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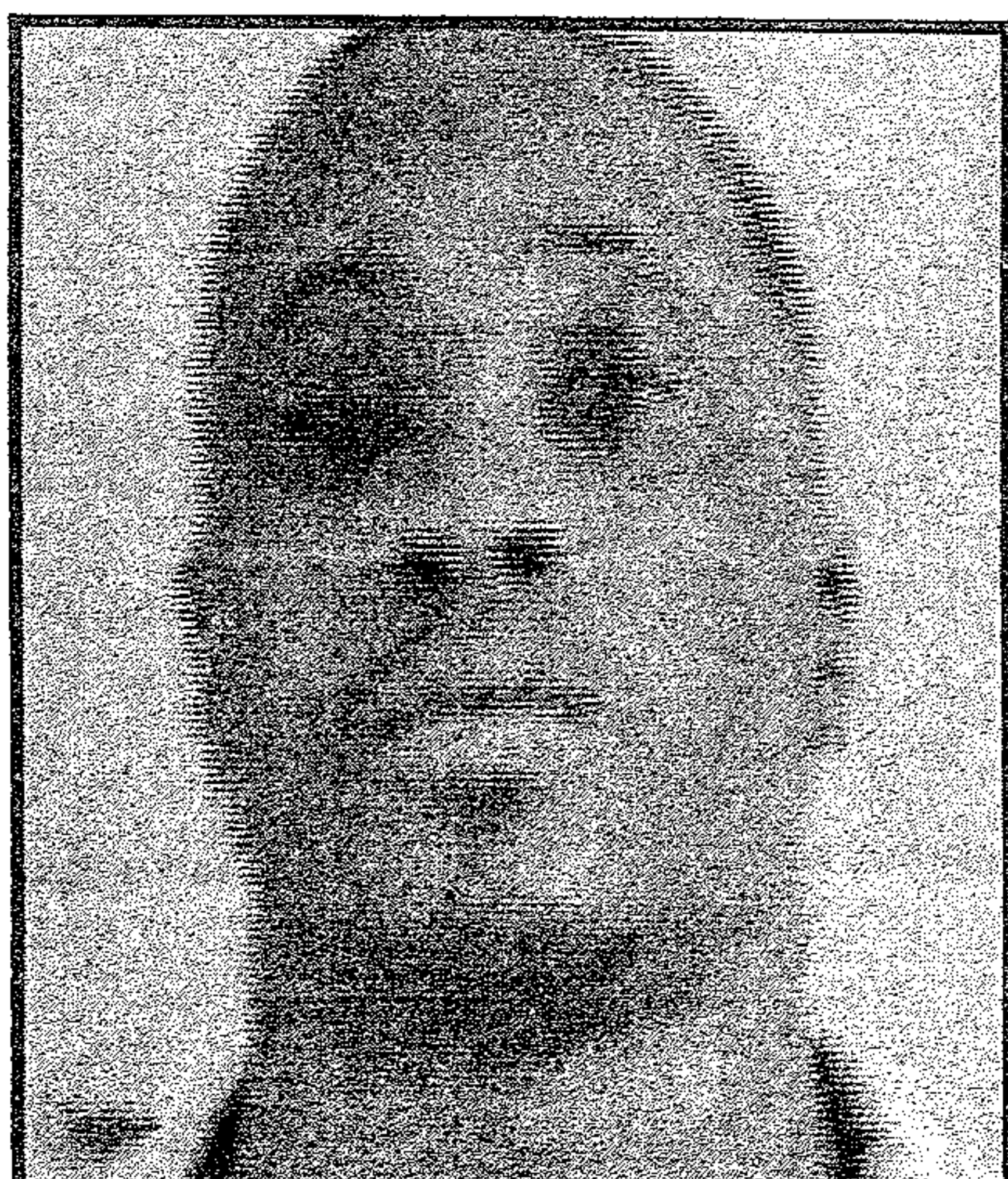
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Wednesday, February 1, 2017

Under the speed limit considered suspicious; 2 charged after traffic stop



Shelly Burnette



Shun Johnson (see stop pg. 2)

You left the wrapper behind...and you're mad?



Ricky Powell see wrapper pg. 7

Chicago man sentenced to 90 months on heroin and firearms charges

On Jan. 27, 2017, Cornelius Q. Hill, 29, of Chicago, was sentenced to 90 months in prison by the Honorable Travis R. McDonough, U.S. District Judge, for possession of a drug trafficking crime, and being a felon in possession of a firearm. Hill pleaded guilty to these charges, contained in a federal indictment, in October 2016.

According to information on file with the U.S. District Court,

(see sentenced pg. 4)

Haslam: Community College Tuition-Free for All Tennesseans

Reconnect to offer last-dollar scholarship for adults without degrees to attend community college

In his seventh State of the State address to the General Assembly, Gov. Bill Haslam introduced his proposal to make Tennessee the first state in the nation to offer all Tennessee adults without a degree access to community college tuition-free – and at no cost to

taxpayers. If the Tennessee Reconnect Act is approved, Tennessee would become the first state in the nation to offer all citizens – both high school students and adults – the chance to earn a post-secondary degree or certificate free of tuition and fees.

“Just as we did with Tennessee Promise, we’re making a clear statement to families:

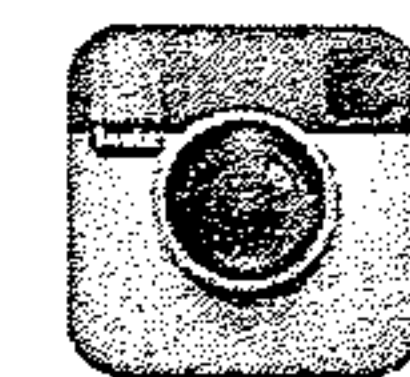
(see Haslam pg. 7)

Governor Haslam, Commissioner Boyd Announce Williams Sausage Company, Inc. to Expand in Union City

Food manufacturer to build second facility, create 226 new jobs

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam, Economic and Community Development Commissioner Randy Boyd and Williams Sausage Company, Inc. officials announced today that the longtime Tennessee food manufacturer will build a second plant in Union City. The expansion will create

see Sausage pg. 4



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Verse of the Day

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Obituaries

see inside Wazzup

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Weather

Today: A mix of clouds and sun early, then becoming cloudy later in the day. Slight chance of a rain shower. High near 65F.

Tonight: Rain showers

early with overcast skies late. Low 41F.

Thursday Some clouds in the morning will give way to mainly sunny skies for the afternoon. High 53F.

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stop

Shelly Burnette, 36, Hancock Road Jasper, was charged with DUI, Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, Man/Sell/Possession of Controlled Substance, Simple Possession, and Violation of Implied Consent.

Shun Johnson, 35, 5th Ave Chattanooga, was charged with Man/Sell/Poss. of Controlled Substance, and Assisting other Agency.

Deputy Kevin Dailey LCSO, observed a silver Dodge Stratus going 42 mph in a 50 mph at highway 321 and White Wing Rd. Due to

the speed and observing the registration lights to be out Deputy turned around to fol-

(see stop ctd. pg. 7)

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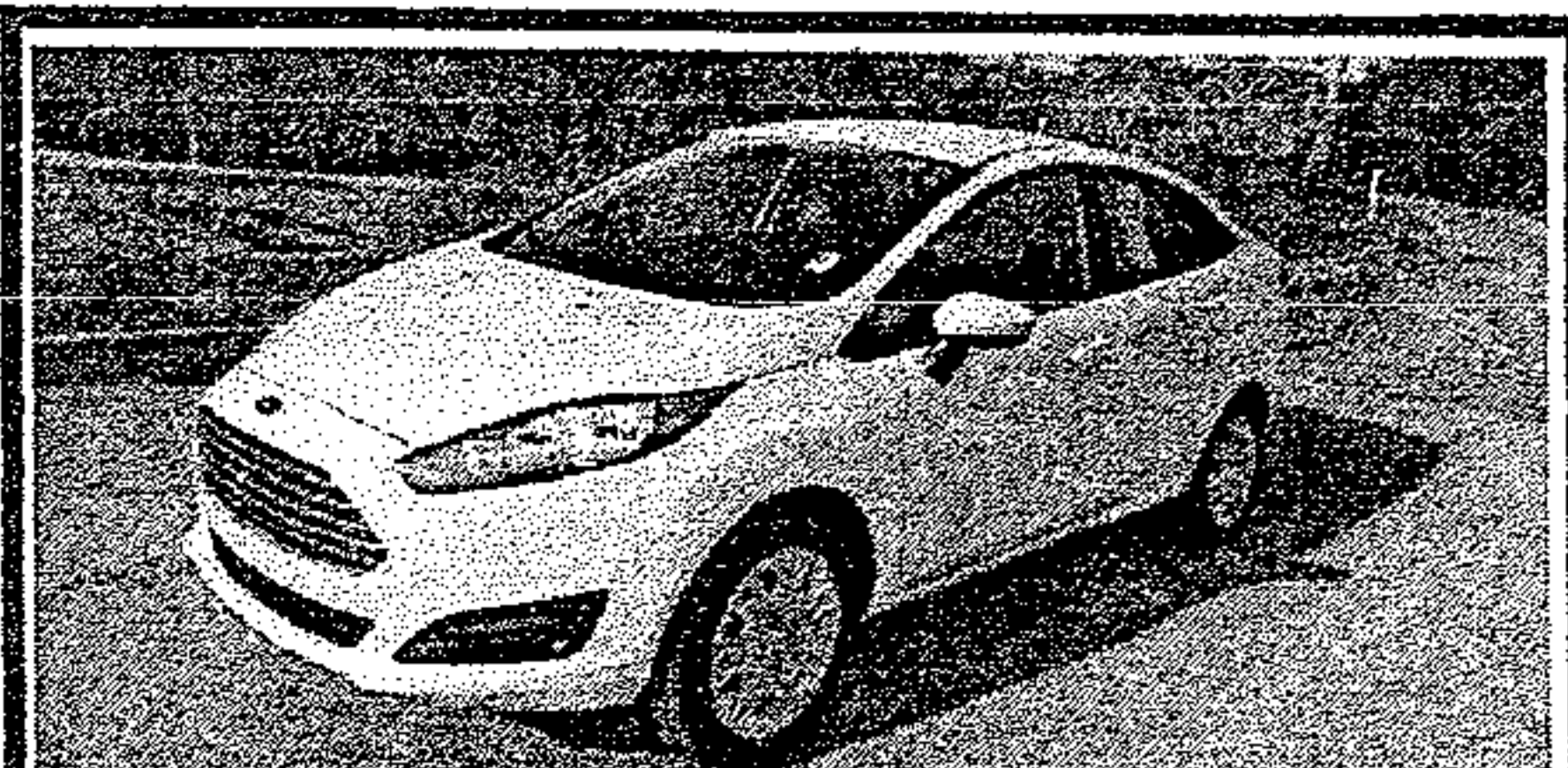
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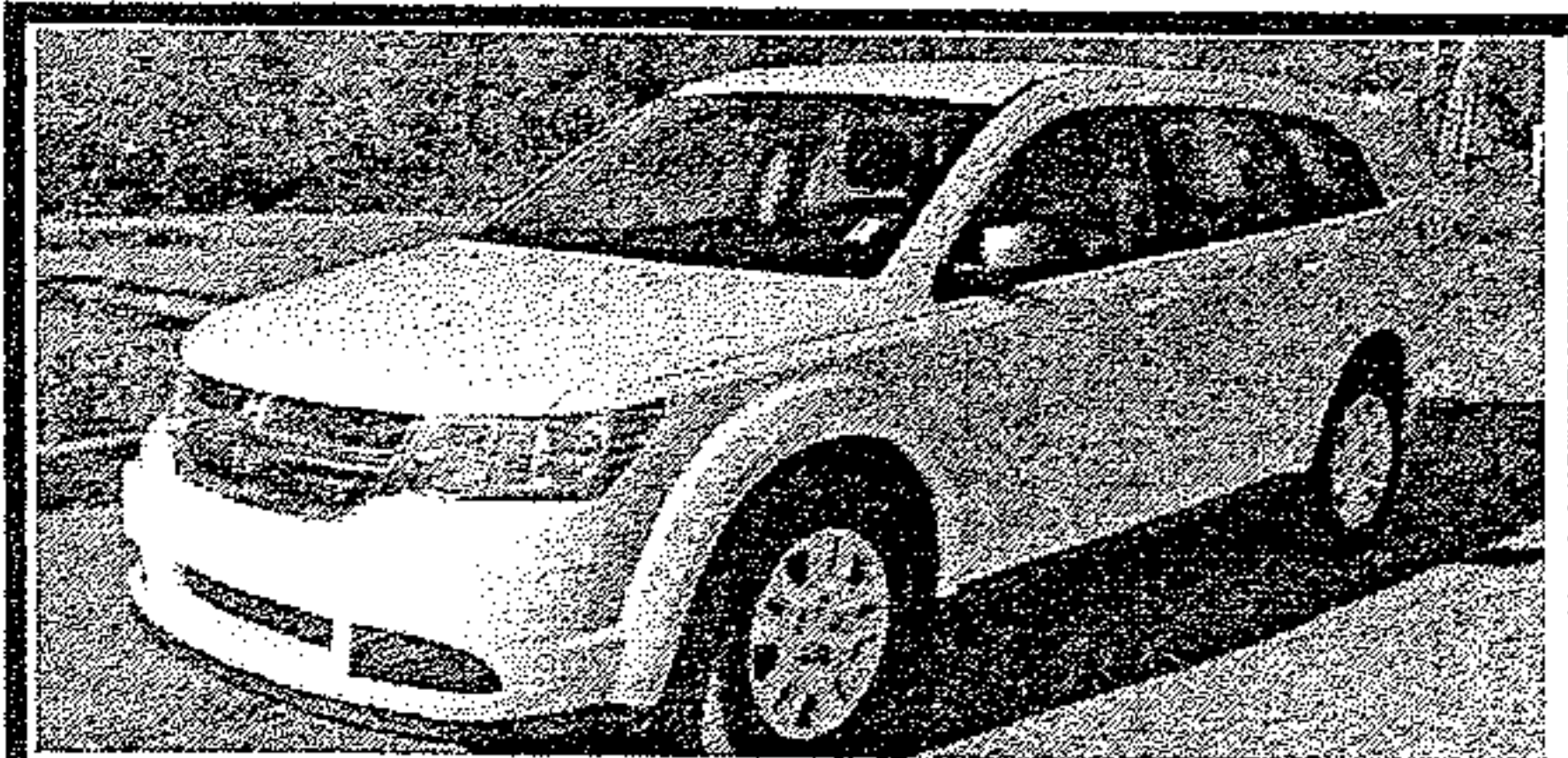
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Sentenced

in August 2016 Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Special Agents seized approximately 40 grams of heroin and a loaded firearm from a hotel room Hill was using in Chattanooga. Hill admitted the heroin and firearm were his and that he was sent down to Chattanooga from Chicago to sell heroin for the Vice Lords, a violent street gang based out of Chicago.

Hill's sentence reflected the danger and risk of harm his conduct posed to society. The United States asked the court to impose a sentence that

would deter future drug dealers from Chicago and elsewhere from traveling to the Eastern District of Tennessee to sell their drugs.

The indictment and subsequent conviction of Hill was the result of an investigation conducted by the DEA. Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael D. Porter represented the United States.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), a comprehensive national strategy that creates local partnerships with law enforcement agencies to effectively enforce existing gun laws. It provides more

options to prosecutors, allowing them to utilize local, state, and federal laws to ensure that criminals who commit gun crime face tough sentences. PSN gives each federal district the flexibility it needs to focus on individual challenges that a specific community faces.


This case was a result of the Department of Justice's Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) program, the centerpiece of the Department of Justice's drug supply reduction strategy. OCDETF was established in 1982 to conduct comprehensive, multi-level attacks on major drug trafficking and money laundering organizations. Today, OCDETF combines the resources and expertise of its member federal agencies in cooperation with state and local law enforcement. The principal mission of the OCDETF program is to identify,

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Sausage

226 new jobs in Obion County over the next five years.

"For generations, Tennessee has made some of the best-known and most-respected food brands in the world. Wil-

liams Sausage Company is part of this strong legacy and I'm pleased it has decided to build a second plant in Union City," Haslam said. "This major expansion by Williams Sausage will create hundreds of new jobs for Obion County residents

and bring us closer to our goal of making Tennessee the No. 1 location in the Southeast for high quality jobs."

"In the last six years, the food and beverage industry has poured \$2 billion worth of investment into Tennessee alongside

more than 6,500 new job commitments," Boyd said. "The food manufacturing industry now employs more than 33,500 Tennesseans. When a homegrown business like Williams Sausage plans to further invest in Tennessee, it's a strong

affirmation of our state's high-skilled workforce and business-friendly environment. On behalf of Team Tennessee, I'd like to thank Williams Sausage for committing to create 226 new jobs in Obion County."

Founded in 1958 by Harold and Hazel Williams, Williams Sausage produces fresh sausage, fully cooked sausage, bacon, sandwiches and other food products for wholesale to retail grocers, restaurants, whole grocery warehouses and food distributors.

Williams Sausage brands are now sold in more than 4,000 retail outlets in 20 states. Williams Sausage remains a family-owned business managed by the founders' sons, David and Roger Williams.

"Williams Sausage Company and the Williams family are excited about expanding in our hometown," Roger Williams, CEO of Williams Sausage, said. "The support we have received from the State of Tennessee, Union City, and Obion County in this endeavor has been overwhelming and will help propel our business to a new level. We are extremely thankful for our existing team members and customers, who have made our business such a success that we need to build this new facility."

The company's Union City plant has undergone several expansions, most recently in 2012.

With its existing Union City plant operating at near capacity, Williams Sausage will invest about \$37 million to construct an approximately 180,000-square-foot facility in Obion County, which will include a cold storage distribution center, truck maintenance operations, corporate offices and a new sandwich processing line.

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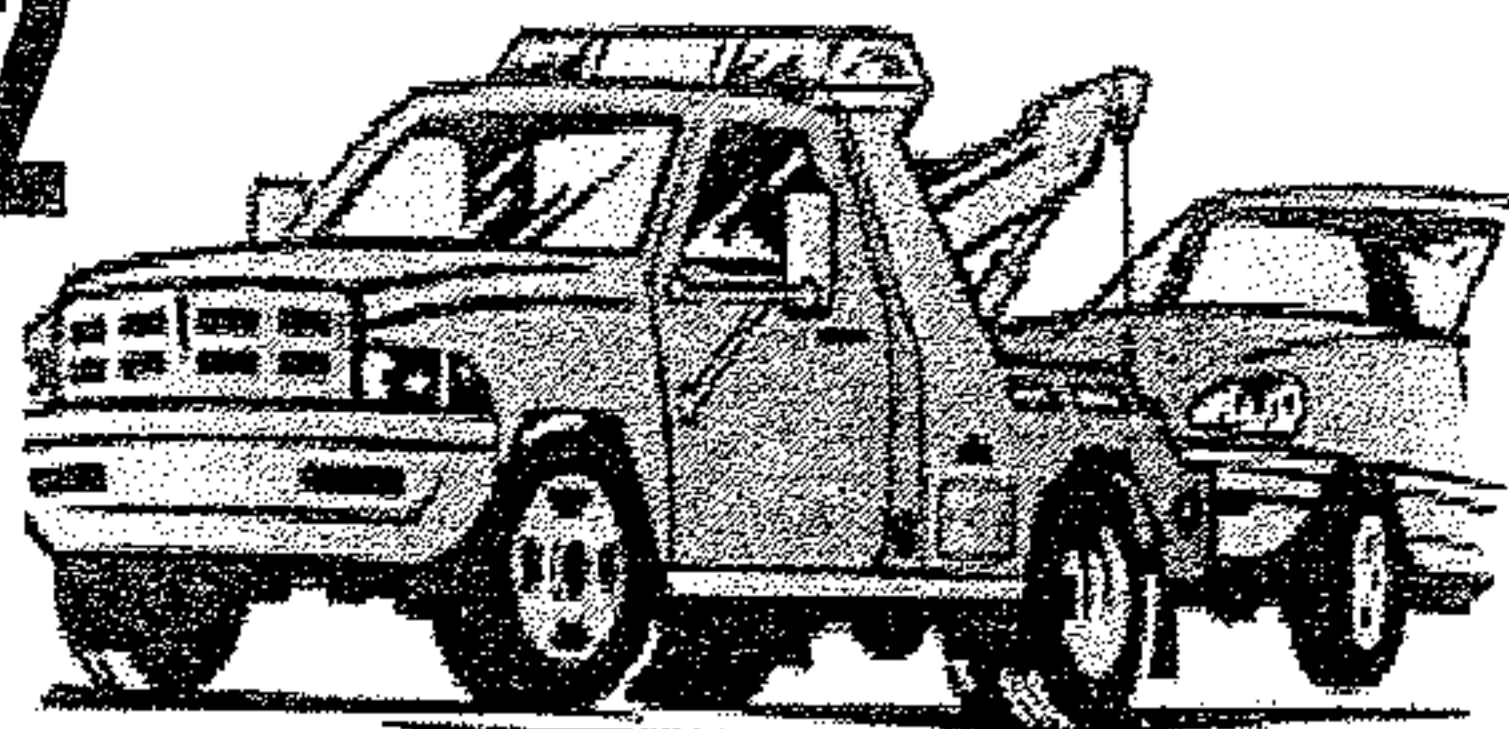
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wrapper

Ricky Powell, 41, Jackson Bend Road Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault. Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, responded to Jackson Bend Road to a possible domestic. Before Deputy arrival he was advised by dispatch the male subject Ricky Powell left the residence on foot. Deputy check the area and did not locate Powell. Deputy went to the residence and spoke with the victim, and noticed a male running toward the residence. Deputy identified the male as Ricky Powell Deputy detained Powell while he spoke with the victim. Victim stated Powell borrowed the victim vehicle and found an empty condom wrapper in the vehicle and became angry and accusing victim of cheating on him. Victim stated Powell started breaking items and feared bodily injury and called 911. Dispatch advised there to be an active Order of Protection between the two. Powell was placed under arrest.

stop ctd. from pg. 2

low the vehicle.

Traffic stop was initiated at highway 321/I40 East bound entrance ramp for registration lights being out, where Deputy came in contact with the driver Shelly Brunette and passenger Shun Johnson. Due to Mrs. Burnette obvious nervousness by fumbling for her items in her car, and not wanting

to look at me Deputy asked her to step out of the vehicle where Deputy observed her to be unsteady on her feet. Mr. Johnson did admit during investigation that he did give the wrong social and DOB due to him having warrants out of Hamilton County which was confirmed through dispatch.

Dispatch also confirmed Mrs. Burnette had a suspended license, after she consented to search Deputy found a pill bottle with the name scratched off with 51 Adderrall pills inside. She also had marijuana (3.2 gm) that she had in her bra, neither subjects admitted to the Adderralls pills being theirs.

Field Sobriety was administered to Mrs. Burnette where she performed poorly, she was read Implied Consent where she refused. The vehicle was towed by Malone's Wrecker Service, with both subjects being transported to Loudon County Jail. This all did occur in Loudon County, Tennessee.

Haslam

wherever you might fall on life's path, education beyond high school is critical to the Tennessee we can be," Haslam said. "At the end of the day, there is no higher potential for providing more opportunity for our citizens than increasing access to high quality education. And the point is, we're doing it while maintaining discipline and responsibility to the taxpayer - keeping taxes

and debt low and saving for when the economy ultimately slows."

Launched in 2013, the Drive to 55 is the governor's effort to increase the number of Tennesseans with a postsecondary degree or certificate to 55 percent by 2025. Currently, Tennessee needs 871,000 post-secondary degrees or certificates to reach 55 percent, but mathematically there's no way to reach that goal by only serving high school students. There are 900,000 adults in Tennessee that have some college but no degree.

Tennessee adults without a certificate can already attend Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology (TCATs) tuition-free under the Reconnect program, and the governor's Tennessee Reconnect Act would add community colleges into the program. Click here for information on the Reconnect proposal.

The governor also unveiled tonight the Tennessee STRONG (Support, Training, and Renewing Opportunity for National Guardsmen) Act, establishing a four-year pilot program for eligible members of the Tennessee National Guard to receive a last-dollar tuition reimbursement toward a first-time bachelor's degree.

The Reconnect and STRONG acts are the

final two pieces of Next-Tennessee, Haslam's 2017 legislative agenda aimed at building and sustaining economic growth and the state's competitiveness for the next generation of Tennesseans.

The governor also released his Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget proposal. The \$37 billion proposal makes significant investments in teachers, K-12 schools, higher education, state employees, the state's Rainy Day Fund and the tax cuts included in the governor's IMPROVE Act. For a second year in a row, and the second year in Tennessee recorded history, the state budget does not take on any new debt.

Notable investments

include:

\$200 million to fund the Basic Education Program (BEP), including

\$100 million for teacher salaries and

\$22 million for English Language Learners;

\$77 million for state employee pay increases

and market rate adjustments targeting high-turnover positions in state government;

\$132 million to bring the state's Rainy Day Fund to an all-time high of \$800 million, well on the way to the statutory guideline of \$1 billion;

\$655 million in state dollars for maintenance and new buildings across general government and higher education;

\$135 million transferred from the General Fund to pay back the Highway Fund;



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