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Driver Stopped for Driving Too Slow and 2 Charged by LCSO



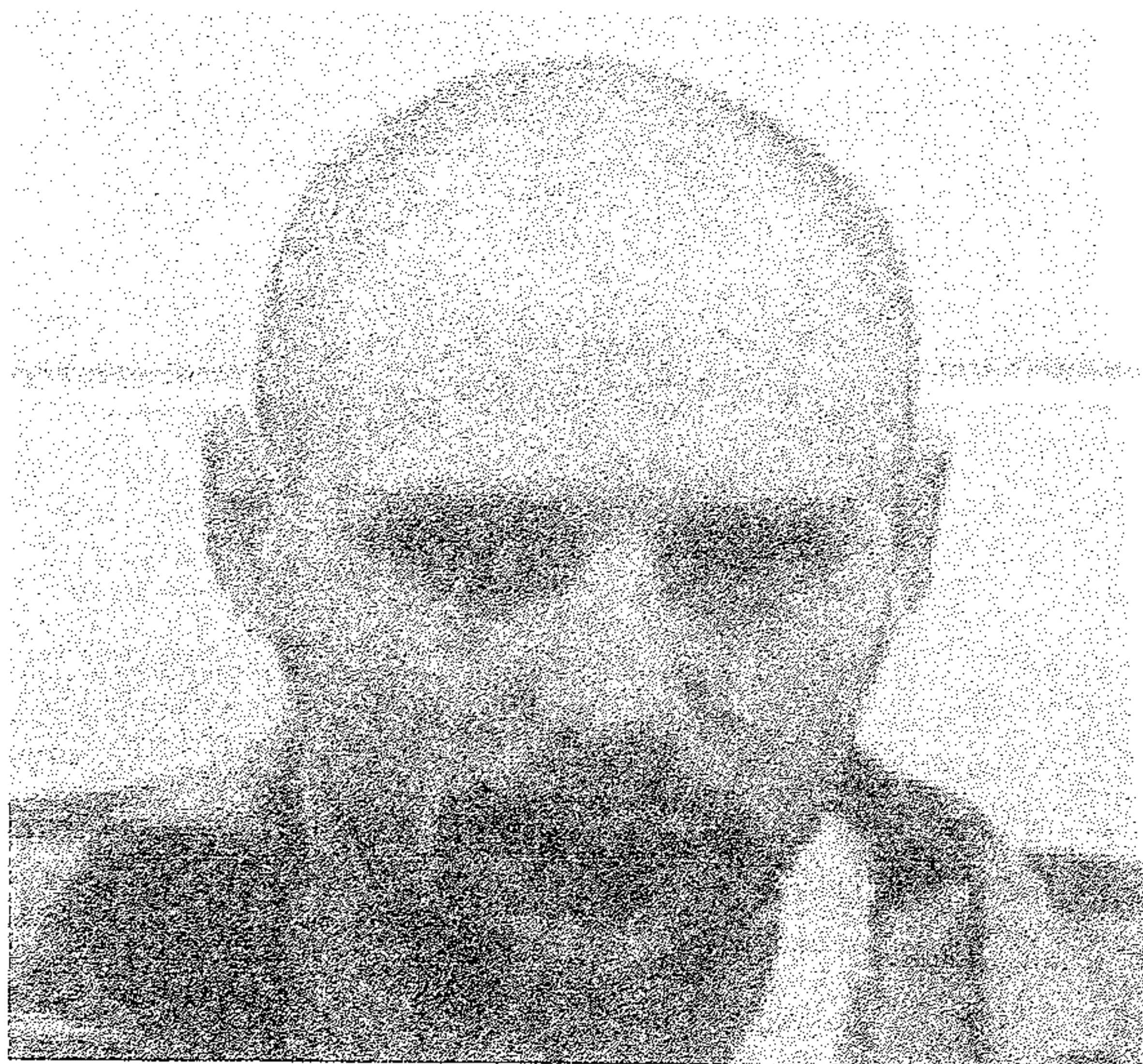
Brittney Byrge



Elizabeth Baird

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Man Charged with Criminal Simulation and Out of County Warrants



Justin Lippert

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Gun Used To Beat On Door in Drunken Assault



Donna Schopper

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Medical Equipment Packaging Company Hacker Sentenced

Disgruntled Former Employee Disrupted Shipments of Needed PPE During Pandemic When the COVID-19 pandemic reached the United States last spring, a Georgia-based medical equipment packaging company worked to get personal protective equipment (PPE) to medical workers treating sick patients.

But a disgruntled former employee thwarted those efforts at a time when protective equipment was desperately needed. Christopher Dobbins, a vice-president in the company who'd been fired a few weeks earlier, still had a secret account on the company's computer system that he'd created

before he was fired. Although the employer revoked his access, Dobbins used this secret account to get back into the company's computer system from his home in late March. Once in the network, he changed or deleted critical data

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Verse of the Day

Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
—Lamentations 3:22-23

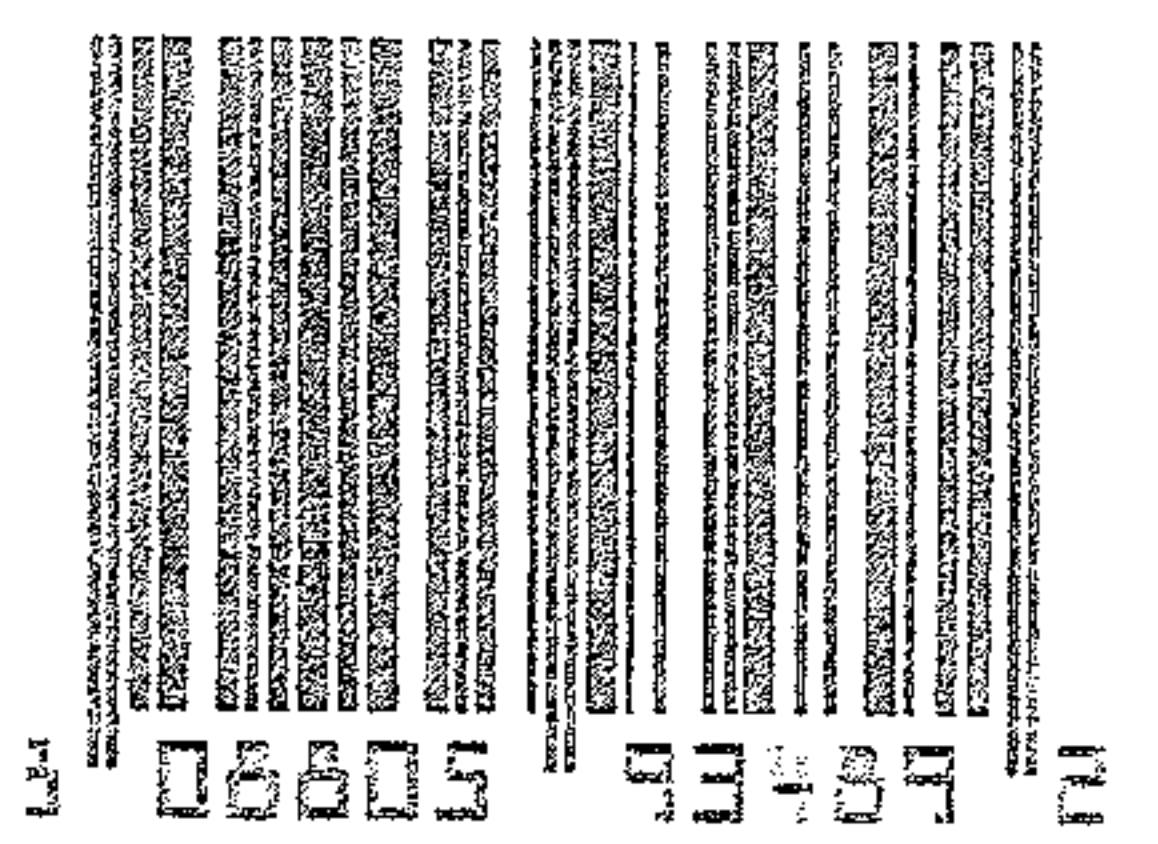
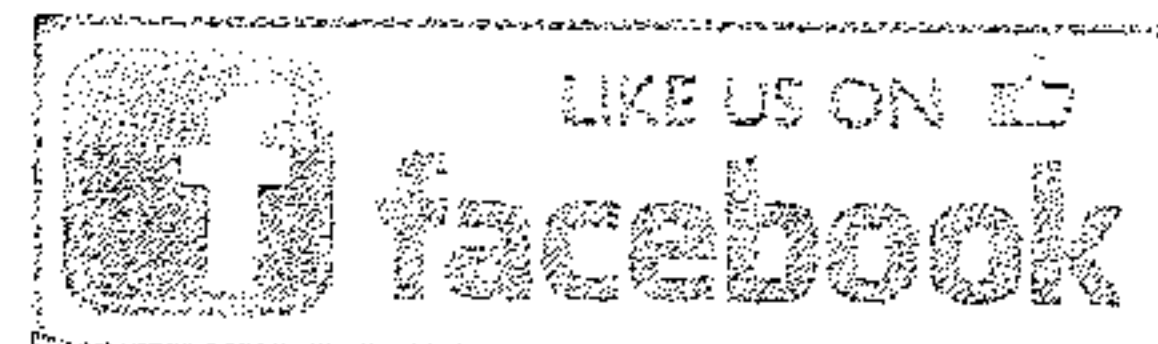
Wazzup

We can just be thankful we are in Loudon County and let's just hope the state and feds keep their rules and regulations to themselves!

Weather

Today: Rain. High of 39F.
Tonight: Rain. Low of 29F.
Saturday: Cloudy. High of 39F.
Saturday night: Cloudy. Low of 29F.

Sunday: Partly cloudy. High of 41F.
Sunday night: Clear. Low of 23F.
Horoscope
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Brittney Byrge, 25, Medford Lane Rocky Top, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale Sch. I, and Poss. Of Drug Para.

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Elizabeth Baird, 19, Deer Ridge Norris, was charged with DUI, Man/Sell/Del/Resale Sch. I, and Violation of Implied Consent.

Deputy L. Hawkins LCSO, was dispatched to Oak Chase Boulevard in reference to a suspicious vehicle. The caller advised it was a white passenger car. Deputy arrived in the area and observed a vehicle fitting the description turning off of Oak Chase Boulevard onto Highway 70 East, heading toward Highway 321. The vehicle was a White Chevrolet Impala, it was traveling 15 miles under the speed limit, an indication of an impaired driver.

Once we reached Old

Hickory Lane, the vehicle drove past the turn lane and immediately turned left onto Old Hickory Lane. Deputy conducted a traffic stop when the vehicle pulled into Old Hickory Lane.

Deputy made contact with the driver, Elizabeth Baird, her speech was slurred and she had glossy eyes, when she was asked to step out of the vehicle she had trouble keeping her balance and was swaying. Deputy asked Mrs. Baird if she had drank anything or if she had taken any prescription medication/narcotics and she advised she had not. She also advised she did not live at the residence she had pulled into, that she

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was lost. She consented to S.F.S.T. and it was unsatisfactory. She also consented to A.R.I.D.E. conducted by Dep. B. Persterfield, he advised me it was also unsatisfactory. Mrs. Baird refused to give a blood sample for testing when she was read the Implied Consent form. Deputy then made contact with the passenger, Brittny Byrge. Deputy and Dep. C. Rogers noticed she was attempting to place something inside the front of her pants to conceal it. She was asked to step out of the vehicle, she then advised she was hiding a needle and a dime bag of "blue powder". Mrs. Byrge stated it was given to her as "Xanax", she then stated there

was several more needles in the vehicle. Approximately .61 Grams of a Blue Power substance was taken from Mrs. Byrge's person. Upon searching the vehicle a silver spoon, burnt on the bottom was found in Mrs. Byrge's bag along with several needles. In the pocket on the back side of the drivers seat, a unmarked pill bottle was found with .88 Grams of a blue powder substance inside. Mrs. Byrge stated it was not hers but it was the same substance found on her person. Elizabeth Baird was asked if the substance belonged to her and she also stated it was not hers. Both subjects stated it was a male's who had left it in the car. Officer

R. Miller 447 with Lenoir City Police Department arrived on scene to conduct a field test kit on the blue substance, it showed as Heroin. Based on the driving, S.F.S.T., A.R.I.D.E., and my training and experience, Deputy believed Elizabeth Baird to be under the influence of narcotics and she was taken into

custody for DUI, Violation of Implied Consent, and Possession of Schedule 1. Based on evidence recovered from Brittny Byrge's person and her property on the vehicle, she was taken into custody for Possession of Schedule 1 and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. This did occur in Loudon County, Tennessee.

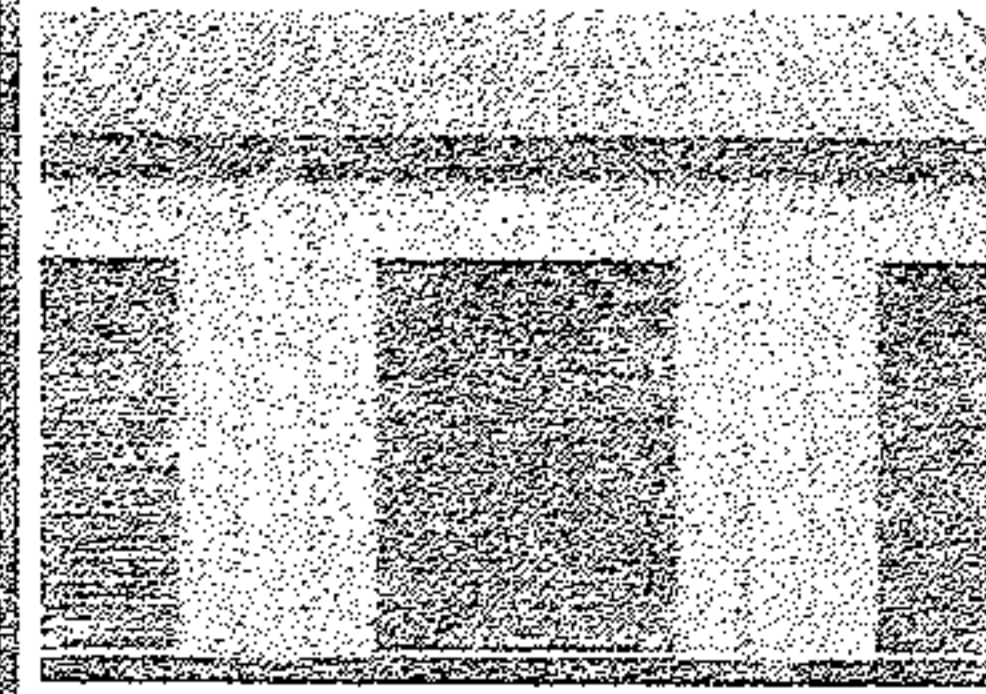
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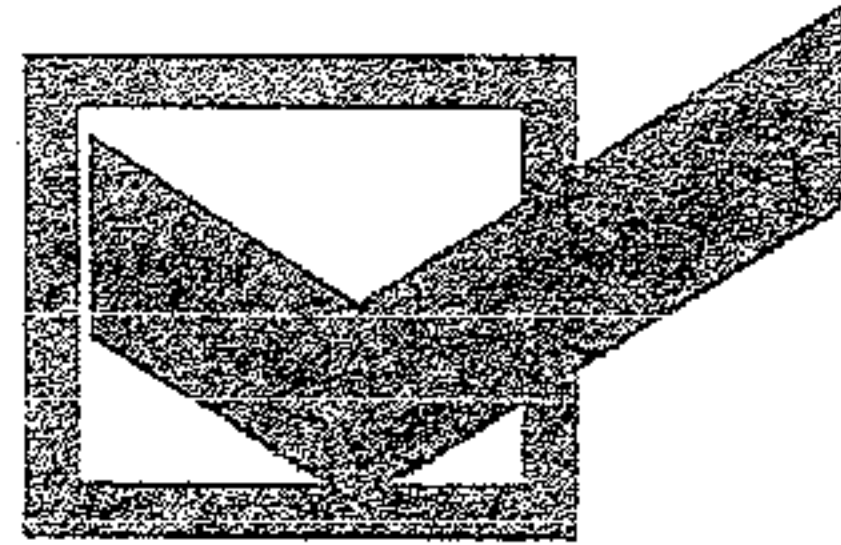
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Gun

Donna Schopper, 63, Hillside Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Aggravated Assault. Officer DeLand LCPD, was dispatched to Hillside Lane for a Physical Domestic.

Upon arrival, Officer Pistole and Deland made contact with the female standing outside the residence. As they approached her, She appeared to be intoxicated and unsteady. On the ground at her feet were several .40.cal bullets and broken parts to a pistol magazine. She was detained until further investigation. Officer went inside and spoke with the complainant/victim. He stated Donna Schopper started drinking early this afternoon.

When she gets drunk, she becomes very violent. She stated punching victim and

biting him. Victim and their 3 year old grandchild tried to leave but Donna followed them out of the residence with them. Victim and their Grandchild went back into the residence and locked Donna outside.

While she was outside. Donna went into victim vehicle, retrieved his pistol, and started beating on the door with the gun. The gun magazine appeared to have broke and bullets fell to the ground and pieces of the magazine lay with them. The firearm was on the ground about 8 feet from the front door where she was standing. Donna Schopper was arrested for Aggravated Domestic Assault. She refused to write a statement explaining her side of the incident. She was transported to Loudon County Jail. This did happen in Loudon County.

Public Notice

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Lonnie Jones

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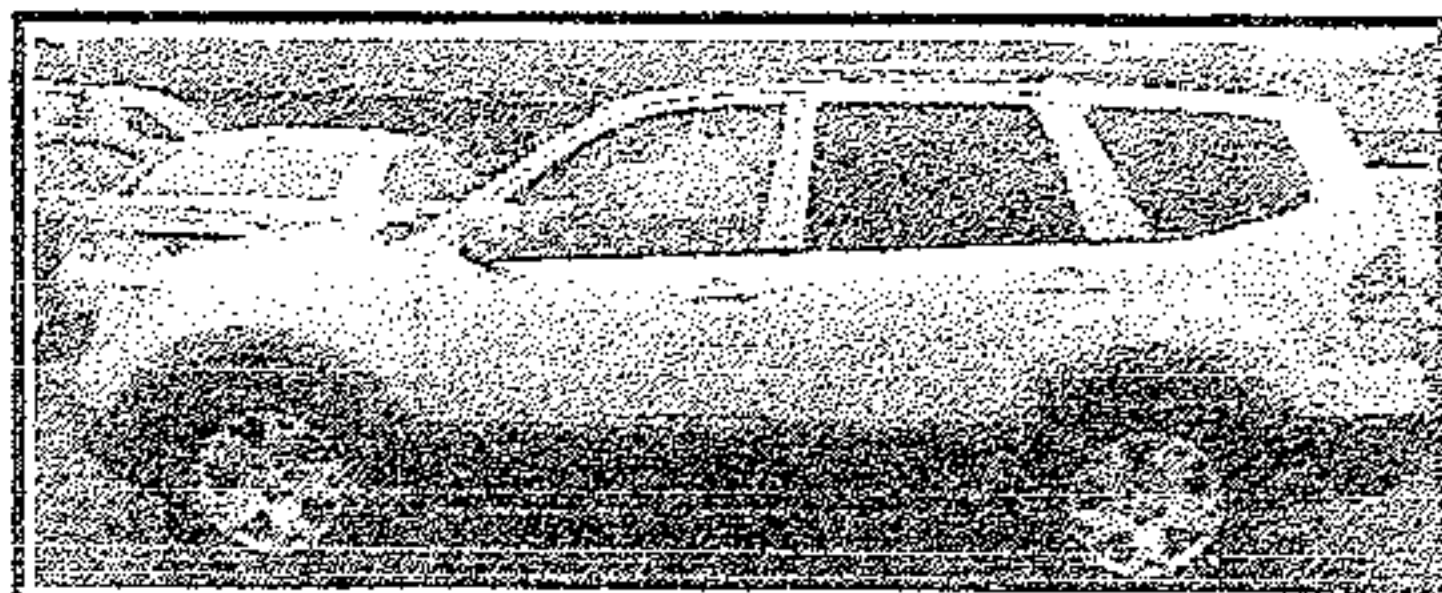
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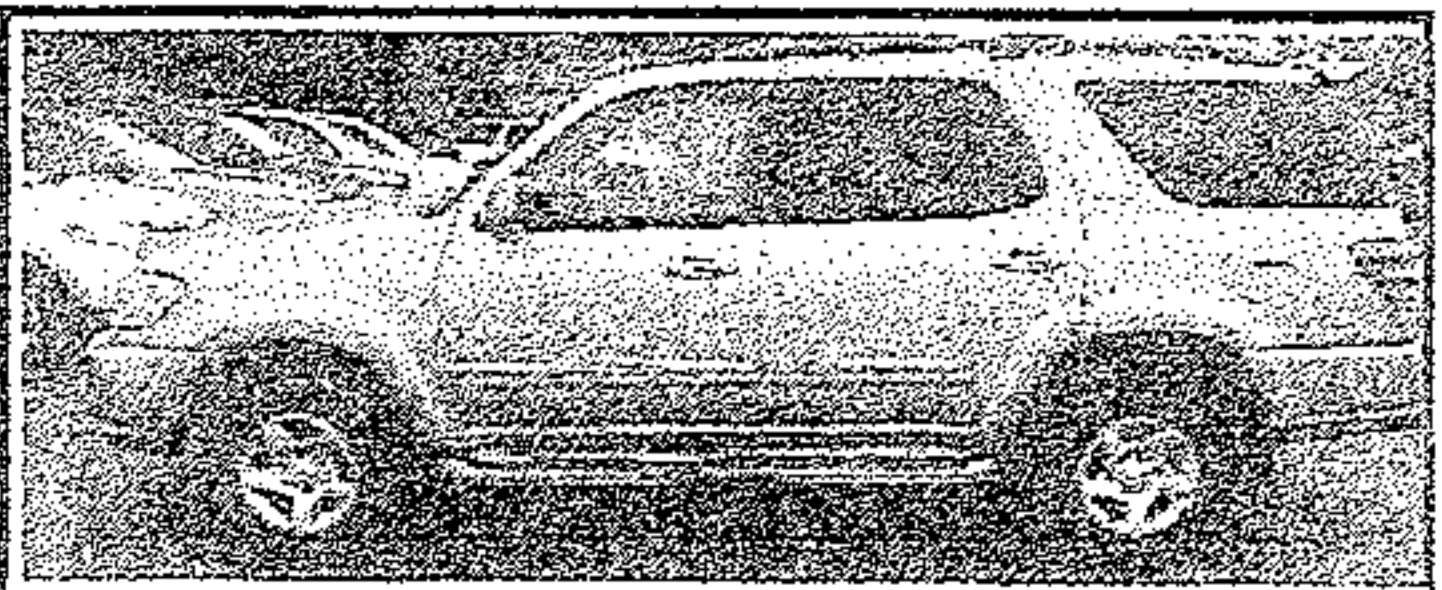


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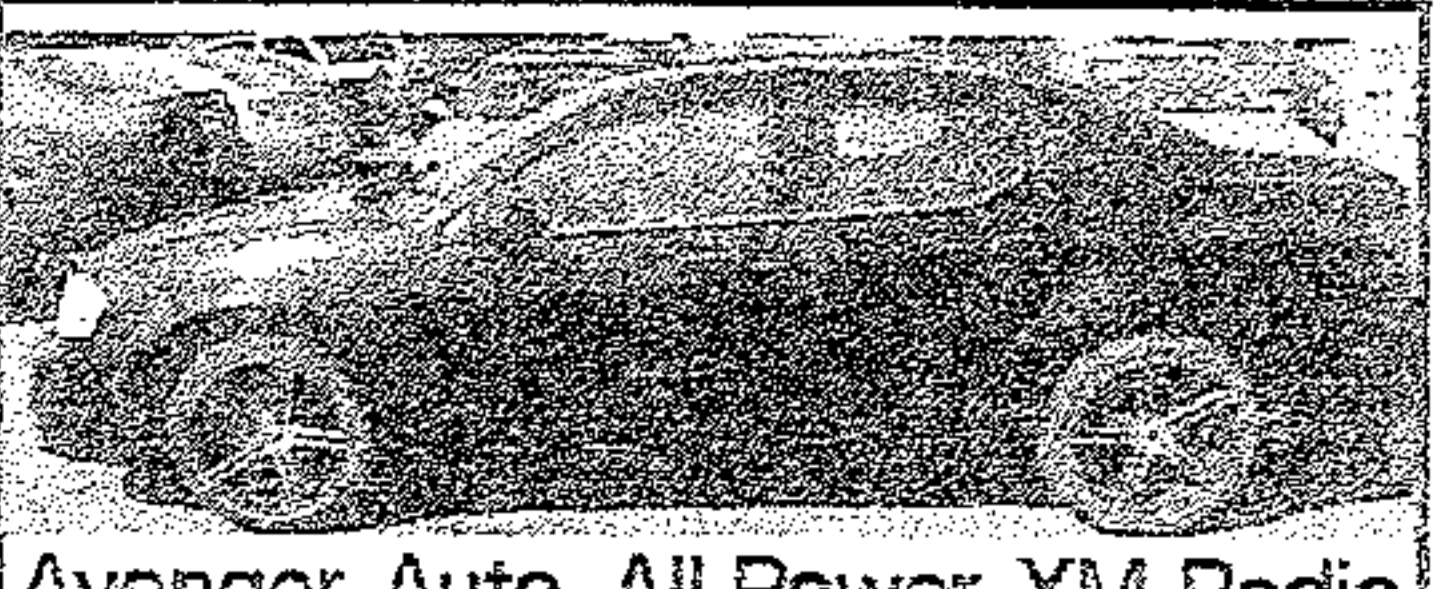
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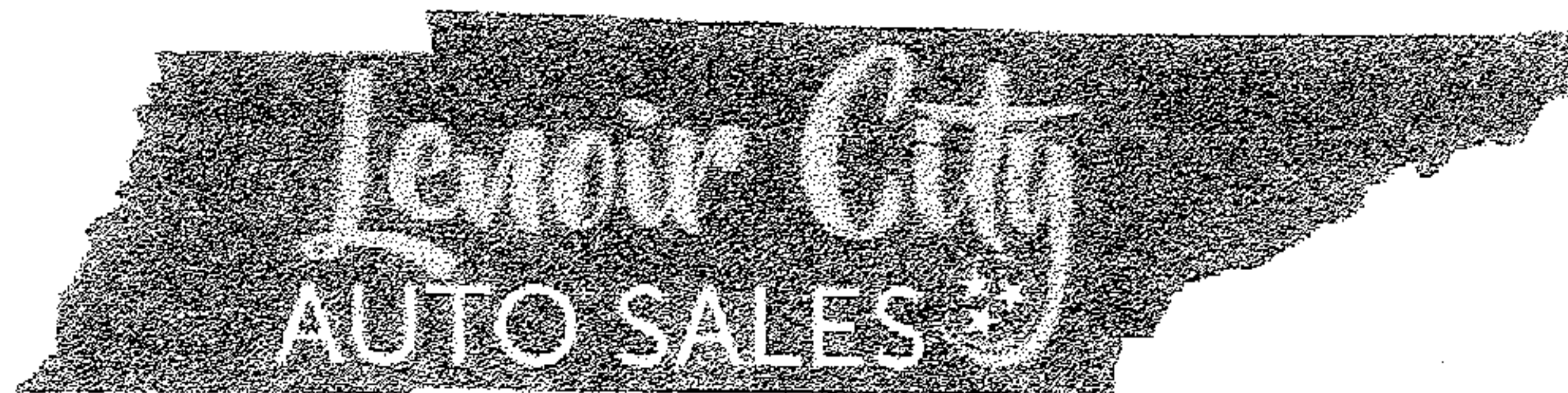
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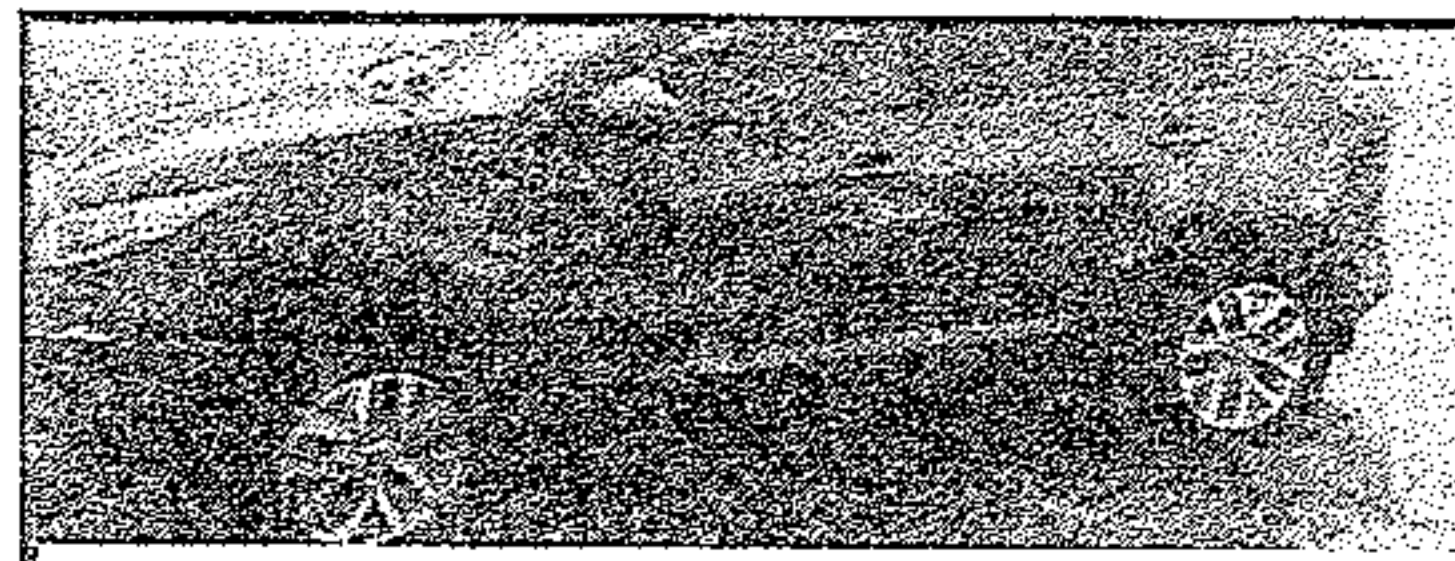


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Charged

Justin Lippert, 32, Westside Drive Maryville, was charged with Violation of Order of Protection/Restraining Order, and Criminal Simulation. Officer R. Miller LCPD, conducted a traffic stop on a red in color Dodge Ram pickup truck for a window tint violation. Upon traffic stop, Officer made contact with the driver who stated that the vehicle was a rental vehicle. Officer then asked if the driver would step out so he could speak with her about the violation, and about the passenger who was acting extremely nervous, and who gave Officer the name of Jason Lippert. Driver advised that the passengers name was Mr. Justin Lippert. Driver also stated that

Lippert had recently cut his ankle monitor off he had to wear for his probation out of Blount Co., TN.

When Lippert's information was ran through dispatch, they advised he had an order of protection out on him from Blount Co., TN, and the protected person was the driver he was with. When checked for warrants, Lippert had two separate Violation of Probation's out of Blount Co., TN as well. Mr. Lippert was then placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon Co. Jail.

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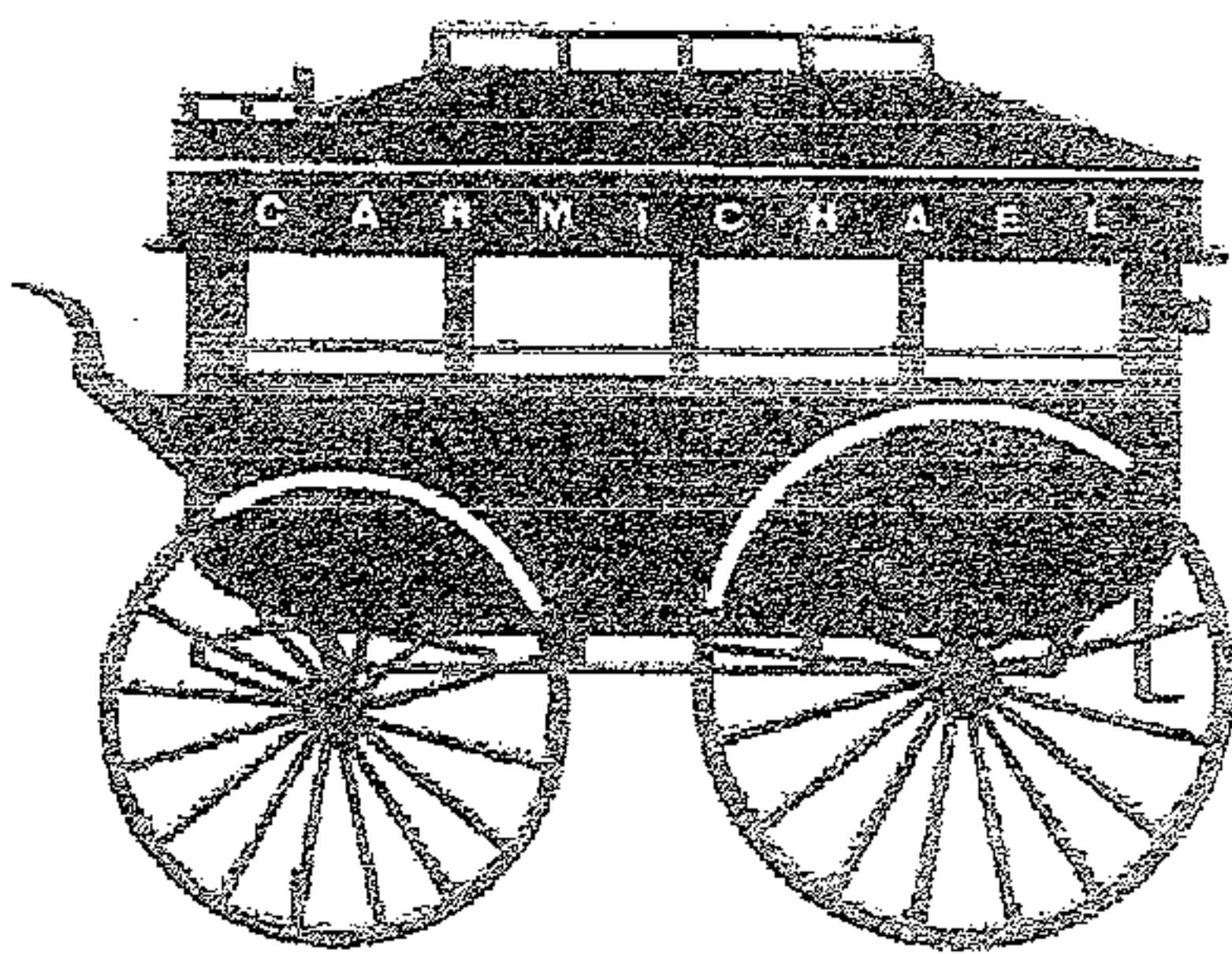


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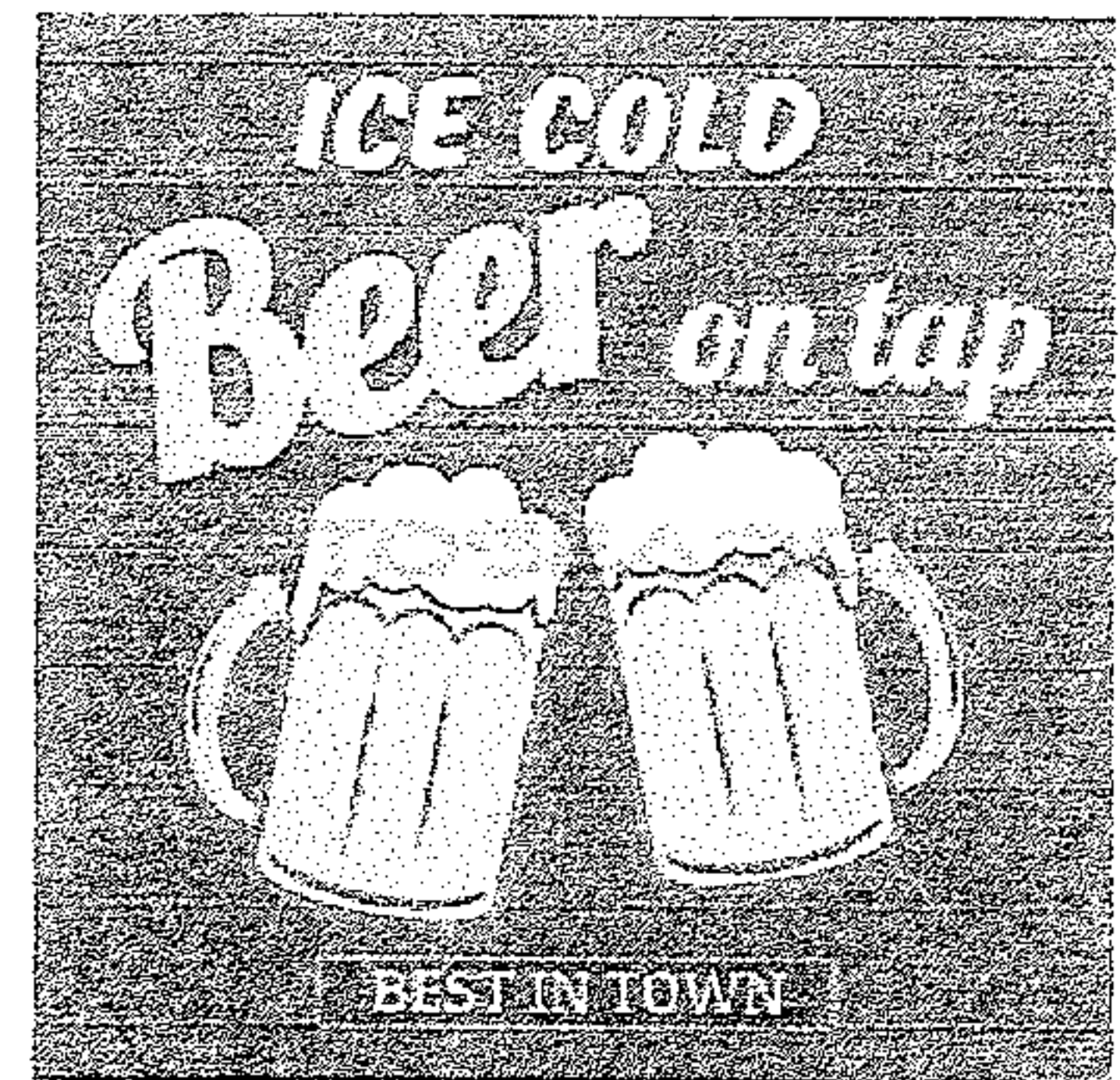


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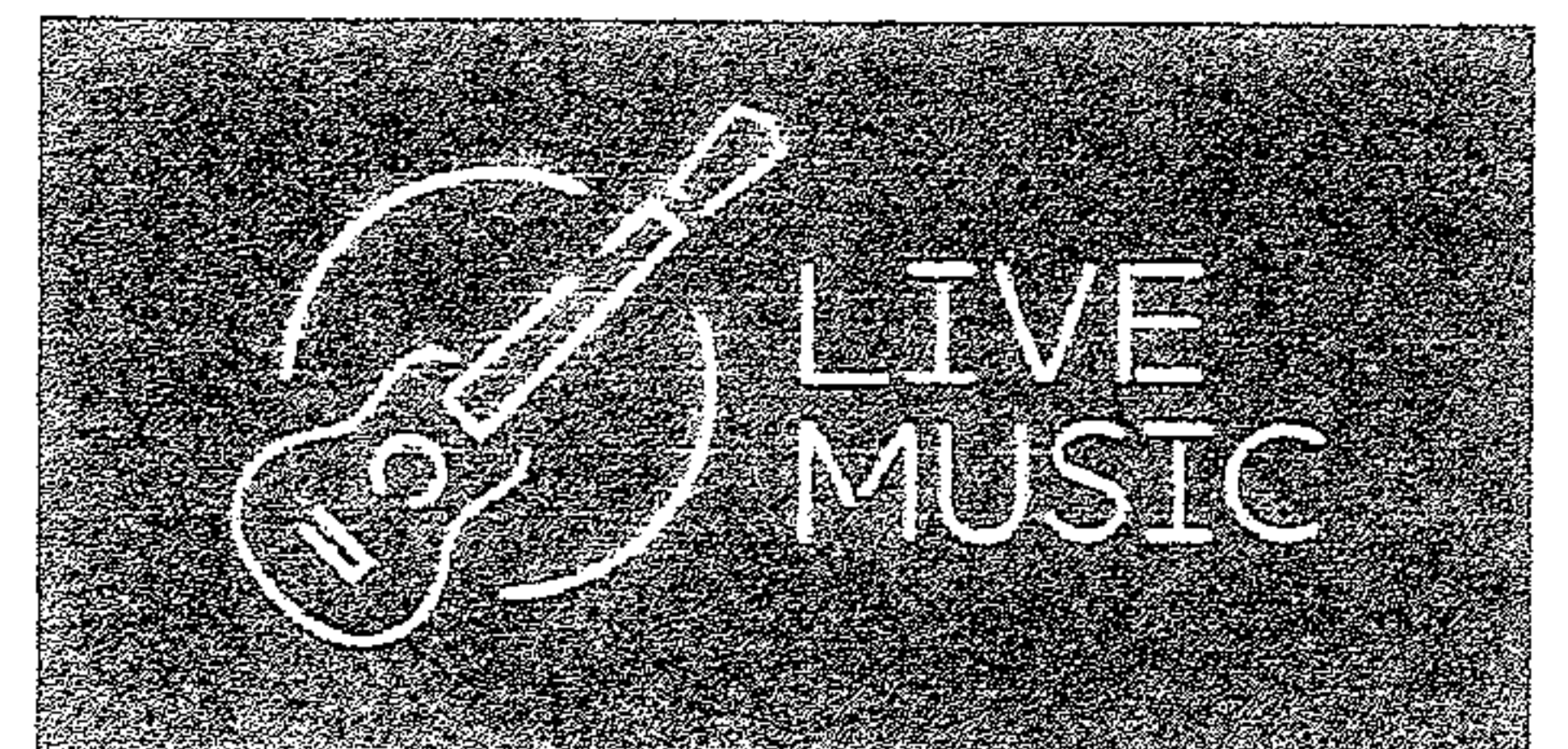
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that the company needed to function, such as shipping information. It delayed the company's ability to send out shipments of PPE.

"It was both a chance for the company to contribute to the national response and a business opportunity," said Special Agent Roderick Coffin, who investigated the case out of the FBI's Atlanta Field Office.

The company quickly figured out its systems had been breached and alerted the FBI. The company's operations ground to a halt briefly, and disruptions continued for months.

"Given the pandemic, it was especially urgent that we figure out what happened and ensure there was no continuing compromise."

Roderick Coffin, special agent, FBI Atlanta

The FBI Atlanta Cyber Task Force gathered evidence that showed Dobbins was behind the hack. He pleaded guilty to computer intrusion charges in July 2020 and was sentenced to one year in prison in October 2020.

"Given the pandemic, it was especially urgent that we figure out what happened and ensure there was no continuing compromise," Coffin said. "We also wanted to make a statement that the FBI and the U.S. Attorney's Office are going to investigate and prosecute these types of crimes."

In this case, like so many cyber cases the FBI investigates, a collaborative relationship with the victim company was key to success.

"In computer intrusion cases, the crime scenes are the systems in these companies' offices, and we need their assistance to process that in a way it's admissible in court," Coffin said. "The FBI works very hard to proactively establish trust with companies,

so when these types of things occur, we can quickly figure out what happened, and they can move forward."

Obituaries

Chadwick Edward Heilman "Chad", 48 of Knoxville died on December 27, 2020 from injuries sustained from a fall. His loss was completely unexpected, and the family is shocked and deeply saddened. Chad was born February 15, 1972 to Boris Edward and Katherine Myers Heilman in Roanoke, Virginia. Chad was a force to be reckoned with from the get-go, graduating from High School in Conyers, Georgia and the University of Georgia, Athens in 1997. He pursued and was awarded a BA in Political Science/History. While Chad never married, he lived a full and vibrant life with more friends than you could count. He was incredibly kind hearted and was passionate about SEC football and the Georgia Bulldogs. Chad was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Katherine Heilman, whom he cared for deeply, and mourned her loss every day of his life. Survived by his father, Boris Edward Heilman, Loudon, TN; sister, Katherine and her husband, Lawrence Morton of Snellville, GA; nephew, Riley Morton who meant more to him than words can describe, and stepmother, Tracey Heilman. We will miss him dearly. Chad has been cremated and his ashes will be placed next to his mother at Lakeview Cemetery in Lenoir City, TN. A graveside memorial service will be held on March 19th at 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a charity of your choice. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Linda Vineyard, age 65 of Lenoir City passed away on January 7, 2021. Linda was

a loving wife, mother and "Nana". She was an employee of Home Federal Bank for more than 20 years. Linda enjoyed crocheting and NASCAR racing. Preceded in death by her parents, Walter Ralph Moore and Betty L. Moore; brothers, Walter Ralph Moore Jr. and Tony Moore. She is survived by her husband, Neal Vineyard; daughters, Crystal Ward (Taurus) and April Freeman (Billy); grandchildren: Noah, Valencia, Qwentyn, Kaden, Bryson, and Owen; nephew, James Moore and niece, Leanne Moore. The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 10th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m. with Rev. Doug Kizer and Rev. Dean Bandy officiating. Family and friends will then proceed to Loudon Co. Me-

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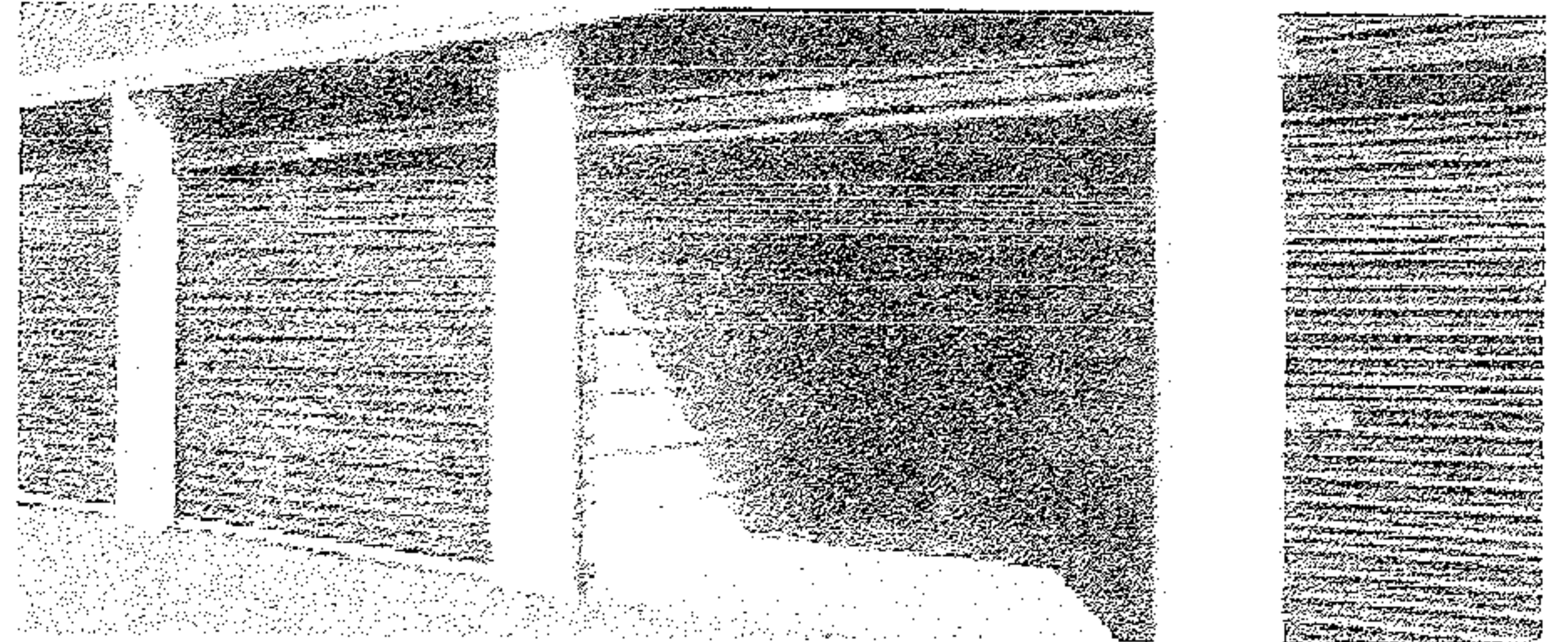
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