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On November 25, 2010, at approximately 0130 hours, Butte County Sheriff's deputies Joe Deal and Earl Klapperich attempted to conduct a traffic enforcement stop on a vehicle in south Oroville. As Deal and Klapperich turned their patrol vehicle around, the suspect vehicle turned a corner and parked. Deputies contacted the sole occupant later identified as 45 year old Kenneth Allen of Oroville. Allen then fought with Deputy Klapperich and fled on foot into the surrounding neighborhood. When Allen fled, it caused Deputy Klapperich to fall to the ground. Deputies gave chase on foot and were able to catch up to Allen along the side of a residence on A Street. Upon catching up to Allen, Allen took a fighting stance against deputies and hit Deputy Klapperich in the head with a bottle. The bottle did not break and Deputy Klapperich received no injury. A Taser was deployed to gain control of Allen and he was taken into custody. A search of Allen's person and vehicle revealed Allen was in possession of suspected cocaine, marijuana and a digital scale.

Allen was arrested and booked into the Butte County Jail for numerous felony charges which include, assault on a peace officer, assault with a weapon, obstructing or resisting officer, possession of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance for sale and transportation of a controlled substance. Allen's bail was set at $170,000.