

90-CENT GAS IS IN VIOLATION OF CITY FRANCHISE

Document Specifically Puts Limit at 60 Cents, Critics Aver.

NEW 'LOOPOLES' FOUND

If the public service commission grants the Citizens Gas Company the increase in rates of from 60 to 90 cents, which company officials state they intend to petition for, such increase will be in direct violation of the franchise of the company.

Section 14 of this document, approved Aug. 30, 1908, reads as follows:

"The parties of the second part (gas company) shall not thereafter agree to the service to be charged the consumer for gas so to be furnished under this contract, shall never at any time exceed the sum of sixty (60) cents per thousand cubic feet and in the event said parties of the second part or their assigns shall ever increase the rates for gas in excess of sixty (60) cents per thousand (1,000) cubic feet, aforesaid, for gas furnished under the terms of this contract, then and in that event all the rights, privileges and franchises herein granted shall at once become null and void and its right to longer occupy or use any of the premises, lines, avenues, public places or other parts of said city, may be terminated and the city shall have the right to acquire said plant as herein provided as upon the termination of the franchise period."

RECALL FINE IMPOSED UNDER SAME FRANCHISE

The recall fine in this section is part, has never been surrendered by the Citizens Gas Company and that it is in full working force was demonstrated a year ago when the board of public works, under another section, fined the company \$100 per day for more than twenty days for failure to maintain its product at 600 British thermal unit rate.

Further evidence that the franchise is regarded as being effective, despite the fact that the public service commission has assumed certain powers of regulation over the company in the past, is contained in the fact that all of the provisions of the contract relative to the extension of mains, some of which provide the gas company with a right to require a reasonable minimum number of consumers to live in a district before new mains shall be ordered therein, and other like safeguards, are followed by the board of works and the gas company regularly.

Further examination of the franchise discloses that paragraph f of section 1 provides:

"The earnings of said company shall be used in the following order: First, to the payment of incurred debts and operating expenses; second, to the payment semi-annually of said dividends of 10 per centum per annum and any unpaid accrued dividends; third, to such extensions and betterments as may be ordered by the board of public works of said city, and the excess to the payment in whole or in part of payments of the amounts above mentioned."

SEE LOOPOLE FOR ORDERING ADDITIONS

The appearance of the word "betterments" in this section, persons interested in the maintenance of adequate pressure say, opens a way for the board of public works to order additions to the plants of the company, which gas officials say are necessary before the rates can be increased, without encountering the long delay incidental to waiting for the public service commission to act.

If this contention be true the board of works could order the gas company to build the additional tank and other facilities, said to be needed, immediately so that the public could be definitely assured that in due time every sudden cold spell would not mean low gas pressure and let the company, and the public service commission find a way to finance the improvements.

Such assurance has not been discoverable in any of the public discussions of the gas problem in the last week.

Members of the board of works, since the informal conference with gas company men last Friday in which it was first disclosed that a 90-cent rate may be sought, have stated that they believe the company has made a splendid financial showing last year and this would have little or no difficulty in raising the \$2,500,000 said to be needed for improvements.

The franchise gives the board of works the right to fine the company each day that its order is disobeyed without reasonable excuse.

COX SAYS SENATE RING PLAYS FOR FULL CONTROL

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absolute control of the three constitutional branches of our Government.

"No President of the United States will appear and one that he deems unworthy of office can be the highest court of the land, but we must be convinced that the Senatorial nominee for the Presidency has confirmed his faith many times in the theory of plural government, which means that he will not only confer with the group around him, but that this same group has the constitutional right to apply its check if the President should show signs of dependence.

APPOINTMENTS WOULD BE FROM REACTIONARIES

"Besides, it would naturally follow that a reactionary President would appoint four reactionary members of the Supreme Court.

"This would bind the country to re-action for the better part of a generation."

There were eleven speeches on Governor Cox's schedule today.

Now, however, the red platform talk at various places throughout the country and two were set speeches, one at Paducah this forenoon and another at Louisville tonight.

The Governor, characterized Harding's Des Moines speech as making beyond all doubt the League of Nations as the great issue of the campaign.

"Senator Harding's position is now known," he said.

"In response to any questioning, he says he is against the league altogether.

"Evidently he has heard from Brother Borah."

"He is against the league and I am for it."

"That's the issue."

GOVERNOR COX TO SPEAK IN DETROIT OCT. 15

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—Governor Cox will speak in Detroit Oct. 15, instead of Toledo, as originally planned, it was announced at Democratic headquarters here today.

COLBY BRANDS HARDING 'ARCH REACTIONARY'

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 8.—Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State, arrived here early today to address a meeting of Michigan Democrats tonight.

Colby bitterly assailed the Republican candidates for President and Vice President, branding Senator Harding as an "arch reactionary" and saying Governor Cox was a "true progressive."

HAAPANEN'S WAR PICTURES SHOWN

Verdun Scenes in Collection at Herron Institute.

Special Exhibitions—John J. Haapanen's collection of war drawings and paintings.

Hours—M. days, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.; Sundays, 1 p. m. to 9 p. m.

Admission—Saturdays and Sun-

days free, other days 25 cents. Children and school teachers free.

FORM NEW HOME ENTERPRISE HERE

\$1,000,000 Firm Plans Relief for Housing Shortage.

Proposing to build homes that will provide ample space for gardens, and to build enough of them to afford some relief for the present shortage of homes in the city, a number of business men have formed the Indianapolis Housing Corporation.

The organization is to be capitalized at \$1,000,000.

The plan for the organization was approved yesterday at a meeting of more than 100 men held at the Chamber of Commerce, and called by Charles F. Coffin, president of the chamber.

Plans for the corporation were presented by Clarence E. Coffin, after the need

for concerted effort for the construction of more homes in the city was shown

by Charles F. Coffin, Lucius M. Waing

wright, O. B. Iles and others.

The plan was given approval of the men present, but no action was taken by the chamber.

It is the intention of the company to branch out and build homes in other cities of the State after the shortage has been relieved here.

According to the plan as outlined by Mr. Coffin, the capital stock of the organization will be \$1,000,000, common stock and \$600,000 preferred.

Associated with Mr. Coffin in the project will be Oscar B. Johnson, Cornelius E. Holloway, Robert F. Daggett and Ross Wallace.

The organization is to be capitalized at

\$1,000,000 plus.

The company proposes to operate on six

different lines as follows:

1. To build where the owner already

has a lot free from encumbrance.

2. To buy a particular lot and build

on it.

3. To buy any particular property for

cash and to resell at profit.

4. Where particular property is of

value for sale at a bargain to buy and

resell at a profit.

MERCHANT KILLED BY GRANDFATHER

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 8.—George

Rose, a constable and a grandfather,

was shot in the yard of his home.

The officer is reported to be

an outgrowth of an alleged attack several weeks

ago on Margaret Rose, daughter of George

Rose's deceased son.

Induced the girl to

come to his store on the pretext of giving

her employment and assaulted her.

The slaying of March resulted when

the girl told her story to the grandfather.

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Part of a blackmail scheme."

niture merchant whom Rose accused of

attacking his 14-year-old granddaughter.

Rose shot March as he stood under a

tree in the yard of his home.

After the shooting Rose telephoned

for the officer to come and get him.

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Solve the Servant Problem

by the purchase of these two efficient and dependable household commodities. You not only will eliminate the need of extra help, but you will add greatly to the life of your wearing apparel and household furnishings. The price you are now paying for the service of these two conveniences will within a very short time completely pay for

The Eden

ELECTRIC WASHING AND WRINGING MACHINE, is the only washing machine on the market today that has a "sediment zone." This dirt chamber withdraws the dirt that is washed from the clothing and does not permit it to be washed through them again. The swinging wringer feature has a very important function to perform, it is easily adjusted (without lifting) to any position desired.

You can wash anything with an "Eden." Carpets and rugs have no horrors for this master washer. Silks and lingers are washed without rubbing and with just as much care as if they were washed by hand.



As you already know, the picture on the right has all to do with the old-fashioned way of washing clothes and we know that the one on the left is true after the Eden is brought into the home.

The way to wash delicate things is the way the Eden washes everything.

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SOLD ON CONVENIENT TERMS

Hatfield ELECTRIC CO.

Corner of Maryland and Meridian Streets

Men of Unusual Build!
Here are Suits That Will Make You Glad—

—There are no "secret rites" about fitting men of unusual build, it simply takes a larger stock.

—We have it.

—Don't think that you have to pay a tailor's fancy prices. Just a few minutes in our clothing department will prove that you don't.

A wide assortment of new Fall models—

\$40-\$45-\$50

Men's Fall Weight Overcoats

A fine assortment of overcoats for your selection. Priced—

\$30.00-\$33.50

\$35.00-\$40.00

Lowered Prices on
"Cuples" and
"Diamond" Tires

Get Yours Saturday

We put on this sale for two reasons: First, because we wanted to "clean house" on surplus sizes; second, because we wanted to show our ability to sell tires of known quality at prices that will make the wisest of the wise ones sit up and take notice.

Note These Prices on "Cuples"

Here is part of a big shipment of Cuples that we have just received. All are in their original wrappings; some bear the serial number and are stamped N. F. C. Others have the serial number buffed off. These originally were guaranteed 7,500 miles. So far as we can see by closest inspection they are identically the same as the guaranteed tires which we have in stock and for which we must ask a higher price. None of these are guaranteed—neither by the factory nor by ourselves. Carry your own insurance and put the saving in your pocket.

It is guaranteed to end catarrh, bronchitis, sore throat, colds, coughs and colds or come back if it does not. It is stamped N. F. C. and guaranteed 7,500 miles. It is guaranteed to end catarrh, bronchitis, sore throat, colds, coughs and colds or come back if it does not. It is stamped N. F. C. and guaranteed 7,500 miles.

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