

PLANS APPEAL

Jordan Given Prison Term of 1 to 2 Years

Samuel Reginald Jordan, 22, of Washington, D.C., former Franklin and Marshall College student, today was sentenced to Eastern State Correctional Institute in Philadelphia for a term of from one to two years.

Judge W. Hensel Brown imposed the prison sentence plus a fine of \$100 and court costs on Jordan's September, 1968 conviction of carrying a bomb or explosives at the time of his arrest in the Southeast area last May 10.

On conviction of possession of ingredients for making a bomb at his F&M residence quarters, Jordan was ordered on two years probation, the probation to begin upon his release from prison.

He also was placed on two years probation for carrying a

concealed weapon and one year probation for violation of the Uniform Firearms Act. The latter two probation terms are to run concurrent with the first probation period.

Defense counsel, Daniel H. Shertzer informed the court that Jordan would file an appeal from the sentence before today is out and asked that he be released on bail pending outcome of that appeal.

Judge Brown, noting that Jordan has been free since trial on \$17,000 bond, ordered the bond to continue with the stipulation that he would be incarcerated if the appeal is not filed within 20 days.

BEFORE SENTENCE

Prior to sentencing of Jordan, Shertzer asked the court for mercy to the extent of not

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requiring imprisonment of his client.

Shertzer noted that since the time of the offense, the state legislature has reduced possession of a Molotov Cocktail from a felony to a misdemeanor.

Shertzer noted also that in the interim, Jordan has graduated from college and has been accepted by New York State University to undertake graduate study in psychology and social work.

As evidence that Jordan now recognizes the right and wrong way to accomplish his social objectives, Shertzer reported that Jordan has been employed in research work at Draper State Prison in Alabama.

Judge Brown, in refusing to place Jordan on total probation without incarceration, declared that he believes that Jordan is on his way to becoming a useful member of society, but cited the court's responsibility to impose imprisonment as a deterrent factor to others, to show others that "such things must not happen."

The judge noted that at the time of his trial, the story Jordan told the jury relating to his possession of bomb ingredients "was incredible."

He noted, too, that Jordan's testimony that the gun he carried was exposed was contrary to the evidence that the gun was concealed.

The appeal Shertzer said will be filed later today will be to the State Superior Court.