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Authorities in Putnam County report two vehicles, approaching one another, collided when both crossed the center line of Highway 5 last night.



The impact resulted in an elderly driver from Unionville taken to a hospital.

The other driver allegedly left the scene of the accident but left behind a pickup truck. The accident happened two miles south of Unionville about 9:45 Monday night.

The highway patrol described injuries as serious for 82 year old Lucy Clark of Unionville. She was taken by ambulance to Putnam county memorial hospital in Unionville. The patrols' accident report says information is unknown about the other driver, other than the person was operating a northbound pickup truck listed as a 1998 GMC 2500 when the accident occurred. The driver is believed to have fled from the scene. Damage was listed as extensive to both the car and truck. Both vehicles were towed from the scene Ms. Clark was using a safety device.

A single vehicle accident in rural Linn county late Monday afternoon resulted in a Marceline man going to a hospital, then arrested last evening on traffic charges. The highway patrol said 40 year old David O'Dell drove off Idaho Road, just east of Yellow Creek, where the sports utility vehicle struck a fence.

Injury information was not available in the accident report. But a separate report shows O'Dell was arrested at Pershing Memorial Hospital for investigation of driving while intoxicated, careless and imprudent driving, and leaving the scene of an accident. The SUV had extensive damage.