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## PRESS RELEASE

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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### ARREST RELEASE

At about 5:45 pm on 02-11-16, a Rockford Police Officer observed a man running along 15th Avenue with what appeared to be a purse. Moments later, the officer was alerted to an Armed Robbery that had just occurred.

The officer chased the running suspect and saw that the suspect was also carrying a sawed-off shotgun. After a short chase the suspect was taken into custody.

Officers identified the suspect as Phillip Hayes who was learned to be a felon. Hayes had, according to Illinois Department of Corrections personnel, only been released from prison three days earlier on 02-08-16.

Phillip Hayes 21 years old  
6'3" tall, 230 lbs.  
Charged with: Armed Robbery,  
Unlawful Use of a Weapon, No FOID,  
Resisting A Peace Officer



Phillip Hayes was lodged in the Winnebago County Jail. These charges are allegations and Hayes is presumed innocent unless proven guilty in court.

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