

Shawnee, Okla  
Sept 8.1934

Mr. A. E. Riddle,  
Super-Visor of the  
Shell Oil Pipe Co.  
Cushing, Okla.

Dear Sir:

I am giving you some news that I think you are truly due. You have in ~~imp~~ employe as comon labor, a man by the name of A. M. Gilmore who lives in one of my houses at 1222 E Highland Shawnee. This party has been living in the above mentioned place since January 1934. When Mr. Gilmore came and wanted to rent the house, I showed him the house and just where the lots were and the extent of them, also was very careful to tell him did not want any one that drank, gambled or gave dances, this he said he would not allow, so I rented the house to him, and he went along very nicely until July 14 last, at that time he pulled a real old fashion dance. I live about two hundred feet east of him, and since I am a baptist preacher and have a very fine class of men, I was trying to study my Sunday School lesson. You can imagine how I got along as they were heard for more than a block away. I went on Monday night and talked to him, and his answer was, if he was renting a house it was his business if he wanted to give a dance. I told him that might be so, but he only had the house rented for one month, and I was telling him, now so he would have plenty of time to get him another house for his rent wouldnt be up until August 4, but when the fourth came he did not move or pay and has not yet moved. On August 28.1934 about nine oclock my Daughter was in the room that was nearest to his home, and she heard some one cursing, and came into the other room and her mother and me went immeditly and heard for ourselves. I had him arrested and he had to pay a fine. In the trial he had Mr. Ramsey and a woman that I will not say anything about unless I can see you personally sometime.

I have not said what I have to cause this party are any one to loose their ~~job~~, for that is not my aim at all, but I do believe you should have this information, for this reason if nothing else, there are eight Baptist Churches in our City, and I have preached in all except one, been living here for twelve years, been living at 502 N Draper for eleven years, and do not say it boastingly, but I have many dear friends in our City. Should I are any of my friends pass a Shell Oil Station, it would naturally call to our mind this hapeening.

I am going to say this further word, and that is the time has come when this ruff stuff will have to go, are men will loose their jobs, and they should have instructions to that effect. I hope to meet you some day, and should you be in Shawnee on the Lord's day, call for Capp's Bible Class

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At the First Baptist Church and sit with us, and you will meet  
a fine bunch of men. Dr Neel is our Class President. C.W. Butler  
Super-visor of The Standolin Pipe Line Company is Vice President.  
We will be happy to have you visit us at anytime.

Yours truly

P.W. Copp

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