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MEDIA RELEASE

*****Traffic Stop results in four felony arrests and seizure of a defaced 9mm handgun and over 82 grams of cannabis ******

On Thursday, Feb. 23, 2023, LeRoy Police stopped a vehicle for speeding. The driver had a suspended driver's license. During a search of the vehicle, a 9mm handgun with the serial numbers defaced was found, along with over 82 grams of cannabis. Arrested and booked in the McLean County Jail were the following individuals:

Markise M. Purnell, 20, Champaign.
Arrest Charges: Manufacture/Delivery of Cannabis; Unlawful Use of Weapons, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm/Felon, Illegal Possession of Cannabis in a Vehicle by a Passenger
Bond after bond hearing 2/25/23: 200,000 (10%).

Myles J Foster, 19, Mackinaw
Arrest Charges: Driving While License Suspended; Speeding more than 26 mph over; Improper Lane use; Unlawful Possession of Cannabis by a driver; Unlawful Use of Weapons; Manufacture/Delivery Cannabis
Bond after bond hearing 2/25/23: $100,000 (10%).

Hannah L. Schmitt, 20, Normal
Arrest Charges: Manufacture/Delivery of Cannabis; Unlawful Use of Weapons, Illegal Possession of Cannabis in a Vehicle by a Passenger
Bond after bond hearing 2/25/23: $75,000 (10%).

Avanta Gardner, 18, Bloomington
Arrest Charges: Manufacture/Delivery of Cannabis; Unlawful Use of Weapons, Illegal Possession of Cannabis in a Vehicle by a Passenger
Bond after bond hearing 2/25/23: $100,000 (10%).

Arrests and citations are based on probable cause. All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



PURNELL, MARKISE M



FOSTER, MYLES J



SCHMITT, HANNAH L



GARDNER, AVANTA