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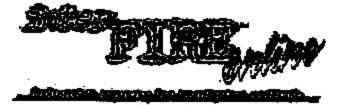
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Posted by Monica Hubler on July 29, 1999 at 09:44:37:

In Reply to: <u>Lincoln Town Car</u> posted by John Abbott - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on January 29, 1999 at 16:50:55;

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Posted by Kirk Hankins on January 30, 1999 at 18:02:45:

In Reply to: Re: Lincoln Town Car posted by Kirk Hankins on January 30, 1999 at 18:00:37;

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- : I have a client whose 1992 Lincoln Town Car caught fire in his garage about 1 1/2 hours after he parked it for the evening. The local fire department investigator identified the area of origin as the driver's side firewall near the brake master cylinder. My client had taken his Town Car into the local Ford dealership for repair of the brake lights and speed control the day before the fire. The car was returned to him "fixed" that evening but within minutes of picking the car up the brake lights stopped working again and he returned it to the dealership the day of the fire. The dealership blamed the problem on a bad fuse and returned the car to him after replacing the fuse again. Could you contact me regarding the information you have on the Town Car fires you have investigated. I am interested in learning whether the fire you investigated are similar in nature and what kind of time frame these fires have been occurring in. Specifically, I am interested in knowing how many of the fires happened prior to September 1998. Also I may be looking for an expert witness or investigator on the issue of the cause of these fires and would be interested in talking to you about whether you could do that or if you know of someone who can.

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Posted by Kerry Lamb on March 22, 1999 at 17:11:46:

In Reply to: Re: Lincoln Town Car posted by Lt. Stave Anderson on February 02, 1999 at 13:48:24;

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Posted by P.D. Rose Jr. on June 07, 1999 at 23:52:25:

In Reply to: Re: Lincoln Town Car posted by Kerry Lamb on March 22, 1999 at 17:11:46;

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Posted by Bill Buckley on February 24, 1999 at 14:49:46:

In Reply to: Re: Lincoln Town Car posted by Lt. Steve Anderson on February 02, 1999 at 13:48:24:

Lt. Steve Anderson: I am writing regarding your investigation into Lincoln Town Cars of 1992 and 1993. Please contact me at the following number: 1-800-381-7324. This is the number to my office. If I am not there I will return your call as soon as possible.. Thanks for your Time.

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# Lincoln Town Car Fires

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Posted by John Abbott on February 04, 1999 at 10:25:20:

The 1/29/99 message was posted for mo and lacked specific information and for that I appologize. Specific information follows.

Investigation Number: PE98-055 Subject Vehicles: Lincoln Town Car

Model Years: 1992 and 1993

Problem Description: Engine compartment fives on the driver's side in the area of the left front wheel and the brake master cylinder.

This is not an investigation or study of "generic" underhood fires from all ignition sources. The fires being reported appear to be electrical in nature and the information I have received indicate a specific area of fire origin. The fires occur when the vehicle is parked and not running. Generally the vehicles have been parked for hours but some reports indicate a fire occurance in less than one hour.

John Abbott 202-366-5221

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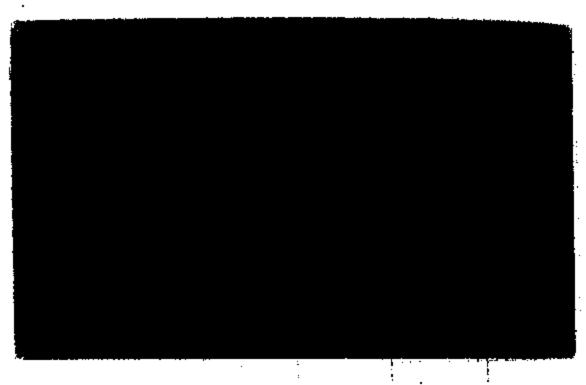
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I investigated a similar fire that was caused by an overheating condition in the air pump for the suspension. The air pump is mounted on top of the feft front wheel well, in front of the master cylinder. In this case the vehicle was inoperation at the time of the fire. The Service Manager at the dealership where the vehicle was located stated that they had experienced several incidents in which the air pump overheated and falled but this was the only case in which it caused an engine compartment fire.

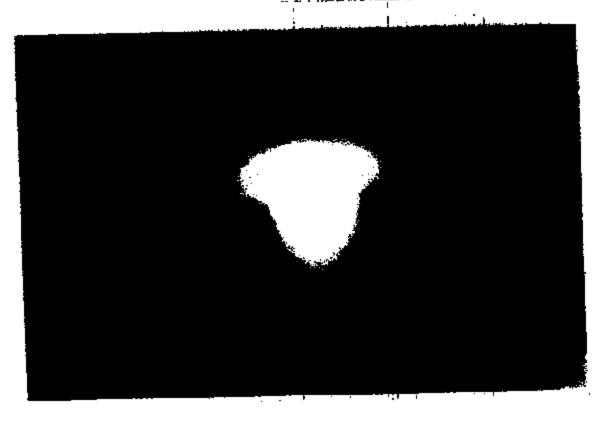
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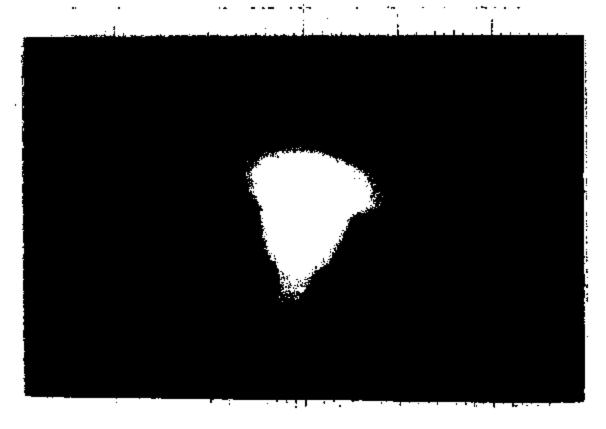
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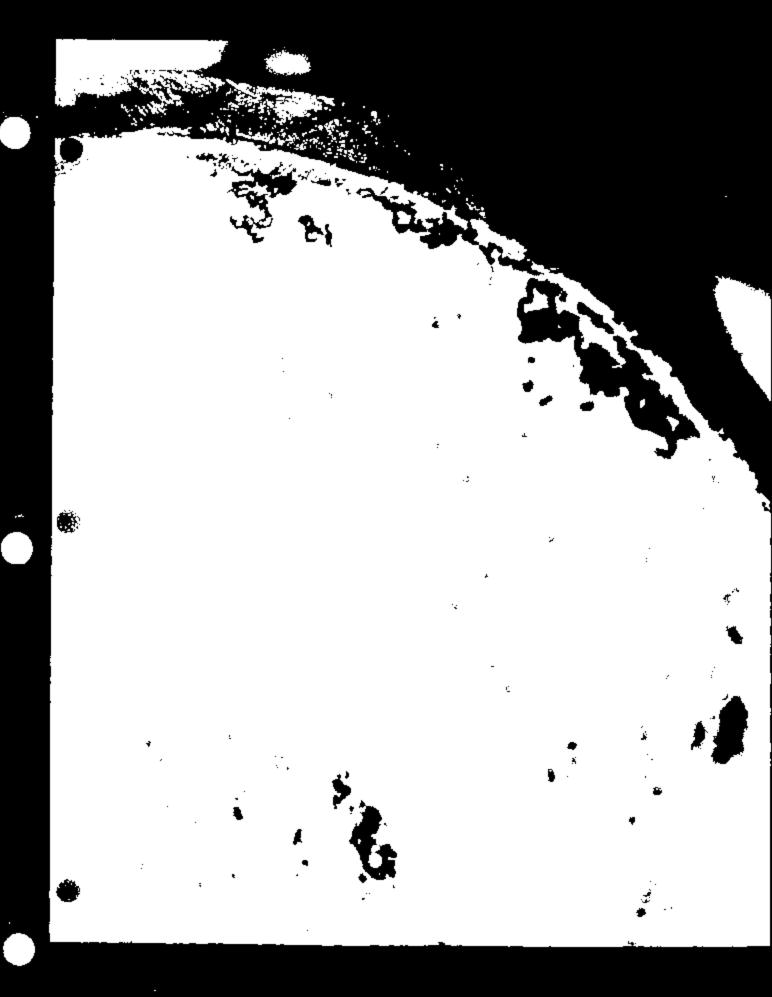
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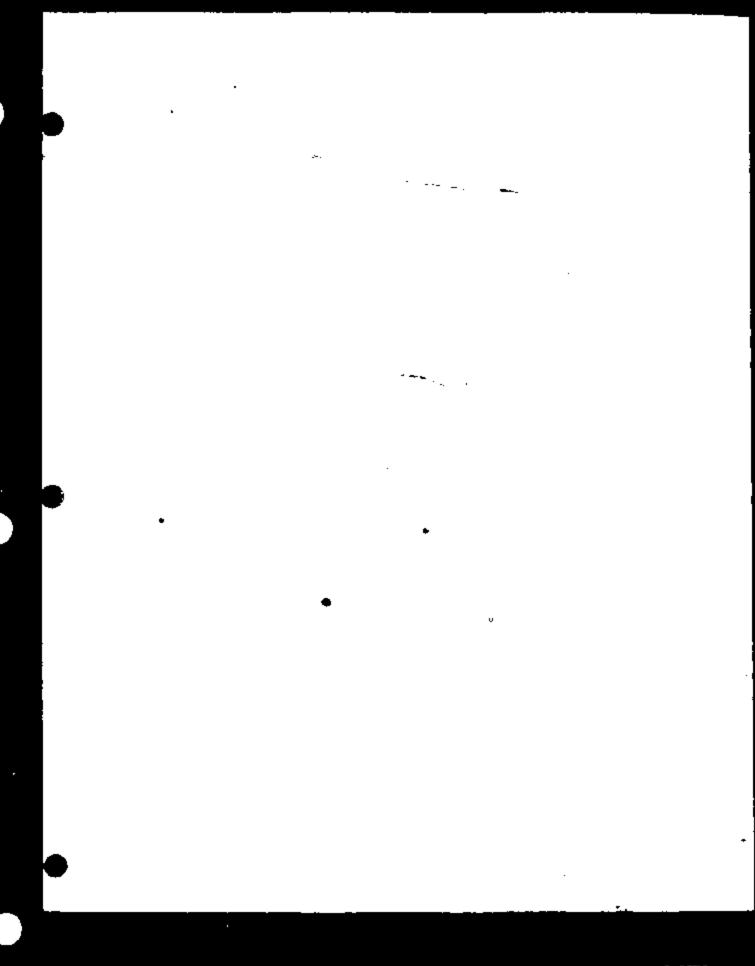
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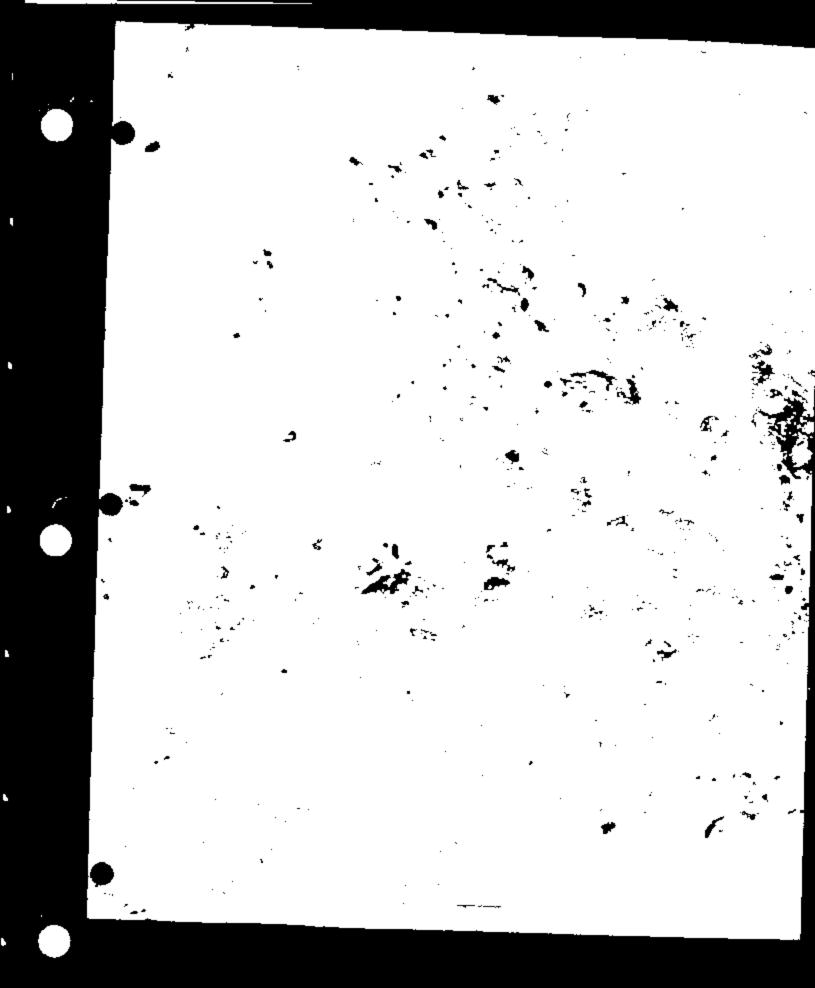




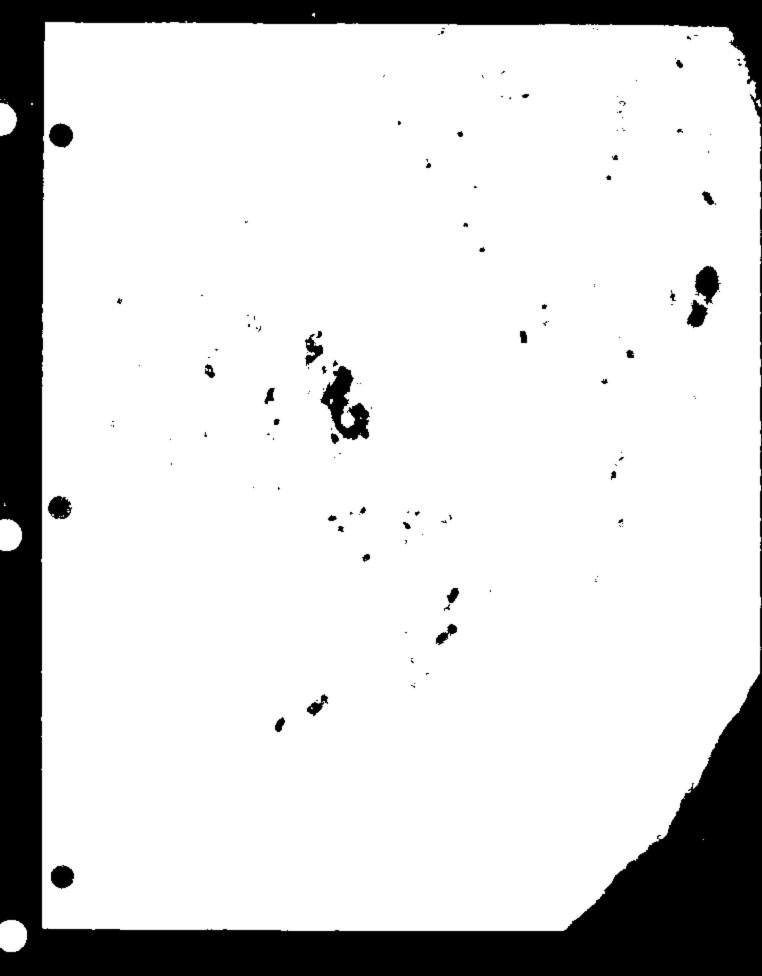




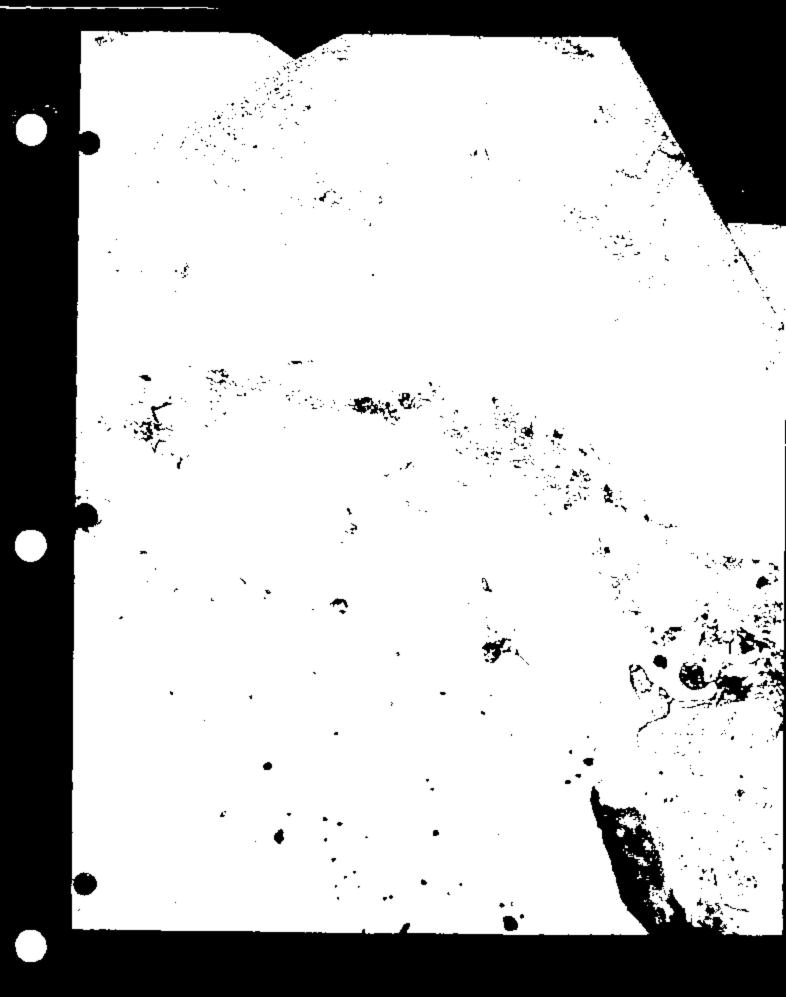




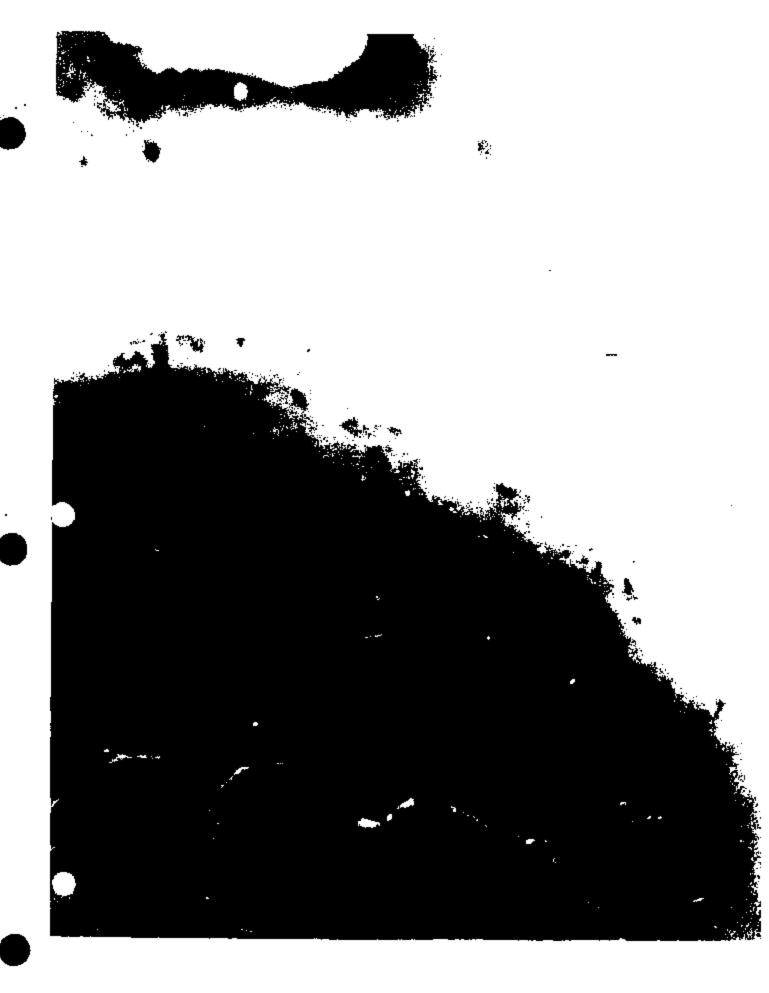


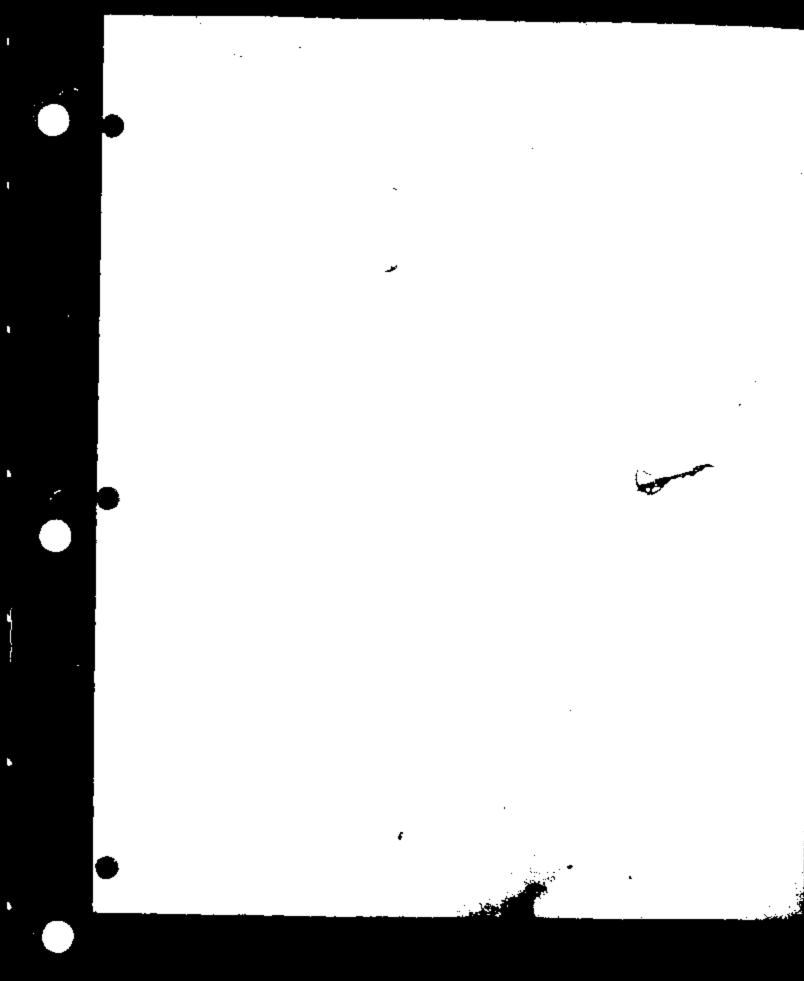


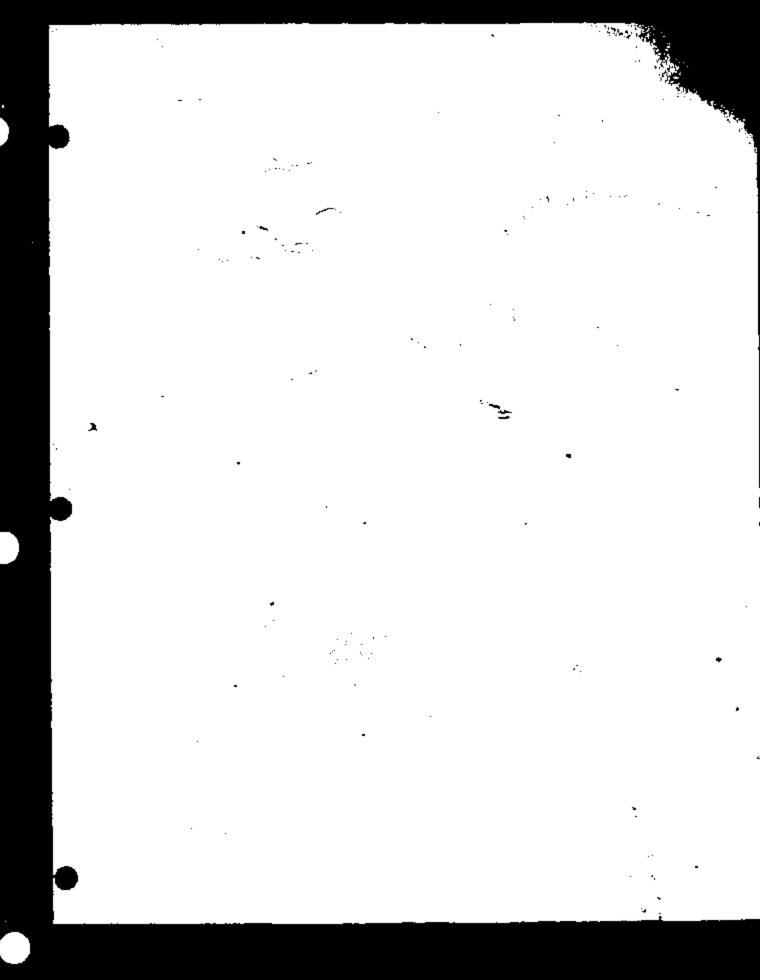


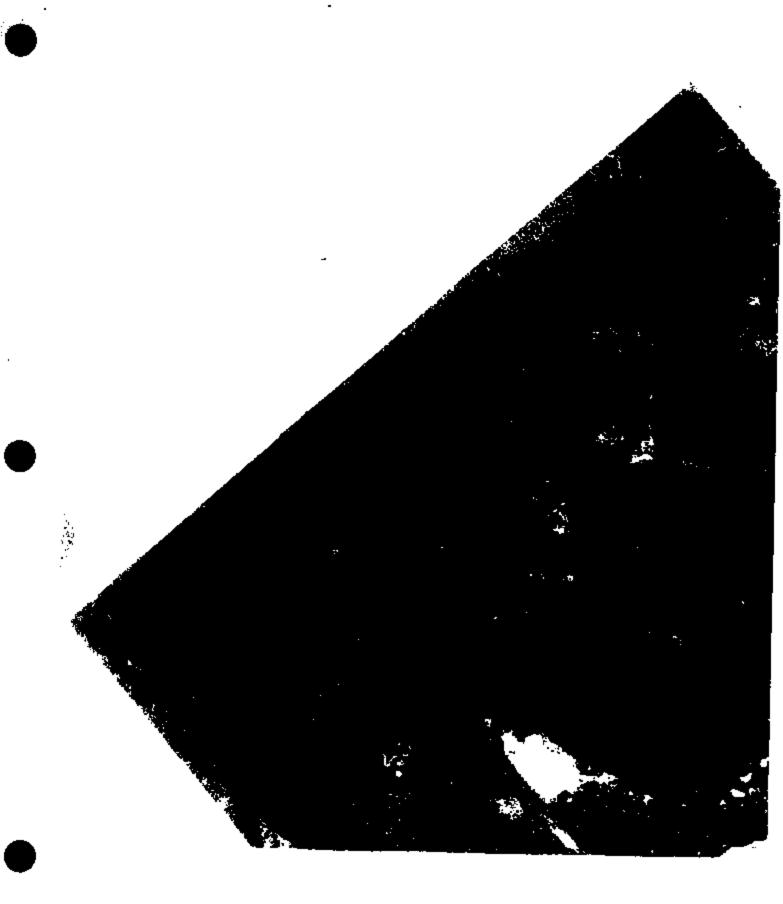
















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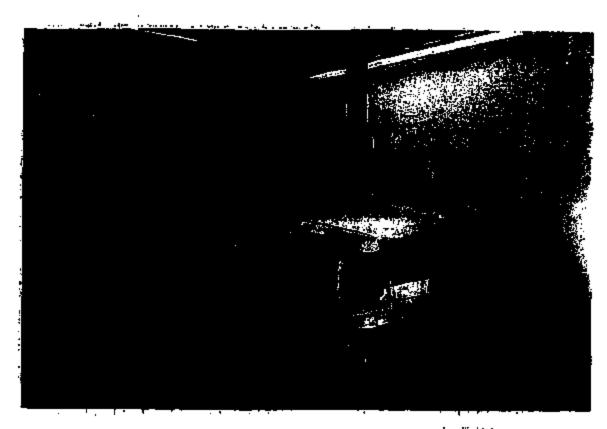
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<b>8</b> I,	Body Style	TOWN CAR BASE/EXECUTIVE 4 DR SEDAN
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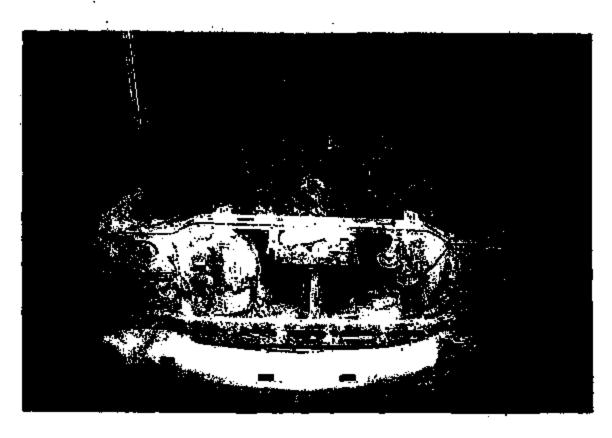
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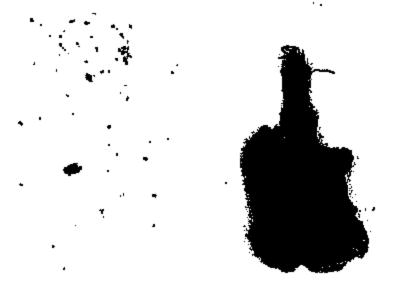
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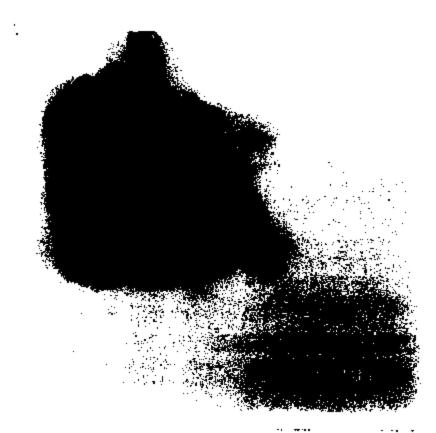


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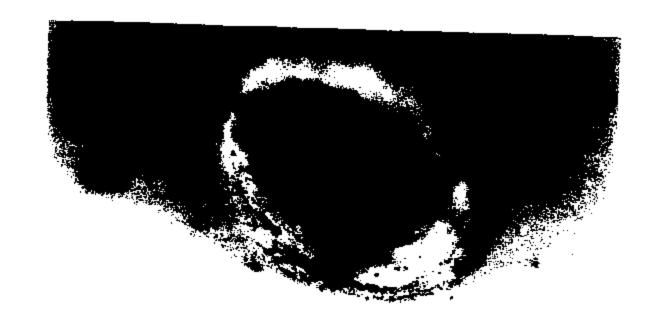
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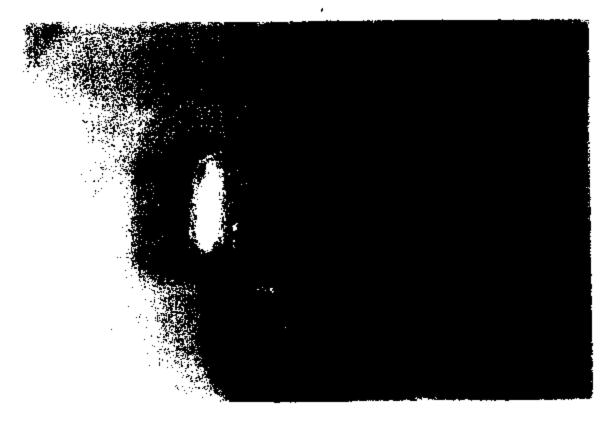


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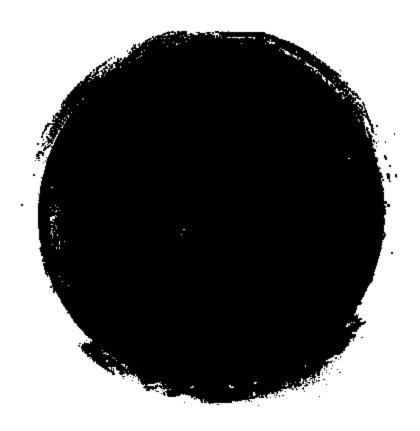




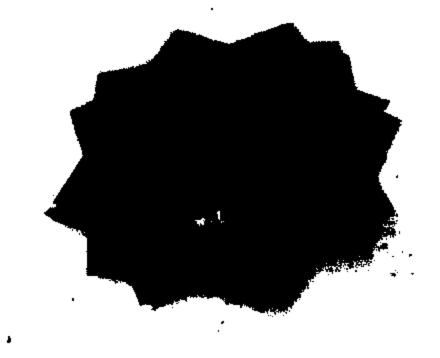
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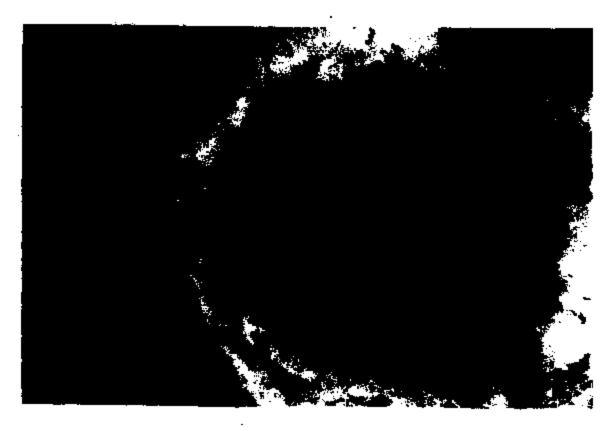


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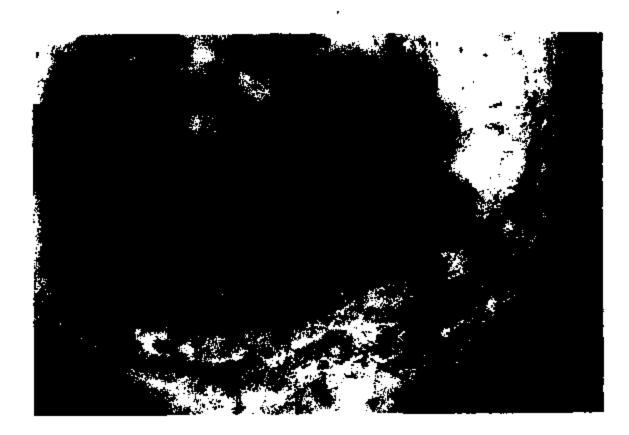




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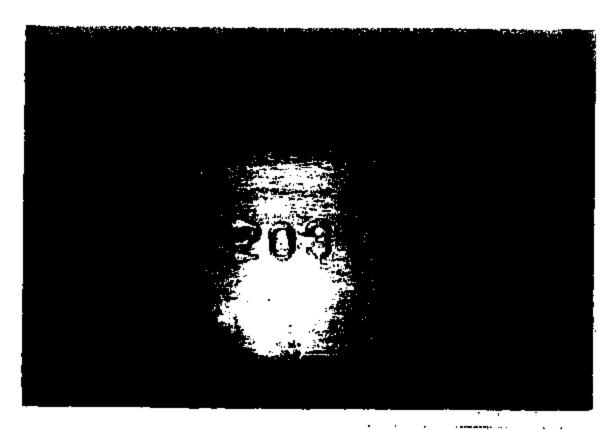
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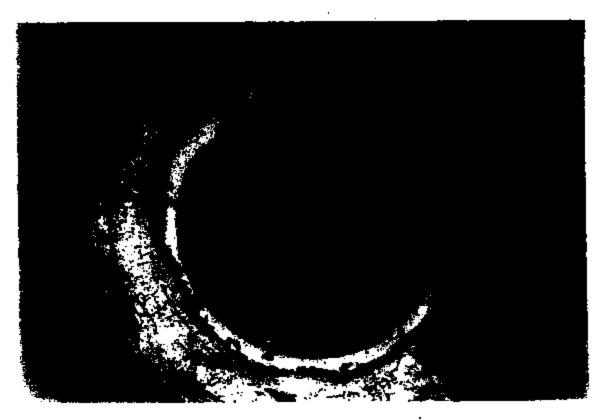
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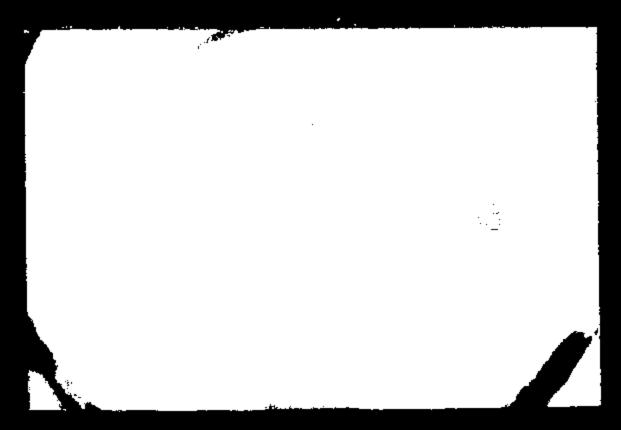


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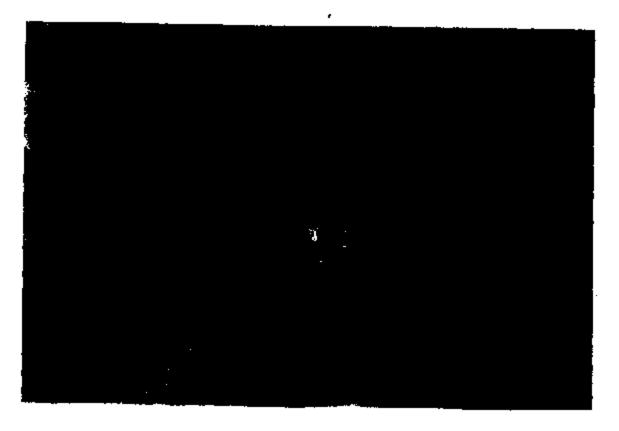
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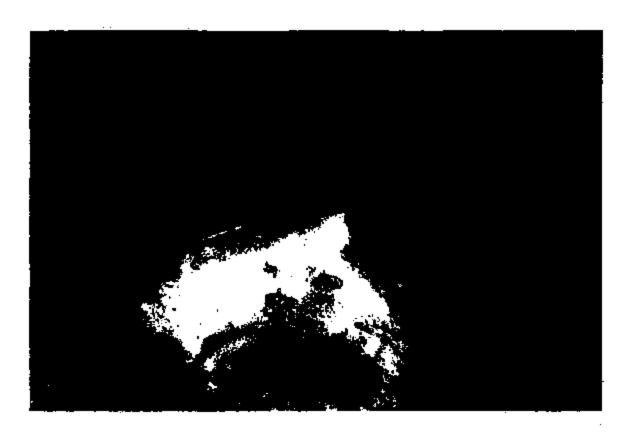


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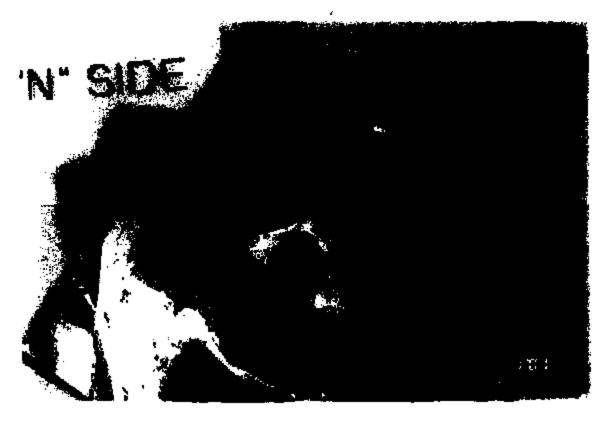
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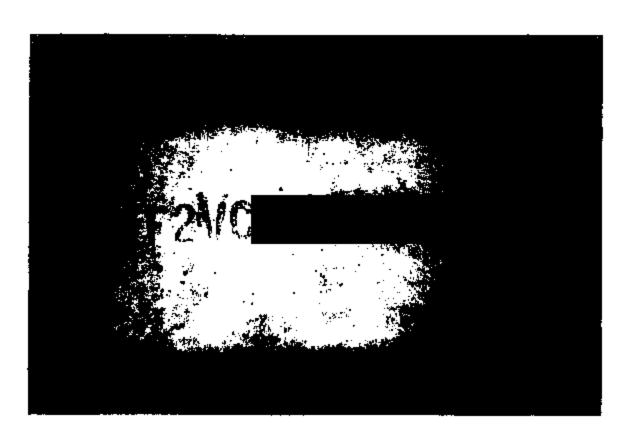
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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TIPE OF LOSS: Fire

DATE: 8/17/99

TIME:12:10

POLICY NUMBER:

SYNOPSIS OF INVESTIGATION.

This fire occurred in a 1992 Lincoln Town Car. The vehicle was sitting in the garage at the box of the burn pattern indicated the state of the vehicle. The insuradather is a control of the cruise control.

it is the opinion of this investigator the cause of this ire was a malfunction of the electronic cruise control.

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#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

scene investigation I received the following information from drove the 1992 Lincoln Town Car the morning of the fire. She said she did not notice anything unusual about the way the vehicle drove. She parked the vehicle in the attached two car garage shortly before nooms **T**aide hen she heard the the house and was doing. When she opened the garage smoke detector nowe in the garage. She then saw a small when drop to the ground to the rear of the left She then realized the vehicle was on fire. The enlisted the aid of a neighbor, called the Fire Department, and attempted to put out the fire. it was approximately 12:10-12:15 when she discovered the fire. She said she had been home 15-20 minutes.

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#### FIRE SCENE PRANTHATION

This fire occurred in a two car, wood frame attached garage. The garage was construction with 2x4 wood stude on sixteen inch centers. There was no gypsum board covering the wall stude. There was a considerable amount of combustible storage in the rafter area of the garage. The garage was attached to the house by a room that had been converted into the kitchen of the residence.

The property was located in a typical suburban setting. The property was serviced with electricity, natural gas, well and septic. The property was protected by the South Wheatland Fire Protection District.

I began the fire scene

the structure. The fire has

of the garage

of structure was burnt more

the West side. The charring on the remaining

roof factors was more severe on the East side of the

garage.

The natural gas and electric maters were located on the East side of the residence. No sign of malfunction was noted around the meter locations.

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I entered into the structure. There was heavy smoke damage throughout the structure. The direct flame damage became more progressively severe toward the area of the door to the garage.

There was a burn pattern extending from the door from the garage to the kitchen. It was evident the fire had originated in the garage and spread through the doorway into the kitchen.

The 1992 Lincoln Town Car was sitting just outside the kitchen door. The fire had totally destroyed the vehicle. The vehicle had an aluminum hood on the engine compartment. The hood had been consumed by the fire. This was an indication the fire had compartment of the vehicle

Some of the three lit was noted the drivers side nicle was burnt more severely than the passenger side. The insulating blanket for the engine compartment was burnt completely away in the left rear corner of the engine compartment area.

The fire had spread into the passenger compartment. Examination of the passenger compartment indicated the fire

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spread through openings in the firewall from the engine partment.

There was a burn pattern on the hood support bracket in the area of the cruise control module in the engine compartment. This was located in the left hand rear corner of the engine compartment. A corresponding burn pattern was noted on the left front fender.

The burning on the roof trusses was most severe above the engine compartment of the vehicle. The West side of the garage was not burnt as severely as the East side.

Photographs were taken of the vehicle. A sketch was made of the vehicle.

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I returned to the scene of the fire with Automotive Consultant Charles Pendleton. The vehicle was pulled from the garage. Examination of the vehicle revealed the point of origin for the fire was in the area of the cruise control module. The cruise control module was found under the vehicle where it had dropped during the fire. electrical connectors for the cruise control were located and examined.

A similar vehicle with an idem examined for comparison purpos Additional photographs

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The burn pattern indicates this fire has originated at the location of the cruise control module of the 1992 Lincoln Town Car parked in the garage at the time of the fire. The fire has spread through the kitchen door into the residence causing considerable damage to the residence.

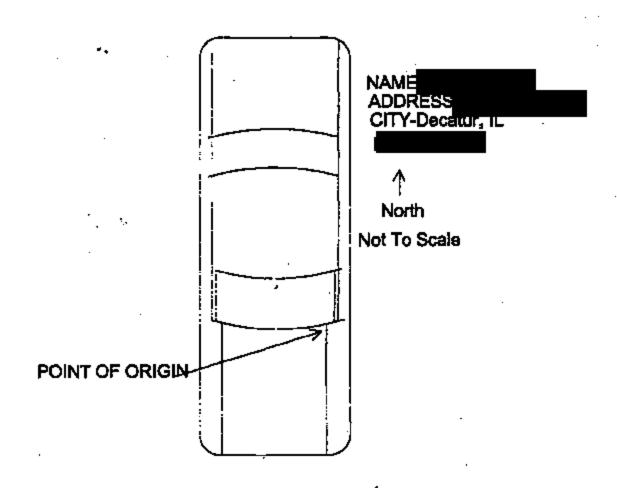
The burn pattern is consistent with the insureds description of fire discovery. The insured had received a recall notice from Ford Motor Company prior to the fire indicating the cruise control was a fire hazard. The repair work for the recall had been scheduled but not completed at the time of

It the cruise control module

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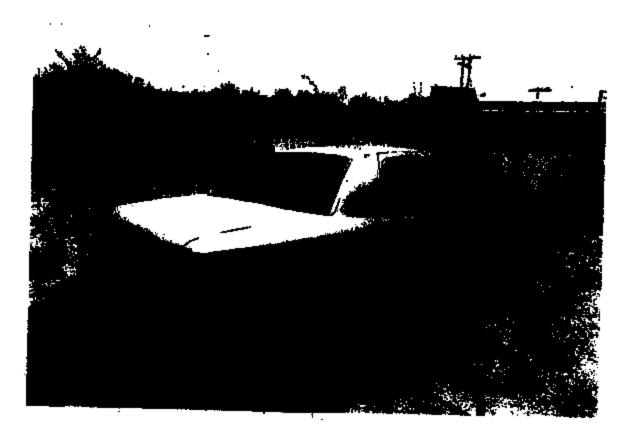
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м	Line	PASSENGER CAR
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W	Engine	4.6L VS EFI
7	Check Digit	CHECK DIGIT VALID
Ť	Year	1992
x	Assembly Plant	9T.THOMAS:TALBOTVILLE, ONT. CANADA
726180	Sequence Number	IN RANGE

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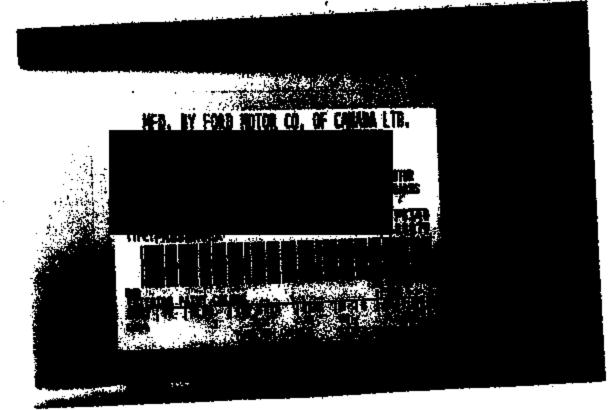
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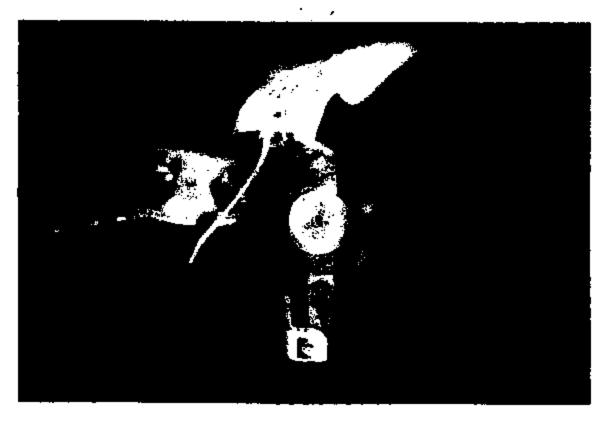


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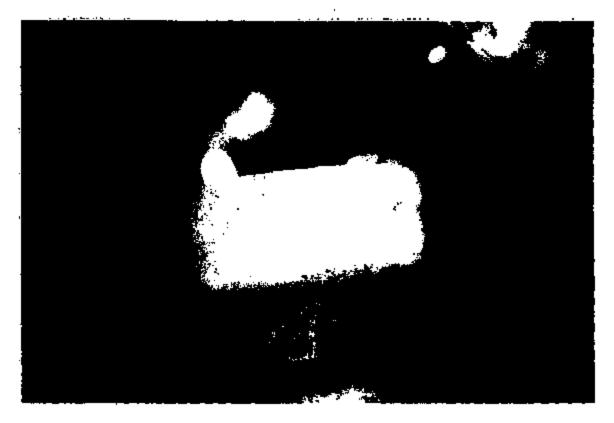
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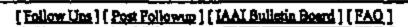
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Posted by John Abbott - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on Jamuary 29, 1999 at 16:50:55:

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Posted by Lt. Stave Anderson on Pebruary 02, 1999 at 13:48:24;

In Reply to: Re: Lincoln Town Car posted by Section 1 January 29, 1999 at 23:27:39:

- : If you could be more specific it may help us help you. Such as the year the Town Car was made and, if possible, the compartment of origin. I personally have not recently investigated a TC,
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- I have a client whose 1992 Lincoln Town Car caught fire in his garage about 1 1/2 hours after he parked it for the evening. The local fire department investigator identified the area of origin as the driver's side firewall near the brake master cylinder. My client had taken his Town Car into the local Ford dealership for repair of the brake lights and speed control the day before the fire. The car was returned to him "fixed" that evening but within minutes of picking the car up the brake lights stopped working again and he returned it to the dealership the day of the fire. The dealership blamed the problem on a bad fuse and returned the car to him after replacing the fuse again. Could you contact me regarding the information you have on the Town Car fires you have investigated. I am interested in learning whether the fire you investigated are similar in nature and what kind of time flame these fires have been countring in. Specifically, I am interested in knowing how many of the fires happened prior to September 1998. Also I may be looking for an expert witness or investigator on the issue of the cause of these fires and would be interested in talking to you about whether you could do that or if you know of someone who can.

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Do those fires appear to have started in the air supsension system. I so there have been two homes in Corpus Christi destroyed by these fires just this year alone.

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# Lincoln Town Car Fires



Posted by John Abbott on February 04, 1999 at 10:25:20:

The 1/29/99 message was posted for me and tacked specific information and for that I appologise. Specific information follows.

Investigation Number: P£98-055 Subject Vehicles: Lincoln Town Car Model Years: 1992 and 1993

Problem Description: Engine compartment fires on the driver's side in the area of the left front wheel and the brake master cylinder.

This is not an investigation or study of "generic" underhood fires from all ignition sources. The fires being reported appear to be electrical in nature and the information I have received indicate a specific area of fire origin. The fires occur when the vehicle is parked and not running. Generally the vehicles have been parked for hours but some reports indicate a fire occurance in less than one hour.

John Abbott 202-366-5221

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Posted by Shano Harterove on February 12, 1999 at 12:53:23:

In Reply to: Lincoln Town Car Fires posted by John Abbott on February 04, 1999 at 10:25:20:

I investigated a similar fire that was caused by an overheating condition in the air pump for the suspension. The air pump is mounted on top of the first front wheel well, in front of the master cylinder. In this case the vehicle was inoperation at the time of the fire. The Service Manager at the dealership where the vahicle was located stated that they had experienced several incidents in which the air pump overheated and failed but this was the only case in which it caused an engine compartment fire.

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