

# MALONEY WILL FACE NEW PROBE CHARGE

### Senatorial Testimony in Police Hearing to Show Chief's Connection With Detective Agency.

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him Captain Maloney entered a plea of not guilty. The council, in view of new charges, started the hearing all over again. Chief Dunn was the first witness and reiterated substantially his evidence of Tuesday morning. He said his information regarding Maloney's connection with a conspiracy case was obtained through newspapers.

"On account of the papers being so full of this matter I thought best to bring the charges and let it be disposed of before the council," said the chief.

"Did Kugel or Sutton confer with you regarding a contemplated blackmailing scheme prior to hearing at Chadron?" asked Attorney Baker.

The chief replied, "No."

"Was your jurisdiction over Sutton taken away?"

"Sutton works for Kugel. Kugel said Sutton would work out of his office on morals squad."

"Do you know whether morals squad work was taken from the chief of detectives?"

"I gave no such orders. The morals squad was to make a specialty of that work."

"You heard nothing of Maloney's connection with affair until after explosion at Chadron?"

"Nothing."

"When a police officer knows anything of another officer, to whom should he report?"

"To me."

"Did Sutton ever report to you of Maloney or anybody else?"

"Not that I remember."

"Did you know that Sutton was going to Chadron?"

"I did not."

"You had no information of Chadron affair before Sutton left?"

"I had none."

"Did Kugel give you any facts concerning Maloney's connection with the affair?"

"No."

"Did Kugel purport to know any facts regarding Maloney's connection with the conspiracy?"

"He did not."

**Makes New Filing.**

City Attorney Rine asked the chief whether it had been the custom to have special officers work out of the superintendent's office.

"I can't say that it has been."

Attorney Rine's further questioning was to show that it is not a new custom for the superintendent of police to have his confidential officers reporting direct to him, rather than to the chief. Subsequent queries, however, indicated that Kugel originated the custom of having morals squad men report directly to his office.

Baker quizzed the chief:

"Did Ryder, when superintendent, have a special morals squad working independently and reporting to him?"

"I do not remember that he did."

"Since morals squad working under Kugel, was anything brought to you in that connection?"

"Did you ever complain to Kugel because these matters were kept from you?"

"I did not."

"Did not two sets of officers embarrass work of the department?"

"It would."

**Should Not Be Independent.**

"What is your opinion of the chief of detectives being independent of your orders?" asked Attorney Rine.

"He should not."

Kugel questioned the chief:

"Did the morals squad ever work out of my office?"

"You said Anderson and Sutton would work a while. When you were sick I gave an order to have them report to Sergeant Russell and was told to leave them where they were."

"The morals squad from inception was under your direction?"

"It was."

**Orders From Jardine.**

"Who told you to leave Anderson and Sutton where they were?" asked Baker.

"Commissioner Jardine."

"Jardine was acting superintendent of police when Kugel was sick?"

"Yes."

Attorney Murray, for United Improvement Clubs, asked the chief:

"Did you make a statement that police department was demoralized and you could not maintain discipline?"

"I said something along that line."

"What did you mean?"

"I don't see what that has to do with this hearing."

"There is going to be a general investigation of the whole police department," interrupted City Attorney Rine.

**Improvers Take a Hand.**

Murray continued:

"Has Maloney been reporting to your office during last year?"

"Some; probably not all of the time."

"When you read of this affair in the papers did you make inquiry among members of your department?"

"I don't remember who I spoke to."

"Did you call on Captain Maloney?"

"I called on him through charges."

"Only knowledge you had when you filed charges was what you read in the newspapers?"

"It was."

**Asks About Pipkin.**

Murray further questioned the chief:

"When Pipkin was on automobile work in your office, did he report stolen machines to the Omaha Detective association or to your office?"

"To our office."

"Did you talk to Kugel about Maloney when you filed the charges?"

Kugel replied for the chief: "I told the chief that the council would not hear the charges until after the Chadron trial. I think that is the reason nothing was looked up."

**Sutton Tells of Chadron.**

Detective Paul Sutton followed the chief and was questioned by City Attorney Rine:

"Did you take part in the alleged blackmail case at Chadron? Just tell what you know."

"Mrs. Phelps first told me she was going to Chadron for the Omaha Detective association. She met Manager Dolan of the association to get her instructions, and when he outlined the case she reported to me she was

positive it was a blackmail scheme; that there was a county attorney, Crites, and that she was to get him in a compromising position; that Tylice and Winkler had been there a month.

Then I reported to Kugel Sunday, May 6. He was just out of a sick bed and he told me to go on through with it. I told him I thought some of his men were in with the detective association, but did not know then that Maloney was connected with the affair."

Sutton reviewed in substance the evidence he offered on stand at the Chadron preliminary hearing.

"I wrote a letter to Crites telling of the plot and advising him to protect himself with prominent citizens there. He wired he would co-operate with me and then I went to Chadron on call of Crites. At Chadron Mrs. Phelps told me they were going to get Crites that night," continued Sutton.

The witness reviewed occurrences at Chadron, showing how he operated with Mrs. Phelps in the alleged plot to compromise Crites with Mrs. Hood and with the woman detective.

Attorney Rine: "What, if anything, was brought out to connect Maloney with this case?"

Sutton: "When Mrs. Phelps went back to the office of Omaha Detective association she heard Fern Marr, the office girl, call Maloney on phone, heard Wolf speak to Maloney and spoke to Maloney herself at request of Wolf. Maloney asked Mrs. Phelps if she was girl who was going to Chadron. She said she was and Maloney wished her luck."

Rine continued his examination of Sutton: "Was there anything said between you and Mrs. Phelps prior to Chadron explosion that Mrs. Hood was connected with case?"

"Not until Mrs. Phelps had gone to Chadron. She wrote a letter that there were two in case."

"Is Winkler an operator of Omaha Detective association?"

"Supposed to be."

"Is Tylice a detective?" (Laughter.)

"He is an operator."

"Do you know whether Maloney is connected with Omaha Detective association?"

"Only that he admitted that he gave Bessie Wilson orders to the detective association on his own card. She was to pay Wolf and Dolan \$150 if they would recover her automobile at Grand Island."

**Connecting Up Maloney.**

"Have you any other information to show Maloney was connected with Omaha Detective association?"

"I have names of witnesses. Have more information. Mrs. Gail Gruano, wife of saloon man at 424 South Fourteenth. She sued husband for divorce. Her husband hired Omaha Detective association to have wife lay down on divorce. Maloney called wife to station and showed her papers, saying he had a lot of stuff on her and that if she did not lay down on divorce he (Maloney) would run her out of town. That was about six weeks ago."

"What else do you know?"

**Wolf Gives Orders.**

"I objected to Wolf giving orders to morals squad. He threatened to get my job one night when we raided Sam Joe's chop suey place. He called me on phone. There were indications that raids were being tipped off. Wolf ordered me over phone to not raid Sam Joe's place. I asked him what part he played in police department and he said I would find out."

"What else?"

"We had orders to raid Havens hotel one night. Wolf and Pipkin were at Sixteenth and Chicago, where we were to meet. They were with Unger, Barta and Walker. I would not go to Havens hotel with Wolf, Pipkin and Unger. Wolf seemed to know more where we were going than we did. Unger was working out of Maloney's office, but not on morals squad; Pipkin was working out on chief's office. Captain Dempsey was acting chief at the time. Sergeant Russell gave orders for the raid."

**Complains to Dempsey.**

"Then Unger and Pipkin had no

orders to be there?"

"None."

"Did you complain?"

"To Acting Chief Dempsey and Dempsey."

"What happened then?"

"Dempsey told Maloney to have Unger keep away from morals squad."

"What else?"

"Dempsey sent myself and Cunningham to investigate dope-case at 1617 Chicago street. Wolf, Unger and Pipkin went there at 10 p. m. that night and cut the telephone wires. Ryder told me. He was hired by the government to get evidence on dope."

"Do you know whether Unger, Wolf and Pipkin knew you made raid at 7 p. m.?"

"Evidently not."

"What else?"

**Wolf Has Police Badge.**

"At 1311-13 Davenport street Murphy and Jolly came along at 10:30 and Wolf, Pipkin and Unger were ransacking place for dope."

"Anything to make you think of any special motive for them to get the dope?"

"I could not just figure it out. Wolf was not a member of the police department, but he wore a badge. He handicapped me. Nearly every time I saw Wolf on my raids he was with Unger and Pipkin."

"How did Wolf get a badge?"

Chief Dunn: "I will explain. When he had charge of watchmen of A. D. T. he was given a badge. That has five years ago. He still has that badge."

**Follow Other Detectives.**

"Did others complain of Wolf, Pipkin and Unger following them?"

"Yes, Murphy and Cunningham."

"How long have you known Mrs. Phelps?"

"I have known her for about five years."

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"Where was she before she became a detective?"

"She was in Lord Lister and Clarkson hospitals. She is a graduate nurse."

"Where did you first meet her?"

"At the Allah shop. Chief Dunn got a letter complaining of bath houses of Omaha. We were sent to investigate bath houses. We went to all of them. One was Central institute, 1506 Harney street, where Mrs. Phelps said she welcomed an investigation. That was one of four that were all right."

**O. K.'s Bath House.**

"What do you know of Central bath institute?"

"Perfectly legitimate. Some of the older members of police department go to that place."

"Mrs. Phelps took an interest in seeing other places, properly conducted?"

"She did."

Kugel: "Sutton, what were your orders when I detailed you to special work?"

"All sorts of work. Pool halls and lots of things."

Sutton aroused a bit of levity when he recounted the activities of Philip Winkler at Steve Maloney's office. He said "that this ambitious sleuth looked up criminal records for many years."

Rine: "You said Mrs. Phelps related other alleged blackmailing cases?"

"Yes, she said there would be cases at Crawford, Blair and Missouri Valley. She said she was to marry a man named Brown at Missouri Valley and get \$10,000. She told me Omaha Detective association people told her she could make \$500 to \$1,000 a month."

Sutton explained that when he entered on the Chadron case he was investigating alleged shake-downs of insurance companies by Omaha Detective association."

**Bill to Stop Making Whisky And Beer From Grain Reported**

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