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 1921 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon
Sunday, January 2, 1921
page 8. Article says A. H. Webb is returning to Wichita as superintendent of the Wichita Division of the Missouri Pacific and will begin his new duties today. He has been in Kansas City for a time as general superintendent of the Western Division of the Missouri Pacific. He originally came to Wichita from the Iron Mountain in 1886, but then went to Kansas City in 1916.

B-1. Many tenants are moving into the new Wheeler, Kelly and Hagny Building on South Market this week-end. Details.

B-4. Long biographical article about Henry Roe Cloud with photograph.

The Woodland School at 16th and Salina is at last completed and will be occupied by its students tomorrow. It is a four room brick building. Details.

Wednesday, January 5, 1921
page 2. The Wichita Board of Trade is moving from its old quarters in the Sedgwick Building today and will open tomorrow in its new home in the Wheeler, Kelly, Hagny Building.

5. Lots have been purchased not far from Riverside School for a proposed new Riverside Christian Church.

Friday, January 7, 1921
page 8. The Sedgwick Block is being remodeled and a new roof is being put on the building. The entire fifth floor has been leased to the Orient Railroad Company for its general offices and will be ready for occupancy about the 1st of February.

The street car company is trying out a pneumatic gong ringer on one of its cars this week.
Saturday, January 8, 1921

2. The Salvation Army opened Wichita’s rescue home and maternity center this morning in the old Wesley Hospital building at 10th and St. Francis. Formal dedication will be held tomorrow afternoon.

The new Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger station will be in use one week from today according to George Theis, Jr., president. The temporary ticket station at the freight depot will move January 15 to the new passenger station.

Sunday, January 9, 1921

8. Photograph of new Salvation Army Home at 1103 North St. Francis (in old Wesley Hospital Building).

Wednesday, January 12, 1921

3. Article says old street car rails from Garden City are in use as barb-wire fence posts on the old Stevens cattle ranch in Finney County. They are a relic of boom days in the middle ‘80s when Garden City had a street car line. The track consisted of strap iron on wooden stringers. After the boom burst the track was torn up, the rails cut in four foot lengths and used as posts to fence the big Stevens ranch. Although the big cattle ranch has been cut up into smaller farms, many of the old posts are still in use.

Thursday, January 13, 1921

2. The new Woodland School will be formally opened and dedicated tomorrow. Details.

Sunday, January 16, 1921

B-1. Article about unfinished Roosevelt Intermediate School on which work was stopped over a month ago with the walls up to the second story, when the money ran out from the $850,000 bond issue voted two years ago due to increased building costs. Estimated to cost $300,000 to complete the building. Details.

C-7. The James Allison Intermediate School will be opened to students when the second semester opens January 31. Details. Small photograph.

Tuesday, January 18, 1921

4. A street car conductor seeing a wrecked motor car at the curb said, “A street car didn’t do it. A street car always leaves a streak of yellow paint on its victim.”

5. The general offices of the Arkansas Valley Interurban were moved Saturday night to the new passenger station at Waco and Douglas. They are on the second floor of the building.
The building is not quite completed, but it is expected it will be ready for use of passengers by the first of next week.

**Wednesday, January 19, 1921**

1. The Orpheum Building Company of Wichita today applied to the state charter board at Topeka for a charter. Long article with details.

2. The Orient Hotel, 1003 East Douglas, will be reopened next Monday under the management of Mrs. J. G. Moore. The rooms have been completely cleaned and refurnished with new beds, linen, and fixtures.

**Friday, January 21, 1921**

2. Within a few days the street car company will discontinue using tickets, because they are too expensive, and will substitute aluminum checks instead, which can be used over and over. They will sell for the same rate of nine for 50 cents. The checks are a little smaller than a dime, and can be easily distinguished as they are perforated so as to leave the letter “W” in the center, with the words “Wichita Railroad and Light Company” on one side, and “Good For One Fare” on the other.

**Sunday, January 23, 1921**

1. Drawing of proposed new Orpheum Building (varies from actual appearance as built -- shows it as six story building, etc.).

4. Wichita Railroad and Light Company advertisement.

7. Ground flour plan of new Orpheum Theater Building.

Photograph section

- Photographs of north and south approach to South Lawrence Avenue bridge.
- Photograph of small train used to haul road material.
- Photograph of laying brick on South Lawrence Road.

**Wednesday, January 26, 1921**

7. Work started yesterday on the opening of Oakland Avenue between Hillside and Rutan.

John Wenzel, Wichita builder, is planning to build three apartment buildings at northwest corner of Lewis and Main, with two facing on Main and one on Lewis. Details.

**Thursday, January 27, 1921**

Motorman Trapp on the Bitting-Fairmount run has had trouble with his street car for four consecutive mornings.

The Riverside Church of Christ, recently organized, has completed payment for lots with 75 foot frontage on Litchfield Avenue, one block east of the Riverside School, and will undertake to raise funds to erect a church building there. The church meetings are held now in the Riverside school.

Contract was let yesterday to Harry I. Ellis Construction Company for erection of the new $150,000 nurses’ home at St. Francis Hospital. To be 120 by 68 feet, on the northeast corner of 9th and St. Francis, facing on 9th Street, four stories, brick, with Bedford stone trim. Building to have 63 rooms. Architect is Ed Forsblom, and style of architecture is colonial. Details.

Report that Orient Railroad will hold conference to plan building 260 miles of track. Details.

Article reports that Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger trains will start leaving from the new passenger station next Monday. Details regarding station.

Mt. Carmel Academy has let contract for a $125,000 dormitory to a Kansas City contractor. Plans prepared by Kansas City architects, White and Dean. To be four stories, 38 by 128 feet.


Orient shops have redesigned and rebuilt a number of engines during past year, increasing their efficiency 40 percent. They were originally equipped with Stephenson valve gears, slide valves, inside steam pipes, and old style ash pits. They now have Modden ash pans, Walschaert valve gear, piston valves, and outside steam pipes. These 4-4-0 type engines
have 18 by 26 inch cylinders, weight on drivers 96,000 pounds, traction power 20,800 pounds, and 1500 square foot heating space.

The car department of the Orient shops is handling about 40 cars daily requiring light repairs, and keeps about 16 in the shed for heavier repairs. In the past month the average time required for heavy repairs has been reduced from 15 to ten days.

The motive power department of the Orient shops is employing more skilled mechanics than at any time in its history. These include 58 machinists, 38 boiler makers, six blacksmiths, and seven sheet metal workers. The number of helpers, laborers, and apprentices has also increased as more mechanics have been used.

Sunday, February 6, 1921
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Magazine
3. Article about Jesse Chisholm by Bliss Isely. (“A Half Breed Made Wichita”)

Tuesday, February 8, 1921
page
7. Report that Union National Bank is considering erection of a 12 or 15 story skyscraper on the site of its present bank, southeast corner of Lawrence and Douglas. Details.

Wednesday, February 9, 1921
page
5. The price of the Laird Airplane Company’s new seven passenger air limousine, now nearing completion in the factory on South Wichita Street, will be approximately $15,000. The rough work on the fuselage has been completed. The prow and cab of the ship is being covered with three ply veneer composed of two layers of birch and an inner sheet of popular. The ship will be ready for test flights about April 1. Details.

Thursday, February 10, 1921
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7. The street car company began this morning the selling of fare checks (i.e., metal tokens) instead of tickets. They are sold at the same rate, i.e., nine for 50 cents. The company has purchased 100,000 of these tokens. They are sold in envelopes, each containing 50 cents worth.

Friday, February 11, 1921
page
2. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company will hold a formal opening of its new passenger station for visitors Tuesday afternoon, February 15, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

4. The Fairmount street car line has some new trolley wire. Thursday night after the last run the line crew strung new wire from the cemeteries to the end of the line. With the completion of this, nearly the entire system is now equipped with new trolley wire.
Saturday, February 12, 1921

2. Photograph of Sam’s Auto Stage bus, operated between Wichita and Conway Springs. Operated by S. H. Flanigan since 1917, starting with a Ford touring car. A larger car has been put on the first of each year, and the latest is mounted on a Reo Speed Wagon chassis, with the body having been built by the McKenzie Carriage and Body Company, of Wichita. Details. There are three seats, each of which holds four persons. The service operates daily except Sunday by way of Viola and Clearwater and leaves Wichita at 5:00 p.m., returning from Conway Springs at 8:00 a.m. with arrival in Wichita at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, February 15, 1921

6. The Orient shops are now repairing an engine seldom seen in this area. It is of the 1100 type and was built by the government while the roads were under their control, and has the letters U.S.A. on the tender. It is now owned by the Frisco and after overhauling will be sent to a division in Arkansas for service.

Wednesday, February 16, 1921

5. Plans for the proposed new Maple Street bridge across Arkansas River, prepared by city engineer P. L. Brockway, were approved by city commission yesterday. It will be an arch type, somewhat similar to the Douglas Avenue bridge. Estimated cost $175,000.

7. Report of formal opening to public of the new Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger station yesterday afternoon. At a dinner at the Wichita Club afterwards, George Theis told a group of about 75 men that the Arkansas Valley Interurban would begin active plans about April or May to extend its line to Salina. Details.

Sunday, February 20, 1921

5. The Kansas State Bank of Wichita will open for business May 1 in the Pennsylvania Hotel building at Douglas and Water. Details.

C-7. Article lists locations of six Derby Oil Company service stations in Wichita, with details and photograph.

Thursday, February 24, 1921

2. The walls of the second and third stories of Garfield Hall, damaged by fire several weeks ago, have been removed and a new roof built over the first story.

7. The Wolf-Parrott Cafeteria, 115 South Main, today began using its new addition, which gives a seating capacity of 325 people. Seventy-five people are employed to operate the cafeteria and the Wolf bakery.
Friday, February 25, 1921
page 2. John Wenzel has begun excavating at the northwest corner of Lewis and Main for the first of the three $50,000 apartment houses he will build there this year.

Saturday, February 26, 1921
page 5. The repairs to the Wichita Union Station are nearly completed. For several months the building has been surrounded by scaffolding for the removal of the terra cotta cornice and the substitution of a cornice built of copper shell blocks. The wooden platforms from the tracks to the exits to the station have been replaced by concrete platforms. The exits leading to Douglas Avenue have been removed and the openings sealed. Total cost of repairs $100,000.

Sunday, February 27, 1921
page 5. Long article reports the Laird Swallow has passed government tests held in Dayton, Ohio the past four weeks. Details. (“Laird Swallow Pass United States Tests”)

Tuesday, March 1, 1921
page 7. Mrs. Ella K. Newhard of Warren, Ohio, has purchased the two story yellow brick nine room home at 940 Spaulding Avenue, from F. C. Borden, who built it several years ago. Photograph.

Friday, March 4, 1921
page 1. Short note: They’re running the street cars in flocks again. Four came down North Main Street this morning within a half-minute of each other.

Saturday, March 5, 1921
page 3. Island Park is being spruced up and the grand-stand enlarged for the coming baseball season. The bleachers at the third base line are being torn down and will be replaced by an enlarged grandstand with about 50 boxes and 1500 more grandstand seats, giving a total of 5000 grandstand seats instead of the former 3500. Bleachers will be erected later either down the right field foul line or opposite the first base. Details.

Sunday, March 6, 1921
page 7. Article about the Southwest Cracker Company, established in 1915, at 201-215 South Wichita Street, with details and photograph.

C-4. Article about Sedgwick House with details and drawing.
Tuesday, March 8, 1921

7. Board of education will arrange tomorrow to sell $350,000 of school bonds to be used to complete the Roosevelt Intermediate School.

Wednesday, March 9, 1921

3. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company will probably start work on its new station in Halstead on East 2nd Street in a few weeks.

Thursday, March 10, 1921


A new map of the Big Arkansas River as it courses through Wichita has been platted by the city engineering department, the last bit being finished today. Thirteen separate sheets were needed to show the course of the river, and placed end on end they are 40 feet long. The plat was made following a survey of the river. It was the first complete survey ever made of the course of the stream through the city, and the banks are measured to the foot.

Friday, March 11, 1921

2. Monsignor August J. Schwertner, chancellor of the diocese of Toledo, Ohio, has been appointed Bishop of the diocese of Wichita to succeed the late Bishop Hennessy. He is 50 years old and was born in Canton, Ohio in December 1870. Article with biography.

Sunday, March 13, 1921

5. Members of the United Congregational Church have decided to go ahead with their building plans this year. The building committee has been authorized to advertise for bids. Shepard and Wiser, of Kansas City, are the architects. To cost approximately $150,000. Details.

B-4. Long article about Kansas Milling Company, with drawing.

Wednesday, March 16, 1921

6. The North End is to have a 25 acre park along the Little River just south of 21st Street according to plans worked out by City Manager L. W. Clapp and approved by the City Commission last night. A portion of the grounds has been offered to the city by W. F. Schell for $3000. That portion lies between the river and Chestnut Street. The city will
negotiate for purchase of other property along the river between 21st and 19th Streets. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway runs through the south end of the new park grounds and turning north, passes to the east side of the grounds along Chestnut Street.

7. The corner stone of St. Joseph Hall, at Mt. Carmel Academy, was laid and dedicated last night by Bishop J. Henry Tihen, of Denver. Details.

A temporary stucco building will be erected on the site of the Plymouth Congregational Church at 2nd and Lawrence, purchased a few days ago by S. G. Bond, who paid $30,000 for the 60 by 140 foot corner. Men were put at work today removing the useable salvage material from the interior of the church, after which the church will be torn down. A part of the brick will be used in the temporary building which Mr. Bond will erect on the east end of the lots.

**Thursday, March 17, 1921**


**Friday, March 18, 1921**

8. Work will commence soon on a park drive through the old Griffenstein homestead north of the Griffenstein bridge. The new drive will take a northerly direction from the bridge, and in the middle of the Griffenstein tract it will branch in two directions, one branch running into Larimer Avenue and the other northwest into Bitting Avenue at 10th Street. Two square turns will be eliminated by the new drive. At present, auto drivers going north across the Griffenstein bridge must turn abruptly west after crossing the bridge, and then after driving a short distance must again turn straight north. The new drive will make easy turns. The city recently acquired 33 lots from the old Griffenstein homestead, which will be added to Riverside Park. The lots now form the Griffenstein “pasture.” The buildings of the homestead will be left intact. Trees and shrubbery will be planted in the rear of the house to camouflage the backyard.

11. A foreclosure suit was filed yesterday against the Wichita and Northwestern Railway Company by the Commerce Trust Company, of Kansas City. Details.

**Saturday, March 19, 1921**

2. Whole page of photographs of Wichita churches.

**Sunday, March 20, 1921**

5. Article reports contract let for new Miller Theater in the first block on North Lawrence. Details.
8. The apartment house at northwest corner of Lawrence and English is being remodeled throughout and will be opened April 1 as a popular price transient hotel, to be known as “Hotel Skaer” for J. H. and J. W. Skaer, owners of the building. Details.

C-4. Article about E. M. Laird Airplane Company. From 25 to 50 men are employed in the company’s factory at 228-234 South Wichita Street. Payroll during the past 12 months was over $60,000. Factory contains 18,000 square feet of floor space. Two planes are turned out each week. Thirty of the Laird Swallow planes have been completed. A new seven passenger ship is now nearing completion. The company also maintains a staff of mechanics at its 40 acre landing field. E. M. Laird and J. M. Moellendick operate the company. Photographs.

Tuesday, March 29, 1921

7. Excavation has been started at 1st and Roosevelt for the fine new residence of Warren E. Brown, president of the Brown-Crummer Company. Architects: Keene and Simpson, of Kansas City.

Beginning Friday West Side street car service will be interrupted two blocks at a time for paving of the street car tracks from the Midland Valley to Seneca. Stub cars will be run on the west side lines during the interruption and on the east end from the cut to the Union Station. The Topeka and Cleveland Avenue cars will run around the downtown loop until the work is completed.

Wednesday, March 30, 1921

3. Wichita Railroad and Light Company advertisement regarding above service interruption.

5. Building commission of First Methodist Church decided yesterday to resume work on its new building. George H. Siedhoff is contractor. To be 88 by 120 feet, with 76 foot tower. Exterior to be of Carthage stone. Details.

Fairmount College has been given $45,000 for a woman’s dormitory and $5000 for scholarship prizes under terms of the will of the late William H. Swett, a retired Chicago real estate man. Wife was friend of Mrs. Flora Clough. Details.

Sunday, April 3, 1921

4. Ordinance extending city limits to include Sim Park, municipal farm, and several smaller tracts was placed on first reading by city commission yesterday and will probably be passed at Tuesday meeting.

7. List of major buildings to be built in Wichita this year.

9. C. R. Lewis, superintendent of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company, has
resigned from the company and will engage in the transfer business in this city. He has purchased an interest in the Cocking Transfer Company and left the Interurban Company on April 1. He came to Wichita from Kansas City ten years ago to be superintendent of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, where he remained until accepting the position with the Interurban 13 months ago.

B-3. The Calvary Baptist Church at Elm and Water has just been completed with the installation of a pipe organ. Total cost $60,000. Among larger contributors were A. A. Hyde, W. C. Coleman, C. Q. Chandler, and many others. Small photograph.

With the extension of Missouri Pacific trains 753 and 754 from Conway Springs to Wichita, effective April 1, a large part of the train men and round house force at Conway Springs will be transferred to Wichita. These trains formerly ran from Iuka to Conway Springs.

Monday, April 4, 1921


7. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. A. Pinsker, age 41, at her home, 1748 South Lawrence. Born in Russia and came to United States 14 years ago. Husband is a grocer. Survived by three sons, Jacob, William, and Otto, and one daughter, Vera.

Wednesday, April 6, 1921


Thursday, April 7, 1921

1. Large regional Rotary conference being held in Wichita today and tomorrow. Details. About 4000 Rotarians here.


Sunday, April 10, 1921

7. Robert B. Campbell has been appointed general manager of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway. Hereafter the heads of all the departments will report to him, according to orders issued this week by George Theis, president, who in addition to his duties as president, has been general manager of the road the past year. ¶ C. A. Morey, in the employ of the company for ten years, has been appointed general superintendent in place of Charles R. Lewis, who resigned April 1. ¶ A. Martin has also been made superintendent of transportation, in charge of the movement of all trains.
C-5. Article about the Imperial Flour Mills Company, at 300 South Commerce. Details and small photograph.

Tuesday, April 12, 1921

Directors of the Orpheum Building and Theater met today with John Eberson, a Chicago architect who specializes in this type of building, at the Wichita Club, and approved his entirely new set of plans and directed him to complete plans and specifications by June 1, with goal of completing the building by March 1, 1922. Office section of the building will be 50 by 150 feet, with six storerooms facing Lawrence Avenue. Theater will have Spanish style ornamentation and seating capacity of 1723. Details.

Sunday, April 17, 1921

Receiver appointed yesterday for Arctic Ice and Refrigeration Company.

E. M. Laird, president, and Buck Weaver, pilot, of the Laird Airplane Company, left Wichita April 4 and arrived at Long Beach, California Friday for a three week visit to Pacific coast flying fields.

Article about Sayers’ Dairy, with details and small photograph. Located at 132 North Walnut.

Monday, April 18, 1921

L. W. Clapp has announced that he will retire as City Manager not later than June 1, and earlier if possible. Successor being sought.

Tuesday, April 19, 1921

Drawing of proposed New Hope Baptist Church to be erected at 9th and Ohio. Details.

Wednesday, April 20, 1921

The Kansas Sanitarium yesterday asked city commission for permission to operate a bus line from the Union Station to the Sanitarium without paying a license fee. The bus would make four round trips daily and charge a fare of ten cents. The matter is being considered.

Thursday, April 21, 1921

Figures from the automobile department of Topeka show Sedgwick County had 11,233 licenses in 1919, 14,308 in 1920, and 15,285 so far this year.

Friday, April 22, 1921
1. Long article about O. P. Byers and his Wichita and Northwestern Railroad from Pratt through Larned to Kinsley. Details with photograph of him and one of the gasoline passenger cars operated on the line.


Sunday, April 24, 1921

1. Report that “Harve” Motter of Olathe, Republican state chairman, will be the collector of internal revenue at Wichita. Details.

B-5. Advertisement (?) critical of jitneys.

Friday, April 29, 1921

15. Building permit: Church, 67 by 103 feet, 201 North Clifton, $120,000, United Congregational Church.

Saturday, April 30, 1921

4. A site in Highland cemetery where veterans of the Civil War and their wives are buried will be dedicated by the Eggleston Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and Caroline Harrison Circle, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday. ¶ A special service will be read at the dedication which was written by Rev. William A. Bosworth of Wichita, who is national chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic. ¶ The ground to be dedicated is indicated by four corner posts of concrete surmounted by cannon balls and contains a memorial stone of dark granite with inscriptions to Eggleston Post and Caroline Harrison Circle, a large cannon directed by the government, a flag pole, and five benches of concrete. (“Will Dedicate Plot Where Hero Dead Take Final Rest”)

Sunday, May 1, 1921

7. Advertisement with photograph of Arkansas Valley Interurban Cafe in passenger station.

10. Article about the Derby Oil Company with history and details. Photographs of refinery and of filling station at 13th and Market.

Wednesday, May 4, 1921

7. The seven passenger air limousine under construction by the Laird Airplane factory has the frame work of the fuselage and wings completed, but it will not be ready for its maiden flight before June 1.

Friday, May 6, 1921
1. Article says Earl C. Elliott, at present manager of the Wichita Water Company, is likely to be named the new city manager. Details and photograph.

Saturday, May 7, 1921

2. City commission yesterday evening appointed Earl C. Elliott as the new city manager at salary of $6000 a year. He will take office June 1. Details. Age 42.

4. Members of the Eggleston Post of the Grand Army of the Republic and Caroline Harrison Circle dedicated the section in Highland cemetery set aside for the burial of Civil War veterans Thursday afternoon. A memorial monument of dark granite has been erected. Details.

5. Real estate transfers: Lists a series of lots sold by Marie Steinbuchel et. al. to City of Wichita April 12, 1921 for $4475. Details -- probably to widen Murdock Avenue (?)

Tuesday, May 10, 1921


Wednesday, May 11, 1921

7. Work started this morning on the new building which is to take the place of the temporary Forum annex. To be 125 by 300 feet and be completed in time for the wheat show the last week in September.

Thursday, May 12, 1921

5. Directors of the First National Bank decided yesterday to proceed with completion of eight more floors of the new bank building, making ten stories when added to the two floors already nearly finished. The exterior will be brick. Details. Total cost estimated at $1,510,000.

Friday, May 13, 1921

5. Wichita’s new Catholic Bishop, Rt. Rev. August J. Schwertner, of Toledo, will be consecrated at Toledo on June 8 and installed at St. Mary’s Cathedral June 22. Details.

Saturday, May 14, 1921

2. Article reports residents living near Riverside Park Zoo are asking that the zoo be moved from its present location because of noise, smells, etc.

Sunday, May 15, 1921
Several new piles were placed under the street car bridge on West Douglas Avenue Friday night.

Work began Monday on razing of the two story building on the 150 foot site on the North Lawrence which is to be occupied by the new Miller Theater building.

Monday, May 16, 1921

Mrs. Laura Buckwalter, 1106 Larimer Avenue, who was arrested last week on a charge of putting a drive from her garage to the street without a permit, did not cut a curb to put down the drive as was erroneously reported. Mrs. Buckwalter says she had a verbal permit from City Manager L. W. Clapp to put down the driveway. Judge Carl Davis fined her ten dollars in police court last Friday night, but he withheld assessing the penalty pending a conference with the city manager.

Tuesday, May 17, 1921

Dr. S. S. Noble, dentist, has purchased the 50 foot frontage Morgan building at 211-213 West Douglas for $60,000 from the Morgan Brothers, Ben F., Leo O., Theo O., and Dr. Walter A. Morgan, who decided recently to sell the property to complete the settlement of their father’s estate. The three story building was built in 1902 by George Morgan and extends to the alley in the rear.

Wednesday, May 18, 1921

Cecil Schwedfege has started a new bus line on North Lawrence Avenue and will run as far north as 22nd Street, starting a block south of Douglas Avenue. After 6:00 a.m. he will endeavor to maintain a 20 minute schedule until 12 midnight.

Sunday, May 22, 1921

The North End Community House (i.e., at 2146 North Topeka) is becoming a potent factor in the social work of Wichita. During the three weeks ending yesterday more than 1300 boys and girls attended the classes and recreation periods held there.

The Getto Block at southwest corner of 2nd and Main was sold the past week by its owner, Ed Morris, to A. H. Hill, lumber dealer, for $50,000. It was built in 1884 by Peter Getto. The brick in the building are pressed brick shipped here from St. Louis. The building is four stories, 50 by 140 feet, with three store rooms below and 55 office rooms and apartments above.

C-6. Article about the DeCoursey Cream Company, 1901 East Douglas, with photographs.

Sunday, May 29, 1921
E. M. Laird, of the Laird Airplane Corporation, and George Weaver, pilot, returned Friday afternoon from California, where they have been for the past eight weeks demonstrating planes.

W. H. Hill and W. H. Beach of Arkansas City will arrive this morning in a Curtiss plane to attend the aerial tournament and derby.

Everything is set for the mammoth airplane derby to be held today and tomorrow at the California section. Details and program.

The youngest pilot in the aerial derby at the California section yesterday was Jack Lightstone of Arkansas City, age 14, but he is considered by Walter Beech of the Arkansas City Aircraft Company to be one of the best pilots in this section of the country.

Article says more than 4000 persons paid to see the aerial derby Sunday in which 12 planes took part, but yesterday’s events had to be called off because of a rain storm. Details.

Earl C. Elliott took charge of the office of city manager today. Details.

Contract let to O. A. White for construction of Harry Dockum’s home on Roosevelt Avenue. Lorentz Schmidt, architect.

Plans for an addition to the Fourth National Bank of one storey as well as a 25 foot addition to the building on the east have been approved by the building commission. K. M. Vitzhum, Chicago architect, has been commissioned to prepare plans.

The Wichita Railroad and Light Company and the Topeka Railway Company have asked the Kansas Industrial Court for permission to cut the wages of their employes. Details.

Six paving petitions granted by city commission yesterday (listed) -- included Coolidge from Briggs to Harrison.
11. Article about changes in Arkansas Valley Interurban schedules to become effective Sunday, June 12. Details.

B-4. Frank Crow is back with the street car company as conductor. He was a motorman for the company for several years, and after trying other work says that the street car work suits him better than any other.

C-6. Article about the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, now at 215-17 South Washington, with history and photographs.

D-1. Article about major new buildings being erected in Wichita with list.

Monday, June 6, 1921

5. The Siedhoff Construction Company started pouring the concrete for the third floor of the First National Bank Building this morning.

Tuesday, June 7, 1921

7. Board of education yesterday officially named the former McKnight tract “Theodore Roosevelt Field.”

Board of education yesterday let contract for construction of the new Park School. Details. ¶ The use of coal for heating the school buildings is likely to be discontinued as rapidly as equipment for oil burning can be installed.

Will G. Price has decided to build a home in the 1100 block on Riverside. Lorentz Schmidt and Company are preparing plans. Will cost $30,000.

Wednesday, June 8, 1921

9. The new Kansas license tags which go into use July 1 are lemon yellow with block figures. The figures “21” for the year will also appear for the first time. The nearest to this color used previously was 1915, when the combination was orange and black. ¶ since July 1, 1920 there have been 15,615 cars registered in Sedgwick County, a gain of nearly 2000 over the previous year.

Bishop-elect Schwertner was consecrated today in Toledo. Details.

Sunday, June 12, 1921

7. The street car barns report that old No. 258 is cutting capers again. It managed to say off the track quite consistently Monday afternoon over on the West Side.

C-6. Article about the Snyder Ice Cream Company at 211 South Washington. Details and
Monday, June 13, 1921

2. George Theis, president of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, has returned from St. Louis where he purchased two cars for the company’s lines and one car for the Newton city line. He also arranged for some heavier motors for the company’s limited trains and to enable it to handle trailer passenger cars more satisfactorily.

Tuesday, June 14, 1921

7. Plans and specifications for the 100 room addition to the Lassen Hotel were given to contractors today. Bids to be opened June 24.

Wednesday, June 15, 1921

9. Building permit to Daniel L. Richeys for residence 30 by 40 feet, lots 233-235 Woodrow Avenue, estimated $5000.

Thursday, June 16, 1921

. J. C. Loewenguth was yesterday chosen as principal of the James Allison Intermediate school. He has been head of the science department at Wichita High School for six years.

Friday, June 17, 1921

3. A group of young business and professional men have purchased the 160 acres known as the Conine farm from S. L. Conine as the site for a new country club and golf links, to be known as the Fairmount Country Club. The tract is on the north side of 17th Street. Construction will be started at once on the club house and golf links. Details. Only nine holes will be built this summer, but in the fall nine more holes will be added.

7. Karl Mosbacher has purchased the Hudson Sales Company’s business in Wichita. He has been manager of the business here since 1912.

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2. The Siedhoff Construction Company has completed the construction of the Forum annex and will have the building cleared for use by July 1. The building is one story, 150 by 300 feet, of reinforced concrete, and occupies the space between the Forum and the Exhibition Building.

3. Work on the Arkansas Valley Interurban line to Bethel College in Newton is progressing and it should be in shape to operate before the college opens in the fall. A new car will be purchased especially for this line. The re-opening of this line was resisted by the company,
but the Industrial Court ordered service to be resumed. (Another article reports the same news on page seven of today’s paper -- says the line has to be operated every school day in the year. Company tried to discontinue it last winter, but must operate it to maintain their franchise to enter Newton.)

8. Long article with description of businesses, etc., on College Hill. ¶ Article about the College Hill Memorial Lawns cemetery, on 17th Street, one-half mile east of Fairmount College, with photograph of the new mausoleum there which is to be dedicated tomorrow. Details.

C-7. Article about the Steffen-Bretch Ice and Ice Cream Company, with details and photograph of Plant B at Central and Santa Fe. Latter plant was built in 1914. Plant A is located at 1st and Santa Fe. C. M. Beachy is president of the corporation.

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3. Article about A. B. (Bert) Duguid, motorman on Stock Yards-South Main car line, with photograph. He is the senior street car employe, having started work in January 1891, and has the lowest cap badge number of 501. ¶ Second in seniority is Amos Grable, No. 503, who is the “corner” man stationed at Hillside and Douglas to check the College Hill and Fairmount cars. ¶ Third in seniority is Charles Patrick. ¶ Fourth in seniority is Harry Turner, with nearly 19 years service. ¶ Fifth in seniority is Charles Weaver. ¶ All the “old timers” motormen choose the Stockyards-South Main line except for Turner, who prefers the Riverside run. The preference for Stockyards-South Main cars is because they are two man cars and there is a conductor to take fares, freeing the motorman from this job.

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5. Because of crowding, Board of Education has decided to add two more rooms to the new Woodland grade school.

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4. Article about the Karl Mosbacher Motor Company, 214-218 North Lawrence, with details and photographs.
7. Cornerstone of the new United Congregational Church is to be laid this evening. Details. Report June 27, page 7.

Report of collision Friday morning between Missouri Pacific passenger train and street car at the 9th Street crossing, with heavy damage to the street car.

8. The new country club at Fairmount was formally organized Friday night with meeting of 170 charter members at the Board of Commerce rooms, and the name was changed to the Crestview Country Club. Details and list of charter members.

B-5. The new home of the Bethel Methodist Episcopal Church at Meridian and Anderson will be dedicated July 3. Details and photograph (frame church).

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Most of the concrete is poured for the seventh floor of the First National Bank building.

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The local street car barns are busy this week overhauling four open air cars for service in the Park district. Besides this, they are just completing the job of repainting the Birney Safety Cars.

Article describes the damage done to the street car struck recently by Missouri Pacific engine at 9th Street crossing. Both axles and three of the four wheels are broken, the steel frame is twisted all up, and the body of the car is but a mass of kindling wood.

M. A. Crow, who quit the local street car company’s service three years ago, returned to his old job last week.

Note refers to Missouri Pacific switch engine No. 2623, in Wichita.

B-1. The Orient shops closed since June 14, will re-open Tuesday morning. Details.

B-3. Marriage of Miss Luella Morris, daughter of Walter Morris, and Max Noble, son of Dr. S. S. Noble, to be held Tuesday evening at the Morris residence in Riverside. Details. Little Betty Lint of Great Meadow, New Jersey, niece of Miss Morris, will be one of the flower girls. Photograph of bride.

C-1. The recently completed seven passenger Laird Limousine airplane has successfully passed through several of its preliminary tests and a deal is now pending for its sale. It has developed a speed of 106 miles per hour.
Merle Crow, veteran street car man of Wichita, has returned to work for the street car company. Says “I quit the job when it was paying only 26 cents an hour, and for five years I have been working elsewhere, most of the time in the machine shop at the Orient shops, but the noise is affecting my hearing and rather than become permanently deaf, I have decided to try the street cars again.” Mr. Crow as a street car motorman for 14 years before going to work at the Orient shops. He was the first man in Wichita to operate a one-man street car.

Wednesday, July 6, 1921

Board of education yesterday let contract for two room addition to Woodland School. Details.

Contract has been let to Seidl and Wilson, Wichita contractors, for Will G. Price’s new $35,000 residence on Riverside Avenue. Work to be started at once.

Saturday, July 9, 1921

Article about proposed new ordinance to remove motor buses from streets where there are car lines. Of the 31 motor buses in Wichita, 24 operate on streets having car lines. Details.

Sunday, July 10, 1921

Full page advertisement announcing open house at just completed Red Star Mill “C.” Photograph.

A new engine, No. 2330, was in the Missouri Pacific round house Thursday. It came from Ft. Scott, and after being fixed up will be sent on to Conway Springs.

Article about the Mid-Continent Tire Manufacturing Company with details and photographs. Says 350 tires and 500 tubes are made there daily.

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Article about the residence of the late Bishop John J. Hennessy, on College Hill, which has recently been remodeled for Bishop Schwertner. Photograph. Says the house was built in the early 90s by Ben Aldrich, pioneer Wichita druggist and mayor in 1885-6. Details. (“The Chateau On The Hill”)

Monday, July 11, 1921

Work will start tomorrow on the new $75,000 residence of Mr. R. D. W. Clapp in the third block on North Belmont. Plans made by Mr. Clapp himself, and contractor is John
Denny.

C. A. Seward, who resigned his position with the Southwestern Advertising Company, today established the Seward Studio at 316 Sedgwick Building, where he will engage in commercial art and conduct a retail picture business for himself.

5. Walter H. Beech, formerly with the Williams-Hills Airplane Company of Arkansas City, has been employed as a pilot by the Laird Airplane Corporation.

Tuesday, July 12, 1921

1. Contract let today for the new Orpheum Theater Building to the Vaughn Construction Company, of Omaha, for just under $600,000. Details.

2. Drawing of plan for the new Crestview Country Club golf courses, designed by James Dalgleish, golf course architect from Kansas City. Article with details.

5. The proposed new motor bus ordinance will probably be placed on first reading by city commission tonight. Motor bus owners, who recently held a meeting, will probably protest. Details.

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3. In the year ended June 30 a total of 287,393 automobile licenses were issued in Kansas. The number in Sedgwick County was 15,600 compared with 14,308 the year before.

5. The street car company proposes to put ten or 20 more cars into service soon after August 1, at which time a new jitney ordinance forbids jitneys to operate on streets where there are car lines. Service will be improved on a number of lines. It will not be necessary to buy any more cars, Mr. Patten says, as the company has several that have been laid up by the operation of the jitneys.

The basement for the new Miller Theater will be finished by the end of the week.

6. The new motor bus ordinance was passed by the city commission last night and become effective August 1. Details.

10. Article says Arkansas Valley Interurban may handle Frisco freight business to Newton and Hutchinson. Details.

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5. Article about growth of business in North Wichita. Details and small photograph of 21st and Lawrence.
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7. The local street car paint shops have just invested in a new paint gun of the very late model, in order to facilitate the painting of all the cars. Every car in service is to be repainted. By means of this gun, instead of taking a day to paint a car by hand, the job can be completed in 30 minutes.

The Orient shops have just completed rebuilding of engine 503 and sent it down to the Texas division for service. This is now practically a new engine as it was torn down and then rebuilt from the ground up.

The Orient shops are working at fall capacity. Ten engines are in the yards waiting to be worked over.

Car 100 is being put into commission this week at the Orient shops in preparation for a trip to Kansas City soon. It is the private car of A. DeBernardi, vice-president and general manager.

Brief note of collision Friday of College Hill street car 234 with motor car.

C-6. Photograph of new bungalow recently completed by the California Bungalow Company at 1144 Coolidge Avenue. This company has built hundreds of houses in Wichita during the 14 years it has been established here. Alton H. Smith operates the California Bungalow Company with his brother, George V. Smith.

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2. Article about Mennonites in Kansas, and Bethel College (photograph).

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6. The Kansas Court of Industrial Relations has not yet ruled on the wage controversy between the Wichita Railroad and Light company and its employes.

7. Brick for the First National Bank Building has begun to arrive from Danville, Indiana. Work of laying out will start within a few days.

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10. Bus owners are circulating petitions calling for a referendum on an ordinance change which would permit buses to run on car line streets by paying an annual tax of $100. Details.

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Article about new First National Bank Building with details. Actual work begun by Siedhoff Construction Company on first two floors on July 6, 1920 and that work was completed in about seven months. Owing to higher costs, building plans were reduced from 12 to ten stories and in late May 1921 contract was let to Siedhoff Company for completion of the building. Total cost to be about $1,450,000. To be completed by March 15, 1922. Many details on history of the bank. Photograph of building under construction.

Wednesday, July 27, 1921

Excavations for the foundation of the new Orpheum Theater Building will begin next Monday.

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E. E. Kelly was awarded the excavation contract for the Orpheum Theater this morning and by this afternoon he had moved steam shovel to the site and began actual excavation work.

Members of the Bus Owners Association will seek an injunction today or tomorrow against the city’s new motor bus ordinance excluding buses from streets on which there is a car line. It is said that petitions calling for a referendum on the matter contain almost 6000 names. Details.

Report of improved street car schedules already made because of the forthcoming banishment of buses from the streets having car lines. Details.

Friday, July 29, 1921

Contract let today for the new Miller Theater on North Lawrence to W. M. Sutherland Building and Contracting Company, of St. Louis, for close to $600,000. Architects are C. W. and George L. Rapp, of Chicago. The basement and foundation walls are already in. Details.

Petition seeking temporary injunction against the new bus ordinance was filed in district court today by the Bus Owners’ Association.

Building permit issued for residence 20 by 38 feet at 1157 Perry, $4900, to R. V. Christian of 1107 Woodrow.

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Article says many of the signatures on motor bus owners’ petition for referendum are
invalid. Details.

6. Article about the Wichita Railroad and Light Company with details and photographs. (“Street Railway Has Large Part in Life of City”) Photograph of Car 257.

7. The Rock Island is making improvements this week at the Cline Siding station including installation of a new water tank at the round house for storing of treated water and laying of a new base for the roundhouse turntable.

C-7. Article about the Western Iron and Foundry Company at 2nd and Rock Island, with details and photographs.

Wednesday, August 3, 1921

1. Insufficient names were found on the petitions for a referendum on the motor bus ordinance, and city officials have ordered the buses off streets on which there are street car lines effective this Friday. Details.

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7. O. Bilger, mechanical engineer of the Orient was in Atchison all last week superintending the purchase of cylinders for engine No. 301.

B-1. John Flournoy, who formerly had two motor buses operating on Douglas Avenue to College Hill, but who moved his machines to 2nd Street two weeks ago, says his business has improved, since he moved to 2nd Street. Two other buses are operating on that street, said Flournoy, one by T. Riddle and the other by J. W. Wells. We keep a seven and a half minute schedule and operate from 6:15 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. ¶ Other bus operators are also planning to move away from streets with car lines. Details.

C-7. Article about Young Brothers Hat Company, 116-18 South Emporia, with photograph.

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2. Civitan Club complete its formal organization in Wichita today. Details.

5. The golf course of the new Crestview Country Club will be opened for play Friday afternoon, August 12. Only the first nine holes will be ready initially. Details.

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2. Plans for the club house for Crestview Country Club are being prepared by Lorentz Schmidt and Company, architects. It will be frame, one and a half stories, 75 by 40 feet, and cost about $30,000. Details.
5. The eighth and ninth holes of the municipal golf course at Sim Park are being completed today and probably will be ready for use by the end of the week.

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2. Article says Wichita is to have a fast automobile and motorcycle speedway. William H. Lassen and Harold Peterson have obtained a 25 year lease from C. B. Garnet on a quarter section of land southwest of the city and plan to build there a mile and a half race track. Details.

5. Crestview Country Club’s new golf course was opened Friday. Details.

6. Article about the Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods Company, with details.

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2. The Eberhardt Construction Company has completed the recitation rooms of the Theodore Roosevelt Intermediate School a month and a half ahead of schedule. This auditorium and gym are yet to be finished.

5. Amended petitions have been filed by the motor bus owners’ association calling for an election to permit buses to operate on streets where there are car lines. Fifty-five hundred thirty-one signatures are claimed. Details.

A carload of stone for the exterior of the First National Bank building has arrived, and workmen were able to begin laying brick on the outside walls of the building today.

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3. The Wichita Air Meet, to be held September 15, 16, and 17 will take place on a 100 acre tract belonging to Clarence R. Sowers, four miles east of Wichita on the Central Avenue road. Details.

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5. The Meridian Auto Stage Line, operating bus service between Wichita and Salina, was opened this morning by Fay Jones, 519 West 10th Street. He will maintain daily service, except Sunday, between the two points. At present two seven passenger cars are in use, leaving Wichita and Salina simultaneously at 9:00 a.m. and arriving at the other city at 3:00 p.m. The fare to Salina will be $4.50. Wichita headquarters are at the Lassen Hotel.
Friday, August 19, 1921
1. The court is today considering the jitney bus owners’ request for a temporary injunction against the city’s recent ordinance moving them to streets away from car lines. Thomas F. Doran, chief counsel for the street railway company, said that the company lacked $45,000 of earning enough in the last seven months to operate its property. Details.

Saturday, August 20, 1921
2. There appear to be enough valid signatures on the jitney bus owners’ petition to require an election on the question of operating buses on streets with car lines. Details.

6. Real estate transfer: The Keene Syndicate to Fenton A. Dennie, May 7, 1920 (1921?), lots 30, 32 Coolidge Avenue, Riverside Addition, $1.00, etc.

Sunday, August 21, 1921
3. Claim filed in probate court yesterday by Miss Lelia Hardin Bugg against the estate of the late Bishop John J. Hennessy for $25,000 claimed as payment for her services as housekeeper, etc., for the deceased from February 1, 1890 until July 13, 1920. She alleged he had promised to pay the full value of her services after death, but this was not mentioned in the will and all the Bishop’s property, both real and personal, were left to Most Rev. John J. Glennon of St. Louis and Rt. Rev. J. Henry Tihen, of Denver.

7. Men at the Orient roundhouse are this week fixing up the cylinders of engine 301, which job must be completed by September 1.

B-1. District court on Friday sustained the city’s demurrer against jitney owners’ petition for injunction against new jitney bus ordinance. Jitney bus owners will have until August 24 to appeal to Kansas Supreme Court. Details.

Wednesday, August 24, 1921
5. Kansas supreme court yesterday granted to Wichita jitney bus owners a temporary restraining order against the city’s new jitney bus ordinance. Hearings on the matter were scheduled for October 3.

City commission yesterday passed ordinance restricting the time of parking on Douglas Avenue from Water Street to Emporia and on Main, Market, and Lawrence for one block north and south of Douglas to one hour. Details.

Sunday, August 28, 1921
4. The Colvin Chiropractic College, which opened in Wichita in 1914 and has been located in the Brosius building at Douglas and Lawrence, is moving to larger quarters at 609 North Lawrence, where they purchased the residence there a month ago for $11,000. Details.

7. Car 100, the Orient Railroad’s private car, left the yards Friday afternoon for a trip to California, carrying President W. T. Kemper, of Kansas City.

The Orient will convert a Dort motor car into a rail motor car, with flanges on the wheels, for the use of the superintendent.

Orient engine 14 from the Texas division arrived here last week for overhaul.

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1. Article about Sedgwick County Tuberculosis Sanitarium with photograph.

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9. The Supreme Court’s ruling on August 23 ordered the jitney bus owners operating on streets with car lines to pay four months’ license at the rate of $450 a year, within five days after that date, to continue operating. Only seven jitney owners have met this requirement: L. M. Bollus for three buses, A. T. Decker, five; A. F. Waterstaat, two; C. E. Goss, three; A. R. Conley, one; Joseph Calhoun, two; and J. T. Dunn, two. Some other bus owners have ceased operating. Not a bus has been operated on the University Avenue or Waco Avenue lines since Sunday, and several have been removed from other routes.

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8. There are now about 200 men at work at the Orient shops, and the number will be increased soon to nearly 300. The Missouri Pacific and one or two other roads are having some of their engines repaired in the Orient shops.

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6. The new St. Joseph parochial school at 144 South Millwood will be dedicated Sunday afternoon by Bishop Schwertner. Cost $35,000. Details.

10. The air meet scheduled September 15-17 at the Sowers Field on East Central has been called off due to lack of support. Details.

11. Report of death this morning of Herman J. Steinbuchel, age 77, pioneer insurance and real estate dealer, at his home, 1017 Franklin Avenue. Came to United States from Coln (sic), Germany and lived in New Jersey two years before coming to Wichita. Opened an
insurance and real estate office here in 1876. Married Mrs. Marie Stackman 27 years ago.
Survived also by two sons, Herman, Jr. and Max, a daughter, Mrs. W. B. Wilson, a step-
daughter Mrs. Bertha Stackman Gouldner, three sisters and two brothers (named), all of
Wichita. Photograph.

Saturday, September 3, 1921

Murdock’s “Grove,” the corner of Emporia and Murdock, now reduced to a few
cottonwood trees, 100 by 140 feet, is to be replaced by two apartment houses built side
by side facing Emporia. ¶ The Murdock homestead on St. Francis Avenue, occupying the
east half of the pioneer’s property, was purchased not long ago by Lewis H. Henderson,
who resides there. ¶ Details.

Sunday, September 11, 1921

Plans are being completed for erection of a new Arkansas Valley Interurban station at
Halstead. Robert B. Campbell, vice-president, was here last week arranging for the
removal of the building that stands on the site to be used. The new station will be of brick
veneer construction.

Missouri Pacific engines 2356 and 2238 are now at the Orient shops being rebuilt. This
is under an agreement made recently between the Missouri Pacific and the Orient.

Car 100, the official road home of A. DeBernardi, left Saturday for an indefinite leave of
absence in Kansas City.

Monday, September 12, 1921

Report of death yesterday of Oscar D. Barnes, age 68, of 901 North Lawrence, pioneer
druggist, former music dealer, and retired capitalist, owner of several downtown office and
theater buildings, suddenly, at his summer home in Long Beach, California. Born in
Kalamazoo, Michigan and came to Wichita from there in 1879, buying out the first drug
store in Wichita on the present site of the Holland Theater. After several years in the drug
business he sold out to form the Barnes and Newcomb Music Company with his brother-
in-law, L. C. Newcomb. He later owner the Union National Bank building until a year ago
and at time of his death owned several warehouses, apartment houses, the Michigan
Building, the Holland Theater building, and was part owner of the place Theater and the
Richland Building, 407-411 East Douglas. ¶ Survived by wife, Ida, a son, Maurice P.
Barnes, of 240 North Belmont, and two daughters, Mrs. Chester Shelley, of Long Beach,
California, and Miss Adelaide Barnes.

Tuesday, September 13, 1921

Report that a six story hotel costing a half million dollars is to be built at the east side of
the Arkansas Valley Interurban station at Douglas and Waco. To be L shaped, 130 feet
on both Douglas and Waco and have 200 rooms. Details.

2. Article says George Theis, president of Arkansas Valley Interurban, has decided to push work on extension of the interurban line from Wichita to Salina.

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6. Article says contract has been let to build “Sunflower City,” proposed motion picture studio of the Sunflower Motion Pictures Corporation of Wichita. To be located on 30 acres opposite Fennel’s Grove on Arkansas Avenue. Details.

7. Work started today moving machinery to the site of the proposed new hotel at Waco and Douglas, built by the Siedhoff Construction Company. Architect is Ed Forsblom. The new hotel may be named the “Broadview.” Details.

Thursday, September 15, 1921

5. Sedgwick County’s Central Avenue road, which has required three summers to build, will be completed the seven and a half miles to the Butler County line in one more day. On the Lawrence Avenue road south, a half more mile of cement base remains to be built, and three and a half miles of brick remains to be laid to complete the 12 mile brick road to the Sumner County line.

7. Structural steel for the First Methodist Episcopal Church has arrived.

10. The Missouri Pacific Railroad has decided to install fuel oil burners in this locomotives, and this already has begun. The Orient people are doing part of the work in their shops here, and the report is current that the Orient is considering installation of oil burners in its own locomotives, although no definite decision has been reached.

Friday, September 16, 1921

5. Drawing of proposed new hotel at Douglas and Waco.

Saturday, September 17, 1921

6. Real estate transfer: Marcellus M. Murdock and Mabel C. to H. Rosenbloom and Clara, September 14, 1921, lots 15, 17, Emporia Avenue, Murdock Grove Addition, $3500.

Sunday, September 18, 1921

1. Article about claim that delinquent taxes of $12,000 against 60 pieces of property on Perry, Woodrow, and Coolidge Avenues in Riverside should be dismissed because the taxes, largely for paving, were erroneously changed in the first place. Some have been delinquent since 1914 and most since 1915. Details.
8. Ten feet will be cut from the parking and added to the street at the southeast corner of Douglas and Hydraulic to lessen the danger of traffic caused by the sudden narrowing of Douglas Avenue east of Hydraulic. West of Hydraulic, Douglas Avenue is 81 feet wide from curb to curb, and east of Hydraulic it is only 50 feet wide from curb to curb. The narrowing is made on the south line of Douglas Avenue, and taking ten feet off the parking to round the street corner will reduce the danger to traffic.

B-1. Board of directors of Crestview Country Club yesterday approved the plans for the club house submitted by architect Lorentz Schmidt, and it is anticipated that work will begin on it by October 1. Details.

Monday, September 19, 1921
7. Ground was broken this morning for the new hotel at Waco and Douglas by George Theis, Jr. Incorporators of the hotel building company include George Theis, Jr., Warren E. Brown, John H. Engstrom, J. Ed Petrie, and George H. Siedhoff, with Mr. Siedhoff named president and Mr. Theis, vice-president. The hotel will be called the Hotel Broadview.

8. W. O. Van Arsdale is having plans drawn by Lorentz Schmidt and Company for $45,000 house to be built at northwest corner of 1st and Broadview. Details.

Wednesday, September 21, 1921
6. The Wichita Rescue Home, 1021 South St. Francis Avenue, will be formally opened tonight. The building has been remodeled and renovated throughout. The rescue home was founded in Wichita in 1894.

8. A new observation car has been put on by the Arkansas Valley Interurban and made its first trip today on the 9:30 a.m. limited to Hutchinson. ¶ A doubleheader left for Hutchinson at 7:20 a.m. today to accommodate Wichita people attending the fair and all the trains during the day were well filled! A trailer was attached to the 12 o’clock train also. Both trailers will stand on a siding at Hutchinson until night when they will be used to bring Wichita folk home from the fair.

11. Real estate transfers: Most Rev. John J. Glennon, Rt. Rev. J. Henry Tihen to August J. Schwertner, Bishop, July 1, 1921, all properties belonging to the Catholic Church.

Thursday, September 22, 1921
1. Photograph of Arkansas Valley Interurban observation trailer car 102. The car has no motor and is not self-propelling, but is used in making a two or three car train. Among the Arkansas Valley Interurban officials who made the trip yesterday were George Theis, Jr., president, C. M. Morrison, traffic manager, R. B. Campbell, general manager, and Allie Martin, superintendent of transportation.
2. Report of death last night of Dr. Clarence S. Sargent, former pastor for seven years of Plymouth Congregational Church, at home of his daughter in Little Rock, Arkansas. Left Wichita three years ago. (Obituary September 23, page 11.)

16. Lorentz Schmidt and Company have prepared preliminary plans for a proposed Women’s Home to be built by the Salvation Army in the northwest part of the city, standing back about 200 feet from 11th Street, which it will face.

Thursday, September 22, 1921

Special Section -- “Southwest Industrial Review” for the Wheat Show
1. Photograph of Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger station.

2. Drawing of proposed Miller theater, now under construction.

Photograph of First National Bank building under construction.

4. Photograph of South Lawrence Avenue road, paved with Coffeyville Vitrified brick. (Advertisement says company has plants at Coffeyville, Cherryvale, Kansas, Collinsville, Oklahoma, and Ft. Smith, Arkansas.)

Finance Section
1. Photographs of a number of Wichita bankers, etc.

Wheat and Flour Section
2., 3. Photographs of company executives, etc.

Manufacturing Section
6. Photograph of Douglas Avenue from Union National Bank building.

Automotive Section
5. An automobile and motorcycle speedway is to be opened to the public the first week in October by the Wichita Speedway Association, and will be known as the Meridian Speedway. There is to be a covered grandstand seating 2500 persons. The track has 625 foot straightaways and 1300 foot turns. The shortest route to the speedway is south on Seneca to the Orient tracks and follow the tracks on the southwest angling road to the track. Details.

Oil Section
5. Article about railroad shops in Wichita. Says the Missouri Pacific has a 13 stall roundhouse, the Rock island three stalls, and the Santa Fe about seven stalls.

Sunday, September 25, 1921

Wheat Show opens tomorrow. Details.
B-1. Drawing of proposed Salvation Army Women’s Home (not as actually built).

Thursday, September 29, 1921
11. The Arkansas Valley Interurban has made a record for itself, according to C. M. Morrison, traffic manager, in the initial run of a three car observation train Wednesday night bringing home Knights of Pythias who have been attending their state convention in Hutchinson. This is the first time the Arkansas Valley Interurban has run a three car train. They came through on schedule time without any mishaps.

Saturday, October 1, 1921
4. The new Meridian Speedway will be opened Tuesday, October 4, 1921. Details.

Sunday, October 2, 1921
4. Missouri Pacific engine No. 2334 has arrived at the Orient shops for rebuilding. This makes the third Missouri Pacific engine to be sent there.

Sunday, October 2, 1921
Article about various Wichita people buried in Maple Grove and Highland cemeteries. Details.

Monday, October 3, 1921
1. Photographs of jitney bus turned over and damaged when struck by auto at Emporia and English at 8:00 a.m. today. Article with details.

7. Article reports 99 year lease taken on Sedgwick building and annex by several business men (named). Says owners of the building are Mrs. J. B. Hupp, of Wichita, and J. S. Barnes, of Pratt, Kansas.

9. Real estate transfer: The Keene Syndicate to Ella B. Smith, lot 173 Perry Avenue, Riverside Addition, $1.00 etc.

Tuesday, October 4, 1921
5. Two young Wichita business men, W. A. Wadsworth and Merle K. Bennett, are joining the J. O. Adams Music Company. Details.

Thursday, October 6, 1921
2. Plans are being prepared by Henry N. Conrow, architect for a building to be erected at
southeast corner of Hillside and Douglas, to be 50 by 110 feet. To be built for L. H. Armstrong.

11. Report of races yesterday at the new mile and a half track of the Meridian Speedway. Details.

Friday, October 7, 1921

9. Contract let yesterday to Siedhoff Construction Company for addition to Fourth National Bank Building, to cost approximately $480,000. Details.

Saturday, October 8, 1921

4. The concrete base of the South Lawrence Avenue road was completed yesterday. Two and a quarter miles of brick paving remains to be completed to finish the road to Sumner County line.

Sunday, October 9, 1921

5. Advertisement with photograph of jitney bus No. 201 (?) of E. G. Goss, of 1533 South Main.

Street car advertisement.

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2. Reminiscences by Lee Hays regarding early days in Wichita. Details. (“Wichita’s Ranking Old Timer Recalls Old Days”) 

Monday, October 10, 1921

8. A new $40,000 pipe organ has been purchased from the Wurlitzer Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, for the new Miller Theater.

Friday, October 14, 1921

1. The Kansas supreme court today upheld Wichita’s jitney bus ordinance, and jitney buses must leave the car line streets of Wichita. Details.

Sunday, October 16, 1921

B-1. Article says 30 motor bus owners of Wichita will ask city commission tomorrow for a franchise giving them exclusive rights to operate on certain streets of the city. Details.
Siedhoff Construction Company has begun wrecking the old Griffith building on the site of the new addition to the Fourth National Bank building, immediately south of the present building.

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1. Article about camera fans in Wichita. Says most photographed spot in Wichita is the cannon just west of the Murdock Avenue bridge (photograph).

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7. Eleven motor bus drivers were arrested today for operating on streets with car lines, as the city began enforcing its ordinance prohibiting this. Details and names of drivers listed.

**Wednesday, October 19, 1921**

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8. The Wichita Railroad and Light Company is improving its service on the lines where jitney competition was strongest and has now been removed. Details.

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7. A new ordinance for regulation of motor buses is being prepared by city manager Elliott. It would protect operators who build a dependable service on certain streets from competitors. Details.

The new Harry Street school building is nearing completion.

**Sunday, October 23, 1921**

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4. J. Arch Butts will give up his selling of a line of farm machinery and after November 1st will devote his entire attention to the handling of Buick automobiles, in which he has built up a big business.

7. Orient Railroad business car 50 has been repaired and will be returned soon to A. J. Clary of the Texas division. Business car 100 will go to the shops at once for overhauling, and car 200 will take its place. Car 100 is the car used by A. DeBernardi.

B-5. Drawing of the new club house of Crestview Country Club for which contract is soon to be let.

B-7. A broad boulevard extending along the west bank of the Big River from Harry Street to Seneca will be constructed by the city next spring as the result of the eviction of Squatters’ Row April 1. Details.
Five street cars will be shipped from Topeka this week to enable the street car company here to handle crowds during the teachers’ convention early in November. A. M. Patten, general manager, was here from Topeka yesterday and said the Topeka system, because of the free state fair, has a surplus of cars most of the time.

Sunday, October 23, 1921

Article about landscaping of home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Damon, 641 South Glenn, along Wichita and Western right of way.

Wednesday, October 26, 1921

Work on laying the brick on the Miller Theater building began yesterday. The steel superstructure soon will be completed.

Thursday, October 27, 1921


More than 200 passenger coaches were hauled through Wichita yesterday by the 38 regular trains which arrive and depart from the union station daily.

Saturday, October 29, 1921

An airplane with a wingspan of only 20 feet has been built in the E. M. Laird airplane factory here especially for entry in the air derby at Kansas City beginning next Monday. E. M. Laird himself will pilot the ship and plans to fly it to Kansas City today. ¶ A new airplane factory is being built at the aviation field at 27th and Hillside and will be finished during the winter or early spring.

State board of agriculture population figures showed Wichita to be 79,571 compared with 77,061 in 1920.

Sunday, October 30, 1921

Long article about proposals by city planning engineer, Harland Bartholomew, for many extensions of Wichita’s street car system. Details.

Mrs. Henry Lassen has traded the Lassen home at 345 Belmont to W. S. Young, of Ness City, for a ranch in Ness County of 3280 acres. Details.

Photograph of the Laird Speedster plane built for the air derby at Kansas City.
Monday, October 31, 1921


7. Three blocks of pavement are to be put in on St. Francis Avenue from 13th (?) to 17th, so it will be necessary to use double-end shuttle cars on the Topeka Avenue-University line during the next two weeks beginning tomorrow. A passing switch is also to be put in at 14th and St. Francis for improvement of the service.

Wednesday, November 2, 1921

13. Contract was let today for the new club house for Crestview Country Club to W. H. Purdy, contractor, for about $20,000. The foundation is already in place.

Thursday, November 3, 1921

2. Extra street car service will be put on this evening and Friday for accommodation of the visiting teachers. Five street cars were shipped here from Topeka for use during the convention of school teachers this week.

7. The Kansas Theater, 221 East Douglas, formerly the Star, has been purchased by the B-C Amusement Company and will be managed by Charles Barron. The theater has been completely remodeled. Details.

List of Wichita schools with number enrolled in each:

- High School: 1559 Horace Mann: 765
- Allison: 512 Roosevelt: 824
- Hamilton: 597 Riverside: 249

Friday, November 4, 1921

7. Arkansas Valley Interurban yesterday ran three special trains from Hutchinson to Wichita to carry 400 teachers to the convention. Each train carried a trailer and one an observation car also. All were filled to capacity.

Sunday, November 6, 1921

9. Missouri Pacific engine 2363 left the Orient shops last week after complete rebuilding.

C-8. Wichita Railroad and Light Company advertisement.

Sunday, November 6, 1921
Map of Bartholomew proposal for Wichita street car extensions.

Photograph of passenger auto railcar of the Leavenworth and Topeka line. Article with details. (“Kansas Alone Makes Railroading Pay”)

Tuesday, November 8, 1921

Widening of the second block of South Lawrence is under way this week to make it the same width as the first block, as was done in the second block north of Douglas last spring. To do this it is necessary to remove several large trees and tear out the curbing and gutter for the entire length of the block.

A million brick shipped here from Independence for use in paving the north side of Douglas from Washington to Hydraulic have been condemned. Article gives detailed description of the “rattler test” used in testing the bricks.

Wednesday, November 9, 1921

Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Ida E. Harris, age 67, wife of Kos Harris, pioneer Wichita attorney, at her home, 801 North Emporia. Married December 20, 1876 and reached Wichita December 24 that year. At present address since 1887. Survived by husband, a son, Vermillion, and two daughters, Mrs. Verne Frazier and Miss Nourma Harris.

Saturday, November 12, 1921

Report of death yesterday of Mrs. William Finn, age 80, wife of Wichita’s first schoolmaster, at her home one mile east of Sedgwick. Survived by husband, one son, and two daughters (named).

Sunday, November 13, 1921

Work on the new bear den was resumed at Riverside Park yesterday with the arrival of a fence for the bears. The fence and masonry work will be completed in about two weeks. The bear den is built of stone and paving blocks and will look like a bit of mountain transported here from the west. ¶ The entire group of old ugly animals buildings will be removed as soon as we can take the bears away, Mr. Clapp said.

B-1. W. A. Ayres, former congressman from the 8th Kansas District, who was defeated by Richard E. Bird a year ago, returned from Washington a few weeks ago and will resume the practice of law here with the firm of Noble, Ayres, Black and McConkle. Details.

B-7. Dr. Walter H. Rollins, president of Fairmount College for seven years, yesterday
announced his resignation effective December 31st. Details and photograph.

Monday, November 14, 1921

4. H. H. Motter today became collector of internal revenue for Kansas. Details.

Tuesday, November 15, 1921

16. The Industrial Court in Topeka has deferred any reduction in wages of Wichita Railroad and Light Company employes for another 60 days in order to ascertain the results of the new ordinance removing jitneys from car line streets on the company’s business.

Wednesday, November 16, 1921

2. City commission yesterday decided to overhaul the 2nd Street bridge over Arkansas River and to pave it with asphalt. Details.

Name takers for the 1922 city directory will start work next week. Publication is scheduled by April 1, 1922.

Friday, November 18, 1921

7. H. W. Patten, street railway superintendent, said today it is hoped to have the North Topeka Avenue track completed and the usual service resumed on Saturday, or at the latest by next Monday.

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2. Short rather inaccurate article about the old steam dummy line that used to run to Fairmount.

Monday, November 21, 1921


Wednesday, November 23, 1921

3. Contract has been let for erection of the new Arkansas Valley Interurban station at Halstead, to cost $8000. The building has been planned for some time and the house that occupied the proposed site on East 2nd was removed during the summer.

7. The Kansas Theater, 221 East Douglas, will open to the public this evening. Seating
Thursday, November 24, 1921

11. Report of death yesterday of Sam Greenfield, of Greenfield Brothers Clothiers, at age 54, after operation two weeks ago. Born in St. Louis February 5, 1867, moved to Ft. Scott at age two. The store was established in Wichita in 1898 by his brothers Milton and Scott, and in 1908 Sam and his brother Ike took it over. Never married. Burial to be in St. Louis.

Sunday, November 27, 1921

7. Engine 301, rebuilt from the ground up, left the Orient shops last week with new piston valve cylinders and Walschaert valve gear.

Missouri Pacific engine 1218 threw a tire as it was crossing a switch by the roundhouse Friday and it took all day to get it back on.

B-7. Laying of brick on the South Lawrence Avenue road to the count line was completed yesterday. The road contract was begun in July 1919, but due to unsettled labor conditions and insufficient railroad transportation facilities, the completion of the contract was delayed. The road required 450 car loads of brick, 780 tons of asphalt, 29,700 barrels of cement, 675 car loads of stone, and 400 cars of sand.

C-1. Drawing of large Soldier Memorial project in block between City Library and Forum. Article with details. (Never built.)

Sunday, November 27, 1921

8. Article about the old Mathewson Homestead and Mathewson’s Pasture, which is being platted and will be sold for homes. Details. (“Platting of Pasture Recalls Heroic Days”)

Thursday, December 1, 1921

13. Note says the street car company maintains an eight minute schedule on the Stock Yards Line and the 21st Street-Arkansas Avenue bus line runs a six minute service. Besides these the Jones Park and Walnut Grove lines each run a bus every hour.

Friday, December 2, 1921

5. Photograph of new Derby Oil Company filling station at Central and Hillside, the ninth Derby drive-in filling station in Wichita. The tenth will soon open at Hillside and Oakland.

19. Building permit issued to Truman G. Reed of 2014 Mentor for residence, 30 by 40, at
1509 Briggs, cost $4000.

Saturday, December 3, 1921
5. The E. M. Laird airplane factory at 27th and Hillside is nearing completion and will be ready for the manufacture of Laird Swallows before the first of the year. The necessity of re-assembling the planes after they are moved to the field from the present factory at Wichita and English will be done away with.

Sunday, December 4, 1921
B-6. Text of new Wichita zoning ordinance with map.


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Thursday, December 8, 1921
13. Article about the many activities at the North End Community House. Details.

Sunday, December 11, 1921
9. The new dormitory at Mt. Carmel, St. Joseph’s Hall, will be dedicated today by Bishop Schwertner.

B-1. The Hotel Broadview, now under construction, will be seven stories rather than six, as first planned, giving a total of 240 rooms. Details. Workmen completed pouring the concrete for the fourth floor yesterday, and brick layers will start on the exterior of the building early next week.

Friday, December 16, 1921
7. The Midcontinent Tire Manufacturing Company has just completed the installation of a new mould for a 30 by 3½ inch tire. The new size will soon be on sale at the retail store, 214 East 1st.

10. The new four story brick nurse’s home at St. Francis Hospital will be dedicated Sunday afternoon. Report December 19, page 10.
11. City manager Elliott has recommended that the city sell the two old fire stations it owns. One is in the second block on North Market and is a garage, and the other is the site at 13th and St. Francis, which is a grocery store. At present they bring $105 a month rent, but the city gets no taxes from the lots.

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page 2.
Three black bears from Alpene, Michigan arrived in Wichita today for the Riverside Park zoo. Details.

Sunday, December 18, 1921
page 8.
The United Congregational Church is taking the unusual course of issuing about $45,000 in five year, seven percent bonds to complete the construction of their new Carthage stone church building at 1st and Clifton. Details.

B-7.
The old Washington School building, erected in 1889 for $14,480, will be razed beginning Tuesday. Material from the building will be used to construct a tool house on Roosevelt Field. The lot will be sold. It is a block long and has 100 foot frontage on both Mathewson and Cleveland.

Friday, December 23, 1921
page 15.
George H. Siedhoff has leased for 99 years that part of the M. R. Diver property north of the Missouri Pacific tract. The property will be held for industrial sites.

Wednesday, December 28, 1921
page 6.
The new clubhouse of the Crestview Country Club is now fully enclosed and the shingles are being laid on the roof.

7.
Tom Blodgett, formerly associated with Tipton Cox in the Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods Company, is now preaching in Idaho, according to Mr. Cox, who is visiting his daughter here, Mrs. Roy J. Hennings of 842 Nims. Mr. Cox now lives in Little Rock, Arkansas and has acquired more than 40 retail grocers since leaving Wichita ten years ago. He has also made considerable money in the big oil field in that state.

Friday, December 30, 1921
page 7.
James Murry, director of public service, recommended today that the street railway bridge across the Arkansas River be torn up and the street car company be required to lay a double track across the Douglas Avenue bridge. Details.

12.
Tenants will start moving into the new First National bank Building tomorrow. Details.