

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): Millwood avenue and street car line

Wichita Beacon

Saturday, November 10, 1917

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4. Rails are on the way to Wichita and ties are on hand for construction of the extension of the street car line to the Orient Shops. The line will branch off from the main line at Osage, running south to Dayton, thence west to Millwood, and south on Millwood to the shops.

Thursday, October 31, 1918

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6. C. R. Lewis, street railway superintendent, and W. S. Hadley, city commission, decided today on the location of the loop on the Orient street car line. It will be constructed at the intersection of Millwood and Walker Avenues. The material is now on hand and work will be pushed rapidly.

Wednesday, November 13, 1918

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4. C. R. Lewis, superintendent, says the extension of the street car line to the vicinity of the Orient shops will be completed in ten days. The material is all on the ground and most of the ties are in place. The extension will end at Millwood and Walker, where a loop will be built.

Tuesday, December 3, 1918

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4. Workmen completed the loop at the end of the Orient line of the street railway today. Henceforth the cars will run to the end of the line and turn. The loop is at Millwood and Walker, within about four blocks of the entrance to the Orient shops and within one block of the yards.

Tuesday, November 26, 1935

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6. City commission yesterday ordered changes in two bus lines. Starting at Wheeler and Seneca a bus line will run north on Seneca to Dayton, east to Osage, north to Maple, east to Water, north to Douglas, east to Broadway, south to William, west to Water, and return over the same route. The clockwise Maple Street line will be discontinued. The former Maple Street line will be operated west on Douglas to Seneca, south to Maple, west to Hiram, south to McCormick, east to Millwood, north to Maple, east to Seneca, north to Douglas, and east to Downtown Wichita. On North Topeka every other bus will run east from Topeka on 13th to Mosely and north to 17th Street. Alternate buses on North Topeka will run as at present. In the 17th Street district a 20 minute service will be given during the rush hours and a 30 minute service during quiet hours.

Friday, June 4, 1937

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12. Petition filed with city manager yesterday asking extension of the city bus service from Seneca and Wheeler west five blocks to Millwood.

Wichita Eagle

Wednesday, November 14, 1917

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5. City commission placed ordinance on first reading yesterday establishing the route of the street railway extension as follows: south from Douglas on Osage, thence west on Dayton to Millwood, thence south on Millwood to the Orient shops -- approximately 1.6 miles of additional track.

Saturday, December 7, 1918

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6. The first cars were run Thursday over the new West Side street car extension to the Orient shops. Difficulty in getting labor and materials delayed completion of the line. It is a little more than one mile long, running south on Osage from West Douglas, west on Dayton to Millwood, and thence to the Orient shops.

Thursday, October 30, 1919

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5. Article reporting origin of names of Millwood street and of Fern avenue on the West Side.

Thursday, February 17, 1927

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2. After jerking the trolley from an Orient Shops-Fairmount street car at Millwood and Walker avenues at 9:00 p.m., two thugs held up the motorman, F. T. Sweatt, and escaped with his changer containing nine dollars. He had just completed a loop at the end of the line.