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CITY ASKS OFFERS ON BONDS TO BUY CITIZENS GAS FIRM

Prospective Bidders Notified by Mayor of
Intention to Request Proposals on
Financing of Purchase.

\$7,000,000 NEEDED FOR PROJECT

Best Terms, Lowest Interest Rate Sought
by Officials; Market May Be Difficult
to Obtain, Observers Hint.

BY FREDERICK G. MATSON
Times Staff Writer.

Definite action was taken today by the city to acquire the plant and property of the Citizens Gas Company.

Knowledge of this came in an announcement by Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan that the city, through its utilities district board, has notified prospective bidders of its intention to request bids on financing its acquisition of the gas company property.

"It is the desire of the city to finance acquisition of the property by the sale of revenue bonds on the best terms available and with the lowest interest rate obtainable," Mayor Sullivan said.

Total amount necessary to be raised by these revenue bonds is approximately \$7,000,000. Of this, \$2,000,000 would be used to redeem preferred stock; \$3,000,000 to cover existing mortgage indebtedness on the plant; and the remaining \$1,000,000 to pay accrued dividends on stock and interest on bonds, and to cover costs of improvements and extensions to the gas system.

By the terms of the 1905 franchise contract between the city and the Citizens Gas Company, the city is not entitled to a transfer of the company's property until the capital stock has been fully paid and canceled and all arrears in dividends have been paid. No dividends on the \$2,000,000 of common stock have been paid for the years 1933 and 1934 to date.

Such revenue bonds in no respect are to be an obligation or indebtedness of the city and will not be paid out of taxes, but will be paid solely from the revenues of the gas property after it is taken over and is being operated by the city, Mayor Sullivan explained.

Natural Gas Planned
Intention of the city to utilize natural gas also was definitely stated by the mayor. This would include the furnishing of pure natural gas to manufacturers and the use of mix gas—artificial and natural—for domestic purposes.

"The object of the public charitable trust is the furnishing of gas to consumers at cost," Mayor Sullivan said.

All propositions by prospective bidders must specify a low interest rate; reasonable sinking fund requirements and maturity date; permission for exchange of revenue bonds of the utility department for outstanding stock and bonds of the gas company; financial ability of the bidder; and satisfactory assurances of noncollusion with other bidders, actual or prospective, the mayor stated.

Propositions should be submitted to the mayor by Sept. 4. Formal proposals for sale of the bonds, as required by law, will be made later, it was announced.

U. S. Refuses to Help

Efforts to obtain financial aid from the federal government last fall were unsuccessful.

Application was made to the public works administration. The project was approved as sound from an engineering and legal viewpoint, but was ultimately denied because most of the money sought was to be used for retirement of stocks and bonds of the gas company. An effort to obtain congressional authorization of the proposed loan failed in the closing days of the session.

While maintaining an optimistic attitude, Mayor Sullivan, as well as others conversant with the situation, is aware that there may be difficulty in obtaining a market for the proposed revenue bonds.

Whether investment houses that commonly buy revenue bonds will be interested in bonds issued by the city on the Citizens Gas Company will depend, observers believe, on the prospects for net revenue, out

KUNKEL OUSTING IS SEEN LIKELY

McNutt to Make Drastic
Moves, Is Belief of
State Observers.

BY JAMES DOSS
Times Staff Writer.

A penal expert, trained in penitentiary administration, may succeed Warden Louis Kunkel at the Indiana state prison, it was learned today from reliable sources.

The penologist, it was reported, will be a man recommended by Warden Lewis Lawes, of Sing Sing; Sanford Bates, director of federal prison, and his assistant Lovell Bixby.

The three prison experts now are engaged with others of national reputation in making a survey of Indiana penal institutions and are expected to make a report to Governor Paul V. McNutt after Warden Lawes either comes here for a conference or has an opportunity to pass on data compiled by his colleagues.

Planting of Mr. Kunkel, it was reported, will be at the instigation of the Governor, who feels that some drastic move is necessary to "turn the heat" off Indiana's prison system.

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Find Convict's Uniform
A prison uniform was found in the bushes near a farm on the Rockville road west of the city, it was disclosed today.

Although city detectives refused to reveal any details of the discovery, it is known that the call came in to police headquarters Saturday and two detectives were sent out to return the suit.

The Marion county sheriff was not notified and the discovery was made cloaked with an air of secrecy.

Five convicts escaped from Indiana state prison, Michigan City, early Saturday morning.

Hepburn Reconciliation Hinted
By United Press

IVORYVIN, Conn., July 30.—Reconciliation between Katherine Hepburn and Ludlow Odgen Smith, her former husband, was hinted to check to Albert Blue, Indianapolis, in lieu of dividends on the Fraileigh concern.

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McCORDSVILLE WOMAN HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Accident Near City Causes Car to Overturn.

Mrs. Margaret Wright, McCordsville, was injured seriously today in an accident on Pendleton pike eight miles north of Indianapolis as she was enroute here to arrange for the funeral of her husband, Thomas Wright, tomorrow.

J. C. Thompson, R. R. 3, Box 286, in whose car Mrs. Wright was riding, told police that the car driven by Mart Lingrod, 231 Olney street, came out of a side road and smashed into his car, overturning it.

Miss Ethel Wright, 23, of 340 Sales street, Mrs. Wright's daughter, suffered cuts and bruises. The two were sent to city hospital.

Hourly Temperatures

6 a. m. 73 10 a. m. 80
7 a. m. 75 11 a. m. 80
8 a. m. 76 12 (noon) 80
9 a. m. 78 1 p. m. 82

They agreed it would be several days—perhaps weeks—before results

'There Will Be Deaths We Know Not When,' Wrote Dollfuss Few Hours Before His Assassination by Nazis

This article was written by the late Chancellor Dollfuss shortly before his death and was mailed from Vienna, Paris, where he arrived a few days after he was assassinated. In this article he said: "Our enemies indicated clearly that he realized Austrian affairs were at a crisis and that he was fearful of an outbreak by youths who were morally sick and who would not hesitate to provoke the worst disasters and the most odious crimes. He appealed to Austria to break unconsciously and unequivocally from all criminal elements to which by imitation Dollfuss, all the young adolescents who murdered him. 'Many of us feel in danger of a foul blow,' he says. 'There have been deaths. There will be deaths. We know not when, but if we fall we will shed our blood as we battle for the fatherland."

We find ourselves at the height of our battle. The battle against Bolshevism was fought to a successful end within a relatively short time. It always was a battle against unpopular chiefs, but never a battle against the laboring class.

We seek to gain the confidence of the laboring class so that each worker understands that he is not condemned to remain a proletarian, but on the contrary that he is a useful and precious member of society and Christian humanity, German and man, he has a right in Austria to a worthy existence.

It befalls us to create conditions for this better future. At present we are still engaged in the height of battle.

I AM impressed by the fact that a considerable portion of our people and more precisely the youths of our intellectual classes, those students who never have

been obliged to earn their bread, who live on the fruits of the labor of their parents, feel that they are better patriots than we others who during many years risked our lives, risked our blood for the defense of our homeland. I am fearful because that class of youths today suffers morally, is morally sick, for they would not hesitate, to gain their political ambitions, to provoke the worst disasters and they would not hesitate at the most odious crimes, sparing none for what they might have done for the fatherland in the past.

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None of us desires to gain his political aims by such means. Men with hearts would be too great Christians in that case; they would have too many scruples to put arms into the hands of other men, to furnish them with explosives and bombs.

CONSEQUENTLY I think it is timely to repeat clearly what Monsignor Seipel said in 1927, in vain, it is true, in addressing the Socialists: "Draw a line between yourselves and the criminal elements, turn yourselves away from adventurers and those men without scruples. I address my appeal particularly to the Nationalists and I ask you do you wish a community with criminals? I invite you to break unconditionally and unequivocally those criminal elements. I urge you to get away from such methods and theories which admit such methods. In face of such menaces there is but one position to take, that of proclaiming loudly 'I am opposed to bombs.' He who refuses to proclaim the opposition clearly and without afterthought is guilty of complicity. We seek to unite in common patriotic front of all those ready to defend this German land as their free, independent homeland."

Should I repeat again that the patriotic movement positively is not a concentration of political parties but really a movement of regeneration and that it aims, without consideration of past alliances with any political party, at the reunion of all those who see in Austria their real homeland?

Consequently no one can be excluded from our movement so long as he recognizes positively Austria as homeland.

Now it is the duty of all Nationalists to declare themselves so that the entire world can see clearly, if the future of their race really fills them with anxiety, if really they love their homeland.

It also would be in the interests of those ultra-Nationalist circles to establish contact with the new patriotic movement and hold a place for themselves in the new state which is bound to come.

In that way we could bring an abrupt end to the fallacious maneuvers of certain National Socialist organizations. Each association, each organization which insists upon its purely national character must soon decide if it will tolerate in its ranks criminals or parents, followers or propagandists of criminals.

In times as difficult as those we are living in, there is no use in half measures, nonchalance or lukewarm sentiments. Those who are not for us are against us. To be for us does not involve anything personal, does not concern personal pride.

Authorities here are studying reports from state health authorities carefully. A warning was issued to all those living in drought-afflicted areas and of tourists entering these states.

Heat Wave Broken
By United Press

KANSAS CITY, July 30.—Water was "worth its weight in gold" throughout the southwest today as the great drought continued to levy its terrific toll of livestock and crops.

A heat wave that swept over two-thirds of the nation and claimed upward of 900 lives had been broken with the majority of sections again reporting cooling breezes and light showers.

But the heavy rains needed to restore the soil to normal condition and thoroughly quench the thirst of innumerable thousands of head of cattle was not forthcoming.

Although the sun has ceased to beat down with such great intensity, crops still lack sufficient moisture. Farmers still are transporting water. Livestock still suffer piteously from thirst.

Drought Invades East
By United Press

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 30.—Western New York state took on the aspects of a parched desert today, with crops facing great damage or entire ruin due to drought.

Damage to Erie county crops alone was estimated in excess of \$2,000,000. The weather bureau saw no relief in sight.

ROCKVILLE GIRL, 2, IS KILLED IN CAR CRASH

Vacation Trip of Hoosier Couple Ends in Tragedy.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., July 30.—The vacation of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rector, Rockville, Ind., ended here today as they turned homeward with the body of their 2-year-old daughter, Patricia.

The child was killed when the Rector car collided with another machine on a highway near here.

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Motor Tuned up. Carburetor adjusted. See Carburetor Sales, 214 E. Ohio.—Adv.

FIRST NAZIS FACE COURT FOR DOLLFUSS MURDER; NEW CABINET IS WEAK

NEW CHANCELLOR



Kurt Schuschnigg

Hangings of Accused Men Seem Assured; Executions May Bring Reprisals by Hitlerites Throughout Austria.

KURT SCHUSCHNIGG IS CHANCELLOR
Prince Von Starhemberg Sidetracked and Heimwehr Soon May Force Ouster of Successor to Slain Leader.

By United Press
VIENNA, July 30.—The new Fascist-monarchial government of Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg, stamping out rebel Nazis with a ruthless hand, began today the trial of accused murderers of Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss.

The trial started in a small, dingy room of the justice building before the special military court which has power of life and death, with no appeal. It increased tension created by the government's mop-up of rebels after a week of warfare and an unsuccessful Nazi raid in Vienna today.

The first defendants were ex-Sergeant Otto Planetta, who police said confessed to the actual murder of Dollfuss in revenge for having been thrown out of the army, and Franz Holzweber, another Nazi accused of taking a leading part in the assassination.

After the prosecution had presented its case against the two men, court was adjourned for forty-five