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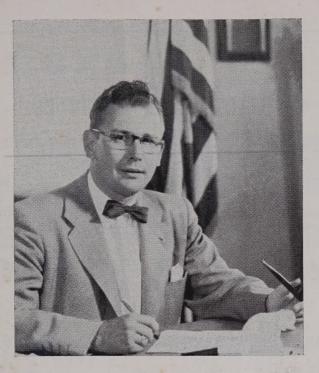
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The Falls has grown rapidly in the past few years, but even the newcomers seem to grasp the spirit of the community and offer themselves to further the warm feeling of fellowship among neighbors. May we, through your efforts, continue to make the Falls a place in which you are both proud and happy to live.

In this booklet the Committee has endeavored to bring you in a concise, factual manner points of interest and information about Cuyahoga Falls. We trust you will use it often in the years to come to more fully understand and enjoy your city.

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HISTORICAL CUYAHOGA FALLS

By GILBERT ROBERTS

Historian and Former Superintendent of Cuyaboga Falls Schools

OST authorities agree on the date of 1812 as that of the first permanent settlement in Cuyahoga Falls. At first the name "Manchester" was used by the inhabitants of the tiny hamlet on the banks of the Cuyahoga



GILBERT ROBERTS

River. Later when it was learned several other communities in Ohio were named "Manchester", the village was renamed Cuyahoga Falls, after the river and the falls.

When the Connecticut Land Company was chartered the investors drew lots for their land locations in the Western Reserve. General Roger Newberry of Windsor, Conn., was one of these investors and drew as his portion a thousand acre tract lying in the northeast corner of Tallmadge township, adjacent to Stow township. The township line ran parallel to what is now known as Portage Trail. Roger Newberry died in 1813 and his son, Henry, came to Ohio in 1814 to take possession of his father's holdings.

A man of vision, Roger Newberry had made plans for the future development of his land which his son carried through. Power sites south of Portage Trail were soon developed and new industries came into existence. In 1825 a dam was constructed for a saw mill and a linseed mill. The linseed



1910 view of Broad boulevard dam and the old Turner, Vaughn and Taylor plant, now the Vaughn Machinery Co.

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mill scon gave way to a paper mill. The dam was near the present site of the Vaughn Machinery Co.

Eventually eight power dams were constructed within the corporate limits of Cuyahoga Falls. The paper mill, founded in 1830 by Wetmore and Hanford, produced the first paper made west of the Allegheny Mountains.

The making of clay sewer pipes was another early industry set up by Camp, Cook and Co. During the Civil War era a rolling mill was opened which was later converted into what was known as the Falls Hollow Staybolt Co., owned by C. M. Walsh. Walsh also acquired the flour milling business originally developed by Stow and Wetmore, operating in connection has come down to the present time under the name of Kent Machine Co. A wire making mill was begun at the same time but financial difficulties caused its abandonment. The Civil War period also saw a large distillery business in operation in the Falls. A chain factory operated for a long time and an extensive operation in the manufacture of crocks, jugs and earthenware continued until wiped out by one of the frequent fires that were so destructive to early industry in the town.

In a later period when rubber was revolutionizing the industrial life of Akron, two tire making plants, Marathon and Falls Rubber, opened in Cuyahoga Falls on opposite sides of the river and lived short and hectic lives as competi-



Henry Newberry's linseed and saw mill just south of Front and Broad streets in 1830.

with it a large planing mill and lumber yard. A hemp and tow working factory did a thriving business during Civil War times on a site now occupied by the old Marathon Tire and Rubber building.

E. L. Babcock operated a rivet making business known as The Falls Rivet Co. and this industry tion in that great industry tightened. Over the years many other industries came into being, some failing in an era of increasing competition and others uniting with established industries in other communities. The rise in importance and efficiency of steam and electric power diminished the value of water power in comparison with its early importance. The opening of the Ohio Canal through Akron, by-passing Cuyahoga Falls, dealt a blow to early development of heavy industry.

During the 1830's the entire water power potential of Cuyahoga Falls was threatened by the proposed construction of Summit City on what is now known as Cuyahoga Street in Akron. A dam was built near the Marathon site madge Township, Mr. Newberry soon became a realtor, an industrial promotor, merchant, and political leader. Becoming the first Postmaster in 1826, he joined his efforts with those of Judge Wetmore and others in making plans for the incorporation of Cuyahoga Falls as a village.

In 1825 Judge Elkanah Richardson planned the first village lay-



Site of present Vaughn Machinery offices. Photo taken in 1915. Congregational Church in background.

and a mill race to accompany it was extended down the gorge and below the site of the present high level bridge. Water was turned into the race and almost complete diversion was sure to follow. Poor construction caused loss of much of the water and failure followed when the panic of 1837 struck the country with violent force. The properties of the Portage Canal and Manufacturing Company, owners of the dam and canal, were sold at sheriff sale. Traces of the old mill race are still to be seen in the valley.

Henry Newberry became a permanent resident in 1824 and soon assumed a position of leadership in the community. Inheriting his father's 1,000 acre tract in Tallout. An early pioneer surveyor, Birdsey Booth, drew up an official survey and plat and recorded it in the records of Portage County of which Cuyahoga Falls was then a part. Summit County was set up 15 years later when transfers of territory were duly and lawfully made.

Cuyahoga Falls was incorporated by act of the Ohio Legislature, March 5, 1836. Territory for the newly incorporated town was taken from Tallmadge and Stow townships and the original act reads as follows:

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The first election was held April 4, 1837, and the following were chosen as town officers: Henry Newberry, Mayor; Grant B. Turner, Recorder; and Trustees O. B. Beebe, Asa G. Bill, Elisha N. Sill, Henry Wetmore and E. B. Dennison.

After organizing as a board, the trustees appointed Ogden Wetmore as treasurer and Sherman Peck as marshall.

Subsequent elections have chosen the following named men to the office of village and city mayor:

Richard Blood, C. P. Humphrey, Joshua L'Hommedieu, H. B. Camp, George Rice, W. A. Hanford, J. C. Castle, A. B. Curtis, Samuel Higgs, C. D. Crumb, Thomas F. Walsh, John I. Jones, D. F. Felmly, C. N. Russell, E. M. Young, Charles A. Davis, Harry Sidnell, W. H. Taylor, George Herdman, Charles Gray, George Porter, J. W. Haines, Joseph Harding, George Anderson and Harding Wichert.

Mayors elected to office during the first period of incorporation (1837-53) were: Henry Newberry, Charles W. Wetmore, Hosea Paul, Birdsey Booth and Oliver B. Beebe. Several men in both groups served more than one term and not all terms were consecutive.

In June 18, 1918, the streetcar operating between Akon and Ravenna plummeted off the tracks on Glen Bridge at Prospect street and hurtled into the Gorge velow. Six of seven passengers were killed.

Cuyahoga Falls has produced many men and women of prominence and distinction but among them are no names more honored by records of achievement than those of Wetmore, Newberry, and Sill.

Cuyahoga Falls came into existence as a corporation long before the passage of the Ohio Municipal code under which village and cities are incorporated and governed. Separate acts of incorporation by the legislature were necessary for each municipality affected. Election laws were cumbersome and conflicting and jurisdictions were overlapping in many cases. Excepting in strictly municipal matters, the people of Cuyahoga Falls were still under the jurisdiction of their original townships, having to go to Stow or Tallmadge to vote for national, state, county and township officers. To clear up this archaic and awkward system citizens of the town petitioned the county commissioners for the creation of Cuyahoga Falls Township. The township came into existence March 5, 1851, with



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By this time the Falls had spread over the borders of two more townships, Portage and Northampton. The new township covered an area of almost four square miles. Not only were election matters cleared up, creation of the township also paved the way for a unified school



Front street and Portage Trail in the 1800's showing old Clifford Inn, popular hostelry of that time.

district under one board of education and reduced the number of justices of the peace with jurisdiction from eight to two.

Soon after, public opinion decided that two sets of officers were unnecessary and the town council permanently adjourned in April, 1853 and corporate government was abandoned leaving the trustees of Cuyahoga Falls township to govern alone.

Fifteen years later, in 1868 the "Incorporated Village of Cuyahoga Falls" came into existence with separate and distinct organizations from the township. The township continues to this day, electing justices of the peace and constables. The board of trustees has long since disappeared as its duties were identical with that of city council. In 1920 Cuyahoga Falls' population was in excess of the 5,000 inhabitants required for the creation of a city form of government and it automatically took over city status. The change was made smoothly and the city was divided into four wards with two more recently added. The struggling town of 250, when first incorporated, has become a city of more than thirty thousand.

extension of the Ohio-The Pennsylvania Canal through the east edge of Cuyahoga Falls did not fulfill expectations of booming industrial prosperity. The old canal bed may still be observed near the right of way of the B&O Railroad. This railroad and the Pennsylvania have served the community for a century. Each road passed through several ownerships and managements before assuming their present forms and names. In later years electric lines were built through Cuyahoga Falls connecting with interurban service serving a wide area. Since World War I highway transportation has eliminated electric train service entirely and has practically eliminated local travel by railroad.

Since its beginning as a village, Cuyahoga Falls has had a large stake in transportation. Hundreds of its citizens are now employed in industries in the area that contribute directly to modern motor transportation. Many others are employed in the building of air craft, both heavier and lighter than air. The first settlers came by ox cart and their descendents are now migrating to all parts of the world by air.

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Top: Fire crews and equipment in front of Stations No. 1 and 2.

Two top photos are of two shifts operating out of Station No. 1.

> Right: Station No. 2 located on the east side of the city.

UYAHOGA FALLS' fire and police departments are among the city's chief assets Many families have moved here from other parts of the county, attracted by the safety and protection the wellequipped and well-staffed departments provide to persons and property.

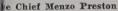
The city is served by two modern fire stations, one on South Front street, and one on High street at East Portage Trail. The latter station is comparatively new and is designed to protect the rapidly growing east side of the city.

Station No. 1 on South Front street is staffed by 19 men, including two captains and two lieutenants. The offices of Chief L. P. Seiler are there. Equipment housed at Station No. 1 includes one pumper engine, two quad engines, the chief's car and a utility truck which is used in inspection and maintenance of fire hydrants.

Station No. 2 has eight men, including two lieutenants. It has one pumper engine. Firemen work 24 hour shifts reporting at 8 a.m. cne day and going off duty at 8 a.m. the next. They are subject to call between shifts.







The city's police department moved late in 1952 from the old City Building to the new City Hall. The force numbers 23 men, divided into three departments — traffic, plainclothes detective squad and beat and cruiser officers. Chief Menzo Preston directs the departments and under him are two captains, four sergeants and 16 patrolmen. Equipment includes two patrol cruisers, one car for detectives and four motorcycles. The radio and signal equipment is the very latest in communication systems. The control panels and equipment, operated by Don Worrell at the police station, keep police and fire cars and light and water repair installation trucks in instant contact with headquarters.



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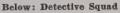


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Above: Traffic (Motorcycle) Squad

Below: Cruisers Patrol the City





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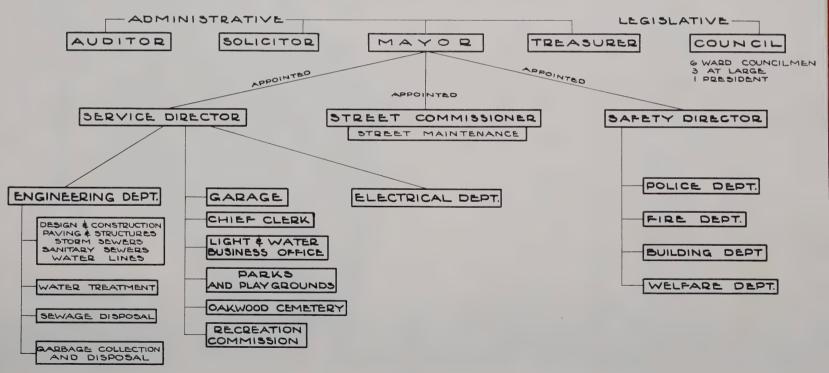
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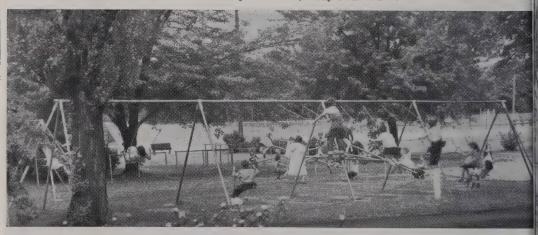
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Broad School and Crawford School were built in 1909; Grant School and Lincoln School were erected in 1930. Cuyahoga Falls High School was first used in 1921. This year the completion of Sill School and the opening of Richardson School gave the city a total of 172 rooms, hardly enough to meet the schools' increasing enrollment.

To meet the future needs of the community, voters this fall approved a \$2,300,000 bond issue for the purpoes of building a new junior high school on the West side of town, a new East side elementary school and some much needed renovation in some of the older schools.

The actual and estimated enrollment in the Falls Schools from 1947 through 1960 shows how necessary these additional buildings are: 1947—3,590; 1948—3,789; 1949—3,978; 1950—4,242; 1951—4,578; 1952— 5,087; 1953—5,354; 1954—5,697; 1955—6,087; 1956—6,398; 1957—6,741; 1958—6,986; 1959—7,201; 1960—7,354.

The first private school in Cuyahoga Falls was opened in 1834 followed by a seminary for girls in 1836. In 1837, Rev. Roswell Brooks and

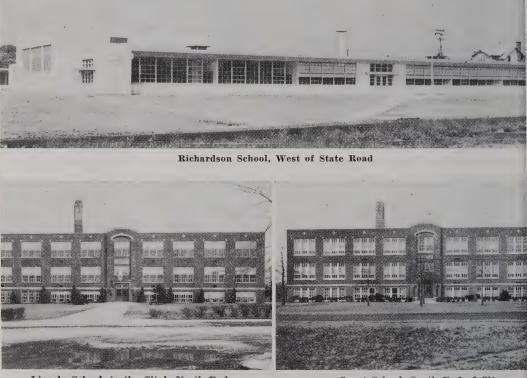
> FRED H. BODE Schools Superintendent





Charles Clark established the "Cuyahoga Falls Institute", a school chartered by legislative enactment. This school occupied the first building to be known as the "Lyceum" and was located on property now owned

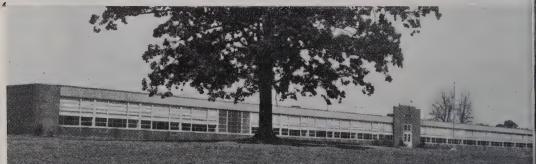
Cuyahoga Falls High School, on Fourth Street



Lincoln School, in the City's North End

Grant School, South End of City

Sill School on the East Side



by the Congregational Church at Second and Broad sts. The school continued until 1848.

The Cuyahoga Falls School District was organized in 1854 and Levi L. Holden was made acting manager. Public support was authorized in that year by state law. Previous to that time the community had subscription schools followed by elementary schools supported by public taxation. Under township auspices at first, schools passed under authority of a Cuyahoga Falls Board of Education when the township of Cuyahoga Falls was created.

In 1855 the Board of Education appointed H. K. Taylor as principal with his wife as assistant, at a joint salary of \$700 for a term of 40 weeks. In 1857, 482 students were enrolled and seven teachers were em-



Crawford School, North End of City



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Board of Education: Left to right: Alex Walker, Mrs. H. M. Whitaere, W. H. Nicol, G. H. Cooper and Ernest Nock.



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ployed. Today the Cuyahoga Falls Board of Education has 187 full time teachers.

The high school occupied a building just north of Second st. and Portage Trail and in later year this building was also termed the "Lyceum". The building was originally occupied by Wesleyan Methodists and served as a high school until the construction of East school in 1879. The "Lyceum" continued to be used for elementary school purposes until the construction of Broad and Crawford schools in 1909.

East school, opened in 1871, housed an elementary as well as the high school. In 1922 the first unit of the present high school building was opened and East continued as an elementary school until it was closed in 1938. The name "East" did not come into use until removal of the high school in 1922. Today "Old East" is used as a store house for school equipment.

Prominent names in Cuyahoga Falls' educational history include Miss Almeda Booth, one of the few women of this section and state to serve as superintendent of schools. Mrs. Ellen K. Crawford is also remembered for her many years as an outstanding teacher and a member of the board. Crawford School is a memorial to this teacher whose students meet each year to honor her. Edward Roland Sill, famous poet and one time school superintendent in the Falls, is the man for whom Sill School, on the city's East side, is named.

Former Superintendent W. H. Richardson, who retired in 1932 after 47 years in school work, gave his name to the new west side elementary school. Twenty-four years as superintendent of schools in Cuyahoga Falls won Mr. Richardson a respected place in the educational annals of the state and nation.

The following are the names of those who have served as executive heads of the Cuyahoga Falls Public Schools: H. K. Taylor, L. H. Delane, William I. Chamberlain, George McLaughlin, W. G. Rogers, B. B. Tremelin, Virgil P. Kline, Edward Rowland Sill, Miss Booth, George L. McMillen, Augustus N. Bernard, W. H. Rowlen, Frederick Schnee, R. W. Solomon, W. H. Richardson, Gilbert Roberts, Gordon DeWitt, John Steinhauer, and F. H. Bode.

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CUYAHOGA FALLS CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner of Stow and Third Streets Rev. Charles L. Wells, Minister Church School: 9:30 A.M. Worship Services: 10:30 A.M.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Portage Trail at Second Street Rev. J. Keith M. Lee, Rector Worship Services: 8:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M. Church School: 9:30 A.M.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Broad and Second Streets Rev. Louis Greene, Rev. Kenneth A. Friou, Ministers Worship Services: 9:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Church School: 9:30 A.M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Portage Trail and Third Streets Rev. Paul J. Acker, Rev. G. V. McCausland, G. O. Arkwell, Ministers Worship Services: 9 and 11 A.M. Church School: 10:00



CHURCHES OF CUYAHOGA FALLS

First Congregational Church, Second st. at Broad, Rev. Louis Greene.

Below (top) First Church of Christ Scientist, Fourth at Thomas ct., Mark Curl, reader.

(lower photo), Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2141 Fifth st., Rev. Theodore Prinz.









Top left, Find dist Church Trail and Thd Paul J. Acker

Left, Grandyw gelical United Church, Phelp 23rd st., Rey Reece.

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Right, St. Joseph's Church, Second st. at Sackett, Rev. John F. Gallagher.

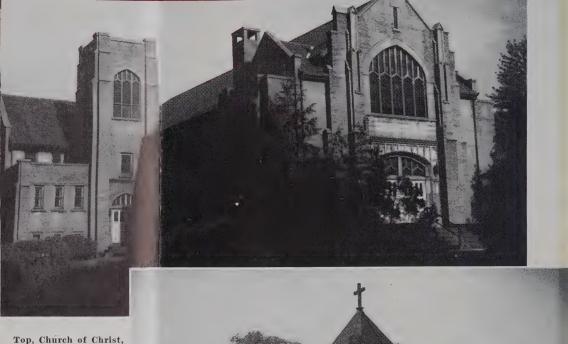
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Lower right, United Presbyrian, Hudson dr. at Ashland ve., Rev. Henry Orr Leitman.



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Top, Church of Christ, Third at Stow st., Rev. Charles L. Wells.

Right, Church of Christ, 2237 Fourth st., Rev. L. J. Nicklas.

Below, Bethany Evangelical and Reformed Church, 13th and Broad, Rev. Donald Powers.



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Both departments directly affect the health and welfare of the citizens of Cuyahoga Falls and they have had to increase in manpower and equipment to meet the requirements of a rapidly growing city. The past several years have produced such a fast growth that the expansion of these departments within the income of the City has been one of the major problems facing the administration and the department heads.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

THER than the Mayor and Councilmen, the only elected officials of the City are the Solicitor, Auditor and Treasurer.

Solicitor Don F. Kepple is in his first term, elected for two years. He is legal adviser for the City and School Board, prepares all ordinances and legislation, prosecutes in the Mayor's Court ,and defends the City against legal actions.

Auditor Ray Scott handles all receipts and expenditures, fund allocations, all budgets, tax payments, special assessments, bond payments, the City's Sinking Fund, and is, in fact, the City's accountant. He is also a consultant in municipal finance. His service with the City dates back to 1929. In 1935 he became deputy auditor. He is serving his first elected term of four years.

The actual receipt and disbursement of city money is the duty of Treasurer Roy Perry. He signs all checks, keeps the cash journal, and is custodian of all City funds except for the Sinking Fund and bond retirement funds. He is also in charge of the Police and Fire Pension funds. The treasurer is eletced for a two year term.



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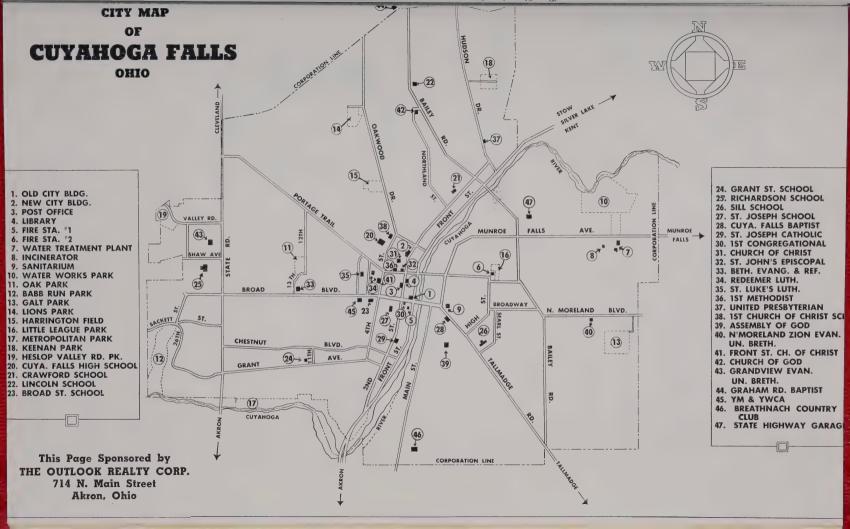
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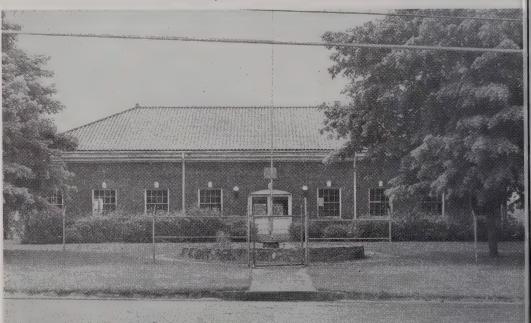
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

ITAL to the city are the electric, water and sewer departments and the gas and telephone lines. They are some of the utilities which bring convenience and comfort to Cuyahoga Falls homes.

The electric and water departments are municipally owned and operated. Telephone service is over the lines of the Ohio Bell and the East Ohio Gas Company supplies natural gas piped to nine of every 10 homes in the city from the fields of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Kansas.

In northeastern Ohio Cuyahoga Falls is noted for its clear, sparkling, pure water. Making possible this supply are five wells with a capacity of seven million gallons a day. The water treatment plant has a three and one-half million gallon per day capacity, while pumping facilities are geared to provide residents with five million gallons daily. Plans are underway now to step up the pumping output by another two million gallons. The city's water department is responsible for 103 miles of water mains.

Water Department Plant on Munroe Falls Rd.





City's Modern Sewage Plant Located at Botzum

Cuyahoga Falls' modern sewage plant uses the activated sludge treatment process and disposes of two and one-half million gallons of sewage daily. There are 86 miles of sanitary sewers and 45 miles of storm sewers.

The city's electric power comes from the Gorge plant of Ohio Edison, purchased by the city and redistributed over Cuyahoga Falls' own system. Street lighting is maintained without direct cost to the taxpayers. The system has provided free power not only for street lights but service to the schools, public and parochial, and free power to operate traffic signals and communications and other utility operations.

> Incinerator Plant on Munroe Falls Road

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INDUSTRY

IN THE FALLS



Above: Atlas Mold & Machine



Above: Dougherty & Bloomgren Machine Co. Left: The Vaughn Machinery Co.

Below: The Kent Machine Co.



Right: The Falls Engineering & Machine Co.



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J UST as Cuyahoga Falls growth has resulted in construction of the new City Hall, so has telephone growth resulted in tremendous expansion of telephone facilities to take care of heavy demands for new service. We're currently engaged in a more than \$100,000 construction program to install additional facilities in the Cuyahoga Falls exchange building. This is part of the more than \$4,000,000 expansion program this year in the Greater Akron area to provide more and better telephone service to more people.

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PAUL UNDERWOOD

Councilman - at - Large, serving his 11th year. Chairman of Utilities Committee, member of Claims Committee and Fireman's Pension Board. Residence: 1631 16th st.; WA 8-1856.



W. C. WRIGHT

Councilman-at-Large, now in his 11th year of service. Chairman of Finance Committee, member Lands and Buildings and Claims Committees. Residence: 2543 Front st.; WA 8-7847.



WADE JOHNSON

Councilman-at-Large, his fourth year in office. Chairman of the Safety Committee and the Firemen's Pension Board, member of Finance and Improvements Committees. Residence: 2345 Third st.; WA 8-1386.



W. W. DAVIS

Represents Ward 1, ourth year on Council. Chairman of Streets and Sidewalks Committee, nember Utilities and Lands and Buildings Committees. Residence: 408 Portage Tr.; WA 8-2419.



CLARE WEISEL

In his seventh year as Fourth Ward Councilman, he is chairman of the Improvements Committee and Police Pension Board. Member of Utilities and Streets and Sidewalks Committees. Residence: 2792 Hudson dr.; WA 8-2809.



C. W. VOBBE

Second Ward Councilman, serving his third year. Member of Safety and Streets and Sidewalks Committees, and the Police Pension Board. Residence: 1765 19th st.; WA 8-1606.



R. R. COFFIELD

Third Ward, now in his 11th year as a Council member. Chairman of Lands and Buildings Committee and member of Improvements and Safety Committees. Residence: 1930 17th st.; SW 4-1829.

UYAHOGA FALLS became a city in 1920 and the suceeding years have seen the problems of City Council multiply many times. As the legislative body of our City Government, Councilmen have been called upon to plan wisely and well for a community which has moved swiftly into the status of a City of more than 30,000 people. Council meets on the first, second and third Wednesday evenings of each month in City Hall Council Chambers. The fourth Wednesday evening is reserved for committee meetings. Councilmen receive salaries of \$100 per month, the Council President \$110. All are elected for two year terms.

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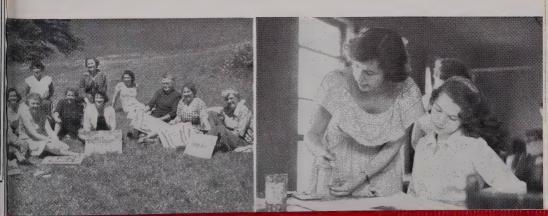
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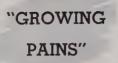
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Taylor Memorial Library

Community "Y" Building





EWEST of Cuyahoga Falls' public buildings, the Municipal building, was completed and dedicated on October 26, 1952. It was planned during the administration of Mayor Joseph W. Harding, begun during the administration of Mayor Georae

Anderson and completed during the administration of Mayor Harding A. Wichert.

Located on Second street between Stow and Oakwood, the new building houses all city divisions with the exception of the fire departments. Construction began May 17, 1951. Total cost was \$749,284.29, the total being allocated as follows: Building, \$628,333.00; property, \$68,551.29; extras, \$14,000; landscaping, \$3,400; furniture and equipment, \$35,000.

The Building Commission, an advisory group appointed by Mayor Anderson to select a site, included these prominent Cuyahoga Falls residents: G. H. Krumroy, M. D. Roscover, A. J. Destro, L. F. Paul, J. J. Lange and H. B. Lecky (ex-officio).



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The City of Cuyahoga Falls covers 8.57 square miles at an altitude of 1109 feet above sea level. It was founded in 1812 and in the decade 1942-1952 its growth has been so rapid that the city is acknowledged to be one of the fastest growing communities in the United States.

Cuyahoga Falls is a city of Home Owners. Over 75 per cent of the residents own their homes, proof that Cuyahoga Falls is a good place to live and rear families.

The city lies in the heart of industrial Ohio, a densely populated area noted for its vast output of manufactured goods. Cuyahoga Falls is "home" to 80 industrial plants which build products ranging from children's furniture to massive wire drawing machines.

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HIS BOOK is dedicated to the progress of Cuyahoga Falls and appropriately the cover illustration is of the City's new Municipal Building. For details and full view of the building see Public Buildings Section, Page 65.

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