

CHARTER.

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of St. Tammany.

BE IT KNOWN, That on this fourth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty sixth, before me, Joseph Bradford Lancaster, a notary public in and for the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the parties whose names are hereunto subscribed, all of full age, who declare that availing themselves of the provisions of the laws relating to the organization of corporations for manufacturing purposes, they have covenanted and agreed and by these presents do covenant and agree and bind themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to form and constitute a corporation and a body politic in law, for the purposes and objects and under the stipulations, articles and conditions following, to-wit:

Article I.

The name and style of this corporation shall be THE PEOPLE'S GINNING AND ICE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, and by that name it shall have the power and authority to exist and enjoy succession for the full term and period of ninety-nine years from date hereof unless sooner dissolved. The domicile of this corporation shall be in the town of Covington, Louisiana. All citations and other legal processes shall be served upon the President, and in the case of his absence or inability to act, upon the Vice-President, and in the event of the absence or inability of both said officers, then upon the Secretary.

Article II.

The objects and purposes for which this corporation is established and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be: To make and manufacture ice, gin cotton, mill corn and other cereals and to do a general milling business, and to that end acquire, own, hold or lease lands, to acquire, own, hold or lease and to operate ice factories, gins, grist and other mills, and the machinery or other articles, appliances or fixtures necessary to operate same and to do everything incidental thereto, to sell, mortgage, pledge, lease, sub-lease or otherwise dispose or incur the property, real, personal and mixed of the Corporation, and to do all such acts and things as may be necessary or proper to carry out the objects and purposes of this Corporation.

Article III.

This Corporation may sue or be sued in its Corporate name, make and use a Corporate seal to break and alter at pleasure, hold, receive, purchase, convey, sell, mortgage, hypothecate, pledge, lease, sub-lease and enjoy real, personal and mixed property, also to borrow and lend money and to make contracts, make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary, and at the same time alter and change them at pleasure, and shall possess all rights and privileges to which corporations are or may be authorized and entitled to possess.

Article IV.

The capital stock of this corporation shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars, divided into and represented by three thousand shares, of the sum of five dollars per share, payable in such a manner as the Board of Directors may determine. All shares of stock issued shall be signed by the President and Secretary.

Article V.

No stockholder shall have the authority or the right to sell or otherwise dispose of his stock in whole or in part without first giving to the President of this corporation ten days notice in writing of his desire or intention to dispose of his stock or a portion thereof, and allowing the stockholders the first opportunity to buy said stock at the same price offered by others, and upon failure or neglect of the other stockholders to avail themselves within the said ten days, of the right to purchase, the said stock may then be sold in open market.

Article VI.

The business affairs and corporate powers of this corporation shall be invested in and exercised by a Board of Directors composed of nine stockholders, five of whom shall constitute a quorum. No person shall be eligible as a director or officer as herein provided in this charter, who is not a stockholder of this corporation. The members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by a majority of the votes of the stockholders cast at a meeting to be held for that purpose each year. The following persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors: H. J. Smith, Dr. G. R. Tolson, H. Laroussin, E. F. Limong, Sandy D. Bulloch, Joseph B. Lancaster, R. E. Smith, W. J. Warren and Bertrand Labat, with G. H. Tolson as Vice President, Sandy D. Bulloch as Treasurer, and Joseph B. Lancaster as Secretary; which said Board of Directors and officers shall continue in office until the first Monday in December, 1902, or until their successors are elected. On which date and annually thereafter an election for Directors shall be held at the office of the corporation after fifteen days notice thereof shall be given by publication in one of the newspapers published in the Parish of St. Tammany by two publications thereof during said time.

A failure to elect Directors on the date above mentioned shall not dissolve this corporation, but it then existing Board of Directors shall continue in office until another election shall be held as soon thereafter as practicable, of which notice shall be given in the manner already provided for above. Every Board of Directors shall elect a President and a Vice President from among their own number, and they shall also elect a Treasurer and Secretary, who may or may not be a member of the Board of Directors.

Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors from any cause shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board of Directors from among the stockholders of the corporation. The Board of Directors shall make such by-laws, rules and regulations as they may deem necessary, and change and alter same at pleasure; and shall have full power to appoint such managers or other employees, fix and determine their salaries, terms of office, with the right to dismiss them at said Board's pleasure; and said Board shall have the right to fix and determine the salaries and duties of the several officers as herein provided, and to alter the same to the interest and welfare of this corporation. They shall also have the power to sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, sub-lease, and purchase property, movable and immovable, personal and mixed; borrow, lend, mortgage, issue notes and bonds; make contracts and do all things which may be necessary to properly transact and manage the business of the corporation.

Article VII.

This act of incorporation may be changed, modified or amended, or said corporation may be dissolved with the assent of three-fourths of the stockholders or represented at any general meeting of the stockholders of the corporation convened for such purpose, after thirty days notice of such meeting shall have been given by advertisement in one of the newspapers published in the Parish of St. Tammany by four publications during said time. Whenever this corporation is dissolved, either by limitation or from any other cause, its affairs shall be liquidated under the superintendence of three commissioners chosen for that purpose from among the stockholders by a majority of stock present or represented at a general meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose as above set forth in this article. Said commissioners shall remain in office until the affairs of the corporation shall have been fully liquidated. Should a vacancy occur in said Board of Commissioners the survivors or survivor shall continue to act.

Article VIII.

No stockholder of this corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or debts thereof in any further sum than the unpaid balance due on the shares of stock subscribed for or owned by him, nor shall any informality in organization render this charter null or expose a stockholder to any liability beyond the unpaid balance, if any, of his stock. This done and passed in my notarial office in the town of Covington, on the day, month and year herein first above written, in the presence of Julian H. Smith and W. H. Galloway, competent witnesses of lawful age and residing in this Parish and State who hereto signed their names, together with said parties and me, notary, after due reading of the whole.

Article IX.

Originaly signed: Henry J. Smith, G. H. Tolson, Bertrand Labat, Christine Beck, Emile Beaucaudray, Joseph B. Lancaster, E. E. Smith, Witnesses: Julian H. Smith, W. H. Galloway, JOSEPH B. LANCASTER, Notary Public.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation is a true and correct copy of the original on file and of record in my office. Given under my hand and seal this sixth day of December, 1901. JOSEPH B. LANCASTER, Notary Public.

State of Louisiana—Parish of St. Tammany. I hereby certify the above and foregoing charter to be truly recorded in Mortgage Book "H," folios 541, 542, 543, 544 and 545. Given under my hand and seal of office, this 11th day of December A. D., 1901. W. E. BASSARD, Deputy Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder, de-21, 28, 1901. ja-4, 11, 18, 1902.

U. S. Land Office, New Orleans, La., Nov. 20, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the District Court in New Orleans, Louisiana, on Thursday, January 2, 1902, viz: EUGENE E. BOULLON.

Who made homestead entry No. 16,076 for the southwest quarter, section 11, township 8, south range 12 east, St. Helena meridian. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land viz: Daniel Combs, Edward Cousin, Louis Morena and Paul Castles, all of St. Tammany Parish, La. WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

U. S. Land Office, New Orleans, La., December 2, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the District Court at Covington, La., on Wednesday, January 15, 1902, viz: JOSEPHINE BROWN.

Mother and heir of Louiza Brown, deceased. Who made homestead entry No. 17,779 for the south half of the northeast quarter of section 29, and the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, section 28, township 4, south range 10 east, St. Helena Meridian. Also names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Zach Brown, Richard Dorsey, Thomas Cyprian, John Cyprian, all of Verger E. O., La. WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

U. S. Land Office, New Orleans, La., Nov. 30, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the District Court at Covington, La., on Wednesday, January 15, 1902, viz: OLIVER FARRER.

Who made homestead entry No. 17,870 for the west half of the southwest quarter of section 4, and east half of the southeast quarter of section 5, township 6, south range 13 east, St. Helena Meridian. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land viz: W. E. Parker, J. D. Thomas, T. H. Carpenter, and Warren Thomas, all of Thomasville P. O., La. WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

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