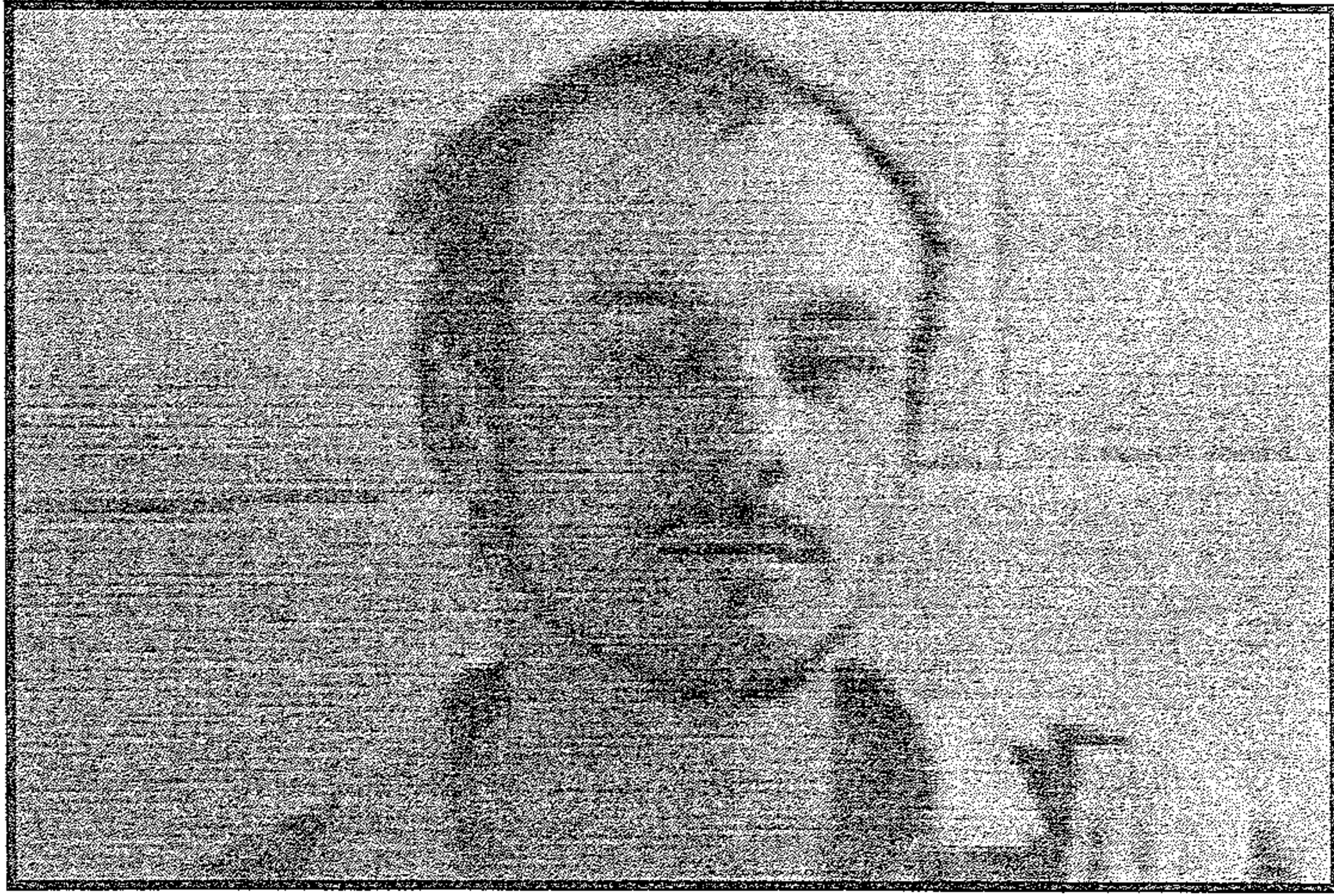


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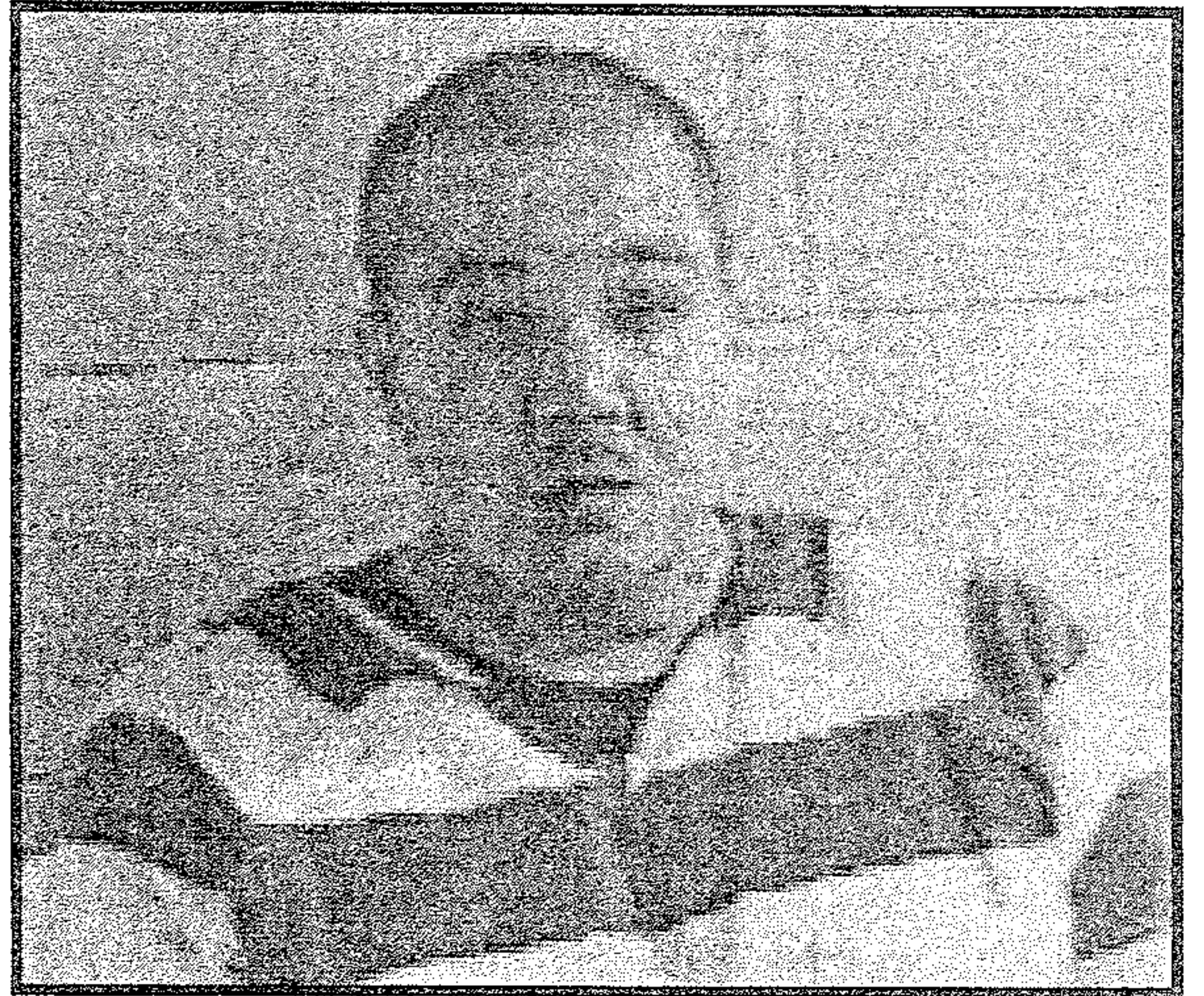
Man charged with aggravated assault following sword attack



Brandon Deaton

see Sword pg. 2

Large chunk of hair pulled out during attack



Joshua Thomas

see attack pg. 3

Comptroller's Office Evaluates the Tennessee Textbook Commission

A new report from the Tennessee Comptroller's Office examines the effectiveness of the process used by the Tennessee Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission. The report, which was prepared at the request of Senator Dolores Gresham, also reviews the ad-

justments that may be needed in the textbook selection process given technological changes. The Textbook Commission is charged in law with recommending an official list of textbooks and instructional materials for public school students in grades K-12 to the State see Comm. pg. 5

Decatur County Audit Contains Serious Findings and an Adverse Opinion

Audited Financial Statements of Decatur County Hospital are Not Available

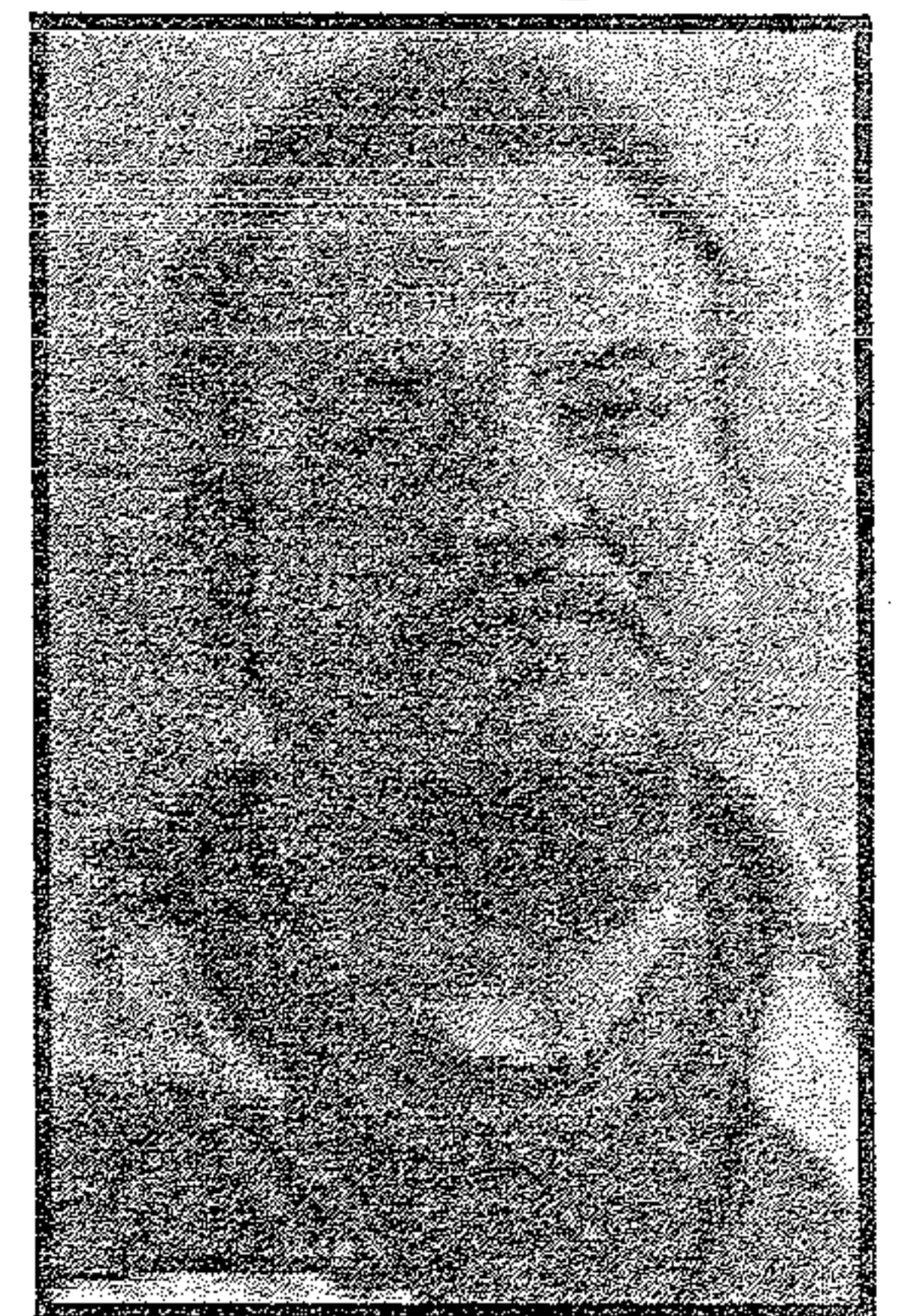
The financial position of the Decatur County General Hospital is not clear because the hospital has not been audited by an outside firm since fiscal year 2016. This is the primary reason the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has issued an adverse opinion on the county's component units in De-

caur County's fiscal year 2019 audit report. An adverse opinion is given when financial statements are not fairly presented. Decatur County's annual audit also includes 10 findings detailing significant

See Decatur P.4



No Taillights leads to meth being found



Stephen Blake See meth P.4

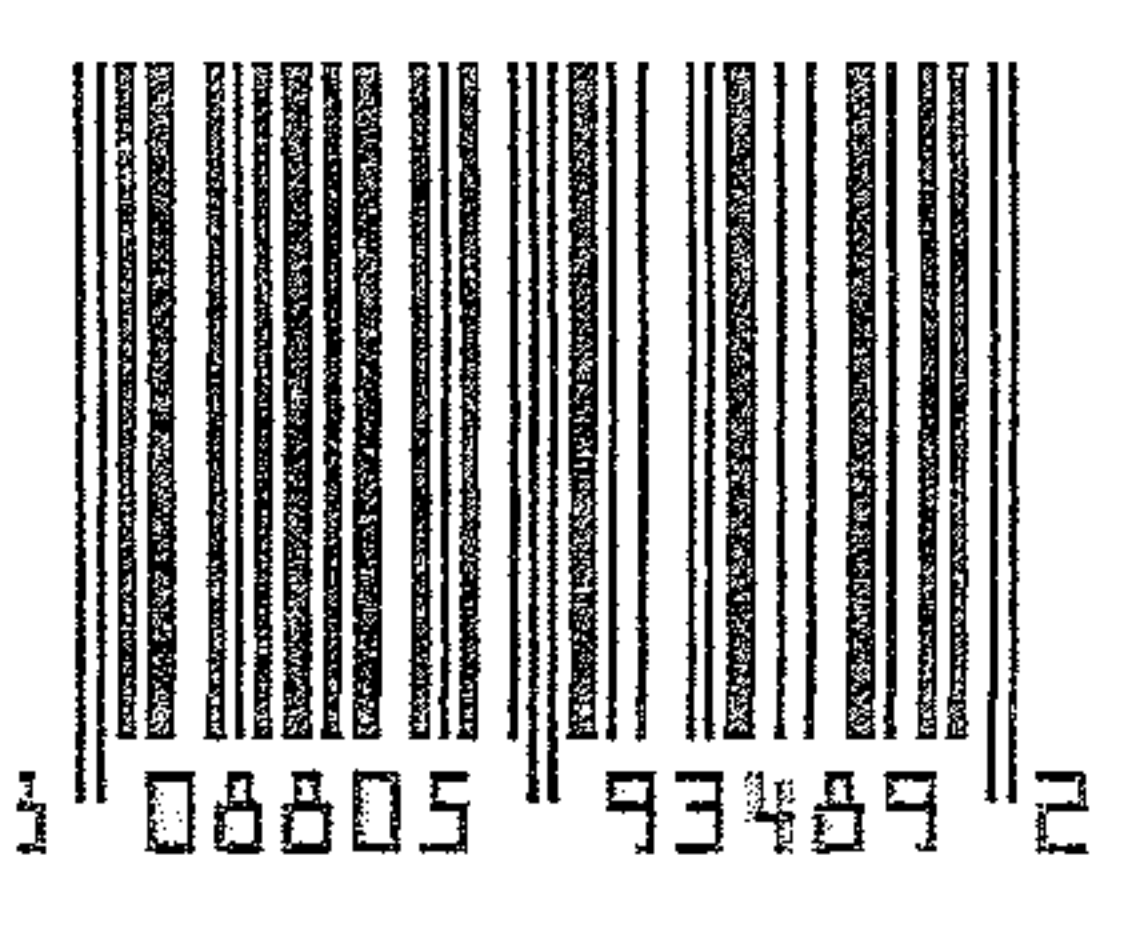


Verse of the Day
I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. —Galatians 2:20

Wazzup
A Big Shout Out To The Street Crews in the County and Cities yall doing a great job keeping the roads clear for sure. Keep up the good work!

Weather
Today: Clear. High of 54F.
Tonight: Nice. Low of 25F
Saturday: Sunny. High of 52F.
Saturday night: Cool. Low of 24F.

Sunday: Clear and sunny. High of 56F.
Sunday night: Cool. Low of 26F.
Horoscopes
Pisces 2/19-3/20
Your associations with others are highlighted now
(Continued on page 6)



Sword

Brandon Deaton, 29, Homeless Lenoir City, was charged with Aggravated Assault.

Officer Guider LCPD, was dispatched to Pine Ridge Drive on a past domestic that occurred at Grayson Freeman Lane. Upon arrival Officer made contact with the victim, who stated her boyfriend Brandon Deaton was at her residence,

and she was trying to get him to leave. Both parties started screaming at each other and victim took out her phone to call 911. Deaton grabbed the phone and broke it. Officer did observe a broken phone. Victim stated Deaton threw her on the floor holding her down screaming he was going to kill her, and asking victim how that felt, I I'll kill you. Victim pushed him and got up

Deaton threw her to the floor again while holding a sword saying he would kill her.

Victim got free and Deaton ran out the door. Victim ran next door and

called 911.

Warrants were issued for Brandon Deaton. Officer Watson LCPD, located Brandon Deaton at a later date and placed him under arrest.

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Attack

Joshua Thomas, 37, Kingston Street Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault. Officer Jonathan Yates LCPD, responded to Kingston Street in reference to a domestic assault. Upon arrival Officer came in contact with both parties and separated them for interview. It was discovered that the couple had been in a discussion and Joshua Thomas became hostile. Thomas attacked the victim and pulled out a large chunk of her hair, and choked victim while holding her down. The victim bit Thomas finger and fled upstairs for safety. Officer did observe a bald spot in victim hair and red scratch marks on her neck. Joshua Thomas was determined to be the primary aggressor, and placed under arrest.

Warrant for aggravated burglary served

Melody Wiggins, 40, Riverview Road Loudon, was charged with Aggravated Burglary. Deputy Lance Anderson LCSO, took Melody Wiggins into custody and transported her to the Loudon County Jail on an active Aggravated Burglary Warrant out of General Session Court.



Melody Wiggins

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: EARL J. RUSSELL, deceased DKT# 6030

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 180, Public Acts of Tennessee 1809
As Amended by Public Chapter 806 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of EARL J. RUSSELL who died on the 29th day of November 2019 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

THIS THE 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020

Steve Harrelson, Clerk
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s)
JASON RUSSELL

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Run date: 2-21-20 & 2-28-20

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: JAMES T. AXLEY, deceased DKT# 6038

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 180, Public Acts of Tennessee 1809
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Notice is hereby given that on the 11th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of JAMES T. AXLEY who died on the 22nd day of JANUARY 2020 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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THIS THE 11th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020

Steve Harrelson, Clerk
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
Penny Glasgow, Chief Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s)
JEFF AXLEY

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Meth

Stephen Blake, 49, Homeless Lenoir City, was charged with Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Simple Possession. Deputy S. Mills LCSO, conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 321 near Cut Thru Road. Deputy stopped a black vehicle for no taillights. Deputy made contact with the driver Stephen Blake, whom informed the Deputy he did not have a license. A check through dispatch revealed his license were revoked for a DUI. Blake then produced a small clear bag that contained what believed to be meth that was located in a cigarette box. Stephen Blake was placed under arrest, and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Woman charged with contributing

Amy Gonzalez, 33, Old Lee Hwy Lenoir City, was charged with Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor. Deputy D. Harrison LCSO, served Amy Gonzalez with an active Contributing Warrant at the Loudon County Jail.



Amy Gonzalez

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Regarding the Estate of: **JUDY GALE HARVEY**, deceased DKT# 6040

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 180, Public Acts of Tennessee 1809
As Amended by Public Chapter 806 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of **JUDY GALE HARVEY** who died on the 7th day of JULY 2019 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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THIS THE 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020

Steve Harrelson, Clerk
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
Penny Glasgow, Chief Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s)
SHAWN RENEE BAKER

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: **ROBERT L. FOSHEE**, deceased DKT# 6042

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 180, Public Acts of Tennessee 1809
As Amended by Public Chapter 806 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on the 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of **ROBERT L. FOSHEE** who died on the 2nd day of JUNE 2019 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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THIS THE 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020

Steve Harrelson, Clerk
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
Penny Glasgow, Chief Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s)
DEBORAH BOWMAN FOSHEE

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 175, Public Acts of Tennessee 1939 As Amended by Public Chapter 862 on 05/09/2012)

IN REGARDS TO THE ESTATE OF:
DOCKET NO: 6037
MICHAEL RAY BALLARD, deceased,
a resident of Loudon County, TN

Notice is hereby given that on the 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of MICHAEL RAY BALLARD, who died on the 2nd DAY OF JANUARY 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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This the 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020
STEVE HARRELSON, CLERK
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
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By Personal Representative(s)
SHERRI HILL

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Run date: 2-21-20 & 2-28-20

Comm.

Board of Education for final approval. The commission must ensure textbooks and materials are aligned to Tennessee's curriculum standards.

The analysis by the Comptroller's Office of Research and Education Accountability (OREA) found:

The Textbook Commission has not had full membership since 2016, and current membership does not reflect the grand divisions of the state.

The Tennessee Department of Education has historically allocated limited staff to support the commission's activities, though the department recently increased staff support for the commission.

More information about each step on the path to approval for all textbooks and instructional materials on the state-approved list would make the adoption process more transparent and understandable.

The textbook adoption process does not require publishers to fully disclose all the terms of use and licensing restrictions when submitting materials for inclusion on the state-approved list.

Tennessee's adoption process allows open educational resources to be submitted for review if the bidder submitting the materials meets certain requirements.

To read a more detailed analysis of the conclusions, please visit the Comptroller's OREA website at: tn-cot.cc/orea

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Decatur

deficiencies and other areas of noncompliance in the Office of County Mayor, Office of Assessor of Property, and the Decatur County Public Library.

The audit findings related to the Office of County Mayor include expenditures exceeding the appropriations ap-

proved by the county commission; accounting deficiencies; a failure to solicit competitive bids for a used fire truck; and failure to maintain adequate employee leave records. Auditors also noted the county was assessed \$9,164 in interest and penalties by the Internal Revenue Service. Decatur County has

also not complied with its minimum fund balance policy which requires the unrestricted minimum fund balance of the General Fund to be at least ten percent of expenditures. On June 30, 2019 this balance was \$158,948, which is \$614,726 below the minimum fund balance requirement. "The problems in Decatur County require

the county's full attention," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "In addition to the problems noted above, our Office has also not approved the county's fiscal year 2020 budget. While we stand ready to provide appropriate assistance, county leaders

must also take responsibility to immediately address these issues." If you suspect fraud, waste or abuse of public money in Tennessee, call the Comptroller's toll-free hotline at 800.232.5454, or file a report online at: www.comptroller.tn.gov/hotline.

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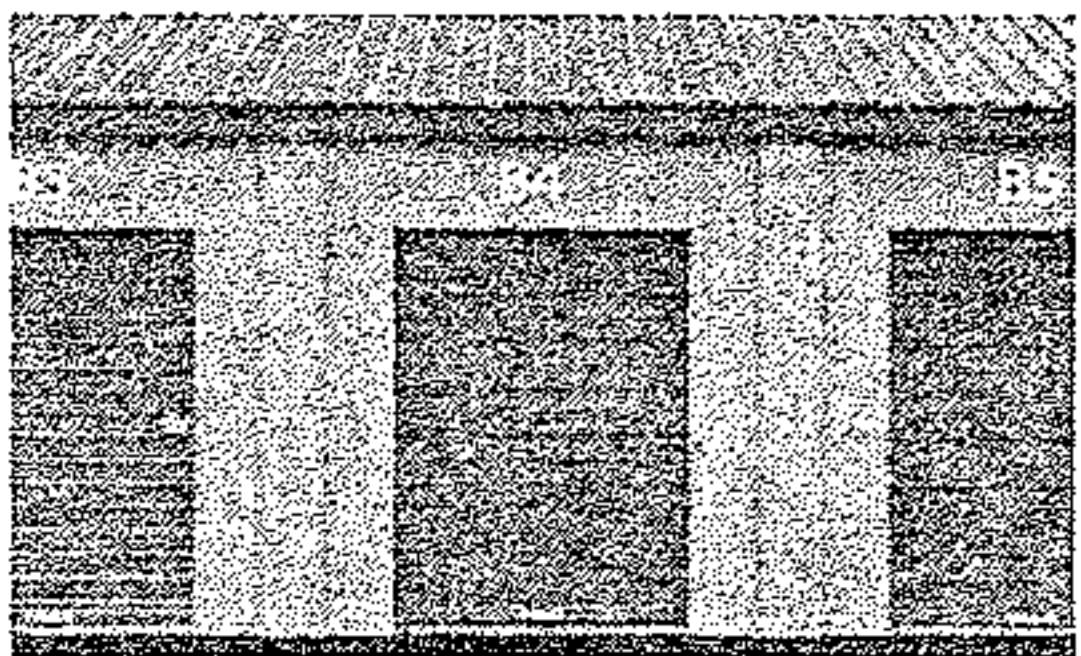
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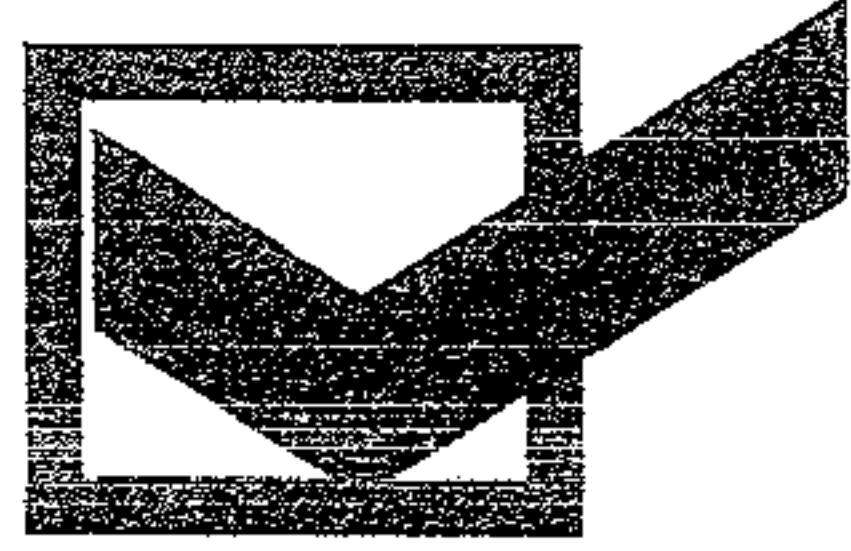
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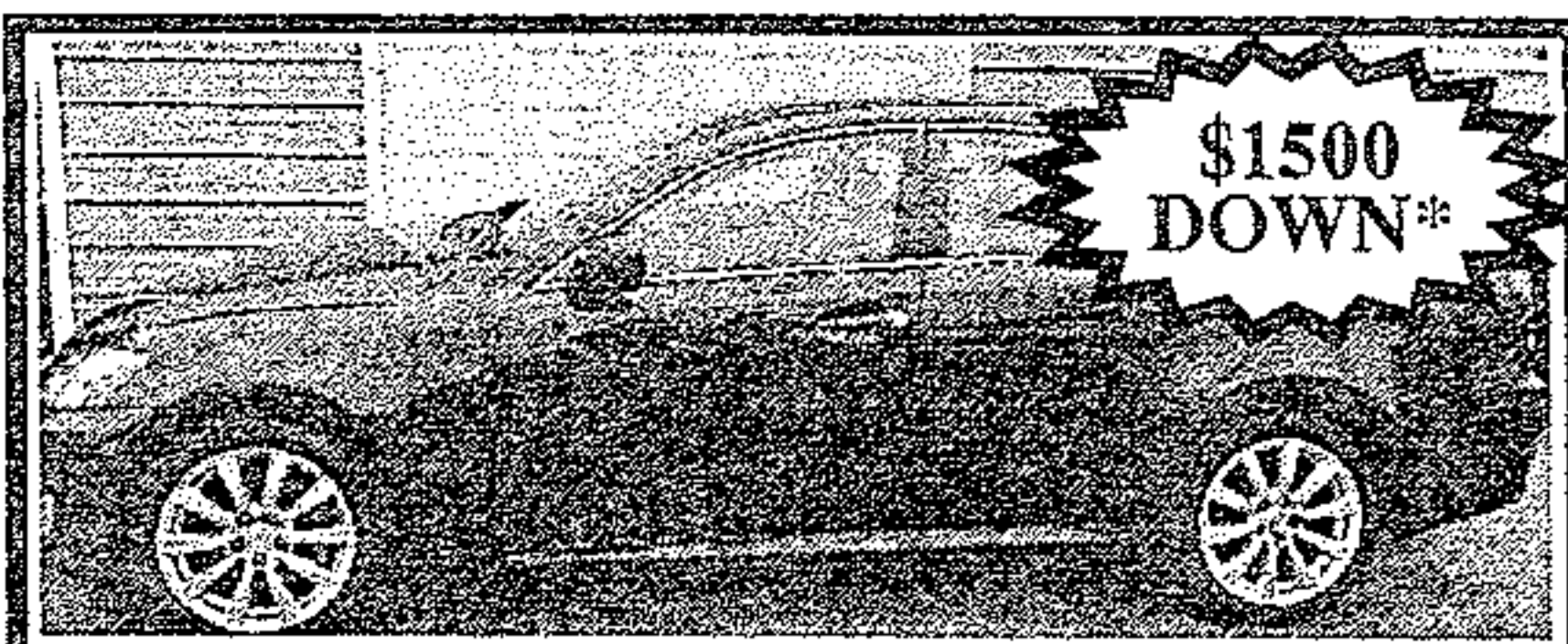
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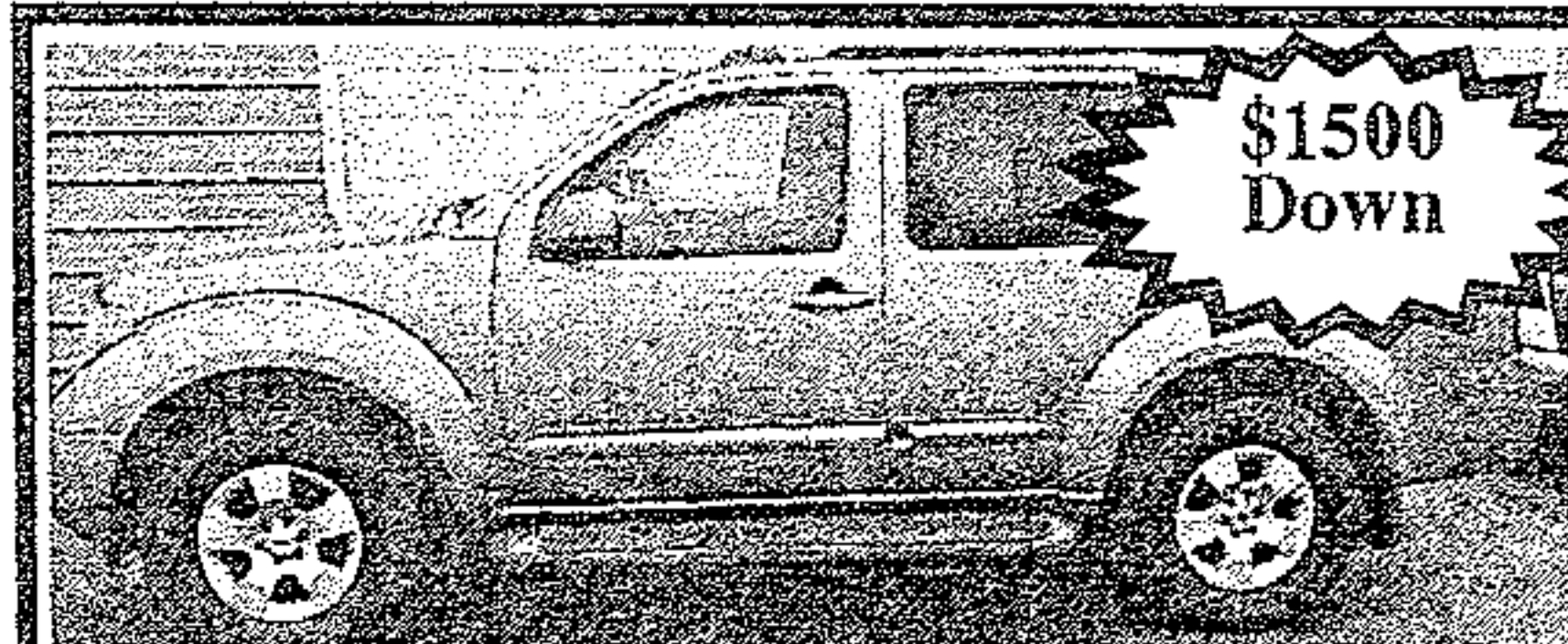
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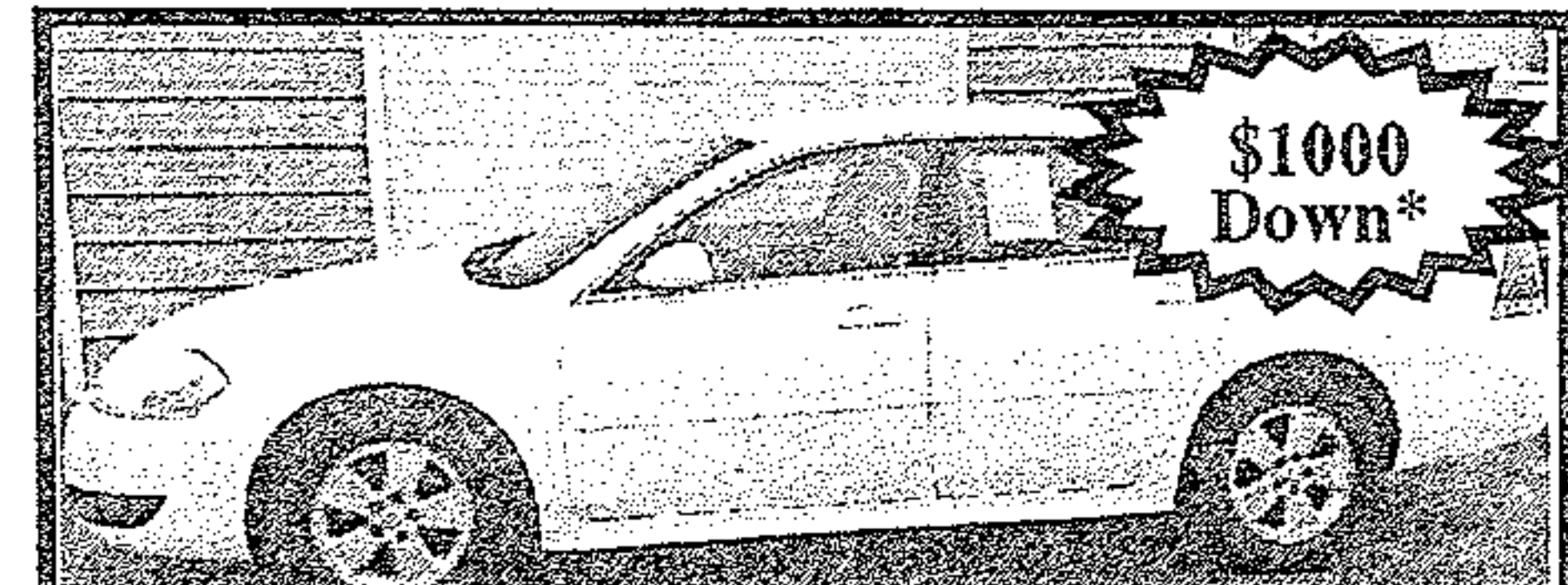
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