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Monday, November 23, 2020

85MPH in a 30MPH Zone Lands Driver In Jail for DUI and Reckless Driving; Passenger Also Charged

William Roberson, 24, Hubbard Road Lenoir City, was charged with DUI, and Reckless Endangerment.

Abigail Duckworth, 27, Williams Ferry Road Lenoir City, was charged with Simple Possession, and Poss. Of Drug Para.

Officer Miller LCPD, was patrolling the area of Harrison



William Roberson

see Reckless pg. 2

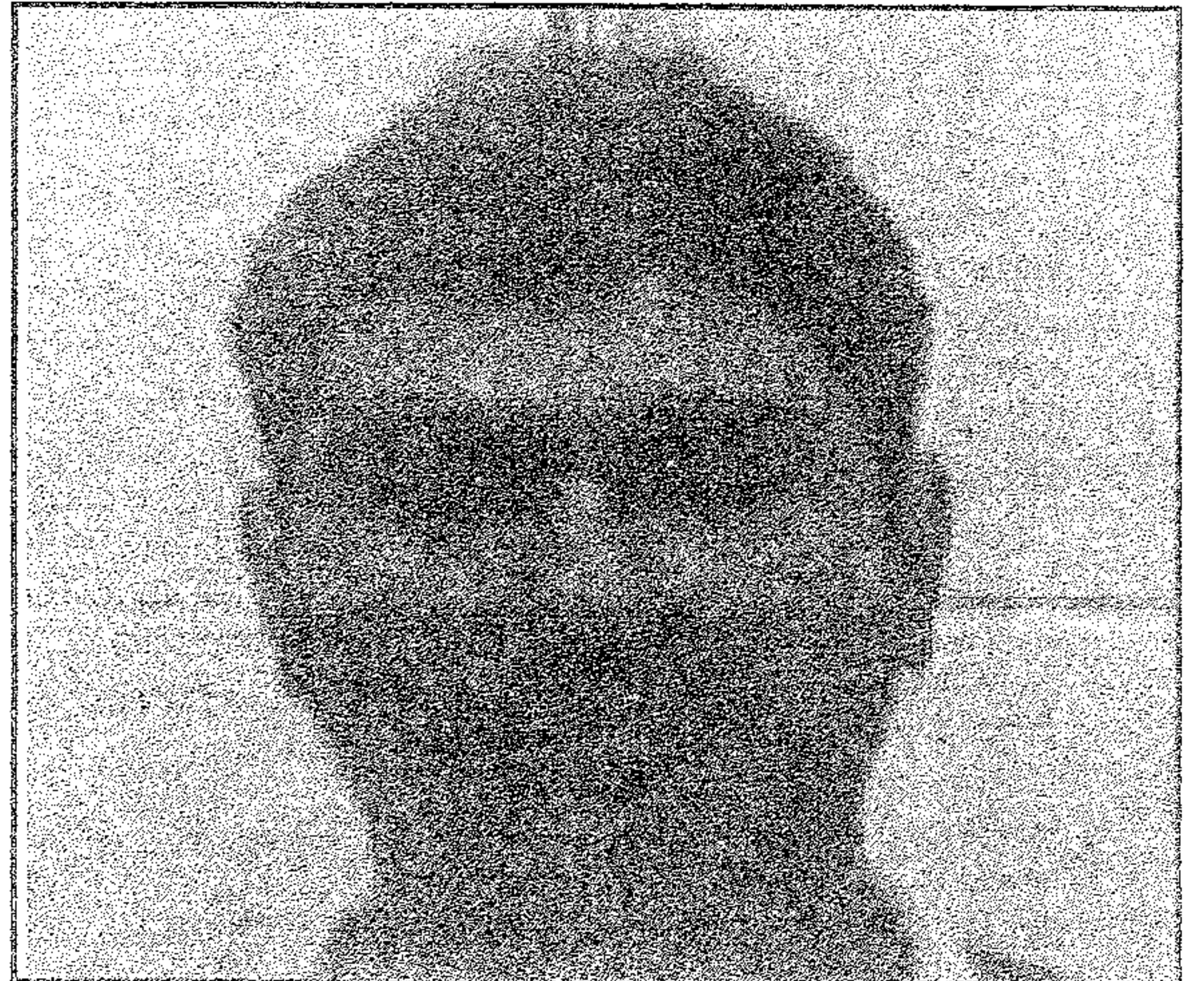
Driver Charged After Driving Too Slow on Interstate



David Sanders

see Slow pg. 3

Did You Know The Public Park Closes at 11? One Charged



Fredi Lara

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Van Buren County Audit Outlines Multiple Concerns and Problems

County Leaders Must Commit to Fixing Lingering Issues

The Tennessee Comptroller's Division of Local Government Audit has released the annual Van Buren County audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. Comptroller auditors made nine findings in this year's report; six of these problems were also noted in last year's audit.

The findings, which outline significant deficiencies and matters of noncompliance, were made in the Offices of County Mayor, Road Superintendent, and Director of Schools.

The findings point to many concerns related to the county government's handling of financial mat-

ters. These issues include cash overdrafts, failure to solicit competitive bids, unapproved contracts, expenditures exceeding appropriations, and several purchasing deficiencies.

Auditors also pointed out serious con-

see Problems pg. 4

Verse of the Day

"Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

—John 11:21

Wazzup

The Country Kinfolk in Lenoir City has some

special Thanksgiving Meals Happening This Week Check Them Out and Shop in the Store from some great gifts as well.

Weather

Today: Clear. High of 62F.

Tonight: Clear. Low of 47F.

Tuesday: Clear. High of 61F.

Tuesday night: Clear. Low of 48F.

Horoscope

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Information could come your way today that starts you thinking about new and revolutionary ideas. Perhaps they involve modern technology or



IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
 Regarding the Estate of:
 Jerry C. Croy, deceased DKT# 6199

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publication dates November 16, 2020 and November 23, 2020

Reckless

Road at Lenoir City High School, when he had a vehicle pass by his patrol unit heading West on Harrison Road at a high rate of speed. The suspect vehicle was traveling approximately 85mph in a 30mph zone posted. Speed was captured by in car radar unit. Upon traffic stop, Officer Miller made contact with the driver of the vehicle (Mr. William Robinson) who stated when asked, that he had been drinking prior to driving. When asked how much he had to drink, he stated a couple beers and some shots. While speaking with Mr. Robinson, he had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person, along with red and watery eyes, and was uneasy on his feet. Mr. Robinson was then put through a series of SFST which consisted of HGN, Walk & Turn, and The One Legged Stand. Mr. Robinson preformed very poorly during all three test, during HGN Mr. Robinson failed to keep his head still, the Walk and Turn Mr. Robinson failed to finish, and during the One Legged Stand, Mr. Robinson could not stay balanced, and had to use his arms for balance. Mr. Robinson was then placed under arrest for Driving While Under the Influence. Officer Miller then talked to the other two passengers who where in the vehicle at the time, and both were extremely intoxicated. While searching the vehicle for possible open containers, a glass pipe used to smoke THC Wax was located along

with a container that had approximately 1.0 grams of Wax inside of it. Both items were located inside of the center console of the vehicle. The vehicle owner Ms. Abigail Duckworth claimed that the glass pipe, and THC Wax belonged to her. Ms. Duckworth was then placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

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Slow

David Sanders, 23, Devonshire Circle Bloomington, was charged with DUI, and Violation of Implied Consent.

Deputy W. Jenkins LCSO, observed a silver Toyota Corolla driving southbound on I75 in the right hand lane at slow speed. Deputy got behind the vehicle and paced it at below 50 MPH in a 70 MPH zone. As Deputy was behind the vehicle he noticed it was swerving in it's lane and that it did not have a registration displayed. In the short time Deputy was behind the vehicle it changed lanes from the right lane to the left lane and then back to the right lane all while maintaining unsafely slow speeds. Deputy initiated my emergency lights to traffic stop the vehicle but the vehicle

did not pull over. Deputy had to initiate his emergency siren to get the vehicle to pull over. Deputy then made contact with David Sanders, driver, front seat passenger, left side backseat passenger. While at the window speaking with the occupants Deputy detected the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. Deputy asked Sanders to step back to his car to speak with me where Deputy noticed he had bloodshot eyes along with slow speech and mannerisms consistent with marijuana intoxication. Sanders advised Deputy that he had last smoked marijuana before he started driving. At this time other Deputies were on scene and Deputy returned to the car to ask the other occupants to step out of the vehicle. As Deputy was returning to the vehicle one passenger was

making furtive movements digging around in the center of the vehicle. Deputy Gray deployed his K9 on the vehicle and got a positive alert for the presence of narcotics. A search of the vehicle uncovered: approximately 13 grams of marijuana, A marijuana grinder, A THC vape, and several marijuana roaches. Passenger claimed the grinder and roaches. Second passenger claimed the marijuana and the vape. Deputy

asked Sanders to perform Standardized Field Sobriety to which he failed to perform as instructed. Sanders was placed into custody and then read Tennessee Implied Consent to which he refused to consent. All narcotics and paraphernalia were seized for destruction. Sanders was transported to jail while the other two subjects were transported by deputies to a safe place for the night.

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Problems

cerns with how beginning fund balances were presented to the county commission. In several cases, the actual amount of money in multiple county funds was well below the amount provided on documents to the county commission. County officials need accurate information to make good decisions.

The Comptroller's Office has been actively working with Van Buren County in order to keep the county from experiencing continued financial distress. As part of that effort, county officials have been sending weekly financial reports to the Comptroller's Division of Local Government Finance.

The county's audit report also points out the importance of separating accounting responsibilities within

the County Mayor's Office and updating the county's system of internal controls to secure public money and property.

"Van Buren County officials are well aware of the need to stabilize the county's financial condition," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "It's also vitally important to improve the county's financial management. It is particularly concerning to me that the county's audit committee did not even meet to review last year's audit. It is time for county leaders to take serious and necessary action."

To view the Van Buren County Audit Report visit TNGOV

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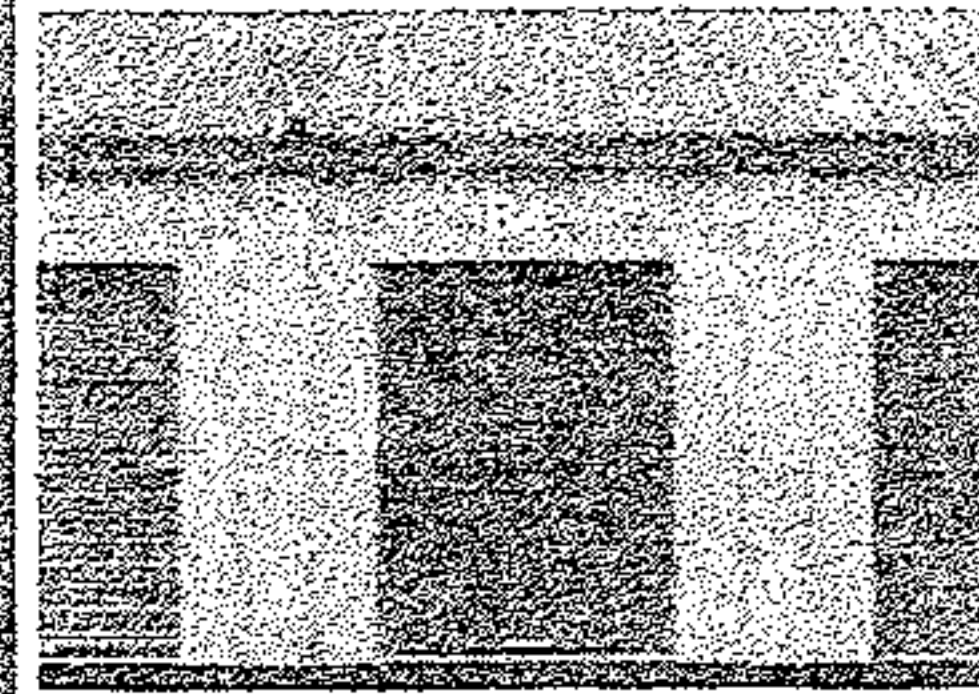
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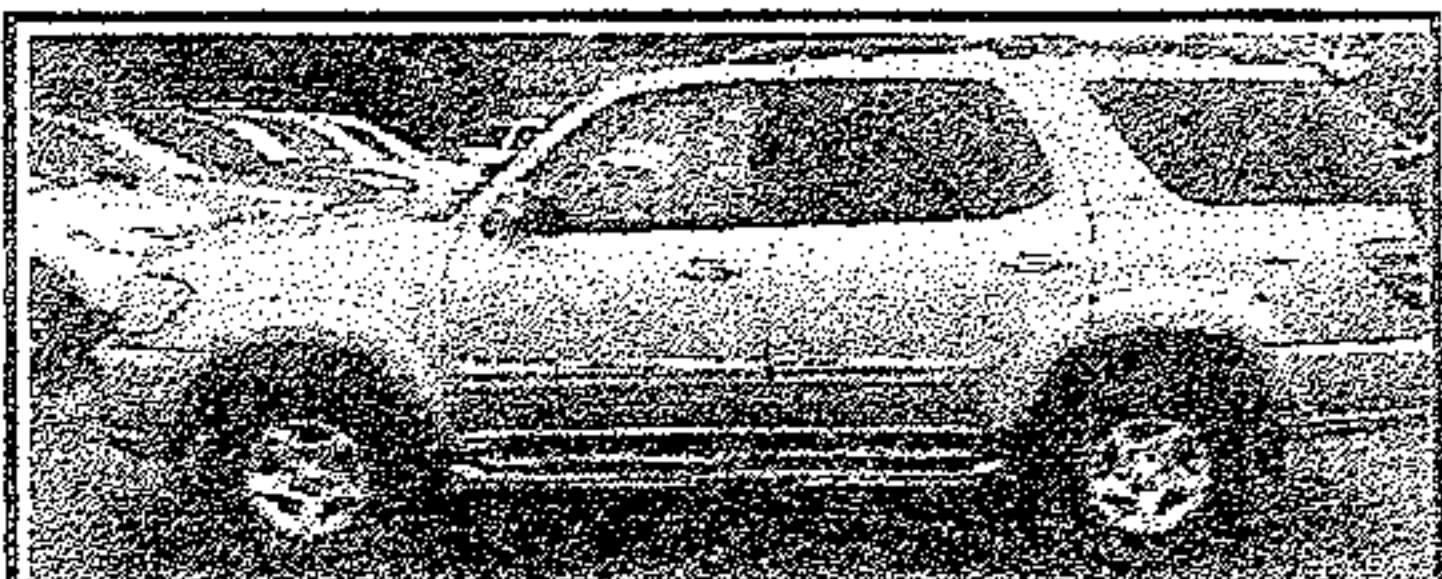
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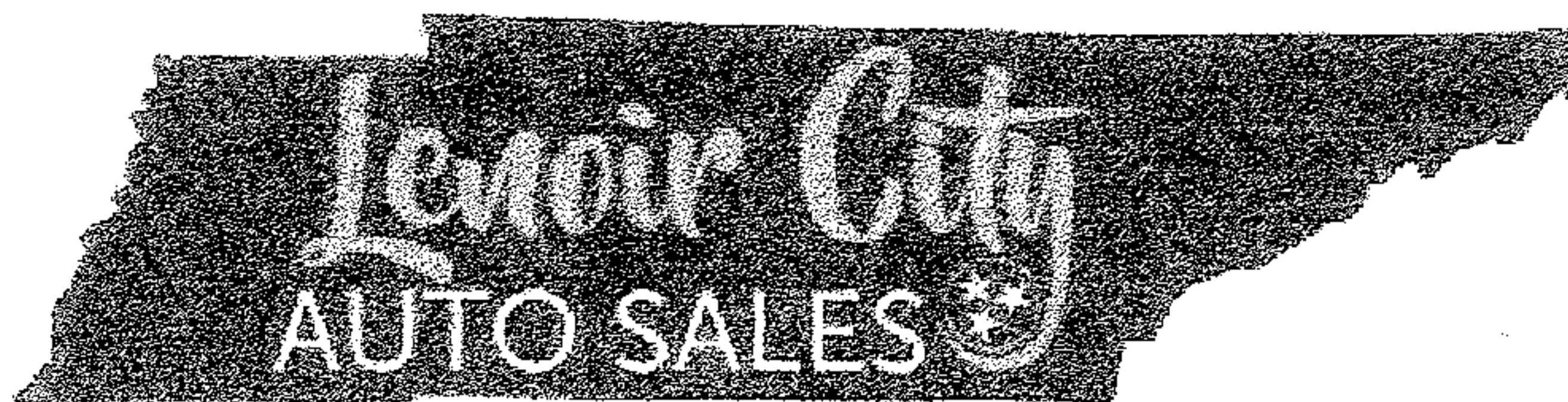
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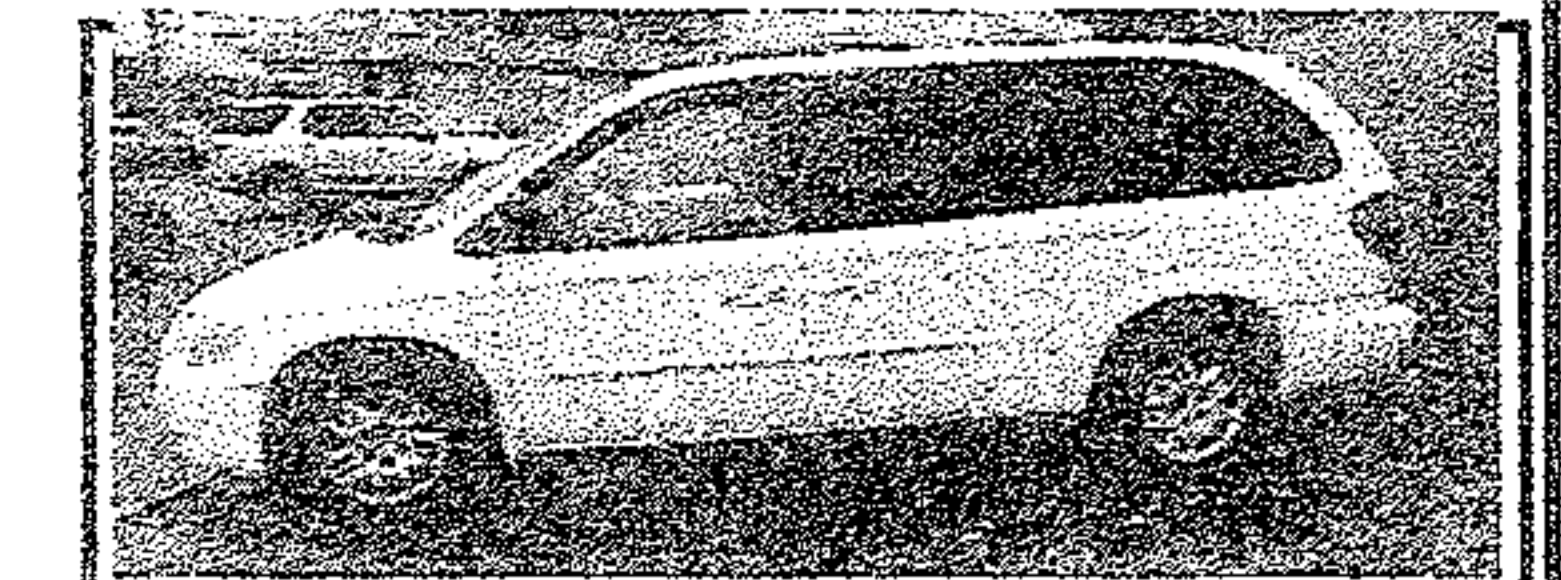
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Park


FREDI ALMANZA LARA, 20, Highland Ave NC, was charged with Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, and Driving on Revoked/Suspended License. Officer DeLand observed a suspicious vehicle parked with the engine running at Rock Springs Park. Officer spoke with the driver "Fredí Alamanza-Lara" and passenger a juvenile. Officer advised them the park closed at 23:00 and a lot of vandalism has occurred here recently. Upon checking the Fredí's License, Dispatched advised it was Revoked out of North Carolina. The Passenger stated she was 18 years of age and couldn't provide proof of her identification. Upon further investigation, The passenger was 16 years of age and said "she lied because she was scared."

She also stated she had been speaking with him through Social Media and meet him here to talk. Her parents believed she was staying the night with her Grandfather. Officer was unable to make contact with her Parents/Guardian and notify them of her whereabouts. Fredí Alamanza-Lara is charged with Contributing to the delinquency of a minor and Driving on a Revoked License. The juvenile is charged with Criminal Impersonation and Curfew Violation. This did happen in Loudon County.

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