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FLEA MARKET FUSS

11/17, Thoreau

An argument at the Thoreau Flea Market resulted in the arrest of a Prewitt woman for battery on a household member.

McKinley County Sheriff's Office Deputy Nocona Clark said she was dispatched to the flea market at 1:22 pm on Nov. 17 in connection with an ongoing domestic dispute.

When she arrived on scene, she found a man and woman, both of whom wore dirty and disarrayed clothing and were getting up off of the ground. Clark placed handcuffs on the man.

She said the man was "emotional and crying," and he told Clark his girlfriend, Sharrie Ryan, 33, had thrown him to the ground and punched him in the face several times.

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Clark found a witness to the incident who reported the same account as the man.

When Clark tried to find Ryan to hear her side of the incident, she found out Ryan had left the area and was trying to hide.

Clark reported she finally found her south of the flea market, but when Clark began to put handcuffs on her, Ryan made a scene.

After Clark got Ryan to stop yelling, Ryan claimed the man had thrown her to the ground and hit her on the back of the neck five times.

A witness told Clark the man had come to the booth where Ryan was selling things and offered Ryan food. It was at that time, according to the witness, that the man walked away from the booth with Ryan following him. She threw him to the ground and hit him.

Ryan continued to claim she was kicked in the back and in pain, so she was taken to Gallup Indian Medical Center where she was checked out and given medical clearance. She was then transported to the county jail and booked on the battery charge as well as for having two outstanding bench warrants.

ALMOST DUE

11/17, Navajo

Rex Nelson, 38, of Navajo, N.M. was charged with battery on a household member after he was found hitting his 17-year-old girlfriend who was nine months pregnant.

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MCSO Deputy Ivan Tsethlikai said he was dispatched to the five-mile marker of U.S. Highway 491 at about 6 pm on Nov. 17 in connection with a report of a male pushing a female around on the roadside.

When he arrived at the scene, he reported seeing the two standing on the roadside with Nelson holding the woman from behind. Nelson was told to stand back from the woman and he initially refused, but Tsethlikai finally got him to move and placed him in handcuffs, according to the report.

The pregnant woman said Nelson had punched her in the face, causing her to break her eyeglasses. She said the two got into an argument over her baby and he became abusive.

The woman reportedly said she was due to deliver in two weeks and had begun having abdominal pains.

She was transported to the Gallup Indian Medical Center and Nelson was taken to the county jail and booked.