ORDINANCE NO. 207.

An ordinance regulating the use, keeping, storage and handling of explosives within the City Limits of the City of Kent.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to keep, store, use or handle within the limits of the City of Kent, any dynamite, nitro-glycerine or compound thereof, hercules powder, giant powder, sporting or blasting powder, or other explosives, without first taking out a license so to do, to be known as a "Powder License", such license to be issued by the City Clerk upon application therefor and the payment of a fee of fifty cents.

Section 2. Every person, firm or corporation, while engaged in the use of explosives or any of them such as are named in section 1. of this ordinance, within the City Limits, shall keep posted at a distance of not less than 250 feet from the place of use, on all streets and other public approaches leading thereto, danger signs printed in white letters at least three inches high on a red background, bearing the words, "Danger—Explosives".

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to keep, store or have on hand within the limits of the City of Kent, between the hours of 6 o'clock P.M. and 7 o'clock A.M. of the following day any dynamite, hercules powder, or explosives of any kind whatsoever, containing more than thirty five per cent of dynamite or nitro-glycerine, or any black blasting or sporting powders that combined, counting all canisters cases and kegs, shall exceed one hundred pounds in weight.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for any firm, person or corporation, licensed to sell, keep, store or use the explosives mentioned in section 1 of this ordinance, to have on hand or store at his or their place of business or storage, between the hours of seven o'clock A.M. and six o'clock P.M. of the same day an amount of explosives including all grades and qualities, whether nitro-glycerine compounds or black powder in cases, kegs or canisters to exceed four hundred pounds, and such explosives shall at all times be placed in a conspicuous place within the licensed building or place of storage, where the same is open to the view and inspection of the city officials of the said City, and shall keep conspicuously posted thereon a sign in white letters printed on a red background, bearing the word "Powder" in letters at least three inches high.

M. W. Morrill
Mayor
Section 5. All dealers and consumers of explosives, licensed as provided in the preceding or this ordinance, shall not later than six o'clock P.M. of each day, cause to be taken or removed from their place of business or storage or place where power is being used, in the said City, and conveyed to some suitable place outside of the City Limits, all dynamite and explosives whatever, wherein nitroglycerine forms more than thirty five per cent. of its components, and also all black blasting and sporting powders in excess of one hundred pounds in the aggregate, counting all cases, bags, canisters and other packages. Provided that this section shall not apply to railways handling such explosives, while in actual transit, or while necessarily awaiting shipment or delivery at freight sheds or offices.

Section 6. Any person, firm or corporation, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be fined in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, and in addition shall have his license revoked at the discretion of the City Council, and the continuance or maintenance of such violation shall be deemed a new offense for each day so continued or maintained.

Passed the Council on the 20 day of December A.D. 1909.

Approved this 21 day of December A.D. 1909.

Attest, L. E. Price
City Clerk.

Mayor.