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.

#### TIHEN NOTES FROM 1910 WICHITA BEACON

#### Wichita Beacon Saturday, January 1, 1910 page

- 1. List of building permits issued today, totaling \$522,800 (including 300,000 for Beacon building).
- 8. The Wichita Railroad and Light company has made many improvements during the past year at a total cost of \$220,000. Seven miles of street railway was added and the number of cars running regularly each day was increased from 25 to 33. Over seven miles of pavement was put in on East Douglas and Topeka avenues at a cost of \$65,000. Ten new Pay As You Enter cars were added. The company employs 200 men and pay rolls in 1909 amounted to more than \$140,000. Ten million passengers were carried compared with seven and a half million in 1908.

Approximately 2000 new residences were built in Wichita in 1909. Population gain is estimated at 8-10,000.

Ten miles of pavement has been laid in Wichita in 1909.

Building permits in Wichita in 1909 totaled approximately \$2,750,000, which is \$1,200,000 more than in 1908.

About 200 names were added to the list of motor car owners in Wichita in 1909. The city clerk's records show that 466 cars were owned in this city. Seventy motorcycles are owned here. There are sixteen motor car agencies, over half of which opened during the past year, and over 50 different makes of cars are sold here.

# Monday, January 3, 1910 page

- 1. City commissioners today discussed Sullivan's dam and complained of excess bills presented by Mr. Sullivan for repairs. Details.
- 3. City commissioners today granted petition for paying of Park Place from 13th to 17th

street.

12. Hose house No. 6 at corner of Lawrence and Bayley is to be opened at once.

The Eaton Hotel company, owner of the Carey hotel, has leased it to the Humphries Hotel company for ten years for \$195,000. S. G. Humphries took charge of the management this morning. It will be known from now on as the Hotel Eaton. B. L. Eaton, president of the Eaton company, is spending \$55,000 in remodeling the building. The Humphries company will spend \$25,000 on new furnishings for the hotel. Remodeling is to be completed by March 1.

T. P. Kelso and Earl W. Evans have purchased the 100 foot frontage on northeast corner of 1st and Emporia, opposite the YMCA building for \$25,000. It has been owned for 30 years by Mrs. Julia Warriner, who resides in the house on the property.

#### Tuesday, January 4, 1910 page

1. Sleet storm early this morning has interfered with street car service, although the "salt car" started out early and had the rails of the entire system salted by 9 a.m.

"Little flakes of snow,

Little grains of sleet,

Make the street car patron,

Wait -- or use his feet."

# Wednesday, January 5, 1910 page

- 4. Real estate transfer: Keene Syndicate to Birt A. Slater, December 18, 1909, Lots 9, 11, Porter avenue, Riverside addition, for \$500.
- 12. Report of meeting to be held soon to consider building a good road -- sand-clay at \$1000 per mile or macadam at \$6000 per mile west through Sedgwick county from Wichita and eventually to the Colorado line. Details.

# Friday, January 7, 1910 page

6. Building permit issued today to the Peoples' Ice company for an ice factory, two stories, brick, 30 by 150 feet, at southeast corner of 15th and Santa Fe, to cost \$35,000 and be completed by May 1.

### Monday, January 10, 1910 page

3. The Rev. N. O. Bartholomew, of Denver, Colorado, has accepted the pastorate of the Plymouth Congregational church in Wichita, succeeding the Rev. Clarence S. Sargent, who resigned to enter the Episcopal ministry at Hutchinson, Kansas. Details.

### Wednesday, January 12, 1910 page

6. Drawing of teams and wagons ready to start excavating for the new Beacon building. Article with details.

# Thursday, January 13, 1910 page

- 3. Report of meeting of school board yesterday with architect William B. Ittner, of St. Louis, regarding plans for new high school. Discussion of requirements for the building. Details.
- 12. The Walters building, at southwest corner of Main and William, was purchased today by C. W. Southward, president of the Wichita Ice and Cold Storage company. Building is three stories, 25 by 140 feet, and was built only a few years ago. It was purchased from John W. Walters, of Wyoming, Illinois, a former citizen of Wichita. First floor is occupied by the Goldsmith Office Supply store.

Report of death this morning of John Edward Fennell, 56, early resident, at his home five miles north of the city on Arkansas avenue. He had resided at Fennell's grove, north of the city, for 31 years.

# Friday, January 14, 1910 page

3. Material being unloaded today for new two story building of J. S. Giwowsky at 211 South Lawrence, to be occupied by the Peoples' Cleaning and Dye works.

# Saturday, January 15, 1910 page

12. List of church services includes College Hill United Presbyterian church at 1st and Green.

### Monday, January 17, 1910 page

- 2. Long list of estimates for street paving to be brought before next meeting of city commissioners. Details.
- 6. City commissioners today granted petition for a macadam surface on Riverside drive from Beal avenue to Buffum. ¶ Also adopted resolution to pave Roosevelt from Douglas to Central, and also Circle Drive, both with brick.
- 12. H. E. Chubbuck, general manager of Wichita Railroad and Light company, arrived here Saturday night for a visit, and says the company plans to spend approximately \$700,000 in Wichita this year. Plans include a new power house, new car barn, and other improvements. ¶ The power station will be on the company's land near intersection of 2nd street and Riverview. Building will be approximately 140 by 125 feet and 30 feet high and cost about \$70,000, plus about \$350,000 to equip it. This will give a capacity of 4000 h.p. which will be sufficient for a long time and will allow the company to supply power to the

proposed new interurban lines. The present Wichita plant has a capacity of only 1200 h.p. It is hoped to have the new building ready for use by the first of next September. ¶ Plans are also well under way for the new car barn, to cost about \$30,000.

William Fitch, who owns the condemned brick building at corner of Pine and Water streets, does not want it torn down and has promised to rebuild the dangerous walls and put the building in a safe condition.

# Tuesday, January 18, 1910 page

12. Drawings of damage from high water this week at east end of Central avenue bridge and of two bents destroyed at the Seneca avenue wagon bridge across Big Arkansas river.

#### Wednesday, January 19, 1910 page

5. Article describing the new International Harvester Company building to be erected at southwest corner of 3rd and Rock Island. Should be completed by October 1st. Four stories, 105 by 120 feet. Details.

The Orpheum theater lease and fixtures have been sold by R. F. Chambers to C. L. Jury and J. H. Foster, of Iola, for \$10,000. R. F. Chambers purchased the house last August from F. A. Davis. It was built two years ago and is said to be the first vaudeville house ever built in Wichita.

When mild weather permits, building of the street car loop at 1st and Market will be resumed. Concrete cannot be put down until frost is out of the ground. The trolley wire was strung on 1st and Market streets today, so this part of the work has been done.

8. H. E. Chubbuck, general manager of Wichita Railroad and Light company has been visiting Wichita this week and says as fast as plans for the new street car buildings can be drawn, contracts for their construction will be let.

# Thursday, January 20, 1910 page

12. Mrs. Mary F. Garrett, of Connecticut, has purchased from J. W. Stevens, of Wichita, the three story building 25 by 120 feet at 248 North Main for \$16,500. The first floor is occupied by Thomas Arnold's drug store.

# Friday, January 21, 1910 page

- 3. The J. W. Metz Lumber company, on northwest corner of 3rd and Main, is erecting a one story brick building immediately north of its present location, 40 by 120 feet, to make one large building 140 by 210 feet. Details.
- 13. Article about streets in different parts of Wichita that have duplicate names.

#### Saturday, January 22, 1910

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12. Map of College Hill showing street names.

#### Monday, January 24, 1910

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9. Report of death yesterday of a Wichita pioneer, B. F. Plummer, at his home, 301 South Emporia. He would have been 80 next Saturday. Had lived here 37 years. When he came here the ground where his home was built at 301 South Emporia was farm land.

# Tuesday, January 25, 1910 page

5. Emma McClees, 404 North Emporia, will erect a two story brick business building on the two lots adjoining the Cox-Blodgett Wholesale Dry Goods Company building on the south, in middle of second block on South Market. Work started today removing a one storage cottage which has stood on the lots for many years.

The Carnegie library at Fairmount College will be dedicated tomorrow.

- 8. Construction started yesterday on a three story brick and stone building being erected by J. F. Hollicke in the first block on North Topeka near the Salvation Army Barracks. To be 50 by 138 feet, and ground floor to be occupied by the James Auto Exchange. To cost \$30,000.
- 9. In ten months the Edwards and Company dry goods store has outgrown its quarters at 118 East Douglas, and it has closed a lease on a larger store at 126 North Main presently occupied by the Shelley drug store, and will move there between February 5 and 8. Details.

#### Wednesday, January 26, 1910

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5. Report of formal dedication this morning of the new Carnegie library at Fairmount college. Tribute paid to Mrs. L. S. Carter. Details.

#### Friday, January 28, 1910

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1. Drawing of new Wichita High School to be erected at 3rd and Emporia. To be 125 by 228 feet. Details.

#### Saturday, January 29, 1910

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5. Contract for the new Catholic cathedral has been let to the Wurster Construction company for \$119,250. Work will commence at once. To be constructed of Bedford stone.

Work on the Riverside sanitary sewer will be commenced not later than March 1st. Details. The Riverside sanitary sewer district includes all that part of the city between the two rivers as far north as 13th street.

16. The concrete has about all been put in on the street car loop around 1st and Market block, but it must "set," so it will be a week or so before the cars can run over it.

A. H. and R. C. Bolte, of Bolte Brothers Furniture and Carpet company, have purchased a 40 foot lot in second block on South Lawrence and within next 60 days will start erection of a two or three story 40 by 150 foot brick building, to cost about \$15,000. This is at 231 South Lawrence. A one story house on the land will be moved away. The lot was purchased from A. E. Baldwin for \$8500. Bolte Brothers are going out of the furniture business but will stay in Wichita.

# Monday, January 31, 1910 page

3. The new Riverside school building will be ready for occupancy in about six weeks. Already the roof is on, the windows are in, and all that remains to be done is the inside finishing. By the middle of March it is expected that the pupil's can move from the little one story cottage on Litchfield avenue to the new brick structure. When completed the total cost will be about \$15,000. Until the Litchfield avenue cottage was rented last year, Riverside students were obliged to walk to Park school.

During the six months the Pay As You Enter cars have been used by the Wichita street car company the receipts from these cars was approximately \$69,300. The Wichita street car company now has ten of the Pay As You Enter cars, which are used on the Topeka avenue and Stock Yards lines. Because fares are dropped in the fare box directly in front of the conductor, very few slugs or other types of bad money have been used, and fares are not missed as sometimes happens when the conductors has to move around the car to collect the fares.

5. Work will start very soon on the College Hill sanitary sewer, to cost \$119,000. Details.

# Tuesday, February 1, 1910 page

- 1. Drawing of the new Catholic cathedral.
- 6. Excavation started today for paving of the two blocks of West Douglas from Seneca to Exposition with Bitulithic. The street car company will have to tear up its tracks on the two blocks and replace the common rails with paving rails.
- 12. J. F. Hollicke has sold to M. H. Osborne the new two story brick building on East Douglas adjoining the new Mentholatum building, for \$10,000. The building is just being completed.

### Wednesday, February 2, 1910 page

- 3. Article about proposed building to be erected by Christian Service League on West Maple street. Details.
- 6. W. E. Jett today added 25 feet to his lot at southwest corner of Topeka and 1st, giving him 100 foot frontage on Topeka and 140 feet on 1st street. It was purchased from M. H. Rudolph for \$8000. This lot is occupied by a two story residence.

### Thursday, February 3, 1910 page

6. Drawing of new building at 118-120 North Topeka for the Jones' Auto Exchange. Details. To be completed by May 1st.

Walter Morris yesterday purchased the Campbell residence on Riverside avenue near 11th street for between \$35-45,000. Details.

10. The 23,000 square foot roof of the Jett and Wood Wholesale Grocery company building at corner of William and the Santa Fe tracks is being raised so that the walls of the building may be heightened one story, making the building two stories instead of one. The feat was accomplished by the use of 125 jackscrews. The building is 150 by 150 feet in size. Details.

Report of death yesterday of Theodore S. Spaulding, a pioneer carpenter, at his home, 1215 East 1st, at age 72. Born in Pennsylvania in 1838. Came to Kansas in 1868 and in 1871 took up a homestead fourteen miles north of Wichita on Hydraulic avenue, remaining there until 1887 when he came to Wichita and ran a grocery store. Survived by widow, one son and one daughter.

### Friday, February 4, 1910 page

- 5. The Kansas Gas and Electric company was granted a charter in Topeka yesterday, giving it the right to absorb the United Gas company and the Edison Light and Power company of Wichita, and the Home Light, Heat and Power company of Pittsburg, Kansas. Details. Home office will remain in Wichita.
- 9. List of streets scheduled for paving in 1910.

#### Saturday, February 5, 1910

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1. Drawing of planned new First Presbyterian church. Details.

#### Monday, February 7, 1910

page

3. E. K. Nevling, of the Nevling Elevator company, has plans to convert his 150,000 barrel

elevator on 5th avenue near 17th street into a bonded warehouse. Details.

# Tuesday, February 8, 1910 page

- 5. Real estate transfer. Keene Syndicate to Melvin A. Thalman, February 2, Lots 13, 15, Porter avenue, Riverside addition, \$550.
- 6. Drawing of new home of W. S. Hadley, president of the Citizens' State bank, at 1630 University avenue. Details.

Waco avenue from Murdock to 17th street is to be paved as soon as weather permits.

# Wednesday, February 9, 1910 page

3. Report of death yesterday of Miss Mary Hyde, sister of A. A. Hyde and George Hyde of Wichita, at her home in Ware, Massachusetts.

### Saturday, February 12, 1910 page

- 6. Street cars will start using the new loop around the block including 1st and Market streets tomorrow. All the cars on the College Hill, Fairmount, and Cleveland avenue lines will be run around the loop.
- 16. Hereafter conductors on Wichita street cars will be able to tell when it is cold enough to turn on the heat in their cars by looking at a sign on a pole at the intersection of Main and Douglas. Superintendent Morrison believes this will give more uniformity in this matter.

# Monday, February 14, 1910 page

- 1. Henry Schweiter has decided to make his new office building at corner of Main and Douglas ten stories instead of the eight originally planned. Details.
- 5. Report of death today of Mrs. Ida Houck, widow of Samuel Houck, at her residence, 525 North Topeka; she would have been 53 in March. She came to Wichita 32 years ago as a young bride from Denver, Colorado. Mr. Houck purchased the Fraker residence on North Market street and later moved it to 525 North Topeka. Mr. Houck died seventeen years ago and since then Mrs. Houck has owned the hardware store. Lately her son, Adrian Houck, has been in charge of the store. Also survived by one daughter, Marie Houck.

### Tuesday, February 15, 1910 page

- 8. Advertisement with map showing location of several College Hill additions.
- 9. Map of West Wichita.

12. Contract for the first unit of the Orient Shops in Wichita has been let. Details.

# Wednesday, February 16, 1910 page

- 4. Effective Monday, February 21, the Missouri Pacific will operate a passenger train daily except Sunday between Wichita and McPherson. Details.
- 6. Small Wichita Railroad and Light company advertisement about the new service around the downtown loop -- now being used by College Hill, Fairmount, and Cleveland Avenue cars. Notice dated February 12, 1910.

City commissioners yesterday voted to submit to voters proposition to issue \$40,000 bonds for new concrete bridge across Little river at 11th street and \$20,000 for a concrete dam across Little river at or near Central avenue.

### Thursday, February 17, 1910 page

- 3. Article about necessity of old Schweiter corner firms to move to make way for the new building. Details.
- 6. Drawing of new home of Dr. C. E. Hereford, 1703 University avenue. Details.
- 10. Drawing shows old Webster school building at 3rd and Emporia being torn down to make room for new high school. The building was erected in summer of 1880 and was then known as the Fourth Ward school. The Emerson school was built in the same year and the Carleton school in 1879. In 1885 the Park and Lincoln school buildings were added. Contract for both Webster and Emerson buildings was let to H. F. Butler on June 21, 1880 for \$16,600 for both schools.

# Monday, February 21, 1910 page

- 8. A new Crawford theater is to be built in Wichita by a corporation headed by L. M. Crawford, of Topeka. Cost estimated at \$75,000. Details.
- 12. The Crane Supply company of 133 North Water purchased the northwest corner of 1st and Santa Fe, former site of the old Miltner elevator, several months ago, and plans to erect a new building on the site, which is 140 by 150 feet. Details.

City commissioners today let contracts for paving of:

West Douglas from Exposition to Sheridan with brick;

Washington from 2nd to Kellogg with brick;

Clifton from 1st to Kellogg with asphalt;

Pattie from 1st to Kellogg with asphalt;

1st st. from Main to Market with creosote wood blocks.

# Tuesday, February 22, 1910 page

5. A temporary track is being built by the street car company from the "Y" on Porter avenue to a point about 800 feet north near the new Riverside club house in order that persons attending the opening celebration at the club house Thursday may ride the entire distance. It will not be removed until after the Bar banquet there March 4. Work started on the track today and it will be finished tomorrow.

### Thursday, February 24, 1910 page

- 1. Drawing of the new Riverside club house, which was opened today. Site was purchased January 9 (?), 1909. Contract let for club building January 25, 1909, and actual work on it was begun July 1, 1909. Total cost \$30,000. Details on page 5.
- 6. Report of talk of building a street car line to the Orient shops. Route undecided -- alternatives being proposed. Details.
- 9. Report of Wichita Hospital for the past year. Eight hundred and thirty-seven patients treated including 103 charity patients. Details.
- 12. Article says Orient Railroad has let contract for building 149 miles of track from San Angelo to Del Rio, Texas to connect with the National Railway Company of Mexico. To be completed by September 1910.

### Monday, February 28, 1910 page

- 3. Drawing of new house of F. E. McMullan at 1003 Faulkner.
  - S. A. Welsh, owner of the Pfister cigar parlor at 201-203 East Douglas, has obtained a five year lease on the Bolte building, 323-325 East Douglas (i.e., on west half of ground floor and the two upper floors) and will install a cigar parlor on the ground floor, a pool and billiard parlor on the second floor, and an English cafe on the third floor.

# Tuesday, March 1, 1910 page

- 1. The Eberhardt and Hay's Music company has bought out the Barnes and Newcomb company's stock. The latter company is closing after nearly 20 years in business here. Details.
- 5. Further discussion of possible Orient shops street car lines. West Side residents now suggest line south on Osage from Douglas, thence west on Dayton to Martinson, thence south to McCormick. Details.
- 6. Superintendent Morrison promises double street car tracks on South Main as far as Bayley in time for the opening of the baseball season provided the paving company makes the

necessary excavation. The steel has been ordered several weeks ago and is to be shipped not later than the middle of the month. With a double track to Bayley and several switches between that point and the baseball park, the company will be able to handle the crowds without difficulty.

10. The Wichita Chemical company, 136-138 North Lawrence, has taken an option on the three story building formerly occupied by the Aylesbury Mercantile company at 3rd street and Santa Fe ave. The building is 50 by 150 feet.

The new Kansas Gas and Electric Company was formally organized today. Details. Officers named.

#### Wednesday, March 2, 1910

page

5. Henry Schweiter today obtained building permit for his new building at Main and Douglas for \$300,000.

#### Friday, March 4, 1910

page

- 1. Contract let in Hutchinson yesterday for construction of the Wichita, Kinsley, Scott City and Denver Air Line Railway. Grading is to begin May 1 at Turon and will proceed east towards Wichita and west toward Kinsley. Details.
- 4. Building permit obtained yesterday by the Arkansas Valley Masonic Lodge, a negro organization, for a two story brick building at 601 North Main street, 26 by 100 feet., cost \$6000.
- 7. Report about improvements being made at Association park for the forthcoming baseball season. This park has been in existence five years. Details.
- 13. Concreting of the first floor of the new Beacon building was finished yesterday.

#### Saturday, March 5, 1910

page

1. Actual work on the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway will start Monday. Details.

#### Monday, March 7, 1910

page

1. Drawing of the previous locations of *Wichita Beacon* and of the new Beacon building. Article gives some history of the *Beacon*. (Page 1 and page 7 "Growth of the *Beacon*".)

#### Tuesday, March 8, 1910

page

1. Report of laying of corner stone of the new Beacon building today. Details.

6. City commissioners yesterday ordered a new motor fire engine, the first for Wichita, for \$5750, from the Webb Motor Fire Engine company. To be delivered in about 90 days.

#### Thursday, March 10, 1910 page

- 1. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway repair shops at Fairview, Oklahoma were badly damaged by fire last night. The brick round house was saved. Details.
- 6. Cars for the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company are to be ordered this week.
  O. A. Boyle, president, left for St. Louis today. ¶ Work on the grading was started last Monday. The grading camp is located about five miles north of Wichita.

# Saturday, March 12, 1910 page

- 1. Photograph of the *Beacon*'s new press, a Hoe sextuple press, which is to be installed in the new Beacon building. Cost is about \$30,000 and will provide for circulation of 75,000.
- 8. Report of proposed large paper mill to be built in Wichita by the American Paper Manufacturing company, which today applied for a charter. To be on nine acres of ground on North Athenian, 450 by 1000 feet, between Missouri Pacific right of way and Arkansas river. Details and drawing.

# Wednesday, March 16, 1910 page

5. Wichita Railroad and Light company workmen are running a switch from the Missouri Pacific tracks on Wichita street across Waco avenue to the property of the street car company for use in unloading the new steel being received by the street car company. Eighteen cars of steel are in transit and ten more will be sent soon, for a total of 750 tons.

#### Thursday, March 17, 1910

#### page

- 1. Drawing of proposed new Wichita Children's Home, for which fund drive is under way.
- 3. Real estate transfers: The Keene Syndicate to Riverside Investment Company, March 3, lots in Riverside addition, \$1.00.
- 12. Report of meeting last night at which it was decided that Wichita Railroad and Light Company and Arkansas Valley Interurban would buy power from the Edison Electric company and that Wichita Railroad and Light company would not build its proposed new \$350,000 power plant. Details.

#### **Friday, March 18, 1910**

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11. Article about Landris Elevator company, 1st and Emporia. Photograph.

#### Monday, March 21, 1910

#### page

- 3. Corner stone of new Grace Presbyterian church in first block on Cleveland avenue will be laid tomorrow. Details.
- 6. First Methodist church last week purchased 75 feet of ground adjoining the church property on the north. Details.
- 11. Drawing of proposed six story building for Crane Supply company at 1st and Santa Fe (only two stories built.)

# Tuesday, March 22, 1910 page

- 5. Article reports the first Wichita house, built by J. M. Munger, now standing at 901 North Waco, is to be moved to Riverside park, rebuilt and preserved. Details.
- 6. Work is to start this week on the double street car tracks on South Main. Superintendent Morrison received word today from the Santa Fe that eight carloads of steel to be used in these tracks will arrive tomorrow. ¶ The double tracks will extend from Lewis street to Bayley street and are expected to be ready for the opening of the baseball season. ¶ Track layers have been engaged today in putting in a switch on North Waco avenue at 13th street.
- 9. The new city directory for 1910 is ready for delivery.
- 11. Advertisement with photograph of apartment house for sale at 710-714 S. Lawrence.

#### Wednesday, March 23, 1910

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1. Drawing of proposed new auditorium building to be erected on the Haymarket square. Plans by Richards, McCarty and Bulford of Columbus, Ohio.

#### Thursday, March 24, 1910

#### page

8. The goal of \$50,000 has been raised for Wichita Children's Home.

#### Saturday, March 26, 1910

#### page

1. The Bell Telephone company yesterday bought out the Independent Telephone company of Wichita for \$171,000. Long article with details.

#### **Monday, March 28, 1910**

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15. Final proceedings in transfer to Kansas Gas and Electric company of all property of the Edison Light and Power company, the United Gas company, and the Home Light, Heat

and Power company of Pittsburg, Kansas, were completed today. Details. Directors listed.

#### Tuesday, March 29, 1910 page

3. Petition presented to city commissioners today asking for paving of 11th street from Waco to Little Arkansas river with brick.

Excavation started yesterday for paving of South Market from English to Orme with asphalt.

8. Park department employes started today tearing down the old Griffenstein barn on the site of the new auditorium and hauling the lumber to Riverside park to be used in making sheds for the animals.

### Thursday, March 31, 1910 page

- 1. Report of death last night of James T. Dorsey, who came to Wichita in 1885, at age 52 of cancer. Obituary.
- 3. About four miles of the Arkansas Valley Interurban have been graded from Valley Center toward Wichita. ¶ Right-of-way men are obtaining right of way for the line south from Wichita through Belle Plaine, Oxford, Wellington, Arkansas City, and Gouda Springs.

The new Stock Yards Exchange building is being occupied today.

#### Saturday, April 2, 1910

page

9. Corner stone is to be laid tomorrow for the colored Masonic building in sixth block on North Main. Details.

#### Monday, April 4, 1910

page

8. City commissioners today granted petition for paving of 11th street from Waco to Little Arkansas river with brick and for paving Poplar from Douglas to Kellogg with brick.

# Tuesday, April 5, 1910 page

- 3. Article lists occupants of newly completed Livestock Exchange building. Details.
- 5. The Wichita Wholesale Furniture company will soon build a four story brick building 100 by 140 feet in second block on North Water for \$40-50,000. The four lots for the site were purchased today from C. W. Southard for about \$12,000. Company was organized in 1908 as the J. O. Gilbert Wholesale Furniture company and shortly after was reorganized with present title. Present location is a two story building at 3rd and Water.

- 6. Professor Samuels is spending \$5000 to remodel his old building at Topeka and English, formerly known as the Topeka avenue hotel but now the Samuels building. Details.
- 9. The First United Presbyterian church is planning to build a new brick church building at corner of 1st and Ohio on the same site as their present church. The old church will be sold. Details.

# Wednesday, April 6, 1910 page

- 1. Report of another visit to Wichita yesterday of President Arthur E. Stilwell, of Orient Railway, with a party of 25 English capitalists. The Englishmen were fed popcorn. Details. (English Lords and Millionaires Ate Pop Corn and Saw Wichita)
- 5. In election yesterday; Wichita voters approved \$25,000 in bonds for new dam at Central avenue by majority of 231 but defeated proposal for \$40,000 in bonds for a new concrete bridge across Little river at 11th street by majority of 62. Light vote cast -- about 1600 votes.

# Thursday, April 7, 1910 page

4. As soon as the street car company completes building its double track on Main street between Lewis and Bayley, it can begin on its new track on Maple street and then the paving of that street can be hurried along.

#### Saturday, April 9, 1910

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11. Work began yesterday on wrecking of the old buildings on the site of the new Schweiter building. Drawing of Main and Douglas as it will appear.

# Monday, April 11, 1910 page

3. Photograph of Beacon building under construction. Photograph taken on April 8, 1910.

# Tuesday, April 12, 1910 page

- 3. Photograph of new brightly lighted electric sign of Shelley Drug company, 118 East Douglas, which will be followed by other new electric signs in next few weeks.
- 8. City commissioners yesterday let contract for paving South Lawrence from Harry to Kinkaid with bitulithic.
- 9. Wichita Union Stock Yards today made appropriation of \$15,000 to build a modern two story hotel with fifteen rooms across the street car tracks and about 150 feet southwest of the new Exchange building. Construction will commence at once.

### Wednesday, April 13, 1910 page

- 4. Superintendent Morrison says the double track on South Main from the Hamilton hotel to Bayley street will be ready when the baseball season opens April 22. A part of this will be old track but a good share of it will be new. The new rails will be in place from the Hamilton to Indianapolis, where it will connect with the old double track to Bayley.
- 9. The Otto Weiss Alfalfa Milling company plant was partly destroyed by fire last Thursday night but will be immediately rebuilt. Details.

The grade of the Arkansas Valley Interurban will be completed to the city limits on the north within the next 30 days. The contractor, who established his first camp about five miles north of the city, has moved to the vicinity of Sullivan's dam. Five miles of the grade has been completed.

The Edward Vail Jewelry company is moving today from 106 East Douglas to 221 East Douglas

# Thursday, April 14, 1910 page

- 5. Superintendent Morrison in his budget has asked for an appropriation for a street car line on South Water to William, and thence east on Main, to serve the new auditorium.
- 6. Superintendent Morrison of Wichita Railroad and Light company left today for Illinois to attend the semi-annual meeting of superintendents of the McKinley Syndicate. He will stop at St. Louis to urge the speedy completion of the four new Pay As You Enter cars and the four trailers now being built there for use in Wichita.

# Saturday, April 16, 1910 page

- 1. The Rock Island Railway will spend \$200,000 in Wichita during the coming summer. An entirely new freight yard, round house, and coal chutes and storage tracks will be built along the Rock Island right-of-way north of the stock yards. ¶ The old freight yards immediately south of the freight house will be transformed into tracks for loading and unloading of goods. The old coal chutes and yard accessories will be transferred to the new location. Work will commence within ten days. Details. Says there will be a six stall roundhouse and a turntable. The Rock Island will also ballast its roadbed between Caldwell and Herington this summer.
- 11. Drawing of the new location of Peoples Cleaning and Dye Works at 211 South Lawrence, after May 1st (the new Giwowsky building).

# Tuesday, April 19, 1910 page

6. The Kansas Gas and Electric company has purchased from the Wichita Railroad and Light

company all its lighting business in the city. The deal was consummated in the East vesterday. Details.

#### Wednesday, April 20, 1910 page

5. Photograph of a land excursion train leaving the Wichita depot yesterday bound for Wyoming. Details.

### Thursday, April 21, 1910 page

- 4. Superintendent W. R. Morrison returned yesterday from Illinois and St. Louis and thinks Wichita's new street cars will be here by June 1st.
- 8. The Jackson-Walker Coal and Material will let contracts soon for a two story brick office building 30 by 140 feet on east side of the first block of North Lawrence. It is the south 30 feet of the tract now used by the Pratt Lumber company and was purchased by the Jackson-Walker company for \$15,000.

#### Saturday, April 23, 1910

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15. Advertisement with map of area around Fairmount college with street names.

# Monday, April 25, 1910 page

4. Real estate transfer: Robert B. Campbell, executor, to Walker Morris, February 15, even lots 168 to 192, Dort avenue, Reserve D, Riverside addition, \$27,000.

The pavement on Murdock between Waco and the Missouri Pacific tracks has been completed, and Murdock is again open from Main street to the park entrance.

#### Tuesday, April 26, 1910

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6. The Arkansas Valley Interurban grade has reached the city limits of Wichita. Today the Jennings Construction company is pushing through the Cooley orchard, between 27th and 29th streets. Thirty cars of steel have been shipped by the mills in Chicago. The ties are also on the way. The trolley wire arrived some weeks ago.

#### Wednesday, April 27, 1910

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1. City commissioners today let five year contract to Kansas Gas and Electric for electric street lights. Details.

#### Friday, April 29, 1910

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3. Real estate transfer: The Keene Syndicate to A. E. Moore, April 21, lots 17, 19 Porter

avenue, Riverside ave., \$550.

#### Saturday, April 30, 1910

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- 1. The floor of the eighth story of the Beacon building was finished last night and work is underway today on the columns for the ninth floor.
- 4. The city commission has leased from the Wichita Water company about 25 acres of land on "Waterworks Island" lying between the Little and Big rivers east of Seneca and mostly south of Central for \$1 a year. This lease was part of a deal by which the city purchased a strip of land along the west bank of the Little river on which to construct a levee and driveway to extend from Central avenue to Buffum avenue.

#### Monday, May 2, 1910

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14. Saturday was the last day of occupancy of the old Schweiter building at Main and Douglas by tenants there. Work is continuing today on tearing down of the old building, which had already been started.

# Tuesday, May 3, 1910 page

5. Creosote wood paving is being put in on 1st street. Work started today. The blocks are a little larger than brick but at a distance resemble them very much.

#### Wednesday, May 4, 1910

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8. In election yesterday Wichita revoted (for third time) \$30,000 in bonds to aid Orient Railway company by large majority. The city also voted \$30,000 in bonds in aid of Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway, but \$22,500 worth of bonds for a new bridge across Little river at 11th Street were defeated by 85 votes. Details.

#### Thursday, May 5, 1910

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- 5. A deal was closed the first of the week between the Kansas Gas and Electric company and Wichita Railroad and Light company by which the street cars will be operated with power supplied by Kansas Gas and Electric beginning about November 1st. Details.
- 8. The first steel for the Arkansas Valley Interurban will be laid about May 16, starting at Valley Center, where 20 car loads of steel rails have already arrived.

#### Saturday, May 7, 1910

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#### Magazine

III-4. Advertisement of Wichita Railroad and Light company. Says the company's equipment includes twelve double truck cars, twelve open summer cars, 34 single truck winter cars,

and four double track summer trailers. There will be added during the present summer four more double truck cars and four more double truck summer trailers. ¶ There is at present over 30 miles of track. ¶ At present the company is paving about twelve miles of streets over which it operates, and at end of the present season over half of the entire mileage will be paved. ¶ Lines are listed.

Sections III and IV.

Special booster section with articles, etc.

IV-3. Article says Wichita has 33 miles of street railway track. Budget calls for \$400,000 worth of improvements this year including \$50,000 car barn, compared with \$250,000 last year. The company carried ten million persons during 1909. It has 350 employes and monthly payroll of \$14,000.

#### Monday, May 9, 1910 page

3. Laying of steel for the Arkansas Valley Interurban started this morning, working south from Valley Center.

Work started this week on the Children's Service League home at corner of Glenn and Maple. Details.

# Tuesday, May 10, 1910 page

6. Work of converting the Henry Schnitzler building at 117 North Market into a theater was commenced yesterday. Building has been leased to Snodgrass and Mackey, theatrical mangers of Denver, who will open here about July 1 what is to be known as the Colonial theater.

City commissioners yesterday granted petition for paving South Park Place from Hillside to Rutan with asphalt and East 2nd street from St. Francis to Washington with brick.

8. The McKinley Syndicate is reported to have bought the Atchison street railway. They also purchased the Topeka street railway March 1.

### Thursday, May 12, 1910 page

5. Work on Maple street paving started this morning at Seneca street. The street car company will rebuild its line from Seneca street west to Hiram along with this paving.

The Wichita Children's Home has purchased a tract of about four acres on Frisco Heights for its new home. It consists of 36 lots with Addison avenue on the west, Orchard on the north, Bryant on the east, and Highland on the south. Cost is \$6500.

# Friday, May 13, 1910 page

3. The Santa Fe received the first shipments of freight at its new freight house today. Details.

#### Monday, May 16, 1910

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- 1. Report of wreck on the Orient Railroad near Milton Saturday afternoon. Twenty injured. Details.
- 9. Report of death of Mrs. Mary A. Aley, age 73, today. Obituary.

# Tuesday, May 17, 1910 page

- 5. Douglas avenue from Waco to the Arkansas river bridge is to be widened at once. At the point where Waco intersects it, Douglas is less than 50 feet wide. City engineer Bert Wells recently persuaded the city commissioners to pay \$2000 for a small triangular strip of ground on the north side of Douglas, so that the avenue might be widened to 61 feet, and men today started tearing out the old curbing and building a new one at the new location farther north.
- 6. School board yesterday awarded contract for the new high school to J. E. Crosby and Son of Kansas City, Missouri for \$117,017. Details.

### Wednesday, May 18, 1910 page

5. Report of Kansas supreme court decision regarding Missouri Pacific injunction against Wichita Railroad and Light company and proposed crossing of former by new Mt. Carmel street car line. Details.

#### **Thursday, May 19, 1910**

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8. Report of ceremonial spiking of first rail of the Arkansas Valley Interurban this afternoon at corner of 23rd and Main streets. Details.

# Tuesday, May 24, 1910 page

3. Previous contractor (Crosby) withdrew its bid for new high school, so contract was reawarded yesterday to the Wurster Construction Company of Wichita. Details.

# Thursday, May 26, 1910 page

1. The terminal station of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company is to be located at the corner of 1st and Water. The tract was purchased today from Herman Steinbuchel for \$40,000, or \$320 per front foot. It extends 125 feet on Water street and 140 feet on 1st street. The site is a portion of the Fred Stackman estate. Mrs. Steinbuchel was formerly Mrs. Stackman. It had been owned by her family for 28 years. ¶ Cars for use on the line between Wichita and Valley Center are expected to arrive early in July. Motormen

and conductors are already being hired to begin work about August 1.

#### **Saturday, May 28, 1910**

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4. The Rock Island railway through E. W. Cline, general land agent for the Rock Island at Topeka, yesterday closed the deal for ground 600 feet by 200 feet for its new freight yards, etc., near Hydraulic and 29th street. Bought from Charles Fay for \$500 per acre and adjoins the other strip 200 feet by half mile purchased by Rock Island few weeks ago from Sam W. Stewart.

#### Monday, May 30, 1910

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3. The roof of the Beacon building was completed Saturday. Article showing speed of construction of the concrete frame of the building. First floor completed March 3.

#### **Tuesday, May 31, 1910**

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3. Report of death of Mrs. Osie English, widow of N. A. English, at age 63. Survived by three sons and five daughters (named).

#### Wednesday, June 1, 1910

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- 5. City threatens to forfeit street car company's franchise on West Douglas west of Exposition if it doesn't proceed to build the line soon.
- 8. Photograph of Beacon building taken Monday.
- 9. Arkansas Valley Interurban advertisement.

#### Friday, June 3, 1910

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- 1. Plans for a new half million dollar power plant for Kansas Gas and Electric will be completed within two weeks and ready for bids of the contractors. Site has been purchased and consists of between six and seven acres lying along the Arkansas river between 2nd and 3rd streets, with a frontage of about 800 feet on 3rd street and nearly 600 feet long north and south. Cost of the land was approximately \$25,000. Details.
- 5. Street car company plans to begin construction of its new barns on North Waco about August 1st, or sooner if possible. New barn and shops to be 110 by 300 feet, with trackage for 45 cars. The street car company has agreed to shelter and service the Arkansas Valley Interurban cars until the latter company can build its own barns. Details.

#### Saturday, June 4, 1910

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6. The Butts building at 1st and Lawrence is completed and stock is being put in it.

### Wednesday, June 8, 1910 page

- 3. Four miles of track have been completed between Wichita and Valley Center by the Interurban Construction Company. The grading gang is now working between Valley Center and Sedgwick and has finished one and a half miles of grade.
- 5. Article reports rumor that the West Riverside street car line will be taken up if the petition to pave Franklin avenue is allowed, and this is upsetting the residents of West Riverside. Says the West Riverside line hasn't paid running expenses since it was installed and the company cannot afford the added expense of paving between the rails.

The Massey Iron company recently organized by John Massey of this city, has been incorporated and has leased the old Aylesbury Mercantile company building at 3rd and Santa Fe for its quarters. Building is three stories, 50 by 150 feet, and will be remodeled.

# Thursday, June 9, 1910 page

- 1. Report of death of Nicholas Steffen of Wichita and another man last night when they were struck by an engine at the Santa Fe crossing on Douglas avenue. Mr. Steffen was 48 years old and came to Wichita 26 years ago from Indiana. Details. Photograph of railroad crossing.
- 4. The Red Star Mill and Elevator company is building a new storage warehouse 40 by 250 feet and two stories, which will make its building a total of 610 feet long extending from 18th to 19th street. When the addition is finished, the office will be located in the south end of it facing on 18th street. The company then will double the capacity of the mill, which is now 600 barrels per day.
- 8. Report of proposal by Commissioner H. J. Roetzel to change the names of many of the streets in Wichita. Details.

The Acacia hotel, in the new Daisy building on South Topeka, will be opened to the public tonight. The hotel has 42 rooms, with thirteen private baths and four public baths. S. J. Smalley is proprietor.

# Saturday, June 11, 1910 page

6. Another photograph of Santa Fe crossing where Nick Steffen was killed. Looking east. Shows Santa Fe engine No. 296.

# Tuesday, June 14, 1910 page

8. The International Harvester company building at corner of Douglas and Santa Fe avenues, built about eight years ago by the McCormick Harvester company, has been sold to the Hauser-Garrison Wholesale Dry Goods company, which is now in temporary quarters at

120-122 St. Francis avenue. They will take possession next January after the International Harvester company's new building at 3rd and Rock Island is completed.

#### Thursday, June 16, 1910

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6. Drawing of new home of the Eberhardt-Hays Music company, which is being remodeled at corner of Emporia and Douglas.

#### Friday, June 17, 1910

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- 4. Report of a proposed new street car line from Douglas north on Grove to 17th street and then east on 17th to Hillside to connect with the present Fairmount line.
- 10. Corner stone of Fairmount Congregational church will be laid Sunday afternoon.

#### Saturday, June 18, 1910

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6. The first buffalo for Riverside park zoo is to arrive Sunday afternoon, paid for with a fund subscribed by the people and promoted by *The Beacon*. Details.

#### **Monday, June 20, 1910**

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2. Drawing of scaffolding in place for erection of the new cathedral.

#### **Tuesday, June 21, 1910**

page

- 4. Consolidation of the Bell and Independent phone systems is now scheduled to take place about August 1st.
- 6. Article about progress in resolving the dispute between Missouri Pacific and Wichita Railroad and Light company regarding crossing of Missouri Pacific tracks in West Douglas by the new Mt. Carmel line. Details.

# Wednesday, June 22, 1910 page

- 5. Charles Lawrence is preparing to build a two story brick building 25 by 140 feet on the lot directly south of the new Butts building in first block on North Lawrence.
- 8. Article with details of some Orient Shops buildings. Building permits now being taken out -- total cost \$242,000. Locomotive repair shops to be 152 by 225 feet. Round house will be 90 by 270 feet with ten stalls.

Rock Island Railway company has started work on its new yards north of the city. Expected to be completed in next six weeks.

9. Arkansas Valley Interurban advertisement.

#### Thursday, June 23, 1910

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3. The Elite theater has been sold by W. H. Marple, who established it several years ago, to J. J. Martin and A. C. Gunter. The interior is being remodeled.

### Monday, June 27, 1910 page

9. L. M. Miller, director of the Princess theater, has purchased Henry Schweiter's building at 410 East Douglas for \$28,000. The building is presently occupied by the Novelty theater and rooming apartments.

City commissioners today granted petition to pave North Water street from 1st to Murdock with brick.

City commissioners today adopted ordinance to extend the drainage canal from its present southern terminus to the Arkansas river. At present it empties into Chisholm creek at the north end of Crawford park.

# Wednesday, June 29, 1910 page

3. Article by Kos Harris about history of the old New York Store building at Main and Douglas. Details. ("Old New York Block; alias Schweiter Corner")

# Thursday, June 30, 1910 page

4. State board of railway commissioners yesterday granted permission to Arkansas Valley Interurban company to issue \$2,100,000 worth of bonds to construct its line. Details.

There is a small park in Wichita called Henry park -- in vicinity of Lulu, Ellis, Zimmerly, and Grand; about four acres -- that is named for Henry Schweiter, who donated it to the city several years ago.

#### Saturday, July 2, 1910 page

- 4. Drawing of proposed new club house for Wichita Country Club. Article with details.
- 8. Full page Arkansas Valley Interurban advertisement for bond sales.

Full page advertisement selling Arkansas Valley Interurban bonds. Lists those persons who have bought bonds so far.

15. City commissioners let contract today for new Central avenue dam to Freeborn Engineering and Construction company of Kansas City, Missouri. Details. To be 210 feet

long and about eighteen feet above piling on which it will rest. Plans for the dam were drawn by Burns and McDonald, hydraulic engineers at Kansas City, Missouri.

Contract for Central avenue dam let to Freeborn Engineering and Construction Company of Kansas City. Details. To be 210 feet long. Plans were drawn by Burns and McDonald, hydraulic engineers, at Kansas City, Missouri. To be completed within four months.

# Monday, July 4, 1910 page

5. Every available street car, over 60 of them, has been in use today, with extra service in Park lines, etc. ¶ The four new Pay As You Enter cars ordered by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company several months ago arrived yesterday and will be unloaded tomorrow. It will be about a week before they are ready for service.

Every available street car has been in use today. A special effort has been made by the company to have as many cars as possible in good repair for the day, and more than 60 of them have been kept running on the various lines.

6. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. E. T. Allen, age 59, wife of pioneer real estate dealer of Wichita, E. T. Allen, and mother-in-law of Congressman Victor Murdock. She and husband came here from Indianapolis in early 1880s. Survived by husband, one son and one daughter (named).

# Tuesday, July 5, 1910 page

- 5. City commissioners today granted petitions for paving 9th street from Washington to Hillside with brick, Dort from Beal to Parker, Perry from Beal to Parker, Coolidge from Beal to Parker, Woodman from Riverside to Amidon; and Beal from Riverside to Amidon.
- 6. City commissioners today granted franchise to Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company to operate over certain city streets.

# Wednesday, July 6, 1910 page

3. The Missouri Pacific is building a big derrick with 25 ton capacity at 2nd street to handle heavy freight.

Preparations are being made by Kansas Gas and Electric for installing the new street lighting system in Wichita, which will place 981 Tungsten lamps throughout the city, one at every street crossing in the built up areas. The company has until September 1st to install the lights.

- 5. Article about discussion of changes in street names by city commissioners. Details.
- 8. Drawing of the new O. C. Daisy building in first block of South Topeka. Three stories,

with the second and third occupied by the Acacia hotel.

# Thursday, July 7, 1910 page

5. About three miles north of Valley Center the Arkansas Valley Interurban is filling the old channel and digging a new channel directly west of the old one for a distance of about 350 feet on Jester Creek in order to avoid making a curve in the line at this point. Details.

Photograph of interior of remodeled Eaton Hotel lobby.

A little more than two miles of Arkansas Valley Interurban track remains to be laid between Wichita and Valley Center. About four miles of grade has been laid north of Valley Center. About three miles north of Valley Center Jester Creek is being diverted slightly to the west so that a curve in the line can be avoided.

- 8. Photograph of first block on South Main showing about ten street cars lined up on May 8, 1905, waiting to take ball game fans to Association park for Wichita's first Western Association home game, with Topeka. Line includes the ten new two double truck cars, and the open "Old Marie," a made-over car used especially for baseball games, etc, but now used as a company work car by Wichita Railroad and Light Company.
- 9. Arkansas Valley Interurban advertisement.

# Friday, July 8, 1910 page

3. Petitions are being circulated by members of the Linwood club asking the Wichita Railroad and Light company to extend the Pattie avenue line about five blocks south to Linwood park.

The Woodland Methodist church at 16th and Salina will be dedicated Sunday, July 10.

The park commissioner has purchased a nice gentle burro for young visitors to Riverside park to ride. It was bought Wednesday and is already a popular attraction.

- 4. Drawing of home of R. G. McKee, just completed at 520 North Lawrence. Cost about \$15,000.
- 9. Missouri Pacific Railroad has just erected a 20 ton stiff leg derrick on 2nd and Wichita streets to handle heavy structures being loaded and unloaded from its cars. Cost was about \$1500. The company is now excavating preparatory to paving its driveway between 1st and 2nd streets.
- 13. Drawing of new home of A. F. Jones at Clifton and Douglas to be ready for occupancy by April 1911 and cost \$25,000. Built of red brick trimmed in Carthage stone and is 45 by 42½ feet. Mr. Jones moved to Wichita recently from Pratt, where he has milling and

banking interests.

#### Saturday, July 9, 1910

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- 3. Work on the new Crawford theater is to start Monday.
- 9. Another Arkansas Valley Interurban bond advertisement.
- 10. Plans are being prepared by Wichita Railroad and Light Company for installation of new "feeder lines" to the extremities of the longer lines to provide adequate power for heavy demands. The new wire will cost about \$17,500 and a similar amount for installation.

# Monday, July 11, 1910 page

5. Report of dedication yesterday of the new Woodland Methodist church at 16th and Salina. Details. The church was organized eighteen months ago.

# Tuesday, July 12, 1910 page

- 1. Long article about city commission meeting yesterday deciding about changes in Wichita street names. Details.
- 9. Report of visit of H. B. Chubbuck, general manager of McKinley syndicate, in Wichita. Says the Wichita Railroad and Light company will build an extension on West Douglas and a new \$50,000 car barn at 2nd and Waco. He is concerned about proposed steam line to be built across Wichita Railroad and Light company property to the gas company's new electric plant on the north of the Big river (Kansas Gas and Electric) and will hold a conference tomorrow about this. Also concerned about heavy costs of the large amount of street paving in Wichita this year -- East Douglas to College Hill, Hillside, South Main, South Emporia, 14th street, Maple, Pattie, and Cleveland, so the company is not inclined to spend any more at present then those plans mentioned above. Details.

### Wednesday, July 13, 1910 page

3. Article says Missouri Pacific is considering using motor cars on the lines between Wichita and Hutchinson and between Wichita and McPherson. Details.

All the cars of the Wichita Railroad and Light company are to be Pay As You Enter cars soon. An order has been given to equip the cars now in use with the Pay As You Enter device. "We are through with the old system," said Mr. H. E. Chubbuck, manager of the system, today. "As soon as arrangements can be made, every car in Wichita will be turned into a PAYE car."

4. Drawing of the new Wichita warehouse of the Winfield Wholesale Grocery Company, at 2nd and Santa Fe, three stories, 92 by 140 feet. Building is now being stocked and will

open for business July 25.

Because of crowding on the West Side street car line, Company Morrison is placing an extra car on the line between Main and Douglas and the switch on Maple street from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. daily. This "stub" car will relieve the crowding occurring lately during those hours.

# Thursday, July 14, 1910 page

9. A new platform has just been finished at the Rock Island station. It is really a continuation to the south of the old one, is made of brick, and is 150 feet long. New arc lights have been ordered to light the new part.

#### Saturday, July 16, 1910

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- 4. Drawing of new home of George Nelson on Circle Drive. Details.
- 9. Drawing of new residence of H. M. Grafton at 1715 Park Place.

Report of speech by Fire Marshal A. G. Walden on the use of motor fire apparatus. Details.

# Monday, July 18, 1910 page

- 4. Report of offer of the National Humane Alliance, of New York City, to donate a five ton drinking fountain for horses and dogs to Wichita if a suitable site for it can be found. To be made of Maine granite. Details.
- 5. Building permit taken out Saturday for the new theater at Topeka and William (i.e., Crawford). To front 65 feet on Topeka and have 140 foot depth. To cost \$65,000.
- 6. Report of another city commissioners discussion of the ordinance changing street names. Details.

#### Tuesday, July 19, 1910 page

- 1. Dold Packing company has let contract for a \$60,000 addition to its beef plant here. Work started yesterday. Details.
- 6. Contract for new Kansas Gas and Electric power plant has been let to the Dieter and Wenzel Construction company. To be 110 by 170 feet and 50 feet high with 200 foot smokestack fifteen feet in diameter. Missouri Pacific will build a spur track on 2nd street to deliver materials, etc. Other details. Says the transmission line for the Arkansas Valley Interurban will cost \$43,000.

9. Report on progress on Arkansas Valley Interurban construction. Only about two miles of track remains to be laid between Wichita and Valley Center. Details. Graders are at Jester Creek and the bridge gang is working on the bridge at Sullivan's dam. Distribution of trolley poles started yesterday.

Wichita Country Club members yesterday decided to go ahead and build their new club house. Details.

# Wednesday, July 20, 1910 page

- 1. Photographs of Beacon building site July 16, 1909 and July 16, 1910 for comparison.
- 5. The Rock Island Railway has started work this week on its new freight yards north of the city. Foundations for the round house and turntable are being built.

Drawing of new home of W. E. Lowder on College Hill.

- 6. Contract let today for new alfalfa mill for Otto Weiss Alfalfa Stock Food company to replace the old one destroyed by fire April 8, last. It will be on the same site at 13th and Santa Fe. Details. Cost about \$25,000.
- 9. Drawing of home of the Massey Iron company at corner of 3rd and Santa Fe, formerly occupied by the Aylesbury Mercantile company. Has been remodeled.

Another Arkansas Valley Interurban bond advertisement.

# Thursday, July 21, 1910 page

9. Report on use of the new motor fire truck since it arrived in Wichita two weeks ago.

#### Monday, July 25, 1910

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- 1. City commissioners today granted petition to pave Main street from 9th to 13th street with brick. Also let contract to pave Victor from Hillside to Rutan with asphalt and to pave Cleveland from Douglas to 13th with Bitulithic.
- 3. Drawing of new home of G. S. Whitney, of the Fourth National bank, at 9th and Market.

### Tuesday, July 26, 1910 page

- 4. Photograph of unloaded material for Arkansas Valley Interurban at Valley Center. Eighteen car loads. Not very distinct.
- 5. A water pavilion for ducks and other waterfowl, 33 by 64 feet, has been built and cemented at Riverside park, and the water was turned into it this morning. A pair of

ostriches are also expected in the next 30 days.

City commissioners yesterday let contract for paving Rutan from Cedar to Grant and Clifton from 1st to Central with asphalt.

8. Construction has started on excavation for the American Paper Manufacturing company plant's first building, which will be 140 by 160 feet. The grade for the three quarter mile factory switch track from the Missouri Pacific is almost completed. The city and county have granted permission for the company to cross Central avenue with their switch track and the grade is already completed over this street.

# Wednesday, July 27, 1910 page

- 1. The Arkansas river is dry now above the junction with the Little Arkansas. No pool is visible above or below the Seneca street bridge. This is the first time the river has been entirely dry since 1897.
- 3. The Santa Fe expects to move into its new freight offices this coming Saturday or Sunday.
- 5. Change in plan for Missouri Pacific switch track to new Kansas Gas and Electric plant -it will not be built on 2nd street, but probably will result in an extension of the switch that
  now reaches from the Missouri Pacific to the street car company's property on Waco
  avenue. This track can be extended west to the Arkansas river and then north along the
  river bank to Kansas Gas and Electric, and city is preparing ordinance to allow the
  Missouri Pacific to cross 2nd street at east end of 2nd street bridge.

# Friday, July 29, 1910 page

3. Superintendent Morrison says Wichita Railroad and Light company may be compelled to build its new car barn outside the city if city persists in condemning a strip of street car company's land at 2nd and Arkansas river to build switch track to Kansas Gas and Electric. Details.

City commissioners yesterday created a new street one block long from 1st to 2nd between Santa Fe and Mead, to be known as Moore avenue for the Moore Brothers, of the Wichita Stove and Iron Works, who own much of the property along the street and have given land to permit the opening of the street.

### Saturday, July 30, 1910 page

- 4. Photograph of new residence of Sam F. Stewart, city commissioner, at 3219 East Douglas.
- 9. Photograph of Wichita's new motor fire truck, which cost \$5750.

#### Monday, August 1, 1910

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- 1. A new railway is in prospect for Wichita. It is an extension of the Midland Valley system from Arkansas City to McPherson. A state charter has been issued to the Wichita, McPherson and Gulf Railway company. A subordinate corporation, the Midland Construction company, was also chartered. Details.
- 4. Article on progress in consolidating the Bell and Independent Telephone systems. Should be completed by August 15. Details.
- 8. Drawing of new home just completed at 1720 Park Place by Charles D. Darrigrand, superintendent at the Dold's packing plant. Cost \$18,000.
- 10. The Santa Fe freight offices were moved to their new location at corner of William and St. Francis on Saturday night and yesterday. The old freight house is to be torn down in the next few months. Details.

### Wednesday, August 3, 1910 page

6. Contract let today by Charles Lawrence for a new two story building on North Lawrence immediately south of the Butts building, to cost \$15,000 and be occupied by the Charles Lawrence Photograph Supply company. C. W. Terry is architect. Front to be of terra cotta and the other walls of brick. To be ready for occupancy December 1.

# Thursday, August 4, 1910 page

- 3. A new two story brick building 50 by 120 feet is to be erected at southeast corner of Douglas and Seneca to replace the two story frame building, which will be moved away. To be built by C. E. Holden and G. T. Riley for \$12,000, and Riley's drug store will probably occupy lower floor.
- 4. The Wichita Vinegar Works will enlarge its plant at 1st and Hydraulic. Details.
- 5. Report of death today of Wichita pioneer H. A. Hill, who came here from Ft. Scott in 1886. Obituary. Survived by wife, two daughters and two sons (named). He was age 65.
- 8. Advertisement says about \$28,000 of Beacon Building stock remains unsold.
- 9. The last link in the Arkansas Valley Interurban rails between Wichita and Valley Center was laid this afternoon, and the first train, a steam train carrying workman and supplies, passed over the line to Valley Center to begin the laying of steel between Valley Center and Sedgwick. The trolley wire is not yet all in place. ¶ The first rail of the interurban system was laid three months ago near 24th st. Details.

# Friday, August 5, 1910 page

4. The Colonial theater, being built on the site of the old Schnitzler building at 117 North Market, will be opened August 18. It is designed and built by Charles Snodgrass of the firm of Snodgrass and Mackey. Seating capacity 900. Details.

Real estate transfer: The Keene Syndicate to R. O. Albin, August 2, lots 206, 108 (sic), Coolidge avenue, Riverside addition, \$450.

5. Photograph of the five ton granite animal drinking fountain which is supposedly to be installed in Riverside. These fountains, of Maine granite, are a gift from the National Humane Alliance. Details.

# Monday, August 8, 1910 page

- 2. Article about Samuel Francis Woolard, Wichita insurance man and author.
- 3. The Rock Island expects to finish its new yards north of the city by September 1st and the round house, coal chutes, oil tanks, turntable, and telegraph office by October 15.

Building permit issued Saturday for stone and brick one story building, 36 by 60 feet, to be erected just south of the Masonic Home and used as a hospital. Cost \$9000. To be finished by September 15.

9. Report of death of former Wichita resident, Wallace A. Stewart of Cincinnati, Ohio. Was co-founder of Stewart Iron Works company in Wichita in 1887 at Division and South Washington streets, and while here his home was in the Charley Sullivan brick residence on College Hill.

# Tuesday, August 9, 1910 page

- 3. Four more large trailer cars for use by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company arrived today. They were shipped by the Frisco from Danville, Illinois last Wednesday. They are very much like the trailers now in use here and will add materially to the company's equipment for special occasions, for ball games, and at times when more cars are needed. This makes eight new cars purchased by the company this season.
- 6. Beacon building is expected to be finished by September 15. Some tenants will move in September 1st.

Contract awarded for building of the sand-clay road on Lawrence avenue from the city nine miles south. To be finished within three months.

### Wednesday, August 10, 1910 page

1. Article reports rumors of possible locations of Orient Railroad passengers depot. One being on the West Side near Seneca street. Details.

6. Article reports organization yesterday of the Wichita, McPherson and Gulf Railway Company here yesterday, and also that of the Midland Construction Company, which proposes to build the railway from Arkansas City to McPherson. C. E. Ingersoll, of Philadelphia, is president and Frank C. Wood, of Wichita, vice-president of the railway company. W. C. Edwards, postmaster of Wichita, is secretary. Details.

### Thursday, August 11, 1910 page

- 4. Note regarding will of John G. Carlisle, former secretary of the treasury. Says his two sons lived in Wichita in the 1880s and built the Johnston house at 1215 North Emporia, which A. O. Rorabaugh occupies at present.
- 5. Contract let yesterday for the new Odd Fellows temple to be located on South St. Francis adjoining the Eaton hotel. To be three stories, 50 by 140 feet, and cost \$25,000. To be completed by December 1. Details.

Two ostriches are being shipped to Riverside park from Phoenix, Arizona. Being donated by Kansas Gas and Electric company.

6. The Pattie avenue pavement will be completed in two weeks.

# Friday, August 12, 1910 page

4. The fine residence at 1250 North Topeka completed a few months ago by A. A. Reiff of the Union Livestock Commission company was sold yesterday to Fred E. Evans of the Potts Drug company for \$10,000.

# Monday, August 15, 1910 page

- 3. The Bell Telephone company will cut in its new equipment at midnight Saturday, giving universal telephone service in Wichita beginning Sunday, August 21. The change will make it necessary to add to every number a central office prefix (Market or Douglas). Details.
- 5. The two ostriches arrived at Riverside park zoo yesterday. There was a big crowd and Superintendent Morrison put on five extra street cars, which were crowded every trip from 2:00 p.m. until late in the evening.
- 9. City commissioners today granted petition to pave St. Francis from 2nd to 9th street with Bitulithic. St. Francis is already paved from the Wichita and Western tracks near Orme street to 2nd street, all but one block of this south of Douglas being of brick, and from 9th to 14th street with Bitulithic.

# Tuesday, August 16, 1910 page

- 3. Photograph of Kansas City, Mexico and Orient shops under construction. Article with details.
- 9. Article critical of city's agreement with Water Company to pave Seneca from Arkansas river to Central and Central from Seneca to Little river in return for receiving a strip of ground 60 feet wide and a few hundred feet long along west bank of Little river. Says city would be paying about \$7000 of paving for \$1000 of land, the latter being low and needing to be filled up before it can be used.

### Wednesday, August 17, 1910 page

6. W. R. Morrison, superintendent of Wichita Railroad and Light company, who went to Illinois for a conference with officials of the company, wired the local office today that he believed he would get what he went after. He went to Illinois today to get the company to follow its original plans of building new car barns here.

### Thursday, August 18, 1910 page

5. The first piling for the new concrete dam across Little Arkansas river near Central avenue was put in yesterday.

The Colonial theater opened its doors today. Details.

# Saturday, August 20, 1910 page

3. The Kansas Gas and Electric company is busy installing poles for electric street lights throughout Wichita, which is scheduled to be completed by September 1. About 2500 poles have been set. Cost of the work to the company is over \$50,000.

### Tuesday, August 23, 1910 page

3. The Landis Elevator Company, corner of 1st and Emporia, has been reorganized and the capital stock increased to \$25,000. The company was organized last March by H. G. Landis, who had invented and patented an electric motor with a direct power transmission. Since opening, the company has built and installed thirteen elevators. Details.

With the camp meeting in South Riverside park and the attractions of the zoo in Central Riverside park, an estimated 15,000 people were in the park on Sunday. The street car company hauled 7000 people on the Riverside park lines Sunday. A dozen extra cars were used, but still thousands had to walk.

6. The city has decided to locate the new National Humane Alliance animal watering fountain at the corner of William and St. Francis streets. Details.

#### Friday, August 26, 1910

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- 3. Letter from park commissioner Sam Stewart to street car company thanking them for excellent job of handling Riverside park crowds last Sunday.
- 4. Article about possibility of installing clock in the tower of the Wichita city building. Details.

Superintendent Morrison reassured North Riverside residents that the company has no intention of tearing out the loop at 11th and Bitting or shortening the line.

8. Superintendent Morrison says street car service in Wichita will be slower due to lack of sufficient power until the new Kansas Gas and Electric power plant is completed. The load will be increased at least 30% because the traffic demands more of the heavy double truck cars which consume more power than the other cars. All the cars will have to be run slower.

### Monday, August 29, 1910 page

- 6. Work will be commenced this week by the street car company on a double track line from 14th to 21st street on Market street. The steel to be used will be the type used on paved streets so that it will not be necessary to relay it when Market street is paved between these two points, as will likely be done in a few months. The new double track is made necessary because the interurban cars will reach the heart of the city over this line from 21st street.
- 9. The first car for the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company will be shipped from the factory about September 15. Construction work is progressing rapidly. The power substation at Valley Center is nearing completion. Details.

### Thursday, September 1, 1910 page

5. The South Riverside street car bridge is to be torn out and rebuilt as soon as it can be done. Work will commence early next week.

#### Friday, September 2, 1910 page

8. Tenants are moving into the new Beacon building. Details.

Another Arkansas Valley Interurban bond advertisement.

### Saturday, September 3, 1910 page

4. Deed was recorded yesterday for the sale (about a year ago) of the Cone-Cornell hall on northwest corner of William and Lawrence to E. D. Wood by Rufus Cone and George W. Cornell for \$40,000. Building was built about five years ago.

10. Photograph showing crowd in interior of the "New Auditorium" theater Monday night for Wolfe Stock company.

#### Monday, September 5, 1910 page

- 1. L. S. Naftzger has returned from presidency of the Fourth National bank and has sold his stock in the bank. B. F. McLean will likely be the new president. Details.
- 9. After lying in ruins for more then twelve years, the old Hendryx property at the street car loop at corner of Hiram and University has been sold to W. J. Kuhn, a Denver capitalist, who will build a home on the lots. The lots face 75 feet on University avenue and are 175 feet deep and sold for \$3000. "The old fountain" as it has been known the past twelve years was once the fine residence of W. B. Hendryx, president of Garfield university, who built it for \$12,000. When Garfield university closed the property was sold to D. M. Kirkwood. He made extensive repairs and the day they were finished the house burned down. Four years ago W. H. Armstrong, of Wichita, purchased the property and last week a portion of it was sold to Mr. Kuhn.

# Wednesday, September 7, 1910 page

5. The Rock Island today commenced reballasting its main line from Caldwell to Herington at a cost of about \$208,000. Burnt clay will be used entirely. Gumbo baking ovens have been built by the Rock Island on a tract of land south of Wellington to manufacture this.

### Wednesday, September 14, 1910 page

1. Levi S. Naftzger and Frank S. Burt indicted by federal grand jury for receiving stolen stamps. Details.

# Thursday, September 15, 1910 page

8. H. E. Chubbuck, general manager of the Illinois Traction System and the Western Railways and Light corporation visited in Wichita today. He said the plans for the new car barns to be built on North Waco were completed and as soon as they had been approved, work on the buildings would begin. This, he thought, would be within the next month.

# Friday, September 16, 1910 page

- 1. Article says decision has been made to build a union depot in Wichita costing \$200,000. To be located south of Douglas avenue on the site of the old Santa Fe depot and south of the old station on ground now occupied by the express company offices and the Santa Fe's old freight house. Two or more elevated tracks will also go over Douglas avenue on the Santa Fe right-of-way and pass the site picked out for the union depot.
- 4. The new building of the College Hill Congregational church is completed and the

auditorium will be used for the first time for services Sunday. The church has used the basement of the structure, at Clifton and 1st streets, for some months now.

#### Monday, September 19, 1910 page

5. The Stock Yards street car line double track should be completed in about two weeks.

The Wichita Railroad and Light company has just received four car loads of copper wire valued at \$20,000, which will be used for the new feeder system from the new power plant. The company has also received twelve car loads of heavy steel for the North Main and North Market street lines.

## Tuesday, September 20, 1910 page

- 1. Article describes plan for new elevated tracks over Douglas avenue. Structure is to carry five tracks over Douglas. Essentially accurate. Details.
- 6. The Pastime theater opened yesterday (location?).
- 8. City commissioners today granted petition to pave 8th street from Hillside to Roosevelt with asphalt.

# Wednesday, September 21, 1910 page

- 1. An experimental sand-clay road half mile in length is under construction at west end of 13th street at estimated cost of \$800. Work on nine miles of sand-clay road on South Lawrence avenue will commence October 1. Details.
- 3. Contract for building of the Wichita Children's Home has been let for \$38,995. Site is a tract 250 by 140 feet located between Highland on the south, Orchard on the north, Bryant on the east, and Addison on the west. The old building now used on East 1st street will be sold. Details.
- 4. Ordinance 3840 for paving Riverside Avenue from Wiley to Buffum with asphalt.
- 6. The new building of the Jackson-Walker Coal and Material company at 142 North Lawrence will be finished next week and the company will move its offices not the new quarters.

#### Thursday, September 22, 1910 page

1. Article about another campaign to clean up Tremont street, which started last night. Details.

#### Monday, September 26, 1910

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5. Article about the "secret room" in the basement of the city building. Details.

#### Tuesday, September 27, 1910 page

- 1. Another article about "secret room" in city buildings.
- 6. City commissioners yesterday approved paving East 2nd from Washington to city limits with Hassam pavement.

# Thursday, September 29, 1910 page

3. Report on progress of Arkansas Valley Interurban. Sub-station at Valley Center has been completed and the machinery is being installed. The copper feed wire has been strung half way from Valley Center to Wichita. The trolley wire will be put up within a few days (it is already up from 21st street to Wichita city limits). North of Valley Center the road has been graded to Sedgwick and the track laid to within two and a half miles of that town. Details.

## Saturday, October 1, 1910 page

8. Car No. 1 for the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway was shipped today from the Jewett car manufacturing company at Newark, Ohio. It is expected here in about ten days.

# Monday, October 3, 1910 page

- 4. Report of laying of corner stone yesterday for Odd Fellows' new lodge building on South St. Francis, immediately south of the Eaton hotel. To be three stories and cost \$25,000. Details.
- 5. City commissioners today let contracts to pave the street car track on West Douglas from Exposition to Millwood, and the street car track on West Central avenue, both with brick.

  ¶ Contracts also let to pave with brick: 2nd from Emporia to Rock Island, Erie from Douglas to Cedar, Wiley from Park to Riverside, and Maple from Hillside to Circle Drive.

City commissioners today granted Charles Snodgrass permission to erect an electric sign across Market street at the Colonial theater.

6. A. O. Rorabaugh has bought the residence of Mrs. R. P. Murdock on Park Place for \$18,000, and will take possession November 1. Mr. Rorabaugh now lives at 1215 North Emporia. The Murdock house is built of Silex white brick, trimmed with Carthage stone. It was built about four years ago. U. G. Charles was the architect. Photograph.

# Thursday, October 6, 1910 page

3. The Arkansas Valley Interurban will permit merchants to hold Peerless Prophet Jubilee street shows on its property on West 1st street and North Water street.

#### Saturday, October 8, 1910 page

1. Federal census figures announced. Wichita's population is 52,450 compared with 24,671 in 1900.

#### Tuesday, October 11, 1910 page

4. The German Methodist church has completed its new church at Lulu and Prince streets at cost of \$20,000. It is of brick, 67 by 51 feet. To be dedicated in a few weeks. Services are being held in the basement awaiting the completion of the auditorium. Details.

The Auditorium theater lighted its new electric sign last night. It extends across the street and has letters three feet high.

# Wednesday, October 12, 1910 page

- 5. The Arkansas Valley Interurban has been connected at 21st street with the line of the Wichita Railroad and Light company, making the line complete between Wichita and Valley Center. Service can be started as soon as the cars arrive.
- 6. Mr. C. E. Ingersoll, of Philadelphia, president of the Midland Valley Center Railroad company, is visiting in Wichita. Details.

The Riverside Improvement league will hold a meeting tonight.

## Thursday, October 13, 1910 page

1. Report of death early this morning at his home in Riverside of ex-Governor William E. Stanley. Born in Danville, Ohio, December 28, 1844. Came to Oskaloosa, Jefferson County, Kansas in 1870 and then to Wichita in 1872. Elected Governor of Kansas in 1898. Married Emma L. Hills, of Wichita, in 1876. Of four children, three survive, Harry W. Stanley, of Wichita, Miss Harriet Stanley, a Wichita High School teacher, and William E. Stanley, Jr., student at University of Chicago. Photograph.

# Friday, October 14, 1910 page

5. Building permit issued for \$12,000, three room house, 40 by 60 feet, for J. M. Kuhn at corner of University and Hiram.

The Colonial theater is today installing its new electric sign, 45 feet in length, extending across North Market street. To be in operation tomorrow night.

- 8. Contract let yesterday for two story brick store and apartment building for Mr. Bolte in second block on South Lawrence, 100 feet south of the Arnold garage. To be built of buff brick, cost \$15,000, and be completed by February 11, 1911.
- 9. Wonderland Park closed its season October 2. The season has been a good one and it is said that as many as 225,000 people have been admitted at the gate. During the winter only the skating rink will be open, by November 1. The directors are considering converting the large theater in the north part of the park into a swimming pool for the next season. The statuary in the center of the grounds is to be removed and replaced with more substantial attractions. The statuary yet in place was executed by Frederick V. W. Shiff, of Chicago, who had charge of the fine arts display at the St. Louis fair, but though the work was of the highest grade, the material used was not lasting enough for outdoor exposure and has worn considerably in the six years it has been in place. Details.

The entrance arch for the street carnival, at corner of 1st and Main, has been under construction since yesterday. Details.

Commencing Saturday the former service on the Stock Yards and North Topeka street car line will be resumed until after the Peerless Prophets jubilee. There is yet considerable work to do on the Stock Yards line, and as soon as the jubilee is over, the present plan of operating the two ends of the line separately will be resumed.

Charles Wray is clearing ground for a \$4000 California bungalow on Forest avenue adjoining Riverside park.

# Saturday, October 15, 1910 page

- 3. Advertisement with photograph of residence at 520 North Lawrence, offered for sale for \$13,500.
- 4. Robert B. Campbell is building a thirteen room, two story house at the corner of Riverside and Woodman avenues at cost of \$10,500. It is 45 by 51 feet, the first story of the Ohio brick and the second of lumber. It will have both gas and electric lights and be heated with hot water. It will be ready for occupancy about December 1st.
- 9. Peerless Prophets jubilee will open Monday. Details.
- 13. Advertisement with photograph of Jett and Wood Mercantile company at William and Santa Fe. (Photograph.)
- 14. Photograph of new ground floor studio of Harry Pottenger, photographer, at 122 North Market. Until recently he had been in first block on East Douglas for a number of years.

# Saturday, October 15, 1910 page

#### Magazine

- B-7. Photograph of new Riverside Club.
- B-9. Photograph of new home of the Commercial Club.
  - Section C -- Transportation Section.
- C-1. Photograph of Missouri Pacific depot. Long article with many details.
- C-2. Photograph of Frisco depot. Article with details. Gives some history of Kansas Midland Railroad ("Making Railroads in the Early Days")
- C-3. Advertisement of Wichita Railroad and Light company. (Photograph.)
- C-4. Photograph of Rock Island depot with people on platform. Article with details.
- C-5. Articles about Orient Railroad with photographs of shop under construction and of Arthur E. Stilwell.
- C-6. Photographs of four Wichita freight depots. (Four photographs.)
- C-7. Photograph of Santa Fe depot. Article with details. Photograph of Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe and Rock Island freight yards south of Rock Island freight depot.
- C-8. Article about Arkansas Valley Interurban, which should be running to Valley Center by November 1. Says the Company purchased site for its terminals during the summer at 1st and Water. As a temporary arrangement, the brick building now located on the corner of the tract is being remodeled and equipped with platforms and office facilities and will be used for the terminal until the remainder of the road is completed. Details.

Article about Wichita Street Car Company ("Millions of Street Car Passengers") Photograph of new Pay As You Enter car No. 208. ¶ Photograph of Douglas avenue railroad crossing. (Three photographs and copy.)

- C-10. Some Wichita railroad history by O. H. Bentley (Boosters Brought In the Railroads).
  - Section D -- Live Stock and Agriculture
- D-1. Photograph of Cudahy Packing company and of Dold Packing company.
- D-9. Advertisement with photograph of Wichita Creamery and Ice Cream company -- making Newhold's Ice Cream.
  - Section E -- "The New Wichita"
- E-2. Photograph of the Kansas Milling company.
- E-3. Photograph and biography of William O. Van Arsdale. Photograph of Thomas G. Fitch.

- E-4. Photographs of six Wichita flour mills and elevators. (Five photographs.)
- E-7. Photograph of Griffenstein bridge. ¶ Photograph of Wichita Casket company.
- E-8. Article about Tipton Cox, with photograph.
  - Section F -- Civic and Official
- F-1. Photograph of city building.
- F-4. General photograph with Beacon building under construction. Photograph of Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods company.
- F-6. Photograph looking southeast from top of Butts building.
- F-7. Photograph looking southwest from top of Butts building.
- F-8. Photograph of O. C. Daisy. Some biography.

Section G -- Historical.

Photographs of number of prominent men in Wichita.

- G-1. Photograph of Federal building (post office).
- G-2. Article about William Mathewson with photograph.
- G-3. Article about James R. Mead with photograph.
- G-4. Long article -- "Personal Recollections of 'The Boom'" by W. E. Stanley. (Copy.)
- G-7. Article about the stage coach period in Wichita.
- G-8. Photograph of Schweiter building under construction.
  - Section H -- Schools -- Colleges -- Music
- H-1. Photograph of Masonic Temple.
- H-4. Photographs of six Wichita schools.
- H-8. Photographs of seven Wichita churches.
- H-11. Photographs of two squads of Wichita police department.
  - Section I -- Rental Section
- I-1. Photograph from Main and Douglas.
- I-10. Photographs of four Wichita homes and four business buildings.

I-12. Whole page small photographs of homes.

#### Monday, October 17, 1910

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1. A. G. Walden, head of Wichita fire department, has resigned effective November 1 for reasons of health.

# Tuesday, October 18, 1910 page

10. The first electric car ran over the new interurban railway from Wichita to Valley Center and return this morning. Thirty Arkansas Valley Interurban officials, business men, and four ladies rode from corner of Main and Douglas to the substation in Valley Center in Car No. 201 of the Wichita street railway company, with a running time of only 35 minutes. The eight and a fourth miles from 21st street to Valley Center was covered in 25 minutes. Details.

#### Wednesday, October 19, 1910 page

8. Emil Werner, of 927 East Douglas, has purchased the two story brick building at 117-119 Rock Island avenue, now occupied by the Southwest Creamery and the Independent Harvester company, from W. J. Trousdale, of Newton, for \$69,500 worth of stock in the Arctic Ice company. Details.

## Friday, October 21, 1910 page

10. It is possible that hose house No. 1 on North Market street may be used as winter quarters for ostriches and other birds and animals from the zoo. The building is vacant and has been for some time.

#### Saturday, October 22, 1910

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8. Another advertisement for Arkansas Valley Interurban bonds.

# Monday, October 24, 1910 page

9. After a delay of 60 days awaiting the shipment of timber from Arkansas, work began today on the Wichita Wholesale Furniture Company building. To be 100 by 140 feet, four stories, and cost \$45,000 (second block on North Water).

# Tuesday, October 25, 1910 page

1. Judge D. M. Dale, of Wichita, was injured today in Chicago when a street car struck a car in which he was riding. He and Mrs. Dale had been visiting his sister, Mrs. W. A. Pratt, of Pawpaw, Illinois for several days. Pawpaw formerly was the home of Judge Dale.

- 6. City commissioners today granted petition to pave Riverside avenue from 11th to 13th street with the Hassam pavement.
- 8. City commissioners has asked the Wichita Railroad and Light company to explain its failure to extend its line west on Douglas to Millwood as promised. Commissioner Roetzel favored levy of a tax of \$50 to \$100 on the cars operated by the company if the line is not built at once.

#### Thursday, October 27, 1910 page

9. The five ton animal drinking fountain, being donated to Wichita by the National Humane Alliance, of New York, was shipped October 21st and is on its way here. It will be placed at the intersection of William and St. Francis. Details.

# Friday, October 28, 1910 page

- 1. Regular Arkansas Valley Interurban service between Wichita and Valley Center is awaiting only the transmission of adequate power by Kansas Gas and Electric to the substation at Valley Center. The new transformer will provide 33,000 volts, where now only 2300 volts is received, which is insufficient with line loss to pull the cars. The company is about ready to lay steel into Sedgwick city.
- 11. An old Rocky Mountain stage coach has been donated to Riverside park. Details.

# Monday, October 31, 1910 page

- 10. Report of death of street railway employe Charles V. Gill, age 40, at his home at 623 North Main. Came to Wichita 20 years ago and worked for the company when horse cars were in operation on the Fairmount line and when steam dummies ran to Valley Center. Carried badge No. 201. Survived by wife, Edna.
- W. R. Morrison, superintendent, told city commissioners today that the street car company would extend its line on West Douglas avenue immediately if the commissioners did not insist on the installation of iron trolley poles on Main and Douglas until after the 1st of January.

City commissioners today granted petition to pave Hillside from Kellogg to Lincoln with brick and to pave Jefferson street from? to 10th and 10th street to Bitting with brick. Petition also granted to pave Elizabeth between Wichita and Western right-of-way and McCormick with Bitulithic.

J. E. Tandy, of 341 Pennsylvania, house mover, is moving the two story frame house owned by Mrs. J. A. Warriner, from 1st and Emporia to the corner of 17th and Wichita streets. The Warriner house was built in 1882. Mrs. Warriner recently sold the lots in which it stood for so long, for \$25,000.

# Tuesday, November 1, 1910 page

8. Report of re-organization of the Wichita and Southwestern Fair Association. A majority of the stock is now owned by three men, William Davidson, George Theis, Jr., and A. E. Nuttle. Details.

The first combination passenger and baggage coach for service on the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway arrived today. It was on exhibition near the Frisco depot all afternoon. Tomorrow it will be taken to Valley Center to await the establishment of regular service between that place and Wichita.

## Wednesday, November 2, 1910 page

- 5. Work started yesterday on the new feeder lines of the Wichita Railroad and Light company. Thirty linemen were at work installing the new system which will supply the line in Wichita with enough power for any emergency in any kind of weather. It will take about six weeks to complete the job, at cost of \$25,000. ¶ The new feeder system will give the company five times as much copper along its lines and five times as much current as it has had heretofore. The copper wire being used is two and a half times as large as that now in use. There are 80 tons of it and it took four freight cars to transport it from the factory to Wichita. The wire alone cost \$18,000, exclusive of freight.
- 6. Superintendent W. R. Morrison says work will start some time this week on extension of the West Douglas avenue street car line. A switch will be put in just east of the Missouri Pacific tracks. Some other work is under way which may delay its completion all the way to Athenian, although there should be no delay as far as Millwood. ¶ The other projects under way now are the relaying of track from 9th to 12th on North Main and the putting in of some special work at 21st and Market to connect with the Arkansas Valley Interurban.
- 12. Article complains about sand boats operating close to the Griffenstein and Douglas avenue bridges and threatening to undermine the support of these bridges. Details.

#### Thursday, November 3, 1910 page

- 6. Ties were put in and 420 feet of rails laid yesterday on the West Douglas street car line extension west of Exposition. There is about 1200 feet of track yet to build on West Douglas to reach Millwood, where the line will turn north to Grand.
- 9. Contract let today for enlarging and remodeling the quarters of the National Bank of Commerce. The bank has obtained a long time lease on the Kos Harris building adjoining the bank on the west and the wall between the two buildings will be removed and one large room made. To be done in the next 30 days.

#### Saturday, November 5, 1910 page

- 4. Street cars have not been run over the North Riverside line for several weeks because of paving work on Riverside avenue at the south end of the street car bridge, and North Riverside residents are complaining.
- 9. Building permit issued yesterday to A. H. And R. C. Bolte for new two story brick building, 40 by 140 feet, in second block on South Lawrence. To cost \$16,000.
- 12. Civil engineers of the Midland Valley Railroad are in Wichita surveying the route for the proposed new line to this city and then on to McPherson. Details.

# Monday, November 7, 1910 page

- 4. The Polk-McAvoy Directory company have started the canvasing for the 1911 Wichita city directory.
- 5. Charge made to city commissioners today by Mrs. O. Buckwalter of fraud and misrepresentation made by persons who circulated petitions for a brick pavement on 10th street. Details.

City commissioners today let contract for brick pavement on North Main street between 16th and 20th. Petition was granted for paving Fannie from Douglas to Division with asphalt.

#### Tuesday, November 8, 1910 page

8. The Central avenue dam across the Little river is expected to be completed on December 15. It will be 212 feet long including 26 foot abutments on either end and cost about \$25,000. Details.

#### Wednesday, November 9, 1910 page

- 1. Results of election yesterday.
- 5. Rock Island will inaugurate a through Pullman car service between Wichita and St. Louis on Sunday, November 13. Details.
- 9. The Orient and Frisco will repair their Douglas avenue crossings. The Orient started work today. It has but one track across Douglas avenue, lying just east of the two tracks of the Frisco company.

## Thursday, November 10, 1910 page

4. Article about improved sand-clay roads in Sedgwick County. Map and details.

("Sedgwick County Leads State in Number Miles of Good Road")

## Friday, November 11, 1910 page

- 5. The Santa Fe will soon pipe steam from its new power house on William street to heat the coaches used on the Englewood and Pratt branches while they are standing on the side track before being made up for the return trip to those places. Until now passengers have had to enter cold coaches when the trains are first made up.
- 13. Water level in Big Arkansas river is so low that it is causing problems with power supply of Kansas Gas and Electric and of the Wichita Railroad and Light company due to insufficient water for their boilers. Details. The river itself is dry except for a little floor below the mouth of the Little river, and the ground water is several feet lower than usual.

# Saturday, November 12, 1910 page

- 3. President Arthur E. Stilwell visited Wichita two weeks ago with a large party of English capitalists, and he will return again with another group Friday, December 2, on their way to Mexico.
- 5. Cornerstone of new First Presbyterian church at Lawrence and Elm is to be laid tomorrow. Some details of history of the church, with photograph of William Finn of Sedgwick, the only living charter member. Drawing of the new church.
- 6. The beautiful new animal drinking fountain given to the city of Wichita by the National Humane Alliance of New York, arrived yesterday and is to be erected at corner of William and St. Francis. It is of Maine granite and will stand about seven feet high with drinking bowl for horses about six feet in diameter. Weight is five tons.

### Monday, November 14, 1910 page

- 5. The Kansas Gas and Electric company is nearly through with the placing of its transformers at the Valley Center substation of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, and it is hoped to start regular train service between Wichita and Valley Center before next Sunday, although this depends on how the concrete sets in the paving of the street car tracks on North Market street. ¶ Mr. O. A. Boyle said the second car for the Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger service passed through Kansas City and should arrive here in a few days. It is a straight passenger car, where the first is a combination passenger and freight car.
- 8. City commissioners today adopted a resolution to pave the intersection of Douglas and Main with creosote word blocks.

# Tuesday, November 15, 1910 page

8. The trolley wire at Elm and Main broke in two at 6 a.m. today and wrapped itself around car No. 182.

#### Wednesday, November 16, 1910 page

- 6. The new animal drinking fountain is being installed at corner of William and St. Francis and will be ready for service by Saturday evening.
  - Car No. 2 for the Arkansas Valley Interurban arrived in Wichita today and will be taken to Valley Center tomorrow or Friday for unloading.
- 8. Article commenting that the people have voted down bonds for a bridge across Big Arkansas at 13th street and one across the Little river at 11th street. Now a good pavement is nearing completion on 11th street from Waco west to the old bridge, but the latter is decayed and hazardous. It was recently repaired after the middle spans were washed out by the flood, but now it is again very dangerous for general use.

#### Thursday, November 17, 1910 page

- 1. Report of death in Putnam, Oklahoma, W. W. Ayres, father of Sedgwick County attorney, of W. A. Ayres. Obituary.
- 4. The Riverside sanitary sewer has been completed at a cost of \$41,000. Details.
- 5. Walter P. Innes has sold part of his stock in the George Innes Dry Goods company and will retire from active management of the store to engage in other business activities.

# Friday, November 18, 1910 page

- 4. The Kansas Gas and Electric company started removing its poles from Douglas avenue yesterday. The power will now come from conduits placed in the alleys. Details.
- 6. The street car waiting station at 13th street was tipped over on the tracks by mischievous boys on Halloween. The street car company moved it off the tracks the next morning, but Commissioner Roetzel of public improvements has not allowed his men to place it back in position and it is still lying beside the tracks with loss of convenience to street car patrons. This waiting room and two others on South Main were built about three years ago by the Rock Island Lumber company, supplied with seats by George T. Nolley company and painted by the Hockaday company all at no charge. It cost about \$150.

Through service on the Stock Yards street car line will be restored tomorrow, after being interrupted for several weeks by the paving on North Main and Market.

Building permit issued this week to the Wichita Manual Training Association for a two story concrete building, 50 by 128 feet, at 21st and Topeka, to cost \$8000.

14. Photograph of the Valley Center "Y" of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway with Car No. 1 in picture.

# Saturday, November 19, 1910 page

- 1. Report of opening today of Arkansas Valley Interurban between Wichita and Valley Center. Car No. 1 pulled up from Beacon building to Main and Douglas at 9 a.m. today to load company officials and business men of the city for the first official trip over the new route. Names listed of those on trip. W. R. Morrison, superintendent of the street railway company, drove the car to 21st street, where he turned the controller over to the regular motorman, W. A. Faulkner. T. H. Walker was the conductor. The trip to Valley Center was made in approximately 40 minutes from Douglas avenue. The running time from 21st street was 20 minutes. From Valley Center the trial car was hauled to Sedgwick by the construction engine. ¶ The first car in regular service left Main and Douglas at 2:00 p.m.. For the present, cars will leave Wichita every two hours. Cars No. 1 and 2 will be used. No. 1 is a combination passenger, freight and mail car, while No. 2 is a straight passenger coach. No. 1 will seat 32 in the regular passenger compartment and 12 in the smoking compartment. ¶ For the present all fares will be in cash. No tickets will be sold before tracks have been laid to the terminal of the road at 1st and Water. This cannot be used for several months owing to the time necessary to secure the special track work for switches. ¶ Photograph of Car No. 1 and of the temporary station at 1st and Water, "which will be opened soon." ("Wichita and its Neighbor Valley Center are Closer Bound by the Interurban")
- 6. Photograph of William O. Van Arsdale, president of the Arkansas Valley Interurban road.
- 11. The new Grace Presbyterian church on Cleveland avenue will be dedicated tomorrow.
- 12. The little waiting station alongside the street car line at 13th street was placed on its foundation right side up again yesterday by the street car company.

#### Monday, November 21, 1910 page

- 1. Report of disastrous fire at 6 a.m. yesterday at the main barn of the Wichita and Southwestern Fair Association, with loss of 42 head of valuable horses. Total loss approximately \$64,000. Thought caused by embers from a cob pipe the night watchman was smoking. Details.
- 3. Report of robbery of street car conductor Saturday night on North Topeka line at 15th and St. Francis. It was the fourth robbery of street cars in two weeks. Details.
- 5. The little town of Hardtner, less than a year old, yesterday became the new terminal of the Kiowa branch of the Missouri Pacific.
- 9. Photographs of fair grounds barn before and after fire.

# Tuesday, November 22, 1910 page

4. The Rock Island Railway expects to occupy its new freight yards extending northward from 25th street within the next ten days.

#### Wednesday, November 23, 1910 page

- 1. An aeroplane flew just west of Mt. Carmel academy this morning traveling from northwest to southeast. The machine was not identified. It was about 75 to 100 feet high and probably going not less than 30 m.p.h. Details.
- 10. Report of a banquet last night at Chamber of Commerce to celebrate the opening of the new interurban. Details. Many visitors from Newton and other towns. At the end of the meeting each visitor was given a handsomely illustrated prospectus book of the Arkansas Valley Interurban route. The front cover shows a picture of Car No. 1 and the reverse cover shows a map of the lines built and proposed.

# Thursday, November 24, 1910 page

5. Report of laying of corner stone of the new high school yesterday afternoon. Details. Drawing of the building.

# Saturday, November 26, 1910 page

- 5. The first week of the Arkansas Valley Interurban's operation ended at 2:00 p.m. today. Estimating this morning's business, the Arkansas Valley Interurban hauled 4266 passengers during the first seven days. Two big days were last Sunday, with over 1200 passengers handled, and Thanksgiving with nearly 1100. The average was slightly over 600 passengers per day.
- 6. Photograph of corner stone laying of new high school.
- 12. Copy of article from *Kansas City Star* about the resurrection of Wichita. Drawings of several buildings.

#### Monday, November 28, 1910 page

- 3. Building permit issued Saturday for two story brick apartment at 432 North Emporia, cost \$12,000, to Charles Bron.
- 9. N. W. Longnecker will be offered \$1700 by city commissioners for a strip off the front of his land on north side of Douglas at west end of Douglas avenue bridge to make the street wider where the end of the street car bridge comes very close to his property. He had previously declined an offer of \$1500.

#### Tuesday, November 29, 1910 page

6. City commission has named the new street created by widening the alley extending from Market street west to the Beacon building, "Beacon Lane." Details.

#### Wednesday, November 30, 1910 page

- 4. The last brick was laid Monday on the paving of 13th street -- after elapse of thirteen months since contract was let. It extends from St. Francis to Hillside. ¶ The company will contract to pave West Douglas from Exposition west to Sheridan commenced to lay brick yesterday at Exposition avenue. ¶ Paving of 8th street from Hillside to Roosevelt with asphalt will start tomorrow, and paving of Roosevelt with brick will start in a few days.
- 8. Article discusses planning for route of southward extension of drainage canal from Linwood park. Details.

#### Thursday, December 1, 1910 page

- 1. Suspect in recent street car robberies arrested. Details.
- 9. Five room California bungalow type cottage is to be built at 952 Faulkner for Professor Reno B. Meyers of the Power-Meyers Conservatory of Music. Cost is \$2400.

## Friday, December 2, 1910 page

11. The new power house of the Kansas Gas and Electric company will generate its first electric current this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

## Saturday, December 3, 1910 page

- 5. The Wichita Railroad and Light company has purchased an electric track sweeper to keep its lines clear of snow. It is in the form of a street car with two revolving brooms on each end, set at an angle with the track, and which can be raised or lowered at the will of the operator. It was built by the McGuire-Cummings Manufacturing company, of Chicago, and is now ready for shipment.
- 16. List of Wichita motor car owners.

## Monday, December 5, 1910 page

5. Report of laying of corner stone yesterday of the Evangelical Lutheran church on Ellis avenue two and a half blocks south of Douglas. To be 28 by 46 feet and cost \$2000. Details.

Article about the "hidden room" scandal at city hall.

#### Tuesday, December 6, 1910 page

8. Two youths attempted a hold-up of Arkansas Valley Interurban Car No. 1 at 24th street and Arkansas avenue at 7:30 p.m. yesterday. Details.

#### Wednesday, December 7, 1910 page

- 1. Report received today from General Manager C. W. Kouns of the Santa Fe that the four railroads involved have definitely decided to go ahead with the track elevation and union station project in Wichita, and the Santa Fe, which will provide the money on an agreed rental basis by the other railroads, has appropriated \$1,500,000 for the project. Details.
- 3. Senator O. H. Bentley's book "History of Wichita and Sedgwick County, Kansas" is in the hands of the printer.
- 6. The Santa Fe Railroad has purchased from the Jackson-Walker company a tract of land between Kellogg and Gilbert streets just east of the Santa Fe Railroad for \$45,000. It includes eighteen small tracts and will be used for tracks and switches for the freight yards.

# Thursday, December 8, 1910 page

3. The Arkansas Valley Interurban line from Valley Center to Sedgwick will be completed and ready for use by December 15. The fare from Wichita to Sedgwick will be  $40\phi$  and from Valley Center to Sedgwick will be  $15\phi$ .

# Friday, December 9, 1910 page

- 1. Work on the new union depot is to begin in the spring. The Santa Fe is to build it. Details.
- 5. The new Kansas Gas and Electric power plant is expected to start operation this afternoon.

# Saturday, December 10, 1910 page

- 3. The Wichita Railroad and Light company's tax bill this year for special and general taxes is \$31,715.12, and Superintendent Morrison recently sent a requisition to headquarters asking for this amount and expects a check for it in a few days. Of this a little over \$17,000 is for paving taxes and the balance is for general tax. No other company entirely in the city pays a high a tax as the street car company, and only one other company with property in the city and county will pay as much. This is the Santa Fe Railroad, which this year will pay \$33,776.95. ¶ It is probable that the street car company's taxes next year will exceed \$40,000 on account of the large amount of special tax resulting from the paving of streets on which the street car lines operate.
- 6. Article about possible street car line extension through Woodland addition, lying between

the two rivers north of 11th st. ¶ The street car company has already extended its line one block father north to the bank of the river on Bitting ave. ¶ The Riverside society at a meeting this week agreed to build a bridge across the river on Bitting avenue if the street car company would extends its line into this addition north of the river, and provided also that the city should build a pile wagon bridge across the river at that point. These bridges would cost about \$1000 each.

## Monday, December 12, 1910 page

13. The Missouri Pacific yesterday brought in thirteen freight trains from Durand to Wichita with total of 200 car loads of freight.

#### Wednesday, December 14, 1910

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11. The forthcoming issue of the *Engineering Record*, published in New York, will contain an account of the Riverside sanitary sewer in Wichita.

## Thursday, December 15, 1910 page

6. Article reports that the Chamber of Commerce is planning to hold a big aviation meet in Wichita next May or June. Details.

# Friday, December 16, 1910 page

1. Article reports that Arkansas Valley Interurban began service to Sedgwick this afternoon.

# Saturday, December 17, 1910 page

- 1. Report of great welcome of Sedgwick when Arkansas Valley Interurban Car No. 1 arrived there yesterday and stopped between the Commercial hotel and the post office on its trial trip. Regular service started this morning. Details.
- B-8. Photograph of The People's Cleaning and Dye Works, 211 South Lawrence.
- B-10. Photograph of Douglas avenue bridge from south.

#### Monday, December 19, 1910 page

3. It is expected that after the first of next month the Wichita Railroad and Light company will obtain its electric current from the Kansas Gas and Electric company. The new Kansas Gas and Electric plant is progressing rapidly. The walls are nearly finished and part of the concrete roof has been poured. The building should be finished by January 15, but it will be March 1st before the plant can operate at full capacity. At present it is supplying about 600 h.p. to meet demands for power, but its full capacity will equal 11,000 h.p. Two machines of 4000 kilowatts will be installed. One is now in place.

6. The new home of the Commercial club will be ready for occupancy by January 1st.

## Tuesday, December 20, 1910 page

- 3. City Engineer Wells recommended to city commissioners the removal of the lower end of Ackerman's island to a point above the Douglas avenue bridge. It now extends to a point just south of the bridge.
- 4. City Engineer Wells estimates that the proposed extension of the drainage canal will cost \$62,508. It would be about two and a quarter miles long, from the south end of the present canal to the Arkansas river. At present it ends at Zimmerly street, near the north end of Linwood park. Details.
- 6. Henry A. Reinhard, vice-president for past three years of the Varney Jewelry company, has bought the interest of I. F. Varney and will now be the sole owner of the company, which will change its name to that of Mr. Reinhard. Details.
- 10. The Elks club building, 115-117 North Topeka, is being remodeled, and the entire building will receive a new front. To cost \$8000. Details.
- 11. Article about some improvements proposed for the Sedgwick block, which is owned by the Harding estate. Details.

## Wednesday, December 21, 1910 page

- 3. The new animal drinking fountain at William and St. Francis is now completely installed, with bronze electric lamp placed on it, and ready for use. Details.
- 5. Article about the trials of the telephone exchange girls. Details. Starting salary is \$20 per month, increased in three months to \$22 and three months later to \$25.
- 10. Legal publication of testimony regarding "secret room" in the Wichita city hall. Full four pages of testimony.

# Thursday, December 22, 1910 page

- 6. Dieter and Wenzel, contractor, will begin pouring the cement for the floor for the Forum tomorrow. Details.
- 9. A new sand boat, "The City of Wichita," is being built in the Little river to remove sand bars and mud flats and strengthen the banks of the both rivers.

#### Friday, December 23, 1910

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12. Real estate transfer: Riverside Investment Company to J. D. Houston, May 20, lots 210,

Dort avenue, Riverside addition \$1.

## Saturday, December 24, 1910 page

- 5. Drawing of new Grace Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Gilbert and Topeka. Corner stone to be laid tomorrow.
- 6. Jasper Emmons has purchased the two large brick flats, in fourth block on North Emporia and eighth block on North Waco, which are just being completed by the well known contractor, Charles Bron, for \$50,000. They are of buff brick and Carthage stone.
- 9. Street cars will not be running over the West Douglas avenue extension by Christmas. The line has been built to Athenian avenue, where it will end for the present, but the crossing of the Missouri Pacific track has not been put in yet, since the street grade is lower then the Missouri Pacific tracks at that point.

### Wednesday, December 28, 1910 page

5. Residents on Cleveland avenue were surprised last night from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. when large street cars were used on the Cleveland avenue line instead of the usual small cars. The regular yellow cars were laid up for a few hours with weak joints and the larger cars were taking their places.

The Wichita class of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has purchased the building on North Elizabeth street formerly owned by the Dunkards. It will be repaired and regular services will be had there beginning January 1st.

- 6. Article about delays in paving of North Lawrence from 14th to 21st by Stuckey Construction company, which has completed the concrete work but has not laid the brick. The same company has several other uncompleted contracts for paving in Wichita, including 2nd from Main to Wichita, Wiley from Park to Riverside, Poplar from Douglas to Kellogg, and Erie from Douglas to Cedar.
- 9. The Missouri Pacific will soon be equipped on the Kiowa branch over the 86 miles from Wichita to Kiowa with new heavier 75 pound steel rails. Men are now laying the new track between Conway Springs and Wichita, the track being laid as far as the Ninnescah bridge.

#### Thursday, December 29, 1910 page

6. Report of death yesterday of Aaron B. Noyes, former Wichita merchant, at age 83. Obituary. Came here in 1892. Survived by wife, two sons, and three daughters (named), including Mrs. S. B. Amidon.

#### Friday, December 30, 1910

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3. New fencing has been donated to Riverside park by the American Fence and Steel company to rebuilt the elk, deer and buffalo pens.

# Saturday, December 31, 1910 page

- 3. Article summarizes results of Wichita Railroad and Light company operations during past year. Details.
- 5. Street car men are being very careful today. The company annually pays a bonus of three days extra pay to all conductors and motormen who have not incurred any accident during the year.
- 8., 9. Summary of some of the important developments in Wichita in 1910. Details.