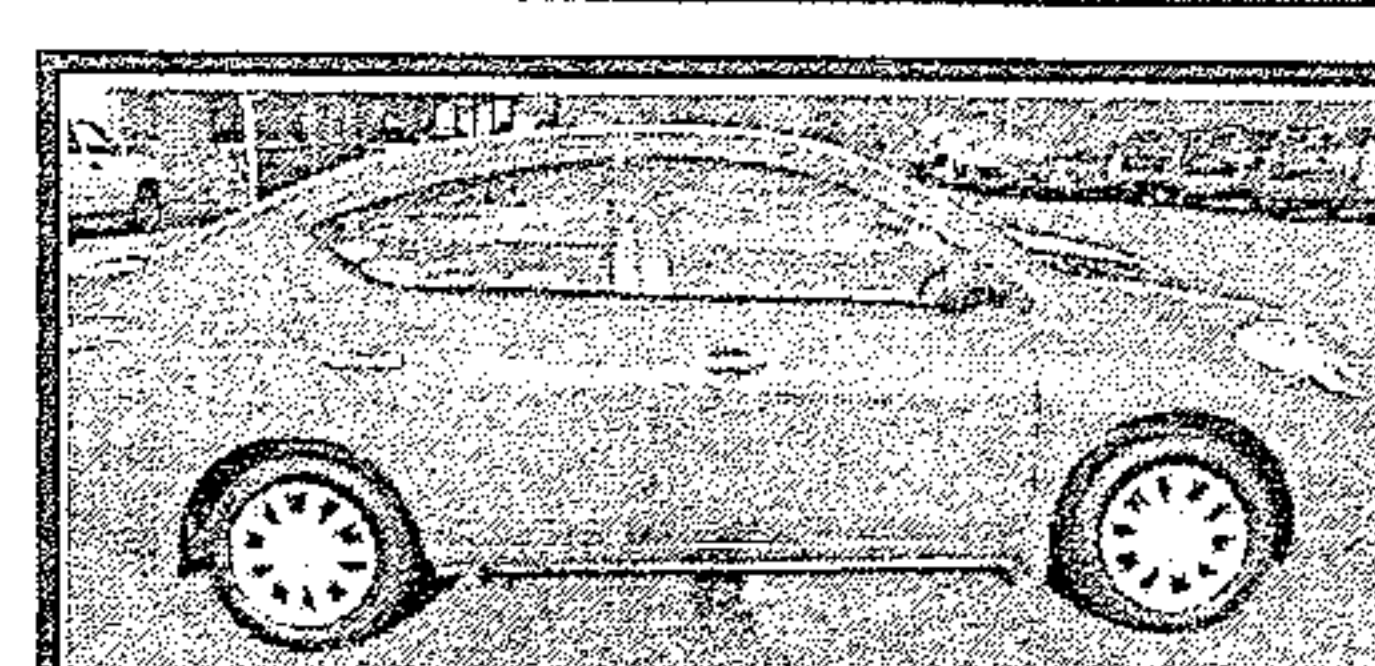
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