CHARTER.

AMENDMENT TO CHARTER THARP-BULTMAN-SONTHEIMER COMPANY.

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans. Be it known that on this thirty-first day of the month of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and forty-sixth, before me, HENRY P. DART, JR., a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for this city and the Parish of Orleans, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared A. F. Bultman and A. Fred Bultman, Jr., of age and residents of New Orleans, who declare that at a meeting of the stockholders of THARP-BULTMAN-SONTHEIMER COMPANY, duly held at the office and domicile of said corporation on the 10th inst., they, the said appearers, were appointed as a committee empowered to perform all necessary acts and do all things legal and proper to carry into effect the vote and decision had and taken by said stockholders at the meeting aforesaid regarding the alteration an amendment of the charter of said cororation, and accordingly the said appearers have produced to me, Notary, a duly certified copy of the minutes of the said meeting of stockholders of the THARP-BULTMAN-SONTHEIMER COMPANY, held on January 10, 1922, and have requested me to annex the same to the present act, and I, Notary, have received the said copy and duly paraphed the same and attached it to the margin hereof.

And now, in accordance with and pursuant to the unanimous action of the stockholders aforesaid, the appearers declare that at a meeting of the stockholders of THARP-BULTMAN-SONTHEIMER COMPANY, duly convened at the office of said corporation in the City of New Orleans, on the date aforesaid, the charter of said corporation, executed before G. G. Kronenberger, Notary Public, April 27, 1911, and amended by act before the same Notary on August 30, 1912, was amended, altered, changed and re-enacted in the particulars hereinafter set forth and so as to read hereafter as here and now set out.

Thereupon I, Notary, have transcribed and incorporated herein the alterations and amendments aforesaid, to-wit:

1st. That Article First of said charter be and tt is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE I. The name and title of this corporation shall be THE BULTMAN MORTUARY SERVICE, INC., and under its said name it shall have full power and authority to have and enjoy corporate existence for the full term of ninety-nine years from the date hereof; to contract, sue and be sued; to make and use a corporate seal, and the same to break or alter at pleasure; to borrow money, issue bonds, notes or other evidence of debt; to hold, receive, lease, sublease, purchase, sell and convey as well as mortgage, hypothecate and pledge property both real and personal; to name and appoint such officers, directors, managers, clerks and other employees as the interest of the corporation may require; and to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the proper management and regulation of the affairs of the corporation as may be requisite and proper and the same to change, alter or amend at pleasure.

2nd. That Article Third of this charter, as amended aforesaid, be and it is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE THIRD—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is created and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be, to render the last services to the dead and to that end to conduct, manage and transact in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, and elsewhere, a mortuary service in all its branches and departments, including therein all the usual, necessary and proper adjuncts of such service; the operation of necessary vehicles, and the ownership and maintenance of burial places and crematories. In addition to the foregoing, this corporation is empowered to own and operate vehicles for hire, garages or other establishments for the use of motor vehicles, and generally to carry on any business or occupation incidental to or which will more fully effectuate the objects and purposes of this corporation.

3rd. That Article Fourth of said charter is amended by adding to the article as it now stands a new sentence, to-wit: "The capital stock may be increased to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars."

4th. That Article Sixth of said charter be and it is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE SIXTH—All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors to be composed of five stockholders elected annually on the first Monday in January in each year at a general meeting convened for that purpose, of which meeting written notice shall be given to each stockholder in person or by mail to his address in the current City Directory at least three days preceding said meeting. At such meeting each shareholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, and the same may be cast in person or by proxy, and a majority of votes so cast shall be sufficient to elect. Failure to elect a Board of Directors at the annual meeting or an adjournment session thereof shall not dissolve the corporation and the sitting board shall continue to act until its successor is elected in due course thereafter. Vacancies occurring in the board between elections shall be filled by the remaining members of the same. Three directors shall constitute a quorum for all purposes.

The Board of Directors shall elect from its number a President, Vice-President and Treasurer. It shall also elect a Secretary, but that office may be filled by an non-stockholder, and the board may combine the functions of Vive-President and Secretary or Vice-President and Treasurer, or Vice-President and Manager or Secretary-Treasurer in its discretion.

The President shall appoint such other officers, clerks, agents and employees as he may deem necessary, and may dismiss same at his pleasure. Should the board appoint a Manager, the power of employment and discharge hereinabove vested in the President shall then be exersised by said Manager.

5th. That Article VII of said charter be and it is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE VII.—This corporation shall continue the business in which it is now engaged and as herein authorized, but this act of incorporation may be altered, amended or modified at a general meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose, after three days notice as aforesaid, and agreed to by two-thirds of all the stock of said corporation.

6th. That Article VIII of said charter be and it is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII. This corporation may be dissolved and liquidated whenever in the judgment of the Board of Directors it shall be deemed advisable and for the benefit of the corporation. Such dissolution shall be preceded by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Board of Directors at a meeting called for that purpose and followed by a meeting of the stockholders convened after three days written notice to take action on such resolution, and adopted by two-thirds in interest of all the stockholders of such corporation. One or more liquidators shall be elected by such stockholders, by majority vote, at a meeting aforesaid, with full power to settle its affairs, collect the outstanding indebtedness, sell and convey its property, pay its debts and divide the remainder among the stockholders.

The powers here granted to the Board of Directors and stockholders shall be construed to be in addition to any other rights or powers granted in such cases by any existing law or law hereafter enacted on the subject matter.

7th. That the charter of said corporation as amended aforesaid, be and the same is further amended by adding thereto a new article to be called Article XI, and to read as follows:

ARTICLE XI. Any and all notices of every kind required by law or by this charter may be waived by unanimous consent of all the directors and of stockholders as the case may be, signed by them and entered on the minutes of any meeting to which such waiver applies. And such waiver shall in every such instance have the effect of validating and perfecting in each instance any action, resolution, or other proceeding taken or had thereunder with the same force and effect as if the same had occurred after notice given as may be required by any law now or hereafter enacted.

And said appearers further declare that save and except as herein amended, the said original charter of said corporation and the amendments thereof shall remain in full force and effect, and they have required me, notary, to cause this amendment to said instruments to be duly recorded, published and filed as required by law to the end that the same may be operative and binding on all persons who are now or may hereafter become stockholders of said corporation, or be otherwise interested therein or affected thereby.

Thus done and signed at my office in New Orleans, on the day, month and year herein first above written, in the presence of John Dart and Louis C. Guldry, competent witnesses, who have hereunto signed their names with the said appearers and me, notary, after reading of the whole.

A. FRED BULTMAN, JR.,
A. F. BULTMAN.

Witnesses: (Signed) John Dart and Louis C. Guldry.

HENRY J. DART. JR.,
Notary Public.

I, the undersigned Recorder of Mortgages, in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Act of Amendment of the Tharp-Bultman-Sontheimer Co. was this day duly recorded in my office in Book 1268, Folio 49, New Orleans, February 2, 1922.

(Signed) ROBT. SCOTT,
Deputy.

I hereby certify that the foregoing copy of Act of Amendment of Tharp-Bultman-Sontheimer Co., dated January 31, 1922, is a true and correct copy of the original on file in my notarial archives.

New Orleans, La., March 4, 1922.

HENRY P. DART, JR.,
Notary Public.

March 9—April 13.

AMENDMENT TO CHARTER OF H. B. HOWELL & CO., LTD.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans. Be it known that on this 24th day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, before me, JOSIAH GROSS, a Notary, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, therein residing, and in the presence of Benjamin Gross and Oscar Pilman, good and competent witnesses, personally came and appeared W. E. Howell, Sr., who appeared in his capacity as President of H. B. HOWELL & CO., LIMITED, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana by act before JOHN BENDERNAGEL, Notary Public, in and for the Parish of Orleans, on the 20th day of December, 1890, recorded in the Mortgage Office of the Parish of Orleans, in book 444, folio 17, as amended by act passed on June 6, 1906, and recorded in the Mortgage Office of the Parish of Orleans, in book 849, folio 177, who declares that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of H. B. HOWELL & CO., LIMITED, adopted December 28, 1921, a copy hereto attached and made part hereof, and after due notice to the stockholders by publication according to the charter of said corporation, and written notices to each stockholder according to law, a special meeting of the stockholders was called and held at 220 Chartres street, New Orleans, Louisiana, on the 9th day of February, 1922.

That at said special meeting of the stockholders the following were present or represented by written proxy, holding over three-fourths of the issued capital stock of H. B. HOWELL & CO., LIMITED:

Mr. W. E. Howell, Sr., 27 (twenty-seven) shares; Mr. W. E. Howell, Jr., 429 (four hundred and twenty-nine) shares; Mr. J. L. Robert, 50 (fifty) shares; Mr. Dalmas Robichaux, represented by Conrad Robichaux, through his written proxy, 2 (two) shares; Mrs. H. B. Howell, represented by J. L. Robert, through her written proxy, 226 (two hundred and twenty-six) shares; Miss C. St. Martin, represented by J. L. Robert, through her written proxy, 1 (one) share; Mrs. Florence P. Howell, represented by J. L. Robert, through her written proxy, 245 (two hundred and forty-five) shares; Mr. T. C. McKowen, represented by W. E. Howell, through his written proxy, 5 (five) shares; Mrs. M. I. Hamilton, represented by W. E. Howell, through her written proxy, 1 (one) share; Mr. Jos. T. Badeaux, represented by W. E. Howell, through his written proxy, 3 (three) shares. Total number of shares 991 (nine hundred and ninety-one). And voted unanimously to amend Articles 2, 3, 4 and 6 of the charter of H. B. HOWELL & CO., LIMITED, as recommended by the Board of Directors, except Article 4.

Appearer further declares that in accord with the resolution adopted by the stockholders at their meeting held as aforesaid, a duly certified copy of which is hereto annexed showing the amendments adopted by the stockholders at such stockholders' meeting, as well as his authority to appear herein, he was authorized and directed to appear before a duly qualified Notary Public to execute the said amendments as adopted by the stockholders for the purpose of affording authentic evidence and permanent record thereof.

Appearer further declares that the charter of H. B. HOWELL & CO., LIMITED, was amended by the stockholders at the meeting held as aforesaid, there being present in person or by written proxy nine hundred and ninety-one shares of the capital stock of the corporation, out of a total of one thousand shares, and that each amendment as herein recited was voted for by all of the stock present.

ARTICLE II. That Article II be amended to read as follows: The object and purpose for which this corporation is established and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be: To manufacture and compound drugs, chemicals and medicines; to buy and sell at wholesale and retail; to deal in all kinds of drugs, chemicals, oils, paint, patent and proprietary and other remedies, and to manufacture, buy, sell and deal in druggist's supplies of every kind and description, druggist's sundries, sanitary appliances, fancy goods and other articles and things used in and pertaining to the druggist's supply business, and do all acts and things reasonable and necessary to that end and for the proper conduct of said business or any connection therein.

ARTICLE III. That Article III of this charter be so amended as to read: The authorized capital stock of this corporation is hereby increased from One Hundred Thousand to Three Hundred Thousand Dollars, divided into three thousand shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars each, to be paid as follows: 25 per cent of the subscription in cash and 25 per cent within twelve months.

The capital stock of this corporation may be increased or diminished by a vote of three-fourths of the capital stock present or represented at a general meeting of stockholders called for that purpose after thirty days' notice of same shall have been given in one of the daily newspapers published in the city of New Orleans and by written notices to the stockholders in the manner provided by law.

The shares of the capital stock of this corporation shall be transferable only on the books of the corporation. In the event that any subscriber shall fail to pay any installment due upon his stock within thirty days after a call shall be made therefor, or at such time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the said stock, together with all installments which may have been paid thereon, may at the option of the Board of Directors be declared forfeited to the corporation and said stock may be sold for the benefit of the corporation by the Board of Directors on such terms and conditions as said Board may determine and direct.

ARTICLE IV. That Article IV be amended to read as follows: That all the powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors, and the business of the corporation shall be managed and conducted by said Board. The Board shall be composed of not less than five nor more than seven stockholders, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business of the corporation, and said Board shall be elected annually on the first Monday in January of each year.

The first Board of Directors as provided in this amendment shall be elected at a general meeting of the stockholders called for this day for the purpose of amending the charter hereof.

The Board of Directors shall immediately convene and shall elect from its number the following officers: A President; not more than three Vice-Presidents, to be known as First, Second and Third Vice-Presidents; a Treasurer, and a Secretary, and a Chairman of the Board of Directors, or may at the option of the Board elect only the following officers: A President; two Vice-Presidents, to be known as First and Second Vice-President, the First Vice-President to be Ex-Officio Secretary and Treasurer, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Any vacancy which may occur in said Board or its officers may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired term of said Board or officers.

ARTICLE VI. That Article VI be amended to read as follows: Each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, to be cast in person or by proxy, at the annual meeting for the purpose of electing directors, which shall require the majority of the capital stock present or represented to elect.

The Board of Directors shall make all by-laws, rules and regulations for the transaction of the business and affairs of the corporation, and alter and amend the same at pleasure, and they shall have power and authority to make all purchases and all sales, borrow money, issue notes, mortgage and pledge property of the corporation as security, and do all other things appertaining to the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the corporation.

Thus done and passed and amended before me in the presence of Benjamin Gross and Oscar Pilman, competent, resident witnesses, who with said appearer signs hereto, before the day hereinbefore written.

(Signed) W. E. HOWELL, President;
BEN GROSS,
O. PILMAN.

JOSIAH GROSS,
Notary Public.

Recorded in M. O. B. 1268, folio 93, Feb. 24, 1922.

A true copy of the original, extant and of record in my current notarial register. In witness whereof my hand and seal at New Orleans, March 1, 1922.

JOSIAH GROSS,
Notary Public.

Mch. 9.—April 13.

CHARTER OF WHITEMAN CONTRACTING CO., INC.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans. Be it known, that on this 28th day of January, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-two (1922), before me, James E. Zunts, a notary public in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the general laws of the State of Louisiana providing for the organization of corporations, and especially Act 267 of the Acts of 1914, they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents, covenant, agree and bind themselves, as well as all such persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to form and constitute a corporation and body politic in law, and to that end they state the following matters and things, and execute and adopt these articles of incorporation, as follows, to-wit:

ARTICLE I—The name of said corporation shall be "Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc."

ARTICLE II—The objects and purposes for which said corporation is formed are:

To carry on the business of dredging, contracting, and engineering in all their various branches; also to design, construct, enlarge, extend, repair, complete take down and remove and otherwise engage in any work upon bridges, piers, wharves, docks, levees, foundations, canals or other waterways, lighthouses, buildings, railroads, telegraph and telephone lines, and all kinds of excavations and constructions, and to make, execute, and take or receive any contracts or assignments of contracts therefor or relating thereto or connected therewith;

Further, to do and carry on a general business of wrecking, tearing down and destroying and salving buildings, vessels and other watercraft of all kinds and descriptions, and all structures and edifices, and to tear out and remove from such buildings, vessels and other watercraft, structures, and edifices engines, boilers, machinery, and other fixtures of any kind and description, and to buy, or otherwise acquire, own, lease and deal in generally all building material of every kind and description both new and second hand.

Further to construct, equip, purchase, or otherwise acquire, own, sell, and lease lighters, derricks, scows, dredges, vessels and all watercraft of any kind and description, and to maintain, operate and navigate the same for the purposes herein set forth; to engage in a towage and lighterage business; to construct buildings, machinery, docks, ships, elevators, and all other things calculated in any way to facilitate the means and methods of transportation, towing, lightering, salving, dredging, wrecking, etc., and to sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise hpyothecate the same; and to keep for sale and deal in generally all material, equipment and supplies of every kind and description both new and second hand, necessary and, or convenient for the construction, use, navigation and general operation of vessels, dredges, lighters, scows, derricks, and all watercraft of any kind and description; and to carry on the business of ship chandler and to supply all materials necessary and useful in the operation and navigation of vessels and for use in other works; to carry on the business of collliering and bunkering.

To purchase and otherwise acquire hold, rent, lease, improve, mortgage, sell, and convey, and deal in generally real and personal property of all kinds, and in particular lands, and lands under water and riparian, buildings, vessels, dredges, derricks, scows, lighters, and all other watercraft of any kind and description, piers, wharves, docks, and equipment thereof.

And further to do and perform any act or thing which may be necessary or proper to accomplish the objects and purposes of said corporation.

ARTICLE III. The amount of capital stock of said corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00), all of which shall be common stock and none of which shall be preferred stock.

ARTICLE IV. The amount to which the capital stock of said corporation may be increased shall be Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00).

ARTICLE V. The number of shares of which the said capital stock of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) of said corporation shall consist shall be five hundred (500) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) per share, the shares of said corporation to remain at One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) in the event of the increase of the capital stock of said corporation beyond Fifty Thousand Dollars.

ARTICLE VI. The location of the domicile of said corporation shall be in the City of New Orleans, in the Parish of Orleans, in the State of Louisiana.

ARTICLE VII. The period of duration of said corporation shall be fifty (50) years.

ARTICLE VIII. The number of the directors of said corporation shall be three. The officers of said corporation shall be those provided for by law, and such other officers as may be provided for by the by-laws. The names and post-office addresses of the directors of said corporation who are selected to serve for the first year or until their successors are elected and qualified shall be as follows, to-wit: George W. Whiteman, New Orleans, La.; Henry C. Whiteman, New Orleans, La.; John C. Foster, New Orleans, La., with George W. Whiteman as president, Henry C. Whiteman as vice-president, and John C. Foster as secretary and treasurer.

ARTICLE IX. The names and post-office addresses of the subscribers to these articles of incorporation and a statement of the number of shares of stock which each subscriber is to take in said corporation are as follows, to-wit: George W. Whiteman, New Orleans, La., 125 shares; Henry C. Whiteman, New Orleans, La., 125 shares; John C. Foster, New Orleans, La., 1 share.

ARTICLE X. The subscription of John C. Foster to the number of shares of the capital stock of said corporation above set forth in Article IX is to be paid for in cash.

George W. Whiteman is to pay for the one hundred and twenty-five shares of the capital stock of said corporation subscribed for by him, as above set forth in Article IX hereof, by the sale and transfer by him to said corporation of his undivided one-half interest in and to certain articles of personal or movable property.

Henry C. Whiteman is to pay for the one hundred and twenty-five shares of the capital stock of said corporation subscribed for by him, as above set forth in Article IX hereof, by the sale and transfer by him to said corporation of his undivided one-half interest in and to certain articles of personal or movable property.

And there is annexed hereto and made part of the articles of incorporation an accurate and detailed description of the above mentioned personal or movable property proposed to be transferred to said corporation by George W. Whiteman and Henry C. Whiteman, together with an itemized statement of the value thereof as appraised by George W. Whiteman, Henry C. Whiteman and John C. Foster, the directors of said corporation.

ARTICLE XI. Each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote. There shall be no cumulative voting.

ARTICLE XII. The Board of Directors of said corporation shall be, and are hereby, invested with all the corporate powers of said corporation, including among other powers the following, viz: the power to make, alter and amend suitable by-laws for the government of said corporation; the power to borrow money, execute mortgages, issue notes or bonds, to sell or pledge the same, and generally to do all things pertinent to or necessary for the objects and purposes of said corporation, or which are or may be permitted by the laws applicable to corporations; the above recital of powers granted to the Board of Directors not being exclusive, the intention being to invest the Board of Directors with all such other and further powers as may be proper to accomplish the objects and purposes of said corporation.

ARTICLE XIII. Stockholders' meetings for the election of directors of said corporation shall be held annually on the third Tuesday in January.

ARTICLE XIV. The president and the vice-president and the secretary shall be authorized to receive service of all legal process.

Thus done and signed in my office in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, in the presence of M. Caplan and G. Rieffel, competent witnesses, both of this city, who have hereunto signed their names with the said appearers and me, Notary, on the date and day above written, and the said subscribers do hereby subscribe for and agree to pay for the number of shares set opposite their several names.

(Original Signed:)
H. C. WHITEMAN ET ALS.

Witnesses:
M. CAPLAN,
G. RIEFFEL.

JAMES E. ZUNTS,
(Seal) Notary Public.

I, the undersigned Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of WHITEMAN CONTRACTING CO., INC., was this day duly recorded in my office, including the description of and statement of the value of the property given in payment of subscription of stock of said corporation as set out in said charter, as appraised by the directors, annexed to said act of incorporation, in book 1268, folio 35.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 30, 1922.

ROBT. SCOTT,
Deputy Recorder of Mortgages.

I, the undersigned Notary Public, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act of incorporation of the WHITEMAN CONTRACTING CO., INC., as well as resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said company authorizing the purchase of certain real estate therein described, annexed to and made part of said act of incorporation on file and of record in my office.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 14, 1922.

JAMES E. ZUNTS,
(Seal) Notary Public.

Statement of the Value of the Property to be Transferred to Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc., by George W. Whiteman and Henry C. Whiteman, as appraised by the Board of Directors of Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
PARISH OF ORLEANS.

I, the undersigned, John C. Foster, hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc., and that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said corporation at a meeting of the Board of Directors of said corporation held on the 28th day of January, 1922, at which meeting there were present all of the directors of said corporation, to-wit:

RESOLUTION.

"Be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc., in meeting of Board of Directors assembled, that the Board of Directors of said corporation do hereby appraise the property proposed to be transferred to this corporation by George W. Whiteman and Henry C. Whiteman as follows:

Dredge named Orleans, length 75′ beam 24′, depth 6′, built in 1913, entirely of cypress, 10″ sides, 4″ bottom, 3″ deck, with Clyde Special Dredge Type engines, size 8¼ by 10″, condenser, evaporator, filter, light plant, two duplex boiler feeders, Clyde Type return tube 80 H. P. boiler, Donkey boiler 15 H. P., boom 72′, and crews quarters for ten men..$10,000.00

Dredge named Jefferson, rebuilt 1922, length 80′, beam 34′, depth 5′, built of pine, bottom 3″ by 12″, sides 6″ by 10″, deck 2″, 3 bulkheads fore and aft, double cylinder double drum dredge engines 12″ by 14″, Economic return tube boiler 60 H. P., donkey boiler 45 H. P. vertical, steel boom 86′.....$3,800.00

Barge named Whiteman Contracting Co. No. 1, length 100′, beam 28′, depth 8′, about nine years old, good condition, crew quarters for two men, 1 anchor winch, two anchors, lake type....$3,000.00

Barge named Whiteman Contracting Co. No. 2, length 70′, beam 22′, depth 5′, 6″ gunnel sides, 3″ bottom, 2″ deck $1,200.00

Barge named Whiteman Contracting Co. No. 3, length 50′, beam 20′, depth 5′, open type without deck.....$205.00

Two complete diving outfits containing the following articles: 2 diving pumps, 4 diving helmets, 4 diving dresses, 500 feet of hose, 30 wrecking blocks, 25 jacks, 6 shots (90′ each), anchor chain..$1,000.00

Whiteman Contracting Co. Pile Driver length 36′, beam 18′, depth 4′, bottom 2″, sides 4″ by 10″, deck 2″, 3 fore and aft bulkheads $450.00

One thirty-ton derrick, equipped as follows: One Stratsburgh Double Cylinder Double Drum Hoisting engine, Cylinders 9″ by 12″, built extra heavy; one double cylinder double drum swinging engine, 6″ by 8″; one Double Cylinder Ledgerwood Propelling engine, 7″ by 10″; one 60 H. P. vertical boiler; steel boom 70′, steel bull wheel; "A"—frame and stiff leg 18″ by 18″ wood, all placed on barge 90′ long, 36′ beam, 6′6″ deep, sides 8″ by 10″; bottom 3″, deck 3″, 3 fore and aft bulkheads, 8″ by 10″ thick..$5,345.00

Totaling $25,000.00

"Be it further resolved that the Secretary of this corporation be and he is hereby authorized to accept for and in the name of Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc., a transfer or act of sale of said property at the value or price of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) in full payment and discharge of the subscriptions of the said George W. Whiteman and Henry C. Whiteman to one hundred and twenty-five shares each of the capital stock of said Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc., of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.00) per share and of a total par value and actual value of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00), and

"Be it further resolved that the Secretary and President of this corporation be and they are hereby authorized upon receipt of act of sale of said property from George W. Whiteman and Henry C. Whiteman, to execute and deliver to said George W. Whiteman and Henry C. Whiteman each one hundred and twenty-five full paid and non-assessable shares of the capital stock of this corporation, of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.00), and of the total par value and actual value of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00)."

New Orleans, Jan. 28, 1922.

I further certify that I am the custodian of the book of minutes and other books and records of said Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc., and that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution taken from the book of minutes of said corporation, being copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said corporation on the above stated date.

I further certify that George W. Whiteman is President and Henry C. Whiteman is Vice-President of said Whiteman Contracting Co., Inc.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto affixed the name and seal of said corporation by myself as its Secretary, this the 28th day of January, 1922.

JOHN C. FOSTER,
(Seal) Secretary.
WHITEMAN CONTRACTING CO., INC.

Mch. 9.—April 13.

CHARTER OF CONSOLIDATED FUEL CO., INC.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans. City of New Orleans. Be it known, that on the 6th day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-two (1922), before me, George Montgomery, a notary public in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, acting under authority of the Governor, for and in the place of James E. Zunts, another notary public in and for said Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, now absent from the State on leave as will be shown by certificate of leave of absence granted said James E. Zunts, notary public, attached hereto and made part hereof; and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the general laws of the State of Louisiana providing for the organization of corporations, and especially Act 267 of the Acts of 1914, they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents, covenant, agree, and bind themselves, as well as all such persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to form and constitute a corporation and body politic in law, and to that end they do state the following matters and things, and execute and adopt these articles of incorporation as follows, to-wit:

ARTICLE I—The name of said corporation shall be "Consolidated Fuel Co., Inc."

ARTICLE II—The objects and purposes for which said corporation is formed are as follows:

To carry on a general fuel business both retail and wholesale; to buy, sell, store, deal in, export and import coal, coke, wood, and other fuel;

To build, equip, purchase, or otherwise acquire, own, sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise hypothecate barges, scows, boats and vessels, and all other watercraft of any kind and description, and to maintain, operate and navigate the same, solely, however, for the use and benefit of said corporation and not for hire;

To build, equip, purchase, or otherwise acquire, and own buildings, piers, docks, wharves, warehouses, and all other things necessary or proper to carry on the business of said corporation and to sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise hypothecate the same;

To conduct a general brokerage business, including the business of marine or vessel brokerage and agency;

To do a general agency business, including the agency of marine insurance;

To charter, purchase, or otherwise acquire vessels, cargoes, and all maritime property, and to deal in, handle and manage, and dispose of the same, solely, however, for the use and benefit of said corporation and not for hire;

To purchase and otherwise acquire, hold, rent, lease, improve, mortgage, sell, and convey, and deal in generally real and personal property of all kinds, and in particular lands, lands under water and riparian, buildings, vessels, barges, scows, and all other watercraft of any kind and description, piers, wharves, docks, warehouses, and equipment thereof;

And further to do and perform any act or thing necessary or proper for the accomplishment of, or pertinent to the objects and purposes of said corporation.

ARTICLE III—The amount of capital stock of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00), all of which shall be common stock and none of which shall be preferred stock.

ARTICLE IV—The amount to which the capital stock of said corporation may be increased shall be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. ($250,000.00).

ARTICLE V—The number of shares of which the said capital stock of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) of said corporation shall consist, shall be five hundred (500) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.00) per share, the shares of said corporation to remain at one hundred dollars ($100.00) in the event of the increase of the capital stock of said corporation beyond fifty thousand dollars.

ARTICLE VI—The location of the domicile of said corporation shall be in the City of New Orleans, in the Parish of Orleans, in the State of Louisiana.

ARTICLE VII—The period of duration of said corporation shall be fifty (50) years.

ARTICLE VIII—The number of directors of said corporation shall be five. The officers of said corporation shall be those provided for by law, and such other officers as may be provided for by the by-laws. The names and post office addresses of the directors of said corporation who are selected to serve for the first year or until their successors are elected and qualified shall be as follows, to-wit:

Hardy E. McCormack, Birmingham, Ala.; Robert P. Hyams, New Orleans, La.; Frederick Gillmore, Pensacola, Fla.; Henry C. Whiteman, New Orleans, La.; Robert J. Milling, Mobile, Ala.; with: Hardy E. McCormack as president; Robert P. Hyams as 1st vice-president and treasurer; Frederick Gillmore as 2nd vice-president; Henry C. Whiteman as 3rd vice-president, and Robert J. Milling as secretary.

ARTICLE IX—The names and post office addresses of the subscribers to these articles of incorporation and a statement of the number of shares of stock which each subscriber is to take in said corporation are as follows, to-wit: Hardy E. McCormack, Birmingham, Ala., fifty (50) shares; Robert P. Hyams, New Orleans, La., fifty (50) shares; Frederick Gillmore, Pensacola, Fla., fifty (50) shares; Henry C. Whiteman, New Orleans, La., fifty (50) shares; Robert J. Milling, Mobile, Ala., fifty (50) shares.

ARTICLE X—Each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote. There shall be no cumulative voting.

ARTICLE XI—The board of directors of said corporation shall be, and are hereby invested with all the corporate powers of said corporation, including among other powers the following, viz: the power to make, alter and amend suitable by-laws for the government of said corporation; the power to borrow money, execute mortgages, issue notes or bonds, to sell or pledge the same, and generally to do all things pertinent to, or necessary for the objects and purposes of said corporation, or which are or many be permitted by the laws applicable to corporations, the above recital of powers granted to the board of directors not being exclusive, the intention being to invest the board of directors with all such other and further powers as may be proper to accomplish the objects and purposes of said corporation.

ARTICLE XII—Stockholders' meetings for the election of directors of said corporation shall be held annually on the first Monday in February of each year.

ARTICLE XIII—The president and the vice-presidents, the secretary and the treasurer shall be authorized to receive service of all legal process.

Thus done and passed, in my office, in the City of New Orleans, in the presence of P. L. Pierce and John C. Foster, competent witnesses, both of legal age, who have hereunto signed their names with the said appearerr and me, notary, on the date and day hereinabove first written, and the said subscribers do hereby subscribe for and agree to pay for the number of shares set opposite their several names.

(ORIGINAL SIGNED):
H. E. McCORMACK, et als.
Witnesses: P. L. Pierce, John C. Foster.

GEO. MONTGOMERY,
Notary Public, acting for and representing James E. Zunts, notary public now absent on leave.

(Seal):

I, the undersigned, Recorder of Mortgages, in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of Incorporation, of the Consolidated Fuel Co., Inc., was this day duly recorded in my office in Book 1268, Folio 60.

New Orleans, Feb. 8, 1922.

ROBT. SCOTT,
(Seal): Deputy Recorder Mortgages.

I, the undersigned notary public, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act of incorporation of Consolidated Fuel Co., Inc., passed before George Montgomery, notary public, acting for me and in my behalf as per designation shown in certificate of leave of absence granted me by the Governor attached to said act, on February 6, 1922, said act being on file and of record in my office.

New Orleans, La., February 14th, 1922.

JAS. E. ZUNTS,
Notary Public.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

To all to Whom these Presents Shall Come Greeting:

In pursuance of the provisions of an Act of General Assembly of this State, entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor of the State of Louisiana to grant leave of absence to State and Parochial Officers, approved March 30th 1871.

I, John M. Parker, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby grant leave of absence to

JAMES E. ZUNTS,

Notary Public, in and for the Parish of Orleans, for a period of thirty (30) days beginning January 30th, 1922, and designating Mr. George Montgomery, Notary Public, to act in his place and stead.

Witness my signature and the Seal of the State of Louisiana at the City of Baton Rouge, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1921.

(Seal): JNO. M. PARKER.

By the Governor.
F. H. FLOWER,
Assitant Secretary of State.

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CHARTER OF BERNARD CO., INC.

United States of America. State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans. Be it known that on this the 27th day of the month of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two (1922), and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and forty-sixth, before me, SCOTT E. BEER, a Notary Public, in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the laws of this state relative to the organization of corporations, they have contracted and agreed and do by these presents agree and bind themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to form and constitute a corporation and body, corporate in law, for the objects and purposes and under the agreements and stipulations hereinafter set forth and expressed.

ARTICLE I. The name and title of said company shall be the BERNARD CO., INC., and its domicile shall be the City of New Orleans, Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana. Under this corporate name the said corporation shall have power and authority to exist and enjoy succession for the full term of ninety-nine (99) years from the date of this act; to contract, sue and be sued, and to make and use a corporate seal, and the same to break or alter at pleasure, which said seal, if any, shall be designated by the Board of Directors; to purchase, own, hold, lease, receive, sell and mortgage or pledge, under its corporate name, property, both real, personal and mixed, corporeal and incorporeal, including stocks, bonds and securities of other corporations; to sell any portion of its capital stock, or other resources; to make advances on real or personal security; to lease to and from and to consolidate or merge with other companies; to elect and appoint such directors, officers and agents as the interest and convenience of said corporation may require; to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the proper management of the affairs of said corporation as may be necessary and proper, and the same to change or alter at pleasure; and, generally, to do and perform all acts and things requisite and necessary to carry out the objects and purposes of said corporation.

ARTICLE II. All citations or other legal processes shall be served upon the President of said corporation, and in case of his absence, upon a Vice-President, and in case of the absence of the President and all Vice-Presidents, upon the Secretary.

ARTICLE III. 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 and specified to be: To buy, sell, deal in, lease, hold, develop or improve real estate of all sorts; to construct and maintain offices, flats, houses, factories, warehouses, shops, buildings, works and conveniences of all kinds; to acquire, hold and deal in personal property of every character, including stocks, bonds, obligations and securities of other corporations, as well as of individuals and partnerships; to exchange its entire capital stock or any part thereof, for property which it is authorized to acquire, or to exchange its entire assets and business, or any part thereof, for property, stocks, bonds or other obligations of other companies; and to do and transact all business properly connected with or incidental or convenient to any of the said objects and purposes.