Fort Smith Traction Company Must Pay 15 Cents Per Thousand.

Special to the Gazette. Fort Smith, June 25.—A final decree in the gas rate between the City of in the gas rate between the City of Fort Smith and the Twin City Line Company was handed down in Federal Court today by Judge F. A. Youmans. By his ruling the Pipe Line Company is entitled to charge 15 cents per thousand feet for gas furnished to the Fort Smith Light and Traction Company. Judge Youmans found that the original contract entered between by the Pipe Line Company and the city allows a maximum of 15 cents per thousand and in his ruling today enjoined the city from enforcing any lower rate. The Pipe Line Company also is enjoined from collecting a highalso is enjoined from collecting a high-

er rate.

Judge Youmans also allowed the Pipe
Line Company possession of \$179,000.
deposited by the traction company to
be held in trust until the settlement
of the rate case. This amount was
accumulated on the payment of 15
cents paid by the traction company
over the 10 cent rate and was on depositing a local bank.

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The city and traction company also entered consent decrees in Federal Court whereby gas, electric and street car rates have been fixed. Gas will at a maximum of 33 cents per usand cubic feet for domestic us

Lent of recent weeks.

3,000,000-Foot Gas Well Is Brought In at Roland, Okla.

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Special to the Gazette
Fort Smith, Feb. 17.—A 3.000,000foot gas well has been brought in by
the Citizens Gas Company on acreage
one and one half miles northwest of
Roland, Okla., according to announcement here today. The well was
brought in at a depth of 2.280 feet.
Roland is about 14 miles from this
city. The Citizens Gas Company is
composed of Fort Smith capital. The
flow of the initial well probably will
be largely used to furnish power for
drilling of other wells in the new
is.

MORE GAS IN SEBASTIAN

Mansfield Gas Company Brings In Big Producer.

Special to The Gazette.

Mansfield, Oct. 3.—The Mansfield Gas Company has just brought in a new gas well producing 6,000,000 cubic feet of gas at a depth of 2,070 feet, with a rock pressure of 320 pounds.

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They immediately will move their machinery to an old well near by, which will reopen and drill for a deep test well. This is the oldest gas field in the state, the first wells having been drilled about 30 years ago, and are still producing an abundance of gas for Mansfield and Huntington.

WELL CONTRACT LET.
Special to the Gazette. GdZette
Fort Smith, Aug. 14.—Contract for a test oil well on the lease of the Cyclone Oil and Gas Company Charleston, two miles east of Charleston, has just been let to A. J. Burke Co., drillers, according to word received here. Erection of the derrick will be started immediately, and the well will soon be spudded in. 8-15-2;

GAS SHOWING REPORTED. Fort Smith, Aug. 18.—A showing of

gas has been obtained in the test well at Branch. A small flow was struck in a sand encountered at a depth of 2,100 feet. It is expecter that the flow will increase as the drill is sent into the sand.

192 WELL IS 2,700 FEET.

Special to the Gazette.
Fort Smith, Aug. 18.—The test on the Massard prairie field, six miles east of here, being drilled to locate a deeper stratum of gas producing sand, is down 2,700 feet. The well will be drilled to 3,000 feet.

GETS GOOD OIL SHOWING

Driller in Sebastian County Handicapped by Salt Water, However.

Special to the Gazette. / 92 / Fort Smith, Aug. 31.—A showing of oil and gas has been found in the Branch deep test well, 30 miles east of here, according to A. J. Burke, head of the company that is putting down the hole. The showing was found at a depth of 2,265 feet, in a romising sand.

water so that it cannot be developed. Mr. Burke said. However, it shows that oil formations exist in the west-

ern Arkansas coal regions. The flow of salt water will be cased in and the well will be sunk deeper.

A new well, higher on the axis of the anticline, has been located and it is hoped that the oil bearing sand the developed through this new may be developed through this new test. The oil is of a good grade, Mr. Burke said.

OIL COMPANY IS SUED

Driller Asks Approximately \$20,000 From Oklahoma Concern.

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Special to the Gazette
Fort Smith, Jan. 19.—Alleging he had expended \$9,066.11 in drilling a well to a depth of 1,375 feet, R. A. Maraz yesterday filed a petition with the Circuit clerk in which he asks judgment for this amount against the Durkin-O'Brien Oil Company, and an additional \$10,000 for alleged damages suffered on account of his inability to

FORT SMITH GAS

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Oklahoma Company Would Pipe Fuel for Commercial Use From Gans.

Construction of Fort Smith Gas Line Enjoined.

Use From Gans.

Special to the Gazette.

Fort Smith, Jan. 4.—Application for a franchise to sell natural gas from the Gans (Okla.) fields for commercial, industrial and domestic use in this city, was filed with the city clerk to the company in the Gans (Okla.) field for Commercial, industrial and domestic use in this city, was filed with the city clerk to spile of the Company in the Gans (Okla.) field for commercial, industrial and domestic use in this city, was filed with the city clerk to spile of the Company in the Gans (Okla.) filed for commercial, industrial and domestic use in the Company is prohibited from the Gans (Okla.) filed for commercial, industrial and domestic use in the Company is prohibited from the Cans field to Fort Smith. The franchise would allow 15 cents maximum rate for industrial needs and 32 cents for domestic use unless changed by a competent rate fring body.

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Special to the Gazette.
Fort Smith, Jan. 26.—The City Commission this morning passed an ordinance granting the Border Gas Company of Oklahoma a franchise. The ordinance was passed by a vote of 2 to 1, Mayor J. H. Parker dissenting.
The ordinance must remain in the office of the city clerk for 30 days before it becomes effective because it does not carry an emergency clause. Gas fields at Gans, Okla., will be the source of supply.

Authority to Construct Pipe sene automobile transmission and dif-

The Arkansas Railroad Commission yesterday granted the Citizens' Gas Company of Fort Smith a permit to construct a pipe line from its gas fields on the field north of Greenwood Junction to the Harding Glass Com-Junction to the Harding Glass Company's plant in Fort Smith.

The Southern Gas Producing Company, a Delaware corporation with general offices in Chicago, entered the state yesterday and will operate a branch office at Fort Smith, with A. G. Williams as statutory agent.

Special to the Gazette.

Fort Smith, July 30.—Construction of a 10-inch pipe line from Lavaca, a distance of 12 miles, to pipe natural gas being produced in that field, was announced today by a Graham Williams Jr., general manager of the United Publication of the Control of th

The Citizens Pipe Line Company of Fort Smith, capitalized at \$100,000, filed articles of incorporation yesterday. The company was organized to pipe gas from a private well to the Harding Glass Company's plant. C. H. Harding is president of the company. Harding is president of the company.

RIVAL FIRM SEEKS TO BLOCK PIPELINE Prospecting Is Active as Gas Well Is Brought In

gal Battle Over Terms of Franchise.

Special to the Gazette. aug. 28-2 Special to the Gazette. Aug. 28-28

Fort Smith, Aug. 27.—The petition for a temporary injunction to restrain the Citizens Pipeline Company for laying pipe within the city limits, was taken under advisement by Chancellor J. V. Bourland today. His decision will be anounced at 2 tomorrow afternoon. The Twin City Pipeline Company seeks to enjoin the rival company from laying its line within the city limits to the Harding Glass Company's plant, alleging that the Twin City company holds an exclusive ordinance to operate in the city.

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It is alleged that the permit to place the pipe line in the city in reality is a franchise to operate in Fort Smith.

Officials of the Citizens Pipeline Company contend that the company is Company contend that the company is purely a subsidiary of the glass company and the permit was obtained to lay the pipeline to its plant.

There are four producing wells in the gas field owned by the Empire Oil Company and the Sequoyah Gas Company which have a combined production of between 30 and 40 million cubic feet a day with rock pressure running from 425 to 760. Four more wells will be drilled next summer and, according to C. R. Jones, the Border company proposes to distribute the gas produced by the Empire and Sequoyah companies.

Under an agreement with the Twin City Pipe Line Company, the companies connected with the Clear Creek would not sell gas within a 50-mile radius of Fort Smith for five years. The necessary. The Utilities Power and five-year term expires in 1928 or be-Light Company plans extensive drilling fore the pipe line contemplated by the Border Gas Company will be finished.

Gas Company Given Franchise

Therefore April 23.—A special meeting of the City Council will be held tomorrow night to consider the three gas franchises which are offered Fayetteville. E. H. Poe of Tulsa, Okla., Southern division manager of the Central States Power and Light Company, at a conference of the council Monday morning, said that the Central States Power and Light Company of the City Council will be held tomorrow night to consider the held tomorrow night to consider th

Production List of Refinery at Fort Smith Increased.

Special to the Gazette. 5-10-29
Fort Smith, May 9.—Master Oils, Inc., which operates the old Arkansas refinery on South Fourth street here, will start manufacture of five new products this week, it is announced by

H. C. Leete, president.

The refinery is purchasing crude oil from the Okemah and Weleetka fields and will manufacture gasoline, kero-

ferential oils, floor oil and asphalt roofing. The company has taken over a filling station at North Seventh and A streets, where products of the company will retail locally.

Fort Smith Company to Pipe Gas From Lavaca Field.

Jr., general manager of the United Pub-lic Utilities Company here. The work

that a fourth well will be brought in within three weeks. Laying the Lavaca line will give Fort

Fort Smith Lavaca Pipeline to Cost \$100,000.

Special to the Gazette.

Fort Smith, Sept. 12.—Work of laying a pipe line connecting the Lavaca, gas field to the Fort Smith industrial and domestic mains will be started soon at an estimated cost of 100,000, A. Graham Williams, general manager of the Fort Smith Gas Company, announced today. The work will be completed before Christmas.

There are five producing wells in the Lavaca field, with a daily output of

torneyships in Arkansas, he would say

Fort Smith Companies in Lespecial to the Gazette.
Fort Smith, Oct. 9.—Interest in oil and gas prospecting in this section took a climb today when the Red Bank took a climb today when the Red Bank
Oil Company, drilling a test well near
Spiro, Okla., 18 miles southwest of
here, struck a paying gas sand last
night, at a depth of 5,005 feet. The
flow this morning was measured at 5.
000,000 cubic feet, officials said.

The well is being cased in to permit
further sinking in search for an oil
sand. If necessary, the hole will be
sunk to a depth of 7,500 feet, it was
announced. Enough casing is on hand
to permit this depth.

With news of the gas strike, A.
Graham Williams, manager of the Fort

Graham Williams, manager of the Fort Smith Gas Company, also announced that his company had been awarded a gas franchise for the city of Greenwood, in south central Sebastian county, about 18 miles south of Fort Smith.

Field Completed.

Special to the Gazette.

Fort Smith, June 10.—Two additional gas wells in the Lavaca field are being drilled. A. Graham Williams, manager of the United Public Service Company, announced today. Cason well No. 4 is at a depth of 2,300 feet and will be brought in next week, at an expected depth of 2,900 feet. Weaver No. 1 has just been spudded in about one mile north of Lavaca.

10th Gas Well Developed in Lavaca Field.

Special to the Gazette. 6-20-30
Fort Smith, June 19.—The 10th well in the Lavaca field on the Cason tract in the Lavaca field on the Cason tract was brought in late last night at a depth of 2,600 feet, A. Graham Williams Jr., general manager of the United Public Service Company, anounced today. The well is a gasser and is expected to show a 4,000,000 foot flow when the sand has been developed.

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Well No. 11, in the same section, has been spudded in and has been drilled to a depth of about 500 feet. It is expected to be brought in at about the same level as 10.

Fifteenth Gas Well Brought In Near Lavaca.

Fort Smith, Oct. 7.—(P)—The Bates well, about one mile from the town of Lavaca, and the fifteenth well in that field, has been brought in with a flow of gas estimated at seven to eight million cubic feet. The well, according to subsidiary of the Insuli interests, is the largest in the field. Gas was struck at 2,900 feet.

A 4,000,000-foot well was brought in Sunday on the farm of Mrs. M. E. Moore at a 1,500-foot level. No "dry holes" have been drilled in this field. The gas will be piped to Fort Smith.

Field.

Smith a virtual network of pipes from every direction bringing in natural gas to this center.

Fort Smith, Ark., Sept. 28 (P).—A. B. Harper, president of the Ozark Natural Gas Company, said the oppnany well has started drilling a sixth new well in the Vesta gas field of Franklin county. The field, located about five miles north of Charleston, has been developed in recent months. Five wells have been drilled, only one proving a failure. Total production of the field is bout 18,000,000 cubic feet daily. Happer said that the Vesta field eventually will be connected by pipeline with the Fort Smith Gas Company system.

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