

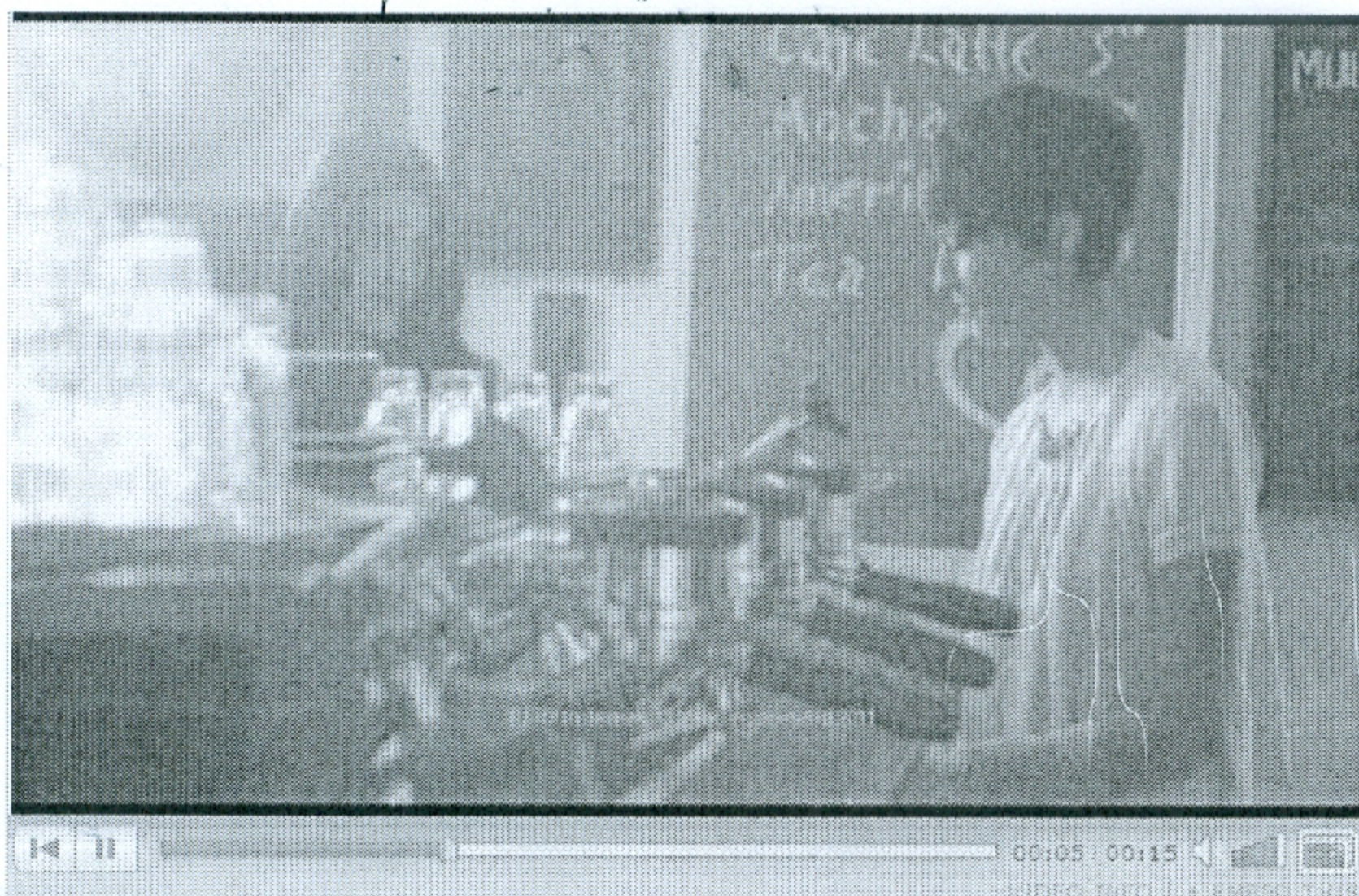
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SAVANNAH, GA -- Are you in the market for a new car?

Looking for something a little more environmentally friendly?

Georgia's Public Service Commissioner is encouraging Georgians to purchase alternative fuel vehicles.

Today he was in Savannah showing off some of the choices... from an electric car to a bi-fuel vehicle there are more and more on the market.

"My motivation for doing this is we are so dependent on foreign oil. I feel if we are going to make any progress in Georgia we've got to have some body leading the way in this. We need to be using an alternative fuel something not from Saudi Arabia," explains Public Service Commissioner Tim Echols.

Echols believes electric cars are the future. He says according to Georgia Power operating an electric vehicle is equivalent to spending about \$0.72 a gallon.

He's hoping the state can use money from the Universal Service Fund to build charge stations and other areas where people can fill up with natural gas.

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