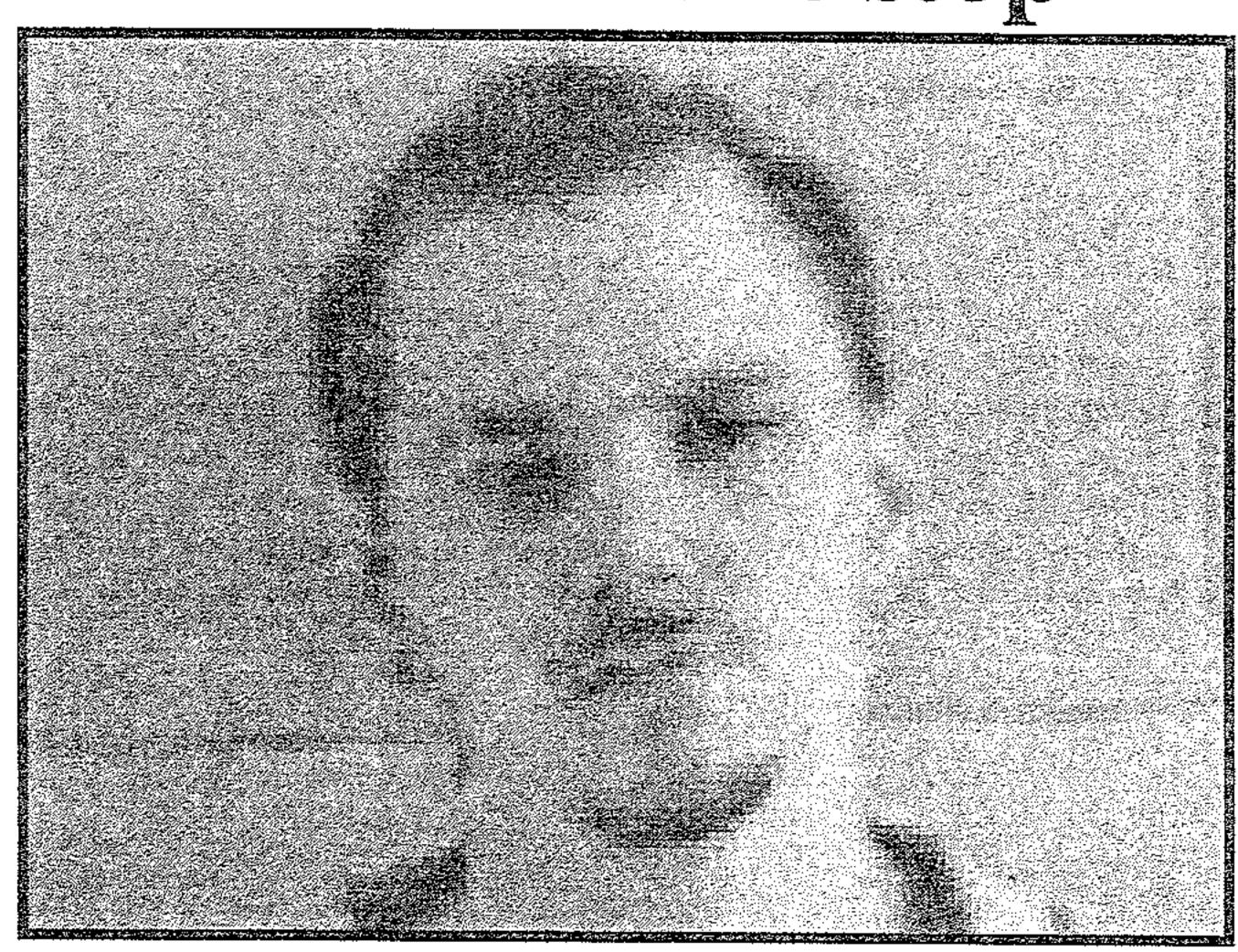
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Wednesday, February 26, 2020

Man selling MSN as Meth charged by LCSO after traffic stop



Anthony Desola

see LCSO pg. 2 | Andrew Justin

LC driver charged with DUI after leaving out the side door of Chili's



see DUI pg. 3

Excerpts from Governor Lee's 2020 State of the State Address

Lee's 2020 State of state in the country. the State Address as We've been named prepared for delivery. as the best business | Governor Lee will climate in the coundeliver his address at try. We're #1 in the 6:00 p.m. CST today U.S. for advanced in the House Cham- industry job growth ber in the Tennessee and the best state State Capitol.

Below are excerpts named the #1 best | for small business "In 2019, we were year, this state has for the first time garnered 108 projsee Gov. Lee pg. 5

Romanian Hackers Sentenced

rob Criminal Enter- ing their from Governor Bill fiscally managed prise Infected Thou-Auction sands of Computers with Malware, Stole ment's

The hackers were like modern-day John Dillingers, brazenly committing their crimes and repeatedly escaping law enforcement's grasp.

But like Dillinger and most other criminals, Economy: growth. In the past | they eventually slipped up, and the FBI and its international partners were waiting for them

Members of Bay- after years of trackactivities. Fraud

Enforce-

Gets Law

Attention Millions of Dollars In 2007, an Ohio woman wired thousands of dollars to an eBay seller thinking she was buying a used car. The car never arrived. When she went to her local police department, the listing did not ap-

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Tonight: Rain. Low of 39F Thursday: Clear. High of 43F. Thursday night: Freezing. Low of 32F. Horoscopes

Pisces 2/19-3/20 When you look in the mirror, you should be delighted by what you see today. Peer behind the veil and witness your true, magnificent soul. Adopting a better self-image could prompt you to change your hairstyle or wear something unexpected now. The (Continued on page 6)

Statutory Rape Charge filed against



Isaiah Christian See LC P.4



Verse of the Day

Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all men. He did not need man's testimony about man, for he knew what was in a man.

—John 2:24-25

Wazzup

How about them Raiders moving to Vegas not wasting any time! Spring Camp gonna be in Vegas!

Weather

Today: Rain. High of 51F.

LCSO

Anthony Desola, 28, Donna Drive Lenoir City, was charged with Man/Sell/Poss. Of a Controlled Substance. Deputy M. Rodriguez LCSO, observed a black vehicle swerving and hitting the center line multiple times on Hickory Creek Road. Deputy conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle. Sgt. Hutchens LCSO, and K-9 was deployed and had

a positive alert for narcotics on the vehicle. During a search of the vehicle Deputy located a small clear bag with what appeared to be methaphetame in a open black safe in the back seat. Anthony Desola advised Deputy the substance in the bag is MSN and he sells it as meth. Anthony Desola was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

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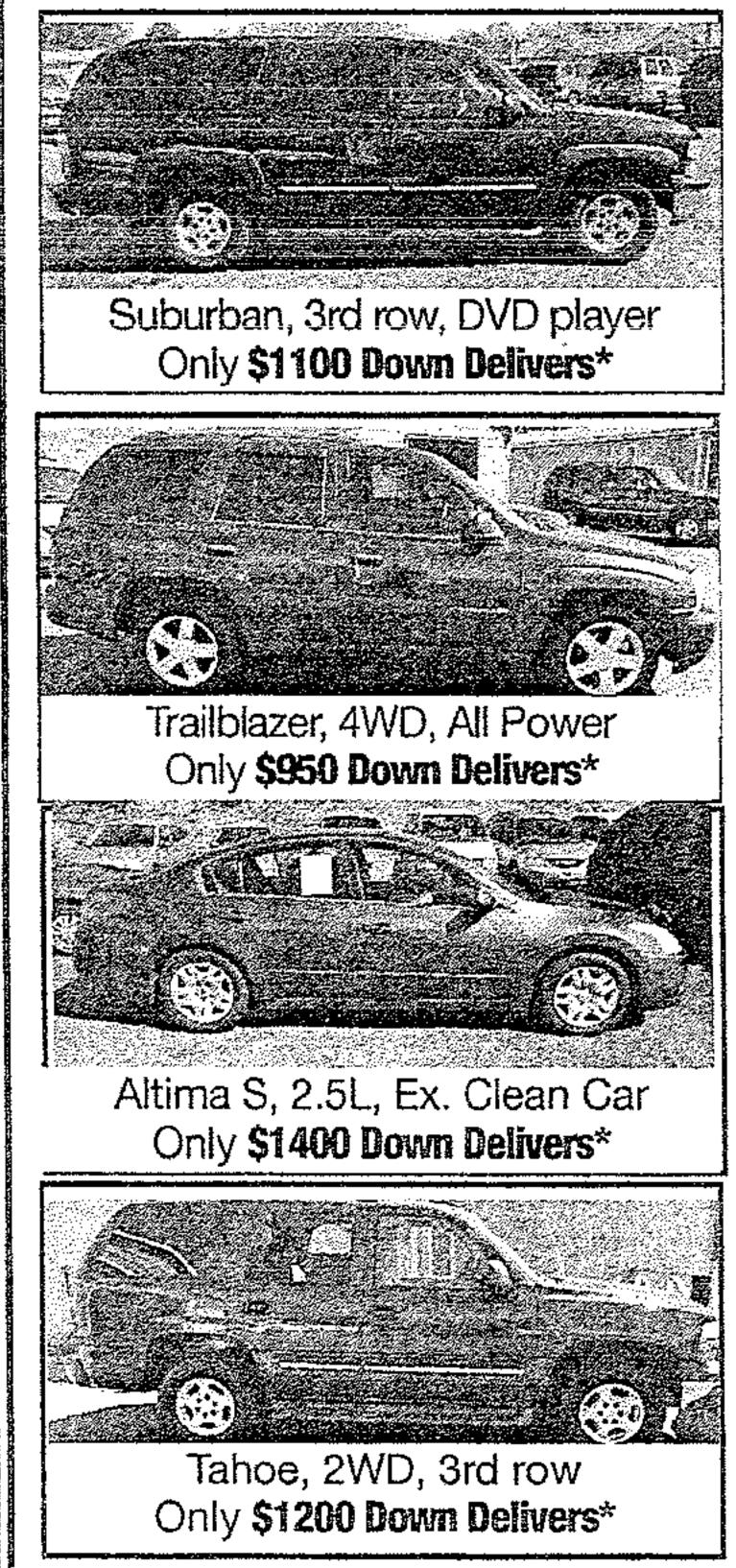
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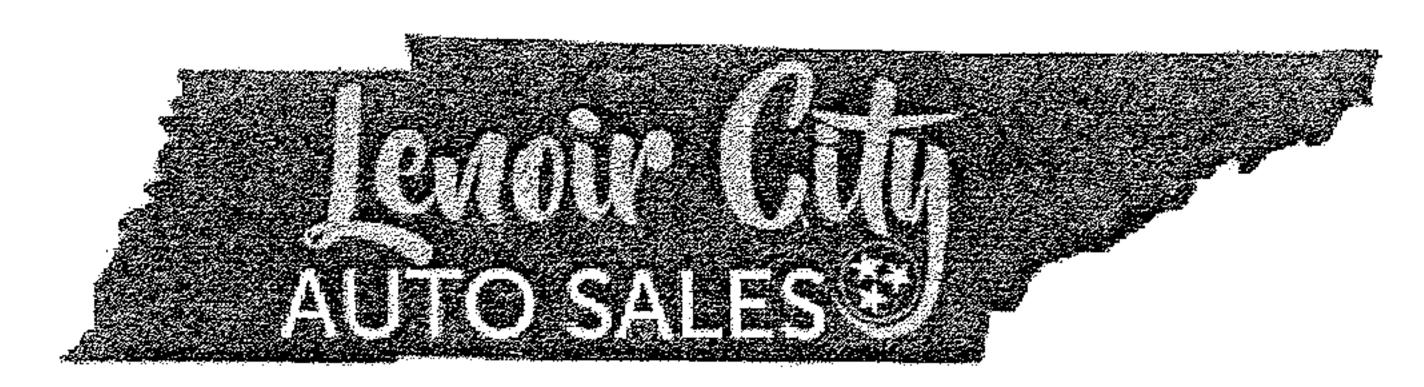
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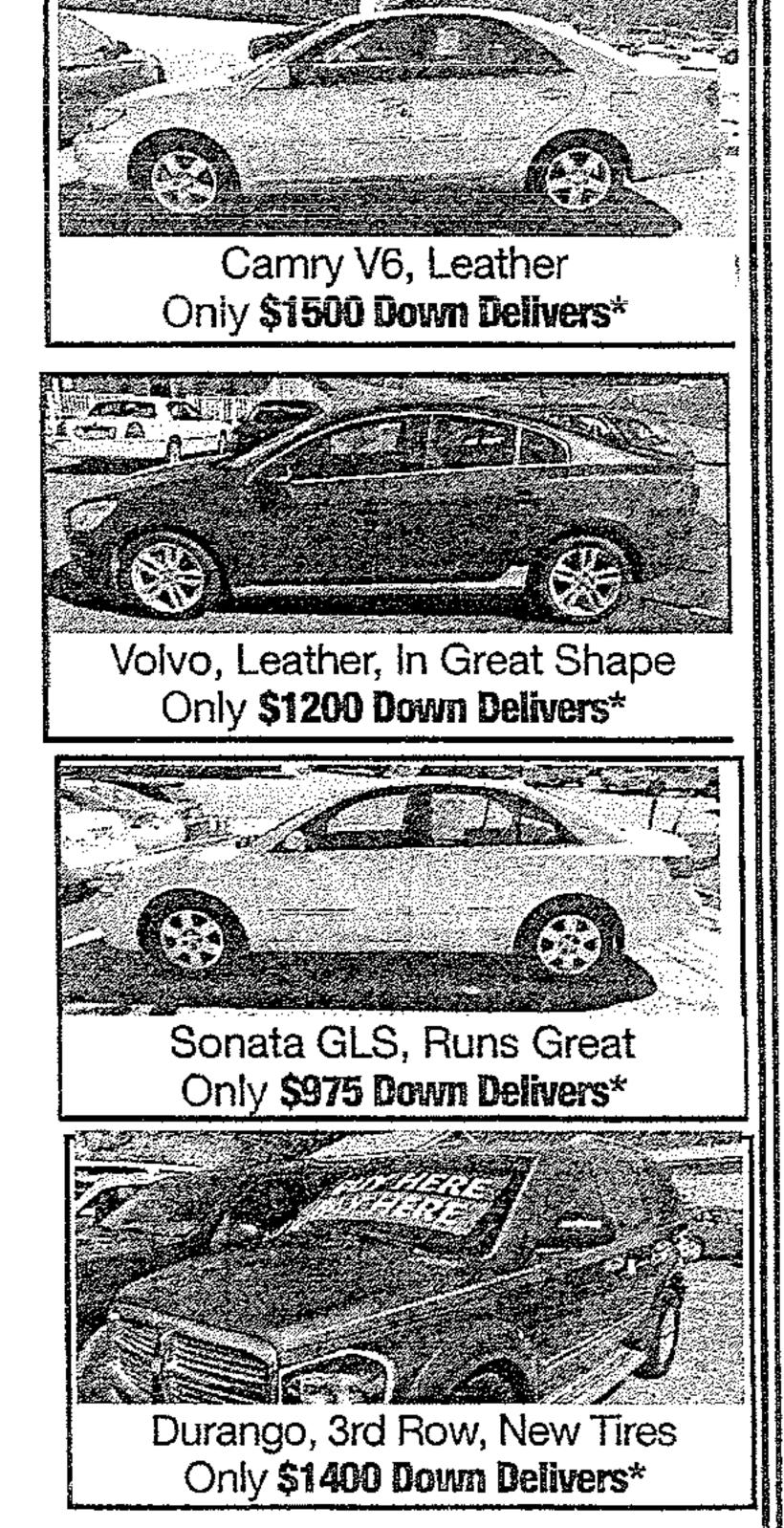
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DUI

Andrew Justin, 33, Sweetpea Drive Maryville, was charged with DUI, and Possession of a Firearm while Under the Influence. Officer A. Lee LCPD, was dispatched to Chilis in reference to an impaired driver later identified as Andrew Justin. The complainant stated that Andrew Justin stated he was unable to drive then left the establishment through the side door. The complainant stated

that Justin was sitting at the red light beside Chili's turning left onto Hwy 321 going toward Walmart in a black vehicle. Officer located the vehicle near Hwy 321 and 11, and observed the vehicle weaving and crossing the middle and fog lines. Officer traffic stopped the vehicle and made contact with Andrew Justin, who stated he had a firearm near the steering wheel. Officer ask Justin to step out of the vehicle. Officer observed Justin to have

slurred speech, bloodshot the best state in America to he did poorly on and was of their trade." placed under arrest. Jus- "Literacy is the foundaty Jail.

Gov. Lee

ect commitments to create 16,500 jobs and \$3.6 billion of capital investment in Tennessee. And while we still have more work to do on rural economic development, I'm also proud that more than half of these projects have been announced in rural counties."

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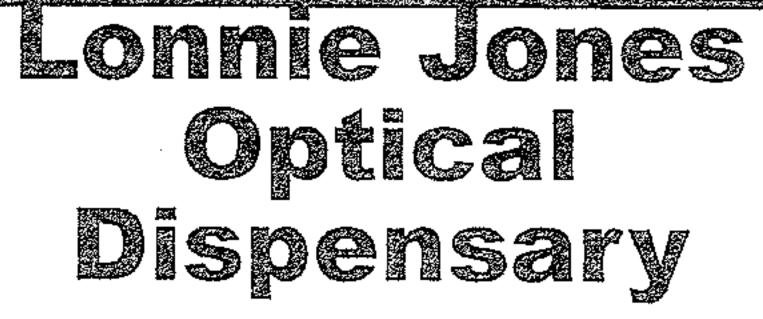
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tin agreed to blood draw tion for a student's educaand was transported to tional journey. And if we the ER for blood draw can't get early childhood then to the Loudon Coun-literacy back on track, our other investments and work in education will always be limited."

> "No teacher I know does it only for the money, but you and I know a worker is worthy of their pay. Teaching is a calling. We know it is passion that brings teachers to the classroom, but we also know our teachers deserve to be paid more for the important work they do."

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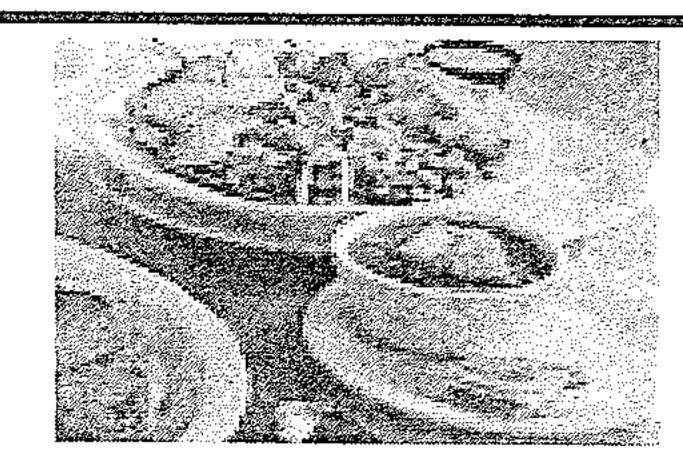


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LC

Isaiah Christian, 23, Grandview Drive Lenoir City, was charged with Statutory Rape. Deputy Richerson LCSO, served an active warrant on Isaiah Christian at the Loudon County Jail.

Hackers

officers' computers. pear the because woman was on a fraudulent version of the online auction site that mimicked the real one—a result of having unknowingly downloaded malicious software, known as malware, to her computer.

And to thousands of other victims just like her, the website and transactions looked legitimate. But buyers who thought they were wiring money across town were, in fact, sending money to hackers halfway across the world.

The hackers, known as the Bayrob Group, laundered the money via money mules, making it difficult to track. (Money mules are criminal accomplices who, often unwittingly, move criminal money through their own bank accounts.) Additionally, if a user on an infected machine went to the "Help" section of the site, they were met with the hackers'-not eBay's-customer service.

The Bayrob hackers also blocked websites like ic3.gov—the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center-where a user might have gone for help. And before smartphones were so common, the infected computer may have been a victim's only access to the Internet.

The would-be car buyer, along with

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many other victims, lost hermoney because wiring funds lacks the consumer protection of a credit card. Agents estimate each nies such as AOL, eBay, and Symantec.

ting edge," said Special Agent Ryan as technology advanced. They contin-Macfarlane, who worked this case out ued to spread their malware via spam of the FBI's Cleveland Field Office. and social media, but they also got "These guys did a very good job of into cryptocurrency mining and sellstaying current with the technologies ing credit card numbers on the Darknet. in the cyber criminal underground." "They had all of these infect-

ingly nimble and good at covering ey from them," Macfarlane said. their tracks. They used multiple lay- Mistake Yields a Break in the Case tion. Those proxy servers communicated with the "command and control" servers that talked to the thousands of computers the malware had infected.

But as the hackers gained more victims, more partners joined the investigation. The FBI worked with numerous law

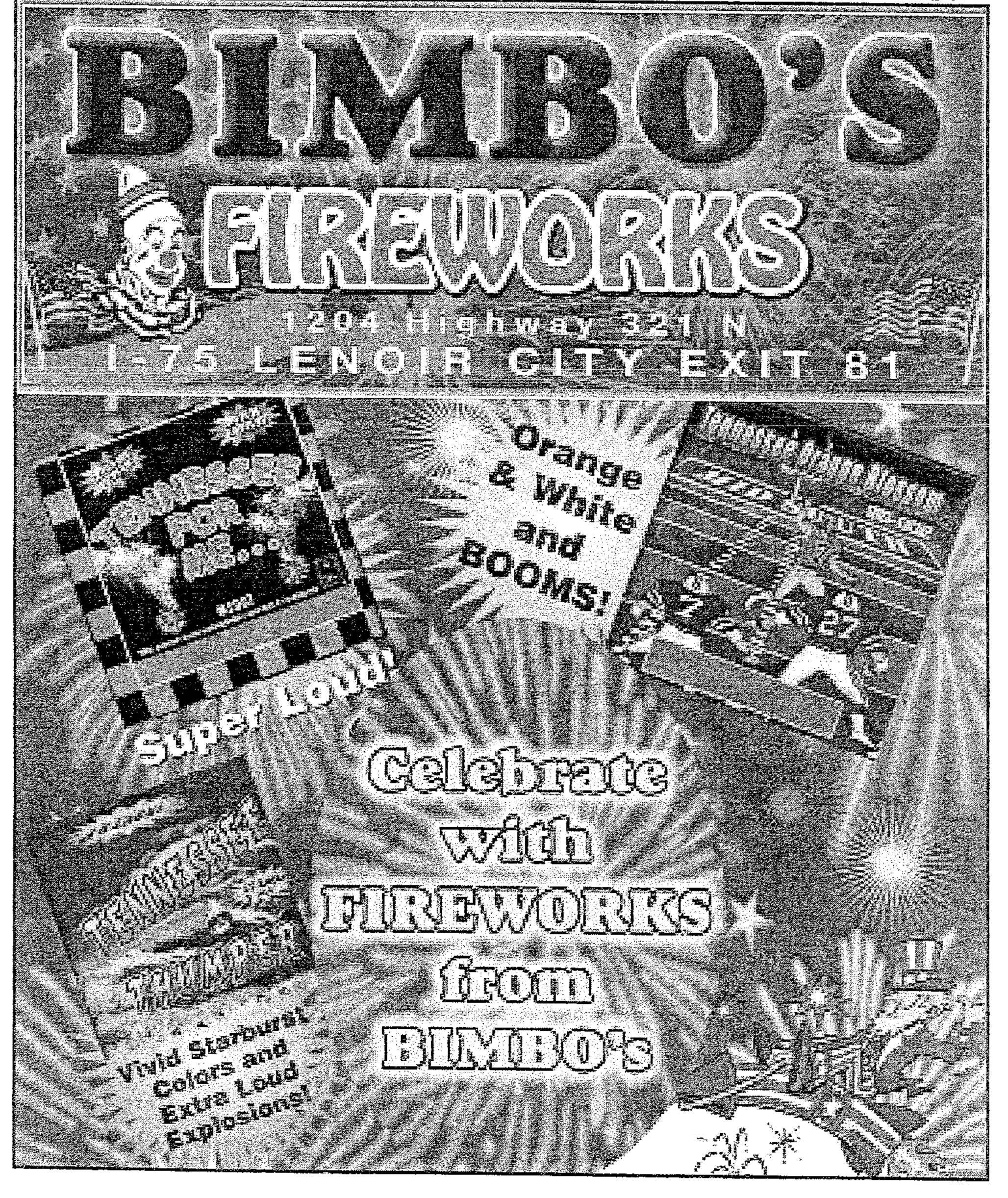
enforcement agencies around the world on this case, as well as with compa-

victim lost between \$8,000 and \$11,000. Beginning in 2012, the Bayrob Group "At the time, this was really cut- began to diversify its criminal business

Following the Money and the Malware ed systems, and they tried to use as The Bayrob hackers were frustrat- many ways as possible to make mon-

ers of proxy servers to hide their loca- A break finally came when a Bayrob participant accidentally logged into his personal email instead of his criminal one. AOL, who was investigating his abuse of their network, connected the two accounts. That personal account led to online profiles in Romania and on social me-

see Hackers cont. pg. 7



IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: Betty Cole Magee, deceased DKT# 6035

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 20th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of Betty Cole Magee who died on the 20th day of AUGUST 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:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

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

THIS THE 20th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020

Steve Harrelson, Clerk
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
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By Personal Representative(s)
Michael Lamar Cole

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All Claims must be submitted on a claim form, notarized with invoices/statements; in triplicate, with a fee of \$11.00 to Loudon County Probate Court, 12680 Highway 11 West Ste. 3, Lenoir City, TN 37771

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That small mistake helped set investigators, in partnership with the Romanian National Police, on a path toward discovering the identities of all three hackers. And after much further investigation, including undercover buys from

the group on Darknet marketplace Alphabay, the FBI had enough evidence to work with Romanian authorities on the arrests.

By the time the hackers were arrested in 2016, the Bayrob Group had become one of the top senders of malicious email. "We essen-

this entire infrastructure and arresting the three individuals at one time," Macfarlane said. "And the Romanian National Police were key partners in this effort. They stuck with us year after year. We couldn't have done this without them."

Bayrob Group members Bogdan Nicolescu and Radu Miclaus

tity theft charges. In While it was years in

third Danet, pleaded guilty as a gangster on the run.

were both convicted to similar charges. He on wire fraud, money was sentenced in Janulaundering, and iden- ary to 10 years in prison.

December 2019, Ni- the making, putting a stop colescu was sentenced to these prolific thieves to 20 years and Miclaus was worth the time and to 18 years in prison. effort for the investigamember tors—even when the of the group, Tiberiu hackers were as elusive



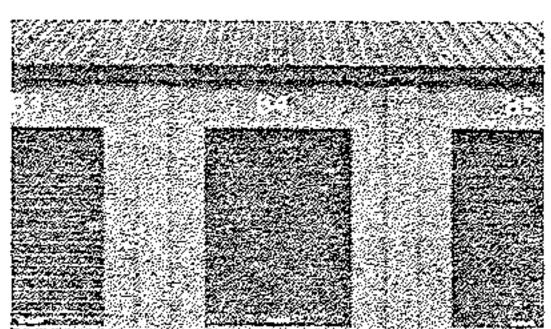
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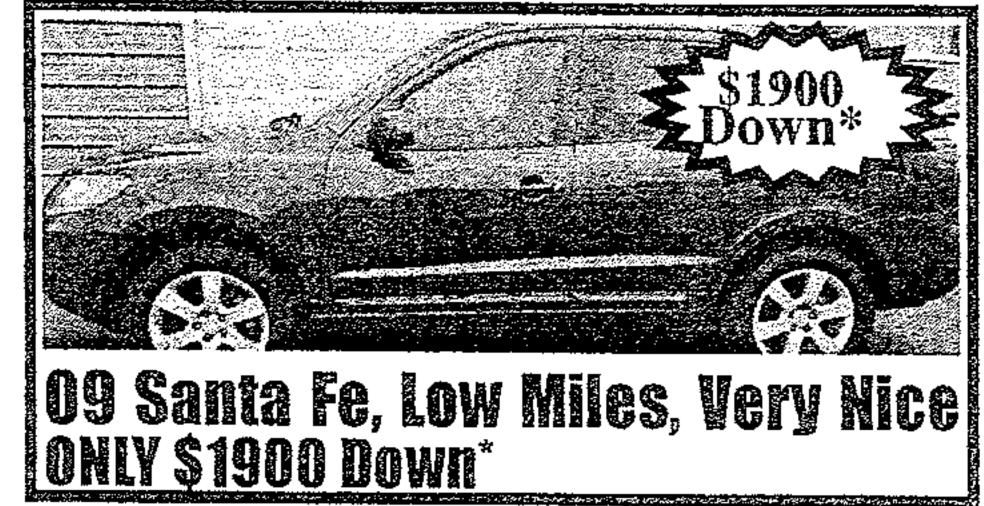
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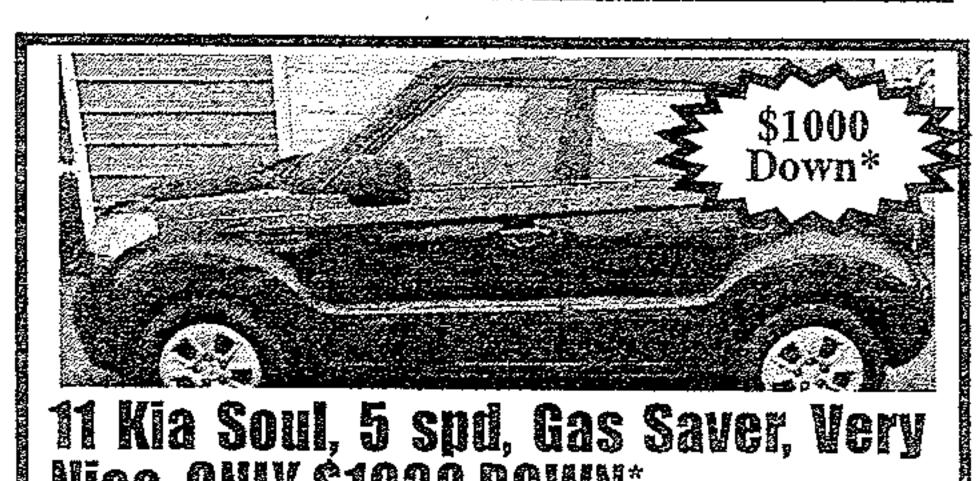


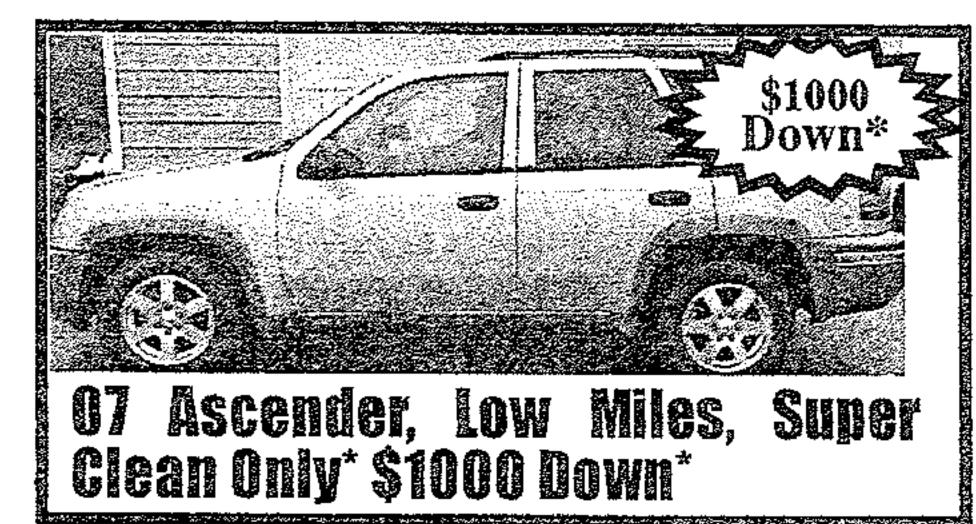


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