

Bris Collins' Tap Raided, Closed; Baseball Pool Czar Fined \$1,000

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4 Arrested At Notorious Trouble Spot

Bris Collins' tavern, 405 N. Washington st., one of the city's most notorious trouble spots for years, is closed indefinitely following a surprise police raid Friday night.

Considerable gambling equipment and seven guns were confiscated, and four persons—two of them bartenders—were jailed.

The raiding party was led by Chief of Police Frank M. Evans, and included Walter Barnewolt, special investigator for the state's attorney's office, and Claude Warner, a member of the police and fire commission.

Arrested were Robert J. Arluckle, 46, and Willie Davis, 41, both of 201 Eaton st., bartenders; Jacqueline A. Roger, 23, of 405 1/2 N. Washington st.; and Fred Yaden, 49, 100 Fremont st.

Police said Arbuckle was carrying a .38 caliber snubnose revolver on his person and that Davis dropped a .25 caliber automatic wrapped in an apron to the floor as officers began searching persons in the establishment.

Detective Michael Lavin found the Roger woman and Yaden in an upstairs room.

Other Weapons

Seized in addition to the weapons the bartenders had were three other .38 caliber revolvers, one .45 caliber revolver, and a Spanish-made automatic, according to the police report. The latter all were found behind the bar.

Two chuck-a-luck gambling devices were found in a rear room along with three dice table covers and four boxes of dice. Evans said the gambling equipment was not in operation at the time of the raid.

The raid was staged shortly after 10 p. m. and included 12 police officers and other authorities. Evans ordered everyone in the tavern searched. No weapons were found on patrons, he said.

Carbristo Collins, proprietor, was not in the place at the time.

The tavern's liquor license was seized by Evans, who ordered the establishment closed pending further action.

Participating in the raid. In addition to Evans, Barnewolt, Warner, and Lavin, were Capt. Bernard Kennedy; Detective Sgt. Paul M. Loughlin; Detectives Myron Mull, William Scudder, Hobart Roedell, John Jochims, and Patrolmen Howard Thomas and James Schnackenberg.



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GAMBLING EQUIPMENT AND FIREARMS CONFISCATED by police last night in a raid of Bris Collins' tavern, 405 N. Washington st., are examined at police headquarters. Besides various types of gambling paraphernalia, the raid netted a total of seven pistols. The raid was led by Superintendent of Police Frank M. Evans (center), with Walter Barnewolt (left), special investigator for the state's attorney's office, taking part. Night Captain Bernard Kennedy (right), holds the snub-nosed revolver reportedly taken from a bartender.