

GENERAL LAWS

RELATING TO

Incorporated Towns

Of Indian Territory.

Adopted by Congress May 2nd, 1890.

I. Municipal Corporations.

CLASSIFICATION.

Section 722. In respect to the exercise of certain corporate powers, and to the number, character, powers and duties of certain officers, municipal corporations are divided into the classes following: Cities of the first, and cities of the second class, and incorporated towns.

Section 723. All cities which, at the last federal census, had, or now have, a population exceeding five thousand inhabitants, shall be deemed cities of the first class.

Section 724. All cities which, at any future federal census, or at any census which may be taken in pursuance of the laws of this state, shall be found to have a population of five thousand inhabitants, shall thereafter be deemed cities of the first class.

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or avocations to procure a license for so doing and providing of penalty for failure so to do.

Be it ordained by the town council of the incorporated town of Checotah.

Section 1. That the licenses hereinafter named shall be fixed, imposed and collected at the following rates and sums, and it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to exercise or pursue any of the following avocations or businesses within the corporate limits of Checotah without having first obtained a license therefor from the proper authority, and having paid for the same in lawful money of the United States as hereinafter provided.

1st. Auctioneers.—Each and every auctioneer who shall follow his occupation within the town of Checotah shall pay a license of Twenty Dollars per annum, or for six months, Twelve Dollars.

2nd. Auction Sale.—Each and every person who shall go upon any of the public streets, alleys, highways or public grounds of the town of Checotah, for the purpose of crying auction sales, or in any way advertising the sale of any article or thing by crying aloud, or by ringing a bell, or making any unusual noise, shall pay a license of One Dollar per day.

3rd. Bill Poster.—Each and every bill poster posting bills in the town of Checotah shall pay a license of Ten Dollars per annum.

4th. Billiard and Pool Table.—For the privilege of keeping each and every billiard, pool or jenny lind table, or any other table of like device or character, there shall be collected the sum of ten dollars per annum or three dollars per quarter for each table.

5th. Brokers.—Pawn brokers or persons or corporations engaged in the business of loaning money on collaterals, or chattel mortgages, or advancing money on chattels of any description, or any person who loans money on the deposit of personal property, or who deals in the purchase of personal property, on condition of selling the same back again at a stipulated price, shall pay a license of twenty-five dollars per annum.

6th Merchandise Broker.—Every person, firm or company, who for commission, brokerage or other compensation, shall negotiate between the owner and the purchaser, or their respective agents for the purchase or sale of goods, wares and merchandise, or other articles of commerce, is hereby declared to be a merchandise broker, whether such negotiations are on his own account or that of an employer, or other persons, and shall pay a license of ten dollars per annum

7th Real Estate Broker.—Each person, company or firm carrying on the business of renting or selling houses or real estate for a commission or other compensation, shall pay a license of ten dollars per annum.

8th Railroad Ticket Broker or Scalper.—Any person engaged in the business of selling railroad or other tickets, as a scalper or broker, shall pay a license of ten dollars per annum.

9 h. Money Brokers or Loan Agents.—Every person, firm or company engaged in the business of making or negotiating or procuring loans upon real estate, negotiable paper, or any other security of any character or description whatever, except as herein before provided in the subdivision relating to pawnbrokers, shall pay a license of ten dollars per annum.

10th. Circus or Menageries.—For the privilege of exhibiting a circus or menagerie in the town of Checotah, there shall be collected the sum of twenty five dollars for each performance, and for each side show accompanying the same, for each day, the sum of five dollars.

11th. Concerts.—For each and every concert for private benefit or gain, there shall be collected the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each twenty-four hours. For each and every theatrical troupe, not exhibiting in a license opera house, per night, the sum of five dollars. For each and every traveling minstrel, concert or small show in tent, for each twenty four hours, the sum of five dollars

For each and every variety show per month, fifty dollars.

For each regular troupe, not exhibiting in a license opera house, for each exhibition, five dollars.

For each parade along the public streets, avenues or high ways of the town, by any circus or menagerie company which give an exhibition outside the corporate limits, there shall be collected the sum of fifty dollars per day.

For other exhibitions, shows and amusements, of whatever kind, nature or description, not mentioned in this ordinance, for each twenty four hours, ten dollars.

12th. Corn Doctor.—Every person engaged in the business of corn doctor, per week, one dollar, or ten dollars per annum.

13th. Cane Rack.—For the privilege of running each and every cane rack, per week, two dollars.

14th. Drays.—For the privilege of running each and every dray, transfer wagon, express wagon, baggage wagon, cart or other vehicle of like character used as a public carrier or for job or hire, drawn by two or more animals, per annum, seven dollars. If drawn by one animal, five dollars. Licenses taken out under this clause at any time between the first day of July and the first day of January shall expire on the 30th day of June following, and shall be paid for at the full annual rate herein fixed, viz.: For each vehicle drawn by two or more animals, seven dollars, and for each vehicle drawn by one animal, five dollars, and all licenses taken out under, on, or subsequent to the first day of January, shall expire on the 30th day of June following, and shall be paid for at the rate of five dollars for each vehicle drawn by two or more animals, and three dollars for each vehicle drawn by one animal.

15th. Drummers or Solicitors.—For each and every person drumming or soliciting patronage for any hotel or boarding house, per annum, five dollars.

For each and every person commonly known as street solicitors or drummers, drumming and soliciting customers for any wholesale or retail mercantile establishment for commission or other compensation, per annum, ten dollars.

16th. Doll Rack.—For each and every doll rack, per week, three dollars.

17th. Fortune Teller.—Every person who carries on the

business of fortune telling or astrology, shall pay a license of five dollars per month.

18th. Hacks and Omnibuses.—For each and every hack, omnibus or other vehicle used for the transportation of persons for hire or other compensation, per annum, five dollars.

19th. Hearses, etc.—For each and every vehicle kept exclusively for use at funerals for hire, per annum, five dollars.

20th. Hucksters.—For each and every huckster other than producer, per annum, ten dollars, per quarter, three dollars.

21st. Hawkers and Peddlers.—For each and every person who goes from house to house or place to place, for the purpose of selling or offering to sell for present or future delivery, any goods, wares or merchandise of any description, other than farmers or gardeners, per month, five dollars. For each and every person who sells or offers for sale any goods, wares or merchandise of any description whatever, for present or future delivery, from any stand, which stand shall not obstruct the street, sidewalk, or any of the thoroughfares of the town, per day, two dollars; per week, ten dollars. For each and every person who sells or offers for sale any patented article, per month, five dollars. Provided, that the inventor himself shall pay no license for selling his patent right or patented article.

22nd. Intelligence office.—Every person who keeps an office or place in the town for the purpose of obtaining employment for others, or giving information whereby employers or employes may be obtained for a compensation, per annum, five dollars.

23rd. Livery Stables.—For each livery, feed or board stable, per annum, ten dollars.

24th. Lung Testers, etc.—For exhibiting or using lung testers, muscle developers, magnifying glasses, horoscopic views, electric batteries, weighing machines, or any other instrument or thing of like device or character, per week, three dollars.

25th. Knife Board.—For each and every knife board, per month, five dollars; or per week, three dollars.

26th. Ordinaries.—Each and every keeper of an ordinary

who sells, or offers for sale, any meat, fish or food of any kind, coffee, lemonade, soda water, mineral water, ice cream, or fruits of any kind, from any shed, booth or stand or by going from place to place soliciting sales for such articles, per month, one dollar.

27th. Opera House or Theatre.—For each opera house or theatre, per annum, twenty five dollars.

28th Public Masque Ball.—For each public masque ball, for each exhibition, five dollars.

29th. Pistol or Shooting Gallery.—For each and every pistol and shooting gallery, per month, five dollars.

30th. Liquor Houses.—Every person who shall sell or in any manner dispose of any non-intoxicating, malt liquors, or cider of any description by the drink, bottle, measure or vessel, in any quantity, in any grocery store, shop, town, place of business, or establishment, within the corporate limits of Checotah, shall pay a license fee per quarter, on the first Monday in each quarter, of seventy five dollars and when such license is granted during the quarter it shall only be granted to the end of the quarter, and the same amount shall be paid as is paid for a full quarter, provided, that the sale or disposal of liquors, the sale of which, in the Territory is prohibited by the laws of the United States, shall work a forfeiture of such license. And provided, further, that any person so taking out a license, who shall permit any person in a state of intoxication to be or remain on the premises, where liquor is being sold under such license, or shall any saloon or joint permit any person under the age of eighteen years, to remain or drink in such place so licensed, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars, and when so convicted, his license may be revoked.

31st. Ten Pin Alley —For keeping each ten pin alley, or each alley of like device, per month, five dollars.

32nd. For each merry-go-round or like device, per week, five dollars.

33rd. For each bottling works, per annum, five dollars.