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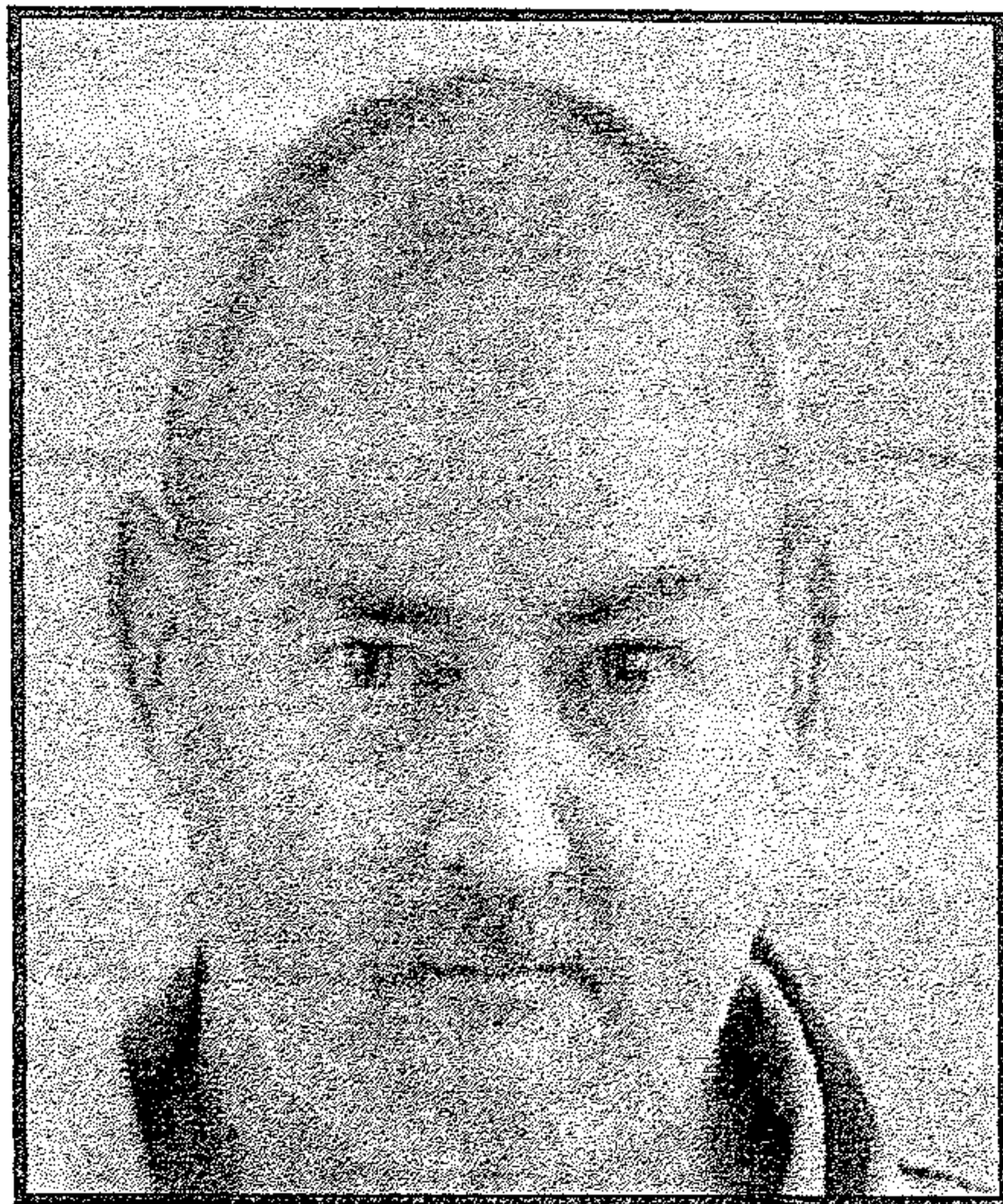
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Friday, August 12, 2016

Neighbor and camera help capture thieves in the act!

Charged after being found passed out at home with pill

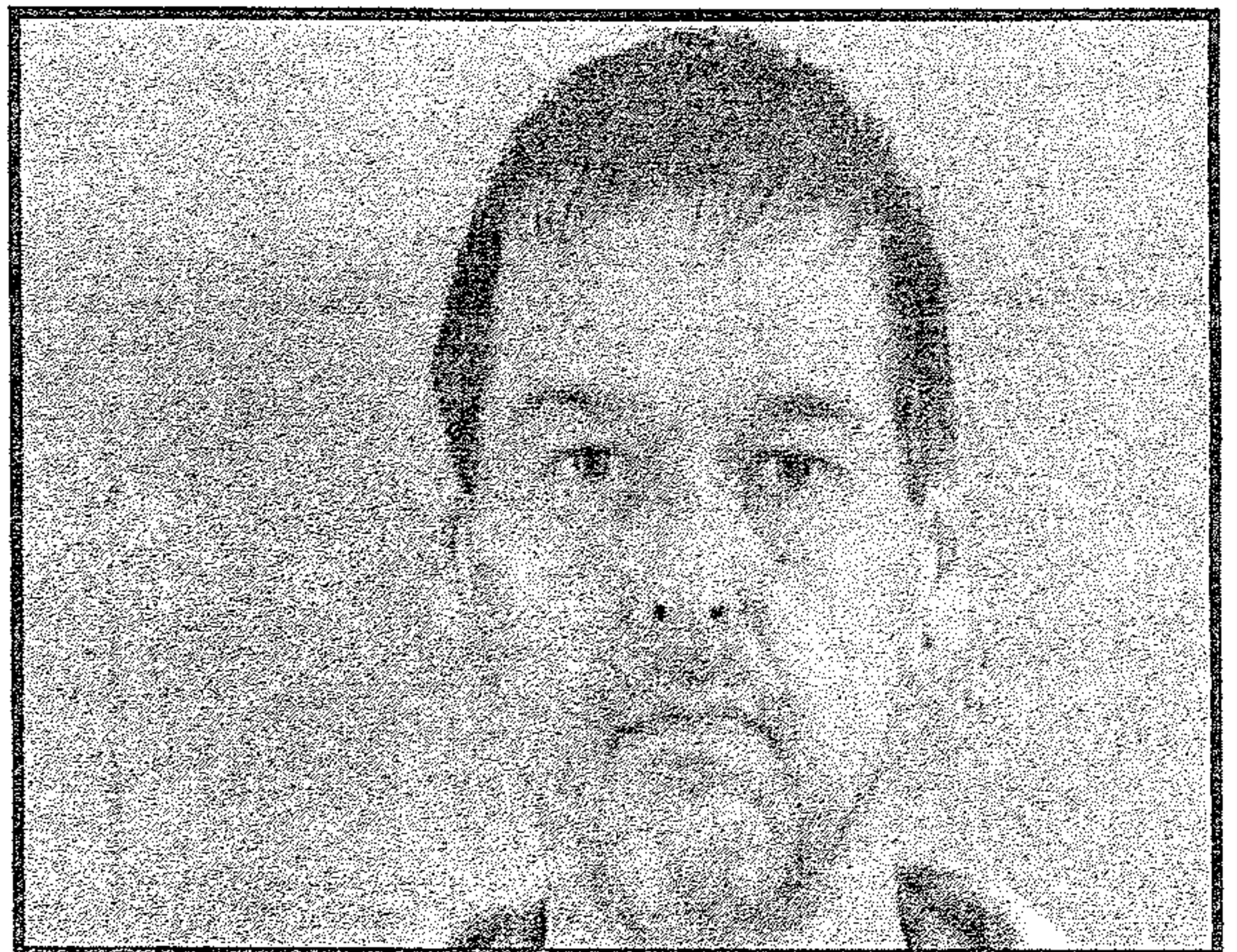


Richard Kronz

(see Thieves pg. 2)



Tina Sampson



Frankie Sanes

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2 Charged and jailed for less than 2 grams of marijuana

County Commission

by Kendra McCarter

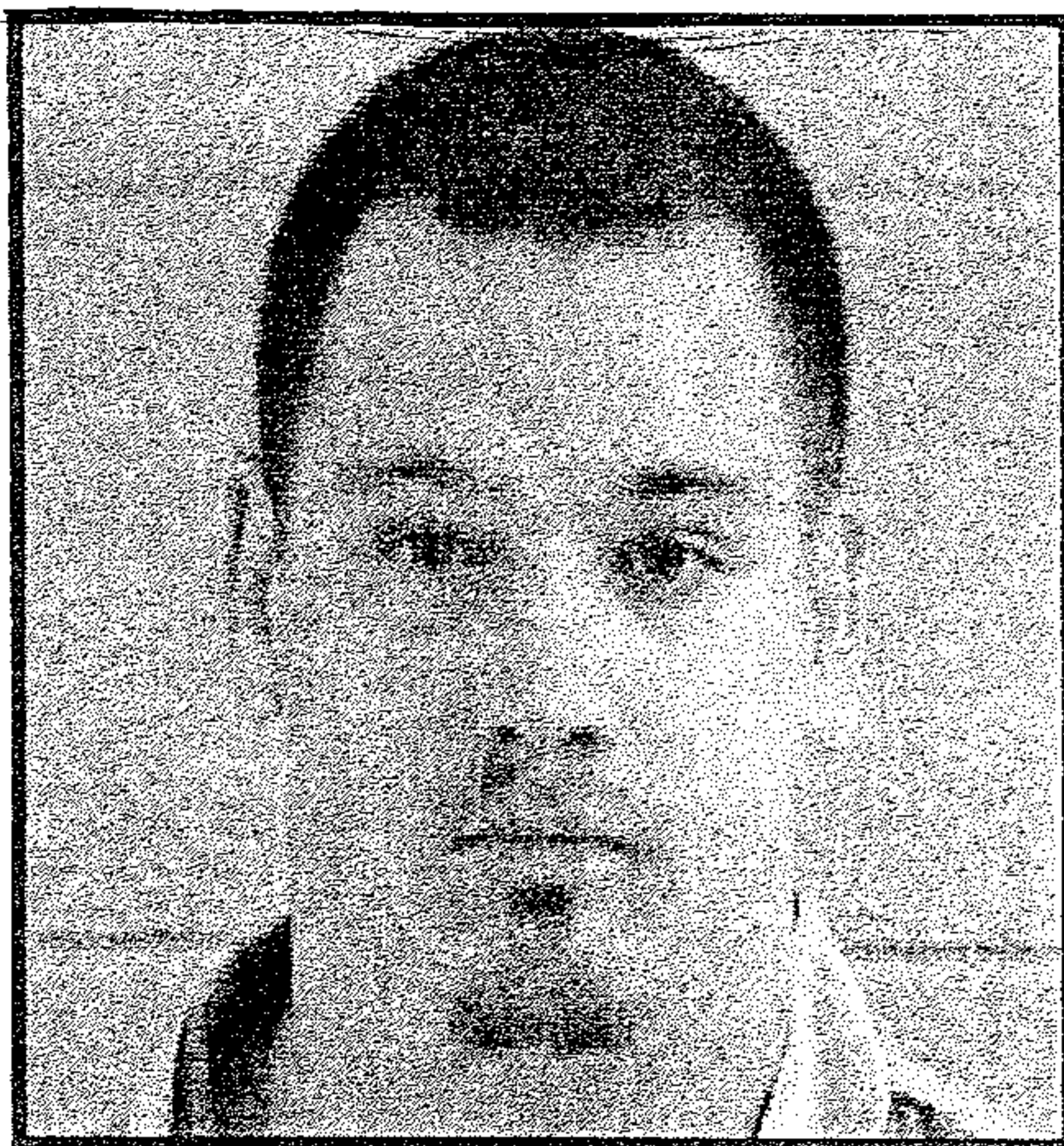
The Loudon County Commission met and approved a 2 percent cost of living salary increase for General Sessions and Circuit Court Clerk staff members for the last three fiscal years.

This increase had been put on hold due to the ongoing litigation between Mayor Rollen "Buddy" Bradshaw and Clerk Lisa Niles. In that lawsuit, Niles has requested additional employees and salary increases for her office.

The Commission also approved the cost-of-living raises for court clerk employees by a vote of 9-0,

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2 charged after running stop sign



Thomas Finger

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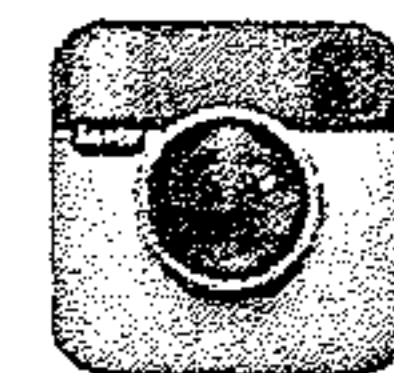


James Rhoades



Cathleen Thomas

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Verse of the Day

You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. — Romans 8:9

Obituaries

see inside Wazzup

We are in the process of making more changes so for the next couple of weeks we will be printing on a limited schedule. Thanks for your patronage.

Weather

Today: Partly cloudy skies. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High 92F. Tonight: Clear skies with a few passing clouds. Low 74F.

Saturday: Partly cloudy. A stray shower or thunder-

storm is possible. High 94F. Saturday Night A few clouds from time to time. Low 74F. Sunday: Partly cloudy in the morning followed by scattered thunderstorms in the afternoon. High around 90F. Sunday Night A few clouds. Low 73F.

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thieves

Robert Kronz, 48, Hutton Ridge Road Maryville, was charged with Burglary, and Theft of Property.

Tina Sampson, 40, Hutton Ridge Road Maryville was charged with Burglary, and Theft of Property.

On 5 August 2016, complainant/victim reported that he was notified by a concerned neighbor that an unknown per-

son was at his family house located at Stephens Road in Greenback, Tennessee. On arrival, Deputy J.C. Shultz located a green Chevrolet Blazer with a trailer parked in the drive and three juvenile males and two adults coming from the rear of the residence. The adults were identified as Robert Kronz, Jr. and Tina Sampson. When asked about why they were on the property,

they both gave verbal statements that they had gained consent from the neighbor to come to the property and remove items that were in the yard of the residence.

During the investigation,
(see thieves ctd. pg. 4)

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charged

Frankie Sanes, 46, Oak Grove Road Lenoir City, was charged with Simple Possession, and Contempt of Court.

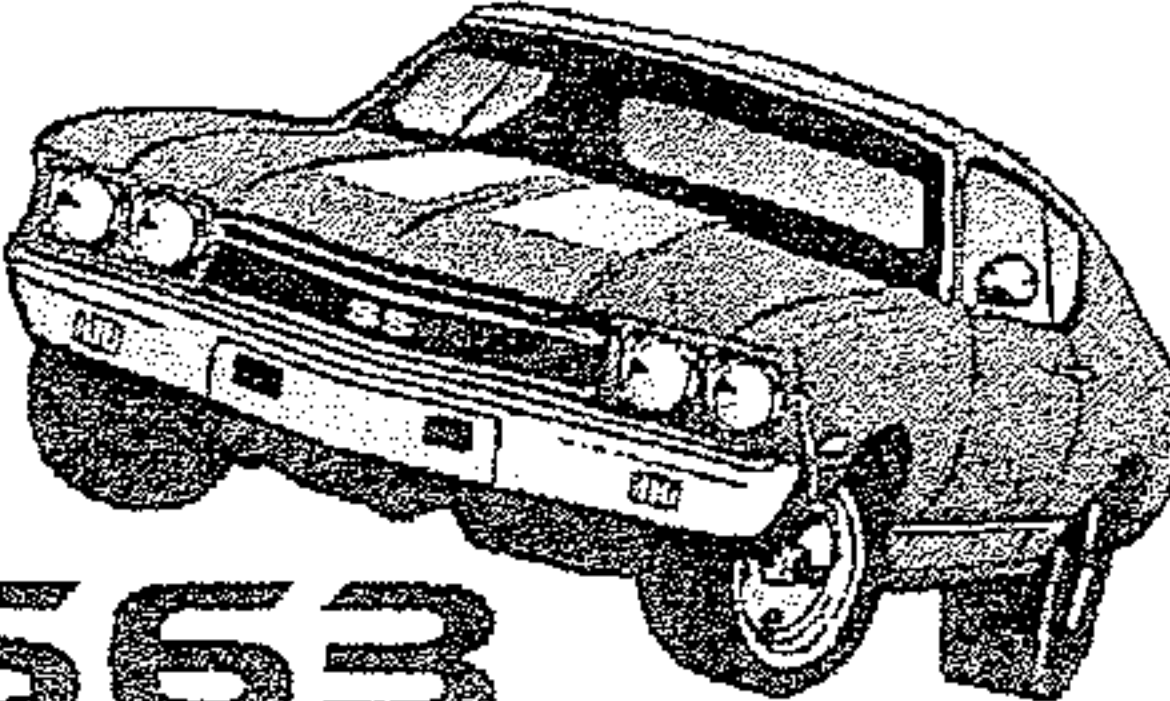
Deputy Kevin Dailey responded to Oak Grove Rd in reference to warrant on a Frankie Sanes for child support attachment out of Loudon County Tennessee. Upon arrival Deputy spoke to an unidentified subject who stated that Mr. Sanes was located inside a shed at Oak Grove Rd. As Deputy arrived he located Mr. Sanes due to the door being cracked with him laying on a couch passed out, beside Mr. Sanes near his head was a receipt with what appeared to be a blue pill identified as Oxycodone Hydrochloride

(schedule 2). He was taken into custody and transported to the Loudon County Justice Center without incident.


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victim disclosed that earlier this same date he installed a game camera at the residence because of recent thefts. The camera captured Mr. Kronz carrying a large tool that he used to pry the lock off the storage building so they could remove items. An inspection of the property found that two storage buildings had been entered and had items removed. The items that were removed from the buildings was located and identified by victim on the trailer that was attached to the Chevrolet Blazer occupied by Mr. Kronz and Ms. Sampson. Inv. Charlie Cosner LCSO, made the arrest.

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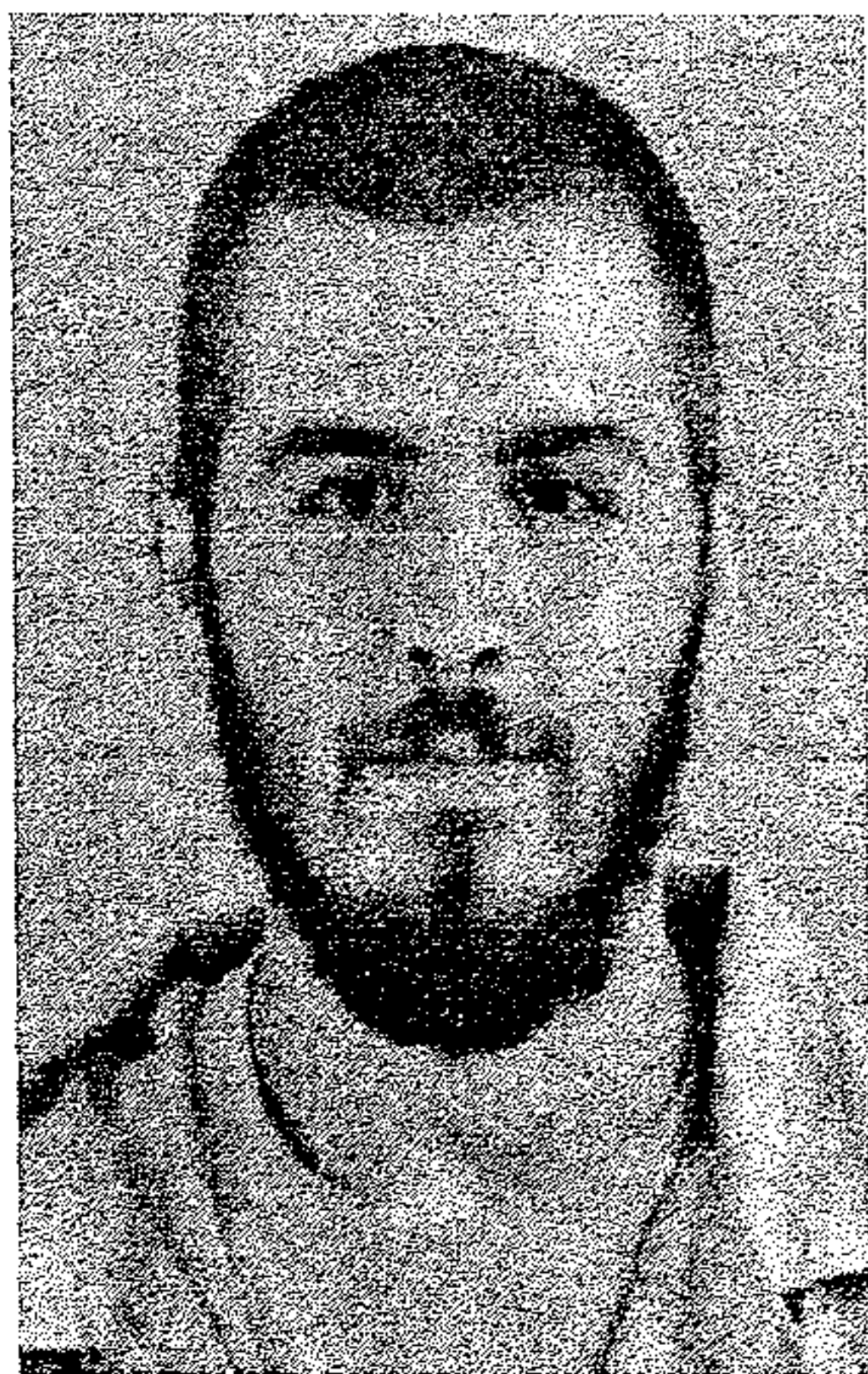
Christopher Lewis, 21, Water Lily Lane Maryville, was charged with Simple Possession.

Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, observed a white Pontiac Grand Am traveling North on Jackson Bend Road. Deputy observed the vehicle run the stop sign at Jackson Bend Road and Highway 321. Deputy stopped the vehicle on Highway 321 at Lighthouse point. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Christopher James Charles Lewis and passenger Mr. Thomas Austin Wayne Finger. While speaking with the subjects Deputy could smell a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage and marijuana emitting from the vehicle. Deputy observed the passenger Mr. Finger appeared to be intoxicated. Deputy

asked Mr. Finger to exit the vehicle at which time Deputy observed an open beer sitting between the passenger door and seat. Deputy knew Mr. Finger was under the legal age to be drinking. Deputy asked Mr. Finger how much he had to drink at which time he stated about five beer's. Deputy then asked the driver Mr. Lewis to exit the vehicle. Deputy asked Mr. Lewis if he had anything on him that was illegal at which time he stated no. Deputy asked Mr. Lewis if I could search him at which time he stated yes. Deputy did locate drug parapher-

naliam on Mr. Lewis's person. Deputy asked Mr. Lewis if there was anything illegal in the vehicle at which time he stated there was some marijuana in the driver side floor of the vehicle Deputy did locate a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana in the driver side floor area of the vehicle. Mr. Finger was placed under arrest for underage consumption, and Mr. Lewis was placed under arrest for simple possession of Sch 6. Both subjects were transported to the

Loudon County Jail. The vehicle was released from the scene to a licensed driver. Mr. Lewis was also cited for traffic control device. This did occur in Loudon County TN.



Christopher Lewis

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Various appointments to 18 county boards, including audit, budget, capital projects and purchasing, we made by the Commission, as well. Governor Haslam, Commissioner Boyd announce Mullican Flooring to Expand Johnson City Operations

Tennessee flooring manufacturer to create 200 new jobs
Tennessee Gov. Bill

Haslam, Economic and Community Development Commissioner Randy Boyd and Mullican Flooring officials announced today the flooring manufacturer will invest \$15 million to expand its Johnson City operations and create 200 new jobs during the next five years.

Mullican Flooring, which ranks among the nation's top five hardwood flooring

producers, will acquire a 126,000-square-foot warehouse at 129 Rowland Drive in Johnson City. The building will be used to store raw materials and finished products. The extra capacity will provide additional space at the company's Johnson City headquarters and production plant to meet increased manufacturing needs.

"Mullican Flooring is one of Tennessee's

homegrown success stories and I applaud them for their commitment to provide another 200 jobs for Johnson City and Washington County residents," Haslam said. "Our state's ideal location, low cost of doing business and the strength of East Tennessee's workforce make the Volunteer State the perfect place for manufacturing companies to thrive. Mullican Floor-

ing's decision to invest further in Washington County brings us another step closer to our goal to make Tennessee the No. 1 location in the Southeast for high quality jobs."

"Over the last five years, Tennessee has posted the second-largest percentage increase among Southeastern states in manufacturing GDP, which reached \$51.1 billion last year," Boyd said. "To achieve such gains, we've needed to foster a business environment where manufacturers like Mullican Flooring can hit on all cylinders. Mullican Flooring's expansion speaks volumes to the climate we've established for Tennessee businesses, but also to Mullican Flooring's success as an important corporate citizen and employer. I'd like to thank Mullican Flooring for its continued contribution to Washington County and decision to create 200 new jobs."

This expansion marks Mullican Flooring's fourth major growth initiative in Johnson City during the past 16 years.

Founded in 1985 as a manufacturer of unfinished solid hardwood flooring, Mullican Flooring moved its corporate headquarters to Johnson City in 2000. The company added prefinished flooring to its product line in 2003. In 2010, Mullican Flooring completed a \$6 million expansion at its Johnson City facility that included addition-

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charged

James Rhoades, 37, Morganton Road Maryville, was charged with Disorderly Conduct, and Public Intoxication.

Cathleen Thomas, 53, Johnson Mountain Road Va., was charged with Poss. Of Drug Para., and Simple Possession.

Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, observed a vehicle traveling West on Shaw Ferry Rd. in the middle of the roadway and at a high rate of speed. The vehicles speed was clocked by radar at 55mph in a 35mph zone. Deputy made contact and conducted a traffic stop on

said vehicle on Hwy. 321 at I-75. Deputy identified the driver as Ms. Cathleen Lucille Thomas and passenger as Mr. James Lee Rhoades, Jr. While speaking with the occupants Deputy observed Ms. Thomas remove or place something under the seat from her crotch area. Both occupants was removed from the vehicle. While license and warrants status was being checked through NCIC and citations being issued, Sgt. Michael Watkins deployed K9 Kane for a drug sniff of the vehicle. Sgt. Watkins advised K9 Kane gave a positive indication of a

trained odor of illegal narcotics coming from the vehicle. During a search of the vehicle a multi color pipe commonly used to smoke illegal narcotics was found underneath the drivers seat. Inside of the center console was a clear jar with a green plant material believed to be Marijuana. Inside a purse brown wooden container with a clear plastic wrapper with a green plant material believed to be Marijuana weighing approximately 1.7 grams. Also in the purse was another glass pipe and a black box type electric pipe both commonly used to smoke illegal narcotics. Ms. Thom-

as, and Mr. Rhoades was then placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon Co., jail. This did happen in Loudon Co. Tn

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al production capabilities.

In 2012, the company completed a \$12 million expansion project when it relocated its Johnson City headquarters and manufacturing operations to a larger, state-of-the-art facility on Woodlyn Road. That major expansion enabled the company to develop new product lines and shift previously offshored jobs to the United States.

Mullican Flooring

plans to hire 50 to 80 new employees during the next year. Over the next five years, the company plans to invest approximately \$15 million in equipment, buildings and working capital in Johnson City. Once completed, the latest expansion will nearly double the company's current employment base in Washington County.

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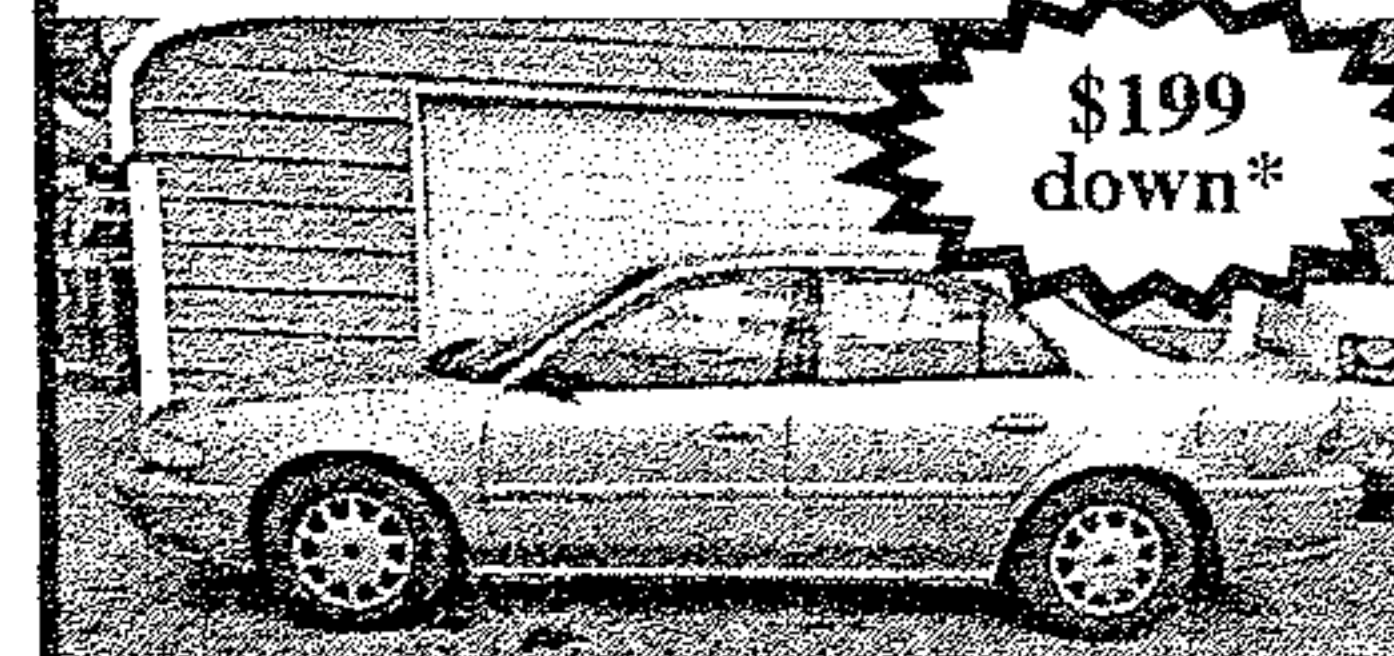
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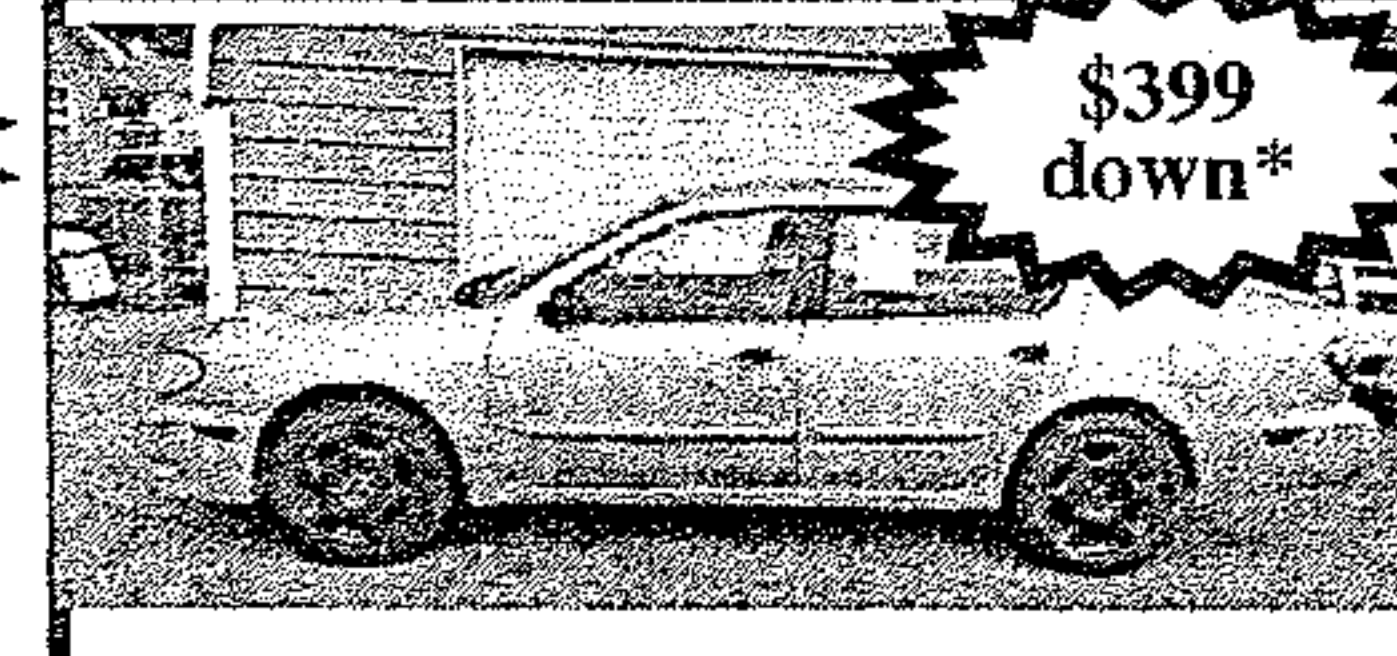
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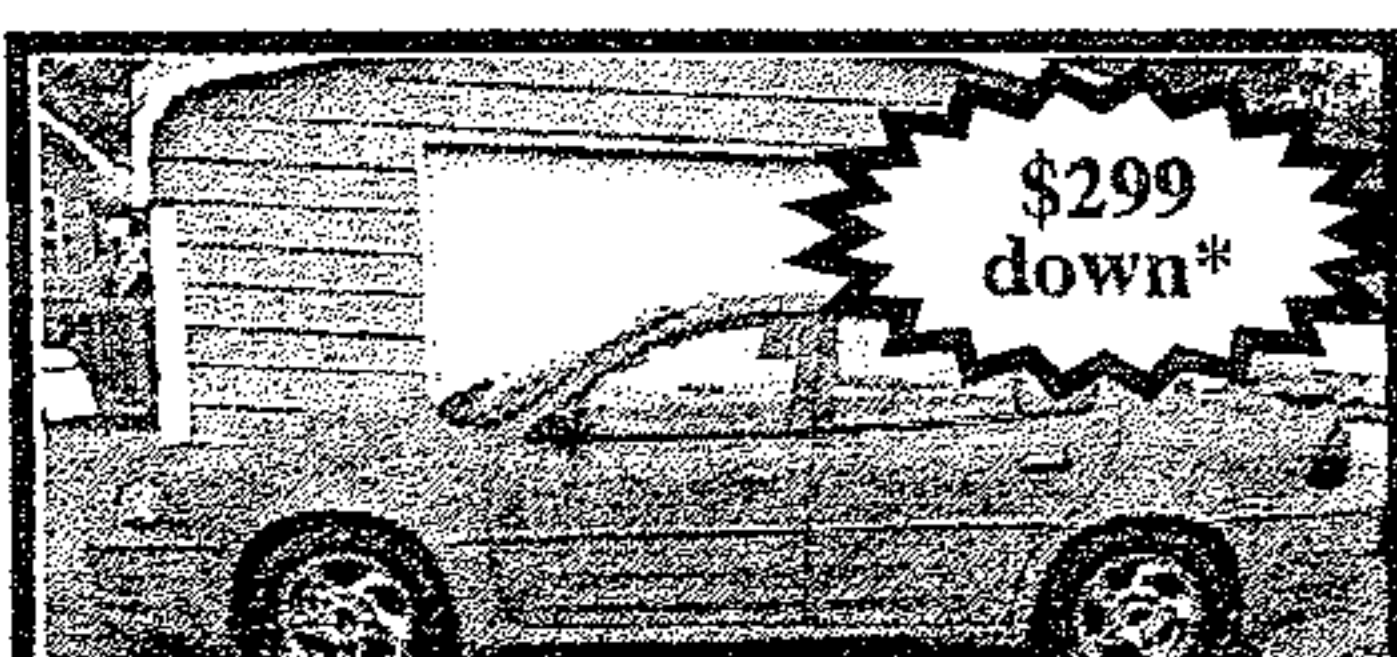
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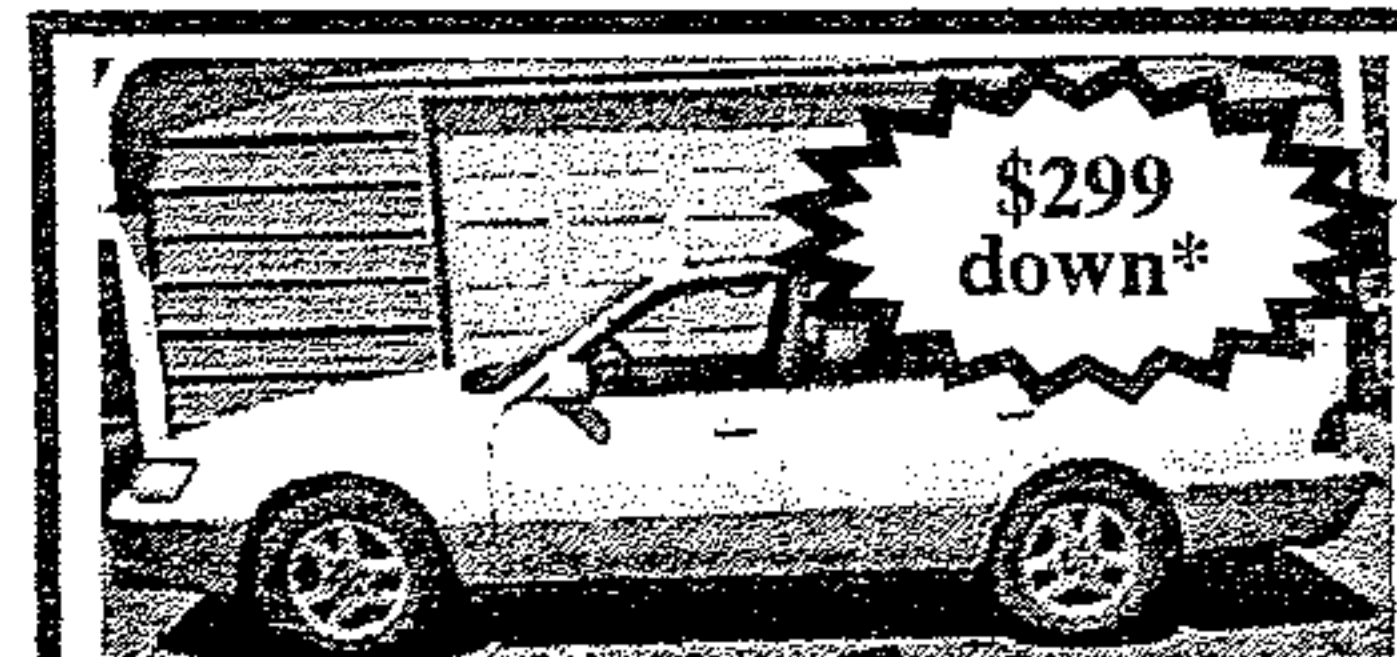
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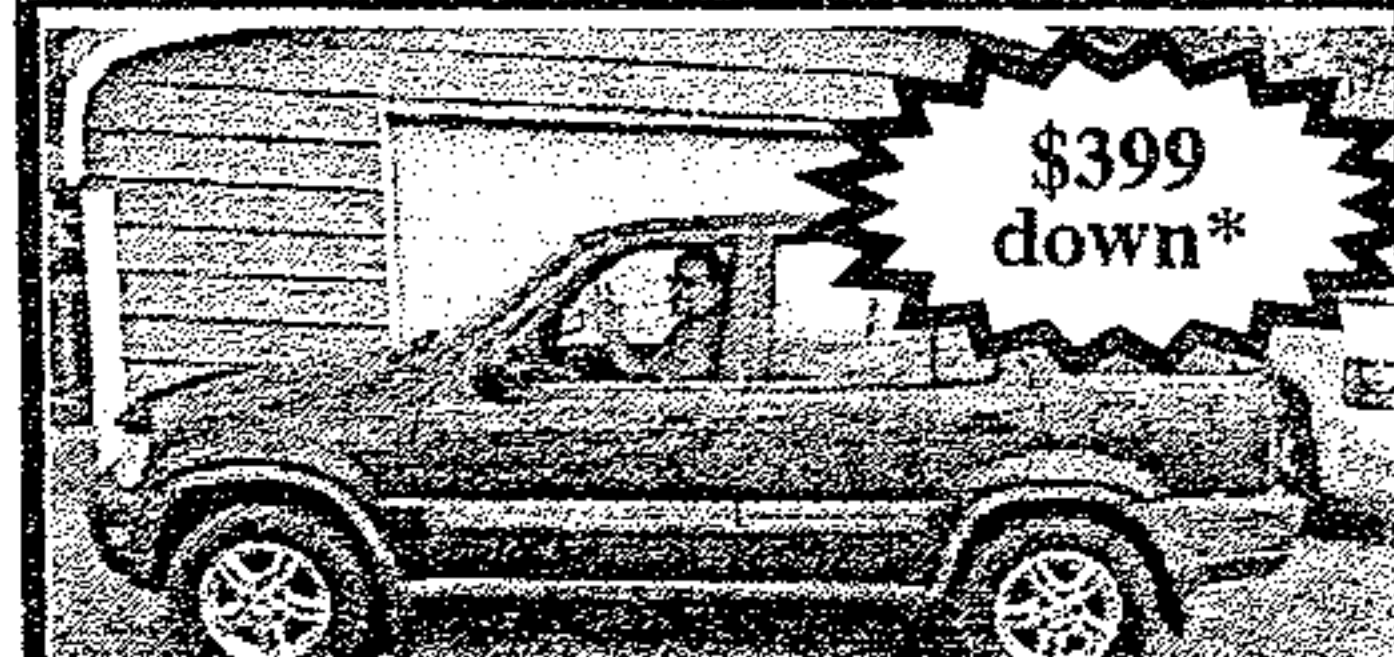
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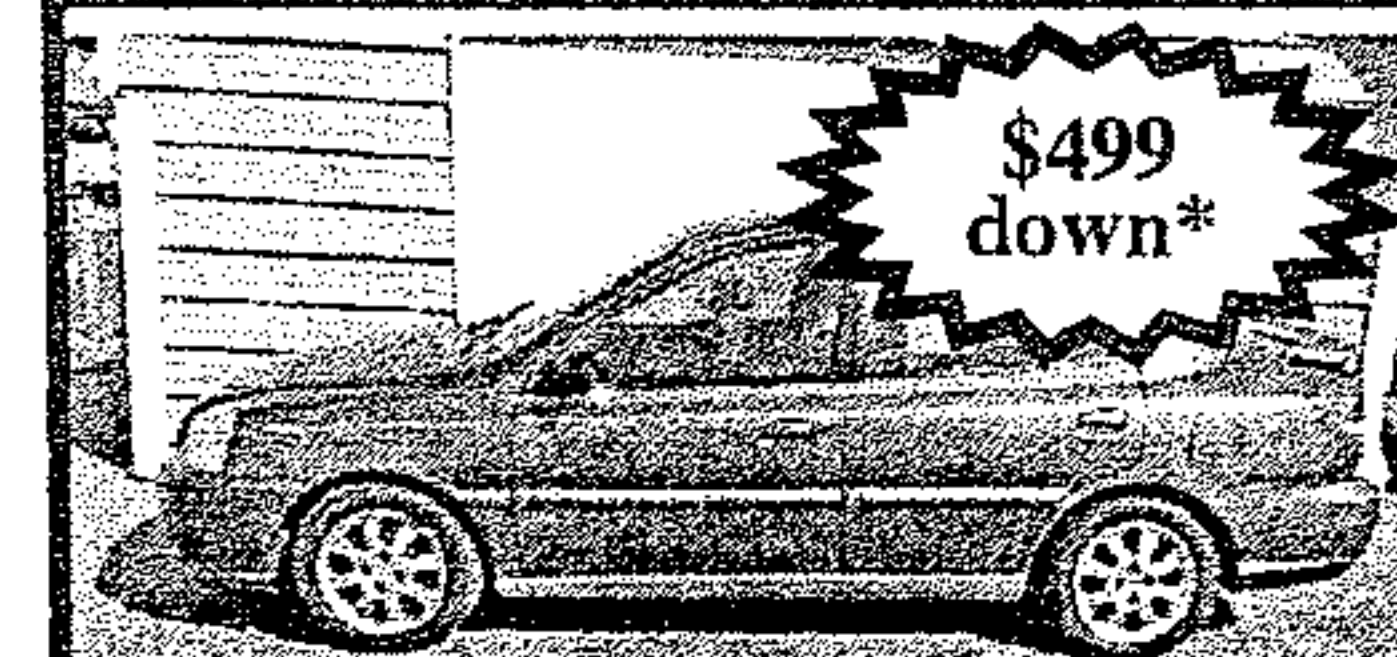
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