KEEFE DISLOYAL SO SAYS MAYOR

Bookkeeper Fired as Result of Complaints, Declares Executive

J. T. Keefe, head bookkeeper in the department of City Auditor Mrs. Frank Seaman, was at his desk as usual Saturday morning despite the resolution passed Friday morning by the city commission ordering Mrs. Seaman to discharge him immediately. The commission had on July 29 ordered his discharge, effective July 31, but on August 1 he was at work in the auditor's department and has remained there.

What the next step will be in the wrangle between the city commission and the city auditor is conjectural. Mrs. Seaman remains noncommittal. The mayor and commissioners have ordered that no more checks be issued to Keefe, so it would appear that Mrs. Seaman expects to keep him on her force and that he might later sue the city for his salary.

Says Keefe Disloyal to City.

"We passed the resolution Friday—that is all we can do for the present," Mayor T. D. Evans explained Saturday. "We are not trying to dictate to Mrs. Seaman who she shall employ in her department, but we do expect her to hire persons that are loyal to the city, that are not trouble makers, and persons that do not go to Oklahoma City and lobby against the best interests of this city, as we understand Keefe has done. Frequent complaints have been made to me that Keefe was discourteous to others in the employ of the city outside the auditor's department."

Cite Authority for Firing.

Mayor Evans cites section 13 of Article 2 of the city charter as justification for the discharge of Keefe. This section provides that "each member of the board of commissioners shall have the right to propose and name the employes in the department or departments under his immediate supervision, but a majority of the board shall have the power to reject any such proposal and to discharge any employe of the city except the city attorney and corporation judge." Tulsa has no corporation judge. The section above referred to does not require that cause be shown for dismissals ordered under its terms.

Another section of the charter that deals with the hiring or discharge of appointive officers is contained in article 4 and reads: "The board of commissioners shall have power to provide for such other officers and employes as may be necessary, to fix the compensation to be paid thereto, and to employ such persons and to make such compensations therefore as may seem expedient and necessary to the board; provided, that a majority therefor shall approve such action, and, provided further, that all officers other than those specifically mentioned herein shall hold their offices for a term not exceeding one year, and shall be subject to removal at any time by the board of commissioners."

CITY NOT LIABLE FOR RIOT DAMAGE

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seems to be a part of an independent act, and it is no part of the provisions of the Kansas law adopted here upon the subject of cities and towns.

"In this country each state is the sovereign of a municipality therein. I do not find that our legislature has made municipalities in Oklahoma liable for failure on the part of an officer to protect private property in times of violence. In the charter and ordinances of the city of Tulsa it does not apear that the municipality has voluntarily assumed liability for failure of its officers to keep the peace, and as above indicated, we do not find any general statute of the state creating such liability. Therefore I am of the ojinion that no such liability exists."

Duncan Has Same Opinion.

City Attorney Duncan also holds that liability is governed entirely by state statute. He states that "it is my opinion, based on the laws of the state of Oklahoma and the charter and ordinances of the city of Tulsa, that there is no legal liability whatever existing against the city of Tulsa, a municipal corporation, for and on account, or, arising out of, or as a consequence of any damage to property, loss of property, or injuries to persons as a result of the unlawful uprising of negroes in the city of Tulsa on the 31st day of May and the 1st day of June, 1921. The act, or acts, done, resulting in the loss of property or injury to persons, were not the acts of the municipality, but were the unlawful, unauthorized acts of individuals, and for which the municipality, the city of Tulsa, is not and cannot be made liable under the laws of the state of Oklahoma."

Law Firm Agrees.

Similar in substance is the opinion of Lewis & Wortman, who state as follows: "The liability of the city for a failure of police officers to perform their duty in protection life and property from destruction and damage by a riotous assembly would not exist except by special legislation or voluntary assumption on the part of the city. This question might arise upon the failure of police officers to enforce an ordinance making such an offense punishable by the city, but no such ordinance has ever been passed by the city of Tulsa, and there is nothing in the city charter whereby the city voluntarily assumes such liability. A careful examination of the provisions of the Enabling Act of the constitution of the state of Oklahoma, as well as the general statutes of the state, discloses no provisions making the city liable for damage to persons or property occasioned by rioting or unlawful assembly."

Approximately $5,000,000 in claims has been asked of the city by negroes for damages alleged to have been sustained as a result of the riot. This includes both real and personal property. All of these claims have been refused by the city.

Wire Flashes

CHICAGO, Aug. [illegible]

KNOX, Mo., Aug. 6.—When the children at [illegible] opened a coffin shipped from St. Louis, Mo., which they supposed contained the body of their mother [illegible], they found the body of [illegible], whom they had not seen for [illegible] years.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 6.—[illegible]

HAMILTON, [illegible] Aug. 6.—The police [illegible] in the place where the bandits were.

[illegible] CITY, Aug. 6.—[illegible] handed down today by the state criminal court of appeals.

URBANA, Ill., Aug. 6.—Mrs. J. M. Chase who fasted [illegible] days as a result of stomach trouble died early this morning. She retained consciousness and [illegible] her condition to the moment of her death.

GIBBONS NAMED ON DIRECTORY

J. Burr to Take Place of Earl Sinclair; Elected at Saturday Meeting

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, held after the open meeting at Hotel Tulsa Friday noon, J. Burr Gibbons was elected a member of the directorate to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of E. W. Sinclair, formerly president of the Exchange National bank, for New York to become affiliated with the Sinclair Oil corporation.

Gibbons is president of the Hofstra Manufacturing company which manufactures an insect powder that is now used in virtually every civilized country. The firm has a large foreign trade. Until several years ago, when he took charge of the Hofstra company, Gibbons was engaged in newspaper work. At the time he became connected with the company of which he is the active head, it was a one-man concern. It now occupies its own commodious building at North Cheyenne and the Katy tracks, and employes a large force of workmen and salesmen.

Gibbons has been and is an active civic worker, and is a tireless toiler for the best interests of Tulsa. He is a member of several clubs. Recently he was instrumental in forming an organization of local manufacturing concerns to promote their export business and prepare to develop the foreign markets so they will occupy predominant positions when the period of readjustment is over.

ARCHITECTS PLAY JOKE ON CHURCH

Dollar Mark Design Over Bride's Door of Famous N. Y. Edifice

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—The New York World today disclosed a standing joke that it says has been perpetrated for years by architects of the million dollar St. Thomas Episcopal church on the dozens of fashionable brides who have gone to the altar through the famous "bride's door" since the church was completed 10 years ago.

Carved into the granite capital over the door, says the newspaper is a huge dollar sign—slightly conventionalized, but unmistakeable. A photograph of the door, reproduced to bear out the story, shows a beautiful and finely chiseled decoration surmounted by a double panel on one side of which is carved a conventional true lover's knot and on the other the somewhat similar, strikingly different "dollar mark."

E. Donald Robb, architect, who was head draughtsman for Cram, Goodhue and Ferguson, designers of the church, is quoted as having admitted designing the dollar mark, saying it was "done in fun" and asserting he couldn't see that it was a subject for newspaper comment. He referred his inquisitor to Mr. Goodhue, intimating the design was his idea. Mr. Goodhue proved to be absent from the city.

Mr. Robb declared architects frequently have hidden satire and humor in church designs.

Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Stires, rector of St. Thomas said he believed the dollar mark story was "a figment of the imagination."

CONFIDENCE IS RETURNING

Bank Head, Back From Texas Says Cotton Growers Not Depressed.

An air of confidence is replacing the depression of last July throughout Texas, Jake Easton, vice-president of the Exchange National bank said Saturday upon his return from a trip through the southern oil fields. Though all the compresses in Texas are filled with cotton and there is a new crop coming in, there is considerable encouragement felt in the tendency of foreign markets to [illegible] and orders from Liverpool to southern exporters are on the increase.

"The new oil field at the doors of [illegible] is creating quite a bit of excitement there," Easton said, "but the lowering of price has tended to hold back development, even [illegible] have been postponed as much as possible."

Tulsa Attorney Writes Book.

"Thirty Years in Hell" is the name that D. E. MacMartin, Tulsa attorney, has given to his new book that will be off the press in a few days. Confessions of a former drug fiend form the subject matter for the Tulsan's book.

New Registrar for Land Office.

ENID, Aug. 6.—J. B. Campbell of Waukomis has been tendered the appointment of registrar of the Guthrie land office and may accept it. The position has been held by J. V. Callahan appointed by Wilson

COURT PREVENTS MONEY PAYMENT

Foreign Banks Asked Not to Pay Out Money of Alleged Mail Thief

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—Wealth amounting to $461,098 stored in six European banks to the credit of John W. Worthington, cannot be removed as a result of a restraining order granted today by Sidney C. Eastman, referee in bankruptcy, sitting in federal court in the absence of Judge K. M. Landis.

The order enjoins Worthington from drawing out the money and the banks from paying. Since the banks are located outside the jurisdiction of the court, the order affecting them is considered in the nature of a request.

Banks named were the Deutsch bank, Berlin, the Polish State Loan bank of Warsaw, and banks in Posen, Prague and Rome.

Worthington is under arrest here as the alleged brains of a "mail robbery trust," and a roundup of more than a score of alleged confederates indicted with him is in progress. He is said to have hidden the proceeds of his thefts in the foreign banks.

11-YEAR MANHUNT ENDS IN ARIZONA

Alleged Murderer Is Arrested at Globe; Said to Be Ex-Outlaw

ATOKA, Aug. 6.—County Attorney Ira J. Banta announced today the receipt of a telegram from Deputy A. J. Fryar of this city stating that George Scout, held at Globe, Ariz., is George Brown, wanted in this county since October 14, 1910, on a charge of murdering Ben Pearson, deputy sheriff. Fryar telegraphed Sheriff J. W. Phillips to proceed to Arizona with requisition papers for the return of Brown to this county for trial.

Brown was apprehended near Globe, where he was the owner of a large flock of goats. Following the death of Pearson, which occurred at a dance near Caney, Brown made his escape and has been the object of an 11-year search that was carried into nearly every western state.

According to local authorities, Pearson was called to the dance to quiet Brown, who was shooting a gun. He fired on the officer with fatal result. Prosecutor Banta says Brown has served a prison term in Texas on a charge of manslaughter and also served seven years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., for holding up and robbing a Missouri, Kansas & Texas passenger train near Caney shortly before statehood.

Local authorities say Brown is a former member of the Henry Starr gang of outlaws. They say all of the eye witness to Pearson's murder are still living.

SANTA FE RAILROAD SUED

Tulsa Clothing Company Claims That Shipment Is Badly Damaged.

The Palace Clothiers filed a suit Saturday in district court for $1,150 damages against the Santa Fe railroad company. The clothing company also asks $7.50 as drayage fees which it had to pay.

It is claimed in the petition that a shipment of window panels consigned to the clothing company from Chicago was mishandled by the railroad company and that when the shipment arrived here the goods were so broken and scratched as to be unfit for use.

SLOW TO ENTER BIKE RACE

But Messenger Boys Are Showing Interest in the Event.

With the announcement last week by Norman B. Snyder that the Megee Sporting Goods will hold the first bicycle race ever held in Tulsa quite a bit of enthusiasm has been manifest among the messenger boys and other pedalists about the coming event. While several boys have already entered, the registration as a whole has been slow. Another thing that is probably holding them up is the fact that the number of races and the kind have not yet been announced. This announcement will be made as soon as possible. However, boys should register at once and not hold out until the last day to enter.

SINCLAIRS KEEP ON WINNING

Defeat Exchange Trust Company Team 9 to 6.

The Sinclair office team of the Tulsa Bank league won from the Exchange Trust company by a score of 9 to 6 yesterday afternoon on the University of Tulsa grounds. Simmons was on the mound for Sinclair and held the Trust boys safe all the way, keeping the hits well scattered. A meeting is called for the league managers to meet at the Y. W. C. A. Monday at an 11:30 luncheon.

Message From the Clouds.

Special to The World.

ENID, Aug. 6.—An up-to-date department store in Enid, having just increased its floor space to the amount of about $100,000, took a novel way to advertise its formal opening this week by having a local aviator, Perry Hodsdon, carry the message to the people of several towns. The message was enclosed in a large brown envelop, inscribed "A message from the clouds."

"Cleaners" Feed on Melon.

Fifty employes of the Bohnefeld cleaning works and their families were guests Saturday night of W. O. Bohnefeld at his home at 1135 Sunset Drive. Watermelon and other refreshments were served. It is Bohnefeld's yearly custom to entertain his employes at an outing, and three weeks ago they were his guests at Sand Springs park.

Alumni Association Meets.

The regular Sigma Nu luncheon was held yesterday at Woods cafe and officers were elected. The men chosen to head the newly established alumni chapter are as follows: Wirt H. Andrews, president; Hugh C. Moffit, vice president and James J. Reed, secretary treasurer.

Escaped Prisoner Is Recaptured by Police

Lawrence Smiley, who escaped from the city jail July 12 after he had been arrested charged with the theft of a Ford, was re-arrested by the police Saturday. Smiley was one of seven men who made their way to freedom from the city bastile by sawing through the bars. Most of the prisoners have been recaptured.

GOVERNOR REFUTES KLAN

Says He Never Made Application for Membership to Ku-Klux Body.

DURHAM, N. C., Aug. 6.—"I have paid no attention since I have been governor, to dozens of foolish rumors put into circulation about me, but whoever informed Bruce Craven, grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina and published in the press of the state, that I made application for membership in the Ku-Klux Klan is a liar," declared Governor Morrison today.

The statement came from the governor after announcement was made yesterday by Major Bruce Craven, declared the Klan "disbanded and abandoned."

Having inflatable sides, a boat in Europe can be folded and carried in a suit case.

STATE TO START A SOAP FACTORY

Plant Will Be in Conjunction With Slaughter House at A. & M.

STILLWATER, Okla., Aug. 6.—The state board of agriculture has decided to build a slaughter house on the A. and M. college farm here, and in connection with the slaughter house, a soap making plant will be erected, according to word received here from John A. Whitehurst, president of the board of agriculture.

"It's not to train a new crop of butchers," President Whitehurst said, "and neither is to equip college girls with knowledge of work that they may obtain positions in soap factories. The idea is that the Oklahoma farmer should get back to the old fashioned practice of killing his own meat, and the farmer's wife should know how to help in saving all the by products."

Every farmer used to kill his own cattle, but it's a lost art now, according to Whitehurst. Now the farmer sells the live stock, and then buys packer-prepared products for home consumption. Where farm women once rendered their own lard, the present farm women seem to prefer to buy from the drug store.

The present-day farmer has it "all over" the old fashioned farmer, he said. Then, there was much waste in hog killing, and few of the by products were used. There are improved methods at his command now, and he has every opportunity to take advantage of the aid offered him.

"A student may be told what to buy, and what to feed, but he forgets. That's natural," Whitehurst said. "But if he cuts the beef himself, he'll know what breeds and what sort of feeding produce the greatest percentage of high priced steaks."

The plant, according to the department of agriculture's announcement, will be large enough to handle four or five beeves a day, and as many as ten or fifteen hogs. It will be made self supporting if possible, by turning the products to the college cafeteria, and to Stillwater markets for consumption.

The plant will be in order by September 6, if present plans materialize and there is no reason why delay should occur, agricultural department officials said.

BIG DAMAGE SUIT IS FILED

M. J. Fitzgerald Estimates Injuries at $10,000; Sues W. B. Breit.

A bruised and lacerated left knee and a strained back is worth $10,000 according to M. J. Fitzgerald who Saturday filed a suit in district court for that amount against W. court for that amount against W. B. Breit.

Fitzgerald says in his petition that on July 29, while he was standing on the sidewalk near the Superior Gasoline company, 507 South Boulder, but out of the driveway leading to the latter's place of business, Breit, who was carelessly driving a car, ran into Fitzgerald knocking him into a concrete wall. As a result, according to Fitzgerald, his left knee was lacerated and his back strained. Besides suffering damages of $10,000, Fitzgerald claims that his suit of clothes valued at $60 was destroyed and he was forced to pay $50 for medical attendance. In all he asks for a judgment of $10,110 against Breit.

Enid Joins Prize Competition.

Special to The World.

ENID, Aug. 6.—Enid, with 25 other cities in Oklahoma, is running a race for $2,500 to be given to the city, which shows in every way that it is th ebest for rearing young folks.