

CHARTER

Of the Caddo Rock Drill Bit Company.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: Be it remembered that on this the 19th day of November A. D. 1912 before me, T. F. Bell Jr., a notary public in and for the Parish of Caddo and State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that availing themselves of the laws of the State of Louisiana in such cases made and provided, they by these presents do constitute and form themselves, as well as such other persons as may be associated with them, into a corporation and body politic in law, for the business and purposes as described and set forth herein, and under the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE I.

The name and title of this corporation shall be: The Caddo Rock Drill Bit Company. Its place of domicile shall be the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La. It shall have and enjoy succession for a period of fifty years from date of this act, unless terminated sooner for causes other than that of limitation. All citations or other legal processes shall be served on the president, or in his absence on the vice president or secretary in the order named. It shall have power to make and use a corporate seal. Under its corporate name it shall sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; appear, answer and prosecute in all courts of justice. It shall have power to manufacture, buy, lease and sell all kinds of machinery, particularly that class of machinery which is used in drilling wells for oil and gas and water; and more especially drilling bits used for drilling through rocks and stones. It shall have power to own and hold real and personal property, and to sell and dispose of same; to contract and otherwise to exercise all powers which are not prohibitive under the laws of the State of Louisiana to such corporations.

ARTICLE II.

The authorized capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at ten thousand dollars, divided into one hundred shares of the par value of one hundred dollars. It shall be authorized to commence business and shall be a going concern whenever the sum of five thousand dollars or more of its capital stock shall have been subscribed for. The capital stock may be issued for cash or its equivalent in real or personal property or for labor or services performed, as may be approved by the board of directors. All capital stock subscribed for shall be paid for in the following manner and time: Fifty per cent or more shall be paid for in cash or in property or services or labor performed within thirty days after the filing of this charter, and the remainder on the call of the board of directors. The shares of stock of this corporation shall be transferable only on the books of this company, and no transfer shall be binding on this corporation until the same shall have been entered on its books. No stock of this corporation shall be sold by any holder thereof in the open market except after ten days prior notice of intention to sell has been given the company, during which time the other stockholders shall have the privilege of purchasing the same, and this clause shall be printed on the face of each certificate of stock issued by the company.

ARTICLE III.

The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors, consisting of seven of its stockholders, four of whom shall constitute a quorum. The first board of directors is hereby declared to be: J. L. Kimbell, J. M. Robinson, J. C. Willis, W. L. Young, G. A. Humason, C. F. Brown, J. W. Prescott. Of this board W. L. Young shall be president, G. A. Humason, vice president, C. F. Brown, secretary, and J. C. Willis, treasurer. The said officers and directors shall hold office as such until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. All subsequent boards of directors shall be elected by the stockholders on the second Tuesday of November of each year. All such boards of directors shall have the power to designate the officers and employees of the company. At all elections each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, and each shareholder may vote either in person or by written proxy. The majority of votes cast shall elect. Notice of all stockholders meetings, except as otherwise provided by law, shall be given by mail, addressed to the last known address of each stockholder at least ten days before the date fixed for such meetings. The board of directors shall have power to make, adopt and to alter or change by-law and otherwise to have complete management of the business and affairs of the corporation.

ARTICLE IV.

This charter may be altered or amended, except as to increase and decrease of capital stock, or the corporation may be dissolved with the assent of the holders of three-fourths of the stock present or represented at a meeting duly called for that purpose. Should the stockholders at any time vote to liquidate this corporation, then its affairs shall be liquidated by one or more commissioners who shall be elected by the stockholders and with such powers as may be delegated by said stockholders. Any error, informality or omission in the organization of this corporation shall not have the effect of rendering this charter void, nor of holding its subscribers liable for any of the faults or contracts of the corporation, beyond the unpaid balance of their stock subscriptions.

Thus done, signed and passed in my office in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La., in the presence of J. H. Stephens Jr., and M. F. Blumberg, both competent witnesses, who sign these presents with the said appearers, and me, notary, after due reading, and each of the said appearers when subscribing his name sets opposite thereof the number of shares and the par value of same subscribed by him, thus making this act the original stock subscription list of this corporation, on this 19th day of November A. D. 1912.

G. A. HUMASON, Shreveport, 30 shares, \$3,000. WM. L. YOUNG, Shreveport, 5 shares, \$500. J. B. YOUNG, per W. L. Young, Galveston, Texas, 5 shares, \$500. J. C. WILLIS, Shreveport, 5 shares, \$500. C. F. BROWN, Shreveport, 5 shares, \$500. J. W. PRESCOTT, Shreveport, 5 shares, \$500. J. M. ROBINSON, per J. L. Kimbell, La Chute, La., 5 shares, \$500. JOHN L. KIMBELL, Shreveport, 20 shares, \$2,000.

Witnesses: J. H. STEPHENS JR., M. F. BLUMBERG, T. F. BELL, JR., Notary Public.

Having examined this charter and finding nothing therein contrary to law, I hereby approve the same on this the 21st day of November 1912.

J. M. FOSTER, District Attorney. Endorsed: Filed and recorded November 21, 1912. S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder. State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act, as the same now appears on file and of record in my office. Given under my hand and seal of office this 21st day of November 1912. S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder. Nov. 21.

CHARTER

Of the Shreveport Natural Gas Company.

State of Illinois, County of Cook: Be it known that on this 9th day of November A. D. 1912, before me, Walter S. Syrett, notary public, duly commissioner, qualified and sworn in and for said County and State, and in presence of the undersigned witnesses, came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of the State of Louisiana relative to the organization of corporations, they have consented and agreed, and by these presents do covenant and agree and bind themselves and all those who may hereafter become associated with them, to form and constitute a corporation or body politic in law for the objects and purposes and under the articles and stipulations following, to-wit:

ARTICLE I.

The name and style of this corporation shall be Shreveport Natural Gas Company, with its domicile in the City of Shreveport, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana, and under its corporate name it shall have power and authority to contract, to sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal and the same to alter or break at pleasure; to hold, receive, have, purchase, alienate, convey, sell, pledge, mortgage, hypothecate and lease property real, personal or mixed; to name and appoint such officers, trustees, agents and employees as the interest and convenience of said corporation may require; to make and establish by-law, rules and regulations for the proper management of its affairs, as may be deemed necessary and proper, and the same to alter or change at pleasure; and generally to do all other acts and things necessary and proper to carry out the objects and purposes of this corporation. This corporation, unless sooner dissolved as hereinafter provided, shall exist and continue

for a period of ninety-nine years from and after the date hereof.

ARTICLE II.

The objects and purposes for which this corporation is formed are hereby declared to be to establish, construct, operate and carry on works to supply cities and towns and the inhabitants thereof with electricity, manufactured or natural gas or oil for light, heat, power and other purposes; to open and work mines; to bore for oil, gas or other minerals and to establish pipe lines and other means for the transportation of same to market; and to build, construct, operate and maintain street and interurban railways in the State of Louisiana or elsewhere.

ARTICLE III.

The capital stock of this corporation shall be one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars, divided into and represented by one thousand (1000) shares of the par value of one hundred (\$100) dollars each, with authority to commence business when thirty-six thousand six hundred (\$36,600) dollars of the capital stock shall have been subscribed and paid for. No stock shall be issued except for labor done or money or property actually received, and no sale or transfer of the stock shall affect the corporation unless a record of same is made upon its books at its office in the City of Shreveport, La., and then only on the surrender of the certificate therefor.

ARTICLE IV.

The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors of three (3) stockholders. The following persons shall constitute the first board of directors: Walter B. Walter, Samuel Topliff and Allen Rendall, with William B. Walter as president; Samuel Topliff as vice president; Allen Rendall as secretary; and William B. Walter as treasurer. The said officers and directors shall hold their office until the first day of December A. D. 1913, or until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified. On the said date in December 1913, and annually thereafter, a board of directors shall be elected, unless said directors shall be a legal holiday, when said election shall be held first secular day following the said holiday. Notice of said election shall be given by ten (10) days publication in a public newspaper published in said City of Shreveport. Any failure to form any cause whatever to hold such meeting or elect said board of directors on the day named for that purpose, shall not dissolve said corporation, but the directors and officers then in office shall hold their offices until other officers are chosen and qualified. That at every election and stockholders meeting each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock registered on the books of the corporation in his name, which vote may be cast in person or by proxy authorized in writing. The board of directors shall elect from their number the above named officers. All citation and legal service shall be made at the domicile of the company according to law.

ARTICLE V.

This charter may be changed, altered or amended (except to increase or decrease the capital stock which shall be done in accordance with the special laws of the State of Louisiana relating thereto) or the corporation may be dissolved at a general meeting convened for that purpose, with the assent of three-fourths (3-4) of the capital stock represented at such meeting. Ten (10) days prior notice of such meeting shall be given by publication as herein provided for; and in case of the dissolution of the corporation, by limitation or otherwise, its affairs shall be liquidated by three commissioners selected by and from among the stockholders at a meeting called after due notice for this purpose. No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the faults or contracts of this corporation in any further sum than the amount due by him to said corporation, nor shall any informality in organization have the effect of rendering this charter null or of exposing a stockholder to any liability beyond the amount due by him to said corporation.

Done and passed at my office in presence of R. L. Blount and F. O. Allen, competent witnesses, on the day and date hereinabove written, after due reading of the whole.

SAMUEL TOPLIFF, WILLIAM B. WALTER, ALLEN RENDALL, by Wm. B. Walter, Agt. NORMAN K. ANDERSON, W. G. JOHNSON, H. E. WALTER.

Attest: R. L. BLOUNT, F. O. ALLEN, WALTER S. SYRETT, Notary Public, Chicago, Cook County, Illinois.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: Having examined the above and foregoing charter and finding nothing

therein contained contrary to law, I hereby approve same. Done and signed officially on this the 14th day of November 1912.

J. M. FOSTER, District Attorney First Judicial District of Louisiana. Endorsed: Filed and recorded November 14, 1912.

S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act as the same now appears on file and of record in my office. Given under my hand and seal of office this 14th day of November 1912. S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder. Nov. 14.

AMENDMENT TO CHARTER

Of the Sandison-Forbes Construction Company.

Shreveport, La., Nov. 20, 1912. Office of Sandison-Forbes Construction Company. At a called meeting of the stockholders of the Sandison-Forbes Construction Company, held at its office on the above date, there was present W. S. Atkins holding seventeen shares of one hundred dollars each; L. E. Stokes holding one share of one hundred dollars; and C. E. Sandison, holding eight shares of one hundred dollars each, of the capital stock of said company, constituting the entire stock of the said company.

The meeting having been called by order, Mr. W. S. Atkins was elected chairman and Mr. C. E. Sandison was elected secretary.

Whereupon the object and purposes of the meeting was explained to be to change the name of the said Sandison-Forbes Construction Company to the Caddo Concrete Construction Company.

The following resolution was then offered:

Resolved, That the name and style of this corporation shall be changed to the Caddo Concrete Construction Company, and that Article One of the charter be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows, to-wit:

ARTICLE I.

The name and style of this corporation shall be Caddo Concrete Construction Company, and under its corporate name it shall have power and authority to contract, sue and be sued; to hold, receive, have, purchase, improve, alienate, convey and sell, pledge, mortgage borrow and hypothecate property, real and personal and mixed; to name and appoint such officers, directors, agents, managers and other employees as the interest or convenience of said corporation may require; to make and establish by-laws, rules and regulations for the proper management of its affairs, and to do all other things and acts permitted by law as may be necessary and proper to effect the objects and purposes of this corporation. The domicile of this corporation is hereby fixed at the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and all citations or other legal process shall be served on the president, and in his absence shall be served at the office of the company as directed by law. This corporation, unless sooner dissolved as hereinafter provided, shall exist and enjoy succession for a period of ninety-nine years from and after the date hereof.

This resolution having been duly seconded, was unanimously adopted.

W. S. ATKINS, Chairman. C. E. SANDISON, Sec.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: Personally came and appeared before me the undersigned authority, C. E. Sandison of Caddo Parish, La., and W. S. Atkins of same domicile, who after being duly sworn, depose and state that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the stockholders meeting of the Sandison-Forbes Construction Company, held on the 20th day of November 1912, of which meeting they were secretary and chairman respectively, as same now appears of record on the minutes of said meeting.

W. S. ATKINS, G. E. SANDISON, Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 20th day of Nov. 1912.

R. D. WEBB, Notary Public. Endorsed: Filed and recorded December 5, 1912. W. M. LEVY, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the amendment of the charter of the Sandison-Forbes Construction Company, as recorded on the records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana. Given under my hand and seal of office this 5th day of Dec. 1912. W. M. LEVY, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder. Dec. 5.

CHARTER AMENDMENT

Of the Shreveport Mutual Building Association.

Shreveport, La., Nov. 19, 1912. Pursuant to notice, dated October 1, 1912, a copy of which is hereto annexed, which has been published in the Shreveport Times for more than thirty days, and a printed copy of which notice was mailed, postpaid, addressed to each stockholder at his usual place of residence, more than forty days prior to this date, a meeting of the stockholders of the Shreveport Mutual Building Association was this day held at its office, No. 222 Milan street, Shreveport, La., at 8 o'clock p.m., at which meeting one thousand and twenty-one (1021) stockholders were present in person or by proxy. Said stockholders owning and holding seventeen thousand two hundred and sixteen (17,216) shares of the stock of said association, of the par value of three million four hundred forty-three thousand two hundred dollars (\$3,443,200.00), said amount of stock being more than three-fourths of the total amount of the capital stock of said association, said total capital stock being twenty-two thousand five hundred and thirty (22,530) shares, of the par value of four million five hundred and eighteen thousand (\$4,518,000.00) dollars and owned and held by six thousand and two (6,000) stockholders.

Whereupon said meeting was organized by the election by said stockholders of Wm. J. Bayersdorffer, a stockholder, as chairman, and Philip Lieber, a stockholder, as secretary of said meeting.

The following resolution was then read to the meeting when it was moved and seconded that it be adopted, and the question being put to a vote, it was adopted by unanimous vote, viz:

Resolved, that the capital stock of this association is hereby increased from five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00), divided into forty-seven thousand five hundred shares (\$7,500), which may be issued as full shares of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) each, or as half shares of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) each; and ten thousand (10,000) shares of fifty dollars (\$50.00) each. Said increase of stock, viz: twenty-five thousand (25,000) shares of two hundred dollars (\$200) each, may be issued as full shares of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) each or as half shares of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars each.

WM. J. BAYERSDORFFER, Chairman. PHILIP LIEBER, Secretary.

I, Philip Lieber, secretary of the above described corporation, do hereby declare and certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting of the stockholders of the said Shreveport Mutual Building Association, held at its office No. 222 Milan street, Shreveport, La., on the 19th day of November 1912, at 8 o'clock p.m.

PHILIP LIEBER, Secretary.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo, Before me, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared Philip Lieber, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is now and was on the 19th day of November 1912, secretary of the Shreveport Mutual Building Association, and that his signature to the foregoing certificate is genuine, and made on the day therein mentioned.

PHILIP LIEBER, Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of November A. D. 1912, nineteen hundred and twelve (1912).

DAVID T. LAND, Notary Public.

Having examined the foregoing amendment to the charter of the Shreveport Mutual Building Association and finding nothing therein contained contrary to law, I hereby approve same this 26th day of November A. D. nineteen hundred and twelve (1912).

J. M. FOSTER, District Attorney First Judicial District of Louisiana.

Endorsed: Filed and recorded November 26, 1912.

S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder. State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act, as the same now appears on file and of record in my office. Given under my hand and seal of office this 26th day of November 1912. S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Recorder. Nov. 26.

How to Order Patterns.

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Carrying Concealed Weapons

There have been offered by newspapers from the days of Adam suggestions for the suppression of the crime of carrying concealed weapons, yet the weapons are carried concealed not only by individuals defiant of law, but by citizens who are classed as being good. The Junction City Democrat would decrease the crime by an enactment of the Legislature providing a fine of not less than \$250 and six months on the public road, and in no case remit the fine, and on failing to pay there should be provided three months additional on the road. The Democrat concludes:

"And it matters not who should be convicted; if a millionaire let an amount of money be might offer to pay as a fine, there are lots of men who do not mind so much paying a fine with money, but hate actually to have to don overalls and work under an overcoat on our public roads, and especially that length of time. Pass such a law, and if it does not put an end to the pistol toting habit we would see our roads worked by the pistol toter. Such a law should be given a trial. It is usually the would-be bully that goes around with a gun stuck in his hip pocket, and to work these fellows on our public roads as above outlined there would soon be a thinning out of bullies in this country."

These suggestions are practicable, but could they be enacted into law, when many of the lawmakers, so-called would feel uncomfortable without having at hand in a hip-pocket or bosom the handy and ready pistol with which to avenge or redress some fancied reflection on their honor?

If it were not for the handy and ready weapon which some men have about them always, killings would be less frequent and the lives of men, law observers, would not always be in peril. After all, what is designated as society—not the fashionable nor the select, who engage in the enjoyment of festivities—the men in organized form of government who favor law and order, are accountable for this promiscuous and cowardly practice.

A Simple Question Over the Returns.

On Tuesday, November 5, there was held in Ward Eight of Caddo Parish a special election ordered by Governor Hall for the selection of a justice of the peace arising from the death of B. R. Jacobs.

The votes cast at the Forbing and the Caspiana precincts were in ballot boxes for this special election.

The returns from Forbing, received on time, held 8 votes cast for H. M. Sutton and 7 votes for Jacobs, the son of the deceased.

As no returns came from Caspiana, as required by law, the Board of Supervisors, of which W. H. Scheen is the chairman, had for its guide the Forbing returns, from which the official report of the election held was forwarded to the Secretary of State, and as reported was duly promulgated.

There being no opposition or objection, the commission for H. M. Sutton was issued by Governor Hall.

When too late the Caspiana box was brought in. There were in this box 16 votes for Jacobs and 7 votes for Sutton.

A contest is being suggested, but it will scarcely avail as the law is direct in its mandate that a contest, must be filed within thirty days after the promulgation of the returns.

This is a case due to some inadvertence for which the Board of Supervisors of Election are not blameable.

It is self-evident that if the Caspiana box had been delivered in time Mr. Jacobs instead of Mr. Sutton would have in evidence a clear majority, but as this fact was not apparent when the Board of Supervisors forwarded the returns to the Secretary of State and by him promulgated as required by law, it is fair to assume that Mr. Sutton's commission will not be recalled.

Succession Notice.

No. 16,656—In District Court, Caddo Parish, La.: Succession of Heyman Manheim.

To George G. Dummick, Notary Public—Greeting: You are hereby commissioned and empowered to take an inventory and cause an appraisement to be made of all the property, real and personal rights and credits belonging to the above succession, and you will be therein assisted by two competent experts to be appointed by you for that purpose. And how you have executed this commission due return make of same as the law directs.

Witness the Honorable Judge of our said court this 30th day of November A. D. 1912.

S. O. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.

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