

AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY the Council or Board of Trustees of the Town of Breckenridge, State of Colorado, that whereas our citizens large numbers are in the military service of the United States and are giving their lives for those at home and it is the duty of those at home to aid and support those who are making the greater sacrifice for their country and

whereas useful labor and the production and conservation of food and other supplies are now the prime necessities of the United States and of this municipality, and

whereas all able-bodied persons in this municipality should contribute their full share of energy and services to the winning of the war; and

whereas idlers and slackers are during this crisis a reproach upon and a menace to the safety of our people.

NOW, THEREFORE,

Section 1. During the present war and until the proclamation of peace, it shall be the duty of every male person in the town of Breckenridge, who has passed his 16th birthday and has not passed his 61st birthday, to engage regularly and habitually in some useful and recognized business, trade, profession, occupation, or employment for at least five days each calendar week and an average of at least six hours per day.

Section 2. There shall be exempted from the operation of this ordinance

(1) Persons physically or mentally incapacitated.

(2) Bona fide students while attending educational institutions.

(3) Persons regularly employed where taking customary and reasonable vacation.

(4) Persons temporarily unemployed by reason of differences with their employers common to the differences of similar employees with the same employer.

(5) Persons who have been regularly employed but who are out of employment for not exceeding seven consecutive days seeking other employment.

(6) Persons unable to obtain employment, providing they have applied for and hold an exemption card to be issued by the Mayor, which cards shall exempt them for a period not to exceed two weeks for the purpose of enabling them to find employment.

(7) Persons to whom the Governor of the State of Colorado or the County Council of Defense of this county may have issued certificates of exemption for designated periods to permit them to do special work not falling within the requirements of Section 1, but which shall be in aid of the prosecution of the war.

Section 3. The possession by any person of money, property, or income sufficient to support himself and those regularly dependent upon him shall not be a defense to a prosecution under this ordinance.

Section 4. In any prosecution hereunder proof that the accused habitually loiters or idles on the streets, roads, tenets, pool-rooms, hotels, places of entertainment or refreshment stores or other public places or any of them or that he is addicted to the use of narcotic drugs or is habitually intoxicated, or is a professional gambler or, being able-bodied, is supported in whole or part by any woman or child shall be prima facie evidence of guilt.

Section 5. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance by failure or refusal to comply therewith shall be held to be a vagrant and guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon conviction be fined in a sum not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment for ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment, and during the term of such imprisonment shall be required to work on the streets, highways, and public places of the municipality.

Section 6. In the opinion of the Board of Trustees this ordinance is necessary to the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety and shall be in full force and effect immediately after it is passed and published, it being of the character above set forth because of the need to meet immediate social emergency threatening this municipality and country in this present state of war.

LON HALE,

Clerk and Recorder
Approved by me this 8th day of October, A. D. 1918.

GEO. ROBINSON,
Mayor