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FILE NO. **37116**

Communication of Mayor Miller transmission petition of owners of booths near A.S.E. entrance

FILED **JUN 14 1909**

BY *[Signature]*

ADDRESS *W. W. Carroll, City Comptroller*

DUPY *[Signature]*

ACTION OF THE COUNCIL

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Mr. President:

Your

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Committee

to which was referred the within

Communication

would respectfully report that we have considered the same and respectfully recommend that

it be placed on file.

on file.

[Signature] CHAIRMAN

[Signature]

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The City of Seattle
Executive Department

JOHN F. MILLER, MAYOR

JOHN SLATTERY
SECY TO THE MAYOR

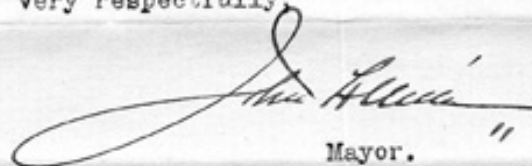
June 14, 1909.

Honorable City Council,
of The City of Seattle,
Seattle, Washington.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor of transmitting to your Honorable Body this, a petition, received by me on the Eleventh inst., wherein certain persons conducting booths, amusement places and refreshment stands near the entrance to the Alaska -Youkon-Pacific Exposition grounds desire certain privileges.

Very respectfully,



Mayor.

Enclosure.

TO HIS HONOR MAYOR MILLER,

And to the

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE:

We the undersigned, owners and lessees of booths, amusement places and refreshment stands on the thoroughfares and streets near and leading to the A.Y.P. Exposition, respectfully submit:

That, in contemplation of fair and equitable treatment and an equal amount of liberty enjoyed by merchants and amusement promoters in other parts of the City of Seattle, and in the grounds of the A. Y. P. Exposition, have invested thousands of dollars in the erection of booths, the leasing of land and the purchasing of stock and the other expenses incident to running places of amusement, or in furnishing refreshments or vending of wares; That in contemplation of a right to expose our wares and invite the public to purchase the same we have engaged in enterprises involving in the aggregate, hundreds of thousands of dollars; That ever since we have opened our various places of amusement and places of sale of merchandize, the police force of this city, acting under instructions arising from a source unknown to us, have continually harassed us and have not only denied us the privilege enjoyed by the persons engaged in the same lines and kinds of business in the Fair grounds, but have restrained us from using these methods and employing the same means to invite persons to purchase our wares that is used by merchants and owners of amusements in other parts of this city; That as instances of this treatment that we complain of, which we cite merely as examples, as an actual enumeration would prove too long and tedious, we state that we have been threatened with fine and imprisonment for attempting to pass out cards to the public stating the nature and character of the wares we offer for sale or the amusements we

furnish, that we have been threatened with the same punishment for calling our wares to persons who pass on the street, and that those of us who desired to place phonographs in our stands have been likewise restrained and threatened with punishment for so doing; That we have been restrained and harassed and enjoined by threat and coercion by the police of the city, who are detailed for duty in the streets neighboring the Exposition, so that we are unable to do any fair amount of business, that such treatment reduces itself to confiscation of property and an abridgement of our rights and privileges; That we know that merchants in other parts of this city enjoy the right to pass out cards and to invite persons to buy their wares and to make their places of business inviting to prospective patrons and customers; That every moving picture show in any part of the city enjoys the right, unmolested, of playing a phonograph in front of their shows and that music houses also enjoy and use such a privilege; That we know that in the Fair grounds, which is in the city limits of this city just as we are, persons are allowed to cry their wares and attract the buying public;

Your petitioners respectfully submit and represent that unless the intolerant condition now prevailing is changed and that unless we are again allowed to enjoy our prerogatives and the privileges that are ours by right, we will lose in the aggregate thousands of dollars, and your petitioners pray that the Honorable Mayor of this city and the Honorable Council of this city will return to us our rights as citizens and remove the obstacles that are placed in our way to carry on our business and to enjoy the rights and privileges that are ours.

Mrs. May Moore
Auto Checking Company

H. Mc Neil
G. Lewis & C. B. Ruffcorn

Fredrick H. Peterson
Samuel A. John

W. J. Heywood.
Mrs Ella Hovey
R. A. Thomson

W. P. Harris
Wilfred Loomer

R. J. Saunders
A. S. Malakoff

Mrs Pritchett.
Peter Georgopoulos
A. Pappas
S. Bambalis
John Pappas

Underhill & Byram. 1413. 6th
 R W Bell 1415 - East 40th
 P S Beatty 1419 - East 48th
 W M Cashman, East 40th
 A. Vilar.
 E K Bliss 3965-15th av N.E.
~~W M Cashman~~ 3967-15th .. N.E.
 E. H. Hill 3955 15th av N.E.
 O Oshira 3961 15th
 J D Weldon
 W R Hart
 Francis McDonald
 A Kropp
 Geo Sherman
 Miss Gutter & Pierce. #4004 1/2 Brooklyn n. l.
 J P Harris -
 Ed. Lapine, Brookly. B. 16
 Hamilton Cooper & Co
 Albert Stroual

S. Oku
H. Howard
I. Iwama
Harry Miyata
Roy. S. Shibata
T. Hatayama
G. O. Masuta
Jul. Preston
Jesus
H. P. Burroughs
John Peduna