

ORDINANCE NO. 7

OFFENSES-MISDEMEANORS IN GENERAL.

Be it Ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Mead:

Article I.

OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC MORALS AND DECENCY

Section I. Any person who shall be in a state of intoxication in any public place or private place in the Town of Mead, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than three nor more than fifty dollars.

Section II. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, cruelly beat mame or otherwise abuse any dumb animal, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than five nor more than fifty dollars.

Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, or within three miles of the outer boundaries thereof, keep a bawdy house, house of illfame or assignation, or place for the practice of fornication or common or disorderly house; or shall knowingly lease or permit any tennant in his possession or under his control to be used for any such purpse, shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction , shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars.

Any prostitute who shall be an inmate of any such house as is mentione in the last preceeding section for the purpose of prostitution, is who shall commit acts of prostitutuion in any place in the Town of Mead, or within three miles of the water boundaries thereof, shallbe deemed builty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each and every offense or day the same shall be continued.

Section IV. Any keeper of a beer-youse, ale-house, saloon, hotel, or other place of public resort, who shall employ a leud woman, or any woman having the reputation of a prostitute, as a carrier of beer or any other article, or to sing or dance in a leud or indecent manner, or permit any such leud woman to act as bartender in any such house or place, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction , shall be fined not less than twenty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars for each and every day the same shall continue.

Section V. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, or within three miles of the outer boundaries thereof, keep a house where leud and disorderly persons assemble for dancing, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than two hundred dollars, for each and every day the same shall be continued.

Secton VI. Any person who shall keep a gambling house in the Town of Mead, or set up and keep any gambling table or gambling device, at which any game of chance shall be played for money or property, or anything representing money, or shall at any such table or device, or at any game of chance, bet, win, or lose any money or property, either in or by means of anything representing the same; or shall suffer any such table or device at which any game of chance is played, to be set up or used in any tenement in his possession or under his control, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than three hundred dollars for each and every day the same shall be continued.

Section VII. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, engage in or carry on, or cause to be carried on, any gift enterprise, or any sale, scheme, prodeding, or business whatsoever, whereby a gift or prize of any kind, or the hope of the gift or prize shall be held out to the purchasers, as an inducement to the purchase of any card, photograph, ticket, property or anything whatsoever, or as an inducement to pay or invest any sum of money, or any property, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, be fined not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars, for each and every day the same shall be continued.

Section VIII. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, appear in any public place in a state of nudity, or in a dress not belonging to his or her sex, or in an indecent or lewd dress, or shall make an indecent exposure of his or her person, or be guilty of an indecent or lewd act, or behavior, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ten dollars no more than one hundred dollars.

Section IX. Any person who shall in this Town, sell or exhibit any obscene or immoral publication, print, picture or illustration, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

Section X. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, write, draw, paint, stain, cut, carve, mark, scratch, brand, engrave, or otherwise make any gross, indecent or obscene word, or words, language, picture or device whatsoever, so that the same shall be exposed to public view, upon any wall, fence, or other thing, in any highway, street, avenue, alley, or other public place or places, visible to persons in such public place; or stick or put up on wood, or other thing on which or from which any such word, language, picture or device, shall have been expressed, shaped or made, in any way aforesaid, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Section XI. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, exhibit or perform, or permit to be exhibited or performed, upon or in premises under his or her management or control, any indecent, immoral, or lewd play or other representation shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than three hundred dollars.

Section XII. Any person who shall cause, instigate or encourage a dog fight in any public or private place in Town, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than fifty dollars.

Section XIII. Any person who shall, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, give or hold any theatrical performance or other exhibition within this Town, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Section XIV. If any owner or keeper of, or any person within any gambling house or room, or any place where gambling or betting or playing any game, either of chance or otherwise, within the Town of Mead, or if any disorderly or bawdy house or house of ill-fame or of prostitution or place where fornication is practiced, within the Town of Mead, or within three miles of the outer boundaries thereof, shall refuse to permit any adverse the mayor, the marshal or any police officer to enter the same, it shall be lawful for any officer hereinbefore mentioned, to enter the same or cause the same to be entered by force, by breaking doors or otherwise, and to arrest on sight all persons therein and any such owner or keeper or other person so refusing to permit any such officer to enter therein, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

ARTICLE II.

OFFENSES AGAINST THE PUBLIC PEACE

Section I. Each and every of any two or more persons who shall come, together, in the Town of Mead, for the purpose of doing any unlawful act, or force or violence, against the property of said Town, or against the person or property of another, or against the peace, or to the terror of others, or who, being together, shall in concert, make any movement or preparation therefor, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Section II. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, cause, engage in, instigate or encourage any riot, rout, affray, or fight, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Section III. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, disturb the peace of others by loud and unusual noises or shall disturb others by violent

tumultuous, offensive or obstreperous conduct or carriage, or by unseemly, profane, obscene or offensive language, calculated to provoke a breach of the peace, or shall permit any such conduct in or upon any house, building or premises in the said Town, owned or possessed by liens, or under his management or control, so that others in the vicinity shall be disturbed thereby, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Section IV. Any keeper of a beer-house, ale-house, saloon, hotel or other place of public resort in the Town of Mead, who shall disturb the public peace by permitting breaches of the peace or disturbances of public order and decorum, through noisy, riotous, or disorderly conduct on or in or about any such place a disorderly house, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than two dollars nor more than three hundred dollars.

Section V. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, disturb any congregation or assembly met for religious worship, by making a noise, or by rude, or indecent behavior, or profane discourse, within their place of worship, or so near the same as to disturb the order or solemnity of the meeting, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

Section VI. Any person who shall in this town disturb any lawful assemblage of people, other than specified in the last preceding section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

Section VII. Any person or persons who shall, in the Town of Mead, be found stopping or loitering on any highway, street, avenue, or sidewalk, to the obstruction of passenger, or shall be found stopping or loitering in the vicinity or any place of amusement, and refuse to disperse or vacate such place, when requested to do so by the marshall or any other person doing police duty, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars.

Section VIII. Any person who shall, in this town, intentionally give or make a false alarm of fire, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction, shall be fined not less than five dollars, nor more than two hundred dollars.

ARTICLE III

OFFENSES AFFECTING PUBLIC SAFETY

Section I. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, ride or drive any animal or animals or any bicycle or other wheeled vehicle, in highway, street, avenue, alley or other public place, faster than a moderate gait, of not to exceed six miles per hour, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section II. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, leave any animal standing in any street, avenue or alley without being fastened or so guarded as to prevent its running away, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section III. Every person, whether engaged in public work or private who shall dig or cause to be dug, any excavation whatsoever, in or adjoining any highway, street, avenue, alley, sidewalk or other public place in the Town of Mead, shall cause the same to be guarded with a substantial fence or railing, not less than three feet high and so placed as to prevent persons animals or vehicles from falling therein, any person digging or causing any such excavation to be dug as aforesaid, shall cause to be kept burning throughout the night time, one or more lights as the case may require, which shall be securely and conspicuously parted on or near any such excavation, to prevent danger from any such excavation to persons or animals, and if such excavation shall be at any street crossing an extra light shall be placed in such crossing.

Section IV. Whoever shall dig or cause to be dug, a vault in any highway, street, avenue, alley or sidewalk in the Town of Mead, and shall not arch or cover the same over, and secure the grating or covering of the opening thereof, in such a manner as to prevent persons, animals or vehicles from falling therein, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section V. Whoever shall keep or leave open, or cause the same to be done, any cellar door, grating or other covering of any vault or cellar, in any highway, street, avenue, alley or sidewalk in the Town of Mead, or shall suffer any such door, grating or other covering belong to the premises occupied by lien, to be in an insecure state or position, whereby there may be danger of persons, animals or vehicles falling into a cellar or vault, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section VI. All holes, depressions, excavations or other dangerous places, within the Town of Mead, that are or shall be below the natural or artificial grades of the surrounding or adjacent highway, street, avenue or alley, shall be properly enclosed with fence or walls, or be filled up so as to prevent persons and animals from falling into them. The street supervisor, or such person as shall have care of the streets, shall notify the owner or occupant of the premises, on which such dangerous places exist, to cause fences or walls to be built around them, or cause the same to be filled up. Any owner or occupant so notified, failing to comply forthwith, with such notification, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section VII. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, throw any stone, or any other missile up and or at any building, tree or other public or private property, or upon or at any person in any street, avenue, or alley, public place, or in enclosed or unenclosed ground, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section VIII. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, fire or discharge any cannon, gun, fowling piece, pistol or firearms of any description; or fire, explode or set off any squib, cracker or other thing containing powder or other combustible or explosive materials; without permission from the Board of Trustees or mayor which permissions shall limit the time of firing, and which may be revoked by the Board of Trustees or the mayor at any time; shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Provided, this section shall not apply to the marshall or any policeman when in discharge of their official duties.

Section IX. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, place or cause to be placed, any obstruction upon the track or tracks of any railway court, any or on any street, alley or sidewalk within the Town limits, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section X. Any person who shall vend, give or delive, in the Town of Mead, any deadly poison, knowing the same to be such, without marking the same in legible characters "Poison" shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section XI. Any person convicted of a misdemeanor under any of the sections of this article, shall be fined in any sum not less than five dollars and not exceeding three hundred dollars and stand committed to the Town jail until such fine and costs are paid, or until otherwise discharged.

ARTICLE IV.

OF OFFENSES AFFECTING STREETS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Section I. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, dig any hole, drain or ditch in any street, avenue or alley, without first having obtained a written permission to do so from the mayor, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section II. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, without having first obtained a written permission from the mayor, dig, remove or carry away, or cause or procure the same to be done, any sod, stone, earth, sand or gravel, from any street, avenue, alley or public ground, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section III. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, injure or tear up any pavement, sidewalk or street crosswalk, or shall lead or drive any horse, mule or other draft animal across any sidewalk that has been or may be constructed; except such places therein as may be specially prepared for such use, and to be approved by the mayor, without having obtained the written permission of the mayor, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section IV. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mad, hitch or fasten any horse or other animal to any ornamental fence or railing, or to any ornamental or shade tree, or shall injure or destroy any ornamental or shade tree, shrub, fence or railing, in or upon any public ground, or upon private premises, or the owner of any animal running at large which shall destroy a shade tree, ornamental tree or shrub, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section V. Any person who shall, in the Town of Mead, injure or destroy or assist in injuring or destroying any bridge or its appurtenances, or any fire engine house, or any public building or property, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section VI. Any person who shall assist or aid, or attempt to assist or aid, any person confined in the town jail, or in any other place wherein persons may be confined for violating town ordinances, to escape from such Town jail, or other place of confinement, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section VII. Any person who shall, without the consent of the person in charge of the Town jail, or place wherein persons may be confined for violating town ordinances, introduce any spiritous or malt liquors, or any tool, implement or other thing, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section VIII. Any person who shall in the Town of Mead, carry concealed on his person, any pistol, bowie knife, dagger or other deadly weapon, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor. Provided, this section shall not apply to the marshall, any policeman, sheriff or constable when executing their legitimate duties.

Section IX. Whenever the marshal or any policeman shall make and arrest under this ordinance, it shall be the duty of such officer making the arrest, to take from the person so arrested, the weapons found upon such arrested person at the time of such arrest, and retain the same until he or they, shall have paid whatever costs and fine, if any shall have been adjudged against him or them.

Section X. Any person who shall be convicted and found guilty of any misdemeanor mentioned in any of the sections of this article, shall be fined in any sum not less than five dollars, nor more than three hundred dollars, and stand committed to the Town jail until such fine and costs are paid, or until otherwise discharged.

ARTICLE V

OF VAGRANTS

Section I. Any person able to work and support himself in some honest and respectable calling, not having the wherewithal to maintain himself, who shall be found within the Town loitering, strolling about, frequenting public places where intoxicating liquors are sold, begging or leading an idle immoral or profligate course of life, shall be deemed a vagrant, and on conviction shall be fined not less than five dollars, no more than fifty dollars, and stand committed to the Town jail until such fine and costs are paid, or until otherwise discharged.

ARTICLE VI

OFFENSES AGAINST OFFICIAL AUTHORITY

Section I. Whosoever shall, in the Town of Mead, falsely represent himself to be an officer of this Town, or shall, without being duly authorized, exercise or attempt to exercise, any of the duties, functions, powers or privileges of a Town officer, or shall hinder, obstruct, resist or otherwise interfere with any Town officer in the discharge of his official duties, or attempt to prevent any such officer from arresting any person, or attempt to rescue from any such officer, any person in his custody, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, and stand committed to the Town jail until such fines and costs are paid, or until otherwise discharged.

Passed, adopted, approved, and ordered published, this 13th day of May, 1908.

M.S. Adams, Mayor

Attest:

J.E. Kitts, Clerk