

Baltimore, Md., October 14, 1931.

Mr. Charles E. Bichy,
Supervisor of Collections,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Bichy:

Mr. Marshall referred your letter of October 10th, concerning license for gypsy bands, to me.

Inasmuch as Ordinance No. 1257, approved April 18th, 1931, refers to the encampment, that is the singular number, and nowhere does it refer to encampments, it is my opinion that but one encampment within the City Limits may be allowed for the \$1,000.00 license fee.

The license permits the gypsies to practice their craft within the limits of the City of Baltimore. Therefore, I believe that it is the purport of the Ordinance to allow them to open stores or shops, or similar places, for the practice of their craft, throughout the City without additional charge, provided they have but one headquarters or encampment.

Of course, if the opening of a store or shop as a subsidiary to the encampment comes within the provision of any other license law, naturally, such license would have to be procured by the band, in addition to their encampment license.

Very truly yours,

(signed) ERNEST P. PADUM,
Assistant City Solicitor.

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APPROVED -

(Signed) R. E. LEE MARSHALL,
City Solicitor.