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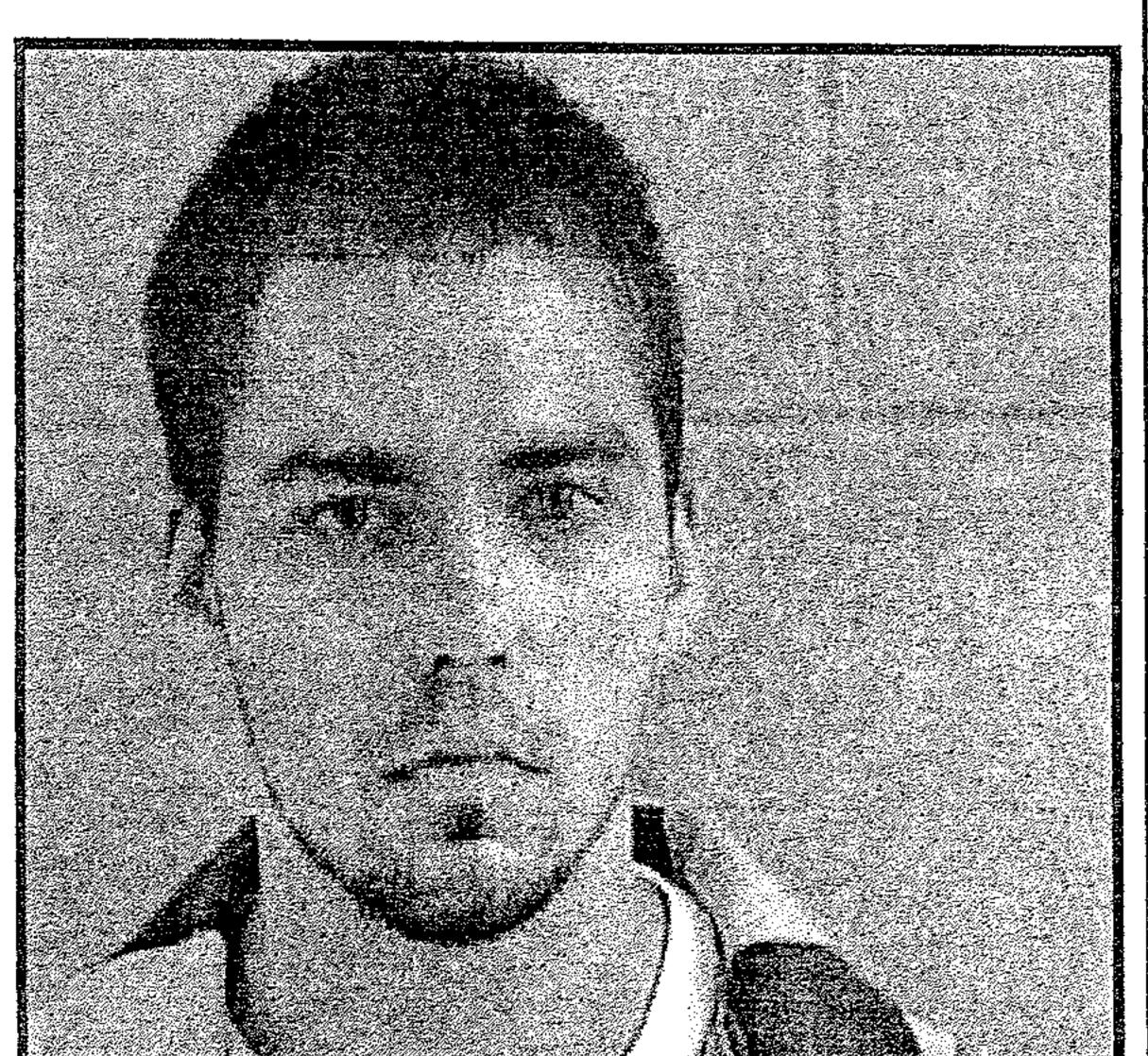
Thursday, August 4, 2016

Failing to stop adds to charges for It's not smart to run, they get rainhand driver

Christian Bennett. 20, Corinth Church Road Loudon, was charged with Felony Evading, and Driving on Revoked/Suspended License.

Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, observed a 1998 white Lexus ES3 fail to stop at the stop sign at the intersection of Highway 95/Morganton Rd. Deputy activated his lights and

(see evading pg. 2)



Christian Bennett

Indicted in Marijuana Manufacturing and Distribution Operation

On July 26, 2016, a federal grand jury returned a six count indictment against Vincent Garner, 50, of Gruetli-Laager, Tenn., charging him with manufacturing and distributing marijuana, illegally possessing a firearm after being previously convicted of a felony and possessing a firearm during a drug trafficking transaction.

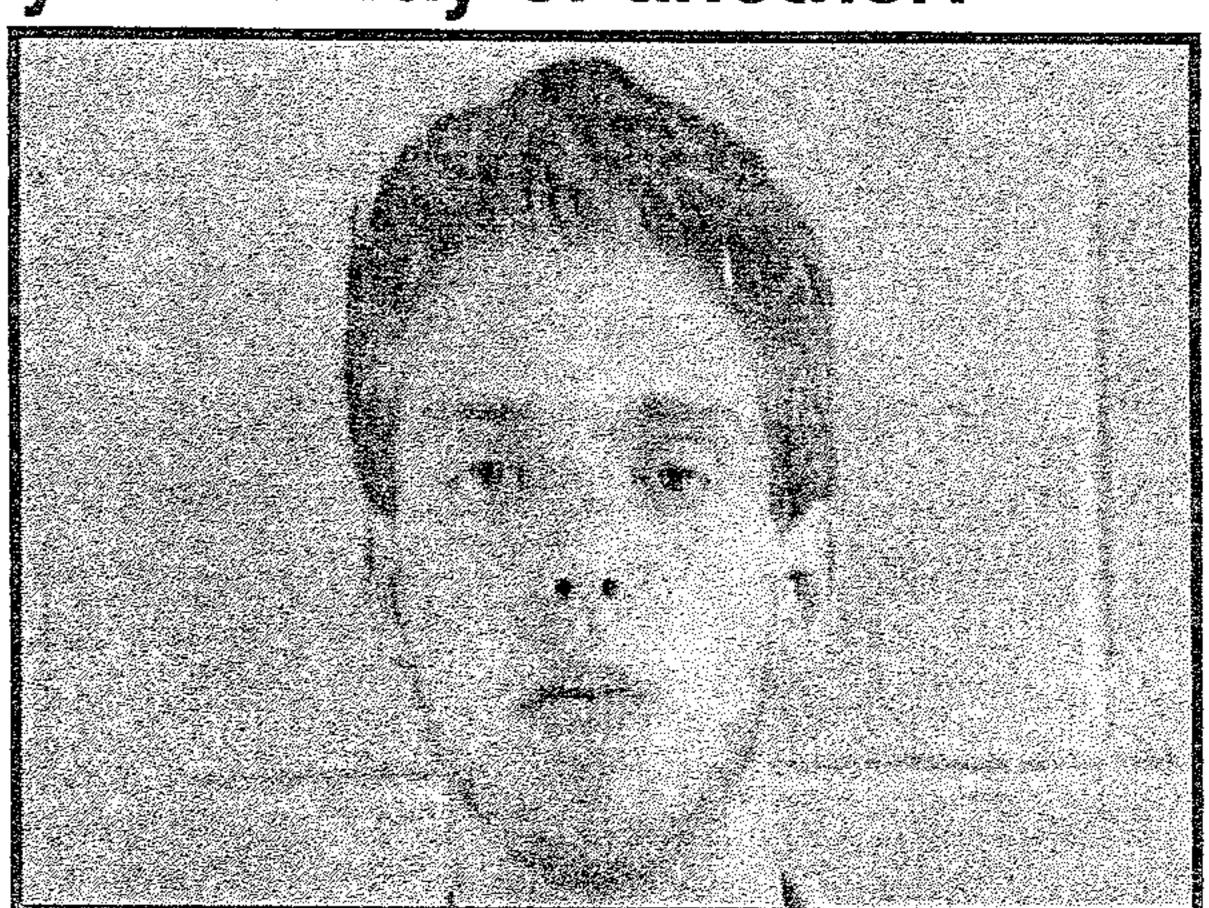
The indictment, which is on file

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Subject Gets 70 Years for Theft Scheme and Producing Child Pornography

Counterfeit UPC bar codes such as this one were used by Bradley Prucha in his multi-state retail theft scheme.

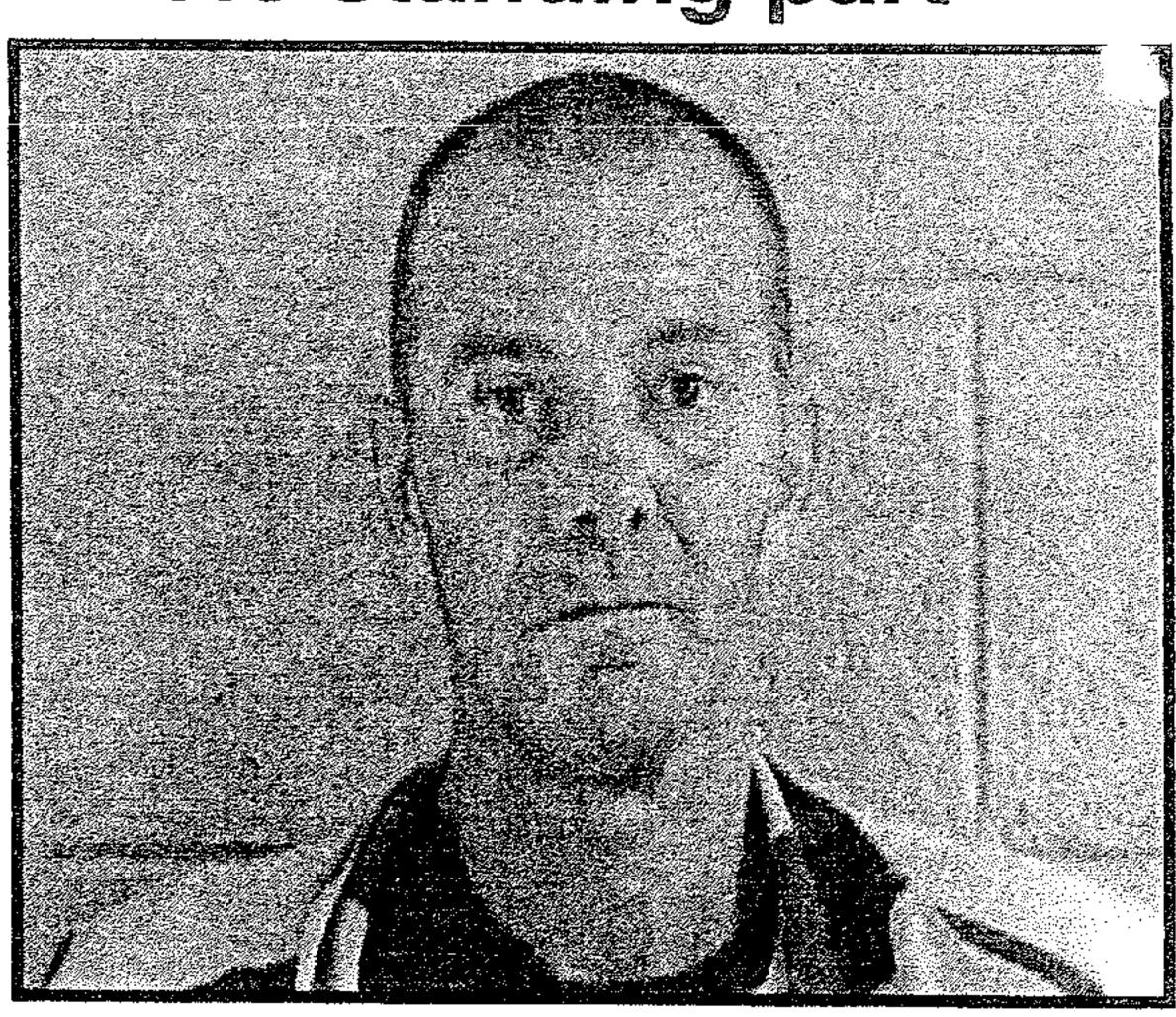
Bradley Prucha used counterfeit bar codes to cause retail merchandise to ring up below cost. Prucha—who also sexually exploited his teenage accomplices in the multi-state retail theft schemewould then return the items for their full price or sell them online at a significant profit.



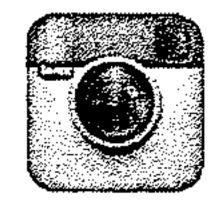
Coleman Herrman

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I'm fine except for the whole standing part



Rodney Wittenauer



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see FBI pg. 4

Verse of the Day Do not bring a detestable thing into your house or you, like it, will be set apart for destruction. Utterly abhor and detest it, for it is set apart for

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destruction. — Deuteronomy 7:26 Obituaries see inside Wazzup

Today is Election Day be sure to cast your ballot because at least one

race is gonna be tight!!! Weather

Today: Partly cloudy skies during the morning hours. Thunderstorms likely in the afternoon. High around 90F.

Tonight: Variably cloudy with scattered thunder-

storms. Low 71F. Friday Scattered thunderstorms in the morning. Partly cloudy skies late High near 90F.

Friday Night A few clouds from time to time Low 72F.

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evading

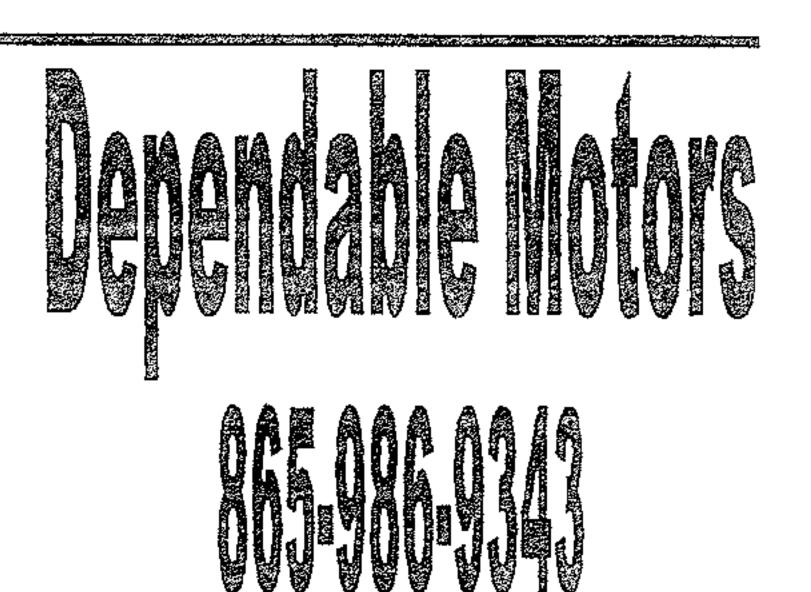
siren and the vehicle contin- the vehicle continued, almost ued on Morganton Rd, trav-hitting Sgt. Bowen's vehicle eling between the speeds of head on. The vehicle finally 20-40 mph.

proximately 5-7 miles. Dep-ton Bennett. uty and Sgt.Bowen attempted Dispatch advised Depuy to stop the vehicle on East that Mr.Bennett license was

Coast Tellico Parkway and stopped at National Camp The driver passed up sev- Ground/East Coast Tellico eral safe places to stop and Parkway. The driver was continued to drive for ap- identified as Christian Pey-

Revoked. Mr.Bennett was charged with Evading Arrest and Driving on revoked License.

These above actions did occur on a public roadway in Loudon County, Tn.



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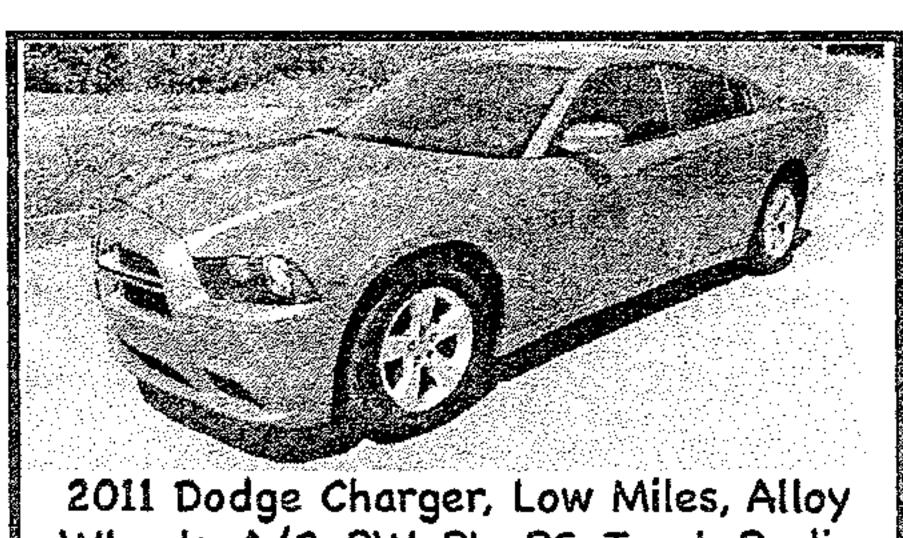
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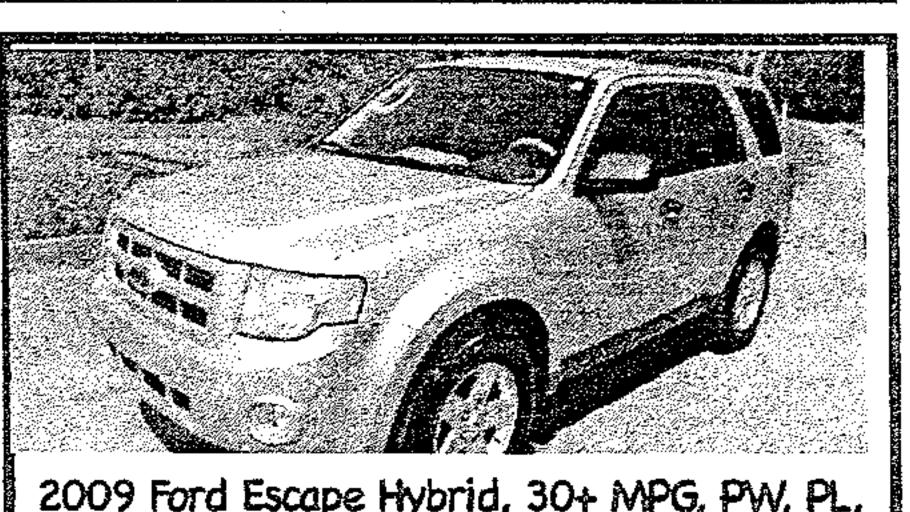
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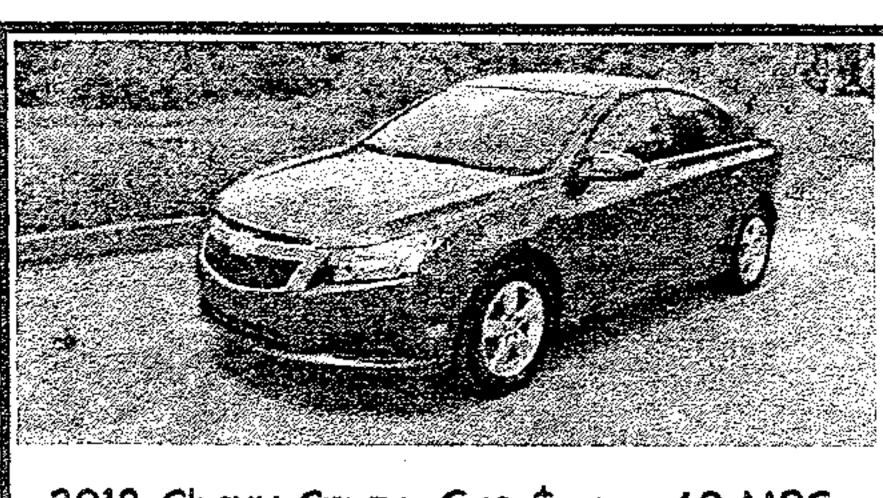
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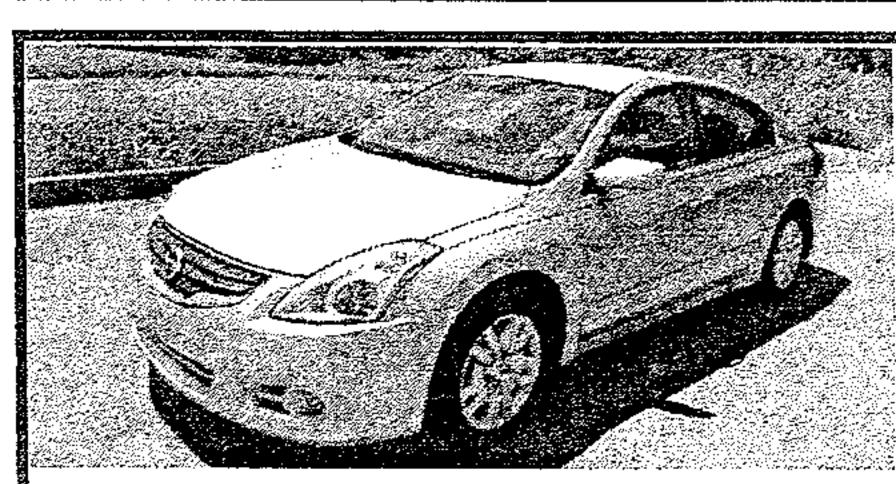
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Herrman, Coleman Valley Drive Loudon, was charged with Resisting Arrest, DUI, Domestic Assault, and Evading Arrest. Sgt. Jerramie Bowen LCSO, responded to a wreck without injuries that Deputy Everett was out on. Upon arrival Sgt. spoke to one of the subject later identified as Coleman Herrman, which was the driver of the vehicle that had wrecked. The female and Herrman had been in an argument while in the vehicle and had wrecked in the ditch. Herrman also broke female victim phone during the altercation. Deputy could smell a strong odor of alcohol com-

ing from Herrman. Deputy ask Herrman to sit on the front of his push bar while he turned his light off for Herman to perform sobriety test . When Deputy walked back to the front of his vehicle Herman took off running. Deputy did foot pursue him inot the woods and located him in a creek bed hiding. Deputy did announce Herrman to lay face down and not move. Herrman did run again Deputy deploy tazer and at least one probe made contact but Herrman ran off. K-9nwas deployed for a track with no success. On 7/29/16 Herrman did turn himself in and Cpl. Pam Snow served him with the warrants.

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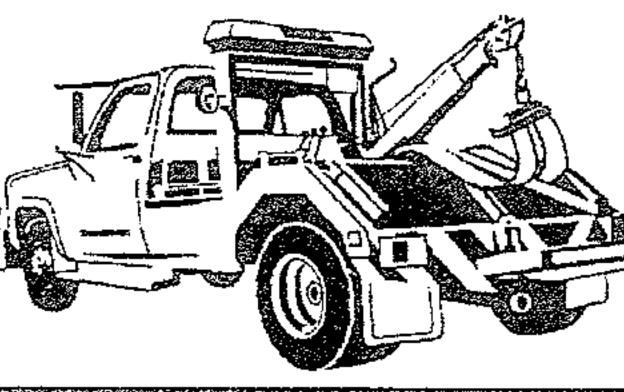
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FBI

When a federal judge in Iowa sentenced 39-year-old Bradley Prucha to 70 years in prison last month, it was clear the intention was to ensure the registered sex offender with a long criminal history spend the rest of his life behind bars.

Among other charges, Prucha was convicted of being the ringleader of a multi-state retail theft scheme, producing child pornography, distributing a prescription narcotic to minors, and witness tampering.

"This man left a tremendous wake of victims and broken lives behind him," said Special Agent Kevin Kohler, who investigated the case from the FBI's Omaha Division. "He is a predator in every sense of the word."

In 2013, Prucha was released from a Florida prison for a retail theft scheme involving the use of counterfeit UPC bar code stickers. He placed bogus stick-

ers on merchandise so existing bar codes so Xanax and paid them buying them gifts and

bringing their son with were also recruited. said she was going to By that time, the theft her. Prucha followed Prucha was required call the police. ring had stolen so her there from Florida to report monthly to "For the most part, much to fight for custody his probation officer in these were vulner- from the chain that of the child, renting a Florida. He made the able teenage girls who store security officers room from a woman in trip by car, taking the didn't have stable were on the lookout. Des Moines. Within a teens and hitting stores home lives," Kohler The FBI was conweek, he had enlisted along the way. He pro-said. "Prucha was able tacted, and the accomhis new landlord in an-vided the girls with to recruit them by takother bar code switch- the prescription drug ing them on trips and ing scheme.

"He saw that the woman was desperate for money," Kohler said, "and persuaded her they could both profit from his plan." Using specialized software obtained under false pretenses, Prucha printed counterfeit bar codes and, along with his accomplice, went "shopping" in Illinois, Missouri, and Nebras-

At his direction, the woman placed counterfeit bar codes over

items would ring up that, for example, a to have sex with him. pretending to care at a lower price. After \$400 electronics item On several occasions, about them when no purchasing the items, would ring up for \$49. he filmed sexually ex- one else in their lives he then returned them Prucha later recruited a plicit videos of himself did." for their full price or 15-year-old girl he met with the minors. He In 2015, at a Barnes sold them online at a through his ex-wife also threatened them & Noble store in Chisignificant profit. to participate in the with violence when one cago, Prucha's adult During his incar- scheme. Eventually, girl learned about the accomplice was arceration, his ex-wife several of the teen-videos-taken without rested trying to make relocated to Iowa, ager's female friends her knowledge—and a fraudulent purchase.

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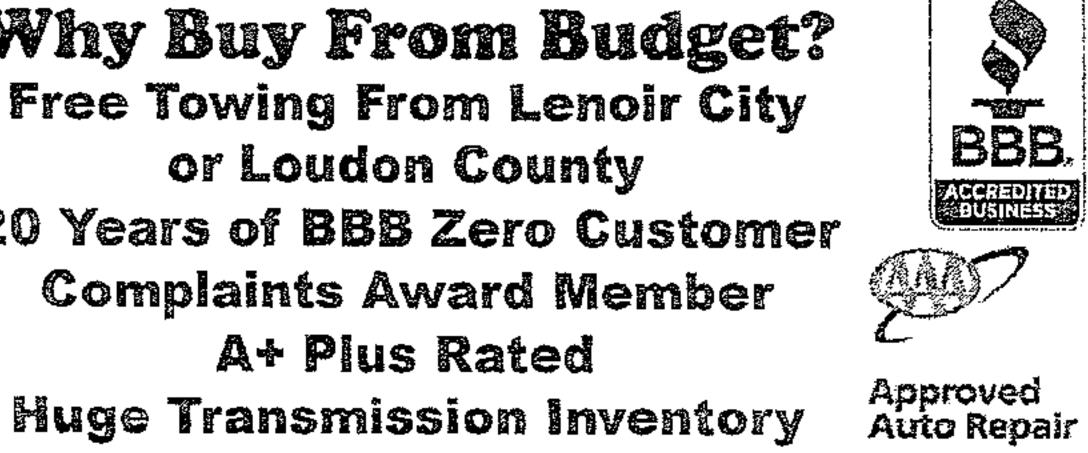




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Bureau of Investiga- plice agreed to cooption. Assistant U.S. erate with authorities. Attorney Steven Neff She secretly recorded will represent the Unit-dozens of conversa-

Members of the pub-detailed his criminal March 1, 2016, a jury activity, including the convicted Prucha on an indictment consti- sexual exploitation of multiple charges; three

> June 2015, while he sentence. was in jail awaiting "To see the system trial, Prucha offered a work and see justice fellow prisoner money served in a case like to contact the girls he this is very satisfying," had abused and offer Kohler said, adding to pay them to change that Prucha's lengthy their statements. The sentence was justified.

the teenagers. months later, a judge that every person is After his arrest in imposed the 70-year

inmate instead con- "There is no doubt

tions in which Prucha tacted the FBI. On in my mind that if he were released from prison, he would re-offend."

Obituaries

James Gerald "Jimmy" Jenkins, 45, of Vonore, passed away August 2, 2016. He is preceded in death by wife, April Jenkins; father, James Brooks; papaw, Jim Jenkins. and granny, Dorothy Gratham. Survivors: sons, Gerald (Brittany) Jenkins and Brian Jenkins; mother, Linda Brooks; grandmother, Catherine Jenkins; brothers, Tommy Morgan and John (Hannah) Brooks; and sister, Bridgett (Cody) Green. Funeral service will be 7:00 pm, Friday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Casey Hawkins officiating. Graveside service 10:00 am, Saturday, at Reed Spring. Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday, 5:00 - 7:00, prior to the funeral service. Loudon Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

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Raises

Rodney Wittenauer, 48, Big Springs Road Maryville, was charged with DUI, Driving on Revoked License, Simple Possession, and Violation of Implied Consent.

Deputy Robbie Lane LCSO, was dispatched to Interstate 75 North Bound For a reckless it was a black truck Deputy made contact with the truck North Bound around the 76 and fog line several times. The Ford exited 81 exit at which time

conducted Deputy Traffic stop with the Ford. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Rodney Wittenauer. Mr. Wittenauer had red watery eyes slurred speech and a strong odor of a Alcoholic beverage coming from his person. Mr. Wittenauer was asked for his license and handed me a TN ID only. driver. Caller advised Deputy asked Mr. Wittenauer if he had been all over the road way. drinking at which time he stated he had a few beers in Chattanooga. Deputy asked Mr. mile marker. The truck Wittenauer to exit the was a black Ford. Dep-vehicle at which time uty observed the Ford Mr. Wittenauer was cross the center line very unsteady on his feet and fell onto the ground and kept fall- Consent Advisement the interstate at the ing over and would not respond. EMS was

called to the scene to check Mr. Wittenauer. Mr. Wittenauer began to respond and advised he was just very tired and nervous.

Mr. Wittenauer was able to stand up on his own power and refused treatment by EMS on scene. Deputy asked Mr. Wittenauer several time to perform Field sobriety test and he refused to perform the test. Deputy placed Mr. Wittenauer under arrest for driving under the influences. Dispatched checked Mr. Wittenauer and found he had a TN ID only but had a IL revoked License. Deputy read the Tennessee Implied and Mr. Wittenauer refused to submit to

blood test. Inventory of the ford truck Deputy found a cooler with 6 empty Coors Light Beer cans and 3 full cans in the cooler. I also found a bottle of Smirnoft Vodka 3 1/4 empty in the floor of the truck. In the glove box was a medication bottle with a Marijuana cigarette inside. Mr. Wittenauer stated

it was Marijuana when asked. Malones towed the truck from the scene. Deputy transported Mr. Wittenauer to the Loudon County Jail without incident. Mr. Wittenauer was charged with DUI 1st offense Driving on Revoked License, Simple Possession, and Violation Of Implied Con-





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