

GAS CONTRACT HITS SNAGS IN CITY COUNCIL

Members Say They Like It,
but Must See It
Work.

RAP AT WORKS BOARD

Five chances to the contract amending the franchise of the Citizens Gas Company, up for ratification by the city council, were proposed at a conference last night. The councilmen expressed general approval of the contract, particularly the clause which provides that the company shall make \$1,000,000 worth of gas improvements by Dec. 31, 1921, but said they never would vote to ratify the instrument until the suggested changes are made.

Further discussion will be had and the council will specify changes, presenting them to Corporation Counsel Samuel Ashby.

A new contract acceptable to the gas company and the board of works then will be required.

Most of the meeting was taken up with a discussion of the British thermal unit standard for gas, at the board of public works was criticized for failing to compel the company to keep somewhere near the 600 B. T. U. quality.

AVERAGE QUALITY SHORT IN OCTOBER

The report for October showed the average quality was only 547, and that the board of works had not turned over its hand, despite the fact that several months ago it warned the gas company it would have to keep its product up to at least 670 or suffer the \$100 a day penalty.

The five changes to the proposed contract suggested were as follows:

1. Addition of the words "beyond the company's control" to the clause which provides that the company may reduce pressure and ration gas when there is a shortage from "any cause."

2. Elimination of the clause regarding the extension, which states that it is understood and agreed the company will have to sell stocks and bonds to finance such improvements.

3. Addition to section 5 of these words: "Hereafter said company shall not extract benzol nor any other heat-making element of the gas as it comes from the coke ovens during November and December, 1920; January, February, March and April, 1921; but during such months shall suspend operations of any benzol extracting or producing plant designed for the extraction of any heat-producing element from the gas."

4. Addition to section 6 of these words: "And on Dec. 31, 1921, the contract heretofore existing between the city and the said company shall stand unchanged in any particular just as the same was originally executed, and nothing in this contract shall ever be taken as a waiver or any default of any duty whatever imposed by the original contract to all clauses excepting that providing for the improvements to be completed Dec. 31, 1921."

5. Addition of a clause expressly providing that it is understood and agreed that nothing in the instrument shall be

Wife Wanted to Try Another Man While, He Says

Special to The Times.
MARION, Nov. 19.—Alleging that his young wife said she would "try another man while" and then let him know which one she wanted, Harold E. Parker, of Marion, has filed suit in the Superior Court for divorce from Ora Parker, daughter of Orion O. Wolf, prominent coal dealer.

The couple were married March 10, last, and separated Oct. 1, when Parker says his wife left him and went to Chicago to meet "the other man."

He charges that she called him "a d—d fool," refused to cook his breakfast, locked him out of the house at night, and mistreated him in many ways.

conducted as approval or consent by the city to any change in the gas rate before, after, or during the consummation of the improvement program.

THE ONE THEY WON'T PASS BY.

Some councilmen said they would be willing to forego some of these changes but would stand absolutely on the provision that the gas company may curtail service when there is a shortage from any cause "beyond the company's control." Otherwise, the councilmen said, the company might declare a shortage at any time it felt like it for any reason it might trump up.

Several of the councilmen expressed the fear that the company is going to ask for a raise in rates as a result of the proposed improvement program and therefore they favored the fifth of the above changes, but Corporation Counsel Ashby said that before the company can get an increase it must not only get an amendment to the franchise, which provides for 60-cent gas, but also to a law which guarantees this price.

The suggested provision that the company be prohibited from extracting benzol came from President of the Council G. G. Schmidt. Mr. Schmidt inquired of City Chemist Chalmers Underwood and Harry O. Gorman, engineer for the public service commission, who was present as a citizen, whether the extraction of benzol reduced the heat unit value of gas. Both replied that it does to a certain extent.

PRE-WAR CONTENT BROUGHT OUT

It was brought out that gas rarely fell below 600 B. T. U. content before the war when the company had no market for benzol and extracted very little, but the chemist and engineer said it should be remembered that while the presence of benzol in the gas of pre-war days was responsible for part of the better quality the fact that high grade coal and gas oil was obtainable was a very important factor.

Indianapolis has just about burned her last 600 B. T. U. gas," Mr. Gorman said, adding that the average quality which can reasonably be expected from materials available at present is 570.

THAT "AIR IN GAS" IS DISCUSSED.

Continuing his discussion of B. T. U. standards, Mr. Schmidt asked Mr. Underwood if it is not a known fact that the gas company has at its Procter street plant three openings for the introduction of air into the gas for the purpose of reducing the B. T. U. contents from 600 to 550 or lower when gas of that high

quality happens to be made and that "one time they put too much air in and nearly blew the place up?"

Mr. Underwood replied that it is a well known scientific fact that all gas companies introduce air into gas, but not for the purpose of reducing the heat value.

He said he had never heard of the plant nearly blowing up and that he had never found more than 10 per cent air in the gas when he analyzed it. Ten per cent is not an abnormal amount, he said.

"Why is it that the average B. T. U. value of all the gas made in Indianapolis last month was only 547?" Mr. Schmidt inquired.

"I can't tell you, but Mr. Forrest (secretary and general manager of the gas company) would tell you that it is because of inferior materials," the chemist replied.

"Well I believe that it is because they want to make Mrs. Murphy use 2,000 cubic feet, instead of 1,000 cubic feet of gas to boil her pot of beans," Mr. Schmidt said. "If Bill Peake (member of the council who owns a chain of groceries) were to water his milk 25 per cent they'd have him in jail but the more these people steal from us the higher the monument we place them on."

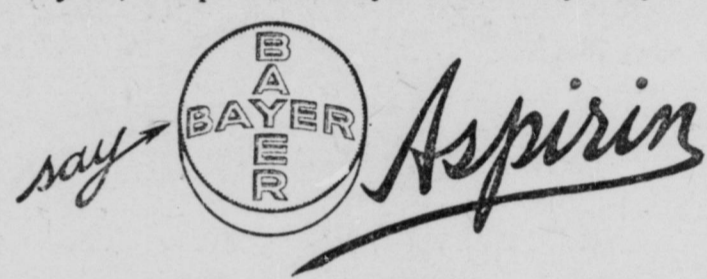
Mr. Schmidt added that if the Domhoff-Joyce Company, sales agents for the gas company's coke, did not get a commission of approximately \$2,200 a day for doing nothing more than answering telephones and saying, "All our coke is contracted for," that the utility might have money with which to make improvements.

"I'm getting farther away from any change in the present franchise every day until they produce the goods," he said.

Mr. Gorman remarked: "I'm for you in making the company toe the mark, but let's hang on to our 60 cent gas as long as possible."

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REPRIEVE FAILS TO HALT HANGING

Chicago Wife Murderer Finally Claimed by Gallows.

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Four times snatched from the gallows by executive clemency, Arthur E. Hansen, wounded veteran of the World War, failed of a fifth reprieve and was hanged in the county jail today for the murder of his young wife, Cecelia. Hansen had hoped until the last that a reprieve would halt his execution as it had on four previous occasions.

During his fifth "night of terror," in the death chamber, Hansen played calico and entertained his guards with recitals of his war experiences. He went to his death calmly and protesting his innocence.

Hansen was convicted of shooting his wife to death when she refused to return to him after an estrangement.

Bootleggers Hit

Special to The Times.
SEYMOUR, Ind., Nov. 19.—Thirty-three indictments, many of which are believed to charge violation of liquor laws, were returned Thursday by the Jackson County grand jury, which has been in session for two weeks.

Much interest is shown in the report as it closely follows the arrest here of several men by a Federal prohibition enforcement officer on charges of bootlegging.

PLEADS GUILTY TO MURDER.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Nov. 19.—Calagiero Bosis, on trial for the murder of Frank Parace, has changed his plea of not guilty to guilty. He was sentenced to life imprisonment in Joliet penitentiary.

'Revenue' Men Steal \$25,000 Worth of Booze

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Five burglars, who late last night bound Mrs. B. F. Veach and her aged mother and stole \$25,000 worth of liquor, were sought by police today.

The burglars posed as internal revenue agents until Mrs. Veach demanded their credentials. A huge motor truck was used to cart away the stolen liquor.

3 HORSES BURNED TO DEATH

Three horses were burned to death in a fire that destroyed a barn owned by Sam Cecil, 235 Wisconsin street, last night. The loss of the barn structure was put at \$5,000; but the loss of the horses and other contents of the barn were not estimated by the firemen.

Whatever You Do Don't Neglect Your Eyes, Says Dr. Lewis, Who Tells How to Strengthen Eyesight 50% in One Week's Time in Many Instances.

A Free Prescription You Can Have Filled and Use at Home.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Do you wear glasses? Are you a victim of eye strain or other eye weakness? If so, you will be glad to know that according to Dr. Lewis there is real hope for you. He says neglect causes most eye troubles and poor sight than any other one thing. Many whose eyes were failing say they had almost blind; could not see to read at all. Now I can read everything without any glasses and my eyes do not water any more. At night they would burn dreadfully; now they feel fine all the time. It was like a miracle to me. A lady who used it says: "The atmosphere seemed hazy with or without glasses, but after using this prescription for fifteen days everything seems clear. I can even read fine print without glasses." It is believed that thousands who wear glasses care now discard them in a reasonable time and multitudes more will be able to strengthen their eyes so as to see without glasses. Eye troubles of many descriptions may be wonderfully benefited by following the simple rules. Here is the prescription: Go to any active drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets. Drop one Bon-Opto tablet in a fourth of glass of water and allow to dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eyes two to four times daily. You should notice your eyes clear up perceptibly right from the start and inflammation will quickly disappear. If your eyes are bothering you, before it is too late. Many hopelessly blind might have been saved if they had cared for their eyes in time.

NOTE—Another prominent physician to whom the above article was submitted, said: "Bon-Opto is a very remarkable remedy. Its constituent ingredients are well known to eminent eye specialists and widely prescribed by them." The manufacturers guarantee it to strengthen eyesight 50 per cent in one week's time in many instances or return the money. It can be obtained from any good druggist and is one of the very few preparations I feel should be kept on hand for regular use in almost every family. It is sold in this city by all leading druggists, including the Hock and the Haas stores.—Advertisement.

Make the Dinner a Success—Use These Thanksgiving Day Suggestions

The success of a Thanksgiving dinner depends to a large extent upon the refinement of detail in the preparation and serving. You will find this establishment filled with suggestions which will help you to make this year's dinner surpass your past successes. A few of them are shown below. Won't you drop in and let us show you some of these aids?

Lisk Roasters
Concave top; are self-basting and browning. From \$3.15 up. Savory roasters, \$2.50 up. Aluminum, \$1.75 up. Wear-Every aluminum roasters, \$7.20 up.

An A. B. Gas Range
Makes cooking a pleasure. The most economical, efficient and beautiful gas range you can find. Twelve different styles to choose from.

Pyrex Ovenware
The new transparent ware that is guaranteed not to break from heat. In all shapes for ovenware, ramkins, casseroles, pie and bread pans. From 20¢ to \$3.00 apiece.

Universal Cake Mixers
Eliminate labor and chance of failure in making bread and cake dough. Never had such fine bread and cake as you will have with these mixers. Cake mixers, from \$2.95 up. Bread mixers from \$3.25 up.

Griswold Food Cutters
There's no more useful household article than this. They do not mash, crush or grind. They CUT bread, fruit, nuts, etc. Prices complete, with extra knives, \$1.85, \$2.25, \$2.75 and \$3.50.

Silver Plated Ware
That is so durable and artistic in design that many prefer it to sterling silver. We have the newest patterns in William Rogers, Universal, 1947 Rogers, Broke, and Oneida Community brands. Prices—Teaspoons, set of six, from \$1.50 to \$4.50. Other pieces at proportionate prices.

Carving Sets
We have the proper carver for your "piece de resistance" at a price that ever it may be. These carvers have handles of stag, imitation stag, silver, ivory and pearl. Two-piece sets are from \$1.75 to \$10. Three-piece sets from \$6.00 to \$20.00.

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"Now I Can Walk," Says Mrs. Southcott of Medina.
"Here is another letter that makes me happy," says Peterson of Buffalo. "One that I would rather have than a thousand dollars."
"Money isn't everything in this world. There is many a big hearted, rich man who would give all he has on earth to be able to produce a remedy with such mighty healing power as Peterson's Ointment, to sell at all druggists for 35 cents a large box."
Read this letter, written February 14, 1918, by Mrs. Albert Southcott, of Medina, N. Y. It seems like a miracle, but it is true, every word of it.
"I know it because I get similar letters almost every day from people who have used my ointment for old sores, eczema and piles.
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Dear Sirs:—
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IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS
Says Backache is sign you have been eating too much meat.
When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it generally means you have been eating too much meat, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and laggard. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels; removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scales and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.
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