
Witnesses

People v. Maynard, 80 Misc. 2d 279 - NY:
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1970

Ptl Dowd (313-330)

Lewis M. Steel '63

DOWD CROSS X questions stemming from testimony of 10/26/70

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1 You testified yesterday, I believe, that you were walking east on 3rd St between McD and 6th Ave when you heard a loud noise - fir crackers or backfire -

2. When you first heard that noise, ~~xxxxxx~~ would you locate your position on People's 1 for the jury?

3. Now, immediately thereafter, as you were walking to 6th to investigate, you heard a car screeching behind you, is that correct?

4. Where were you when you heard the car?

5. So from the time of the loud noise until the time you heard the car, you had gone approximately (measure) feet, is that correct.

6. How long would you say it took you to walk that distance?

~~xxxxxx~~

7. Ask questions about Crist's driving, etc, his condition?

8 Now you got in the car with Crist, drove down McD, turned west on 3rd, and north on 6th Ave up to 4th st., is that correct? What were traffic conditions at that time.

8 With regard to traffic - ask when the streets cleared out that night.

9 ask about lighting.

10. Now I believe that you testified yesterday that you didn't interview any of the witnesses to the slaying, is that correct.

And you said that was because you were not a detective, is that right? As I understand you, you didn't speak to anyone to get any descriptions, is that right. And I take it you didn't speak to Crist to determine a description of the slayer? Well wouldn't it be normal police procedure for the first officer on the scene to attempt to get this sort of information while it is fresh on the minds of any witnesses. And you actually

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10 cont. had the opportunity to speak to him - you ~~were~~ in the car with him ~~was~~ were you not? And you got no discription?

11. Now tell me something, Officer Dowd what shape was Crist during this time. Did it appear that he had been drinking?

12. When you arrived at where the Sgt lay in the street, I take it you drove up with your head lights on.

13. And when you got out, ~~and when~~ was he alive?

14. And so you went to phone to call for help. Now yesterday you say you went to ~~a~~ a bar across the street to make a call for help? Didn't you actually make that call from the telephone booth on the corner.

15. And then when help arrived what did you do? You didn't go directly back to the precinct, did you?

interview people, speak to anyone?

16. Cross X on note in memo book - assisted in search for murderer of Mr. Kroll - dismissed - nothing to report.

PTL JOHN DOWD - CROSS X 1st transcript - ASK FOR MEMO BOOK
ETC

1:30
2:00
a. Reason why you remember you saw Kroll in the Pizza parlor was because he was a marine in uniform and you told him to move ^{his} car, isn't that correct. Otherwise he would have been just another face in a sea of faces in the village, right.

b. describe Kroll.

c. describe black guy in incident with Crist what was he wearing details.

d. describe Crist in detail. What was he wearing. what does he look like. When did you last see him.

4:00
What time
e. Argument near Purlpe Onion - east or west. what time. were clubs closing their lights out. etc.

~~xx~~ ee. how long did you observe argument. what did you see?

f. did you see Crist knock the black guy down to the ground. an assault. Crist extremely angry. Why didn't you arrest.

g. What did you do after you broke up the argument? (escorted the black away(317). Why not Crist. Did Crist seem like he had been running. Was he breathing hard? What condition was ~~he~~ in. Did you know that he was a sailor. etc.

h. haerd loud noise 10 minutes later - like fire crackers (319) It could have been less than 10 minutes couldn't it? You had not proceeded very far, had you.

i. Kroll's car? It was being driven wildy, wasn't it. By someone who appeared out of control.

Review to confirm to facts
j. Says area where Kroll was lying was generally well lighted. Because of playground floodlights.(326). But the major playground floodlights point in the opposite direction don't they. fool around with lighting: Ask about floodlights on the streetlights. Talk about Park flood lights, those are the only ones in the area, are they not. No floodlights hanging from the streetlights, are there.

k. Who did he speak to, how many people there, blacks and whites, normal for balcks and whites to be tog ther in the area, nothing unusual is it, nothing to take special note of.

l. Now with regard to the park, people hang out in it all hours of the night, isn't that right, and sleep in it when it is warm. How warm that nite. Do you remember. What were the traffic conditions.

m. It was still night time when you got to scene where the deceased's body lay. the bar lights were out weren't they.

n. What other officers were on the scene.

o. doesn't ever remember seeing William Maynard in area. (330)

p. Anythins else to do with investigation?

