

Q The same time they arrested these boys? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you notice these old marks on Jack Williamson at that time? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you ever at any time see any fresh marks or bruises on them? A No, sir.

Q At the time when he was confined in the same cell with you during that thirty two days tell you that any of the officers I have mentioned, or any one else, had beat him? A No, sir

Q Tell you they had threatened him? A No, sir.

Q Tell you they had promised him anything? A No, sir.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Where were you arrested from? A Pompano.

Q What time of night? A About nine o'clock.

Q And what was done with you when they first arrested you? A They take me up there to Pompano jail house.

Q Who took you up there? A Mr. Bob Clark.

Q And some other officers? A And Mr. Maddox.

Q Anybody else? A No, sir? Q Just the two officers?

A Yes, sir. Q What house in Pompano were you arrested?

A I was home in bed. Q Where did you live?

A I lived in James Little's.

Q You know where Walter Woodward lived? A Yes, sir.

Q How far from where Walter Woodward lived?

A About half a mile.

Q Did Walter Woodward live between you and the jail in Pompano? A Yes, sir. Q Were you handcuffed? A Yes, sir, I was handcuffed. Q They handcuffed you when they arrested you?

A Yes, sir. Q On the way to Pompano jail did they stop and pick up anybody else? A No, sir, not with me.

Q They took you right to Pompano jail? A Yes, sir.

Q And then what did they next do to you?

A They questioned me and took me over.

Q Who questioned you in Pompano jail? A Mr. Maddox.

Q What did he say to you? A He asked me did I know anything about that.

Q What did you tell him? A I told him, no, sir.

Q How many times were you questioned ?

MR. SALISBURY: If he wants to open this up, we are agreeable, but we object on the same grounds he objected.

THE COURT: You want to go into the treatment of this witness by the officers?

MR. SALISBURY: We will agree to that.

MR. CATTS: I am just testing his credibility.

Q After you were taken out of the jail there at Pompano what did they do with you? A They didn't do nothing there only talk with me.

Q Where did they carry you? A They carried me to Lauderdale.

Q Didn't you state they went to get Walter?

A Yes, sir, they went down there and got them.

Q Where did they get Walter from?

A Over in Mr. Blount's quarters.

Q What did they do with you while they went to get Walter?

MR. SALISBURY: Object.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

Q What did they do with you while they went to get Walter? A Didn't do nothing with me; left me in the car.

Q Who was left there in the car with you? A Mr. Goodrich.

Q If Mr. Goodrich comes on the stand and says he hit Walter on the foot with a strap, he didn't do it; he didn't leave the car, he stayed there in the car with you; is that right?

A Yes, sir.

Q When you were first taken to Broward County jail where did they put you? A They put me in a cell.

Q What cell? A I don't know.

Q Were you taken on the first floor, second floor , third floor or fourth floor? A On the first floor.

Q They put you in a cell in the bull pen? A No, sir.

Q In a cell by yourself? A They put all four of us in there together.

Q In a cell? A Yes, sir Q And how long did they leave you in that cell? A All night.

Q They didn't take any of you out of that cell that night?

A Yes, sir, they questioned us.

Q Did they take you out of the cell; did they take any of these boys out of the cell that night? A They took them out and questioned them.

Q How do you know they questioned them; where did they take them? A In the room.

Q Did you hear them when they questioned them? A Yes, sir.

Q How far was the room where they took them to?

A We was in the room together.

Q Well did they take all of them out into the room out there? A No, sir.

Q Take them out one at a time? A Two at a time.

Q Was anybody in the cell besides you and these boys?

A Yes, sir.

Q How many people in the cell that night? A I don't know.

Q Did you mean to tell the jury a few minutes ago that they kept all these boys here in that same bull pen or in the same cell with you for that whole week, for thirty two days?

A We was in the cell, we could go in the cell.

Q That's what they call the bull pen, isn't it?

A I don't know nothing about no bull pen.

Q Tell the jury what kind of a place they had you in; have more than one bunch of cells in there? A Yes, sir, there was more than one cell in there.

Q And in each one of the cells three or four people would sleep? A Yes, sir. Q And they had several of those? A Yes, sir

Q That's where they had all of you? A Yes, sir.

Q Did they keep all of you in there for the whole thirty two days you were there? A No, we stayed in jail --

Q I mean in the cell where you were? A No, sir, I was over in one cell.

Q Did you see these boys every day? A Yes, sir.

Q Every day? A Yes, sir. Q All of them? A Yes, sir.

Q What time did you see Izell Chambers on Monday, the first Monday after they were put in there? A I see him Monday morning. Q Did they take him out of there that day? A Yes, sir, they took him out.

Q When did they take him out? A I don't know.

Q How long did they keep him about? A Fifteen minutes.

Q And then brought him back? A Yes, sir.

Q You see him at supper time that night? A Yes, sir.

Q Was Jack Williamson there that night? A Yes, sir, he was in there.

Q Did they take him out that night, that Monday night?

A Yes, sir.

Q How long did they keep him out? A About 15 minutes.

Q And then brought him back? A Yes, sir.

Q Was he there at breakfast on Tuesday morning?

A Yes, sir.

Q Both of them? A Yes, sir, all of them.

Q All four of them there at breakfast on Tuesday morning? A Yes, sir.

Q This was Tuesday after you were put in there on Sunday night; you know they were there with you? A Yes, sir.

Q And were there at lunch time on Tuesday? A Yes, sir.

Q As a matter of fact don't you know two of these boys were carried down to Dade County jail and stayed there from Monday evening until Tuesday around one o'clock, don't you know that of your own knowledge? (No answer)

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q During the thirty two days that you claim you were in jail, during any of the thirty two days when they had you in the Broward County jail, and while you were in the cell, or in the same cell block with these four boys sitting over here, did any of the officers around the jail beat you?

MR. CATTS: Object.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

Q Who else was in that same cell block with you; you remember whether or not James Little was? A Yes, sir.

Q You remember whether Willie Henderson was? A Yes, sir.

Q You remember whether Mack Little was? A Yes, sir.

Q You know Lonnie Jackson? A Yes, sir.

Q Was he in there some time? A Yes, sir.

Q You remember Ed Hamilton? A Yes, sir.

Q And Fritz Douglas? A No, sir, I don't know him.

(Witness excused)

JAMES LITTLE, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q What is your name? A James Little.

Q Do you know Izell Chambers - you know all four of these boys sitting there? A Yes, sir, just by name.

Q You know their names. What are their names?

A Izell Chambers there, next to him Walter Woodward and next to Walter is called Jack Williamson, and the other they call Charlie Davis.

Q You remember when Mr. Darcey was killed? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you picked up at that time by the Sheriff's officers?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did they put you in jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Where did they put you in relation to where these four boys were in the jail? A Me and Charlie over there was in the same cell.

Q In the same cell? A Yes, sir.

Q Was that a room cell or did it open out? A It opened out, just like going out here.

Q Where were these other boys kept in jail in relation to your cell; could they all go into this bull pen together that the cells opened on? A Yes, sir, for a few days.

Q How long were you in jail? A Eight days.

Q And when were you put in jail? A Put in jail on Sunday night. Q Was it the same night these four boys were put in jail? A Yes, sir.

Q You were there then in jail from Sunday for a period of eight days, in other words, until the following Monday?

A Sure. Q Until the following Monday? A Yes, sir.

Q During that time did you have frequent opportunity to see these four boys sitting over there? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you at any time see any of the officers, or any one else in Broward County jail, beat or threaten any of these four boys, in your presence? A No, sir, not in my presence.

Q Did you ever see any marks or bruises on any of these four boys, did you see any blood on their clothes? A No, sir.

Q During the eight days period? A No, sir, I ain't seen but the one with the scar on him.

Q And you saw what? A The scar on Charlie Davis; it was an old sear on the back of his head.

Q He had that scar when he was in jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Did Charlie Davis, during the time you were roommates in the cell, and the other boys during the time you mingled with them in the courtyard, tell you any of these officers or any one had beaten them or threatened them or promised them anything?

A No, sir.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. GATTS:

Q You say you were arrested on Sunday night? A Yes, sir.

Q At Pompano? A Yes, sir. Q That's where you live?

A Yes, sir. Q You are the father of Mack Little? A Yes, sir.

Q Taken to Broward County jail in Fort Lauderdale?

A I was taken down Monday.

Q You were kept in Pompano jail Sunday night? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you know either of these boys here by sight before you were arrested? A No, sir.

Q The first time you ever saw them was when you got where?

A After I got in jail in Pompano; me and Charlie were in the same cell, at least in the same cooler, and after we got to Lauderdale I was with him there.

Q Who all was put in the same place with you in Broward County jail, how many of these boys? A All three of them, all of them but Jack, I didn't know him, don't know him yet.

Q Were they in the same cell with you? A All in the bull ring they call it.

Q By bull ring you mean it was a big open space that had cells? A On the side.

Q Where three or four men slept in a cell? A Yes, sir.

Q Now were all four put in the same bull pen with you?

A Yes, sir, we all was in the same one together.

Q That was Monday morning when you got there they were already in the bull pen? A Yes, sir.

Q When did you get there Monday morning? A Monday evening.

Q What time? A Got there before night. I don't know exactly. Q Now during the time that you were kept in that bull pen did they ever take you out and question you, were you ever taken out of that bull pen? A No, sir.

Q You stayed in the bull pen the whole eight days you stayed in jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Did they take any of these other boys out?

A No, sir, not until Saturday morning.

Q They didn't take any of them out until the following Saturday morning? A Yes, sir.

Q And you saw each one of these boys every day during that period of eight days? A Yes, sir, as far as I can come at it.

Q You swear you saw them there when you came in Monday evening? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see them Monday night? A After we went in them rooms where we sleep, I couldn't see them then.

Q What time would you say was the last time you saw them Monday night? A Well, as near as I can come at it was about eight or nine o'clock, but Charlie, me and him was in there together at night.

Q Did you see them Tuesday morning? A Yes, sir.

Q All of them? A Yes, sir, they was all there for breakfast.

Q What did you eat for breakfast, you remember what you had for breakfast that morning?

MR. SALISBURY: Object.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

Q You didn't all have breakfast there that next morning?

A Yes, sir, grits, bacon and coffee.

Q And all four boys were there that time? A Yes, sir.

Q That's Tuesday morning? A Yes, sir.

Q And you saw them go to bed there Monday? A No, I didn't see them go to bed, I see them leave to go to bed.

MR. SALISBURY: Object.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

Q Did you see them Tuesday morning after they had breakfast? A Yes, sir, we all was there together.

Q Did you see them Tuesday afternoon?

A Yes, sir, I see them practically all day.

Q I want to know if you did see them every day; did you see them every day? A Yes, sir, I think I did.



Q And you are sure, you are positive, you are willing to swear you saw them on Monday evening when you were brought in there; you saw them when you got up at Breakfast Tuesday morning? A Yes, sir.

Q What day was it they were taken down to Dade County jail, two of these boys? A I don't know.

Q You know they were taken down there? A No, sir, I didn't know that.

Q You didn't miss them during that time? A No, sir.

Q You said you didn't see them beat them up in your presence? A No, sir.

Q You know whether they were ever taken out of your presence to any place? A No, sir.

Q They were never taken out of your presence all the time you were in jail? A No, sir.

(Witness excused)

MR. CATTS: I am going to ask that these witness who go out there be segregated from the other witnesses who have not testified.

THE COURT: All right, separate those who have testified from those who haven't.

WILLIE HENDERSON, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q What is your name? A Willie Henderson.

Q Do you know those four boys sitting over there, the colored boys? A Yes, sir.

Q Where did you see them before? A I see three of them in Blount's farm, and the other one in the blacksmith's shop.

Q Which three did you see at Blount's farm?

A Jack, Walter and Izell Chambers.

Q Where did you work? A I worked for Mr. Blount.

Q You work with these boys, did you? A Yes, sir.

Q How long did you work with them; how long did you know them prior to the time that Mr. Darcey was killed down there at Pompano, about how long? A I worked with them about five months. Q You remember when Mr. Darcey was killed? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you picked up about that time and placed in the Broward County jail? A Yes, sir, that was Sunday night.

Q Did you see these four boys in that same jail?

A Yes, sir.

Q How long were you in jail? A I stayed in there thirty two days.

Q During that time where in relation to these boys?

A I don't understand.

Q Where were these boys kept and where were you kept in jail? A They were kept in jail.

Q What cell were they kept in and what cell were you kept in? A There was no separate cell.

Q So you were all able to mix together, were you?

A Yes, sir. Q Did you see these boys while they were there?

A Yes, sir. Q Did you at any time during the time you were there see any one in the jail, any officer or any one in the jail, in your presence, beat or threaten to beat, or promise these boys anything? A No, sir.

Q You had opportunity to see them every day? A Well some days they switched some of them around, I didn't see them every day.

Q Did you see them at night time during the time you were confined there? A Yes, sir.

Q At any time did you see any fresh marks or bruises or blood on any of these four boys? A One of them I did, Jack said he got that working on the railroad.

Q You see what, blood on it? A No, sir, scar on his head.

Q Where did he tell you he got that? A Working on the railroad, first time I see him.

Q Where? A On Blount's farm.

Q You mean a prior time? A I see the scar before he was put in jail.

Q You are sure those are the same scars? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see any fresh scars while he was in the jail, see any blood on him? A No, sir, I didn't see any blood.

Q On his hands? A No, sir.

Q Did any of these four boys down there ever tell you anybody had beaten them at any time they were in jail with you?

A I didn't hear them say.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Your name is what? A Willie Henderson.

Q Were you taken to Broward County jail on Sunday night?

A Yes, sir. Q That you were arrested? A Yes, sir.

Q When you got there that night where were you placed?

A I was placed in Fort Lauderdale County jail.

Q What part of the jail? A In the ring, where they placed colored folks, what they call the bull ring.

Q On the first, second, third or fourth floor?

A I disremember. I know it was upstairs, I didn't count how many floors.

Q Do you know how many stories there are in the building where the jail is? A No, sir, I never did know how high.

Q Were you taken up on the elevator? A Yes, sir.

Q You know where Mr. Marshall, the jailer's office is?

A Yes, sir, right in the sheriff's office.

Q Is it on the same floor where your cell was?

A No, sir.

Q How many floors up is that? A I don't know.

Q It is several floors. Did you go up on the elevator?

A Yes, sir.

Q You don't know how many floors it is up? A No, sir.

Q You know it is above the floor you were on? A Yes, sir.

Q Now you say you didn't see these boys all the time, they were taken out and shifted around from time to time?

A Yes, sir.

Q They were all four in the bull pen that Sunday night when you got there? A Yes, sir.

Q They take any of them out there Sunday night?

A I didn't see them.

Q Well you did see the boys Sunday? A Yes, sir.

Q They were frequently taking them out of there?

A No, only just shifted them around.

Q What you call shifting them around? A Moving them one place and putting them in another.

Q One part of the jail and another? A Yes, sir.

Q Did these four boys here stay there in the bull pen with you the whole week, the first week? A Yes, sir.

Q You are sure of that? A Yes, sir.

Q And you saw them every day? A Yes, sir, every day for a week.

Q Did they shift them around that week? A Not the first week they didn't shift them around.

Q You are sure they stayed there in the bull pen?

A Yes, sir, for that whole week.

Q You knew the boys before that time? A Yes, sir.

Q You saw them Monday morning after they were taken there Sunday night? A Yes, sir, they were right in jail.

Q You saw them Monday at noon time? A Yes, sir.

Q See them when they ate dinner? A Yes, sir.

Q See them Monday night? A Yes, sir.

Q See them when they ate dinner Monday night?

A No, sir, didn't eat dinner Monday night, eat dinner about two o'clock.

Q When was the last time Monday night you see them?

A The last time I see them they was going to bed.

Q About what time Monday night was that? A I didn't

have no watch, I couldn't tell you what time it was, because I didn't have any watch in jail.

Q After dark? A Yes, sir, after dark.

Q Did you see them Tuesday morning? A Yes, sir.

Q What time Tuesday morning was the first time you saw them? A Why all of them got up out of the bunk, I don't know exactly what time.

Q Long after daylight, or shortly after the sun was rising? A I couldn't see the sun, but it was after daylight; in my estimation the sun was rising because it was shining on the building.

Q On Tuesday morning, you see them when they ate breakfast that morning? A Yes, sir.

Q When did they have breakfast that morning?

A Around 8.30.

Q You say you know these three boys of long standing, Chambers, Woodward and Jack Williamson? A Yes, sir.

Q You swear you saw all three of these boys that morning?

A Yes, sir.

Q You are positive, certain of it? A Yes, sir, I am sure I see them just like I am looking at you.

Q And you saw them over there that week the same way?

A I see them for that whole week during the time they was in jail with me.

Q And they were right there technically with you the whole week? A They didn't lock them up in the cell; in the bull pen.

Q You didn't miss any of them for any length of time?

A Not until after the first week.

Q When did they start shifting them, the next Monday or Tuesday? A I don't know exactly when they started; I know they shifted them around.

Q Did they still have them in the bull pen with you on the following Saturday? A They had Charlie Davis.

Q What day of the week did they take the rest of them

out of there? A I don't know. I know they shifted them around. Q What was the first day you can remember they first started shifting them around? A I don't remember what day it was they started to shift them around.

Q Getting back to this Monday and Tuesday, are you still positive all these boys were there Monday and Tuesday?

A Yes, sir.

Q Was Charlie there Monday and Tuesday? A Yes, sir.

Q Every one of them there? A Yes, sir.

Q And you were looking at them just like you look at me now? A Yes, sir.

Q Don't you know they took two of these boys down to Dade County jail about dark on Monday and kept them until Tuesday around noon time? A I didn't know that.

Q You didn't know that? A The only way I can tell, if they did take them out then it must have been their hant or spook or ghost, I don't know.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q There were quite a few others in that same cell block with you besides these four? A Yes, sir.

Q About how many of you altogether? A I don't know; right smart of them, I didn't count them.

Q There were a right smart number of you in there altogether? A Yes, sir.

(Witness excused)

PRINCE DOUGLAS, being first duly sworn by the Clerk,  
testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q What is your name? A Prince Douglas.

Q Do you recall being in Broward County jail at the time  
a Mr. Darcey was killed down in Pompano? A Yes, sir.

Q What was your capacity there in the jail?

A I was head cook.

Q And you were serving a sentence there, were you?

A Yes, sir.

Q You are serving time in Raiford now, aren't you?

A Yes, sir.

Q How many times have you been to Raiford? A Twice.

Q Prince, I ask you to look at these four colored boys  
sitting over there and ask you if you have ever seen them  
before? A Yes, sir.

Q Where did you see them? A In Fort Lauderdale jail.

Q You say you recall the time Mr. Darcey was killed?

A Yes, sir.

Q During the time when you remember seeing these four  
boys in jail, what were you doing there at the jail? A Cooking.

Q Do you recall any time while you were cooking - first  
let me ask you, do you know Sheriff Walter Clark, sitting here?

A Yes, sir.. Q Did you know Captain Williams? A Yes, sir.

Q You know Bob Clark? A Yes, sir. Q You know Mr.  
Virgil Wright? A Yes, sir. Q You know Mr. Louis Maire?  
A Yes, sir.

Q In fact you had been there long enough so you knew all  
these officers, didn't you? A Yes, sir.

Q I will ask you if you remember when Sheriff Clark,  
Captain Williams and certain other officers there were ques-  
tioning these four boys? A Yes, sir.

Q This kitchen that you work in, whereabouts is that in  
relation to a room in the jail that contains a table and radio;

have you ever been in that room? A Yes, sir.

Q Whereabouts is that room from the kitchen you cooked in? A I can't tell you exactly in feet.

Q Whereabouts? A It is in the jail.

Q I understand that, but try to describe to the jury where in relation to the kitchen is the room with the radio and the table? A The kitchen is on the second floor and the room is on the third floor, about eight feet up above the kitchen.

BY A JUROR: That room is right over the kitchen?

WITNESS: Yes, sir.

Q You know where Mr. Marshall's quarters are?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now where in relation to the kitchen are Mr. Marshall's quarters? A You come right from the kitchen on out right in the door and walk into Mr. Marshall's quarters.

Q Where is the radio and the table?

A The radio and the table sets right there.

Q Are Mr. Marshall's quarters out in another part of the jail? A It is in the quarters but it sets over to one side.

Q In Mr. Marshall's quarters? A Yes, sir.

Q In other words, can you get from the kitchen where you were cooking directly into Mr. Marshall's quarters? A Yes, sir.

Q Is there a door that connects them? A Yes, sir.

Q Do you recall during the time that these boys were in jail, do you recall one night that you were requested by Mr. Marshall to serve him any sandwiches and coffee at night?

A Yes, sir.

Q You recall what night that was? A Saturday night.

Q Did you serve him sandwiches and coffee all night that night? A Yes, sir.

Q Who to? A The high Sheriff.

Q By the high Sheriff you mean Mr. Walter Clark?

A Yes, sir, and the other officials what was there.

Q Was Captain Williams there? A Yes, sir.

Q Mr. Bob Clark? A Mr. Bob Clark.



Q During the time while you were serving any sandwiches and coffee, did you see any of these four boys in that room?

A Yes, sir.

Q About how often did you go into that room during that night? A I was practically in there all the time, only when I go downstairs and get some hot coffee and bring it back up there.

Q By that you mean you were in this room where the radio and table and table was serving coffee? A Yes, sir.

Q At any time during that night did you see Mr. Bob Clark or Mr. Walter Clark or Captain Williams, or any other officer, or any other man in that room strike or beat, or threaten to strike, or threaten to beat any of those four boys or throw them out of the window? A No, sir..

Q How long were you in there Saturday night?

A All night long.

Q During the time you were there did you ever hear any of these four boys make any statement? A Yes, sir.

Q You heard them make any statement whereby they admitted participating in --

MR. CATTS: Object to that. It would not be admissible in this case.

THE COURT: Finish your question and I will rule on it.

MR. SALISBURY: -- (continuing) participating in the robbery of Mr. Darcey.

MR. CATTS: Object.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

WITNESS: How is that?

(Question repeated) A Yes, sir.

Q At that time when you heard --

MR. CATTS: I am going to interpose an objection to each question as to anything said by these boys.

THE COURT: The question is not whether they admitted committing a murder, it is whether he heard them make a statement. Objection overruled to the question.

Q At that time when you heard any of these boys make any such admission, did you see any officer strike or threaten to strike any of these boys that made those admissions? A No, sir.

Q You know Jack Williamson? A Yes, sir.

Q Which one is he; point him out?

A The second one from the end.

Q Did he ever at any time while he was in jail request you to bring him any salve to put on his head? A No, sir.

Q Did you see any marks or bruises or blood on Jack Williamson, or the other three of these defendants? A No, sir.

Q Were you there at the Broward County jail on the Sunday morning that Mr. Maire and Mr. Clark, Captain Williams and others took down some confessions that these boys made, or some statement that these four boys made? A Yes, sir.

Q When in relation to this time, this Saturday night?

A It was Saturday, the same Saturday.

Q Before the Sunday? A Yes, sir.

Q That you have described seeing these boys in the room with the radio and the table? A Yes, sir.

Q And the night you were serving sandwiches and coffee all night long? A Yes, sir.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q How many people did you serve sandwiches to that night?

A I don't know exactly the number but it was the whole sheriff's force and Mr. Captain Lee.

Q Well about how many men would you say were there?

A Mr. Clark, Mr. Wright, Mr. Louis Maire, Mr. Bob Clark, the high sheriff's brother, Mr. Marshall and Captain Williams.

Q That's all you remember now? A Yes, sir.

Q But there were some others there that you don't remember; you think that's all there were there, that's all you served sandwiches to? A Yes, sir.

Q How many times did you serve? A I had sandwiches up there and every time they would ask, one of them would wanted sandwich and cup of coffee, I would give it to them.

Q You had to prepare these sandwiches and coffee down below? A I prepared the sandwiches and brought them up, and made my coffee and went back and got it and bring it up.

Q That's what I say, you made your coffee and sandwiches on the floor below where they were eating the sandwiches and doing the questioning, didn't you? A Yes, sir.

Q What floor of the jail was that where you made the sandwiches and made the coffee? A That is on the second floor.

Q On what floor was it of the jail where they questioned these boys? A That was the third.

Q Now did you see these officers of the law practically all night that night? A Only when I went to get coffee.

Q You don't mean you made up enough sandwiches all at one time to last all night? A Yes, sir, I made them of cold meat.

Q You made the sandwiches up in the room?

A Yes, sir, up in the room.

Q Did you sleep any that night? A No, sir.

Q You stayed up until daylight? A Yes, sir.

Q Did Captain Williams stay up until daylight?

A They all stayed in there.

Q They all stayed up all night? A Yes, sir.

Q Did Jack Williamson stay up all night? A They bring one of them at a time, backwards and forwards.

Q Every time you see them that night? A Yes, sir.

Q Brought them in and out all night? A Yes, sir.

Q Just those four? A Yes, sir, until they confessed.

Q They confessed about daylight the next morning, didn't they? A Yes, sir.

Q Who would do the questioning when they brought them in there? A The high sheriff and State attorney.

Q Was the State attorney there all night, too?

A He wasn't there when they first started investigating.

Q What time did he first come over there?

A About 8 or 8.30.

Q About 8 or 8.30? A As near as I can remember.

Q Did you give him coffee and sandwiches? A Yes, sir.

Q Do you know how many times he ate sandwiches and coffee? A No, sir.

Q Did you see him have coffee and sandwiches at least one time that night? A I remember giving him coffee.

Q What time of night was it you give him coffee?

A I don't know.

Q You think he came over about 8 o'clock? A Yes, sir.

Q And when did he leave, or did he leave?

A He left the next morning.

Q After the confessions were made? A Yes, sir.

Q He stay there nearly all night? A He stayed in there in that room where they was investigating.

Q Where they were bringing these boys backwards and forwards all night; they didn't sleep any? A I don't know if they sleep or not.

Q The boys were awake? A Every time I see them.

Q Every time you would go in that room they were awake?

A Yes, sir.

Q You didn't see them hit these boys that night? A No, sir.

Q You see them threaten them in any way at all? A No, sir.

Q But they didn't talk to them that night like I am, in the tone of voice I am talking to you, did they? A They didn't talk as low as you talk.

Q Did they talk loud to them? A They didn't holler, but they talked to them.

Q What did they tell them? A What did they tell them?

Q Did anybody curse at them that night? A No, sir.

Q Didn't anybody curse at them? A No, sir.

Q Did you give these boys any sandwiches that night?

Q I give one of them a sandwich and cup of coffee;  
I don't remember which one.

Q How come you didn't give any to the rest of them?

A Just one of them wanted a sandwich.

Q You ever been convicted of crime in Palm Beach County?

A No, sir, I have been tried here but I wasn't convicted.

Q As a matter of fact, you turned State's evidence. How many boys were arrested at the same time you were?

MR. SALISBURY: Object.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

Q Did you plead guilty to a charge in Palm Beach County of breaking and entering Mr. Collins house in Kelsey City?

A I never have plead guilty to breaking and entering a house.

Q Well, a building of D.J. Collins, and you were turned over by this County to Broward County, when you went to Broward County jail? A I was arrested in Broward County.

Q Then they brought you up here and then turned you back to Broward County? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you enter a plea? A Not to Mr. Collins, I didn't know what his name was.

Q And did you enter a plea of breaking and entering in this County? A Yes, sir.

Q You never have served any time for that. Never been sentenced on that plea yet, have you? A No, sir.

Q You know Spot, one eye trusty, over here in the County jail,? A No, sir

Q You know the one eye boy over there, this trusty when you see him? A Boy named Willie?

Q Yes, he was there when you left this morning?

A There is a one eye boy over there.

Q Did you the night before last tell him you were going to get thirty dollars out of this case for coming down here, and ask him to get you a pack of cigarettes, you would pay him later?

A No, sir.

Q What did you say to him about cigarettes?

A I told him I have been brought down as witness and ask him to get me some cigarettes, and I get the money and give it to him.

Q Did you tell him you were to get thirty dollars in this case? A No, sir, ain't mentioned any money to him at all.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q You are up at Raiford? A Yes, sir.

Q Serving time? A Yes, sir.

Q You were subpoenaed by the State to come down here?

A Yes, sir.

Q You expect to get a witness fee; you expect to get some money for coming down here? A No, sir, I don't expect anything.

Q Any one promised you any money if you would come down here and testify? A No, sir.

Q Now, Prince, this Saturday night before the Sunday when you heard these four boys make the confessions, on that Saturday night did the Sheriff's officers bring other men into that room and question them, besides these four boys? A Yes, sir.

Q In other words, they didn't concentrate on these four boys that night? A No, sir.

RECROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Didn't I ask you a while ago who they took and brought up here besides these four boys, and you said that was all? Who did they bring up that night? A They brought several more men up there

Q How long did they keep them in there? A He kept bringing them backward and forward, just like these boys.

Q Did you ever take any salve to this boy, Jack Williamson, without his asking you, just do it of your own accord? A No, sir, he never have asked me.

Q You did it without his asking? A No, sir.

Q You give him a sandwich? A Give one of them a sandwich.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q You didn't refuse any of these boys sandwiches and coffee, did you? A No, sir.

Q The Sheriff tell you to give everybody in the room something to eat? A He told me if anybody wanted it, give it to them.

BY MR. CATTS:

Q What kind of sandwiches did you have?

A Minced meat sandwiches and cheese and bologna.

(Witness excused)

LONNIE JACKSON, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q Your name is Lonnie Jackson? A Yes, sir.

Q I will ask you if you know these four boys?

A I know their faces, I don't know their name.

Q You do know them by their faces? A Yes, sir.

Q Where did you see them last? A Broward County jail.

Q What were you doing there in jail? A I was put in jail, I was forty days in jail, I was trusty in jail.

Q Being a trusty, did they keep you locked up all the time, or did they let you go around any place in the jail you could go? A Yes, sir.

Q You remember the time these boys were there?

A I remember the time they were in jail.

Q In making your rounds in the jail did you have an opportunity to see these four boys at any time they were in the jail? A I had carried them their lunch.

Q Carried them all their meals? A Yes, sir.

Q When you carried any of these four boys their meals did you ever see any one of them that had any bruises or marks

or any blood on his body or his clothes? A No, sir.

Q Did any of these four boys ever tell you anybody down there in the jail ever beat them? A No, sir.

Q When you were going around the jail on your duties on Saturday during the time the boys were in jail, did you see Sheriff Clark, Captain Williams, or anybody else, beat any of these boys? A No, sir.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. GATTS:

Q You know Captain Williams when you see him?

A No, I don't know him when I see him.

Q You don't know him? A No, sir.

Q You didn't see him there? A I don't know him.

Q How many people did you carry lunch to every day in the jail down there at that time? A They had to bring to all in jail, I didn't keep count of them.

Q Well did you carry ten people lunch?

A I don't remember who I just carried there.

Q You don't have any idea about how many people you fed down there; you fed these four boys? A Yes, sir, I know these four boys.

(Witness excused)

MACK LITTLE, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q What is your name? A Mack Little.

Q Take a look at these four darkey boys over there.

A Yes, sir, I see them in jail.

Q You remember the time Mr. Darcey was killed down in Pompano? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you get picked up by the sheriff's officers at that time? A Yes, sir.



Q Were you taken to Broward County jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you in jail there the same time these boys were?

A Yes, sir.

Q You know any of their names? A Yes, sir, I know them.

Q You know their names? A Yes, sir.

Q What are their names? A Jack Williamson, Izell Chambers and Charlie Davis.

Q Where were you kept, what cell were you kept in?

A I was kept in No. 7 cell.

Q Did No. 7 open out in the same bull pen that these boys were in? A Yes, sir

Q Were you all mingled there together all day until they were locked up in individual cells at night? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you have an opportunity to see these boys off and on during the time you were there? A Yes, sir.

Q During the time you had an opportunity to see these boys did you see any marks or bruises of any kind on their body?

A No, sir.

Q You ever see any blood on their body or their clothes?

A No, sir.

Q Did you at any time ever hear any official, that is, the Sheriff, Captain Williams, or anybody else ever threaten any of these four boys? A No, sir.

Q Did you ever talk to any of these boys while they were in jail? A No, sir, I ain't talked to them.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q You say your name is Mack Little? A Yes, sir.

Q When were you arrested? A In Pompano.

Q When, what night? A On Sunday night when I was arrested.

Q About what time? A I guess about eight o'clock.

Q What did they do with you when they arrested you?

A They didn't do anything, only put me in jail.

Q In Pompano jail? A Yes, sir, carried me to Pompano jail, on Monday morning they took me out and carried me to Lauderdale

Q When they took you down to Lauderdale jail, where did they put you? A They put me in the bull pen.

Q That's where No. 7 cell is? A Yes, sir.

Q And did you stay in the bull pen, or in that bunch of cells right there, all the time you stayed in jail?

A Yes, sir, stayed there in the day, I stayed in the bull pen in the day time and in the night I go to the cell. There is steel between the cells and bull pen. Night I go in the cell, the day I stay in the bull pen.

Q How long did you stay in jail? A Thirty two days.

Q Where were these boys when you were put in jail?

A They was in there.

Q What part of the jail was it? A I don't exactly know, but they was in jail.

Q But not in the same bull pen you were?

A Yes, sir, one while they were.

Q That morning were they in the same cell? A Yes, sir.

Q All four of them in the same cell with you that morning?

A Yes, sir. Q You mean the same bull pen? A Yes, sir.

Q How long did they stay there after that? A I don't exactly know, but they stay in there about - I don't exactly know, but about three or four days I guess.

Q They ever take any of these boys out during any of that time? A I didn't see them take them out.

Q Did they ever take you out? A No, sir.

Q Did they at one time have Izell Chambers and you in the Sheriff's office at one time? A No, sir.

Q Did you see a confession saying you had confessed to this murder? A No, sir.

Q You never saw a confession that said anything like that?

A No, sir.

Q You know Captain Williams? A No, sir.

Q You never see him at the jail and talked to him?

A If I see him I didn't know him.

Q Did you know any of these boys before they went in jail?

A No, sir. Q First met them when you got down there?

A Yes, sir. Q And you are sure now they were all in the same cell with you that morning when you were first brought in there; they were in the same bull pen with you? A Yes, sir.

Q And how long did they stay in there; when was the first time you ever remember their taking any of them out?

A I stayed in there thirty two days and I didn't see any one taken out. He questioned all of us; they took them out to question them.

Q How long would he keep you out; would he take you out or question you in the cell? A Take us out.

Q These people that were left in the cell couldn't hear what you were saying on the next floor? A No, sir.

Q Take you on the elevator and take you up? A Yes, sir.

Q You don't know whether he went two floors or three floors?

A No, sir.

Q When was the first time after you got to Broward County jail you remember their taking any of these boys out and questioning them? A I don't remember now.

Q You don't remember taking any of them out and questioning them? A Not exactly the dates.

Q Did they take them out the first day to question them?

A No, sir, not the first day .

Q Take them out the second day? A No, sir.

Q How long would they keep them out when they took them out?

A About fifteen or twenty minutes.

Q And would always bring the same fellow right back?

A Yes, sir.

Q You didn't bunk in the same cell with any of these boys?

A No, sir.

Q How close was their cell to yours? A I was in No. 7

cell and I think Izell was in No. 8, he was below me.

Q That is, he had a cot underneath your cot? A No, sir, I live in No. 7 cell and he live in the 8 cell.

Q That was the one further away from yours? A Yes, sir.

Q Did they ever keep these boys out as long as an hour on Monday or Tuesday? A No, sir.

Q Not any one of them? A No, sir.

Q Long as two hours? A No, sir. Q Long as ten hours? A No, sir. Q You sure about that, that you saw them all day Monday? A Yes, sir. Q That's the first day you got there?

A Yes, sir. Q You sure you saw them all day Tuesday? A Yes, sir.

Q When did you go to bed Monday night?

A Go to bed when you get ready.

Q Go to bed before dark or after dark?

A Go to bed when the dark some.

Q When you went to bed Monday night were they still there?

A Yes, sir, they were there.

Q And were there the next morning, Tuesday morning?

A Yes, sir.

Q And you saw them all day Tuesday? A Yes, sir.

Q Well now did they ever start shifting these boys around and putting these boys in some other part of the jail away from the bull pen? A No, sir.

Q As I remember you stated you stayed in the same cell for thirty two days? A Yes, sir, as far as I know.

Q Now did they stay in the cell there with you for the whole thirty two days, all four of them? A Yes, sir.

Q You know one of these boys as well as you know the other?

A I know them but I don't know them apart.

Q Which one of them is which; what is this boy's name?

A I don't know.

Q What is this boy's name? A Walter, I think.

Q What is the name of the next one? A Jack.

Q What is the other one's name? A Izell.

Q Which one of them is Charlie?

A That last one there.

Q Did you see these boys the whole thirty two days you were there? A Yes, sir.

Q You are sure? A If they took them out I didn't know anything about it.

Q Well if they kept them out a whole day you would know?

A Yes, sir, I would know it.

Q Well don't you know while you were there this boy was taken down to Dade County jail, and was not in Broward County jail?

A If he was I didn't know anything about it.

Q That's what I am asking you about; you said you saw them every day. Don't you know they took him down there, took this boy over here down to Dade County jail about Monday noon and didn't bring them back until Tuesday afternoon?

A If they did, I didn't know anything about it.

Q Then they weren't all there in the pen all that time you were in jail? A They took me and put me on the fourth floor.

Q How long did they keep you on the fourth floor?

A I stayed up there about two days I guess.

Q Were they up on the fourth floor with you?

A They left them down in the bull pen.

Q And took you up on the fourth floor?

A Yes, sir.

(Witness excused)

Thereupon Court adjourned

to 1:45 o'clock P.M.

A F T E R N O O N   S E S S I O N  
1:45 o'clock.

MR. GATTS:

Counsel for the petitioners and counsel for the State of Florida stipulate that at the time of the alleged confessions on May 21, 1933, about 6 o'clock, that these first two pages of questions and answers were propounded to these defendants as is shown by the questions and answers on these first two pages and the first two lines of page 3 of of this certified copy of transcript of the official Court Reporter for Broward County, and that at that hearing the persons named on the first page of this transcript of the official Court Reporter of Broward County , the persons named at the top of the page , page 1, were present at such time; which transcript of the official Court Reporter was filed in the office of E.R. Bennett, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Broward County, on June 12, 1933, and bears a red pencil notation "39, Palm Beach County No. 1395"; and also the questions contained on the last half of page 29 of such transcript entitled "Questions by Mr. Maire" to the bottom of page 29, were propounded to these petitioners at that time on May 21, 1933, at 6 o'clock A.M.

EDDIE HAMILTON, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q What is your name? A Eddie Hamilton.

Q Do you remember the time that Mr. Darcey was killed down at Pompano, Florida? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you serving time in Broward County jail about that time? A Yes, sir .

Q What was your capacity there; what were you doing there at the jail? A I was working around the jail.

Q What work were you doing? A Cooking and cleaning up.

Q I will ask you to look at these four colored boys sitting over there; you ever see them down there? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you ever present when Mr. Walter Clark, the Sheriff, Captain Williams and Bob Clark, the Sheriff's brother, and others, were questioning these four boys? A I don't understand you.

Q Were you ever present when any of these I have referred to were questioning these four boys? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you ever see any one of the men that were questioning these boys strike them? A No, sir.

Q Did you ever see any one attempt to strike them or threaten to strike them? A No, sir.

Q Were you what they call a trusty in the jail? A Yes, sir.

Q That also gave you the privilege of running all over the jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you have an opportunity to observe these four boys during the time they were confined there in the jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you ever see any bruises or cuts on any of these four boys? A No, sir.

Q You ever see any blood on their body or their clothes?

A No, sir.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q How often did you see these boys? A Three or four times every day, and more regular than that, about half a dozen, sometimes a dozen times.

Q Did you go inside the cell with them? A No, sir.

Q You saw them from the outside? A Yes, sir.

Q How close did you get to them? A Close enough to put your hand on them.

Q Every time you saw them did you get that close to them?

A Not every time I saw them I didn't get that close to them.

Q Were you ever around up in these jail quarters in the night time? A Yes, sir.

Q How often? A I stay up in the quarters.

Q You stay in his quarters? A Yes, sir.

Q Sleep up there? A Yes, sir, when I got to be trusty I sleep in there by myself .

Q Were you sleeping in the jailer's quarters when these boys were brought in the jail? A When they was brung there?

A Yes. A Not when they was brung there.

Q How long after they were brought there before you got to sleeping in the jailer's quarters? A I think about the second day.

Q Where are the jailer's quarters? A Upstairs.

Q On that floor? A On the last floor.

Q On the top floor? A Yes, sir.

Q How many stories is the court house and jail?

A There is two stories in the jail part I know, the top and the next one.

Q And the court room is under that? A Yes, sir, just the court room is off from that.

Q And you stayed up on the top floor? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you up on the top floor the Saturday night following the Saturday night after they were put in jail? A No, sir.

Q You weren't up there Saturday night? A No, sir

Q You know anything that happened to these boys that Saturday night, about their being questioned? A Yes, sir, I see them personally.

Q Where did you see them personally? A They was downstairs where I was, that fellow over there.

Q Where is that, what part of the jail was that?

A It is in the tank part.

Q On the third floor? A Yes, sir.

Q They all down there for questioning? A Yes, sir, they was down there where I was.

Q Where were they; in the bull pen? A On the questioning



Q Yes? A No, they questioned that one over there through the bars.

Q Were you present in the jail quarters on Saturday night when they were questioning these boys? A Not in the jail quarters, not the Saturday night they questioned them.

Q They brought them there Sunday night, didn't they?

A Yes, sir. Q Were you up there when they questioned them the next Saturday night? A The next Saturday?

Q Were you up there then? A No, sir, I wasn't up there that time.

Q You were on another floor? A Yes, sir.

Q You don't know what happened to them up there that night?

A No, sir.

Q Were you ever up there in the jail quarters at any time during the week when they were questioning any of these boys?

A Yes, sir.

Q Who was questioning them? A Mr. Bob and Mr. Wright.

Q You know Captain Williams? A Yes, sir.

Q Was he up there? A I think he was at the time.

Q How many times did you see Captain Williams up there?

A I don't know exactly, it has been so long it slipped my remembrance.

Q You ever see Captain Williams up there questioning any of them by himself? A No, sir.

Q You never did do that? A No, sir.

Q You don't mean to tell this jury that you were up there every time they carried these boys up there by themselves to question them? A No, sir, I didn't say I was up there every time.

Q Went up there sometimes? A Yes, sir.

Q How late at night was it you ever see them questioning any of them? A I don't know.

Q You ever see them questioning any of them at night?

A Yes, sir.

Q Up there where you sleep? A Yes, sir.

Q How late at night would you say? A I don't know,

I didn't have any time.

Q Had you gone to bed? A No, sir.

Q While you were still up? A Yes, sir. I went to bed when I got ready up there.

Q What time did you usually go to bed? A All the way from ten to eleven o'clock sometimes.

Q Did you ever know of their questioning them after you went to bed? A No, sir.

Q You usually go to sleep when you went to bed? A Yes, sir.

Q You don't know what happened after that time, do you?

A No, sir.

Q Where were the boys kept from the time they were put in there on Sunday morning? A Kept upstairs.

Q In which room; were these four boys all in the same room at the time you saw them? A No, sir.

Q They were in separate rooms in different portions of the jail? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you ever see all four of them together at any one time? A When they was questioning them?

Q When they were questioning them, or any other time?

A No, sir, I never.

Q Never have? A No, sir.

Q During all the time they stayed there in the jail you never saw the four of them together at any one time? A No, sir.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q When you say you sleep in the jailer's quarters, tell just what you mean; you mean you slept in the jailer's quarters, or you slept on the same floor? A Slept on the same floor.

Q Were there some cells up there for trustees to sleep in?

A Yes, sir.

Q At the time you saw these four boys being questioned, did you see other boys being questioned, or were those the only ones you ever saw being questioned? A The boys that were with them.

Q Were there others questioned, too? A Yes, sir.

Q And the officers didn't concentrate on these four boys?

A No, sir.

RECROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q You don't know what they did that Saturday night when you weren't up there? A No, sir.

Q You didn't see anything that happened on that floor that night? A No, sir.

Q You didn't sleep on that floor that night where you had been sleeping? A No, sir.

(Witness excused)

B. B. JOHNSON, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Did you live in Fort Lauderdale on the 21st day of May, 1933? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you at that time a police officer of any kind?

A No, sir.

Q You ever been a police officer? A No, sir.

Q What was your occupation at that time? A Telephone work.

Q At that time that you were present in the office of Mr. Marshall, at 6:30 o'clock in the morning on that date, did you see the four petitioners in this case? A Yes, sir.

Q You see every one of them? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you at that time see any sign upon any visible part of the body of either of them of any fresh scars, or beatings or striking or blood upon their body or clothing? A No, sir.

Q How close were you to them at that time?

A Just within a few feet of them.

Q Did you at any time observe to see whether there were any such signs upon the visible part of their body or not?

A Well I didn't notice.

Q Well you saw the defendants, didn't you? A Yes, sir.

Q If there had been any there would you have seen them, like any scars on their head or marks on the body?

A I didn't see any on the head of any, no, sir.

Q Was there light enough in the room if any of these men had had any cuts or marks or blood on their clothing you would have seen it? A How is that?

Q Was there enough light in the room at that time so you could have seen it if there had been any? A Yes, sir.

Q You know anything about the general attitude or mental condition of these boys at that time? A Well, they seemed to be in a normal condition.

MR. CATTS: Object.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

Q Describe their appearance, Mr. Johnson.

A They appeared normal to me.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Did you make any minute examination of any of these boys sitting over there on that occasion? A No, sir.

Q You didn't attempt to make any examination to look for wounds or things of that kind on the body of those boys. Did they have the appearance of having been up all night?

A Well I couldn't say that.

Q You know how a sleepy man looks? A They didn't look sleepy. Q They didn't look sleepy? A No, sir.

Q In fact they were thoroughly rested? A Well they looked like they were in normal condition.

Q Did they look to you at that time the same as they do in this court room, as far as you can tell? A Well they are quite a bit fleshier now than they were then.

Q I mean as to being worn out? A Yes, sir, they looked just as well then.

Q The lights in this room; they have them on?

A I couldn't say if the lights were on or not, but there was plenty of light in the room.

Q What time in the morning would you say it was?

A About 6.30. Q Was the sun up? A Yes, sir.

Q You particularly friendly with the jailer or the officers of the sheriff? A Well they are friends of mine.

Q Ever been out with them in the performance of their official duties? A No, sir.

Q The first time you were ever called in your life to be present in the jail on any occasion? A Yes, sir.

Q How far do you live from the jail? A I was living then about - well, about five blocks from there.

Q How close was the closest you came to any of these petitioners that morning? A Just within a few feet of them.

Q You look on the back of any of their heads, or did you make any examination? A I didn't examine them, no, sir.

Q You didn't make any examination? A No.

Q Were you looking for wounds or anything like that on their heads? A No.

Q Could you tell this Court and jury now how they were dressed on that occasion? A I don't remember just how they were dressed. Q You notice whether either of them were barefooted or not? A I didn't notice their feet, no, sir.

Q You notice whether any of them had on gloves or not?

A No, sir, I noticed they didn't have gloves on.

Q You noticed they didn't? A No.

Q Any of them that didn't have on a shirt? A Well, the best I remember some of them didn't have shirts on.

Q Have on hats? A No, sir. Q Or caps? A No, sir.

Q Were you sitting or standing while they were talking to Mr. Maire and he was questioning them? A I was sitting.

Q With respect to where you are sitting, in what direction were these defendants to you? A They were lined up right in front of me.

Q Was anybody else sitting on the same side with you?

A Yes, sir.

Q How many people? A Four or five I believe.

Q Point out some object in the court room that you would say that was as far away from you as these boys were?

A I would say this front row of the jury was about.

Q Where was Mr. Maire with reference to where you were, where was Mr. Maire? A Well he was questioning them; I don't remember just what position he was.

Q You don't remember what part of the room he was in, or did he move about the room? A He probably moved around.

Q Did you move any time he was questioning them?

A No.

Q Now with respect to where these boys were sitting in front of you, which one was sitting to your extreme left; or do you know? A I couldn't say.

Q You know which one was sitting to your extreme right?

A No.

(Witness excused)

W. F. FORD, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Mr. Ford, at the time you were present in the jailer's quarters in the jail at Fort Lauderdale on Sunday, May 21, 1933, at 6.30 o'clock in the morning, and from then on for a little while were you an officer of the law, and have you ever been? A No, sir.

Q What is your occupation? A Carpenter.

Q Did you at that time have occasion to see and observe the four petitioners in this case? A Yes, sir.

Q Had you ever seen them before that time? A No, sir.

Q Do you remember the condition, as to whether it was light or dark in there at the time? A Light.

Q Did you see any visible signs upon any visible part of the body of any one of these four petitioners that showed any bruises, fresh scar marks or blood upon their body or upon any part of their clothing? A No, sir.

Q Did you see any signs of any marks around the necks of any one of them? A No, sir.

Q You know whether they all had on shirts or not?

A Just one I think, if I remember.

Q So there was a part of their body that was exposed to view to you? A Yes, sir.

Q What part of the body could you see? A Shoulders, arms, down to their waist.

Q Did you see any cuts upon the heads of any of them?

A No, sir.

Q Any bruises? A No, sir. Q Any open wounds?

A No, sir. Q What was their general appearance at that time, describe that to the jury?

A Well the general appearance would be just as you meet a man every day, as far as I know. They was dressed in overalls. One of them I believe had on a yellow shirt, if I remember, Woodward, I believe.

Q Did anybody during the time you were there threaten them in any way? A No, sir.

Q Make them any promises? A No, sir.

Q How close were you to them at the time you saw them?

A Oh, closer than I am today, a little.

Q If there had been any signs or marks of any fresh cuts and bruises such as I have asked you about, did you have the opportunity and could you have seen them at that time?

A Yes, sir, I think so.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTIS:

Q See any scars on any of their heads?

A No, sir.

Q Can you now see any scars on the heads of any of them? A I don't see any.

Q Can you now look at them and see any scars or marks on their heads from where you are sitting?

A One of them has got a scar on the side of his face.

Q See any other scars on them? A No, sir.

Q Did you make an examination of these boys or look for any? A I didn't examine them.

Q You think you were quite as far away from them as you are now? A No, probably about half that.

Q About as far away as you are from me?

A About that.

Q Did you examine them for scars or fresh cuts, or anything of that kind? A No, sir.

Q You examine the back of any of their heads?

A No, sir.

Q Were you asked by the officers to make an examination of these boys for scars? A No, sir.

(Witness excused)



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W. C. MATHER, being first duly sworn by the Clerk,  
testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Please state your name. A W.C. Mather.

Q Are you practicing law in Broward County? A Yes, sir.

Q Where do you practice law in Broward County?

A My home is in Hollywood.

Q How long have you been admitted to the Bar in Florida?

A About thirteen years.

Q How long have you been practicing law altogether?

A Around twenty years.

Q Were you one of the attorneys that was appointed  
by Judge Tedder as counsel to represent two of these petitioners  
now before the court? A Yes, sir.

Q Which two did you represent? A The two in the center,  
Williamson and Woodward, I think.

Q Do you remember the time that the two you represented,  
as well as the other two, were arraigned in court in Fort Lauderdale?  
A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see your clients at any time before they were  
arraigned in court there? A Yes.

Q How long before they were arraigned? A I believe  
the first time was a couple of days before they were arraigned.

Q Did you discuss the case with them at the time?

A Yes.

Q Did you at the time have knowledge of the fact that  
there had any alleged confessions obtained from your clients?

A I don't know whether I knew the first time I saw  
them or not. I think I was aware of the fact before the arraignment.

Q Did you ever at any time ever discuss a purported  
confession with your clients? A The time before the arraignment  
I think we discussed to some extent, the fact that they had  
confessed.

Q What did you ask your clients with reference to the confession, if you remember? A It has been quite a while ago.

Q What did you ask your clients with reference to the confession at that time; ask them how it was obtained?

A I think, if I remember correctly, I told them that it was not incumbent upon them to plead guilty just by reason of the fact they had confessed. As to the means or method of the procurement of the confession, I don't recall we discussed that. Q Did you ever tell Walter Woodward, or either one of your clients, that sentiment was against them?

MR. CATTS: Object. This is his own witness, and it is leading.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

Q Did you ever discuss the question of sentiment with either one of your clients? A No.

Q What did you advise them with respect to entering any kind of a plea? A I told the boys this, I remember: that if they were guilty, and of course were tried before a jury and convicted, I didn't believe there would be any recommendation. I said if you are guilty, and plead guilty, the Court will investigate all the facts and circumstances surrounding the crime and he might see some extenuating or mitigating circumstances that would incline him to leniency or inclined to be less harsh ~~than a verdict~~ than a verdict without a recommendation. I says "if you are not guilty we will try this case from now on", or words to that effect. I says "if you want to try it, we will try it." I went over that with them a number of times and explained it to them because they didn't appear to have understanding as you expect of some people. I was very careful to explain to them the consequence of their plea or the consequence of a trial, and a verdict of guilty without recommendation. I left it up to them to decide.

Q You did not then definitely advise them to plead any way? A No, sir, I didn't advise them to plead any way.

Q Did they ever make any statement to you with reference as to how the confession was obtained? A Not that I recall. We didn't discuss that feature of it.

Q Even the first time you talked to them? A No, the first time we didn't discuss the confession.

Q When did you talk to them again, if you did at all?

A In an ante room off the main court room the second time, and the last time prior to arraignment.

Q Was this question of a confession mentioned at that time? A Yes, sir, that's when I talked to them and advised them.

Q What did you ask them with reference as to how the confession was obtained? A Why, I told them if the confession was not freely and voluntarily made, if there had been coercion, or coerced into making a confession that it was no good, to put it plainly.

Q Did they make any reply to that?

A They didn't make any reply to that, no.

Q Did they ever tell you anything with respect to that?

A No, except that they had made a confession.

Q That's all they ever told you? A Yes.

Q How close were you to these defendants when you were talking to them, or the petitioners in this case, rather?

A I was right with them, a foot or so away, I imagine, from them.

Q Did you at that time observe any wounds or marks or bruises or swellings of any kind upon their head or shoulders or hands or any part of their body?

A No, I didn't look for any.

Q Well, you were standing right there talking to them, were you? A Yes.

Q If there had been any visible signs upon them would you have seen them? A I presume I would have noticed them.

Q And you state that you didn't see any?

A I didn't see any.

Q Did they make any statement to you with reference to any such bruises or scars or marks? A No.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Do you still practice law in Hollywood? A Yes.

Q Were you during the year 1933 practicing law in Hollywood? A Been practicing there continually since '24 or '25.

Q At the time of this case down there you were in Hollywood? A Yes. Q How far is that from Fort Lauderdale?

A About seven miles south of Lauderdale.

Q Now, Mr. Mather, when were you first advised, and what day of the week and month that you had been appointed by anybody, and who advised you, to represent any of these defendants? A I can't give you the date. I don't recall the first time I discussed this, or whether the Judge discussed this with me. He wrote me a letter and told me to come in, and this was about a week or ten days or may be two weeks prior to the grand jury indicting these boys. I went in and discussed the matter of representation of them with him. I told him I didn't want to do it.

Q You mean the representation of these two particular boys? A I represented two. He didn't designate, he said if they were indicted he wanted me to represent two of the defendants.

Q Did he ever after that tell you anything further about that, after they were indicted? A A day or so, may be two or three days, I can't recall right now, before the arraignment he sent for me and told me that I was to represent Jack Williamson and Walter Woodruff.

Q That was after they were indicted? A It was after they were indicted.

Q Then two or three days before they were arraigned he sent for you and told you you were to represent who, Williamson and Woodward? A I believe it was Jack Williamson.

Q You know now what these boys names are? A Yes.

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Q What? A Woodruff and Williamson.

Q You know which is which?

A The bright one is Williamson and the dark one is Woodruff.

Q Woodruff, you say it is? A That's my recollection after three years.

Q Well did you remember at last term of court what their names were, did you remember down there in this last case in 1935 what these boys names were? A I don't know, I guess so.

Q I believe you say that after the indictment, and two or three days before they were arraigned, the Judge sent for you? A Yes, sir. Q And did you go and see the Judge; how did the Judge send for you at that time? A I believe he phoned me, I don't recall, or he might have sent me a letter.

Q How long after he phoned you before you went up to see him? A My recollection is I went almost immediately.

Q The same day? A Yes. I know I went the same day I got the message, whether it was a phone call or letter, I forget.

Q Well on that occasion did you go to the jail to see these boys? A They were brought out into an ante room or corridor, I think you call it, to the jail.

Q Was that the same day they were arraigned? A No, that's the first time I went up.

Q Who brought them out? A I don't recall; one of the officers. Q One of the officers there in the jail brought them out? A Yes.

Q And how many of them did he bring out? A I talked to two. I think they brought all four out.

Q Which two did you talk to? A The ones the Judge appointed me to represent..

Q Which two did you talk to? A The two in the center there.

Q In the presence of each other at that time? A Yes.

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Q How long did you talk to them at that time?

A Oh, probably thirty minutes.

Q Anybody else present while you were talking to them?

A There were several in the corridor; there was no one around but the two boys and myself.

Q Several officers of the law, or just several people?

A If I remember correctly, Mr. Griffis, who represented the other two boys was there at the same time.

Q About how long after that date on which you saw them that time before they were arraigned? A Couple or three days, I don't recall.

Q That was two or three days later after that time?

A Yes. Q Do you know on what date the indictment was returned?

A I do not. Q Did you ever see the indictment in this case? A Yes.

Q I will ask you if you will look at this instrument and tell me on what date it was filed for record in the Clerk's office and what day it was returned in Broward County?

A Marked filed May 22, 1933.

Q What date? A May 22, 1933.

Q That is the indictment, is it? A Yes.

MR. CATTS: Your Honor, it is stipulated between counsel for petitioners and counsel for the State of Florida, that the two petitioners, Walter Woodward and Jack Williamson were arraigned in open court in the Circuit Court of Broward County May 24, 1933, as shown by the official transcript of record in that court.

Q You remember that was the day on which they were arraigned, on the 24th of May is the date on which they were arraigned? A I presume the court records are correct.

Q Then you were mistaken when you said there was two or three days before arraignment, but after the indictment, Judge Tedder called you and you went up to see the boys?

A I said I talked to them, but my intention was to say a couple to three days, I don't remember the number of days prior to arraignment, but it was after they were indicted that I talked to them.

Q Now the record in the case shows they were indicted on May 22nd, and they were arraigned on May 24th - no two or three days intervening between that space of time? A No, hardly.

Q Well, as an actual fact when you first talked to them, you didn't talk to them before they were indicted? A No.

Q Then it must have been the day after they were indicted you first talked to them, was it not?

A Either that or the day they were indicted. I don't recall. It has been three years and I can't remember exact minutes and hours between things that happened.

Q You represented these boys when they entered a plea of guilty and received a sentence to be executed? A Yes.

Q And with that grave situation in mind you don't recollect the details in this case? A Not as to those things, not as to the hour and minute I called on them.

Q You knew these alleged confessions were presumed to have been obtained about six o'clock in the morning, early, right after daylight, did you not? A I learned that, I believe, after the plea was entered.

Q You learned that after the plea was entered and you made no investigation from the officers, or from any other source to find out how these confessions were obtained?

A I discussed this matter with the boys themselves.

Q But you made no further independent investigation to determine the time of day or night, or any other time these confessions had been obtained. Did not the fact they were alleged to make the confessions at daylight call for some sort of action, to make some investigation?

MR. MAIRE: Object.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

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Q In this particular case here, since you have been a witness today, have you been released from any privileged communication; have you asked the Court to release you from it, and are you freely and voluntarily testifying?

THE COURT: Restate your question.

Q Mr. Mather, since you have been a witness in this case today, have you been advised by anybody, this court or either of these petitioners, that you were released from the relationship of attorney and client that existed between you at the time you obtained the information that you have given on the witness stand today?

MR. MAIRE: Object to the question on the ground it is not an issue in this case.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

Q Have you been released from that duty you owe your clients, as a lawyer representing a client, to come into court and testify against them? A Mr. Catts, I am not testifying against them.

Q I mean testifying to anything that happened?

A I am telling the truth as I know it.

Q Have you been released by this court, or either of these defendants - petitioners - from the duty that you owe to them, to keep within your bosom anything that was communicated to you when the relationship of attorney and client existed between you; have you been released by anybody here today?

A I have merely answered as best I could.

Q You realize as an attorney and client, or as an attorney, that your duty to any client that you represent, as a matter of legal ethics, requires you to keep sacred in your breast and in your own mind anything that's imparted to you as long as that relationship exists; you are familiar with those ethics, are you not? A I understand that.



Q And you have asked no one, you have not been released by either of the petitioners or this court from testifying today as to those things that happened when that relationship of attorney and client existed, have you? A No. I felt the truth wouldn't hurt either the boys or anybody else.

Q What? A I felt the truth would probably help this matter if I could throw any light on the subject.

Q In spite of the fact you knew you were obligated to your clients to keep sacred in your breast anything that they imparted to you as client and attorney? A I didn't know they imparted anything to me.

Q But you are familiar with that? A Yes.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Have you violated any rule of ethics that you know?

A I don't think I have.

MR. CATTS: Has anybody ~~reliased~~ released you?

MR. MAIRE: He has answered that question.

THE COURT: Is that the same question, or a different question?

MR. CATTS: Yes, sir, that's the same question. I will withdraw it. He has answered it.

(Witness excused)

CHARLES H. GORDON, a witness previously sworn, was recalled, and testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Did you occupy any official position in Broward County on May 13, 1933? A Yes, sir.

Q What were you? A Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Q Were you present in the court room yesterday when Walter Woodward, I believe it was, pointed you out and said you were present at the time a certain confession was taken from them?

A Yes, sir, I was.

Q On Sunday morning the 21st day of May, 1933.

Q You mean was I present?

A Yes, when the confession was taken? A No.

Q Were you present when that confession was taken?

A I was not.

Q When was the first time that you saw Walter Woodward, or any of these petitioners in this case that you know of?

A I don't think I had ever seen any of these defendants until they were brought in open court for trial.

Q Were you present when they were arraigned?

A Yes, I was present.

Q Mr. Catts has brought out that they were arraigned on May 24, 1933, from the record; is that true?

MR. CATTS: Object.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

Q Did you see these defendants when they were arraigned?

A I did.

Q How close were you to them? A Between 2 and 5 feet, I suppose.

Q Did you on that occasion have the opportunity to observe the physical appearance of these defendants? A Yes.

Q Did you at that time see any signs of any fresh cuts, fresh scars, bruises or bumps or wounds of any nature upon the visible parts of their body? A I did not.

Q Could you have seen such if they were there?

MR. CATTS: Objected to as calling for the conclusion of the witness.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q You seem to be a little confused about Walter Woodward having said that he saw you over there at the jail house on Sunday morning. You know anybody down there in Broward County that wears glasses, or a man that looks anything like you?

MR. MAIRE: Object.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.

(Witness excused)

TOM J. COLLINS, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Were you a member of the jury that tried Izell Chambers in Broward County on the charge of murder?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did you have an opportunity at that time to observe, not only the defendant Izell Chambers, but the other three petitioners that are now present before this court? A Yes, sir

Q Did you at that time see any signs upon the visible parts of their bodies of any scars, cuts, bruises or indication of that nature? A No, sir.

Q How close were you to them? at the time you saw them?

Q About four feet away.

Q Did you hear all the testimony in that case?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did you hear all of them testify in that case?

A Yes, sir.

Q Do you remember whether or not any of these petitioners testified at all with reference to any force or duress?

A No, sir.

Q Do you mean you don't remember whether they testified; did they testify? A Yes, sir.

Q Well do you remember what they testified with reference to force, violence or duress? A Yes, sir

Q What did they testify? A They testified that their confession was free and voluntary.

No Cross Examination.

(Witness excused)

J. N. CAIN, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Mr. Cain, were you a member of the petit jury that tried Izell Chambers, one of the petitioners before the court, on the ~~murder~~ murder charge? A I was.

Q At that time did Izell Chambers and the three petitioners all testify? A They did.

Q Did you have occasion at that time to observe all of these four petitioners? A I did.

Q At that time did you see any signs of scars, fresh open wounds, bruise marks about the necks or beatings on the visible parts of the body of any of these petitioners?

A I did not.

Q How close were you to them? A Oh, probably four or five feet.

Q Did you hear the testimony all the way through?

A I did. Q Of all four of them? A I did.

Q Do you remember whether or not there was any testimony in this case with respect to any beating or duress or force having been used? A I think there was not.

Q What do you think was said? A That there was no force used to make them confess.

MR. CATTS:

It is further stipulated between counsel for the petitioners and counsel for the State of Florida that the transcript of record of the minutes of the Circuit Court of Broward County, Florida, show that the petitioner Izell Chambers was tried in such court on the 12th day of June A.D. 1933.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Mr. Cain, do you now recall on what day of the month of that year 1933 on which the trial was had, I mean the year in which the trial was had, that these alleged confessions were taken?

A You mean the date of the trial?

Q No, the date of the trial has just been stated to be June 12th; do you recall what day during that year the alleged confessions were supposed to have been taken? A No, sir.

MR. SALISBURY: That's stipulated in the record.

Q It is stipulated in the record also that these alleged confessions were supposed to have been taken on the morning of May 21, about six o'clock, 1933. Do you see at this time on these boys there any scars on any of them? A I see some scars on them, yes.

Q Did you see any scars on them that day of the trial?

A I see the ones that's on there now.

Q Which scars do you see now? A I see the one on his forehead.

Q Which boy? A This boy sitting on the end.

Q You see any scars on any of the rest of them?

I can't see this fellow very good, the black one there,

Jack Williamson.

Q What I am getting at, Mr. Cain, is this: did you see any scars on these boys down there that day at all; did you look for any scars, mold or new? A Well I see the same scars I see on this boy there.

Q You see any others? A I didn't see any fresh scars.

Q Well did you see any scars of any kind? A I see the ones that I see on this boy there now.

Q Well, besides that one did you see any others?

A No, sir.

Q (Addressing petitioner) Jack, stand up there. Now get as close to him as you were the day on the witness stand. Turn sideways, now stand in front of him. Did you see those scars on him that day? A No, sir. Not on this boy, no, sir.

Q You didn't see the scar down the center of his head that day? A No, sir.

Q I mean this one in front? A I didn't see any scar on him in front.

Q Step up closer. Are you kind of hard of seeing, Mr. Cain? A No, sir.

Q You see it now? A I don't see any scars.

Q You don't see this scar here? A I see a little scar right there.

Q That scar is about two inches long? A Yes, sir.

Q You can see it now? A Yes, sir.

Q You didn't see the scar on that boy that day?

A Not that day.

(Witness excused)

W. H. BLOUNT, being first duly sworn by the Clerk,  
testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Mr. Blount, you know Charlie Davis, one of the  
petitioners in this case? A I have seen him, yes, sir.

Q Know him when you see him? A Yes, sir.

Q You know Jack Williamson? A Yes, sir.

Q Jack Williamson ever work for you? A Yes, sir.

Q Where do you live? A Pompano.

Q Did you live in Pompano in May, 1933? A Yes, sir.

Q Lived there at the time Mr. Darcey was robbed and  
killed? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see Charlie Davis -- I will ask you this:  
do you remember when there was an alleged confession taken from  
these petitioners? A I remember about the time, yes, sir.

Q Did you see Charlie Davis at any time after that  
in Pompano? A Yes, sir.

Q You remember when you saw Charlie? A Yes, sir.

Q When? A They brought him up there and I happened  
to see the sheriff and a deputy sheriff, or another man, and I  
was down town, I says "I want to see what's the matter" and I ran  
over there, and he went in my little house --

Q Wait a moment. You remember how long that was  
after this confession was taken? A I think it was the next  
day. I don't remember the day exactly.

Q How close were you to Charlie Davis at that time?

A Part of the time I could touch him.

Q Did you have an opportunity to observe him closely?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did you at that time see signs of any fresh scars,  
bumps, marks, signs of beating or rope around his neck, or anything  
like that upon any part of his body? A No, sir.

Q See any scars at all upon him? A No.

- Q How long have you known Jack Williamson?  
A He worked for us several months before this trouble.  
Q You ever observe any signs of marks or scars upon him?  
A Yes, sir. Q When? A When he was working for us.  
Q Well was that before Mr. Darcey was killed or after?  
A Yes, sir, before he was killed.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTSS

- Q What kind of scar did you observe on him?  
A He had scars all over him.  
Q What one particular scar that you remember; where was one particular scar on him that you remember? A I think he had some on his face, some on his neck and some on his hands.  
Q What part of his head? A Right along here.  
Q Which side? A I don't remember which side.  
Q You couldn't look at him today and tell what condition the scars were, and the condition they were at the time?  
A He told me he was in an automobile wreck. I asked him about it.  
Q That isn't what I asked you. Could you look at him today and tell whether there are additional scars on him now than when you saw him the last time? A No, I couldn't do it.

(Witness excused)

JOHN DARSEY, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

- Q Your name is John Darsey? A Yes, sir.  
Q You remember when Robert Darcey was robbed in Pompano? A Yes, sir.  
Q What makes you remember that?

MR. CATTS: Object.

THE COURT: Objection sustained.



MR. CATTS: At this time I want to object. I have been letting counsel go ahead without objection, but I don't think this occasion down there that they keep referring to in the language of counsel for the State is permissible under the issues that are now raised before the jury, and I want to object and move the Court to instruct the jury not to consider it in any way in this case, the fact that counsel for the State has referred to a happening at a particular date as of the time a Mr. Darcey was robbed or killed, and I move to strike that from consideration by this jury.

THE COURT: Motion denied.

Q Do you remember when one of these petitioners, Charlie Davis, was arrested? A Yes, sir.

Q Where was he first placed when he was arrested?

A Pompano jail.

Q Where did you first see him that night?

A That's where I saw him, in the Pompano jail.

Q You know what time of night it was you saw him?

A I don't know exactly, between 8 and 9 o'clock I imagine.

Q Do you know Captain J.T. Williams? A I saw him.

Q Where did you see him? A In Pompano.

Q Where in Pompano? A Well he was all about town there.

Q Well did you see Charlie Davis in Pompano? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see Captain Williams and Charlie Davis together at any time? A Yes, sir. Q Where? A At the jail.

Q Who was present when you saw these two men there besides yourself? A Mr. Maddox, the Chief of Police.

Q Were you present all the time Captain Williams was there? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see Captain Williams do anything to Charlie Davis while he was there? A No, sir.

Q Did he? A I didn't see him.

Q You were there? A Yes, sir.

Q If he had could you have seen it? A Yes, sir.

Q Did he strike him? A No. Q Beat him? A No.

Q What did he do, if anything? A He just questioned him.

Q Anything else? A That's all.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q How long did you stay with Captain Williams that night? A I didn't stay with him any. I just went to the jail and he was there.

Q And how long did you stay there at the jail?

A Only a few minutes.

Q Just a few minutes? A Yes, sir.

Q And you left? A Yes, sir..

Q Did you leave Captain Williams at the jail?

A No, we all left.

Q You don't know whether he went back to the jail that night or not? A No, sir, I don't know.

(Witness excused)

J. W. COLEMAN, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Mr. Coleman, were you the official Court Reporter for the Circuit Court of Broward County on May 21, 1933?

A I was.

Q Are you the J. W. Coleman that it has been stipulated was present at the time some alleged confessions were taken from the petitioners in this case? A I am.

Q At that time did you have an opportunity to observe the persons of the petitioners, and all of them? A Yes, sir.

Q I will ask you this: do you remember how they were dressed? A As I remember, one of them had an undershirt on, of course I can't exactly remember.

Q How close were you to these petitioners, Mr. Coleman?

A I was about as close as to this lady here (court reporter) except there was a table between us, and they were the other side; I was writing on the table.

Q Did you at that time observe any bruises or cuts or scars of any nature upon any of these petitioners? A I did not.

Q Did anybody while you were present promise, beat or threaten any of them in any way or manner? A No, they did not.

Q What was the general appearance of these petitioners at that time? A Well they looked well, looked hale and hearty with the feed of peas and cornbread they had at the jail.

MR. CATTS: Object. Move to strike it.

THE COURT: The last part of it stricken.

MR. MAIRE: We don't insist on the last part of it.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Did you make any examination to determine whether there were any scars on the boys or not? A I sat there at least thirty minutes looking at these negro boys, and there wasn't one word said during that time. They were waiting on some other men to arrive, and I looked very closely at them, and that's why I answer like I do. If I hadn't noticed them I wouldn't have answered the question.

Q You say there were no scars on the boys?

A I know there was scars on one of them, but it was one of them that had been in a handcar accident on the railroad, he testified to that himself.

Q Where did you gain that knowledge? A In court.

Q You didn't gain that knowledge up there that morning?

A Not that morning.

Q I am talking about that morning.

A I didn't see any scars.

Q You didn't see any scars that morning? A No.

Q See any on any of them? A No, I didn't.

Q You didn't see any on them? A No.

Q As a matter of fact aren't you more or less near-sighted? A That's easy to perceive I presume.

Q You are nearsighted? A Yes, sir, but I can look at this lady and tell whether she is bruised up or has blood on her.

Q If she had a scar two feet long down the side of her forehead you could see that? A Yes, sir.

Q But you didn't see any such scar on any of these defendants that morning? A I didn't see any blood or any recently bruised scars.

Q I mean any scars of any kind?

A I didn't see any scars of any kind.

(Witness excused)

VIRGIL WRIGHT, being first duly sworn by the Clerk, testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Did you hold any official position in Broward County on May 13, 1933? A Deputy Sheriff.

Q You know the four petitioners in this case when you see them? A Yes, sir.

Q You know Izell Chambers? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you at any time ever beat Izell Chambers?

A No, sir.

Q You know Chief Maddox of Pompano and F.T. Williams?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did either one of these men ever beat him in your presence? A No, sir.

Q You ever see anybody kick him? A No, sir.

Q You know Walter Woodward? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you or anybody in your presence ever hit, bruise or mistreat Walter Woodward? A No, sir.

Q Did you or anybody in your presence ever hit, bruise and mistreat Charlie Davis? A No, sir.

Q Did you or anybody in your presence ever tie a rope around his neck and threaten to lynch him, or strike him with a rubber hose, or strike him with your fist and kick him? A No, sir.

Q Or point a pistol at him? A No, sir.

Q You know Jack Williamson? A Yes, sir.

Q You ever see Chief Maddox pull a gun or pistol and hit him with a black jack? A No, sir.

Q You ever see A.D. Marshall or Bob Clark do that?

A No, sir.

Q Or do it yourself? A No.

Q Have you in any way ever personally mistreated any of these petitioners? A No, sir.

Q Anybody in your presence ever threaten them?

A They did not.

Q You ever promise them anything? A No, sir.

Q Any one in your presence ever promise them anything?

Q Anybody in your presence ever strike, hit, beat or tie a rope around their neck, stick a pistol at them, hit them with a black jack or mistreat them in any way at any time? A No, sir.

Q Were you present on Sunday morning, May 21, 1933, when the confessions were taken from these petitioners? A No, sir.

Q Do you know whether Chief Maddox was present at that time? A He was not.

Q How do you know? A He was with me.

Q Where was he with you? A At Pompano and Deerfield; he was with me until three o'clock Sunday morning.

Q Did you see these petitioners or any of them at any time soon after they were arrested? A I see all of them Monday morning after they were arrested Sunday night.

Q Did you ever see any marks or scars or bruises, fresh scars, upon any part of their body, of the bodies of any one of these four petitioners? A No, sir, I see some old scars on one of them.

Q Which one did you see them on? A Jack Williamson.

Q Was that after he was arrested? A Monday morning after he was arrested.

Q You know what night he was arrested? A Sunday afternoon or Sunday night, I wouldn't be positive which.

Q And you saw him on the following day, Monday?

A Yes, sir.

Q You know whether that Monday was before or after the confessions were taken? A Before.

Q And you saw the marks testified to at that time?

A Yes, sir.

Q Have you at any time seen any marks and fresh scars or wounds and abrasions, sores or bumps upon the bodies of any of these petitioners? A No, sir.

Q Other than what you have testified about? A No, sir.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Mr. Wright, were you present as arresting officer when any of these petitioners were arrested? A No, sir.

Q You don't know of your own knowledge what time they were arrested? A No, sir, I don't.

Q When was the first time that you saw them? A On Monday morning after they were arrested Sunday evening.

Q A bout what time Monday morning? A Well, between 9.30 and 10 o'clock, probably around 10 o'clock.

Q Where did you see them? A In the jail, in what we call the bull pen.

Q Were they all in the bull pen at that time?

A Well I talked to Jack Williamson, and Walter Woodward and Izell Chambers was in there; I didn't talk to them. Williamson had come up to the bars and I asked him how come the scars on him, I said "looks like somebody had hold of you sometime", and he said "no, sir" he got into a motor car wreck in working on a section, "I was in a motor car wreck and I was in the hospital about a month or six weeks."

Q You said three of them were there in the bull pen at that time? A I am pretty sure they was.

Q Did you talk to the other two at that time?

A No, sir, I didn't talk to any of the rest of them.

Q How many people did the officers have in Broward County jail at that time? A They had a lot in connection with this; I don't know, I didn't make any arrests and wasn't with them at any arrest and I wasn't around the court house, only in and out. If I took a prisoner in Mr. Marshall would take them up in the jail and lock them up, and I don't think I was in the jail twice that week - I don't think more than three times that week.

Q Now at the times you were at the jail, or the three times that week, did you see these boys on any other occasion?

A No, sir, I didn't have any occasion to see them any other time. Q Did you ever during that week at any time, and up to the next Monday morning at six o'clock, ever talk to any of these petitioners? A No, sir.

Q And didn't see them? A No, sir.

Q You didn't even know, as far as your knowledge is concerned, where they were in the jail at that time?

A No, sir, I did not.

Q Were you at the jail on Saturday night, May 20th or Sunday morning, May 21st, at any time? A No, sir, I was not up there; I was up there Sunday morning after they made the confession.

Q But you weren't there at any time on Saturday night?

A No, sir, I was not. Me and Chief Maddox of Pompano was working together.

Q You didn't at any other time? A I didn't see any of them until the next Monday morning.

(Witness excused)

W. C. GOODRICH, being first duly sworn by the Clerk,  
testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Did you occupy any official position in Broward County  
on the 13th of May, 1933? A Yes, sir.

Q What was it? A Deputy sheriff.

Q You know the petitioners in this case when you see them?

A Yes, sir.

Q You know anything about the arrest of any of them?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did you arrest, or were you present when any of them  
were arrested? A Three of them.

Q Who? A Jack, Walter and Izell.

Q Where were they arrested? A In Pompano, in what they  
call Blount's quarters.

Q Who was present when they were arrested? A Deputy  
sheriff Bob Clark, and Chief of Police at that time of Pompano.

Q You remember his name? A Maddox.

Q Any one else? A Helton; he wasn't an officer.

Q What was done with them after they were arrested?

A Sent them to jail, carried them to jail.

Q Did you accompany them to jail? A No, sir.

Q You know Chief Maddox when you see him? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you ever see Chief Maddox beat Izell Chambers, Walter  
Woodward or Jack Williamson? A No, sir.

Q Did you ever yourself, or any one in your presence beat  
or strike or point a pistol at, beat with a rubber hose or beat with  
a stick any one of them? A No.

Q Did you ever see J.T. Williams threaten them or mistreat  
them in any way? A No, sir.



Q You ever see these petitioners or any of them after they were brought to Broward County court house? A You mean after they were put in jail? Q Yes. A Yes, sir.

Q When was the next time you saw them?

A After they were arrested you mean?

Q Yes. A I saw them the next day.

Q You see them through that week? A All through the week, yes, sir.

Q Were you one of the men that was present when the confession was taken Sunday morning, May 21st? A Yes, sir

Q Were you in the jail house Saturday night and Sunday morning that the confessions were taken? A Practically all the time; I made one or two little trips and right back.

Q Were there any other colored people in the jail at that time? A Yes, sir

Q You know whether or not anybody was questioned that night besides these four petitioners? A Not to my knowledge, I don't recall it. Q You know whether there were or weren't? A I don't recall any one else being questioned.

Q Were you there the whole night? A Practically.

Q How late were you there, Mr. Goodrich? A I was around the jail house until about midnight, and then I went home, and the Sheriff called me up between around 1.30, and I got up and came back to the court house and made two runs out, and right back, probably gone twenty or thirty minutes each time, and the rest of the time I was in the jail.

Q At this time you were present was Walter Woodward continually beaten, kicked and bruised? A He was not.

Q On that night was he taken by Captain Williams and placed in a chair in a room where some eight or nine men with pistols, black jacks and rubber hose, and was he beaten by these men at this time? A No, sir.

Q Did you see Captain Williams strike Walter Woodward on the jaw and bring blood from it? A No, sir.

MR. GATTS: Object to his asking leading questions.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

Q Did you see Captain Williams, or anybody else, give Walter Woodward at that time a kick in his shin and hit him over the shoulders and arms with a rubber hose until 10.30 o'clock that night? A No, sir.

Q You ever see anybody tie a grass rope around Walter Woodward's neck and hear anybody say they would kill him if he didn't come clean? A No, sir.

Q Did anybody in your presence tell him they would take him to the west Dixie and have a necktie party and riddle his body with bullets? A No, sir.

Q Were you present at six o'clock in the morning when he was taken out of his cell and taken to the sheriff's office and a noose placed about his neck and he was kicked and beaten again?

A No, sir.

Q Was blood running in profusion over his clothing? A No, sir.

Q Were there any signs upon his head and shoulders or on any visible parts of his body? A There was not.

Q Were there any signs of beating, scars or bruises or swellings or cuts that you could see? A No.

Q Were you present on the night of May 20th when Charlie Davis was questioned? A May 20th, the same night?

Q Saturday night, the same night? A Yes, sir.

Q Was he taken out of his cell and placed in a chair in the sheriff's office, and then knocked out of the chair against the brick wall of the room, knocked almost senseless? A He wasn't. No brick wall in the sheriff's office.

Q Was he struck at? A No, sir.

Q Hit and kicked to a wall? A No, sir.

Q Did you, or anybody in your presence, beat him about the head, arms and shoulders with a rubber hose, or did you, or anybody in your presence, pull a gun, point it toward him and have your finger on the trigger and say he would kill him if he didn't confess the crime? A No, sir.

Q Did you see Jack Williamson on the night of May 20, 1932?  
A Yes, sir.

Q Do you know whether or not during the entire week prior to May 20th, Jack Williamson was walked back and forth from his cell to the sheriff's office, and sometimes all night; you know whether that is true or not? A It is not.

Q On the Saturday night of May 20th, was Jack Williamson placed in a chair in the sheriff's office and hit twice over the head with a pistol by Chief Maddox? A No, sir.

Q You know whether Chief Maddox was there that night?

A He was not. Q Was Virgil Wright? A He was, a very short time.

Q What part of the night? A The early part of the night.

Q Was Charles Gordon there? A No, sir.

Q At any time? A Not to my knowledge.

Q Did you or anybody at all that night hit Jack Williamson with a pistol, and did blood run profusely all over his eyes and face? A No, sir.

Q Were there any signs of that on him when the confessions were taken the following morning? A No, sir.

Q Were you present when they put a rope around his neck?

A No, sir.

Q Was that done at any time you were present? A No, sir.

Q And the rope thrown over some over some piping arrangement in the cell? A Thrown over piping in the cell?

Q Yes. A There is no piping in the cell that I know of.

Q Then did that happen? A No, sir.

Q Did Chief Maddox place a pistol against his neck and strike him with it, when he was seated in the sheriff's office?

A No, sir.

Q On the night of the 20th, or either the 21st day of May, was Jack Williamson kicked by you or anybody in your presence, ~~and~~ when asked to identify Charlie Davis, and told if he didn't he would be beaten and punished more than he had already been beaten?

A No, sir.

Q Do you know anything about Izell Chambers, from May 13th until the 21st day of May, 1933; did they walk him back and forth

from one part of the jail to the other all night long?

A No, sir, he was not.

Q Were you present on the night of the 20th of May when he was questioned? A Yes, sir.

Q Was he brought from his cell to the office of the sheriff, seated in a chair in the presence of you and some eight or nine men, and did Captain J.T. Williams grab him by the throat, using a violent oath, and strike him a number of times in the face causing blood to run from his eyes and nose? A No.

Q Did you see any blood on his eyes and nose at the time of making the confession? A No, sir.

Q Did Captain Williams, or you, or anybody in your presence at that time say they would kill Izell Chambers unless he implicated the other three, and also admitted his own guilt? A No.

Q How were they questioned when you saw any of them?

A Each one was questioned.

Q Any force used? A No, sir.

Q Any promises made? A No, sir, nothing whatsoever, any more than they would question each one of the boys, any more than you are questioning me.

Q Were any of them kept up all night long?

A No, sir, there was none of them ever kept up all night long.

Q You know whether or not they had opportunity to sleep that night? A They did have opportunity to sleep.

Q Have you any way of ascertaining or telling just how much time they had to sleep that night? A Well I would judge that they had, each one of them would have fully half a night's sleep, or longer, if they slept at the time they were in their cells, and wanted to.

Q How long at a time, if you know, were they questioned?

A I would judge fifteen or twenty minutes, may be a little longer.

Q After they were questioned fifteen or twenty minutes, what

were they allowed to do, if anything? A Go back to their cell.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. GATTS:

Q Mr. Goodrich, you say you were one of the arresting officers of three of these defendants, or petitioners? A Yes, sir.

Q At whose place did you arrest them up in Mr. Blount's quarters? A I don't know, I think they called it Jack Williamson's place, I am not positive. He seemed to be the owner of it; one reason I would say that, he was there, and there was only one bed or cot in the room, and he was sleeping on that, and the other two were on the floor.

Q Now when you went there to that house that night about what time was it? A It was I should judge around eight o'clock, I don't know for sure. It was after dark?

Q They were all asleep when you went in there?

A They pretended to be asleep; I think they were awake from the way they woke up when we went in.

Q How did you get in the house? A I went to the front door and the other two officers went to the side and back, and I just walked in.

Q The door was open? A The door was open.

Q What was the first thing you did after you got inside the house that night? A They seemed to be asleep and I tapped Jack Williamson on the feet with my billy, and the three raised up at the same time.

Q What do you call "tapping"? A Well I would call it - I don't know unless it would be just a little shock of some kind to wake him up, if he had been asleep.

Q You didn't hit him very hard? A No, sir.

Q You tapped him with your billy at the time? A Yes, sir.

Q They were taken to Broward County jail from there?

A Yes, sir.

Q When was the next time you saw them? A The next time I saw them was the next morning.

Q You didn't take them there yourself to Broward County jail?

A No, sir.

Q Did you see Captain Williams that same night, the same night you arrested these boys? A Yes, sir.

Q Who is Captain Williams? A I don't know how to explain who he is, I really couldn't answer that question.

Q Well, was that the first time you ever see Captain Williams in your life, the night you arrested these boys?

A No, I had seen him before.

Q When? A The night before. Q Saturday night? A Yes, sir.

Q Where did you see him Saturday night?

A I saw him in Pompano.

Q What kind of a looking man is he? A Large man; healthy looking fellow; is that what you mean?

Q Yes. Large as Mr. Wright? A I don't think he is as large as Mr. Wright.

Q As large as you are? A Yes, sir.

Q Larger? A I imagine some larger.

Q Where did you see Captain Williams that night you arrested these boys? A Well I don't know whether it was in Lauderdale or Pompano. Q Did you go back down to Fort Lauderdale on Sunday night?

A I went back later on.

Q Now getting back down to Monday; did you see any of these boys on Monday? A Yes, sir. Q Whereabouts? A In jail.

Q Whereabouts in the jail? A In a cell.

Q You know what they call the bull pen; do you have more than one bull pen down there, just one? A Have a bull pen on each floor.

Q Which one of those bull pens were these boys in at that time, or were they all in the same one? A I think they were all in the same cell block.

Q Which one, what floor of the jail was it? A Third floor.

Q And where is the other bull pen? A Fourth floor.

Q On which one of these floors is the jailer's quarters?

A Fourth. Q Is that the one that had the bed and radio set in it on the fourth floor? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you at any time question any one of these prisoners, or these petitioners, or were you present on any occasion during that week, from Sunday to Sunday, when they were being questioned by any officer of the law, or any person not an officer of the law, when they were outside of the bull pen? A Yes, sir, I was in their presence some when they were being questioned.

Q Where was this place they were being questioned outside this bull pen, whereabouts was that in this jail? A Outside of the bull pen, or regular cells, I don't recall whether we was in the warden's office or not. I do remember we had quite a few in there we were questioning all along, and I don't recall just which ones.

Q You say now you recall being present when some of these boys were questioned; where were you? A In the cell, in the cell box.

Q Any time they were out of the cell box?

A I don't recall questioning them any outside the cell box.

Q Were you present when any one else questioned them?

A Yes, sir. I don't recall whether it was in the warden's office. Q As a matter of fact, during that week, is it not a fact that the officers of Broward County were in that jail almost continually during the whole of the week questioning these boys, and other boys, in connection with this? A Yes, sir, off and on.

Q Practically the whole week. You wouldn't attempt to tell this jury how many times you were present when these boys were being questioned? A That's what I said, we had quite a few in jail.

Q How many would you say you arrested down there in connection with it? A I don't recall how many there was.

Q But all during the week you were continually questioning somebody in connection with this case? A Well I wasn't all the time.

Q I didn't mean you, but somebody else in your presence, or the office force down there? A I wouldn't say that, not all the time.

Q How often during that week were these boys out being questioned by the other people? A I couldn't answer that, because I had other duties, and my duties was all over the building, I was in and out on other duties of the sheriff's office, and I couldn't undertake to answer that question.

Q All I ask is the times you know of? A Well I can't answer that question intelligently because --

Q Do you know these boys were questioned more than one time by the officers of the law and by yourself, and in your presence? A More than one time?

Q Yes. A I suppose they were.

Q Will you swear they weren't? A No, sir.

Q Would you swear they were not questioned as many as twenty times that week? A No, sir, I wouldn't make a statement to that effect.

Q You just won't make a statement of your own knowledge how many times you can recall? A I wouldn't make any statement about anything like that, I am not positive of it. I don't know whether two times or twenty times.

Q Now on the Saturday night, I believe you said you were present all that night, except from the time the Sheriff let you go home about 12 o'clock, and called you about 1.30? A Yes, sir.

Q You made two about thirty minute errands away from the jail? A Yes, sir. Q And you were present at the jail the rest of the time during that night? A Yes.

Q I believe Mr. Maire asked you the question if there were the only boys that were questioned up there that time in the jailer's quarters, and you said the only ones to your knowledge?

A That's correct.

Q What time did you go to the jail first that Saturday night before the Sunday morning? A Well I was around the jail all Saturday and the early part of Saturday evening.

Q When was the first time during Saturday they started questioning any of these boys, and which was the first one they started to question? A I don't recall when they first started.

Q Did you see them question anybody before dark?

A I don't recall.

Q Did you see them question anybody after dark?

A I don't recall whether I saw them after dark.



Q You see them question any of these boys Saturday night at all? A Yes, sir.

Q When did you see them? A Well I was called for that purpose by the Sheriff, when I came in they were questioning them. Q What time of night was that? A I stated it was about 1.30.

Q That was the first time that night you had seen them questioning any one of them? A I said I didn't recall before that.

Q Didn't you tell Mr. Maire that all night they would bring them out and keep them out for ten or fifteen minutes, and let them go back and stay for two hours? A Yes, sir.

Q These are the same four boys you are talking about?

A Yes, sir.

Q Then you recall you did see them go out and come back in the early part of the night? A I don't recall who they questioned and when they were questioned, but they were called after midnight.

Q Do you recall, Mr. Goodrich that before midnight that they were brought out from time to time; were they brought out from their cells and brought into these quarters up there; did you see them when they were brought out there? A I saw them questioning, where they were questioning I don't recall.

Q You saw them questioning? A I saw them when they were bringing them back and forward.

Q What time of night did they begin? A Off and on through the night.

Q Didn't they start shortly after dark, or before dark?

A I don't remember when it was; it was before midnight.

Q It did start before midnight? A Yes, sir.

Q What part of the night was it you told the jury they had an opportunity to sleep? A In the early part of the night and then after they questioned them they let them go back and stay a couple of hours or more.

Q From the time you were called back over there at 1.30 to daylight, didn't they continually have somebody in that room down there questioning them? A Yes, sir.

Q None of them while they were present down there had an opportunity to sleep? A They had an opportunity to go back to their cell.

Q Now from about 1.30 in the morning when you were called back there until 6.30, they continued to have one of these four boys in the room? A I wasn't there all the time.

Q Well, during the time you were there? A Yes, sir.

Q Well, from that time on they had one of these boys continually there in that room and asking questions? A As I remember.

Q Who was doing the questioning during the time you were there? A I don't recall.

Q Well, who was there? A I don't recall.

Q Was Sheriff Clark there? A Yes, sir. He was in and out, I don't recall whether he was there all the time or not.

Q You know Captain Williams? A Yes, sir.

Q Was he there? A He was there some, to my knowledge.

Q He was around the jail all the time you were around there that night? A I remember he was there.

Q Did you ever see Captain Williams in that room where they questioned these four boys that night? A Yes, sir

Q And who was doing the questioning at the time that you saw them being questioned? A I don't recall. I know the Sheriff was there. I don't know whether he was there all night.

Q I mean any one time? A I remember the Sheriff and Captain Williams questioned them, and I remember the Sheriff.

Q Captain Williams was questioning them and the Sheriff was questioning them? A I remember both of them being there.

Q Of course you saw the jailer there that night? A Yes, sir.

Q Mr. Marshall? A Yes, sir. Q Was he the gentleman that would go back and forth and bring these boys back and forth?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see Mr. Helton there that night?

A I don't recall. I see him the latter part, after I went back the second time I saw him.

Q Did you ever see him up in the room when this questioning was going on? A Yes, sir.

Q And did you see up there that night Mr. Bob Clark?

A No, sir.

Q Did you see Mr. Bob Clark around the jail at all that night? A I see him around the court house, I don't know as I saw him around the jail any part of the night.

Q You never saw him up in the room where the questioning was going on? A No, sir.

Q You saw Captain Williams in there some time while you were there, and you saw Bob Clark around the court room, which is on the same floor? A I said around the court house; I refer to the Sheriff's office as being in the court house; that's down below.

Q Well did you see Mr. Helton around there? A Yes, sir.

Q While the questioning was going on? A Yes, sir.

Q Hear him do any questioning? A I don't recall him questioning. Q But he was present when other people were questioning?

A Yes, sir.

Q How long when they would send one of these boys back before they would bring out another? A Why I don't know, I wouldn't time them. I would imagine give them time to get up and dress and come out wherever they wanted to take them.

Q Just about the time it would take them to get up and dress. Did they tell him when they sent out one of them which one to bring back? A I don't know. I suppose the Sheriff would tell Mr. Marshall which one to bring out.

Q Did you hear the Sheriff tell Mr. Marshall which one to bring out? A Did I?

Q Did you hear Mr. Williams tell Mr. Marshall which one to

bring out? A I suppose naturally he would take his orders from the Sheriff, which one to bring out.

Q That takes care of the situation from the time you came back at 1.30, and that's practically all the people you know were there in that room when the questioning was going on?

A Yes, sir.

Q I believe you said you saw them take them back and forth before twelve? A Yes, sir.

Q And what was the earliest that night you can now recall you saw them take anybody back and forth? A I don't recall.

Q I thought you said it was before you went home?

A I don't recall what time of night it was. Q As a matter of fact it was going on all night, taking them back and forth all night long. A I would rather not say only the time I was actually there. I was in and out of the jail before midnight.

Q You were at the jail some before midnight, were you?

A I was there from 1.30 or 2, off and on, until daylight.

Q Now did you see them taking them back and forth, not that you heard what they said or where they went, but did you see them taking these back and forth as much before midnight as they did after midnight? A No, I wasn't up there.

Q You weren't up there where you could see it in the early part of the night; is that right? A Well I just remember being in and out of the jail up until midnight, but from then on, from 1.30 or 2 o'clock --

Q Around the court house all the time, but not in the jail? A Yes, sir.

Q The jail and court are in one big building, aren't they? A Yes, sir.

Q You were around the vicinity of the jail and court house all during the fore part of the evening? A I wasn't around the Sheriff's office all the time; I was in and out.

Q But during some part of the evening you did see them taking them back and forth? A I said I didn't recall their

taking them back and forth the first part of the evening.

Q You said you didn't recall their taking them back and forth before midnight; you didn't know what time it was?

A I said I didn't know how near midnight it was.

Q You did before midnight see them take these boys, or some of these boys back and forth to some place in the jail house? A Yes, sir.

Q Did you see the cook up there that night? A Yes, sir.

Q What was he doing around there?

A I don't know what he was doing.

Q Jail cook; was he serving sandwiches and coffee?

A I don't know.

Q You see any coffee or sandwiches? A No.

Q He didn't serve you any? A No.

Q You stayed there, except the two thirty minute periods after you come back there, until around 6.30 in the morning; you were there all during that time? A Yes, sir.

Q You went away for thirty minutes on two occasions?

A Yes, sir.

Q Are you sure they didn't keep any of these boys up there for a period of time longer than fifteen or twenty minutes?

A I judge about that time.

Q Keep them all up there approximately the same time?

A I didn't time them, I don't know.

Q You just know they were bringing one or the other of them back and forth about that time while you were there, from 1.30 until about six o'clock; is that right? A Yes, sir

Q You know anything about their taking two of these boys to Miami, to Dade County jail, at any time during that week?

A I know one of them was in Dade County, I don't recall whether two of them.

Q Which one of them do you recall was? A Izell, I think.

Q Izell Chambers? A Yes, sir.

Q You know who took him down? A I don't recall who took him down.

Q You didn't take him down? A No, sir.

Q When was the last time you saw Captain Williams?

A I think that same summer was the last time I have seen him, I am not positive.

Q Did you say you did see him around the jail house several times during that week? A Yes, sir.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MAIRE:

Q Mr. Goodrich, you are not telling the jury or swearing that the cook didn't serve coffee and sandwiches that night?

A No, sir. I said he didn't serve me any. He was around all through the night.

RECROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. CATTS:

Q Do you mean to say, Mr. Goodrich, that the cook was not up there, or just you didn't see him? A I said he was around there but he didn't serve me any sandwiches.

Q Did you see anybody else served sandwiches, or anybody else eating sandwiches? A I don't recall seeing any sandwiches.

Q Do you now remember seeing anybody else up there that night connected with the jail, or any officer or any person working with the officers up there, other than the ones you have named? A You mean during the early part of the night?

Q Yes, the early or late part of the night, any time before 6.30 the next morning? A I don't know what time it was, I don't recall what time it was that I saw some others there.

Q Did you see Mr. Maire there any time during the night?

A I didn't see him until I saw him the next morning.

(Witness excused)

R. C. HELTON, being first duly sworn by the Clerk,  
testified on behalf of the State as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SALISBURY:

Q On May 13th, 1933, did you hold any official position  
in the County of Broward or city of Pompano?

A Yes, sir, I was constable.

Q Do you know who Charlie Davis is? A Yes, sir.

Q Do you recall when Charlie Davis was arrested down  
there at Pompano? A Yes, sir.

Q You recall what date that was? A I don't know the  
date; it was on a Saturday night.

Q You recall when in relation to the time Mr. Darcey  
was robbed? A Yes, sir, the same night.

Q Do you know Captain J.T. Williams? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you present in the Pompano jail when Captain Williams  
questioned Davis? A Yes, sir.

Q Were you present with Captain Williams the whole time?

A Not all the time; part of the time.

Q Did you leave at the same time Captain Williams left, or  
did you leave before? A I left when he left.

Q At any time while you were there did you see Captain  
Williams strike Charlie Davis with any object, or with his fist,  
pistol or black jack, or anything? A No, sir.

Q Did you see any blood on Charlie Davis' clothes or body  
that night in the Pompano jail? A No, sir.

Q You know the other defendants by sight sitting there?

A Yes, sir.

Q When did you next see Charlie Davis, and when did you  
see the other defendants, and where? A I saw Charlie Davis the  
next day.

Q And where? A I think I saw him down in Pompano jail  
before they moved him from there; then I saw him in Lauderdale.

Q In the Broward County jail at Lauderdale? A Yes, sir.