Ordinance No. 11

An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of Solano County, State of California, fixing the rates of County License Tax to be imposed upon certain Persons, Business, Tradee and Calling, and to provide for the collection of said License Tax and to punish for the non-payment thereof.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano, State of California, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. For the purpose of revenue and to regulate business, a license tax is hereby imposed at the rates hereinafter mentioned, upon the following named persons, business, tradee and calling.

Auctioneer

Sec. 2. Auctioneer shall pay a license tax of $10.00 per quarter.

Ferry

Sec. 3. Every person or corporation operating a public ferry shall pay a license tax of $1.00 per quarter.

Wharves, Chutes and Piers

Sec. 4. The owner or operator of every wharf, chute, or pier where any person toll is collected for the use of the same, shall pay a license tax of $5.00 per quarter.
Bankers and Brokers

Sec. 5. All persons engaged in Banking, loaning money at interest, buying and selling notes, bonds and other evidences of indebtedness of private persons, or in buying or selling estate, county or city stocks or other evidences of estate, county, or city indebtedness, stocks, notes, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of incorporated companies, shall pay a license tax on said business 75.00 for quarter.

Billiard Tables

Sec. 6. All proprietors of billiard tables not kept exclusively for family use shall pay a license tax of 85.00 for quarter on each table.

Theatres, etc.

Sec. 7. The proprietor or manager of all theatrical or dramatic entertainments, except such as are put on by home talent for school, church or charitable purpose, all slight or hand exhibitions, shows for pay of any figure, juggler, magician, and shall pay a license tax of $5.00 for each exhibition.

Sec. 8. Theatre exhibitions of a caravan or manager, collection of animals, circuses or other acrobatic performances, shows for pay of any figure, juggler, necromancer, magician, and Shall be divided into two classes, and the proprietor thereof shall pay
Licence Tax as follows:
1st. class. Caravans or menageries, collection of animals, circuses, acrobatic performances, shall constitute the first class, and shall pay a Licence Tax of $20.00 for each exhibition in the County.

2nd. class. Shows of figures, when paid, jugglers, necromancers, magicians, juggling dogs, dancers, and acrobat hand exhibitions, shall constitute the second class and shall pay a Licence Tax of $10.00 for each performance or exhibition.

Pawnbrokers:
Sec. 9. Each pawnbroker shall pay a Licence Tax of $20.00 per quarter.

Intelligence offices:
Sec. 10. Each Keeper of an intelligence office shall pay a Licence Tax of $10.00 per quarter.

Liquors and saloons:
Sec. 11. Every person who sells, ferrets, makes, or brings in liquor, or wine in excess of quantities fixed, shall pay a Licence Tax of $20.00 per quarter.

Traders:
Sec. 12. Every person who at a fixed place of business sells any goods, wares, merchandise, wines or distilled liquors, drugs or medicines, jewelry or ware of precious metal, whether by commission or otherwise (except agricultural produce).
cultural productions, on the products of any stock, dairy or poultry farms of this state, when sold by the producer thereof, and except such as are sold by auctioneers at public sale under license, and all persons who keep horses or carriages for hire (except such as are used for the transportation of goods) must pay a license tax as hereinafter provided; and for the purpose of fixing the rate of license tax to be paid by any person engaged in any of the business or occupations in the section mentioned such business or occupations are divided into three classes as follows, to-wit:

1st. Class. Those who are estimated to make an average monthly sale or hiring to the amount of $200 or more constitute the first class; and shall pay a license tax of $1.00 per quarter.

2nd. Class. Those who are estimated to make an average monthly sale or hiring to the amount of $250 and less than $400, shall constitute the second class; and shall pay a license tax of $1.50 per quarter.

3rd. Class. Those who are estimated to make an average monthly sale or hiring to the amount of $50 and less than $250, shall constitute the second class; and shall pay a license tax of $2.00 per quarter.

Reddles.
Every travelling merchant, hawker, or peddler.
who carry a pack and vend goods, wares, and merchandise of any kind other than the manufacture or production of the State, shall pay a license tax of $7.50 per quarter.

And every such traveling merchant, hawker, or peddler who uses a wagon, one or more horses or animals for the purpose of carrying about and selling goods, wares, or merchandise shall pay a license tax of $10.75 per quarter.

And every such traveling merchant, hawker, or peddler who uses a trading vessel or watercraft only shall pay a license tax of $6.75 per quarter.

Propagation

Sec. 12. Every licensed who keeps a stallion, jack, or stall for propagation purposes for hire, shall pay a license tax as follows:

1st. For each stallion when the charge is over $20, $25 for the season; when the charge is under $20, shall pay the sum of $10.

2nd. For each jack, $10 for the season.

3rd. For each bull, $5 for the season.

License — Now — Collected

Sec. 15. The license tax provided for and imposed by this ordinance must be paid to the sheriff of Tolano County, as follows:

On the first day of November, 1880, for the months of November, and December, and fur-
after on the first Monday of January, April, July, and October, and all such
License Tax collected by the said Sheriff
must be paid over to him to the County
Treasurer. Provided the Sheriff may ret-
ain out of the License Tax so collected, for
his own use, ten (10) per cent of all such
collections.

Sec. 16. The County Auditor must prepare
and have printed blank licences of all
classes mentioned in this ordinance with
a blank receipt attached for the signature
of the Sheriff when sold. The Auditor
must affix his official seal to, number,
and sign all licences, and from time
to time deliver them to the Sheriff in such
quantities as may be required, taking the
receipt thereof and charge the same as
given in the entries the numbers, class,
and amount thereof.

Sec. 17. The Auditor must keep in his
office the stubs of all licences sold to him,
delivered to the Sheriff, and a ledger in
which he must keep the Sheriff's account
for all licences delivered to him, sold or
returned unsold by him. A correct state-
ment of the Sheriff's licence account must
be certified to the County Treasurer each
month by the Auditor.

Sec. 18. A licence must be procured imme-
diately before the commencement of any busi-
ness or occupation liable to a licence tax, &c.
the sheriff, which authorizes the person obtaining the same, and upon payment of the amount of license tax required by this ordinance, to transact the business described in such license. A separate license must be obtained for each branch or establishment or separate type of business. No license issued under this ordinance authorizes any person to carry on any business within the limits of any incorporated city or town, which city or town imposes a license tax on such business, unless such person in addition to the license provided for in this ordinance, also procures the license required by the ordinances of such city or town.

Sec. 19. Against any person or firm required to take such a license who fails, neglects or refuses to take out and pay for such license or carries on or attempts to carry on any business without having first paid the license tax required and herein imposed, the sheriff may issue such in the name of the county as plaintiff, to be brought for the recovery of the license tax and in such case the sheriff or his attorney may make the necessary affidavit for the attachment of the property of such individual or firm without any bond being given. In the recovery by the plaintiff, fifteen dollars damages may be added to the judgment and
costs to be collected from the defendant
under execution and when collected, two
dollars thereof must be paid to the
sheriff, and the rest may be retained by him
and ten dollars to the attorney pro-
secuting the suit.

Sec. 10. The sheriff must make diligent
inquiry as to all persons liable to pay
a License Tax under this ordinance and
must require each person to state
under oath or affirmation, the probable
amount of business he or she does or
which he or she is a member or for which he or
she acts an agent or attorney, or the association
or corporation of which he or she is president,
secretary or managing agent, and also during
the next and thereupon each
person, agent, president, secretary or other
officer, must procure a license from said
sheriff in the same tax which such is able to pay, providing that the sheriff may
of any time cancel a new rating while
he may have information that such
licensee may have increased, and
may collect an additional sum to corre-
spond with the new rating.

Sec. 11. On the first Monday in each month,
the sheriff must return to the Auditor
all licenses uncollected, and be credited there-
with, and must credit the Auditor against
at the Treasurer's office, and pay into the
County Treasury for the use of the County
Section 21. Every person who commences or carries on any business, trade, profession or calling for which a license is required by this ordinance, without first taking out and procuring the license and paying the license tax as in this ordinance provided, is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction before any justice of the Peace of said Solano County shall be punished by a fine of not less than $1.00 nor more than $50.00 for each offense, and may be imprisoned in the county jail of said Solano County until such fine be satisfied at the rate and in the manner provided in section 5446 of the Penal Code of the State of California.

Section 23. Prosecutions for the violation of any provisions of this ordinance shall be had as provided in chapter I and II, Title XI, of the Penal Code of the State of California.

This Ordinance shall take effect
from and after the 31st day of Oct-
ber, 1856
Approved October 5th, 1856.

James M. Bogy
Chairman of the Board of Super-
intendents, Solano County, Cal.
Attest W. J. Costigan
Clerk.

The foregoing is a true copy of an or-
dinance fixing rates of county license
passed and recorded October 5th, 1856.

W. J. Costigan
Clerk.