

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): Stringfield, William R. (architect)

Wichita Beacon

Monday, June 28, 1909

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16. Plans for the new College Hill Congregational church to be erected at 1st and Clifton are now finished and ready to be submitted to the contractors. Main building will be 40 by 42 feet. It faces east with arched porticoes on both north and south sides leading to the tower entrance at west side. William R. Stringfield is the architect. Estimated cost \$6000. Details.

Thursday, August 12, 1909

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3. A two story garage building, 50 by 140 feet, will be built at 217-219 South Emporia by W. S. Brown at cost of \$17-20,000. Architect is W. R. Stringfield, in the Winne building. It will be occupied by an automobile company.

Tuesday, August 24, 1909

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10. Drawing of the new Grace Presbyterian church, to be erected on site of the old Friends' church on Cleveland avenue. Architect William R. Stringfield. Cost about \$15,000.

Saturday, October 9, 1909

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2. Drawing of the Fairmount Congregational church, on which work will be commenced next week at cost of \$10,000. To be brick veneer, 82 by 85 feet. The old building will be utilized as much as possible in the new. Architect is Mr. Stringfield. Details.

Thursday, April 20, 1911

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9. The College Hill United Presbyterian congregation is to have an additional church building. William R. Stringfield received instructions today from Rev. W. N. Leeper, pastor, to start work on the plans at once. It will cost \$6000. It will be built on the site of the present church building, which will be moved back. The old building will be specially arranged for work with boys and men and will have a gymnasium. One part of

the present building will be set aside for Sunday School use. ¶ It is expected to complete the new building before fall.

Friday, September 1, 1911**page**

4. Park Commissioner E. M. Leach and Architect William R. Stringfield called today for bids on the foundation of the first wing of the proposed \$17,000 zoological building at Riverside park. The foundation will be 40 by 50 feet. Excavation for the basement of the wing will start next week.

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5. Plans for the Riverside park stand building, which will be furnished to whoever gets the concession to sell refreshments in the park, have just been completed by W. R. Stringfield. The general style of the building is Japanese. It will have the typical Japanese Pagoda roof with gables set above the hips for ventilation. The exterior finish will be stucco. The brackets and decorations will be Japanese and at each corner will be put a Japanese lantern. The dimensions will be 20 by 30.

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5. Cobblestones which formerly rested between the rails of the street railway on North Main street will be used in constructing a house in Central Riverside park to keep the animals warm in winter. ¶ City commission yesterday approved plans of W. R. Stringfield, secretary of the Wichita Architects association, for an animal building to be about 150 by 70 feet and cost about \$11,000. Work of building one wing of the building, 40 by 50 feet, will start at once. The wing and main building will be built at the north end of the ostrich pasture. The materials used will be reinforced concrete and cobblestones. The building will have a flat roof containing sky-lights. There will be five cages ten feet square for the larger animals and eight cages about four feet square for the smaller ones. At the outside of the building will be the same number of cages, connecting with the inner cages, so that the animals can get sunlight. The basement will contain the heating plant and storage rooms for food supplies.