

GAS FAILS IN SOME HOMES; PLANT OFFICIALS IN QUANDRY

The cold wave which now holds the country in its grip has dealt a staggering blow to the Richmond Light, Heat & Power company. This fact is admitted by company officials.

With the almost complete exhaustion of the city's natural gas supply the Light, Heat & Power company has, of course, suffered a considerable loss in business.

Many people who have been using gas in their furnaces have had their meters taken out and are now using coal. For the most part these people are ones who had an emergency supply of coal on hand.

Can't Get Coal Supply.
People who have depended upon gas to heat their home and who neglected to secure a reserve supply of coal are now realizing that it is almost as difficult to secure coal as it is to obtain an adequate amount of gas.

Answering complaints of some of the gas consumers because the company had not completely shut off its inadequate natural gas supply and turned artificial gas into the mains Manager N. H. Johnson of the Light, Heat & Power company said that under existing conditions not as good service could be given with artificial gas as with natural gas.

The maximum pressure which can be provided for artificial gas is 1 1/2 ounces compared with a two ounce pressure the natural gas was showing at 11 o'clock this morning. Artificial gas provides 600 heat units compared to 1,050 for natural gas.

Makes Service Impossible.
With many homes using gas in furnaces, heating stoves and grates, and no practical method of requiring gas to be used only in cooking ranges, Manager Johnson points out that the small pressure which could be provided for artificial gas would make such service much worse than now obtained from natural gas.

Johnson put the question of shutting off the natural gas and turning artificial gas into the mains up to Mayor Robbins and City Attorney Bond today and both agreed with him that it would be best for the time being to continue the use of the natural supply.

Although it means a loss of business we are advising patrons who have been using natural gas for heating

Use an Axe on Gas Meter

"I ain't getting no gas, can't get a flame in the kitchen range, but the gas meter is keeping right on the job and I want to know how to stop it," said an irate citizen over the police department telephone today.

"Maybe the gas company can tell you how to stop the meter. The only way I know of is to use an axe on it," replied Sergeant McNally.

FROM THE HOOSIER METROPOLIS

AND NUMEROUS CITIES THROUGHOUT INDIANA

Come Reports from Grateful Multitudes

From the large teeming hurrying cities of the great State of Indiana—From the small cities with the proportionate share of bustle and bustle—From Towns and Hamlets nestled among the hills—From the vast expanse of territory known as the country comes the glad tidings from hundreds of grateful and enthusiastic users of the universal tonic, VITALIS. Those who have suffered from Stomach Trouble, Nervousness, Insomnia. Those who are run-down, whose vitality is at ebb tide. Those who are overworked and who lack the old time vigor and ambition, VITALIS, the Health Giver will bring the same relief and will make such sufferers, the man and woman worthy of the name. Read what a few of the many have to say of this wonderful Tonic.

GARY, IND.

"For some time past I have been run-down from overwork. Had scarcely any appetite—sluggish circulation—was nervous and did not sleep well. Have taken less than a bottle of Sweet's Vitalis and from the very beginning felt the good effects. There is a wonderful improvement in my condition and I feel that the use of it for a while longer will restore my former good health and vigor. I gladly recommend it to anyone in the condition I was in.

(Signed) "Arthur T. Park."

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

"I have suffered for three years from kidney and nervous trouble, and at one time had a nervous breakdown. Was bilious, had little or no appetite, my liver was in bad condition. I felt all run-down and tired out. After using Sweet's Vitalis on the advice of a friend, want to say that I now feel like a new man and cheerfully recommend the great Tonic to all who suffer as I did and who wish to gain back their lost health.

(Signed) "George H. Carr."

ANDERSON, IND.

"I want the world to know that I am a happy woman. I had been in ill health for several years and have paid out quite a sum of money, but did not get beneficial results. Was in a very nervous condition and my sleep did not seem to give any real rest. In fact, would get up in the morning feeling almost as tired as when I retired. Suffered with pains in my back and my arms hurt me so at times that I could not do my housework. I saw Sweet's Vitalis advertised and bought some. After using less than one bottle I began to feel better. Am now on my third bottle and am feeling fine. Can now do my housework and if Vitalis was \$5.00 a bottle I would use it.

(Signed) "Ida Jackson."

VITALIS, the universal tonic, will do as much for you if you are not feeling entirely yourself, see the VITALIS man at the

QUIGLEY'S DRUG STORE.
For sale at Quigley's Drug Stores—400 Main, 806 Main, 98 W. Main, 821 North E, 1820 North E.

FLY NATION'S COLORS

Flags which have been neatly packed away since the subsidence of the

Mexican crisis last summer re-appeared on Richmond business houses and residences with the announcement that diplomatic relations with Germany had been broken, Saturday.

FURNACE IN CHURCH STARTS A BLAZE

An overheated furnace in the basement of the Nazarene church, North

Fifth and A streets, late yesterday afternoon started a blaze on the floor about the furnace. A meeting was in progress in the church auditorium at the time and when the fire companies arrived people who were in the build-

ing were departing hurriedly through the several exits. The blaze was soon extinguished with chemicals. Saturday night the fire companies were called out by a blaze on the C & O. trestle at South Second and B streets.



OUR "COLLECTIVE BUYING" METHOD IS ATTRACTING HUNDREDS OF COUPLES TO THIS

Stupendous FEBRUARY SALE!!

They are buying housefuls of furniture; they are having the example set for them by the policies of ourselves and associate-buying stores. "For," they reason, "if 'collective buying,' which is quantity buying, can reduce their prices, we can reduce ours by buying in large quantities." They are right.

And the saving of these folks is three-fold. First, our regular prices are the lowest furniture prices in town, thanks to our collective buying plan. Secondly, they get REDUCTIONS ON THESE ALREADY LOW PRICES. Third, by buying in large quantities, they effect another saving. This sale is an opportunity for you to refurbish Your Home.

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Dozens to Select From—
Prices the Very Lowest



\$24 This splendid solid oak frame Bed Davenport sells regularly at \$30 and is a big value at that price. At \$24 it simply cannot be duplicated. A splendid, comfortable settee by day and comfortable bed by night. Golden oak, black chase leather upholstery.

The Best Dining Table Value We've Ever Offered



\$10.80

February Sale
Prices On All
Dining
Tables

Full 42-inch top extends to 6 feet; golden or fumed finish, a regular \$15.00 Table for only **\$10.80**
BUFFETS to match this Table at \$19.85, \$22.50, up

Many Young Couples Are Taking Advantage of this Sale and Buying Complete Outfits

Certainly, the savings are too big to be missed—the varieties are enormous and liberal credit terms may be arranged when necessary. It is a wise and economical couple that takes advantage of this month's bargain opportunities. Selections made this month will be stored free of charge for Spring delivery if desirable. Look at the pictures and imagine the extreme comfort and happiness this outfit will provide.



THREE Rooms \$100 COMPLETE
Bed room, Diningroom, Kitchen—\$140.00 value, now

THREE Rooms \$165 COMPLETE
Bedroom, Diningroom, Kitchen—\$200.00 value, now

FOUR Rooms \$185 COMPLETE
Parlor, Bedroom, Diningroom, Kitchen—\$220.00 value, now



Reed Cabs Go-Carts & Sulkies
New 1917 Styles
20% OFF



This 2-inch continuous Post
STEEL BED
White or Brass Finish—Feb. Sale Price
\$7.19
Others at \$4.80, \$5.60, up.

20% Hundreds—actually hundreds of New Dressers and Chiffoniers to be sacrificed during February. Make a selection here and now. All are marked. **20%**

Large 25c Size of Famous
Cream Piano and Furniture Polish
—Special During first 5 Days only
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10th & Main WHERE PATRONS ARE PLEASED Richmond

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