

Capt. Carel and I took this boy from the address on West 2nd Street and went to the address of the Paine boy and went in. We found the Paine boy and another boy in bed. As I recall these boys admitted riding around in the car, but denied any attempted high jacking.

We then took these boys to the address of another boy who was in the car and who lived in about the 600 block on North Robinson. We got all four of the boys together in the car and talked to them for quite a while and there was some question in our minds about the supposed high jacking. In as much as the car was not harmed and was returned to its owner and there was some close or family connection between the boy who took the car without permission and the owner of the same, we did not feel justified under the circumstances of arresting them for the theft of the car.

I remember that we then took the boys back to their respective homes and kept their names and addresses. Later follow up investigations were made by officers of the Detective Bureau and the result of these investigations no high jacking charges were filed.

It occurs to me that some where in the picture there was a suggestion that there was some altercation between the boys in the car and the drug store delivery boy, but there was no high jacking intended and it was the outgrowth of some past differences between the boys.

Inasmuch as no charges were filed and no arrests were made, there would be no record of this in the Police Department.

It is my opinion now and was then that the whole thing was merely a boyish prank and I believe that no useful purpose could be served by making this thing public.

Trusting that this information will be held confidential, I remain

Very truly yours,

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