TULSA WORLD 100 YEARS

State capital moved from Guthrie to Oklahoma City

At the stroke of midnight on June 12, 1910, Oklahoma Gov. Charles N. Haskell signed a document declaring the capital of the 2-year-old state was now in Oklahoma City, and the state seal was whisked out of Guthrie for a "wild 30-mile automobile ride" to the new capital.

The action came slightly more than 24 hours after Haskell had ordered the state militia to arrest Logan County Sheriff J.W. Mahoney, disarm him and throw him in jail because Mahoney had posted guards in an attempt to prevent the removal of the capital from Guthrie.

"I have simply done my duty," Haskell was quoted in the **June 14, 1910,** Tulsa World. "The capital is now in Oklahoma City."

Haskell acted the day after Oklahoma voters approved Oklahoma City as the new capital — although there was no Capitol to house the state government and it had to be lodged in the Huckins Hotel. Opponents, including the Tulsa World, cried foul, claiming the capital was stolen from Guthrie.

The World's story about the move said a pledge repeated "in every speech and in its own and hired newspapers" in Oklahoma City was that no attempt would be made to move the government until after 1913 and a suitable Capitol would be ready.

"This is the first repudiation of plighted word," the World said and warned, "Watch for the next."

Tulsans campaigned to "vote no" on the move, and the World had printed that message in large type on front pages. They had become irritated at the "big brother" attitude of Oklahoma Citians who believed there was room for only one big city in the state. Tulsans also were

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piqued because Oklahoma City officials used their influence in Washington to block funds for deepening the Arkansas River for navigation.

It was an exciting time. The excitement apparently spread to the World's newsroom, where the editor forgot to check the date on the top of the page. The date on the paper says it was June 11. The date should have been June 14, 1910.

A story in the next day's World said if the issue were to be voted on again, "Oklahoma City would be buried under an avalanche of condemnation."

A Tulsan suggested, "No more disgraceful thing has ever occurred than Haskell's removal of the seat of government."

Three Tulsa-area Girl Scouts were found dead in their zipped-up sleeping bags near their tent at Camp Scott near Locust Grove, the **June 14, 1977,** Tulsa World reported.

Several of the 140 girls from a six-county area who had just arrived for a two-week camp said they heard screams during the night but did not report it until morning. The bodies were discovered shortly after 6 a.m. when a counselor went up a trail to take an early morning shower.

The rest of the girls were bused back to Tulsa that afternoon, and boys at a nearby Boy Scout camp also were bused back to their homes.

Ex-convict Gene Leroy Hart, 36, a native of Locust Grove, was arrested but was acquitted in a high-visibility trial. He died of a heart attack three months later in the state penitentiary at McAlester, where he was serving the balance of a previously imposed prison sentence.

Ted Lemke, the chief inspector for the Oklahoma Bureau of Criminal Investigation, said the investigation would not be reopened: "Why should we? We had the right man."

Mayes County Sheriff Pete Weaver agreed, "We had the man we were after."

James J. Braddock defeated Max Baer to win the heavyweight champion title in what the **June 14, 1935,** Tulsa World called the "greatest upset in boxing history."

Sports writer Damon Runyon wrote that the decision of the referees that Braddock, dubbed the "Cinderella man," was the winner of the 15-round bout in Madison Square Garden in New York City.

"After being such a down-and-outer that he had to go on relief in his home state of New Jersey at $34 per month to provide food for his wife and three children, Braddock at 29 suddenly finds himself occupying the pinnacle of the pugilistic heap," Runyon wrote.

A recent movie, "Cinderella Man," is based on that fight.

Reflections on 100 years of the Tulsa World, researched and written by Gene Curtis, former Tulsa World managing editor

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JAIL:

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areas, and classrooms, he said.

Perhaps the harshest criticism is aimed at the kitchen. One team member noted: "We feel that based on our health inspection training that if the Health Department would come and inspect the kitchen facility, they would shut it completely down until repairs were made."

The report claims that a wall near several steam pots in the kitchen is "infested with flies and maggots." It also lists stagnant water that smells like sewage, standing water in the wash room, mold, and missing floor and ceiling tiles.

The report also notes that the air conditioner is broken and that a security door is propped open for ventilation. Several kitchen machines are in disrepair or are missing parts.

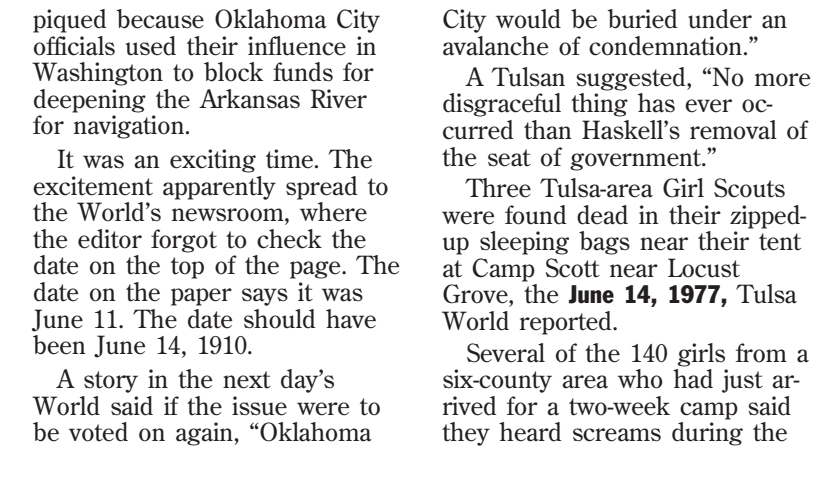
Photographs document many of the deficiencies.

The Sheriff's Office has sent the report to the county Criminal Justice Authority, which will determine what is normal wear and tear and what it believes CCA should clean up, replace or repair before the sheriff assumes the operation.

"I want the sheriff and the rest of the authority to know that this is the condition the facility is in when we walked in on Day One," Albin said. "I'm dedicated to making this a safe and secure and sanitized environment for all the inmates who are in there. The sheriff is committed to making it a showplace."

Albin said the sally port doors — bowed and damaged — are also an issue. A man driving a stolen church van rammed those doors, where vehicles enter and exit the jail, in 2003 following a police pursuit.

"They work, but they're going to be a problem sooner or later," he said.



Courtesy Tulsa County Sheriff's Office

A report by the sheriff's transition team shows many problems with the Tulsa Jail just before the Sheriff's Office takes possession of the lockup July 1. The problems include missing or damaged doors on hot food carts, stagnant water, mold, and missing floor and ceiling tiles.

The sheriff's team also found a vacated segregation unit where food had been left behind, along with blood and urine in the bathroom commodes. There was a lot of trash and a foul odor, and the vents were clogged with paper, the report says.

But Albin had some complimentary comments as well. He said the housing pods are "actually in pretty good shape and pretty clean" and that the CCA employees are well-trained.

Albin said he understood some of CCA's decisions, such as removing towel holders because inmates could take them apart and make weapons out of the pieces.

"There was a lot of things we didn't include because we knew they were getting repaired or we knew it was normal wear and tear," he said.

County Commissioner Bob Dick stressed that the sheriff's report is not a Criminal Justice Authority document. He did say, however, that he had reviewed the report and that the authority would send CCA a list Tuesday of issues to address.

Dick noted that the Tennessee-based company had passed every previous inspection with flying colors. He said he also didn't consider the jail, built in 1999, to be a new building. Because it operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, it's really a 15- to 18-year-old building, he said.

"It gets triple wear and tear," he said.

Some of the comments by the sheriff's transition team may be more opinion than factual observation, Dick said. He added, however, that he had no concerns that CCA would not correct any problem that is deemed its responsibility.

"There will probably be some disagreement, but we will come to an agreement, and the transition will happen in a timely way," he said.

Albin said CCA had received a copy of the review, but CCA's spokesman Chris Howard said the company had not received an official report from its customer — the Criminal Justice Authority.

"When we receive their report, if there are any concerns, we will address them with our customer — the authority," he said.

County Engineer Ray Jordan said he looked at the jail's major systems, such as heating, air conditioning and plumbing, and found them to be maintained to acceptable standards.

Jordan recommended that water fountains be restored to the housing pods and along the corridor. They were removed either because they were abused by inmates or were bumped by food carts in the hallways, records show.

The report lists several housekeeping items as considered to be CCA's responsibility: damaged fire extinguisher boxes, missing or damaged doors on hot food carts, missing or damaged steam insulation, steam line leaks, dishwasher repair, broken cabinets, broken cell glass due to inmate abuse, and missing washers and dryers.

The report also notes that 183 shrubs have died or been removed, along with numerous dead trees.

Don Garrison, the jail inspector for the state Health Department, said CCA had no deficiencies following two inspections in 2004. He said the Health Department had not inspected the jail this year.

"We've actually never had any problems with the cleanliness of that jail. I wish all of our jails were kept as clean as that jail is," he said.

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NEWS

ACKNOWLEDGING OMISSION: The Senate apologizes for past failures to pass anti-lynching legislation. **A-7**

BOOST FROM BOOM: Property taxes on new homes that are being built in record numbers this year will enable Tulsa Technology Center to expand its programs and give raises to employees, officials say. **A-11**

COUNTY CASH: The Tulsa County Budget Board approves a $50.6 million budget for 2005-06, a 4.3 percent increase from last year. **A-11**

PILOT PROJECT: Federal officials are studying whether the pilots who fly smaller regional jets are getting adequate training and supervision. **C-5**

USE THE BRAKES: A senior European Union official says the 25-nation bloc should slow down its expansion program. **C-5**

AIDS REPORT: More than 1 million Americans are believed to be living with the virus that causes AIDS, the government says. **C-5**

SPORTS

COMING TO TULSA: Archie Manning, in a videotape presentation, confirms at the Iba Awards that he will be the guest speaker next year. **B-1**

GIFT SUGGESTIONS: Outdoors columnist Sam Powell offers a few ideas on what dads want for Father's Day. **B-2**

A NEW OUTLOOK: Baltimore Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis says he is looking forward to playing in Rex Ryan's 46 defense this season. **B-3**

WAITING GAME: J.R. Giddens and Kansas await official action to determine whether he will play next season. **B-5**

SCENE

WINNING PERFORMANCES: "Crimes of the Heart" opens with a success in Sapulpa. **D-3**

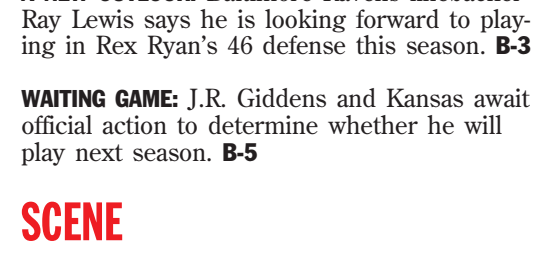
FOOT FALLS: Not everyone is in agreement about when you should wear white shoes. Some fashionistas say never. **D-5**

BUSINESS

PRICE WAR: A Wal-Mart Supercenter in Skiatook won't be open until August, but there's already a dispute with Super H, the city's other grocery. **E-1**

CEO OUT: Acknowledging that calls for his ouster and an exodus of employees have hurt Morgan Stanley, CEO Philip Purcell says he plans to retire from the venerable Wall Street investment bank. **E-4**

NEW PILOT: Outside buyers apparently are interested in taking over United Airlines when it emerges from bankruptcy. **E-4**



SINGERS SPLIT: Destiny's Child announces the group will break up after completing its world tour this fall. **D-4**

LOTTERIES

MONDAY RESULTS

Missouri Day
Pick 3: 6-8-0
Pick 4: 8-7-0-7
ShowMe: 3-10-12-24-41

Missouri Night
Pick 3: 7-9-2
Pick 4: 1-8-8-6
ShowMe: 11-22-39-41-43

Kansas
Pick 3: 0-5-0
Cash: 10-11-16-26-30-Super Cashball -2

Texas
Pick 3: 6-6-8
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CORRECTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS

A Monday Tulsa World Focus page story incorrectly identified the territory for which Guthrie was capital until 1907. It was the capital of Oklahoma Territory.