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QUINN PAYNE-BRANDON, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR AGGRAVATED UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today, Quinn Payne-Brandon, age 22, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for the offense of Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapons.

On May 7, 2019, officers with the Carbondale Police Department were dispatched to the 400 block of Robert A. Stalls Avenue, on the northeast side of Carbondale for a report of shots fired. Officers located fired shell casings of various calibers at the intersection near Archie Jones Street and a freshly abandoned red and black Taurus Spectrum .380 semi-automatic pistol in the backyard of a residence on Archie Jones Street. The pistol was loaded with one round in the chamber and a full magazine and did not appear to have been fired.

Officers learned a suspect associated with, and potentially the target of the shots, Quinn Payne-Brandon, had run through the front door and exited the rear of the residence on Archie Jones Street immediately after the shots were fired. The residents identified Payne-Brandon by his clothing and noted he was carrying a small red and black pistol with him.

Officers ran a trace of the pistol's serial number and determined it was purchased in Carbondale the day before. Officers learned the purchaser of the pistol was Payne-Brandon's girlfriend. The girlfriend later confessed to buying the pistol for Payne-Brandon, who did not have a FOID card.

On December 9, 2019, Payne-Brandon pled guilty to the charge of Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapons, a Class 4 Felony. He was sentenced to twelve (12) months in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a one (1) year period of mandatory supervised release.

The investigation was conducted by the Carbondale Police Department. Assistant State's Attorney Andrew W. Suthard was responsible for the prosecution of this case.