

MOYNIHAN AND FRENCH ARE HELD FOR GRAND JURY

Plead Not Guilty to Charge of Taking Money from Two Places

THEIR RECORDS SOUGHT

Ithaca Detective and Clothing Dealer Come to Binghamton on Case

Maxwell S. French of 106 1/2 South State street, Syracuse, and Robert Moynihan of 164 Vall street, also of Syracuse, who were arrested Friday in this city for the robbery of the cash drawer in the store of the Binghamton Photograph Company at 181 Washington street and the office of the American Cigar Company on Wall street, were arraigned in City Court this morning before City Judge Harold L. Hart charged with grand larceny in the second degree. Both young men were represented by Attorney J. F. Sullivan, who entered a plea of not guilty for them and waived examination. They were held for the grand jury and removed to the Broome County Jail, after being measured at police headquarters.

Detective Sergeant Walter Helm of the Ithaca Police Department and L. B. Keegan, a clothing dealer in Ithaca, were in Binghamton this morning looking up the record of Moynihan and French, as it was thought that the two boys might be implicated in two robberies which took place in that city Tuesday night. Two young men who said they were from Syracuse and that they had just been discharged from the army, came to the police station in Ithaca, according to Detective Helm, and asked to have a place to sleep on Tuesday night.

They were told they could sleep in the jail. The two men did not return however and Wednesday morning Mr. Keegan discovered that his store had been robbed during the night and a quantity of clothing had been left behind. The clothing was turned over to the police and was recognized as the clothing worn by the two men who had asked for a place to sleep. An investigation was made and it was found that two men answering their description had left Ithaca that morning going in the direction of Rochester. The description given tallied with the descriptions sent out by the Binghamton police department of the two men held in this city and Detective Helm was sent here to investigate. Both French and Moynihan when questioned by the detectives declared

that they had met two boys in Cortland on Tuesday who were from Syracuse and said they were going to Ithaca. Detective Helm said that he did not think that the two held here were connected with the burglary in that city although they undoubtedly knew the other two men whom he was looking for.

French according to information received from Syracuse has already served one sentence in the Elmira reformatory in 1914, for the theft of an automobile in Syracuse. It is thought probable that they might have also been connected with the thefts of other cars in that city recently.

French when asked his occupation by the officers said that he was a stenographer and had served nearly two years in the aerial service in the United States army. Moynihan said that he had been employed by his father who is a contractor in Syracuse.