

Dr. Edward N. Tihen (1924-1991) was an avid reader and researcher of Wichita newspapers. His notes from Wichita newspapers -- the "Tihen Notes," as we call them -- provide an excellent starting point for further research. They present brief synopses of newspaper articles, identify the newspaper -- Eagle, Beacon or Eagle-Beacon -- in which the stories first appeared, and give exact references to the pages on which the articles are found. Microfilmed copies of these newspapers are available at the Wichita State University Libraries, the Wichita Public Library, or by interlibrary loan from the Kansas State Historical Society.

Subject(s): Fred Baldwin

Eagle

Sunday, October 9, 1904

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21. Store-room of Baldwin's photograph gallery contains 50,000 negatives taken since establishment of the gallery here in 1873 by Nerus Baldwin, father of Fred Baldwin the present proprietor. Most are of people and along side of them are the scenes of notable events as street pageants and the flood.

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Friday, May 5, 1911

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5. Photograph (by Fred Baldwin New Studio) of Little Arkansas river bank at 12th street showing no houses except R. B. Campbell residence. ¶ Plans worked out by Bert Wells, city engineer, to make the Little Arkansas river behave at the sharp bend at 12th street. ¶ At this point of the river, which years ago used to be famous among small boys as the 12th street swimming hole, the river has cut a high bank, which year after year has eroded until it completely destroyed a portion of Riverside avenue and encroached for many feet on private property. ¶ By means of piling and a stone levee, the city is undertaking to maintain a proper channel for the river and stop the erosion of the land. ¶ How great has been this erosion was described by Commissioner Robert B. Campbell, who lived for many years in the vicinity and has recently erected a fine residence at Riverside avenue and Twelfth street. He stated that there used to be a number of cottonwood trees at the old swimming hole, that as the bank was eroded these trees toppled over and small boys used to dive from them, but as the erosion went on these trees finally were completely carried away by the river. ¶ Near this bend of the river Walter Innes owns a triangular piece of land. When residents decided the city ought to put in a definite boundary for the river channel, he was prevailed upon to donate off his land enough to replace Riverside avenue to compensate for what the river had carried away. He consented with the stipulation that Porter avenue should be closed as a public street and that the city should prevent any further encroachment of the river. ¶ Some time ago the curve of the river east of this site, which in the old days was known to the boys as the Rope swimming hole, was similarly improved, with stone abutments to direct the current harmlessly.

Beacon**Thursday, July 6, 1911****page**

1. Report of consecration of Father Henry Tihen as bishop of Lincoln, Nebraska at pro-Cathedral today. Details. Photograph (taken by Fred Baldwin and his latest photograph).

Beacon**Tuesday, October 29, 1912****page**

10. Fred H. Reed, photographer, 118 East Douglas, today purchased the new Fred Baldwin studio. Mr. Reed became owner of the former Baldwin Studio a year ago when Fred Baldwin went South for his health. The new studio was organized on Mr. Baldwin's return this spring.

Beacon**Sunday, February 22, 1925****page****Magazine**

11. Article about founding of Wichita Country Club, with excellent photograph of the original club house (Proudfoot house). Photograph was taken by Fred Baldwin the first Saturday after the Circle Drive place was taken over. New clubhouse was built later just east of Circle Drive.

Eagle**Wednesday, October 11, 1950****page**

2. Report of death received yesterday of Mrs. Fred Baldwin, 83, former Wichitan, and daughter-in-law of early day Wichita photographer, Nereus Baldwin, in San Diego, California. Her husband, Fred Baldwin, was a commercial photographer in Wichita before moving to New Mexico about 1910. He died shortly thereafter and was returned to Wichita for burial. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Will Hays, lives in Wichita at 9203 South Broadway. Mrs. Baldwin is survived by two daughters and three sons (named), all in California.