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**Subject(s): Ben F. McLean Bridge (Seneca Street Bridge)**

**Wichita Eagle**

**Friday, April 17, 1925**

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3. Seneca street bridge will be opened by Decoration day. Seven of the nine piers are finished. ¶ The lengthened West Central bridge will be completed by May 5, as will the Murdock avenue canal bridge. The canal bridge on 3rd street will be opened ten days later. Work is just beginning on the canal bridge on 10th street.

**Wichita Beacon**

**Thursday, May 7, 1925**

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14. The new Seneca Street Bridge across the Arkansas River is to be dedicated and opened May 27.

**Wichita Eagle**

**Saturday, May 9, 1925**

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8. The new \$110,000 Seneca street bridge over the Big Arkansas river will be opened and dedicated May 22.

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**Friday, May 15, 1925**

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4. Four bridges will be opened in next two weeks. The B. F. McLean bridge on Seneca street will be dedicated Saturday, May 23. The Central avenue bridge across Little river will be re-opened next week, and the new drainage canal bridges at Murdock and 10th street will also be opened.

**Wichita Eagle**

**Friday, May 22, 1925**

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9. Formal opening of new Seneca street bridge, to be named after Ben F. McLean, will be held this evening.

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**Saturday, May 23, 1925**

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8. Article reports opening of new Seneca street bridge last evening.

**Wichita Beacon**

**Monday, May 25, 1925**

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8. Report of the dedication and opening to the public of the new Seneca Street Bridge Friday night last. Bridge has been named for B. F. McLean, former city commissioner and resident on Seneca Street. Details.