

# DAVIS READY FOR TRIAL

Will Be Arraigned Today On False  
Representation Charge.

THE OUTLOOK BRIGHT, HE SAYS

Won't Bother Himself About A  
Lawyer For His Defense—Maggie  
Hunter Witness Against Him.

There were no signs of nervous depression yesterday on the face of Robert E. Davis, or "Bob"; Davis, who will be arraigned before Judge Dobler today in Part 2 of the Criminal Court for trial on the charge of obtaining \$75 by false representations from Maggie Hunter, an investigation of whose house on North Carey street led to the eventual dismissal of Police Captain Ward.

So sure is Davis that the State has no chance to convict him that he said he had retained no counsel, because he didn't need a lawyer. He says he will have only one witness in his behalf, and he thinks this small bit of evidence will be entirely sufficient to clear him.

"What do I want a lawyer for?" he said. "I don't need any counsel and I'm not going to have one. All I intend to do is to let them present their case against me and that will be enough for the jury to know that there is nothing against me that can make them hold me. The trial ought not to last over 15 minutes, and by the end of that time, I have no doubt, I will be acquitted."

Both Davis and State's Attorney Owens said that the trial will not be likely to bring out any disclosures concerning the Police Department, nor is it probable that there will be any political aspect to it. The State's Attorney said that Davis will be tried on the charge of obtaining money under false representations and that the evidence will probably concern only that.

Maggie Hunter will be the chief witness against Davis, and in support of her testimony the State will call several others. The solitary witness who Davis says will testify in his behalf is August T. Roach, manager of a loan company on West Fayette street.

According to Maggie Hunter, at the trial of Captain Ward, she gave Davis the money so that she would receive the necessary permission from the grand jury to conduct a disorderly house. On April 27 she was fined \$10 and costs in the Criminal Court on two indictments charging her with keeping such an establishment.

"I'm going to tell the jury that Edward Stoneman, who was the janitor of the woman's house, didn't bring me the money and I never got it." Davis said. "That's what they'll say—that Stoneman took it to the loan company's office and gave it to me, but Mr. Roach and I will both testify that he never came near the place. We didn't see him."

Davis also said he was not in the loan business, in spite of the general impression that he is engaged in that enterprise.