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**Subject(s):** Normal schools, institutes**Wichita Beacon****Wednesday, August 22, 1877****page**

5. The county Normal Institute has over 50 teachers enrolled.

**Wichita Beacon****Thursday, May 18, 1893****page**

4. Commencement exercises of the high school will be on Thursday next week, those of Wichita university will be the second week of June, and those of the Normal school will be in evening of Thursday, May 25 at Crawford Grand. Details.

**Wichita Beacon****Tuesday, May 8, 1894****page**

4. Board of education meeting yesterday: Number of pupils enrolled in public schools is 4,954. ¶ Discussion of need to reduce expenses in the present hard times. ¶ Wichita has 21 school buildings with total of 105 principals and teachers, including city superintendent. The high school has a principal and eight assistants. The Normal school has a principal and two assistants. There are 19 grade buildings with 19 principals and 71 teachers. There is a city superintendent and three supervisors, in drawing, penmanship, and music. Other salaried persons are the school board's secretary, treasurer, librarian, superintendent of buildings and grounds, and board of city examiners. ¶ Total expenditures for the year just ending will be about \$80,000, of which \$68,500 will have gone for salaries, \$4,500 for repairing of buildings, \$3,600 for supplies, \$2,000 for fuel, and \$2,000 for printing, insurance, rent, and miscellaneous. ¶ President Powell calls for a reduction in expenditures of \$20,000 for the coming year.

**Wichita Eagle****Tuesday, May 8, 1894****page**

5. Report to school board says Wichita has 21 school buildings with total of 105 principals and teachers. There are about 4,500 pupils. Total expenses for year just ended is about

\$80,000 of which \$68,500 was for salaries of officers, teachers, and janitors. High school has a principal and eight teachers, Normal school a principal and two assistants, and 19 grade schools have 19 principals and 71 teachers. Details.

**Wichita Beacon****Saturday, June 2, 1894****page**

4. The fourth annual commencement of the city Normal school took place last evening at the YMCA auditorium. Details.

**Wichita Beacon****Thursday, November 29, 1894****page**

5. Article about the city normal school, which has been organized since 1890. Details. Since then it has graduated about 48 pupils, most of whom are now teaching in the city schools.

**Wichita Eagle****Thursday, May 26, 1898****page**

5. A class of seven young ladies graduated from the City Normal Training school last night.

**Wichita Eagle****Tuesday, December 27, 1898****page**

5. Article says the trustees of the Reformed Church are offering to sell the Wichita university building, which cost between \$30,000 and \$40,000, to the state for \$15,000 to \$16,000 for use as a state normal school.

**Wichita Eagle****Thursday, July 18, 1907****page**

6. Work on the new quarters for the city library in the fourth floor of the City hall is progressing rapidly. A new steel ceiling has been placed in the old normal school room, which is the largest room on that floor and will be used as the main room for the library. The library is to occupy the entire fourth floor of the City hall. The offices of the board of education now on that floor will be moved down to the rooms on the second floor now occupied by the library. This move would have been made years ago if there had been an elevator in the City hall. Now that an elevator has been installed, the change will be made as soon as possible.