

# **MAYOR TO SEE RABBIS ON FAKE KOSHER FOOD**

## ***Dwyer and Wynne Also to Hear Plea for a City Remedy of Alleged Meat Swindle.***

Charges that a great percentage of the meat and poultry sold in New York City as kosher is not kosher will be discussed by Mayor Walker today with a large delegation of rabbis and representatives of Jewish organizations at a conference in the Board of Estimate chamber at City Hall.

The Mayor has invited Commissioner of Accounts James A. Higgins, Markets Commissioner Thomas Dwyer and Health Commissioner Shirley W. Wynne to be present at 3 P. M. to hear the complaints of the rabbis. The Mayor is said to have given assurance to the representatives of the Jewish organizations that steps would be taken to remedy the situation if they could be worked out.

The invitations to both Mr. Dwyer and Dr. Wynne gave rise to the conjecture that the Mayor would offer to transfer the inspection of kosher butchers from the Department of Markets to the Health Department as one possible solution of the problem. The Mayor in the past has expressed the opinion that the change would be desirable.

The rabbis charged at a recent convention that a very large percentage of the alleged kosher meat was not kosher and that the Jewish population of the city thus was being swindled by collusion on the part of the meat dealers and city inspectors. Kosher meat is sold at prices ranging from five to ten cents a pound higher than non-kosher. On this basis, the rabbis have alleged that the swindle amounts to several million dollars a year.