

inal Court. The finding of this Board would have an effect on the outcome of his case. If you try Mr. Dorsey to-day and dismiss him it will affect his position before the Jury or court. In view of the notoriety given the case by the newspapers and on account of public sentiment and it may be that Patrolman Dorsey will be unable to get a fair trial. I beg you to suspend Mr. Dorsey as a member of the Police Department pending the outcome of the criminal charge now against him. It will not injure the Department, but it will injure Charles T. Dorsey now charged with a serious offense if you try him. "

The Board's reply was:-

"The charge is now before the Board and it feels that it is its duty to dispose of the charge. The Board will be guided solely by the evidence presented here. It will give Patrolman Dorsey an impartial trial and it feels that any delay in the matter will injure the discipline of the department. We propose to proceed with the trial."

Mr. Kaufman then said: "I am not prepared to go into the trial, having only been engaged yesterday afternoon."

The Board replied to Mr. Kaufman:

"When a member of the Police Department comes before the Board the Board occupies a dual position; it recognizes that the officer is a part of the police administration. It is the duty of the Board to protect the officer, at the sametime to decide whether he is guilty of the charge lodged against him. While the Board is glad to have counsel represent the officer to bring out all the facts it regrets to say that it does not feel warranted in continuing this case."

Mr. Kaufman again requested further time to prepare the officer's defense, whereupon the Board told him that it had seriously considered this matter before going to trial, and notwithstanding the argument of counsel to continue the case the Board must insist on going ahead with the hearing.

At this time Patrolman Dorsey was told by his counsel to leave the room and repair to the office of his counsel.

Patrolman Dorsey was called back and asked: "Are you guilty or not guilty", to which Mr. Kaufman replied "We refuse to answer". Patrolman Dorsey was instructed to remain in the room and the hearing proceeded: