

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS

Opeolousas, La., Dec. 17, 1907. The Board of Aldermen met on the above date, pursuant to adjournment. Present: B. A. Little, Mayor, presiding; Aldermen Lewis, Lawler and Evans. Quorum present.

AN ORDINANCE

To levy, collect and enforce payment of an annual license tax upon all persons, associations of persons, or business firms and corporations, pursuing any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business, except those who are expressly excepted from such license tax by Article 229 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana; and prescribing the mode and method in which certain persons subject to license shall make report of their business.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Opelousas, La., that there be levied an annual license tax for the year A. D. 1908, and for each subsequent year, upon each person, association of persons, or business firms and corporations, pursuing any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business, except those who are expressly excepted from such license tax by Article 229 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana; and prescribing the mode and method in which certain persons subject to license shall make report of their business.

MANUFACTURES.

Paragraph 1. That for carrying on each business of manufacturing subject to license under Article 229 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana, the license shall be based on gross annual receipts said business, as follows, to-wit: First Class. When the said receipts are one hundred and fifty thousand dollars or more, the license shall be one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars.

BANKS.

Paragraph 2. That for each business of carrying on a bank, banking house, or office, the license shall be based on the declared nominal capital and surplus, as follows, to-wit: First Class. When the said declared or nominal capital and surplus is one hundred thousand dollars or more, and less than two hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars.

THEATERS, SHOWS, ETC.

Section 1. Be it further ordained, etc., that for every business of keeping a theater, opera house, amphitheater, academy of music, license shall be based upon the quantity of space devoted to seating, whether said theater or academy is in use or on deposit in this city or elsewhere, as follows: First Class. When the number of seats is over one thousand and less than one thousand five hundred, the license shall be one hundred (\$100) dollars.

MERCANTILE BUSINESS.

Section 4. Be it further ordained, etc., that for every wholesale mercantile business, whether as principal, agent or commission, by auction, representing the foreign merchants, the license shall be based on the gross annual sales, as follows: First Class. When the gross sales are eight hundred thousand dollars or more and under one million dollars, the license shall be two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars.

original and unbroken packages or barrels, the license shall be considered retail dealers, and pay license as such. That for every business of selling at retail, whether as principal, agent or commission, the license shall be based on the gross annual amount of sales, as follows:

First Class. When the gross sales are two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or more and under three hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars. Second Class. When the gross sales are two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or more and under three hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be two hundred (\$200) dollars.

INSURANCE, ETC.

Section 7. Be it further ordained, etc., that each and every life and accident insurance company, fire, marine, or other corporation, or other organization or firm, or individual doing and conducting a life or accident insurance business of any kind in this city, whether such business is done by a corporation, partnership or other organization, or firm or individual is located or domiciled here or operating here through a branch department, resident agent, or agent, or through a company, corporation or agency of any kind whatsoever, shall pay a separate and distinct license, said license shall be based on the gross annual amount of premiums on all risks located within this city, and upon risks located in other States or foreign countries, as follows, to-wit:

HOTELS, ETC., ETC.

Section 12. Be it further ordained, etc., that for every business of keeping a hotel, where lodging and eating are combined, the license shall be based on the number of furnished lodging rooms for guests, as follows, to-wit: First Class. When the number of furnished lodging rooms is more than sixty and less than one hundred, the license shall be sixty (\$60) dollars.

BILLIARD TABLES, GAMES, ETC.

Section 13. Be it further ordained, etc., that for the business of keeping billiard tables, pool tables, or other tables, the license shall be ten (\$10) dollars for each table or alley shall be paid in addition to the license for the establishment in which said tables or alleys may be situated.

SODA WATER, CONFECTIONERIES, ETC.

Section 14. Be it further ordained, etc., that all persons, associations of persons, business firms or corporations engaged in the sale of soda water, confectioneries, cakes, etc., shall be based on the gross annual receipts, as follows: First Class. When the gross sales are three thousand dollars or more and less than four thousand dollars, the license shall be fifteen (\$15) dollars.

DRAYING, TRUCKS, CABS, CONTRACTORS, ETC.

Section 15. Be it further ordained, etc., that for every individual, firm, company or corporation carrying on the profession or business of draying, trucking, keeping cabs, carrying, hauling or haying for hire, undertaking or funeral directors, bill-posting or trucking, the license for such profession or occupation shall be based on the gross annual receipts, as follows: First Class. When said gross annual receipts are five thousand dollars or more, and less than ten thousand dollars, the license shall be ten (\$10) dollars.

PEDDLERS, HAWKERS, ETC., ETC.

Section 16. Be it further ordained, etc., that each and every peddler and hawker shall pay an annual license graded as follows: When traveling on foot, horseback, sixty (\$60) dollars; when traveling in a one-horse vehicle, seven (\$7) dollars; when traveling in a two-horse vehicle, one hundred (\$100) dollars.

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peddler of hawkers falling to exhibit same, the said officers are directed and empowered by this act to seize said articles and to prosecute the collector of any court of competent jurisdiction, with due information as to the violation of this ordinance.

Provided further, that the said executive officer shall be entitled to receive as fees the sum of ten (\$10) dollars in each and every case from any peddling without a license in violation of this ordinance, the said amount of ten dollars shall be paid to the collector of the court of competent jurisdiction out of the goods so seized. Provided further, that no license shall be issued to any peddler or hawker for less than the full rate for the license, and that the words "peddler or hawker" shall be held to include any dealer or hawker under the provisions of this ordinance, shall be held to include and apply to all transient or temporary peddlers or hawkers, and to consumers by sample for immediate or future delivery.

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Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Opolousas, La., Dec. 17, 1907. To the Hon. Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen. Gentlemen: We, the undersigned Committee appointed to frame a budget of expenses for 1908...

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NOTICE

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, La. Notice is hereby given that Louis Andre of Ville Platte, Louisiana, has filed for notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 2474, made July 16, 1902, for the N E 1/4 section of the city of Opelousas, within such time and in such manner as is provided by existing State laws relative to the collection of taxes on such lands, and as is provided by the charter of this city.

AN ORDINANCE

Providing for the levying and collection of an annual license tax upon all persons, associations of persons, firms or corporations, pursuing any trade, profession, vocation or business of bar room, cabaret, coffee house, cafe, beer saloon, liquor exchange, drinking saloon, grog shop, beer house, beer garden or other place where alcoholic or malt liquors are exposed for sale, or sold or given away.

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C. F. BAILEY, Clerk. B. A. LITTLE, Mayor.

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