

# WOMAN DETECTIVE ON WITNESS STAND

Mrs. Elsie Phelps Relates Plot to Enforce Money Demand; Court to Decide at Once.

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Chadron should have such persons as Crites and Mrs. Hood. Fisher asked me for my life history and said he wanted to help me.  
Brome asked, "Did you tell him?" "Not all."  
Mrs. Phelps resumed.  
"When I got to Chadron I phoned Fisher and Winckler called at the hotel and said:  
"Hello, Hazel."  
"I am not Hazel," I said. "I thought they said they would send Hazel McVeety," replied Winckler. Then Winckler said, "Tom Denison and Maloney are in on this. They are a good bunch to work for. He told me he had been in Chadron a month and had nothing on Mrs. Hood. He said he had written false notes to mislead Mr. Hood. He told me he hardly knew Mrs. Hood, but knew she had a pretty back.  
"Arranged for Meeting.  
"Winckler and I kept in touch by phone between the hotels. I had to stand for his foolishness because I wanted to know what he knew. He didn't know much. He urged me to hasten a party with Mrs. Hood and Crites. I asked him if he had a gun and he said he had a 'rod.' He showed me a loaded gun. I asked his purpose and he said, 'When I get in a scrape I am going to protect myself. You don't know what a fight Crites might put up. I am afraid of armed cops, too.'  
"Winckler said he was anxious to go back to Omaha and urged me to hurry the Hood-Crites party. Fisher told me he would have witnesses to prove the meeting of Crites and Mrs. Hood. He said Crites was afraid of publicity and would do anything to avoid it. He told me Mrs. Hood received \$500 a month from her husband and would do anything to avoid exposure.  
"Winckler said he could get \$500 from Crites and Hood would pay \$1,000 if he would pay a cent. He also told me Day would give \$250 if Crites could be made to lie down on the bootlegging cases.  
"Mrs. Hood Pleads Innocence.  
"Mrs. Hood told me she would be pleased to go to Crites office to prove her innocence. She declared she had been watched by detectives. At Fisher's office it was arranged that I should open the side door of Crites' office at the time when the men were to enter.  
"Winckler had a gun which he pulled on Crites. He handed Crites a card and said he was glad to meet him.  
"Mrs. Phelps then related the story of 'the late unpleasantness' in Crites' office substantially as testified to by Sutton yesterday.  
On cross-examinations Baker went into the history of a bath establishment operated by Mrs. Phelps on Harney street in Omaha. She expressed indignation when her place was referred to as a "bath parlor."  
"What do you call your bath place?"  
"A bath institute."  
"Sutton ever go there?"  
"Yes."  
"For a treatment?"  
"No, he and I investigated bath parlors and things together."  
Before she left the witness stand she told the entire inside workings of the plot from her viewpoint and incidentally revealed her own duplicity. Attorney Baker induced her to tell how she and Sutton investigated bath houses in Omaha.  
"Some in Omaha are not straight," she said. "Sutton knew mine was a decent bath institute."  
"Bath for Men and Women.  
"You said institute?"  
"Yes."  
"Is it a parlor for men and women?"  
"It is not a parlor."  
"Did you hear Sutton at 516 South Nineteenth street say that he is Kugel's man and was going to get rid of Maloney and he (Sutton) was to be chief of detectives?"  
"I never was at that address."

## Last Surviving Cousin Of Lincoln Dies, Aged 84

Bloomington, Ill., June 1.—Solo-man Hanks, the only surviving first cousin of Abraham Lincoln, died at his home today, aged 84.

"So you were to go to Mrs. Hood's house and get Crites there?"  
"I was to use a woman's plan."  
"What is a woman's plan?"  
"Well, Dolan told me to get Crites any way, even if I had to go to bed with him."  
"And you went and told Crites what was to be done to him so it could not be done, just like that?" holding small finger akimbo.  
"Just like that," with a snuff.  
"You entered into a scheme with Mrs. Hood and Crites to get little Winckler to that office?"  
"Knew It Meant Blackmail.  
"No, I did what Fisher and Winckler did to hold the party."  
"You took the money of the detective association and knew you were to betray them?"  
"I knew that it was blackmail as soon as Dolan made his suggestion to me about Crites."  
Mrs. Phelps made a good witness and refused to be shaken, although her answers at times were not spontaneous. Stress was placed on her testimony that she knew Harvey Wolfe spoke to Maloney over the phone from Wolf's office regarding this case. Although she heard Wolf address some one by the name of Steve, she said the circumstances of the occasion caused her to know Maloney was on the other end of the wire.  
That was the evidence the prosecution used to connect Maloney with the alleged conspiracy and detective association.  
Mrs. Phelps insisted she does not drink, said she had no recollection of seeing the name of Clara Watson, knew Roy Swanson and Grover Bimo, but did not know Bob Holloway, never was at the Riverside, had read of Maloney in the papers, but never was in his office.  
"Knew It Was Maloney.  
"When Wolfe said 'Steve' over the phone your active fertile brain knew right away it was Maloney, did it?" asked Baker.  
"Yes, I knew it was Maloney."  
Conclusion of Crites' testimony was followed by the production of a letter on Fisher's office stationery showing he asked Mrs. Lowry (Elsie Phelps) to phone him May 14. Baker contended that Crites communicated with Sutton at Omaha through Edward Davis.  
They have no quarrel with Maloney, nor has he with me. What I know of him I have read or been told in connection with this case," said Crites.  
A personal memorandum, said to have been taken from Winckler, stated that he had in mind "a man who could tell me of Crites being Mrs. H.'s steady man."  
The manner in which Mrs. Phelps played Winckler as a pawn aroused the crowd. She contemptuously referred to Winckler's operations as if he were a rank amateur at the detective game compared to her apparent consummate skill.  
Mrs. Phelps Resumes Stand.  
Mrs. Phelps resumed stand at this afternoon's session. Cross-examination by Baker:  
"Why did you return to detective association's office on Sunday, May 6?"  
"For definite instructions. They told me to go to Lincoln to meet Fisher and get the address of Mrs. Hood, before she was married."  
"Where was Wolf when you heard the telephone conversation with Steve?"  
"In the next office, sitting near the door."  
"Where was his desk?"  
"I never took a diagram of the office."  
Did Not Tell It All.  
"Your talk with Fisher was practically all about himself. He gave you a history of his life?"  
"Not all of it. Suppose he told me all of it?"  
"And you told him a history of your life?"  
"Not all of it."  
"What did Fisher say to you concerning what he wanted you to do against Crites?"

"He said Crites opposed him in law suits and posed as a woman hater, but was not. I was to compromise Crites so he would lie down on certain laws. By getting Crites in a compromising position it would aid Fisher in getting a divorce for Mr. Hood."  
"What specific thing were you to do to compromise Crites?"  
"To compromise Crites."  
"In pursuance of that you told Crites about it?"  
"Yes, I went from Fisher's office to Crites."  
"When you were discovered in Crites' office, tell me how the men left."  
"Looked as if they were going head first. Two went together and others down bannister."  
"Which one took the bannister with him?"  
"I don't know which one was the strongest. I know that the mayor, sheriff and United States Marshal were there."  
"See any more of the fracas?"  
"I saw Winckler go to Fisher's office and I told the mayor."  
Presented Card and Gun.  
"You stayed at Crites' office?"  
"Yes and later we went to the Hood home."  
"Did Winckler present Crites a card?"  
"Yes and a gun."  
"Did Crites take the card?"  
"I think he did."  
"And then what?"  
"Winckler looked at White. He was frightened and disappeared."  
"Did Mote say anything?"  
"He just went."  
"There was no demand or request made for anything was there?"  
"No."  
"You heard Winckler suggest today that when the bootlegging case could be stopped it might be worth \$250 today, did you?"  
"Yes, but Day said it would be no use."  
"When you met Dolan on the second visit, do you say he was drunk?"  
"He was intoxicated, Mrs. Benjamin was with me."  
"She is the lady at the —?"  
"The institute."  
"Is she a nurse at your hospital?"  
"Not a hospital an institute. We have eight rooms. Want me to describe what we have?"  
Treatment for Neuritis.  
"Where do you put the people who are being treated?"  
"We have hospital slabs. We treat for neuritis. I suppose you have it right now."  
Judge Slattery admonished the crowd to restrain outbursts of laughter.  
Mrs. Phelps' suggestion that Judge Baker might have neuritis aroused the crowd to a high pitch of merriment.  
Judge Baker began his cross-examination of Mrs. Phelps by asking: "You falsified when you got papers from Winckler on promise to return them?"  
"I lied to get the paper. Part of my plans."  
"Only lie you told?"  
"I told many lies to detectives of the Omaha Detective association. My purpose was to determine if they were straight or crooked."

Attorney Harrington put Mrs. Phelps through a severe cross-examination regarding the bath institute, whereupon Attorney Brome said it was an effort to insult rather than to discredit the witness.  
Tells Bath House Methods.  
"If there is any place in Omaha worse than this bath house this court and community ought to know it," said Harrington.  
Mrs. Phelps insisted her institute was all that is proper, that women attend and that attendants do not apply alcohol rubs to unclothed male patients. Patients are attended in a scientific manner.  
Much of the cross-questioning on the bath institute was so risky that women auditors gasped in astonishment and men laughed. Bath house methods were gone into thoroughly. The witness admitted that she could not say of personal knowledge whether she spoke to Steve Maloney on the telephone of the detective association. She said she merely heard Wolf say "Steve."  
"When you referred to Chadron as a lick of a town in a letter what did you mean?" asked Harrington.  
"Just different from Omaha."  
"You mean women, do not rub men in bath houses in Chadron?"  
"I would not say that."  
Maloney Not Say Stand.  
The defense placed Chief of Detectives Maloney and Fern Marr on the stand as their only witnesses. In the prosecution stress was placed on Ma-

loney's acquaintance with members of the Omaha Detective association and also the statement of Mrs. Phelps that while in the office of the association she heard the office girl, Miss Marr, say she had a call from Maloney to have Wolf telephone him.  
Maloney testified Detective Pipkin came in his office occasionally, both during and after the late's service in the police department, on matters concerning stolen automobiles. He denied any connection with the detective association and averred was never in the association's office.  
"My knowledge of the Chadron case came first: when I read the papers," Maloney replied.  
He admitted he knew Dolan, Wolf and Tyle.  
During cross-examination of Maloney by Attorney Brome, counsel for the defense, urged the court require the prosecution to observe rules of cross-examination rather than endurance.  
Winckler Studied Finger Prints.  
Questioned about Winckler, Maloney testified: "I saw the boy around the station studying the finger print and Bertillon systems and understood he was trying to be a detective. I did not know until this case came up that he was in the employ of the Omaha Detective association."  
Maloney was quizzed closely whether he referred a Mrs. Wilson to Dolan or Pipkin on the occasion of her automobile being stolen. He said he could not remember whether he had referred her to them or them to her.

The prosecution sought to show that Maloney was interested in the affairs of the detective association whose members are now on trial.  
Witnesses Flatly Differ.  
"If the Omaha Detective association talked with Steve over the telephone on May 5, it was some other Steve," he said.  
Fern Marr, office girl of the association, testified: "I was not in my office the afternoon of May 5, but was in Council Bluffs. I had no telephone conversation with Maloney nor had any call from him for Wolf."  
Among points emphasized by Mrs. Phelps was the claim that on the afternoon of May 5 she heard Miss Marr tell Wolf call Maloney on the phone and herself was given the receiver and conversed with Maloney about going to Chadron.  
A contradictory point in the evidence of the prosecution related to the arrest of Winckler by Sutton on the evening of May 14. Sutton testified he arrested Winckler on orders of Sheriff Canfield, while that official testified for the state that he had given Sutton no order, had not deputized anybody to make the arrest and that he had been requested by Crites to arrest Winckler and had declined.  
Canfield added Winckler had no gun when searched, but he had papers, which were handed to Crites, but not returned to the sheriff.  
See Want-Ads Produce Results.

## Receiver Appointed for "Katy" Subsidiary Road

St. Louis, June 1.—Announcement was made today at the offices of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad that a receiver had been appointed for the Wichita Falls & Northwestern railroad, a subsidiary of the "Katy."  
The receivership suit was instituted. It was announced that "Katy" headquarters, when it became apparent that the subsidiary would be unable to pay its floating debt and meet interest due July 1, C. E. Shaff, receiver for the "Katy," was appointed receiver for the Wichita Falls & Northwestern.

## Postpone Hearing of New York Plot Cases

New York, June 1.—Hearing of the conspiracy charge to violate the selective conscription law preferred yesterday against Miss Eleanor Wilson Parker, a Barnard college senior; Owen Cattell, Columbia university senior, and Charles Francis Phillips, a former Columbia student, was postponed until tomorrow by United States Commissioner Hitchcock today at request of attorneys for the accused.  
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Children's Wear, Third Floor.

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