

# BLACK TULIP OWNER FINED

David Bos, proprietor of the Black Tulip Restaurant, George St., Sydney, was fined £4 with 12s costs in Central Summons Court today for failing to keep his premises clean.

Mr. Hodgson, S.M., said it appeared that the restaurant was generally clean, but he could not understand why the cooking ranges could not be cleaned daily.

Mr. Hodgson said the cases called for only a moderate penalty.

At the previous hearing a City Council officer gave evidence that an inspector found grease and food scraps behind the three gas cooking ranges and also a number of glasses under a counter where there was dust and a pair of old shoes.

Bos, in evidence today, said that the cleaner came on duty at 9 a.m. and knocked off at 5 p.m.

## Rat Poison

He admitted that on October 22, when the City Council inspector visited the restaurant, there was burnt fat on the iron work of the ranges.

He said it took about three to four hours to take the stoves to pieces and clean them with boiling water and caustic soda.

That was done every Saturday by the cleaner.

Bos said that before the inspector's visit he had been having trouble with rats on the premises and a firm of pest exterminators had been employed by him.

Mr. R. J. Marr (for Bos) said that it would be impossible to hose the stove and other parts of the place with boiling water without washing away the rat poison which had been placed there by the pest exterminators.

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