

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): Wichita College of Music, University of Wichita Downtown Division, Wichita College of Fine Arts, 351 North Topeka

Wichita Beacon

Saturday, November 17, 1906

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4. The Wichita College of Music has purchased a building site in second block on North Lawrence and will soon build a modern conservatory building and concert hall there. To be two story brick, with seating capacity of 650, and cost \$14-16,000. H. J. Donahue, retired merchant and land owner of Sumner County, is interested in the college and has contributed substantially to the new building.

Wichita Beacon

Wednesday, March 20, 1907

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6. Contract for the new home of the Wichita College of Music at 217 North Lawrence has been let to F. G. McCune for about \$14,000. It will be two stories, of brick and stone, 44 by 124 feet. Ceiling of the auditorium will be 25 feet high, and the stage will be 24 by 42 feet. H. J. Donahue, of 202 Cleveland avenue, a retired farmer from Sumner County, and father-in-law of Theodore Lindberg, conductor of the college, is having the building erected. It will probably be completed by some time in July.

Wichita Eagle

Friday, August 9, 1907

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5. The Wichita College of Music moved into its new quarters in the second block on North Lawrence avenue this week. ¶ The new Philharmony hall is the finest building devoted solely to music in the state. The spacious concrete hall with a seating capacity of 700 is perfect in acoustic qualities. It has an inclined floor, opera chairs, balcony and pipe organ.

Wichita Eagle

Sunday, September 8, 1907

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7. Dedication of Philharmony hall and grand opening concert will take place Sunday, September 29. Details. Building erected by the Wichita College of Music.

Wichita Eagle**Sunday, September 29, 1907****page**

6. The new Philharmony Hall on North Lawrence avenue will be formally opened today. Description -- the auditorium seats 700. Built by the Wichita College of Music at a cost of \$20,000.

Wichita Beacon**Monday, September 30, 1907****page**

10. Report of dedication yesterday of the new Philharmony Hall of the Wichita College of Music, 217 North Lawrence. Details.

Wichita Beacon**Saturday, January 11, 1908****page**

5. Advertisement for first piano recital of Mr. Rafael Navas at Philharmony Hall, College of Music, Thursday, January 16. Photograph.

Wichita Beacon**Thursday, January 16, 1908****page**

3. Rafael Navas will teach with the Wichita College of Music.

Wichita Beacon**Tuesday, July 13, 1909****page**

5. The Wichita College of Music is now erecting a three story ladies' dormitory at 314-316 East 3rd street, to cost \$2000 and be finished about October 1.

Wichita Beacon**Thursday, September 14, 1911****page**

11. Photograph of Mr. Otto L. Fischer, concert pianist and teacher, a late addition to the faculty of the Wichita College of Music, who will be heard for the first time in Wichita at tonight's concert at Philharmony Hall.

Wichita Beacon**Friday, May 18, 1923****page**

5. A new building for the Wichita College of Music will be constructed at once on the

southwest corner of 3rd and Topeka for \$50,000. To be 50 by 92 feet, two stories, and will more than double the capacity of the college, now located at 219 North Lawrence. The college built a dormitory for its students on East 3rd about ten years ago. It is at the rear of the new building.

Wichita Eagle**Saturday, May 26, 1923****page**

16. Contract for new two story building, 45 by 92 feet, for the Wichita College of Music, at 351 North Topeka, will be let immediately and should be ready for occupancy by September 1.

Wichita Beacon**Friday, September 14, 1923****page**

5. New home of the Wichita College of Music and Art on corner of 3rd and Topeka is to be dedicated Sunday, September 23.

Wichita Beacon**Monday, September 24, 1923****page**

3. Report of dedication yesterday of new home of the Wichita College of Music and Dramatic Art, at 3rd and Topeka. Details.

Wichita Beacon**Monday, December 8, 1924****page**

2. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Rose Goldsmith, wife of Ike Goldsmith. Born in Cincinnati January 28, 1875, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Wallenstein, and came to Wichita 25 years ago. Survived by husband, two daughters, Marion, senior at Wichita High School, and Virginia, student at Wichita College of Music, four brothers, Henry Wallenstein of Wichita, Abe Wallenstein of New York, Ike Wallenstein of Chicago, and Jake Wallenstein of Atchison, and one sister, Mrs. I. Gerson, of Houston. Lived at 4203 East Douglas.

Wichita Eagle**Monday, February 2, 1925****page**

5. Edler School of Dancing will occupy new quarters today at 217 North Lawrence, formerly used by the Wichita College of Music.

Wichita Eagle**Sunday, September 5, 1926****page**

9. Advertisement of the Wichita College of Music, at 3rd and Topeka, says "we own this building." "In Wichita 20 years."

Wichita Eagle

Sunday, December 5, 1943

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5. Board of Regents of University of Wichita yesterday decided to remodel and rebuild the building of the downtown division at 351 North Topeka, which was recently damaged by fire. Details.

Sunday, April 30, 1944

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9. The downtown division of the University of Wichita, remodeled since it was damaged by fire, will re-open this week. (351 North Topeka.)

Friday, June 20, 1947

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14. Report of sale yesterday of the University of Wichita's downtown division music building at 351 North Topeka to the Beacon Publishing Company for \$50,150. The building is to be vacated by June 30. It was purchased by the university in 1931.

Sunday, July 6, 1947

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18. The Wichita School of Fine Arts, Inc. has been organized by former faculty members of the downtown division of the University of Wichita. This new college of music and dramatic arts has supplanted the downtown division. It is located in the same building at 351 North Topeka. Faculty listed -- includes Miss Kathleen Kersting, in voice, as a new member of the faculty (photo). Details.

