



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4900

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Robbery, Burglary, Evading

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 1366 East Ave.

DATE/TIME OCCURRED: 08-22-15 1308 hours

INCIDENT CASE NUMBER: 15-5572

VICTIM: Safeway

SUSPECT: Robert Hoffman (30 years of age)

NARRATIVE:

On the above date and time the Chico Police Department received a call of an armed robbery that had just occurred at the pharmacy of the Safeway store on East Ave. The suspect brandished a firearm and demanded medication. The reporting party provided a suspect description and a description of the vehicle the suspect fled in. CPD units located the vehicle driving on Centennial Ave. and attempted to stop the vehicle. The suspect vehicle did not yield and a vehicle pursuit ensued. The pursuit lasted less than a mile and reached a top speed of 35 MPH. The driver was taken into custody without incident and identified as Robert Hoffman. Hoffman was later identified by the Safeway clerk as the person who robbed the pharmacy. Officers located a replica firearm and the stolen medication inside the suspect vehicle. Hoffman was booked into Butte County Jail for Robbery, Burglary, and Evading.

Supervisor: Sgt. Rodden

Watch Commander: Lt. Madden

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