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A variety of weapons or potential weapons was found in the district station locker of a suspended policeman accused of association with the Ku Klux Klan, a sergeant testified today.

The police board is conducting hearings of charges against Patrolman Ernest Semet, one of three policemen whose dismissal is sought by Supt. James B. Conlisk Jr. Semet was assigned to the Shakespeare avenue district.

Sgt. David Coffey of the internal inspections division said that on Dec. 28 he ordered Semet to open his locker.

Inside were a revolver, a pistol, several hammers, a hunting knife, a hatchet, and a length of chain, Coffey told the board.

Semet said most of the objects had been picked up on "street stops," the police term used to describe investigations which do not result in arrests, Coffey said. The pistol belonged to another policeman who sought Semet's help in getting it repaired, Semet said, according to Coffey.

The sergeant was the first witness in the hearing.

Hearings were held last week on the cases of Patrolman Donald Heath, admitted grand dragon of the Illinois Klan branch, and William Plogger, Illinois grand klazgle.

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