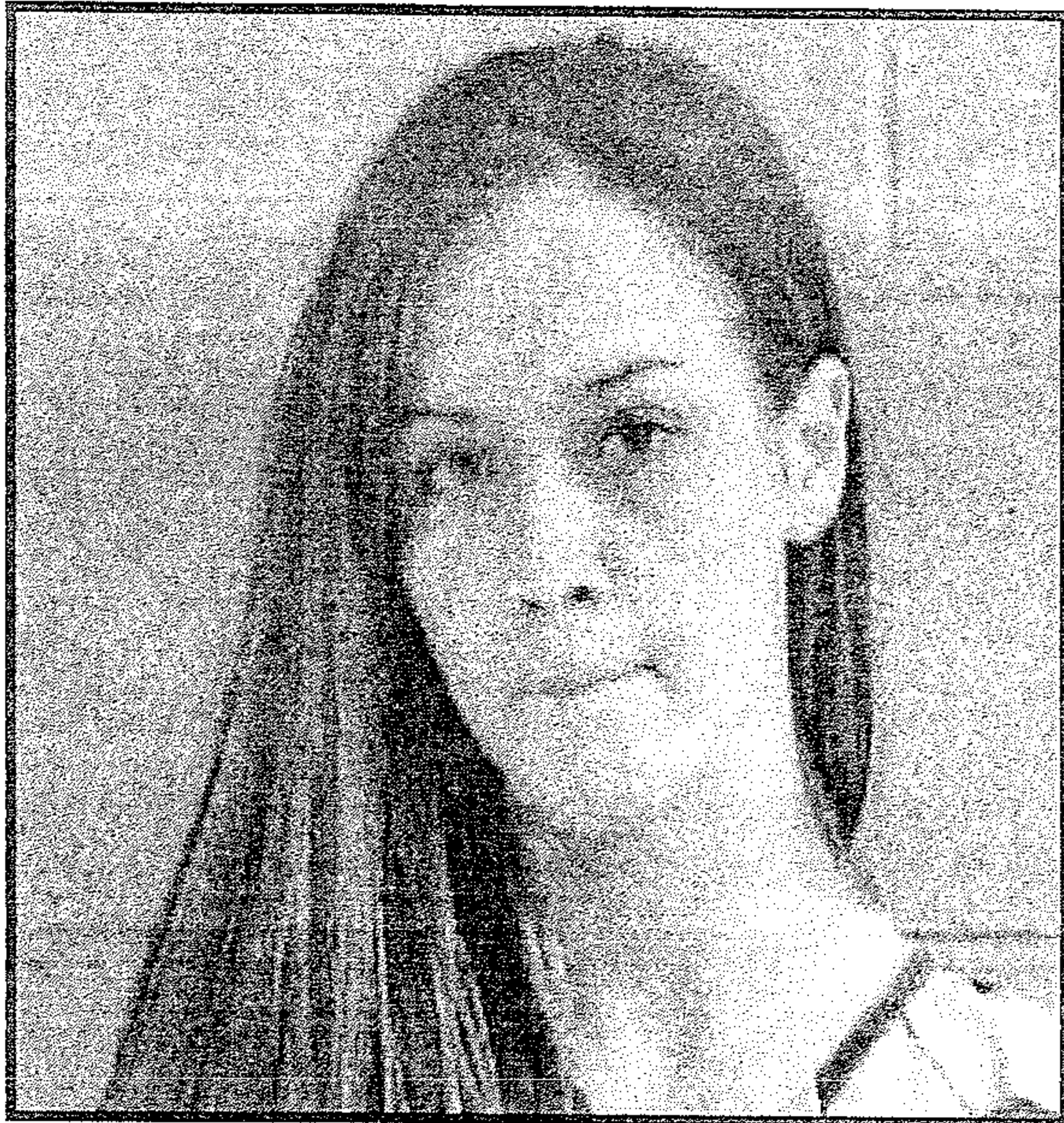


County responds to call at Bimbo's; charged with pills and more

Ashley Plemons, 27, Head of Creek Road Sweetwater, was charged with Simple Possession x2, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Sgt. Jerramie Bowen LCSO, responded to Bimbos Hwy 321 N Lenoir City for a possible shoplifter. Upon arrival Deputy did make contact with a female later identified as Ashley Plemons. Miss Plemons was very unsteady on her feet and had knocked several

(see pills pg. 2)



Ashley Plemons

Haslam Announces Departure of Bill Gibbons

Department of Safety and Homeland Security commissioner has led public safety subcabinet

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam announced Department of Safety and Homeland Security Commissioner Bill Gibbons will leave the administration at the end of the summer.

Gibbons has led the department since the start of the administration in 2011 and has also served as the

(see Gibbons pg. 7)

Thief uses stolen ID during theft



Dylan Ferguson

(see ID pg. 4)

Illegal tint gets man busted for hiding pot



Dakota Weaver

(see tint pg. 5)

Thief flees scene; captured later



Candace Brock

(see thief pg. 3)

Verse of the Day

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Obituaries

see inside

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Sunday Generally sunny.

High near 70F.

Sunday Night A few clouds from time to time. Low 48F.

Horoscopes

Taurus 4/20-5/20

Although sometimes you may be accused of avoid-

(Continued on page 6)



pills
bags into the floor as Deputy was walking in the stores. Miss Plemons had also picked up several items and had hid them on a shelf and the clerk picked them up and taken them to the front of the store. Deputy did field sobriety on Miss Plemons and she failed task that were given. Cpl. Hutchens did make contact with Miss Plemons boyfriend

later identified as Tim Manning who was in the vehicle and he also was unsteady on his feet and was given filed sobriety and failed the task given. Cpl. Hutchens did deploy his K-9 and did a free air sniff of the vehicle and the K-9 did alert to an odor of an illegal narcotic coming from the vehicle. Miss Plemons did state there was a small amount of marijuana in the vehicle that was in her purse. Deputy

also found a small orange pill with g74 on one side later identified as oxymorphone which is a SCH II narcotic in her purse along with a pipe used to smoke marijuana and several needles and paraphernalia. Deputy did take both Miss Plemons and the pas-

senger into custody for Poss. of SCH II and drug paraphernalia and simple Poss of SCH VI. Mr. Manning was arrested for public intoxication. Deputy did transport both to the Loudon County Jail. Sgt. Jerramie Bowen LCSO, made the arrest.

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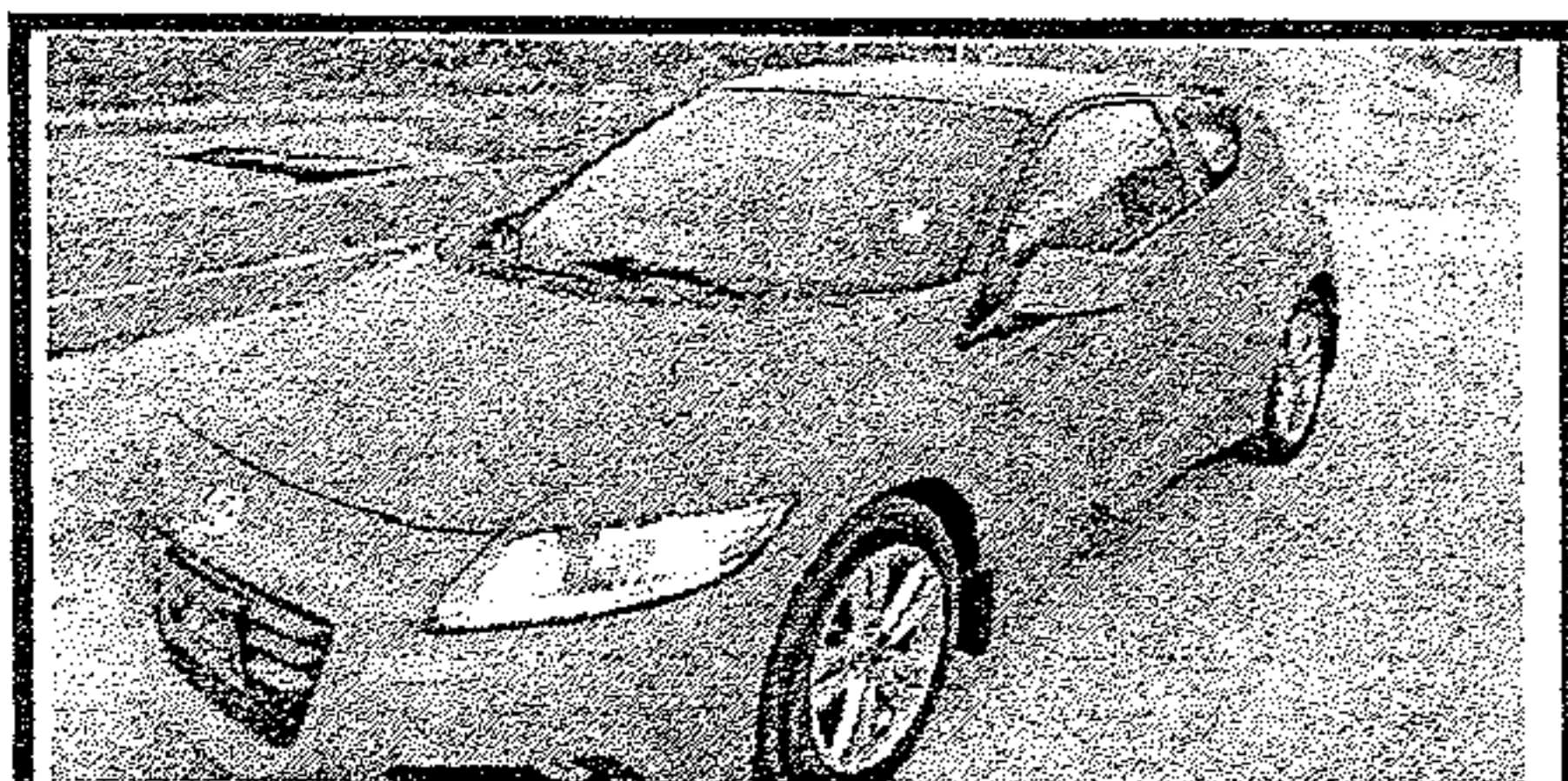
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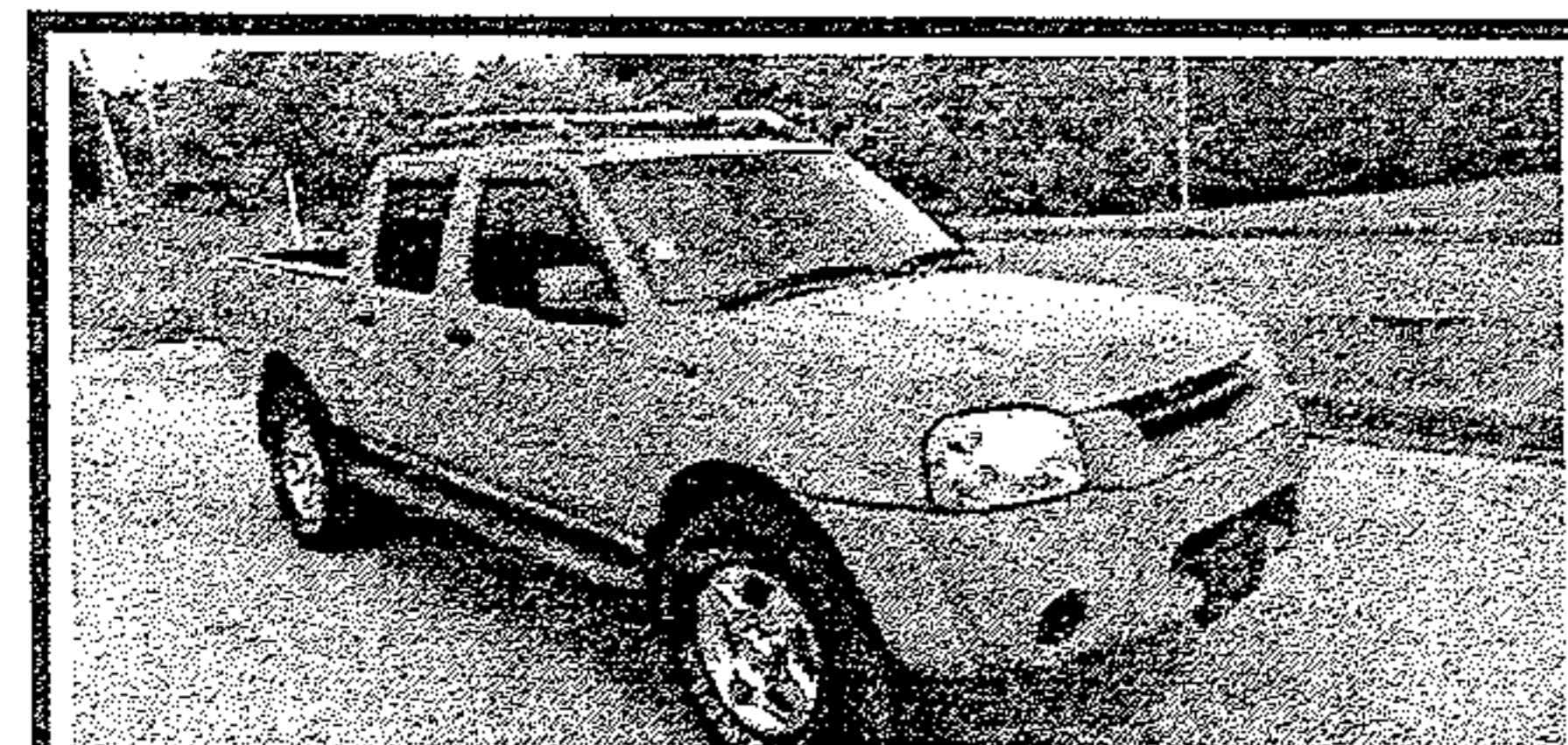
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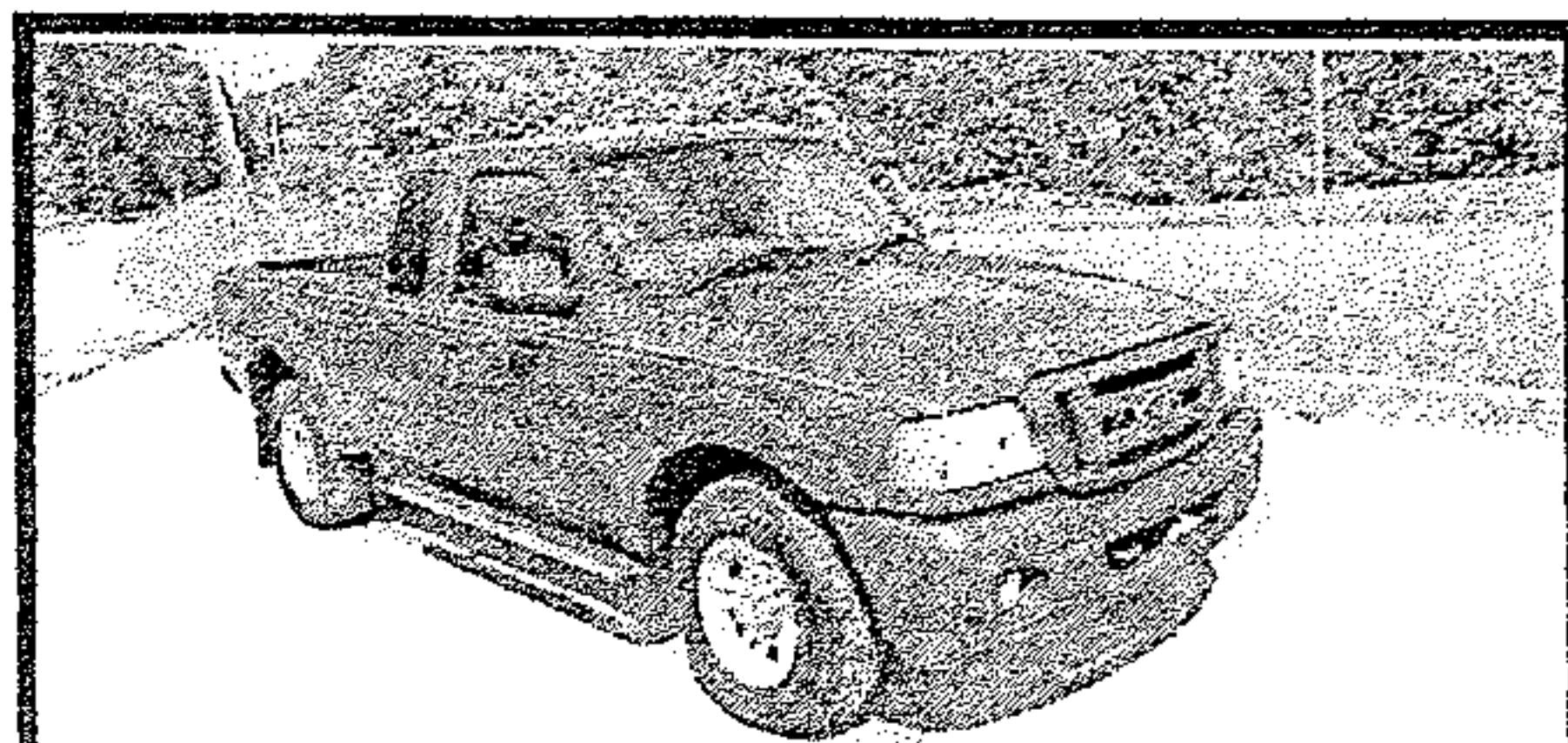
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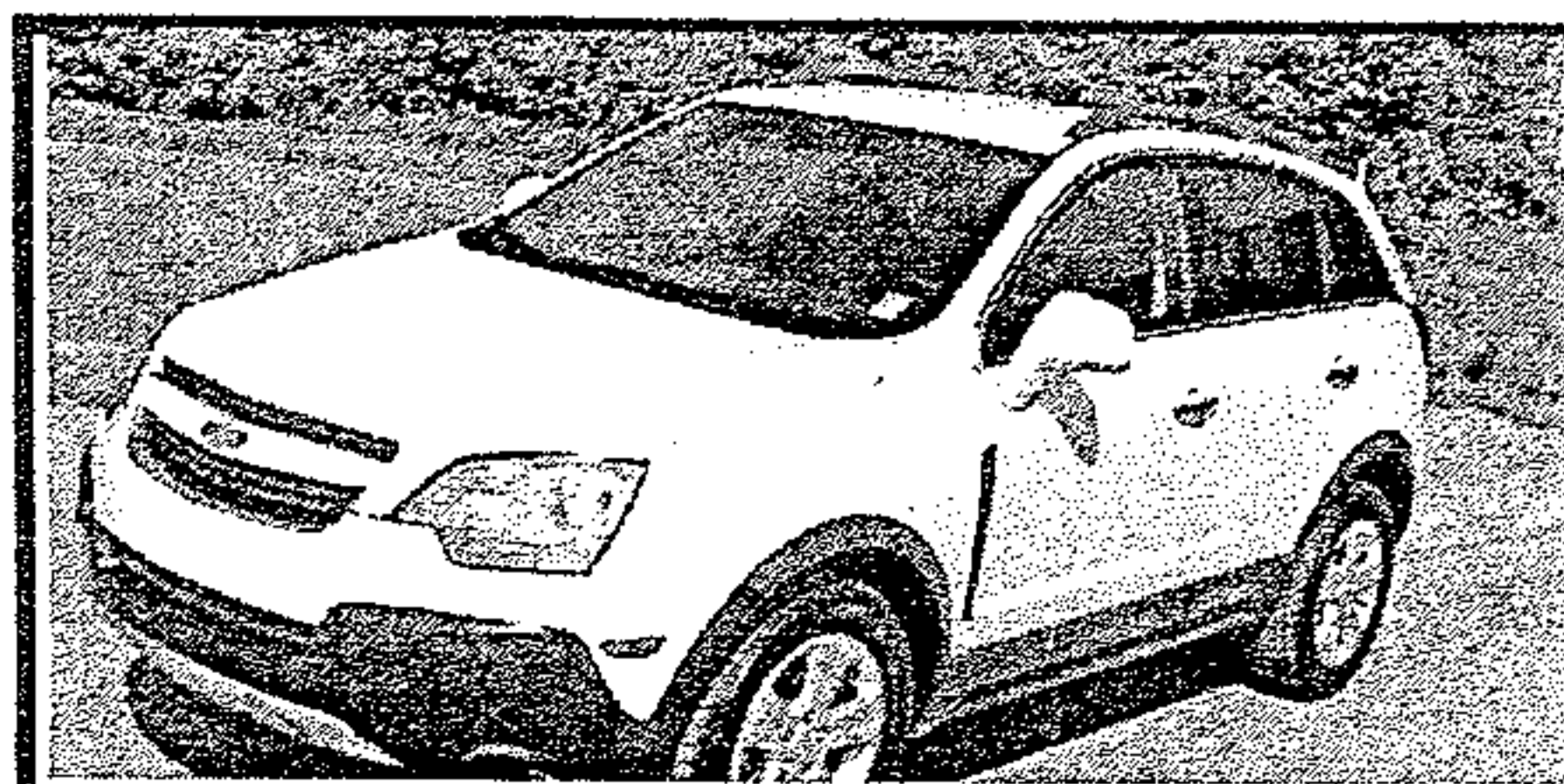
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thief

Candace Brock, 20, Hines Valley Road Lenoir City, was charged with Theft of Property.

Deputy Lance Anderson

LCSO, responded to Tinnell Ln. in reference to a theft. Upon arrival Deputy made contact with the victim. The victim stated she was in her vehicle in front of Chrisman Rd. with a female by the name of Candice Brock, the offender. The victim stated the offender appeared to be under the influence of drugs and was emotional upset. The victim stated the offender asked to borrow \$60 dollars then started rummaging through the vehicle. The victim stated she told Candace to get out of the vehicle and Candace grabbed the victim purse from her hand. The victim stated Candace then ran to a gray Mitsubishi Eclipse convertible and fled the scene. The victim stated she did not know Candace and both of them had been hanging out at Chrisman Dr. with other friends. The victim also stated nobody at that residence knew Candace but she worked at the Waffle House in Lenoir City, TN. Deputy explained options to

(see thief ctd. pg. 7)

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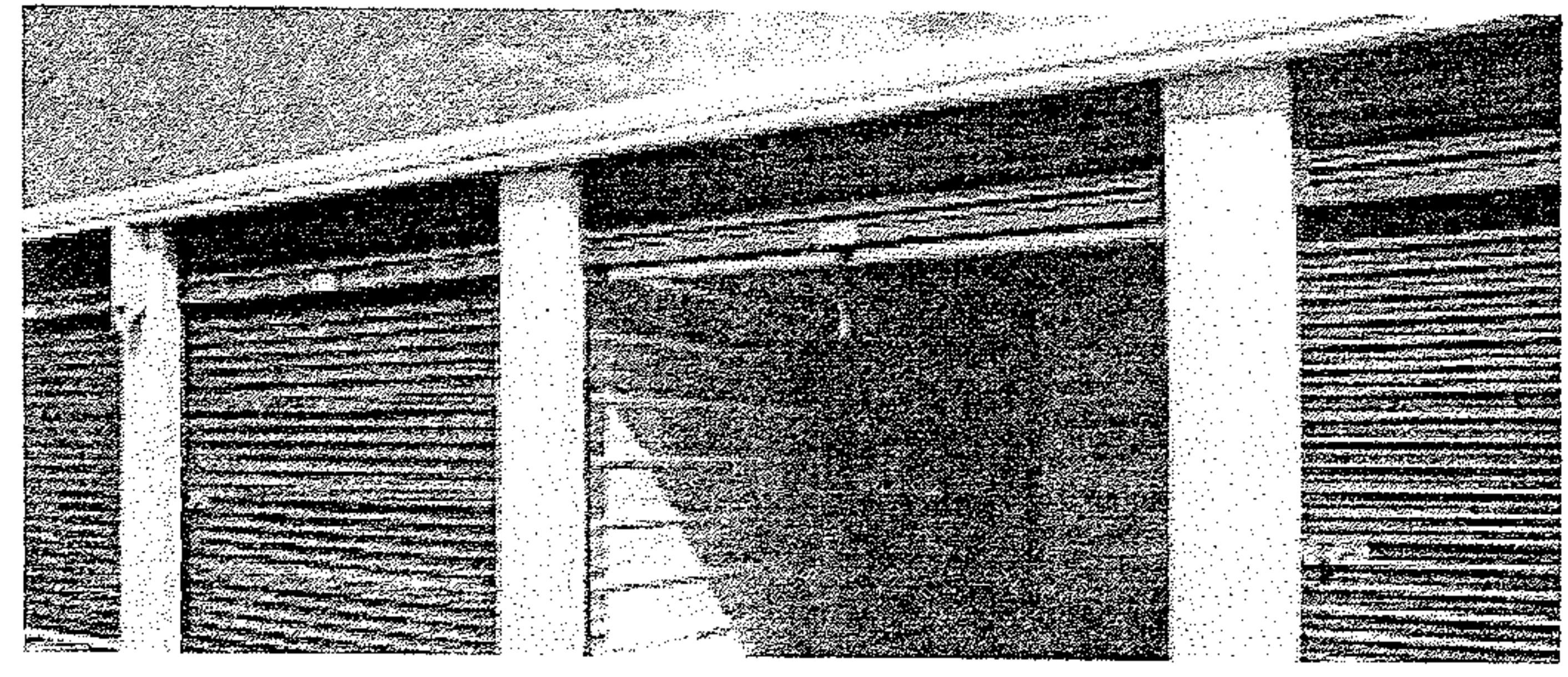


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ID
 Dylan Ferguson, 22, Abbott Road Lenoir City, was charged with Forgery, Domestic Assault, and Contempt of Court.

On 4/16/2016 Dylan Ferguson is observed on surveillance footage cashing a check at the ORNL Federal Credit Union in Lenoir City, TN located at 895 Hwy 321 N. The check belonged to victim of Loudon, TN and was made out to a male in the amount of \$687.00. The defendant had in his possession the males TN ID and posed as the male at the ORNL Federal Credit Union drive through. Victim never wrote the check or authorized a check to be written in that amount. This did occur in Lenoir City, Tennessee.

Obituaries

Buford Ray Yates, age 81, of Loudon, TN went to be with the Lord on Monday, May 9th at Parkwest Medical Center

following an unexpected illness. Ray was born March 15, 1935. He retired from Loudon Utilities' Water Department in 1996. He was an active member of Tennessee Lodge 204 F&AM. Ray's hobbies included hunting, fishing, gardening, and spending time with those he loved. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Joretta Yates; his daughter, Debbie Starritt; his parents, W.R. Yates and Myrtle Rose Yates; his sisters, Rita Cooper, and Kathryn White; and his brothers, Gayther Yates and Jerry Yates. Ray is survived by his son Mike (Susie) Yates, of Nashville; his daughter, Judy (Tim) Dixon, of Loudon; and his son in law, Kenny Starritt, of Loudon; granddaughters, Jennifer (Tony) Costner, of Loudon and Cheryl Loyd, of Nashville; grandsons, Nick (Jamie) Dixon, of Loudon, and Brandon (Lacy) Dixon, of Lenoir City; as well as seven great grandchildren; sister, Cora (Roy) Huff, of Loudon; brothers, Robert (Teresa) Yates, of Cleveland, OH and Raymond (Dorothy) Yates, of Loudon; and many loving nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends at Loudon Funeral Home on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 from

5-7pm. The service will follow at 7pm, with Pastor Ronnie Cook and Pastor Danny Thornburg officiating. Masonic Services will be conducted by Tennessee Lodge 204 F&AM. Interment will be Thursday, 11:00 a.m., Loudon County Memorial Gardens, with Rev. Gary Cook officiating. Arrangements provided by Loudon Funeral Home www.loudonfuneralhome.net

Governor Haslam, Commissioner Boyd Host Tennessee Investment Seminar in Tokyo

More than 200 Japanese business leaders learn about Tennessee's business advantages

During an economic development trip in Asia, Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam and Economic and Community Development Commissioner Randy Boyd along with the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) co-hosted an investment seminar focused on Tennessee's business advantages on Wednesday in Tokyo, Japan. The seminar was attended by more than 200 business leaders in the manufacturing, logistics, government and construction sectors.

During the seminar, presentations were made by Mr. Fumitaka Nishimura, general manager of manufacturing for the strategy planning department of Nissan Motor Company, and Mr. Yusuke Uemura of the Nippon Steel & Sumikin Materials management team. Nissan's history with the state of Tennessee dates back to 1983, while Nippon Steel & Sumikin Materials, a metal substrate manufacturer, located its first U.S. facility in Fayetteville in January.

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tint

Dakota Gunner Weaver, 21, of Ragan Road, Philadelphia, was charged with simple possession, possession of drug paraphernalia, and tampering with evidence.

Deputy Kevin Dailey LCSO, observed a 2007 white Chevrolet Impala at Pond Creek Rd and Galyon Rd that appeared to have illegal tint. Upon traffic stop

the vehicle did in fact have illegal tint and the driver Dakota Weaver was unable to provide tint information. Mr. Weaver appeared to be nervous through his actions by shaking uncontrollably while handing Deputy his information. As Deputy was speaking to the driver an odor of raw marijuana was coming from the vehicle, he did state that marijuana had been in the vehicle and

he had scales as well. Mr. Weaver was asked two times and stated he did not have anything inside the vehicle however during search Deputy found a bag of marijuana (6.9 grams) underneath the front dash with an attempt to conceal. Mr. Weaver was taken into custody for Simple Possession, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Tampering with Evidence the vehicle was

driven from the scene by the subjects friend. Deputy Kevin Dailey LCSO, made the arrest.

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"Tennessee's relationship with the Japanese business community is historic. As Tennessee's largest foreign investor, Japanese investment is responsible for more than half of the state's total foreign direct investment," Haslam said. "We are honored to have Japanese companies contribute so much to the state, and our goal is to help both existing and

new Japanese companies thrive in Tennessee as we continue the tradition of our successful partnership with Japan for years to come."

"There are 184 Japanese companies in our state, employing more than 48,000 Tennesseans," Boyd said. "We are fortunate that these companies have invested nearly \$18 billion in capital investment in Tennessee, but there is always more work to do. I hope to continue to strengthen our relationship with Japan, while Japanese companies continue to find success in Tennessee."

The event was co-hosted by JETRO, a TNECD partner. JETRO works to promote mutual trade and investment between Japan and the rest of the world. Originally established in 1958 to promote Japanese exports abroad, JETRO's core focus is to promote foreign direct investment into Japan and helping small to medium-size Japanese firms maximize their global export potential. In February 2016, JETRO and Select USA signed a Memorandum of Understanding to further promote two-way investment between the United States and Japan.

The Tennessee investment seminar is the final event of the economic development trip that also included recruiting stops in Korea and China.

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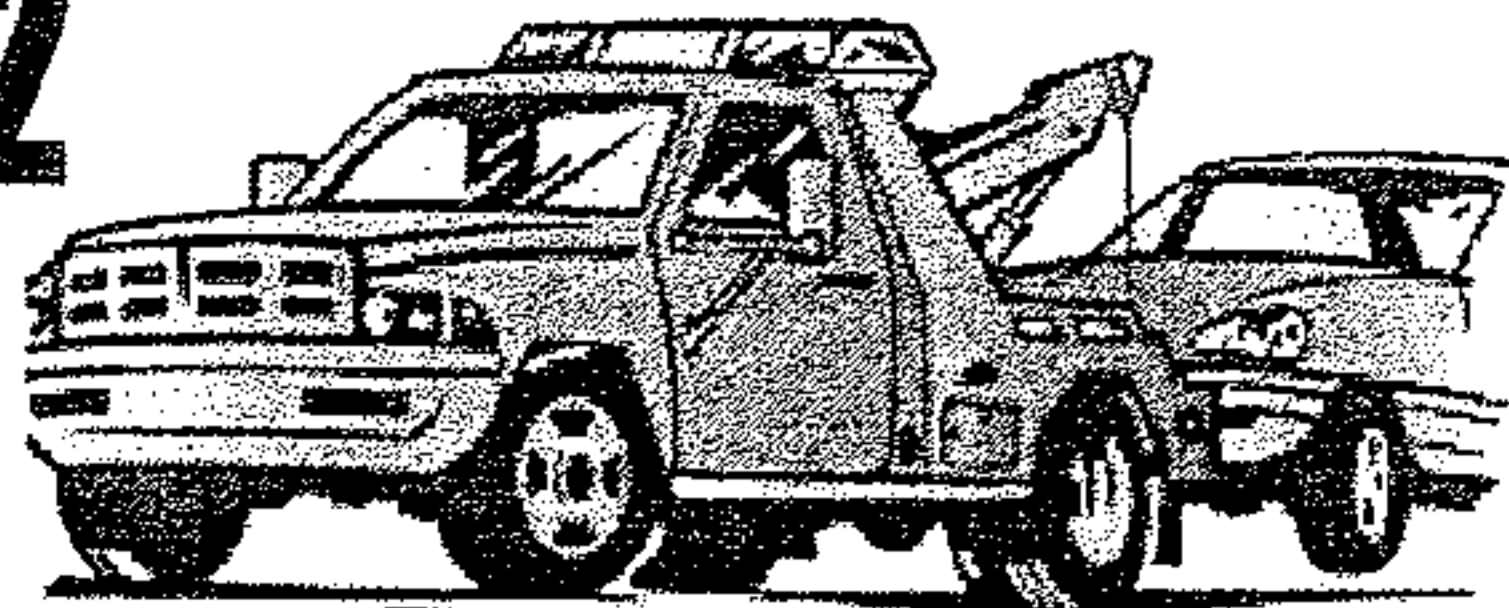
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the victim. Deputy responded to the Waffle House and was able to get Candace's information. Candace had also listed address of Hines Valley Rd. Deputy was able to go by the residence but did not have any contact with the offender or vehicle. Candace was arrested on 5/10/16.

Gibbons

chair of the Governor's Public Safety Subcabinet. Under Gibbons' leadership using a data-driven approach, traffic fatalities in Tennessee have decreased – five of the six lowest years in the last 50

years have happened under this administration. He also directed improvements to the driver services division, including the addition of new technology, that have resulted in the average wait time dropping from 35 minutes in 2011 to less than 20 minutes and better customer service for Tennessee taxpayers.

"Bill's passion for public safety has been an incredible asset to our administration and to our state. He has been instrumental in creating and carrying out a coordinated public safety action plan that helped make Tennessee safer, and I am

grateful for his service to Tennessee," Haslam said.

As chair of the Governor's Public Safety Subcabinet, Gibbons led the group of 11 commissioners and agency directors, developing an action plan that resulted in reduced methamphetamine production, an increase in the number of drug treatment court participants, tougher sentences for repeat domestic violence offenders, and more family justice centers across the state. Gibbons also co-chaired the Governor's Task Force on Sentencing and Recidivism, reviewing the state's

sentencing structure and helping shape the Public Safety Act of 2016.

"I am thankful to Gov. Haslam for giving me the opportunity to serve as commissioner and as chair of his public safety subcabinet. It has truly been a special opportunity to make a tangible difference in state government and the lives of many of our citizens." Gibbons said.

Gibbons joined the administration after serving 15 years as Shelby County District Attorney General. Prior to that he was a partner in the Memphis law firm of Evans & Petree and served as

a member of both the Memphis City Council and the Shelby County Commission. Gibbons first started his state government career in 1979 as a special policy assistant for former Gov. Lamar Alexander.

Gibbons' last day as commissioner is August 31.

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