COMMISSION NOT TO CUT DOWN ON SALOON LICENSES

City Council Decides to Issue Permits to Those Now in the Liquor Business.

NEW APPLICANTS BARRED

And Those Violating Law Will Be Stricken From List—License Fee $800 and Closing Hour 11.

Provisions of the new saloon ordinance were given a thorough discussion again by members of the city commission yesterday afternoon in informal session. It is understood that some of the members favored elimination of the 11 o'clock closing feature and also there was some sentiment expressed favoring a license fee of $700 instead of $800, as originally proposed.

It is understood, however, that the members of the commission agreed not to oppose in open council any provision which the majority favored, so that when the measure comes up for consideration Monday it is expected the ordinance will be approved without debate.

It is said the commission is committed to the policy of saloon reduction, but that it was practically agreed that all licenses now in force would be re-issued. No more permits, however, will be granted, and present saloons violating the law will be stricken from the favored list, the ultimate aim being one saloon for every 500 residents. This same provision is in force in Moline.

For the first offense a fine is to be imposed and the license suspended for a period, while for a second violation there will be revocation, with no opportunity for a re-issuance of the permit.

At the meeting of the commission a week ago the members voted unanimously to consider an amendment to the present saloon ordinance, providing that the present license fee be advanced from $600 to $800. It is now said that Commissioners Reynolds and Rudgren favor the $700 fee and Mayor Schriver and Commissioner Hart $800, leaving Commissioner Bear as the man who will probably determine what the amount shall be.

Light Contract.

Terms of the new street lighting contract were also agreed upon by the commission yesterday afternoon at a conference held with representatives of the People's Power company. It was decided to make a five year contract and to install 200 arcs and 450 tungstens, the price of the former to be $60 a year, the figure now being paid, and for the latter $21 a year. There are now about 300 arcs being used. It is planned to dispense with all of the present carbon arcs and substitute the new magnetite light, such as is now being used so successfully in Davenport and Moline.

From Ninth avenue out the arcs are to be taken out and in their places 100-candle power tungstens are to be installed, thereby putting a light on every corner. The parks and boulevards of the city, which have long needed illumination, are to be properly cared for and the city given the best street lighting service in its history.

A committee from the Business Men's association, composed of J. J. Ullemeyer, M. H. Sexton and Ralph Lamont, appeared before the commission and urged that the city hereafter pay for the installation of cluster light standards and for the current used. It is urged that this plan is followed in other cities. The commissioners, however, did not care to commit themselves on the subject until after the financial budget has been agreed upon.

Fletcher in Pledge of City Protection

Vera Cruz, April 24.—Rear Admiral Fletcher yesterday issued the following proclamation to the people of Vera Cruz:

"The United States naval forces under my command have temporarily occupied the city of Vera Cruz to supervise the administration of affairs on account of the present disturbed conditions in Mexico.

"All of the officers of the present city government are invited to continue in the discharge of their duties as heretofore. The military authorities will not interfere in any way with the civil affairs as administered by the local government so long as the peace and good order are maintained in the city.

"All peaceful citizens are to live quietly in their homes and pursue their usual occupations and so long as they continue so to act they will be protected in person and property and all private rights and relations.

"The commandant gives assurances that the military interference with the civil government shall not extend beyond the absolute necessities of the occasion, and then only for the maintenance of law and order.

"The taxes and revenues of the city government will be collected as heretofore as directed by the law and the funds will be expended by the proper authorities in accordance therewith."

1,442 Vets of First Mexican War Living

Although it is nearly 66 years since the war with Mexico was ended officially, July 4, 1848, there were 1,442 veterans of that war upon the rolls of the pension bureau at the close of the last fiscal year, each drawing $30 a month. There were also 5,123 widows of soldiers in that war receiving pensions from the government.

As there were only 30,954 regulars and 73,776 volunteers, a total of 112,230 American soldiers engaged in the struggle, which officially began 68 years ago, the soldiers of that period must have been a hardy lot, for a boy of 15 at the close of the war would now have passed the scriptural allotment of three-score and ten and been well on the second half of his fourth score of years.

The larger number of widows on the rolls is accounted for by the fact that, as in the case of the Civil war veterans, many hundreds of those who fought in Mexico under Scott took second and even third wives late in life.

Soldiers of the Mexican war and their dependents received no pensions for their services until nearly 21 years after the war closed, the first act for their benefit bearing the date of January 30, 1887. Since that time the cost of their pensions to the government, up to the close of the last fiscal year, was $47,632,572.

MIDSEASON SALE WILL OPEN MONDAY MORNING

Billings & Herzog to Inaugurate Another One of Their Great Bargain Feasts—Continues Two Weeks.

The announcement of Billings & Herzog, opposite Illinois theatre, that they are preparing another feast of bargains, beginning Monday morning, has created unusual interest. Through some lucky purchases in the big manufacturing centers this progressive firm is again enabled to offer some of the most exceptional price reductions ever heard of in this vicinity. This firm has established a reputation for offering real bargains, in fact, bargains that under the circumstances could hardly be duplicated anywhere. Everything will be found marked just as advertised, but of course the early shoppers will secure the plums, so be on hand early.—(Adv.)

Some Things to Be Remembered In Fighting the Fly.

KEEP the flies away from the sick, especially those ill with contagious diseases. Kill every fly that strays into the sickroom. His body is covered with disease germs.

Do not allow decaying material of any sort to accumulate on or near your premises.

All refuse which tends in any way to fermentation, such as bedding straw, paper waste and vegetable matter, should be disposed of or covered with lime or kerosene oil.

Screen all food, especially milk.

Keep all receptacles for garbage carefully covered and the cans cleaned or sprinkled with oil or lime.

See that your sewage system is in good order; that it does not leak, is up to date and not exposed to flies.

Pour kerosene oil into drains.

Cover food after a meal.

Screen all food exposed for sale.

Screen all windows and doors, especially the kitchen and dining room.

Burn pyrethrum powder in the house to kill the flies.

Don't forget if you see flies their breeding place is in nearby filth. It may be behind the door, under the table or in the cuspidor.

If there is no dirt or filth there will be no flies.

If there is a nuisance in the neighborhood write at once to the health department.

TWO SANCTUARY VESSELS TAKEN OUT OF CHURCH

St. Joseph's Looted of Silverware Valued at a Hundred Dollars.

SKELETON KEY EMPLOYED

Police Working on the Case But the Thief Left No Clews to Guide Them.

Two sanctuary vessels, valued at $100, were stolen last night from St. Joseph's Catholic church. Dean J. J. Quinn discovered the loss on entering his church about 7 o'clock this morning. The theft was reported to the police.

The thief left no clew and it is doubtful if he had trouble in effecting an entrance. Dean Quinn is of the opinion the thief used a burglar's key. There are four entrances to the church and all the doors bear common locks easy to operate with a skeleton key.

Poor Box Often Rifled.

Two years ago the church was robbed of candlesticks of considerable value. The thief was not apprehended on that occasion. Repeatedly Dean Quinn says, the poor box has been rifled.

The sanctuary vessels were used in church ceremonies Wednesday, showing that the robbery took place last night.

CARBON CLIFF

Claus F. Hanson, Jr., visited over Sunday at home, returning Monday to his work at Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss Dorothea Weitz visited Saturday with her sister, Martha Weitz, at Rock Island.

Mrs. R. J. Phelps and sons Harold and Lowell of Davenport spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Krambeck.

Mrs. John Fahlstrom and daughters, Mrs. LeRoy Carey and Alice Fahlstrom, were Moline visitors last week.

Mrs. Chester Kennedy, son John and her niece, Bessie Laughery, were visitors at Moline Thursday.

E. Wagenor and family have moved from the William Gainey home to Muscatine, Iowa, where they expect to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gerhardt of Barstow visited at the former's brother's home, William F. Gerhardt.

Mrs. Avalina Johnson and daughter, Mrs. Claus F. Hanson, visited in Moline and Watertown this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Toney Henchion visited in Moline with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Belowski.

Mrs. Joe Benson and little daughter Delilah and sister Ella Mitton spent Thursday in Moline.

Mrs. William Sutley of Rock Island spent Sunday at home of her brother, William E. Orr.

Mrs. John Olson of Moline spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Edward Beardsley, and at the home of her father Charles Erdman.

Mrs. Ernest Denhardt and little daughter Irene were Watertown visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. August Schlueter, son Carl and daughter Ethel Eleanor spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Julius Bomberg at Moline.

Walter Kleinau of Green river spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kleinau.

Mrs. F. Lavery of Geneseo visited a few days with Mrs. Michael Murphy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis attended the funeral of Mrs. Ollie Hunter at Coaltown Sunday.

William McKenrick of Canton, Mo., is here on a visit with friends.

Paul Gerhardt visited over Saturday at the home of his aunt, Mrs. H. P. Corbin, at Moline.

John Slater of Des Moines was a business caller here Monday.

Mrs. Charles Griffin, formerly of Moline, now of Eldorado, Ark., visited a few days with the Misses Edith and Edna Erdman.

Paul Wood, William Kleinau and William McKenrick were Moline visitors Saturday.

Professor J. D. Tillman spent Saturday at Rock Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Donnell of Beardstown spent a few days at the home of his aunt, Mrs. P. O. Donnell.

Miss Myrtle Schlueter visited with Moline friends Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Peterson and daughter Esther of East Moline visited at the home of Mrs. W. E. Orr.

Mrs. Ernest Denhardt and children, Richard and Irene, and her sister Miss Anna Miller, visited at Moline Thursday.

George Weitz of Morris, Ill., visited with his brother Louis Weitz.

A number of Master Carl Schlueter's friends surprised him April 19, it being his 5th anniversary. The lunch table center piece was a lovely birthday cake, holding five colored candles. A fine time was reported, and the little gentleman was recipient of many nice gifts. Mrs. Elmer Eckberg of Moline and Mrs. Julius Bomberg of East Moline, his two aunts, were the out-of-town guests.

Mrs. Anna Higgins opens Saturday at Moline.

Mrs. Louie De Smet and daughter Margaret visited with Moline friends Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mitton and daughter Zeretta visited at Moline the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Frank and daughter Dorothea Anna of Reynolds spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Frank's father, L. Weitz.

Miss Ella Johnson spent Saturday with Moline friends.

Mrs. James Thompson spent Saturday at Moline.

Miss Ella Mitton led the Epworth league meeting Sunday evening at the M. E. church. The meeting was of much interest. Miss Mitton took as her subject "How to Believe."

ARMY RECRUITS ARE HARD TO SECURE NOW

In spite of the war agitation army recruiting offices in this vicinity are sending in less men than at any time during the winter. Only eight men had been recruited in the entire Davenport district, which includes seven up to the 21st of this month. The local office has secured but two recruits this month, Lee R. Benjamin of Delmar Junction, Iowa, being sent away yesterday. He was sent to the Jefferson barracks at St. Louis for preliminary training and assigned to the infantry.

It is stated that 15,000 men are needed to bring the regular army up to its full strength.

Bowlers to Banquet.

The annual banquet of the Island City Bowling league will be held this evening at the Rock Island house. An inviting spread will be served at 9 o'clock followed by talks by the members, and the distribution of prizes. A program has also been arranged. It is expected that over 50 will attend.

Two Motorcyclists Killed.

Ottawa, Ill., April 25.—Fred Wesmer of Varna and Eugene Reeves of Indiana were instantly killed near Varna yesterday when a motorcycle on which they were riding collided head on with an automobile. The driver of the automobile and the men on the motorcycle were blinded by dust which hid them from each other until it was too late to avoid collision.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

SPECIAL MEETING HELD APRIL 10, 1914.

City council chamber, Rock Island, Ill., April 10, 1914. The city council met in special session at 10:30 o'clock a. m., Mayor Schriver and all commissioners present.

Commissioner Rudgren offered a resolution that the council canvass the vote of the special election held April 7, 1914. Carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Rudgren read the following report:

Rock Island, Ill., April 10, 1914.

We, the undersigned mayor and commissioners of the city of Rock Island, county of Rock Island and state of Illinois, do hereby certify that we have canvassed the vote of the election held April 7, 1914, and that we find the results as follows, to wit:

First. Shall the city of Rock Island annex the following described territor, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the half section line 627.9 feet east of the center of Section One (1), Township Seventeen (17) North, Range Two (2) West of the Fourth P. M.; thence continuing east on the said half section line 687.9 feet to the one-eighth section line; thence running south on the one-eighth section line 693.5 feet to the south line of Nineteenth avenue, in Campbell's Second addition; thence west on the south line of said Nineteenth avenue 690.4 feet, more or less, to the west line of Thirty-second street, in said addition; thence north on the west line of said Thirty-second 693.5 feet to the place of beginning, being situated in the northwest quarter (¼) of the southeast quarter (¼) of Section One (1), Township Seventeen (17) North, Range Two (2) West of the Fourth P. M., in the county of Rock Island and state of Illinois.

Precinct.	Men. Yes	Men. No	Women Yes	Women No
First	153	61	106	27
Second	196	85	108	42
Third	296	84	104	17
Fourth	226	68	141	31
Fifth	274	82	182	39
Sixth	281	19	86	41
Seventh	295	35	223	24
Eighth	139	60	57	9
Ninth	250	31	232	14
Tenth	155	86	79	31
Eleventh	300	18	236	39
Twelfth	169	73	83	33
Thirteenth	210	71	170	35
Fourteenth	201	64	115	21
Fifteenth	337	115	166	45
Sixteenth	268	104	150	45
Seventeenth	196	24	113	23
Eighteenth	66	19	40	10
	4015	1099	2391	526

Second: Shall the city of Rock Island annex the following described property, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the half section line 252.35 feet east of the center of Section Two (2), Township Seventeen (17) North, Range Two (2) West of the Fourth P. M.; thence south 420 feet, more or less, to the south line of Nineteenth avenue, in Paridon's Second addition; thence south on the west line of said alley 457 feet to the north line of Sarah J. Aiken's sub-division of the middle one-third (⅓) of the south half (½) of Section Two (2), Township Seventeen (17) North, Range Two (2) West of the Fourth P. M.; thence east to a point 10 feet west of the east line of Lot Seven (7), in said Sarah J. Aiken's sub-division; thence south 440 feet, more or less, to the north line of Aiken street; thence west on the north line of Aiken street 313 feet, more or less, to the east line of Grennell's addition; thence south 464.9 feet, more or less, to the south line of Sarah J. Aiken's sub-division; thence east 1002 feet, more or less, to the west line of Seventeenth street, thence north 415.4 feet, more or less, to the south line of Aiken street; thence west 541.4 feet more or less, to the intersection of the west line of Sixteenth street with the south line of Aiken street; thence north on the west line of Sixteenth street 1354.76 feet, more or less, to the half section line; thence west on the half section line 248.75 feet to the place of beginning, being situated in the southeast quarter (¼) of Section Two (2), Township Seventeen (17) North, Range Two (2), West of the Fourth P. M., in the county of Rock Island and state of Illinois.

Precinct.	Men. Yes	Men. No	Women Yes	Women No
First	150	52	91	20
Second	194	81	92	31
Third	287	68	92	16
Fourth	117	62	129	29
Fifth	261	70	164	29
Sixth	268	19	80	31
Seventh	292	31	207	15
Eighth	131	53	50	4
Ninth	249	31	216	10
Tenth	151	74	71	22
Eleventh	300	18	236	39
Twelfth	161	72	70	30
Thirteenth	204	61	149	33
Fourteenth	191	61	108	21
Fifteenth	298	93	141	33
Sixteenth	243	89	136	38
Seventeenth	196	24	113	23
Eighteenth	64	18	38	10
	3757	977	2183	434

Third. Shall the city of Rock Island annex the following described territory, to wit:

Beginning at the stone set at the northeast corner of the southwest quarter (¼) of Section Two (2), Township Seventeen (17) North Range Two (2) West of the Fourth P. M.; thence westerly on the half section line 361.03 feet; thence south 511.17 feet; thence west 99.24 feet; thence south 367 feet; thence west 144.8 feet; thence north 367 feet; thence west 2.53 feet; thence north 511.17 feet to the half section line, thence west on the half section line 1594.86 feet, more or less, to the west line of Sixteenth street; thence south on the west line of Sixteenth street, 1354.75 feet to the south line of Aiken street; thence east on the south line of Aiken street 541.4 feet, more or less, to the west line of Seventeenth street; thence south on the west line of Seventeenth street 877.64 feet more or less, to the south line of Richmond street; thence east on the south line of Richmond street 1587.95 feet, more or less, to the section line; thence north on the east line of said Section Two (2), 2218.21 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, being situated in the southeast quarter (¼) of Section Two (2), Township Seventeen (17), North Range Two (2) West of the Fourth P. M., in the county of Rock Island and state of Illinois.

Precinct—	Men Yes	Men No	Women Yes	Women No
First	161	52	90	20
Second	193	76	92	26
Third	282	65	93	18
Fourth	210	64	129	27
Fifth	261	70	164	27
Sixth	272	21	82	31
Seventh	288	34	202	14
Eighth	131	53	50	4
Ninth	250	31	220	12
Tenth	148	72	69	24
Eleventh	300	18	236	39
Twelfth	159	66	68	30
Thirteenth	204	57	147	32
Fourteenth	189	62	103	19
Fifteenth	302	92	143	32
Sixteenth	238	96	129	37
Seventeenth	196	24	113	23
Eighteenth	61	20	37	10
	3845	973	2167	425

Fourth: Shall the city of Rock Island annex the following described territory, to-wit:

Beginning at the stone set at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter (¼) of section one (1), township seventeen (17) north, range two (2) west of the Fourth P. M.; thence south 2640 feet, more or less, to the south line of said section one (1); thence east on the south line of said section one (1) 1330 feet, more or less, to the east line of the west half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼) of said section one (1); thence north on said east line 2640 feet, more or less, to a stone at the northeast corner of the west half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼) of section one (1); thence west 1314 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, being situated in the southwest quarter (¼) of section one (1), township seventeen (17) north, range two (2) west of the Fourth P. M., in the county of Rock Island and state of Illinois.

Precinct—	Men Yes	Men No	Women Yes	Women No
First	167	49	90	20
Second	191	77	93	29
Third	281	69	92	15
Fourth	211	66	124	27
Fifth	256	82	173	28
Sixth	275	19	81	28
Seventh	293	29	201	15
Eighth	129	53	50	5
Ninth	258	31	221	11
Tenth	146	74	70	22
Eleventh	300	18	236	39
Twelfth	158	71	68	31
Thirteenth	205	59	149	33
Fourteenth	186	64	102	18
Fifteenth	302	89	144	31
Sixteenth	236	90	127	39
Seventeenth	196	24	113	23
Eighteenth	63	18	38	10
	3853	982	2172	424

Fifth: Shall the city of Rock Island annex the following described territory, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the half section line 662 feet east of the northwest corner of the southwest quarter (¼) of section six (6), township seventeen (17) north, range one (1) west of the Fourth P. M., which point is also the northwest corner of lot twenty-five (25) assessor's plat, of the southwest quarter (¼) of said section six (6); thence east on the half section line 2102 feet more or less; thence south 660 feet more or less to the southwest corner of lot twenty-eight (28) in said southwest quarter (¼) of section six (6); thence west 2102 feet more or less to the southeast corner of John T. Campbell's Black Hawk Nursery addition, which southeast corner of 665.74 feet east of the west line of section six (6); thence north along the east line of said Campbell's Black Hawk Nursery addition 663.9 feet more or less to the place of beginning, being situated in the southwest quarter (¼) of section six (6), township seventeenth (17) north range one (1) west of the Fourth P. M., in the county of Rock Island and state of Illinois.

Precinct—	Men Yes	Men No	Women Yes	Women No
First	151	53	96	29
Second	193	81	95	42
Third	279	80	95	19
Fourth	213	65	126	31
Fifth	261	71	162	40
Sixth	276	21	82	30
Seventh	291	32	201	16
Eighth	133	53	50	7
Ninth	250	25	218	14
Tenth	148	77	70	29
Eleventh	300	18	236	39
Twelfth	162	76	70	36
Thirteenth	211	59	147	40
Fourteenth	191	63	106	29
Fifteenth	300	88	148	41
Sixteenth	242	98	125	40
Seventeenth	196	24	113	23
Eighteenth	63	18	37	10
	3860	1002	2177	506

Whereas, A majority of the votes cast on the above propositions are in favor of each and all of them we hereby declare all of said propositions carried.

HARRY M. SCHRIVER,
Mayor.

M. T. RUDGREN,
ROBT. R. REYNOLDS,
JONAS BEAR,
ARCHIE HART,
Commissioners.

Commissioner Rudgren offered a resolution that the report of the canvass of the election held April 7, 1914, just read, be adopted. Carried by unanimous vote.

Adjourned on motion of Commissioner Reynolds.

M. T. RUDGREN, City Clerk.