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Shall Liberty People Pay More for Electricity? Hearing Monday

Public Service Commission Will Come Here to Settle the
Matter—Court House to be Place of Meeting

Bulletin.

The Public Service Commission of Indiana will hold a hearing beginning at 1:30 p. m., Monday, July 26, in the Court House, Liberty, in the matter of the petition of the Liberty Light and Power Company for authority to increase its rates for electric service in the towns of Liberty, Boston, and West College Corner.

On Monday of this week the Commission approved, after a hearing at Richmond on July 15, the petition of the City of Richmond for increase in rates charged by the municipal utility for electric energy supplied to the people and industries of Richmond and also to the Liberty Light and Power Company.

The petition of the Liberty Light and Power Company sets forth the fact that rates and charges made by it are predicated initially upon the rates and charges charged it by the Richmond Electric plant, and that with an increase in such rates, it becomes necessary for petitioner to increase its rates to the several communities served.

The Commission has made the new rates at Richmond effective as of August 1, and is expediting the hearing in the Liberty Light and Power Company's petition so that the order may be issued effective as of that date.

The Liberty Light & Power Company, Robert Ashe, Richmond, president, representing itself to be the largest consumer of the Richmond Municipal Electric plant, filed written statement Thursday at last week objecting to any increase in its own rates and charges but admitting the necessity of an increased revenue for the Richmond Municipal plant.

The statement of the Liberty Light & Power Company was submitted to E. I. Lewis, of the Indiana Public Service Commission, who presided over a meeting held at the City Council chamber in Richmond to hear the petition of the city of Richmond for an increase in the lighting and power rates for the Richmond Municipal plant, it being represented by the city that the revenue the plant has received under its present rates has been less than the plant's operating expenses since May 1.

The Liberty Light & Power Company serves the towns of Liberty, Boston and College Corner, in Indiana; New Paris, Ohio, and the Brookville, Ind., Electric Company. In its statement to the Indiana Public Service Commission, the company represents itself to be the largest customer of the Richmond Municipal plant, its bills averaging \$1,100 to \$1,600 monthly.

Wilfred Jessup, attorney for the Liberty company, tried to show that the company operated on a different basis from any other consumer of power from the Richmond plant.

Superintendent Dillon of the Richmond plant was questioned by the commissioner as to the relation of the plant to the Liberty company and as to the peak load of the plant. It was brought out that under the existing contract the Liberty company has the privilege of taking current from the Richmond plant and that the Richmond plant must furnish the Liberty company with all the power it demands.

Under this contract, the Liberty company could embarrass the city of Richmond to a serious degree, if new power users should spring up in the Liberty territory.

The Liberty company could demand more than the surplus of the municipal plant. The contract was made before the city of Richmond assumed control of the light plant. The commission, however, directed the city to take over the conditions of the contract.

Robert Ashe, president of the Liberty company, has never taken advantage of the contract, and he says that he will never make any demands that will embarrass the Richmond plant.

Pounder the Host at a Weiner Roast

A weiner roast was enjoyed at the home of Francis Pounder Sunday evening. Those present were: Misses Charlotte DuBois, Esther McMahan, Maxine Maxwell, Enid Orr, Cleon Johnson, Martha Page, Natalie Johnson and Estelline Owen, and Messrs. Stewart LaRue, Franklin DuBois, Beauford Rodefer, Roland Duval of Indianapolis, Francis Pounder, Albert Martin, Ned Thompson and Earl Rose.

Epworth League Reds Entertain Whites

On last Thursday evening the Reds of the Epworth League entertained the Whites at a weiner roast at the Water Works park. Sandwiches, pickles, marshmallows and coffee were served. The evening was spent in playing games.

John Pinkerton Buys 150 Acres in Ohio

John Pinkerton, of Union County, has purchased the 150 acre farm of J. H. Lamm, located two miles east of Somerville, Ohio.

People Coming and Going

Miss Caroline Pierce returned Sunday to her home in Muncie after a two weeks' visit with relatives here.

Miss Hilda Flory, of Eaton, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Little and daughter Harriet this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maibach and daughter Hilda took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Clint Montgomery Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Esolf, of Muncie, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Henderson Sunday and Monday.

Misses Lorene and Nellie Stahl and Messrs. Paul Farley and Herbert Ellison spent Sunday evening in Richmond.

Mrs. Francis Farley left Wednesday for Marion, Ohio, to spend a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Farley entertained at dinner Monday Mrs. Minnie McMahon and daughters Elsie and Esther.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fromeyer and children, of Cincinnati, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Toole Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William McMahon and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reeder of Connersville spent Sunday here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Beard and daughter Mary Agnes were the guests of friends in Greenfield, Ind., Sunday.

Mrs. Alice Wilson's Sunday School class enjoyed a picnic at the home of Mrs. Joseph Coddington Sunday afternoon.

Calvin Beck and Esther Ridenour and Mrs. George Ridenour attended children's exercises at Greenwood Sunday night.

Mrs. Minnie McMahon and daughters Elsie and Esther and Roland Duval of Indianapolis motored to Brookville Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McMahon and daughter Frances and son Charles motored to Richmond Sunday and spent the day.

Mrs. H. E. Page and daughter Mildred and Martha and Mrs. Esther McMahon motored to Oxford Tuesday and spent the day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. I. LaRue and son Stewart and Mrs. Stewart were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pullen at dinner Sunday.

Misses Corinne Snyder and Mary Rebecca Pigman and Messrs. Gilbert Bond and Ralph Kitchel motored to Oxford Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bickler of Indianapolis, Mrs. Bina McGrath and Mrs. Blaine McGrath and son Ted spent Sunday in Cincinnati.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Driggs and son returned from Advance, Ind., Monday, after spending the past week there the guests of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Krehenbrink and daughter Helen, of Cincinnati-Ohio, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dorset Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Bertsch and daughter Dorothy and son Maxwell left Wednesday for Bayview, Mich., to spend the rest of the summer.

Misses Emelie Tappan and Alice Humphsher and Messrs. Fred Barnhart and Charles McMahon motored to Connersville Sunday evening.

Jesse Stevens, Ralph Robertson, W. P. Richardson, L. E. Snook, Everett Abernathy and Virgil McCarty attended the baseball game in Cincinnati Tuesday afternoon.

Teachers for Center Township Selected

Teachers for Center Township for the coming year have all been engaged by Trustee E. Z. Gainey with the exception of one. No teacher has yet been definitely engaged for the Beech Grove school, but a selection will be made shortly. The teachers for other schools in the township will be as follows:

Greenwood—Osa Duval, principal; Mary Dell Williams and Emma Gilmore.

Salem—W. H. Crecraft, principal; Mrs. C. C. Abernathy and Margaret Dooley.

Witter—Lucile Bannan.

Music and Art—Helen Henderson.

Former Liberty Girl on Harding Committee

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Farley, of this city, have been notified that their daughter, Mrs. R. W. Armstrong, and her husband, of Marion, Ohio, were made members of the reception committee at the notification exercises held at Marion yesterday (Thursday), at which Senator Harding was officially informed of his nomination by the Republicans for the Presidency. Although Mr. and Mrs. Farley are staunch Democrats, their daughter married a Republican and accordingly changed her political views at the same time that she changed her name.

Well, WE'D Say This Will Be the Real Thing in Entertainments, Boy!

The motion picture machine which has been ordered for the use of the County Agent for the past five months has arrived. Fred Russell and Bill Nye were trying it out in the former's office and pronounce it satisfactory in every particular. All kinds of interesting educational agricultural films are available and it

Benett Colyers spent Tuesday in Connersville on business.

Mrs. Hannah Stewart is spending this week in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Addison of Connersville are the proud parents of a son, born Wednesday, July 21.

Mrs. B. M. Nye and Mrs. C. C. Grover spent Wednesday in Brownsville.

Miss Florence Addison was the guest of relatives in Connersville Wednesday.

Gilbert Bond and Raymond Toler were in Raymond, Ind., on business Wednesday.

Miss Mary Carlyle of Cincinnati is the guest of Miss Corinne Snyder for a few days.

Mrs. J. C. Clawson and son Joseph are spending a few days of this week in Cincinnati.

Miss Katherine Regan of Connersville and guest spent Monday with Miss Addie Maibach.

Mrs. Will Rose and son Earl, Mrs. M. J. Bevis and Beauford Rodefer spent Wednesday in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Little, Richard and Robert Ross and Earl Rose motored to Richmond Tuesday evening.

Miss Elmira Kempton and Glenn Kempton of Richmond were the guests of Miss Elsie McMahon Wednesday.

Miss Elsie Shouse returned to her home in Rushville after spending the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Virg Shouse.

Misses Nellie Stahl and Nondus Moore and Messrs. Herbert Ellison and Roy Creek spent Friday evening in Richmond.

Misses Dorothy Beaver, Nellie Stevens and Elsie Shouse of Rushville are the guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Shouse.

Mrs. W. A. Fosdick, Mrs. Herbert Fosdick and daughter Alice and Mrs. Donald Fosdick and son James spent Wednesday in Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore and Messrs. Moore and James Porter were guests of Miss Rhoda Elison in Richmond Sunday evening.

Mrs. Frank Zuttermeister, Mrs. Katherine Conners of Indianapolis and Mrs. McGriff of Cambridge City spent Wednesday in Connersville.

Mrs. J. Beach and daughter Florence of Indianapolis and Mrs. Charles Tappan spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Corrington and family.

Mrs. B. G. Stevens and daughter Florence, of Indianapolis, came Wednesday to spend the rest of the summer with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Frank Maibach and daughter Hilda and Mrs. Donald Fosdick and son James were the dinner guests of Miss Grace Maibach Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Lafuse, Mrs. Hiner Hunt, Mrs. Elsie Morgan, Mrs. Flora Wilson, Norman Johnson and Richard Ross motored to Oldenburg Tuesday and spent the day.

Misses Vivian Douthit and Mary Rebecca Pigman and Messrs. Eber Brown of Lynn, Ind., and Lloyd Stevens spent Sunday at Funk's Lake.

Misses Ruth Jones of Middletown, Charlotte Husted, Mary Rebecca Pigman, Ruth Kitchel and Kate Husted, and Messrs. Ralph Kitchel, Dwight Orr, Albert Post, Milo Nye, and Robert Stevens attended the dance at Jackson Park Friday evening.

County Health Report is Given

Precautions Should be Taken
Now Against Sickness of Babies

By Dr. Will A. Thompson
County Health Commissioner

The health of the county was lowered to the average of the summer months. The birth rate increased to the highest so far this year. There were thirteen births in the county and none in the town of Liberty. Three deaths occurred in the county and none in Liberty. There were three marriages in the county.

The season is here when the highest sick and death list among babies is prevalent. The usual causes for this high rate are mistakes in feeding and the hot weather, to which these little patients are so susceptible. Every mother should be unusually careful with bottle fed babies and see that the bottles and food are sterile. Nursing babies should not be overclothed. The summer diseases, diarrhea, ileo-colitis and cholera infantum, may be lessened with extraordinary precautions.

Births

Harry W. and Beattie Hawley, a boy, Donald Hugh, June 1.
Vernon and Adelaide Horn, a boy, Vernon Jr., June 3.

Dellos and Mary Myers, a boy, Dean Allison, June 6.
Henry and Clara Frazier, a boy, stillborn, June 7.

Guy and Mary Bohannon, a boy, George William, June 14.
Kramer and Lena Charles, a girl, Maralyn Joan, June 14.

Lloyd and Ethel Harmayer, a girl, Marjorie Ethel, June 15.
Alvin and Helen LaFuze, a girl, Helen Lucile, June 18.

Frank and Helen Rinehart, a girl, Geraldine Louise, June 19.
Thomas and Ellen Smith, a boy, Enoch Andrew, June 24.

Walter and Bessie Snodgrass, a boy, Morris Allen, June 26.
Otto and Clara Blattum, a girl, Mary Estella, June 26.

James and Ethel Shickey, a girl, Janis Louise, June 27.

Deaths—Donald H. Hawley, died June 2, age 3 days.
Herschell Alva Crane, died June 6, age 40 days.

Infant Frazier, died June 7, stillborn.
Rhoda Ellen Snyder, died June 8, age 6 years, 1 month.

Harriet E. Packer, died June 15, age 71 years, 3 months, 6 days.
John Snowden, died June 19, age 75 years, 7 days.

Marriages—Charles S. Chowling and Annetta E. Jones, June 2.
Lawrence E. Mitchell and Helen M. Haworth, June 16.

Ralph V. Gilmore and Nelle McDill, June 17.

Miss Mabel Plankenhorn Married to Ralph Riggs

Miss Mabel Plankenhorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Plankenhorn, south of Centerville, and Ralph Riggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Riggs, of Connersville, were married at the M. E. parsonage at Richmond Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Stokess of the M. E. church officiated. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Parrish of Chester, Mrs. William Plankenhorn, Mrs. Cloyd Judkins, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Clevenger and Miss Elsie Houser.

The bride wore a gown of dainty white organdie, with matching accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. Riggs will spend a few days with the bride's parents and then will leave for future residence in Connersville.

The bride has for some time acted as the efficient community center correspondent of The Express, and the publishers of this paper extend best wishes for a happy and prosperous future for the newly married couple.

Sues for Divorce and \$5,000 Alimony

Suit for divorce and \$5,000 alimony was filed in the Circuit Court Monday by Iessie Weaver against Homer A. Weaver, the parties residing at College Corner. The couple were married on Christmas day, 1907 and separated May 16, 1920. The plaintiff charges cruel and inhuman treatment, alleging that the defendant had struck her and cursed her at different times. She states that he owns a half interest in a farm of 100 acres in Union County, his half interest being worth \$12,000, and also that he owns personal property worth \$2,500. The plaintiff asks that her maiden name, Iessie Wheeler, be restored.

Entertain 500 Club at Chicken Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross entertained the Five Hundred Club at a delicious fried chicken dinner given in honor of Will Rose to celebrate his forty-first birthday Tuesday evening. The birthday cake with its forty-one candles held an imposing place in the center of the table. Covers were laid for twelve guests.

Chautauqua to Begin Tuesday

Everything in Readiness for
Big Event—Excellent
Talent is Coming

Everything is in readiness for the greatest Chautauqua ever held in Liberty.

The big event, which will begin next Tuesday, July 27, and continue for six pleasure-full days, will be replete with entertaining numbers that no one in Liberty or Union County should miss.

The Chautauqua tent will be erected on Market street, east of the Court House. Those persons who have not yet secured their tickets should do so immediately.

One of the big events of the Chautauqua will be the address next Saturday night by Judge Thomas B. McGregor, who is now the Attorney General of Kentucky. Judge McGregor will take as his subject, "Moonshine."

Judge McGregor is known personally by Dr. E. R. Beard of this city. "He is one of the finest men who ever came to Liberty," said Dr. Beard yesterday. "I predict he will be the next Governor of Kentucky."

At the recent Republican National Convention he received a few votes for President of the United States.

Following is the complete program for the six days of the Chautauqua:

Saturday, July 31
Tuesday, July 27

Afternoon—Introductory Exercises.
Grand Concert—Premier Singers and Players Company.

Night—Concert—Premier Singers and Players Company.
Lecture, "The Man of the New Age"—Dr. George L. Parker.

Wednesday, July 28
Afternoon—Concert—Hippie Concert Company.
Lecture, "Unseen Forces"—Judge Manford Schoonover.

Night—Grand Concert—Hippie Concert Company.

Thursday, July 29
Afternoon—Grand Concert—The American Girls.

Night—Concert—The American Girls.
Lecture—Thomas Brooks Fletcher.

Friday, July 30
Afternoon—Concert—Red Grenadiers Band and Male Chorus.

Lecture, "Jean Baptiste and His Brethren"—Wallace Bruce Ambsbury.

Night—Grand Concert—Red Grenadiers Band and Male Chorus.

Saturday, July 31
Afternoon—Concert—The Three Arts Trio.

Night—Prelude—The Three Arts Trio.
Lecture, "Moonshine"—Judge Thomas B. McGregor.

Sunday, August 1
Afternoon—Concert—Rich-Werno Entertainers. Children's Pageant, "The Good Fairy Thrift."

Night—Concert—Rich-Werno Entertainers. Joy Night Program—Popular Character Impersonations—Noah Beilhart.

How to Cull Chickens Shown Next Monday

(By the County Agent.)
You have hens on your farm that have quit laying for the year. These hens are not profitable to you. Now is the time to dispose of them. Culling the loafers out of your flock during the next six weeks will be a profitable practice.

LeRoy Jones of the Purdue Poultry Department will demonstrate the culling of poultry on next Monday, July 26, on two farms in Union County. The morning demonstration will be at Mrs. Roy Carson's, in Harrison Township, at 9:30 a. m. The afternoon demonstration will be at Mrs. Henry Scott's, Harmony Township, at 2 p. m. Plan to attend one of these demonstrations.

Miss Tappan Hostess to Delta Theta Tau

The local chapter of the Delta Theta Tau met at the home of Miss Emelie Tappan Tuesday evening. After the meeting light refreshments, consisting of ice cream with chocolate dip, macaroons, nabiscoes and ice tea were served. The members present were: Misses Natalie and Cleon Johnson, Miriam Kirker, Corinne Snyder, Isabel Sharp, Mary Rebecca Pigman, Ruth McCarty, Nellie George, Kate Husted, Ruth Kitchel, Charlotte Dubois, Mary Catherine Calkins, and Mrs. Spencer Stevens.

W. A. Fosdick Scares Bird Out of Harm's Way

W. A. Fosdick was observed Monday morning carefully "shooting" a fledgling bird across the street and onto the Court House lawn, where it would not be run over. The bird had evidently fallen from its nest somewhere and strayed into the middle of the street. Mr. Fosdick does not like to see a bird harmed.