ORDINANCE NO. 96.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION OF PROPERTY AGAINST FIRE, FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH AND SAFETY, WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SOLANO, AND PROVIDING THE PUNISHMENT FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

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

Section 1. Every person, firm, corporation, co-partnership, district, or association of persons whatsoever, being in possession of, or occupying, or having control of any land within the County of Solano, outside of incorporated cities and towns upon which there has been sown, or is standing, growing, or grown, any wheat, oats, barley, hay, or other vegetation of any kind whatsoever, which when so sown, standing, growing, grown or being upon said land in any way has become inflammable, and in such a condition as to be easily set on fire, at all times during the season when the said wheat oats, barley, hay, or other vegetation is inflammable, and in such a condition as to be easily set on fire, shall maintain on every portion of the boundary of the said land where the said lands adjoins other land upon which said other land there is standing, growing or being any wheat, oats, barley, hay or other vegetation of any kind, which is inflammable, and in such a condition as to be easily burned, an effective fire protection, or fire break, the said fire protection or fire break to be made by plowing along the said boundary a strip of the said land not less than three feet in width, or by the removal of all inflammable matter from a strip of the said land, not less than six feet in width along the said boundary when the said fire protection or fire break is made in some other manner than by plowing, provided that when the said land adjoins a highway the fire break may be made by removing all inflammable matter from the half of the highway next to the said land.

Section 2. Every person, firm, corporation, co-partnership, district, or any association of persons whatsoever harvesting grain, or causing grain to be harvested by means of a combined harvester, header, or stationary threshing machine or bailing hay by means of a hay press, shall keep at all times in convenient places upon each said combined harvester, header, or stationary threshing machine, or hay press, fully equipped and ready for immediate use, two suitable chemical fire extinguishers, each of a capacity of not less than two and one-half gallons.

Section 3. Every person, firm, corporation, co-partnership, district, or any association of persons whatsoever, operating or causing to be operated any gas tractor, or gas propelled harvesting machine, in harvesting grain or hay in the County of Solano, shall maintain attached to the exhaust on said gas tractor, or gas propelled harvesting machine an effective spark-arresting and burning carbon-arresting device.

Section 4. No person shall operate or drive a motor vehicle of any kind other than gas tractors, or gas propelled harvesting machines over and across any land upon which there is any inflammable vegetation, of any kind, unless the said motor vehicle, is so constructed that the exhaust from the engine must pass from the engine into and through a muffler, before being released to the air, and the said exhaust must be released to the air through the said muffler.
Section 5; Every person, firm, corporation, co-partnership, district or association, of persons whatsoever, being in possession or occupying or having control of any warehouse, or building maintained for the storage of grain, hay or foodstuffs, or other property, of any kind, or character, for hire outside of incorporated cities and towns, shall at all times maintain around the said warehouse, or building an effective fire protection or fire break, the said fire protection or fire break to be made by removing all inflammable material from the ground around the said warehouse, or building for a distance of not less than twenty feet, from the exterior walls of the said warehouse or building; and, in addition to the said fire protection or fire break, the said persons shall maintain in each of the said warehouses or buildings one chemical fire extinguisher, of a capacity of two and one-half gallons, for each two thousand five hundred square feet, of floor space, in the said warehouse or building; or a forty-two gallon barrel filled with water, and three two and one half gallon pails for each two thousand five hundred square feet of floor space in the said warehouse or building.

Section 6.Any person, firm or corporation, co-partnership, district or association of persons violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not exceeding six hundred dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 7; All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 8; This ordinance is hereby declared to be an ordinance for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety and is adopted for the purpose of preserving the grain and cereal food supply in the County of Solano, and is passed by four-fifths of the Board of Supervisors, of Solano County. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately and prior to the expiration of fifteen days after the passage thereof, and shall be published one week in The Dixon Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation, published in the said County of Solano.

Adopted this 5th day of August, 1918, by the following vote;

Ayes; Clausen, Connelly, McCormack, Widenmann, and Fleming.

Nees; None,

Absent; None.

Chairman,

Clerk.