COUNCIL HAS SPAT OVER BAR LICENSE

Commissioners Hummel and Kugel Take Issue with Mayor Over Permit to Anton Powal.

TELLS KUGEL TO GET ON JOB

The habit of considering liquor license applications in open sessions, to which the city council is becoming addicted, resulted in an exchange of pointed remarks when the council sat as an excise board yesterday.

The ruction was started when the application of Anton Powal for a license at 201 South Ninth street was considered. Commissioner Kugel announced that Powal had violated the liquor laws during the year and had received a complaint from Mayor Dahlman, who reported that officials of the smelter protested because some of their employes had been rendered unfit for work while at this saloon.

Mayor Dahlman put the vote and announced the license was granted, whereupon Commissioner Hummel, who voted no, insisted that a regular roll call be read by the clerk, as the commissioner wished his vote against the license to be a matter of record. The roll call vote gave four votes for the license, Commissioners Kugel and Hummel voting no and Commissioner Jardine declining to vote.

Take Issue with Mayor.

This situation brought a statement from the mayor, who said he thought the council had adopted the policy that all the commissioners would vote as a unit on saloon licenses. Commissioners Kugel and Hummel took issue with the mayor and announced they would vote their individual convictions.

Commissioner Butler thereupon offered a resolution, that thereafter all excise meetings be held in the open and that executive sessions be no more. The resolution went through.

Saloon Man Laughs at Kugel.

A statement by Commissioner Kugel was: "I know that certain saloon men have violated the law during this year, but I can not always prove it to you. You will have to take my word for it. My moral squad brings reports of violations, but the evidence is not of such a nature as to hold in court, but we know the violations existed. In this Powal case they were so bold as to solicit business on Sundays on the walk. I don't want to tell you how to vote, but I am going to vote against this and some other applications I am holding. A saloon man called at my office the other day and laughed at me when I told him he would have to obey the law this year or his license would not be renewed. I don't know where he got his assurance."

Tells Kugel to Get Busy.

Then the mayor, addressing Mr. Kugel, said: "Get your old moral squad busy. Either they ain't doing their duty or they are playing favorites. Don't pick out one man for the goat."

And Commissioner Butler also spoke: "I don't know about this particular applicant (Powal), but I know about others who have been violating the liquor laws and are getting away with it."

Commissioner Jardine expressed the belief that the council should support each other on recommendations. He made this statement to Anton Powal: "We are going to have prohibition in this state if you saloon men do not behave."

The gist of the situation is that Commissioner Kugel wants to place himself in the position of advising the council of certain saloon men who have violated liquor laws this year, and after he has voted no on their applications for 1916 licenses he will feel that it will be up to the other commissioners to support him or assume the responsibility if such licenses are granted.

Man Tries to Stop Women in Auto

What may have been a bold attempt at highway robbery was reported to the police yesterday by Mrs. Harry H. Knapp, 5221 Florence boulevard. She said she was driving her car along Lake street, accompanied by Mrs. Rud Hayden, when at Thirty-fifth street a man jumped out of the weeds and tried to stop them. She applied the power and escaped. On looking back, she saw the man running in the opposite direction.

Mrs. Knapp was on the way to the home of her mother, Mrs. C. E. Siesken, 5111 Burt street.

Hunt to Command Chicago Detectives

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Mayor Thompson late today announced that Nicholas Hunt, formerly an inspector in the police department, would be appointed head of the detective bureau. Hunt will succeed Captain P. D. O'Brien, recently suspended, but who was reinstated and allowed to resign today. The change is regarded as part of Mayor Thompson's announced campaign to "clean up" Chicago.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRAISED BY LEAVENWORTH CLUB

At the regular meeting of the West Leavenworth Improvement club Monday evening, which was attended by about 100 members of the club, a resolution was adopted commending City Commissioner Walter S. Jardine and County Commissioner Frank Best for the "businesslike manner in which they have taken care of the duties pertaining to their offices, and for the prompt and careful attention they give to the wishes and needs of the people they were elected to serve."

Among the important proposals discussed at this meeting were the paving of Leavenworth street from Forty-eighth street west to Elmwood park; the extension of the Saddle creek sewer, the grading of Forty-eighth street from Leavenworth street to Poppleton avenue, and the grading of Poppleton avenue from Forty-eighth street to Fifty-first street.

NEGRO EDUCATOR VISITED IN OMAHA LAST SUMMER

Major Robert T. Morton of Hampton institute, Hampton, Va., who has just been elected head of the Tuskegee institute, to succeed the late Booker T. Washington, spent some time in Omaha last summer. He was the guest of Rev. John A. Williams while in Omaha, and made many acquaintances in the city. Together with Rev. Mr. Williams he visited The Omaha Bee office and had a chat with the editors.

HOW TO PICK YOUR TURKEY

Expert on Gobblers Tells How Simple it is When You Really Know How.

SOME SIGNS OF TENDERNESS

"The purchase of a Christmas turkey ought not to be the gamble that it sometimes is. The selection of a tender, toothsome bird, old enough to be well flavored but young enough to be palatable, is really a very simple operation—once you know how."

The speaker was a man who probture. A lengthy title, which might easily ably knows more about turkeys, their breeding and their selection than any one in the United States—Harry M. one in the United States—Harrey M. investigation of the bureau of animal industry of the Department of Agriculbe shortened into "Uncle Sam's Turkey Expert."

"The best turkey for home consumption," continued this man, who has studied turkey raising in all parts of the country, "is one about a year old. If it is too young the meat will taste 'flat'; if it is too old the labor of mastication will probably be too hard. As a general thing a hen turkey is better than a 'gobbler', and care must be exercised to insure tenderness by feeling of the flesh and lifting up the wing to see whether the skin breaks easily. The older a bird the tougher the skin.

The Point of a Turkey.

"Then, too, the pospective buyer should see that the turkey is well fleshed across the loins or thighs. The average buyer looks at the breast of a turkey and lets it go at that. The thighs are a much better criterion. If the bird is well fleshed there, it is almost a certainty that it will prove abundantly supplied with meat on the breast, and the contrary is not always the rule. Consideration of these two points—age and the degree of flesh—will insure to the purihaser the maximum of return for the money invested, and will make the principal part of the Christmas dinner a feast for an epicure.

"There is one more point that I ought to emphasize: Do not select too small a turkey for the number of persons you expect to feed. If you don't care to cook a very large turkey, fearing that it may be old and tough, invest in two small ones—but, by all means, have enough and to spare. That is, in some respects, the most important of all the points to be observed in the purchasing of the holiday fowl."

In answer to an inquiry as to the prospects for the Christmas crop of turkeys this year, Mr. Lamon said:

"The outlook was never better. Reports from all sections of the country indicate that this will be a banner winter for the American national bird. Thanksgiving showed that turkeys were abundant and, in most sections of the United States, comparatively cheap. The price will naturally rise a few cents before Christmas—the result of the inexorable law of supply and demand—but, at that, I do not think that it will come near the high mark set in other years.

Texas in the Lead.

"In the first place, there is a larger crop of turkeys from Texas this year than last. Texas is the best state in the union when it comes to turkey raising. A good many of the birds also come from Missouri, Tennessee and Kentucky. California, too, is breaking into the turkey game on a large scale, but not so many of its birds are to be found in the east. California may some day monopolize the turkey trade; they have the habit of doing things very well out there—but at present the center of the industry remains in the southern United States.

"The annual turkey drive is well on its way by this time, the crest of the first wave having been reached a week before Thanksgiving. The second influx reaches its high-water mark shortly before Christmas, and the time then recedes until, shortly after February 1, turkeys become scarcer and scarcer.

Many persons, whose sole acquaintance with the national bird consists of consuming it at the table, are unaware of the fact that there are many kinds and varieties of turkey, not all of them suited for home consumption. The bronze turkey is the most popular, and therefore the one that is most in demand in the eastern markets. Texas raises great numbers of these birds, and there are many of them to be found in northern New York and central Illinois. It is from these turkey centers that the New York and Boston markets are principally supplied, the transportation charges rendering it inexpedient to import birds from the Texas or California market.

Great Turkey Parades.

"Texas, particularly, has been unceasing in its efforts to break into the exclusive turkey trade of the big cities, and everything possible has been done to foster the raising of these birds in the Lone Star state. It was there that the 'turkey trot' originated—no, I don't mean the dance (that is supposed to have started on the San Francisco Barbary coast, I believe)—the turkey trot I mean is an annual celebration intended to foster turkey raising. Great turkey parades are held and prizes awarded to the most valuable birds. The turkeys are sold in large quantities, thousands at a time, right on their feet, and the 'trots' are becoming more and more occasions for rivalry between breeders, and, therefore, assist greatly in the propagation of the better species. America is the premier turkey country of the world, and it is only fitting that everything possible should be done by us to bring this fowl to the highest state of perfection.

Rhode Island's Distinction.

"The growing of turkeys appears to have improved as a result of a determined effort on the part of producers of what is known as 'standard-bred' or 'exhibition' stock to demonstrate that it is more profitable to use pure breeding stock than the smaller and less vigorous stock of days gone by. It is due to those efforts that the turkey-growing industry of the country has benefited so materially during the last three decades, for the consumer can now purchase a far finer bird on the open market than he could have secured from a poultry fancier twenty years ago.

"This movement on the part of turkey growers has also supplied new, rich, vigorous blood throughout the whole country, adding strength, and thereby building up the stock which had become deteriorated through the carelessness of producers themselves. Throughout the country the attention of turkey growers has been called to the successful production of market turkeys in the state of Rhode Island. Unquestionably some of the best market turkeys produced in the world have been sent out of this state, but even there, a number of years ago, the art was in danger of being lost through careless handling of breeding stock. Other states may claim the title of 'cradle of liberty' and the birthplace of presidents,' but to Rhode Island belongs the name of 'saver of the turkey,' for it was Rhode Island that fostered the breeding of these birds at a time when other states were paying them scant attention.

A Profit-Producing Bird.

"Too few poultry producers realize that the turkey stands at the very top of the list of profit-producing birds. The fact that turkeys will, from the time they are six weeks old until winter sets in, gain the greater part of their living from bugs, grasshoppers and waste grain that they pick up in their wandering over the range, assures their existence through this period at little or no cost to the grower. In other words, they may be termed self-sustaining foragers, desiring only sufficient range in order to fatten and grow strong.

"Comparatively few persons, particu- methods in general use. The most popularly among the city-bred, are familiar with the methods employed in killing a turkey. On farms where turkey raising has become a fine art there are two lar of these is to suspend the fowl by the shanks, head down, and cut or stick it in the roof of the mouth with a knife made especially for this purpose. This severs the arteries and cuts into the brain, causing insensibility and a free flow of blood from the mouth.

"The other plan is to break the neck by a quick jerk or twist backward. When the neck is completely disjointed the head is pulled away so as to form an open space in the neck, where the blood may settle. This plan as been but little followed, though the claim has been made that when so killed fowls keep longer, because there is no opening by which air can get into the body, as there is when they are stuck in the roof of the mouth. This method has been more used for chickens than for turkeys, and to practice it on the larger fowls requires considerable dexterity.

"Then, of course, there is the old-fashioned method of beheading the bird with an axe or hatchet, which has been in use for many years and is still the rule on farms that are not quite up to date.

"But, after all, it is the turkey itself that matters most. Select a comparatively young bird, within the one-year limit, well fleshed, tender as to skin and wishbone, cook it well, stuff it to taste, and there will be little left to wish for after your Christmas dinner."

Babies in Germany Facing Starvation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The American Red Cross transmitted to Secretary Lansing today a petition from the citizen's committee for food shipments, asking that safe conduct be obtained from the entente allies for shipments of milk for babies in Germany and Austria. The committee, which was organized with headquarters in New York for the purpose of supplying this milk, declared that babies in the Teutonic countries were threatened with starvation.

Interned Germans Help American in a Battle with Yaquis

GUAYMAS, Mex., Dec. 22.—(By Radio to San Diego, Cal.)—Generals Madrigal and Estrada left here today with twelve carloads of troops for the American settlement at San Pedro, where an attack by Yaqui Indians was reported yesterday, and where fighting is reported still in progress. Another troop train of twenty-eight cars passed through Hermosillo early today, and General Obregon, the Carranza commander, has ordered sixty cars made ready to carry troops south. Admiral Winslow, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, was in conference here with General Obregon up to a late hour last night, and the military activity is believed to be the result of Admiral Winslow's insistance that relief and protection be afforded settlers in the valley.

According to reports received by the American consul here Americans at Ontagota have been ordered to leave by Colonel Estrada as he was about to withdraw his troops.

A. Z. Stocker, one of the settlers, telegraphed that the Indians had taken possession of the San Pedro and the Cajeme ranches and that fighting was in progress on a ranch about five miles south of Ontagota, where an American named Bruss has a well protected blockhouse and five seamen from an interned German merchantman to help him.

GERMAN STEAMERS ARE SUNK IN MARMORA SEA

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An Athens dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company says that a British submarine has sunk the German steamer Leros and other craft in the sea of Marmora.

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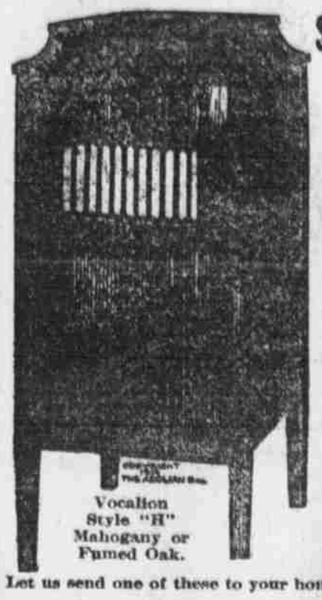

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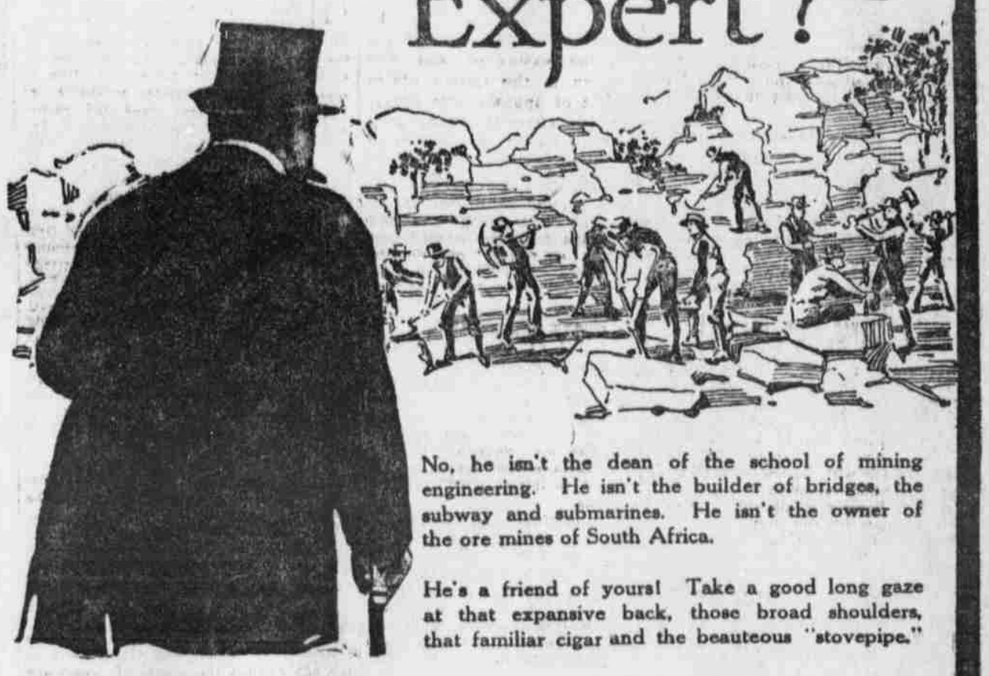

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