

## **74-Year-Old Beer Dropped**

### **Statue Loses Arm Too As Brewery Is Sold To Furniture Firm**

Gambrinus dropped his beer yesterday.

He's the mythical Flemish king credited with being the first beer brewer.

For 74 years a statue of the old boy stood solid as a beer barrel on the front of the old Stoeckle Brewery, 900 block West Fifth Street.

Two days ago a real estate firm said the abandoned brewery had been sold to a furniture dealer.

Yesterday Gambrinus's right arm—the one holding the tankard of beer—crashed into Fifth Street.

Was it too much for Gamby? Did the change from beer to furniture drive him to try bending his metal elbow?

Don't worry, Gamby, after 74 years it was probably flat anyhow.