

November 11, 1965

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Police Brutality

Mr. Don M. Beatty

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Detroit, Michigan

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October 24, 1965

Detroit, Michigan

About 10:00 A. M.

Subject states he was driving on Beechwood Street about 10:00 A. M., October 24, 1965, when a police car pulled up behind him at the stop light. I pulled off and the police did the same. When I got to 28th Street, the police signaled for me to pull over. The colored officer got out of the police car and came over to my car and said, "that I was speeding down Beechwood". I said, "that I was not speeding". He said, "go to 12th Street and Warren and park your car". After making a call to Police Headquarters he said, "that I had some tickets that was not paid for and that I would have to go to the

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sixth precinct", located on McGraw and Martin Street. We left 12th and Warren Street. I drove my car to Bangar Street and parked. When I got out of my car, the colored officer got out of his car and grabbed me. I refused to let him manhandle me. He said, "that he was searching me". I said, "that I was no criminal, I would rather be searched at the police station". Then he said, "get into the police car". As I was getting into the car, they grabbed me and tried to throw me into the car. Then they tried to throw me into a tree. The white officer tried to hit me with a Blackjack, he missed, then he came back with his elbow hitting me in the right eye. He slipped and fell, cracking his knee on the concret. The colored officer tried to push my head down to the ground. Then they handcuffed me and put me into the police car. The officers were using profanity words. They took me to the sixth precinct and booked me for Resisting Arrest. After that they took me to Receiving Hospital. I was given medical attention, was there about two hours. After that I was taken back to Police Headquarters. The officer who was injured, threatened me. He said, "when he get back on his feet we would have another go at it". I stayed in jail until October 25, 1965, was released about 1 or 2:00 P. M. that day. My Bond was \$1,000 (One Thousand Dollars). I do not know my trial date as yet. Boston Bond paid my bond money.