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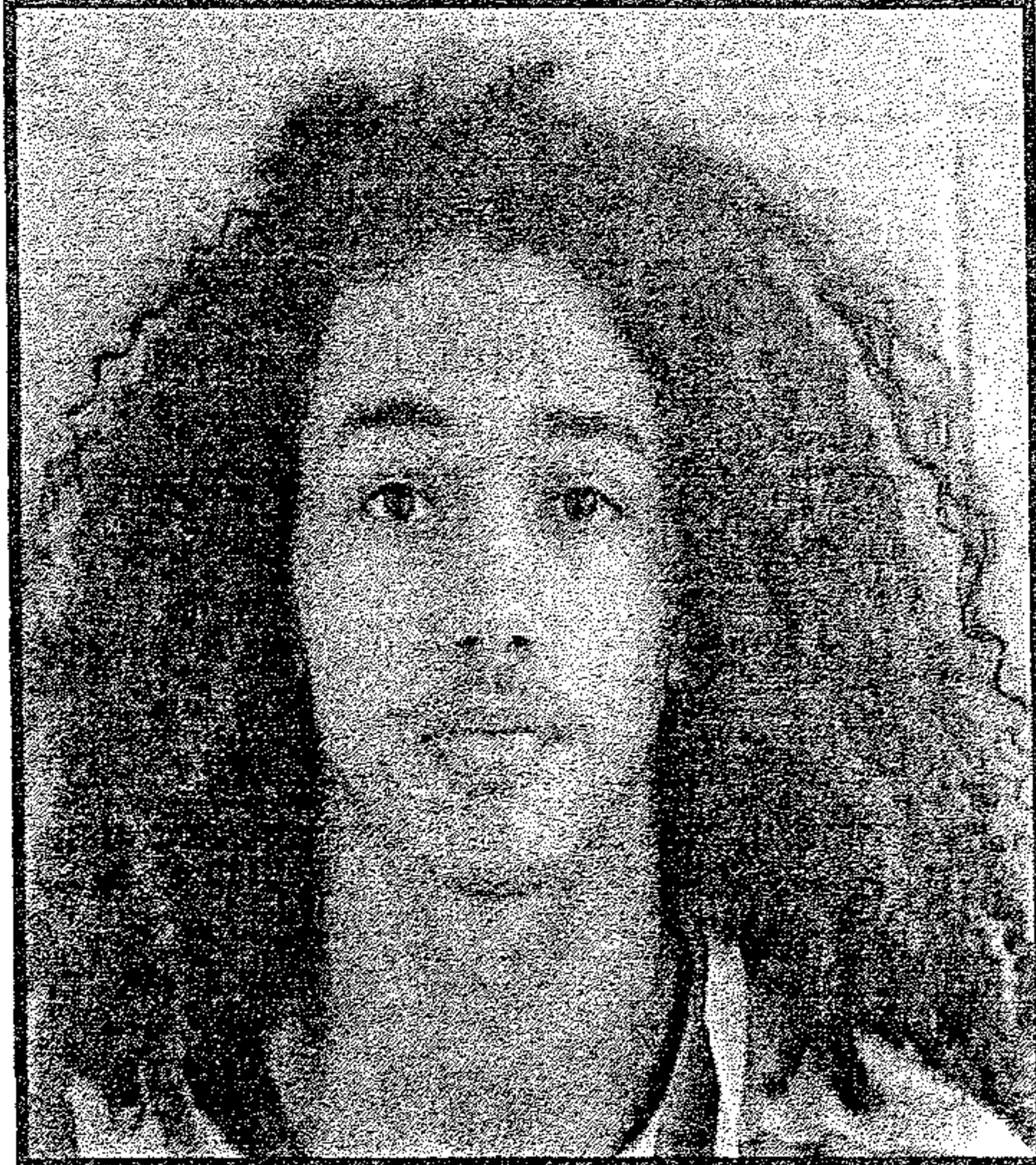
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Armed robbery of victim reported; 2 men charged

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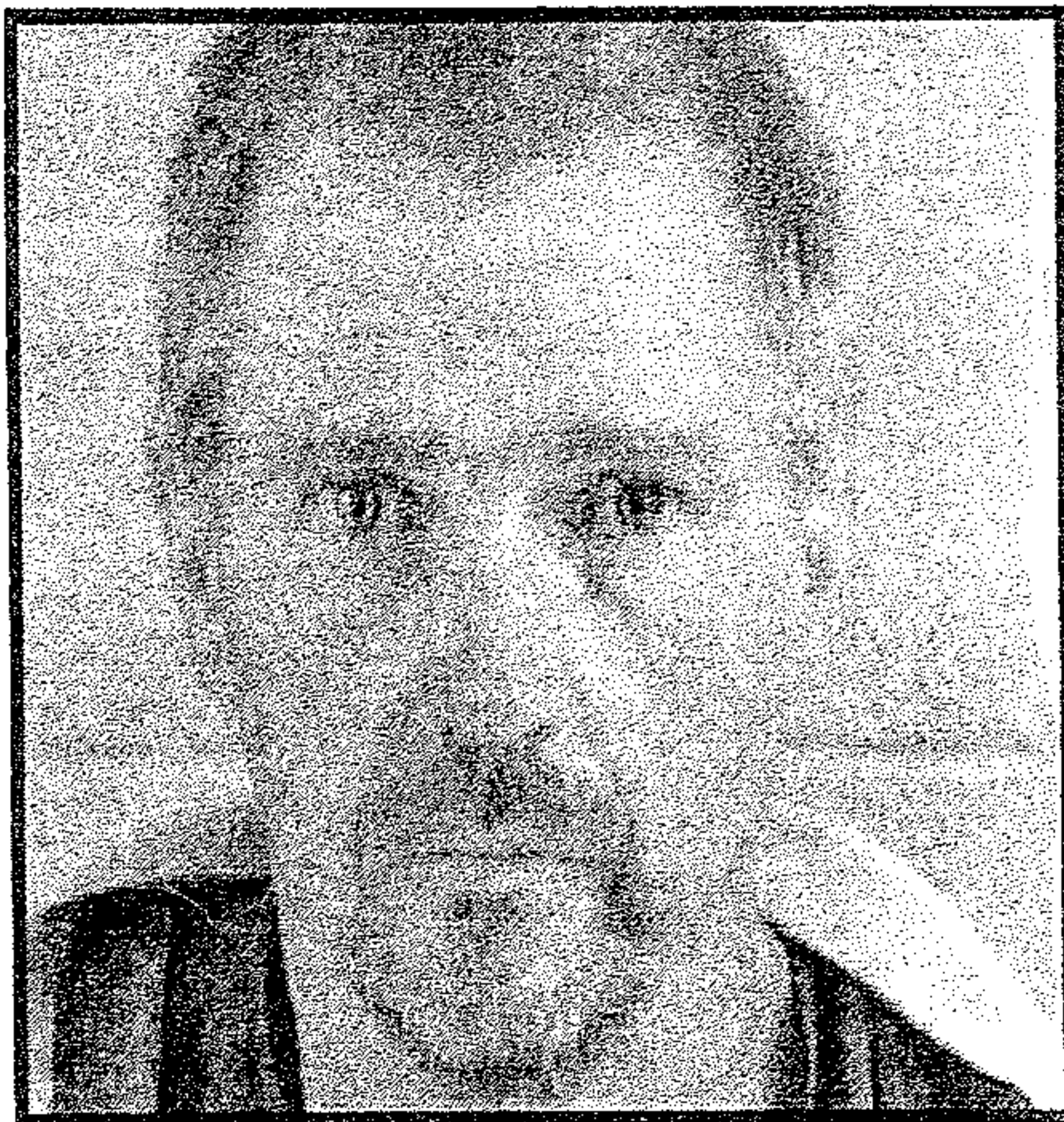


Devon Thaxton



Noah Simpson

Wanted in Florida for felony violation



David Roy

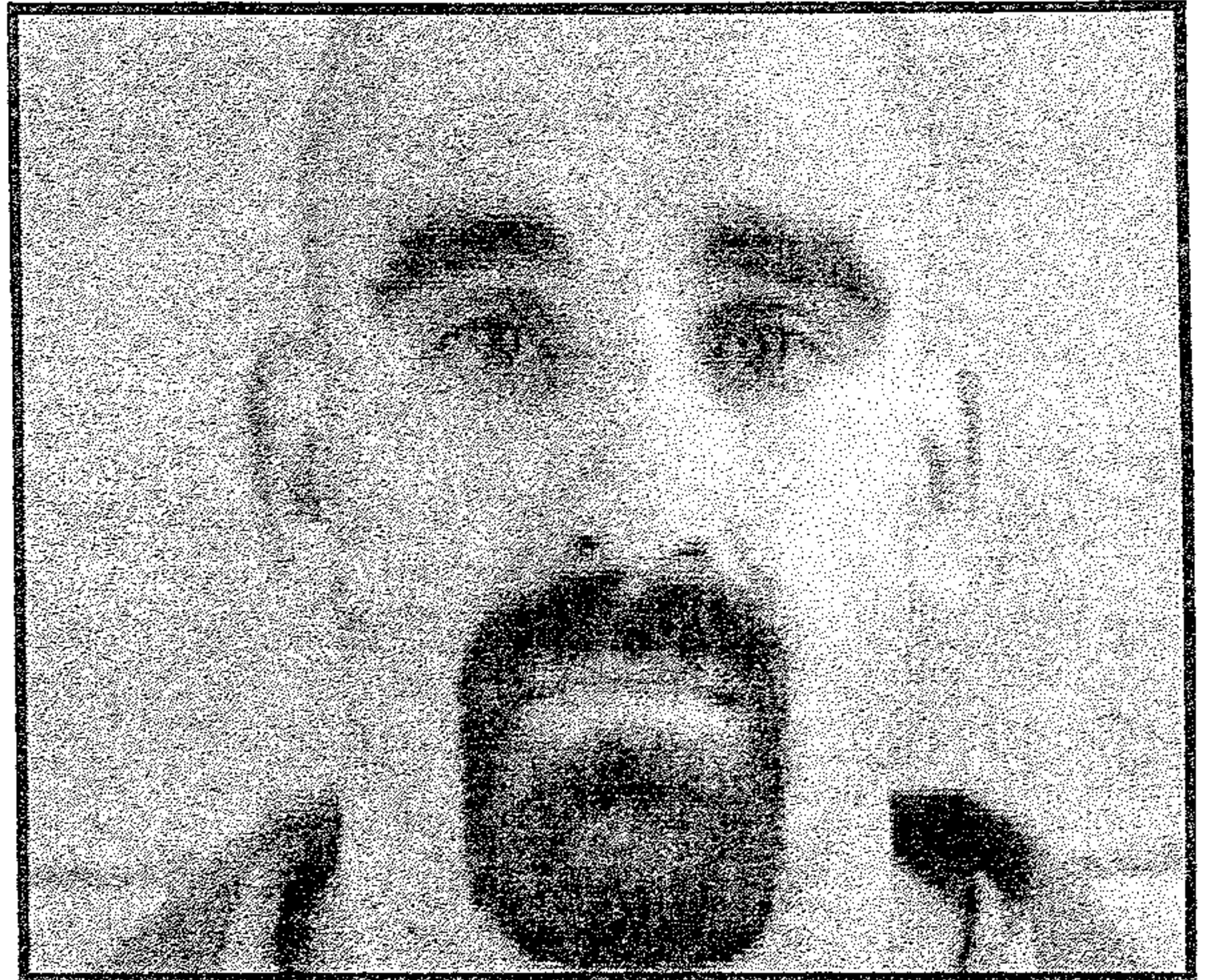
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Loudon County Toys for Tots 2016

Thanks to the generosity year after year of the Loudon County residents, churches, businesses and industries, the Loudon County Sheriff's Office is once again able to offer the Toys for Tots program. We are beginning our 32nd year of providing toys to the needy children of Loudon County, and thanks to generous contributions of time, money and gifts, we are able to make Christmas a more joyful time for more and more children. In 2015, approximately 500 chil-

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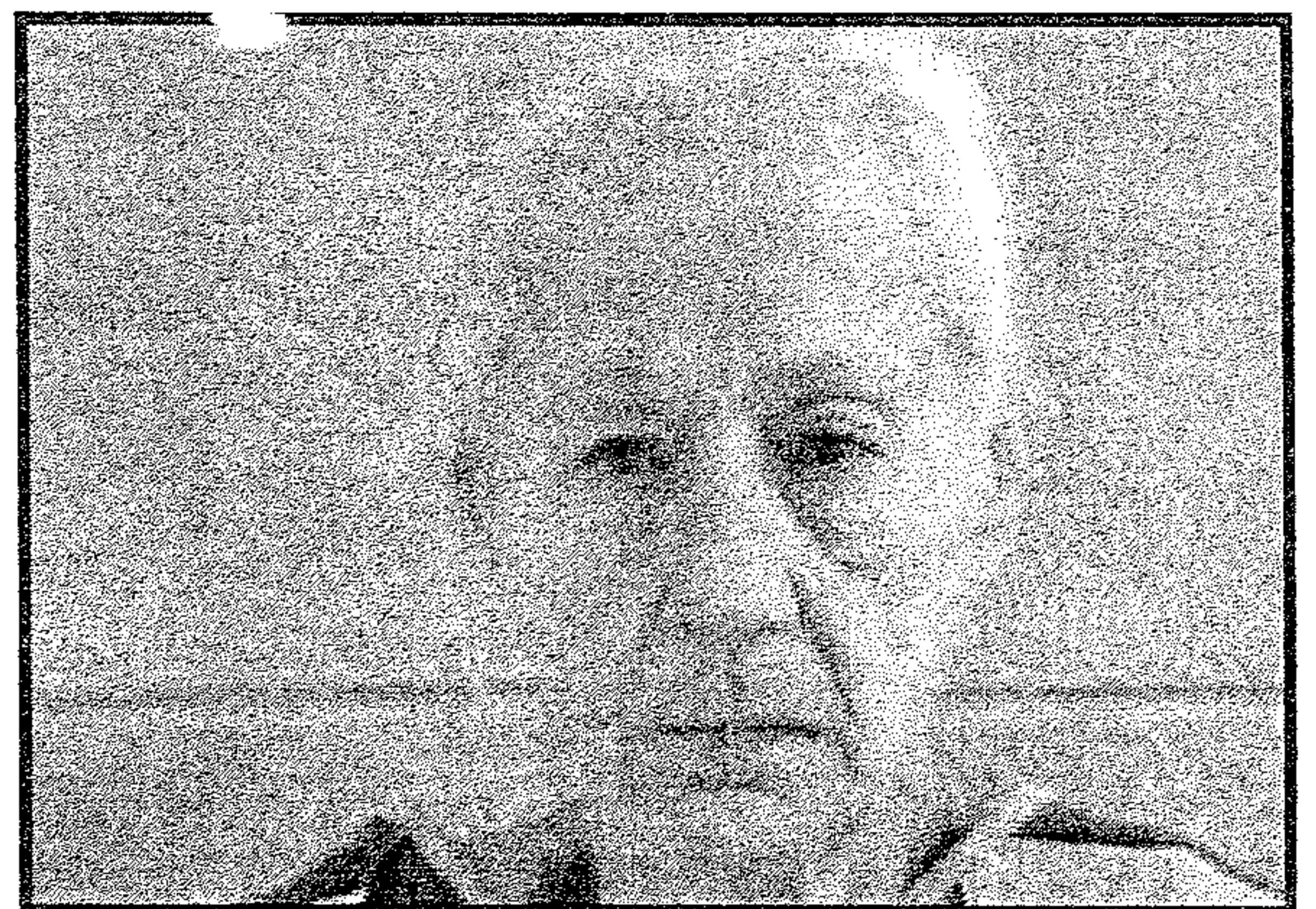
Meth needle found and weed hidden in shoe



Eric Leach

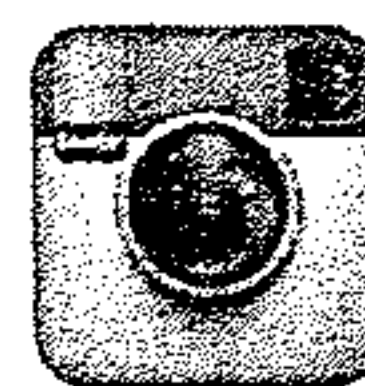
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60 year old with medical card charged with resale



Lela Mitchell

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Verse of the Day

The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!" — Matthew 8:27

Obituaries

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Wazzup

Looks like everybody is gearing up for the game at Bristol this weekend. Do you think the Vols can actually win? Do you think Virginia Tech stands a chance? Was it

worth moving the game from Neyland Stadium? Let us know!

Weather

Today: Abundant sunshine. High 91F.

Tonight: Clear. Low 63F. Tuesday A mainly sunny

sky. High 93F.

Tuesday Night A mostly clear sky. Low 66F.

Horoscopes

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Your drive for quality is overwhelming at times, but now you have a chance to

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robbery

Noah Simpson, 18, Sunnyside Road Philadelphia, was charged with Aggravated Robbery, and Theft of Property.

Devon Thaxton, 19, Ferry Street Loudon, was charged with Aggravated Robbery, and Theft of Property.

Deputy Ben Everett LCSO, received a call of a past robbery that occurred at Avery Street.

Upon arrival Deputy came into contact with the complainant who was inside the residence along with complainants fiance. The male Victim stated he was laying in bed with his fiance, when he heard noises coming from his living room.

Victim stated he walked down his hallway and into his living room where he saw two guys standing in his living room pointing guns in his face and telling him to get on the ground. Victim then stated he then ran into his bedroom and closed the

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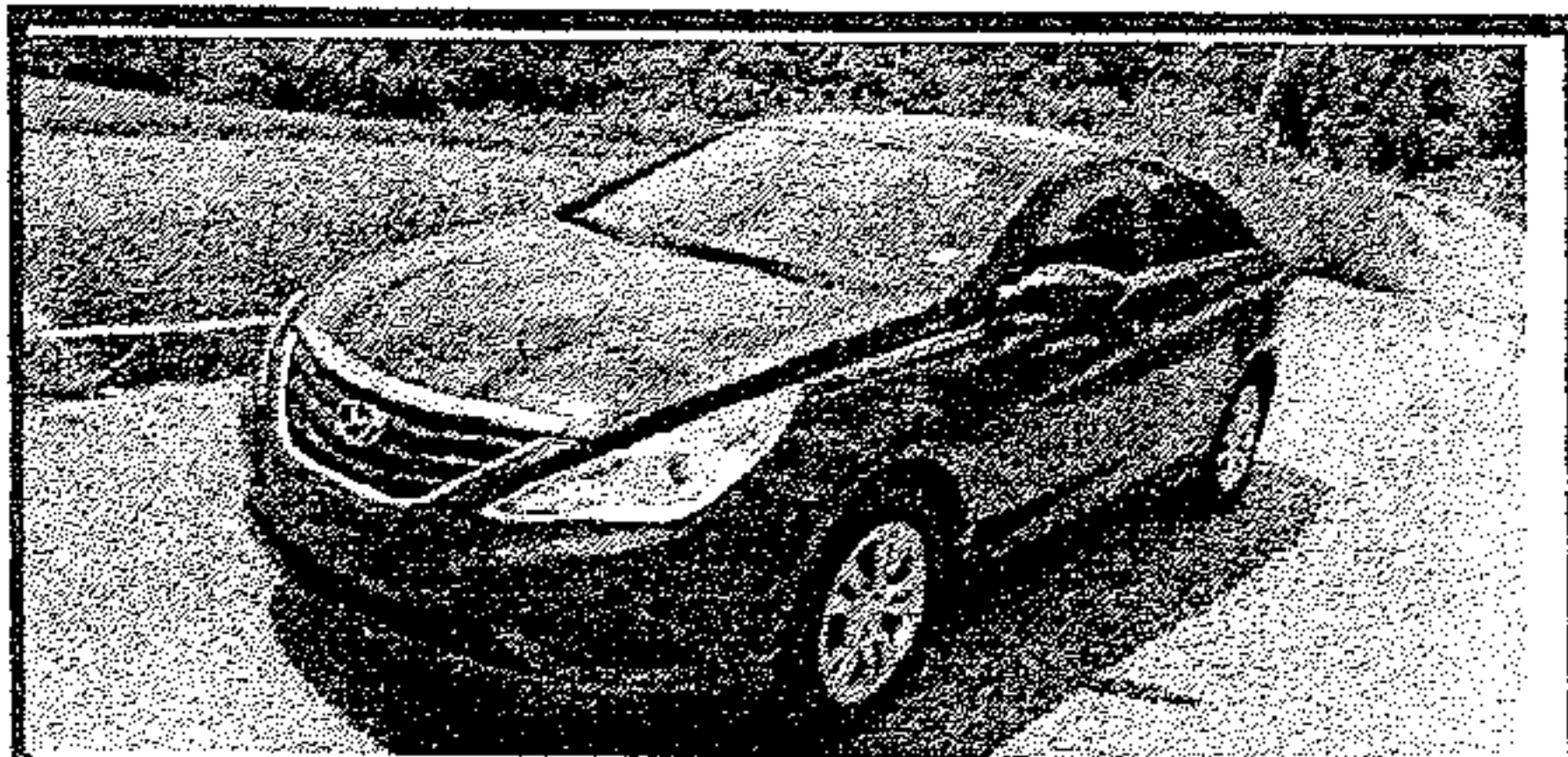
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Needle

Eric Leach, 29, North D Street Lenoir City, was charged with Tampering/Fabricating with Evidence, Simple Possession, Poss. of Drug Para., and Failure to Appear.

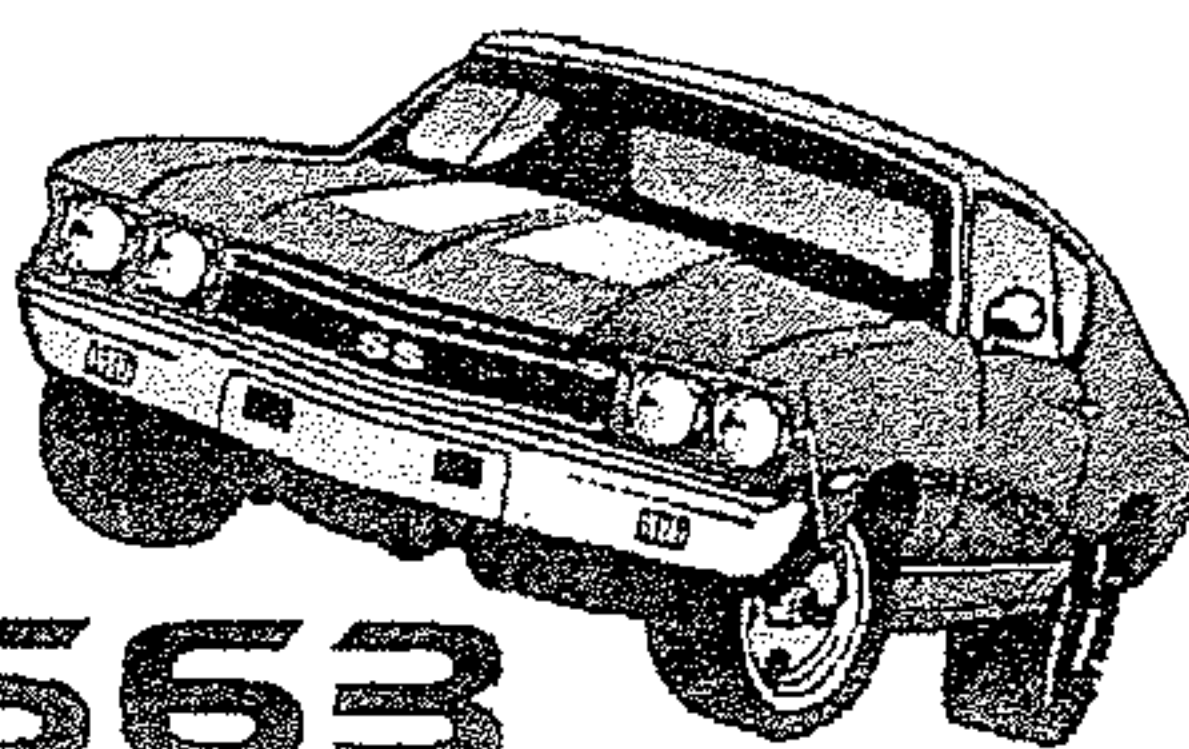
Deputy Kevin Dailey LCSO, observed a 2004 white Dodge Neon at Beals Chapel Rd and Mashburn Rd fail to dim their headlights.

Upon traffic stop at Beals Chapel Rd and Lakeland Rd Deputy came in contact with driver, and front seat passenger Eric Leach and backseat passenger both passengers appeared to be anxious and nervous through their actions. Driver who is owner of the vehicle consented to a vehicle search where Deputy found a syringe in between the passenger seat and console, Mr. Leach later on admitted the


needle to be his and that he did in fact shoot up Meth. Mr. Leach consented to a search of his person where Deputy asked him multiple times if he had anything on him to let the officer know however he continued to answer no that he didn't. In Mr. Leach's shoe was a bag of marijuana (1.6g) that he had attempted to conceal from myself. He was taken into custody and transported to the Loudon County Justice Center without incident, while the driver was given a verbal warning for failing to dim headlights.

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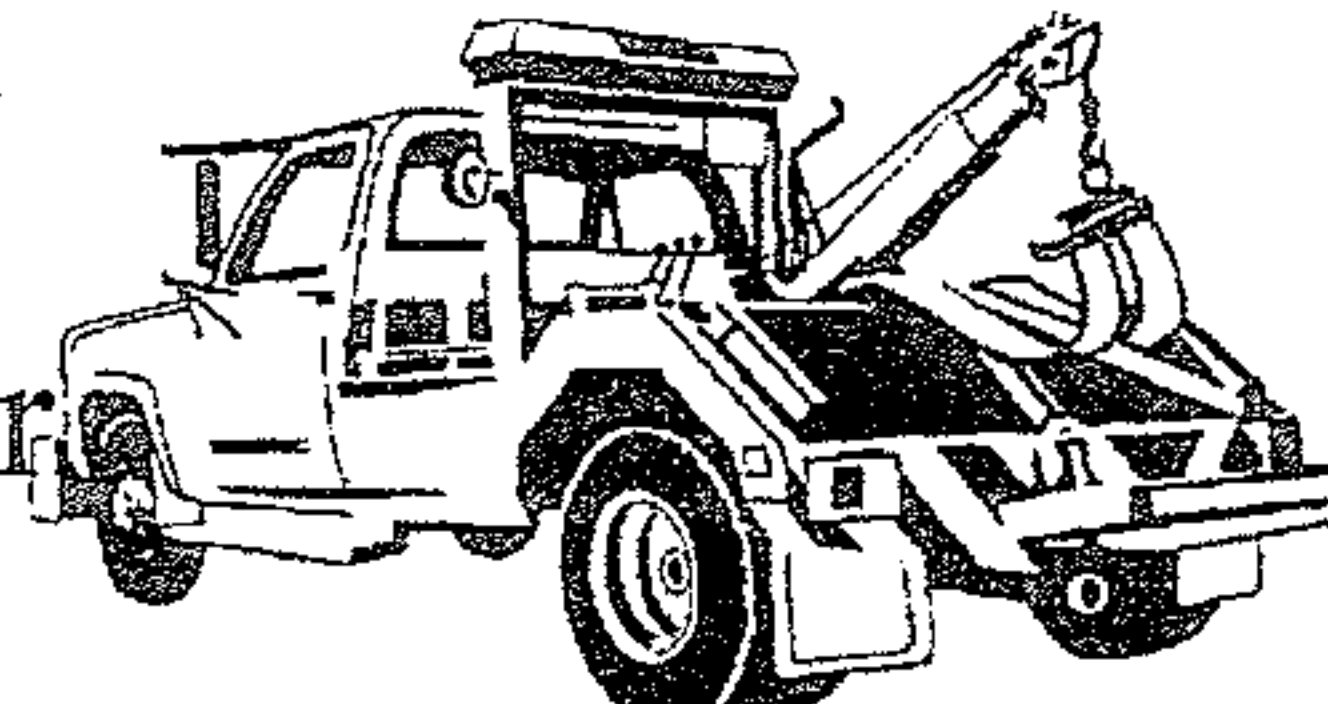
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Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the 2016 applications will be available at the Loudon County Sheriff's Office. Applications will be accepted for children from Age 1 through 8th grade that are enrolled in the Loudon County or Lenoir City School systems. Homeschooled students that reside within the county are also accepted with proof of their homeschooling.

ALL applications must be returned to the Loudon County Sheriff's Department by 4 PM, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016. It is requested that everyone please submit their application as soon

as possible. Applications must also include a copy of the parent or guardian's current income information. A current Tennessee Driver's License or State Issued ID is required from the parent, and a copy of the child's social security card is also required.

Names will be available beginning in mid-October through business and churches. If you are considering helping a child this Christmas, please be assured that applicants are thoroughly checked to make sure they require this assistance. Names are also compared with the school systems to make sure no one is receiving duplicate assistance. If your business or church would be willing to take names please call Debbie Hines, Toys for Tots Coordinator at 986-4823.

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Haslam To Call Special Session To Prevent Loss of \$60 Million in Federal Highway Funds

Governor Disappointed in U.S. DOT Decision to Deem State Out of Compliance

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam today announced he will call an "extraordinary session" of the 109th General Assembly to consider legislation preventing the loss of \$60 million in federal highway funds after the U.S. Department of Transportation deemed the state out of compliance with a federal "zero tolerance" drunk driving statute.

"We are disappointed in the U.S. Department

of Transportation's decision. The state made clear to federal officials that while it disagrees with the interpretation that Tennessee is out of compliance, any such perceived impact of the law was inadvertent and could be fixed in January 2017," Haslam said. "To avoid any negative impact to the state, I will ask the General Assembly to convene in a special session and clarify state law in this matter."

Last month the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) notified the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) that 2016 Tennessee Public Chapter No.

1030, which passed overwhelmingly during the 2016 legislative session, signed by the governor, and actually strengthened penalties for DUI offenders aged 18 to 20, puts the state out of compliance with a federal "zero tolerance" drunk driving statute that conditions certain federal highway funding on compliance with its provisions.

The NHTSA indicated Tennessee would permanently lose \$60 million if it remained out of compliance as of October 1. In separate letters to NHTSA, TDOT Commissioner John Schroer and Tennessee Attorney

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Wanted

David Roy, 48, Anderson Street Sweetwater, was charged with Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, Poss. of Drug Para., Simple Possession, and Unlawful Carrying or Possession of a Weapon. Deputy Kenneth Palmer and G. Malone LCSO, observed a green vehicle on Hwy

11 with a headlight out. Deputy traffic stopped the vehicle on Hwy 11 at Willington Manor. Deputy Malone, made contact with the driver David Roy and ask for his license. Roy stated he did not have his license on him. Deputy ran Roy's name and date of birth though dispatch which came back suspended license, and a full extra-

dition warrant for VOP on a attempted 1st degree murder out of Florida. Mr. Roy was ask to exit the vehicle and detained. Deputy was given consent to search the vehicle. While searching the vehicle Cpl. Branum arrived and helped with the search. Items located were cut straw, a baggy with schard crystal substance, and

a 9mm highpoint rifle. Mr. Roy is a convicted felon. David Roy was transported to Loudon Jail.

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door. He then stated he waited for a minute and went back into the living room and noticed that his TV, along with his XBOX had been taken. Victim then stated to Deputy

and Sgt. Bowen there were three subjects total, one white male and two black males.

This did happen in Loudon County TN. After an investigation Noah Simpson, and Devon Thaxton were charged.

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General Herbert Slatery agreed that Tennessee continues to meet the requirements of federal "zero tolerance" drunk driving statute.

All 11 members of the bipartisan Tennessee congressional delegation urged U.S. Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx to work with Haslam and state officials to find a solution. To avoid a special session of the General Assembly, the state told federal officials it would take up a remedy in January 2017, but the state was notified today it needs to be in compliance by October 1 or face the loss of these federal highway funds.

Haslam will issue an official proclamation calling for a special session in September in the coming days to clarify Tennessee Code to remove any question of compliance with the federal requirements relating to federal-aid highway apportionment.

- See more at: <https://www.tn.gov/news/45267#sthash.XX-DYprfs.dpuf>

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Mitchell stated a couple of joints. Mitchell handed Deputy a pink bag with approx. 27.1 grams of marijuana, one pipe, one cigarette roller, and two packs of rolling papers. Mitchell did give Deputy a medical marijuana card out of Michigan. Mitchell was placed under arrest.

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Haslam and Commission Chair Announce Retirement of Executive Director of the Tennessee State Museum

After 35 years of service, Lois Riggins-Ezzell to retire at the end of the year

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam and Tom Smith, chairman of the Douglas Henry State Museum Commission, today announced that Lois Riggins-Ezzell, the executive director of the Tennessee State Museum, will retire December 31. Riggins-Ezzell has led the museum since 1981. At her retirement, she will retain the title of executive director emeritus.

"Lois has given her heart and soul to telling Tennessee's story and showcasing its rich history across the country and around the world," Haslam said. "We are

grateful for her many years of service and all that she has done for the Tennessee State Museum and for our state."

In her role, Riggins-Ezzell has had oversight of museum facilities including the Tennessee State Museum, the Military Branch of the museum which is housed in the War Memorial Building, and the Tennessee State Capitol. She has managed the museum's

\$3.9 million operating budget and has served as an ex-officio member of the Douglas Henry State Museum Commission, the museum's governing authority.

"Lois has had a distinguished career, and we salute her tireless efforts on behalf of the museum over these many years," Smith said. "As we look to the museum's future, we build on the foundation see museum ctd. pg. 8

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 tion of the museum's past, and Lois has been such an important part of that. I am particularly pleased that Lois will retain the title of Executive Director Emeritus, recognizing her long and invaluable service to the Museum and the citizens of Tennessee."

Riggins-Ezzell received her undergraduate degree at Belmont College and pursued graduate work at Western Kentucky State University.

"It has been an honor and privilege to spend such a large part of my professional career with the Tennessee State Museum," Riggins-Ezzell said. "I am extremely excited about the museum's future and am proud of the foundation we've built for its success for decades to come. I look

forward to supporting ongoing efforts to get the new museum up and running, particularly as it relates to the on-going fund raising effort which Governor Haslam is leading."

During her career, she has served as an educator, historic site interpreter, curator, and public administrator and was one of five national grant recipients of a one-year sabbatical in museum studies at George Washington University and the Smithsonian Institute.

"Having known Mrs. Riggins-Ezzell and worked with her for over 40 years, I can attest to the fact, without any qualification, that she has created the foundation on which the new museum will stand and at the same time, with a minimal budget, acquired on behalf of all the people

of the state of Tennessee one of the greatest collection of artifacts owned by any state museum to honor our state's heritage," former state senator Douglas Henry, said.

ABOUT THE TENNESSEE STATE MUSEUM

The Tennessee State Museum was established by law in 1937 "to bring together the various collections of articles, specimens, and relics now owned by the State under one divisional head," and "to provide for a transfer of exhibits wherever they may be."

Today, the Tennessee State Museum is housed in the James K. Polk building in downtown Nashville, where it has been for nearly 35 years. Gov. Bill Haslam proposed and the Tennessee General Assembly approved \$120 million in

the FY-2015-16 budget to build a new home for the Tennessee State Museum on the Bicentennial Mall to maximize the state's rich history by creating a state-of-the-art educational asset and tourist attraction for the state. The governor also announced that \$40 million would be raised in private funds for the project.

A 140,000 square foot facility is being built on the northwest corner of

the Bicentennial Mall at the corner of Rosa Parks Boulevard and Jefferson Street to tell Tennessee's story in a way that the museum is unable to do in its current and outdated location by showcasing one-of-a-kind artifacts, art and historical documents in an interactive and engaging way.

- See more at: <https://www.tn.gov/news/45227#sthash.9Mm4ieio.dpuf>


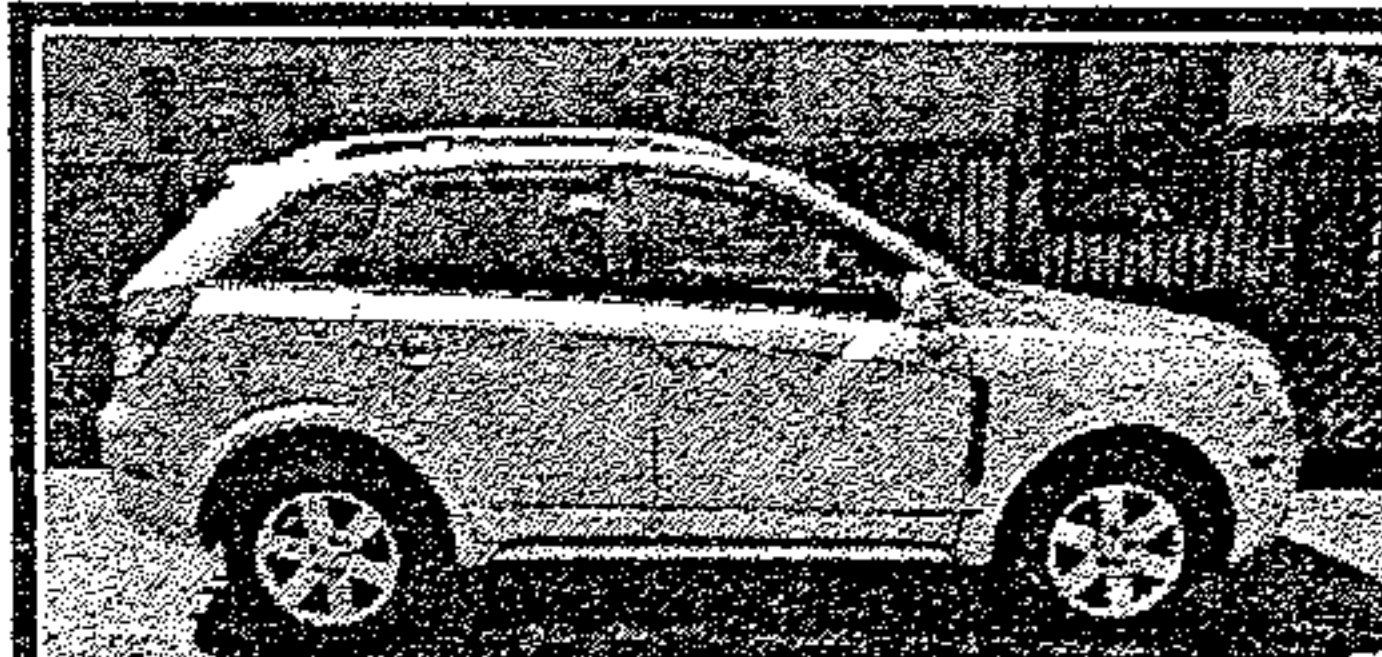
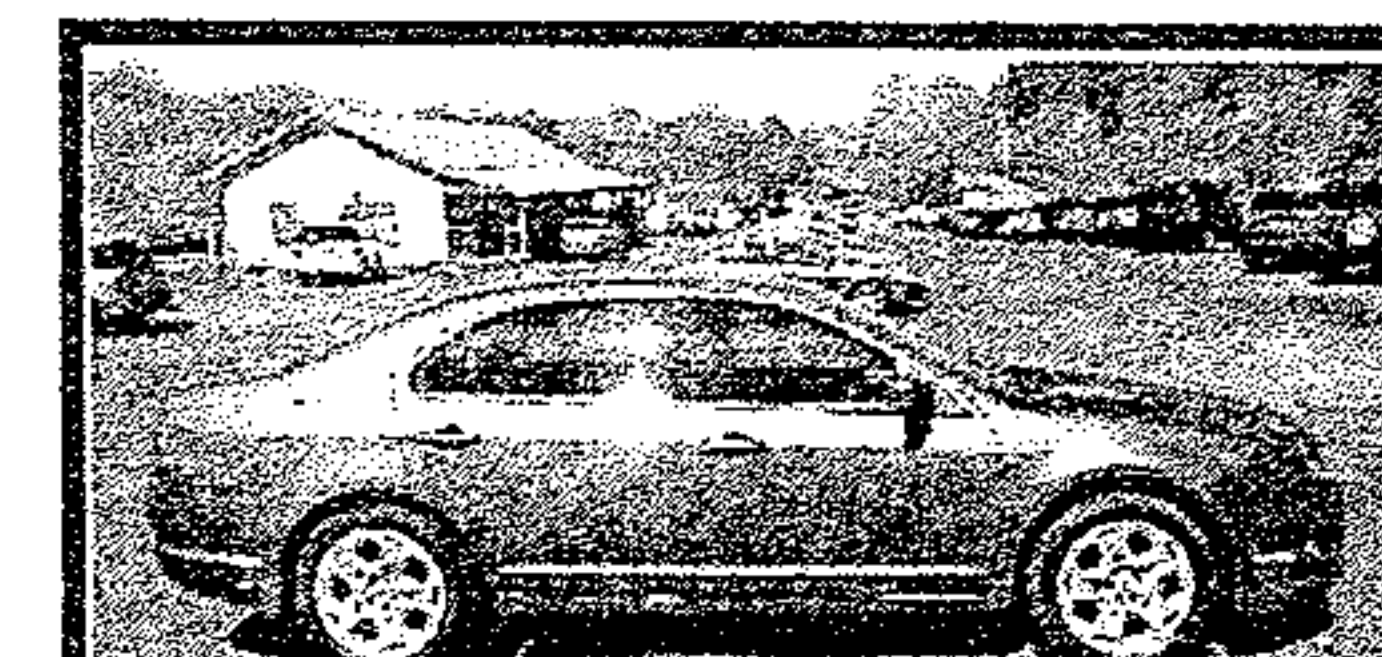
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