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 1924 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon Wednesday, January 2, 1924 page

- 5. First building permit taken out for 1924 was by George H. Siedhoff for the new Elks Building at 204-212 North Market for \$270,000 (for the building only, not including heating, plumbing, electric wiring, or equipment; the total cost will approximate \$500,000). Building to be 125 by 140 feet, five stories. Excavation is now under way. During the past year Mr. Siedhoff has constructed more than a million dollars worth of buildings in Wichita, including the county jail, Shirkmere hotel, Kaufman building, Western Newspaper building, Luling Laundry, electric plant for Red Star Mill, addition to Beacon Building, W. A. Dye Building, and Dan Callahan's residence.
- 10. City manager Earl C. Elliott says the proposition of giving the street car company a franchise to operate bus lines in the city has been under consideration for some time and was discussed in an executive session of the city commission Monday. Details. An application for a franchise was recently made by an association of owners of the present bus lines but was refused. The city said it would not consider granting a franchise to operate city wide bus lines to any company which had less than \$500,000 capitalization (photograph).

Thursday, January 3, 1924 page

7. The three story brick building at 620 East Douglas, 25 by 136 feet, has been purchased by S. M. Swope, of the Swope Land and Investment Company, from Mrs. Martha B. Griffith, of Los Angeles, formerly of Wichita, for \$32,500, as an investment. Ground floor is occupied by the Dunn Mercantile Company's store No. 10.

Saturday, January 5, 1924 page

2. City commission yesterday adopted resolution to widen Douglas avenue from Hydraulic to Grove by taking 20 feet off of the south side of Douglas for the entire distance.

Monday, January 7, 1924

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2. Annual ticket sales at Wichita union station for past six years:

1918 \$1,762,089 1919 \$2,345,036 1920 \$2,585,986 1921 \$2,107,035 1922 \$2,041,497 1923 \$2,048,670

Average price for each ticket in 1923 was \$5.31.

7. J. N. Haymaker, attorney, has purchased the building at 620 East Douglas from S. M. Swope, for \$33,000. Mr. Swope bought it last week from Mrs. Martha Griffith for \$32,500.

Tuesday, January 8, 1924

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12. The new McClellan Hotel, southwest corner of William and Lawrence, is now open to the public.

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8. Photograph of new McClellan Hotel. Article with details.

Sunday, January 13, 1924

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B-12. Article lists business and apartment buildings under construction in Wichita.

Sunday, January 13, 1924

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9. Drawing and article about Westminster Presbyterian Church, formerly the Lincoln Street Presbyterian Church, now under construction at Market and Harry. Church was organized in 1886. The old building on corner of Lincoln and South Emporia was erected in 1887 and remodeled in 1913. Details.

Monday, January 14, 1924

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10. Joel Tucker, realtor, has purchased property at southeast corner of Buffum and Riverside Boulevard, 100 by 110 feet, from Frank Dunn. Mr. Trucker already owns the 60 feet to the south, giving him a total of 170 by 100 feet. Details.

Tuesday, January 15, 1924 page

7. A car collided today with Missouri Pacific switch engine No. 408 at the 21st Street crossing. Details.

Wednesday, January 16, 1924 page

1. Gustave Hamel, Wichita financier, has purchased the southwest corner of Douglas and Rutan from Clayton Smith and plans to build a skyscraper apartment building at once. Location fronts 143 feet on Douglas and extends 230 feet to Oakland. It formerly belonged to George Walker, one of the founders of the Jackson-Walker Coal and Material Company.

Friday, January 18, 1924 page

- 3. Contract for razing the remainder of the old Sedgwick County jail was let yesterday.
- 22. Machinery is being shipped for the Bemis Bag Company's new Wichita plant at 1008 East 13th. Equipment used previously by the Mid-Continent Tire Manufacturing Company is being removed. The Bemis factory should be in operation by June 1.

Saturday, January 19, 1924 page

2. Report of death of Wichita pioneer, James H. Black, today at his home, 921 North Topeka, at age 78. Came to Wichita July 6, 1870 from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Born in Ohio January 28, 1846. In 1884 he was one of the founders of the Wichita Wholesale Grocery Company and remained with this company until a few years ago when it was sold to John L. Powell and others. Wife died last August 3. Had no children.

Sunday, January 20, 1924 page

- 8. Photograph of new Lincoln coupe of Dr. S. S. Noble in front of his residence, 1303 Riverside.
- B-12. Photograph of Julius Lucht, city librarian, who has been retained here at a salary of \$3200 a year, which gives the \$400 increase he asked for despite a conflict at the library board meeting. Details.

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7. Long article about the work of the city forestry department, organized three years ago in November, when L. W. Clapp, then city manager, employed Alfred MacDonald for the position.

Monday, January 21, 1924 page

10. The Wheeler, Kelly, Hagny Company will remodel the building at northeast corner of Market and William formerly occupied by the Kansas Laundry and more recently by the McCormick-Armstrong Press. Walls and interior of the first story will be new, and plate glass windows will be placed in the entire front of 75 feet on Market Street and 140 feet on William. The Wheeler-Kelly-Hagny Company recently obtained a long time lease on the building from George Cornell, of California.

Tuesday, January 22, 1924 page

1. The Kansas state charter board today approved a charter for the Kansas State Reserve Bank of Wichita, the reorganized American State Bank. Details.

Thursday, January 24, 1924

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9. Building permit: Residence 31 by 42, 1241 Woodrow, \$2950, B. F. McElroy, 1506 North Emporia.

Friday, January 25, 1924 page

9. Report of will of Wichita pioneer and businessman, James H. Black, who left estate valued at \$500,000 or more, mainly to out-of-town nieces. He owned the three story building on North Main Street occupied by the Walker Brothers Dry Goods Company. Details.

Saturday, January 26, 1924 page

8. Improved passenger service on the Kansas City, Mexico, and Orient Railroad is contemplated because of the opening of a new oil field along the company's line in Texas. Motor cars may be operated over the entire system within a few months. Details.

Sunday, January 27, 1924 page

9. Photograph of a Wellington-Wichita bus constructed by the Wichita Carriage Works, 209 West 1st. The same company has also built buses for the Valley Center-Wichita bus line. Also advertisement of the Wichita Carriage Works. Built on Reo chassis.

Sunday, January 27, 1924

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2. Photograph of new Sedgwick County jail. Article with details.

Wednesday, January 30, 1924

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1. The Fourth National Bank and the Fidelity State Bank of Wichita were consolidated today.

The new name of the combined institutions is the Fourth National Bank in Wichita. Capital stock \$1,200,000. Details.

- 2. Report of death yesterday of pioneer, Mrs. Letitia Sullivan, age 75, on the farm three and a half miles north of Wichita where she was brought as a bridge in 1872. This farm, on which they homesteaded, was known as the "Lone Tree" farm. Survived by three sons, T. A., attorney in Wichita, W. R., of Wichita, and Gilbert, of the home, and one daughter, Mrs. J. R. M. Dermid, of Wichita.
- 7. The Wichita Osteopathic Association will put on a campaign to raise \$30,000 as a fund to include the Southwest Osteopathic Sanitarium of Blackwell, Oklahoma, to move its hospital here. The old building at Blackwell will be sold at once and vacated by June 1 of this year. Details.

Friday, February 1, 1924 page

7. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad employes 425 persons in Wichita, including 267 at the shops and roundhouse, 87 in the offices, 36 trainmen and engine men, etc.

Saturday, February 2, 1924 page

2. Photograph of the Southwest Cracker Company, which was organized in 1914 and succeeded the Western Biscuit Company, founded in Wichita 23 years ago.

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B-1. B. Davis, of the Davis Clothing Company, has bought the two story, 25 foot brick building at 418 East Douglas from the M. Slattery estate in Ireland for \$50,000. Ground floor is at present occupied by the Western Pacific Tea Company. Building was purchased by Mr. Slattery while on a visit to Wichita in 1904.

Monday, February 4, 1924 page

- 7. The Dunn Mercantile Company is to build a brick store building, 40 by 80 feet, at corner of 13th and Waco, to cost about \$9000. Glen H. Thomas and Scott Fullerton are architects.
- 12. Drawing of proposed new Harry Street Methodist Episcopal Church, to be constructed on site of the present frame church at southwest corner of Main and Harry streets. Details.

Tuesday, February 5, 1924 page

3. Ben F. McLean resigned yesterday as city commissioner and as mayor. Frank Dunn elected mayor in his place and O. J. Watson elected as new city commissioner.

Thursday, February 7, 1924 page

1. Photograph of Seneca Street bridge which had a 75 foot span carried away yesterday afternoon when struck by three sand boats impelled by a large ice floe.

Federal court in Kansas City, Kansas has ordered sale of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway to satisfy a government loan of two and a half million dollars. Road has been in receivership since 1917. Details.

Saturday, February 9, 1924 page

2. Small photograph of offices of the Derby Oil and Refining Company, 203 North Handley (two story building).

Article with history of the Wichita Wholesale Grocery Company, 201 South Santa Fe, founded in 1883 at 233 North Main. Moved to 1st and Water in 1887, where the Ablah Wholesale Grocery is now located, and two years later after a fire, moved to 217 South Market, where Fox-Vliet Drug Company is now located. In 1892 the company was moved to its present location.

8. The Ben Sibbitt Iron Works has purchased the plant and business of the Wichita Foundry at 525 South Wichita Street. The latter is the oldest iron foundry in Wichita and was founded in 1876 by the McFarlands but has been owned and operated by W. J. Sharon since 1893. The Ben Sibbitt Company was established by Moore Brothers but has been owned and operated by the present company since 1914.

Tuesday, February 12, 1924 page

5. The Wichita Railroad and Light Company bridge at Douglas Avenue was damaged by ice floes through the west channel yesterday afternoon which washed out seven pilings at the west end of the bridge and caused all traffic to be suspended. The bridge is now being repaired. The old Seneca Street bridge will probably not be repaired.

Thursday, February 14, 1924 page

7. General offices of the Derby Oil Company are to be moved soon after March 1 to the fifth floor of the Orpheum Building, having outgrown its offices in the office and warehouse building at 203 North Handley.

The Coleman Lamp Company will start at once to erect an addition, two stories, 60 by 90 feet, overlooking the alley east of St. Francis and extending 90 feet north of the present factory building. Building will contain an auditorium on the second floor. To cost \$60,000. Details.

Razing of the old Sedgwick County jail is almost completed.

Sunday, February 17, 1924

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- 8. Photograph of the new Ingelwood Apartments at 211-13-15-17 North Emporia. Built by R. T. Ingels. Article with details.
- B-1. Photograph of pool hall at 1225 North Mosley, of John McCullough, raided by federal agents Friday with discovery of illegal narcotics, etc. Details.

Total cost of the new Wichita High School building was \$1,044,810.85 including \$183,406.03 for equipment. Details.

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5. Article with considerable history of the Masonic orders in Wichita. Details.

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- 6. Woodland Park is to be improved this year. A swimming pool will be constructed and playground facilities built.
- 7. List of park improvement projects for this year adopted at park board meeting yesterday.
- 12. Photograph of Wichita hospital, whose purchase is being considered by the Southwestern Osteopathic Sanitarium, at Blackwell, Oklahoma. Details.
- B-1. Photograph of the new Wichita High School. Special section for dedication, which is being held this week. Articles with details.
- B-2. Article with history of earliest schools in Wichita.

Wednesday, February 20, 1924

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1. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad is to be sold in Wichita on Thursday, March 27, by order of Judge Pollock, of the United States Court. Details.

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2. Photograph of the Brokers' Office and Warehouse Company at 143 North Rock Island.

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2. Eighty-eight men and 60 teams of horses are dredging out the bed of the Little River to deepen it. The material from the river bed is being piled in dikes along the river side. Among the major operations are the removal of islands west of the Bitting Avenue street

car bridge and the rounding of the point north of Central Avenue just west of the bathing beach.

8. Photograph of apartment house at 303 South Hydraulic built by R. B. Holmes, Wichita home builder for past 13 years. Is in advertisement for R. B. Holmes.

Monday, February 25, 1924

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6. Article about progress on the additional Riverside storm sewer to drain the low place at Nims and Murdock which usually has been the scene of a lake in the rainy season. Details.

Tuesday, February 26, 1924

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9. Drawing of mid-day at Main and Douglas, with street cars.

Thursday, February 28, 1924

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10. Work on the new chapel at Friends University will begin Monday.

Saturday, March 1, 1924

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3. Photograph of Southwestern Broom and Warehouse Company, 712 East 15th, home of the "Little Lady" broom.

Article about the E. V. Schnoor Cigar Company, 626 East Douglas.

Sunday, March 2, 1924

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- B-5. Photograph of Mrs. R. B. Campbell, 1255 Riverside Drive, state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution..
- B-6. Photograph of the new Luling City Laundry at Douglas and Kansas, which is to be formally opened this Wednesday afternoon. Article with details.

Sunday, March 2, 1924

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- 2. Long article about the Jasperite paving of Douglas avenue
- 9. Reminiscences by one of Wichita's first school teachers. Details.

Monday, March 3, 1924

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7. F. C. and C. L. Brosius today closed a long term lease on 100 feet in the first block on South Lawrence, including the Princess Theater and the building just south of it occupied

by the Fralick Barber Supply Company and the Wichita Trunk Company. Details.

Wednesday, March 5, 1924 page

7. Directors and staff of Wichita Hospital have voted for a \$150,000 bond issue, which will pay off the hospital's creditors and means that it will not go to the osteopaths. The hospital's first charter was issued January 29, 1887 (incorporators listed) and an amendment was added in 1898 permitting the hospital association to add a nurse training school.

Friday, March 7, 1924 page

18. Consolidation of the McKinley traction and power interests in Kansas will not affect in any way the management of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, Howard W. Patten, general manager, declared today following announcement from Topeka that a state charter had been issued to the consolidated interests, to be known as the Kansas Power and Light Company. The companies consolidated are the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, the Atchison Railway, Light and Power Company, the Topeka Railway Company, and the Topeka Edison Company. They have for years been controlled by the McKinley interests of Illinois. The aggregate value of the properties included is appraised at \$11,179,455, reproduction value. Less depreciation, the appraisal is \$8,838,915. Details.

Saturday, March 8, 1924 page

2. Photograph of the Jett and Wood Wholesale Grocers Company.

Monday, March 10, 1924 page

3. Arkansas Valley Interurban has filed new schedule with public utilities commission in Topeka, increasing Wichita to Hutchinson trains from 12 daily to 14 daily and making reductions in fares. Details.

Wednesday, March 12, 1924 page

- 6. Fourteen of the New Swallow airplanes have been ordered from outside Wichita, including one for A. R. Garver, of Attica, Kansas, one of the pioneers in flying in Kansas. Details.
- 9. Construction of the much discussed water tower at Murdock and Belmont was started today by the Wichita Water Company. To cost \$30,000 and hold 300,000 gallons. Details.

Friday, March 14, 1924 page

7. Article about a fight yesterday between a Mason line bus driver and a Chewning line bus driver. Details.

Saturday, March 15, 1924 page

2. Photograph of the Kansas Milling Company.

Sunday, March 16, 1924 page

6. The current number of the *School Board Journal*, published in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has pictures and a writeup of the Horace Mann and Roosevelt intermediate school buildings in Wichita.

Advertisement showing new Arkansas Valley Interurban schedules, effective March 19. Also a 20 percent reduction will be given on round trip fare, reducing round trip Hutchinson to Wichita fare from \$3.18 to \$2.55.

Monday, March 17, 1924 page

- 7. The Kansas Power and Light Company., which includes the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, came into being Saturday with the approval of the public utilities commission.
- 12. A proposal to cut off the ox-bow loop which the Little Arkansas River makes between 13th Street and the Bitting Avenue Bridge is to be made to city manager Elliott by a delegation of property owners of that vicinity. This would shorten the course of the river by three or four hundred feet and reduce the menace of high water.

Saturday, March 22, 1924 page

8. The Dolese Brothers Company, with offices in Oklahoma City and Chicago, have purchased a site at northeast corner of 2nd and Wichita streets for \$30,000, to be used for a crushed rock and concrete plant. Details.

Monday, March 24, 1924 page

7. Extension of the College Hill street car line from Roosevelt to Belmont, a distance of five blocks, is on the program of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company. for 1924 and construction work will be started soon according to Howard Patten, general manager. The first project of the year will be a connection switch at Main and Douglas to permit cars from the west to go around the Market Street Loop. This connection will cost \$5000 and will eliminate the inefficiency of the double ended cars on the Orient line. The College Hill project will be started as soon as the downtown work is completed and will cost \$18,000. It will call for another car on that line to fill in the extended schedule. The Company is considering one man cars on the Main Street line but does not promise them yet. The Main Street line is the only one having two man cars now.

Wednesday, March 26, 1924 page

7. The city has decided to buy the south half of Ackerman island and a strip all around the island from George Theis, Jr., for \$42,500. Details.

Thursday, March 27, 1924 page

- 1. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad was sold at auction today for three million dollars to a group of capitalists including W. T. Kemper, Federal receiver for the road, and British investors in the company. Sale conducted at west steps of the court house in Wichita. Details.
- B-1. The new store of the Holmes Company, at 211 East Douglas, will open to the public tomorrow. Details.

Friday, March 28, 1924 page

13. Owners of property on Waco north of 8th Street (listed) have deeded to city a 150 foot strip along east bank of Little River for a park and boulevard from 9th and Jefferson to 8th and Waco. Details.

Tuesday, April 1, 1924 page

- 7. Two passengers injured this morning when a crowded jitney bus scraped an automobile at 2nd and Rock Island. E. D. Elrod was the bus driver.
- 16. City commission yesterday signed contract to purchase from J. W. Pierpont a four acre tract at 13th and Bitting for \$6500. The ground is the old bed of the river and it is planned to change the course of the stream by cutting off the ox-box loop which now constitutes a menace in flood times.

Thursday, April 3, 1924 page

8. Wichita Railroad and Light Company filed its report yesterday with the city commission, showing that the company had incurred a heavy loss in earnings during the past year due to bus competition. Mr. H. M. Patten, superintendent, points out that the company could not make the same earnings with buses that the present bus operators do, because a universal transfer system between the cars and the buses would cut down the revenue. At present a number of passengers pay five cents to ride the bus to the car line and then pay six cents to ride the street car the rest of the way, and this would no longer apply.

Friday, April 4, 1924

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12. The Hockaday Auto Supply Company began moving to its new home at William and Topeka today.

Saturday, April 5, 1924

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- 1. John H. Engstrom announced today that he is going to close down his lumber yard at Waco and Douglas, across the street from the Broadview Hotel, and will retire temporarily from business. Details.
- 2. Article about plan to cut a new channel for the Little river between 13th Street and the Bitting Avenue Bridge. To be done by end of April and will double capacity of the river at that point. The present river levee will then become an island which can be added to the park property. Details.

The Missouri Pacific is spending \$500,000 for all new equipment for its new Sunflower Special, between Wichita and St. Louis, to be inaugurated soon. It means three new modern type passenger engines, three steel mail cars, three steel baggage cars, three smoking cars, three chair cars, three dining cars, and three to six sleepers.

Sunday, April 6, 1924 page

- 3. Map showing new channel to be made in Little River between 13th and Bitting.
- B-9. Interview with William Finn, giving early history of Wichita. He came here in winter of 1869 at age 21 and walked from Emporia to Wichita. Was asked to teach a school and taught 17 pupils in a dugout a half mile north of the settlement for three months for salary of \$45 per month until spring of 1870. The painting, "Wichita in 1869," by C. A. Seward, hanging in the corridor of the courthouse, was done from a description of the town furnished by Mr. Finn, and is said to be accurate to the minutest detail. Photograph of William Finn.

Early history of Wichita, Minneha, Andover, etc., by Samuel Grost, now of Timewell, Illinois. Details.

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- 3. Article by Bliss Isely giving history of the McKenzie Carriage Works. Details.
- 7. Photograph of J. F. Tilford residence, 120 North Fountain.
- 8. Small photographs of eight houses on Belmont and East Streets. Article identifies them.

Monday, April 7, 1924 page

14. Photograph of the farm home of Frank Wilson, a few miles north of Valley Center. It stands a quarter mile west of Congdon Station on the Arkansas Valley Interurban.

Tuesday, April 8, 1924

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- 8. Work started this morning on the new street car switch at Main and Douglas to permit cars from the west to go around the Market Street Loop. Upon completion of this, another piece of track is to be laid at Pattie and Douglas, after which the College Hill line will be extended from Roosevelt to East Street (sic).
- 9. The Kansas zero milestone was placed in front of the new Hockaday building at William and Topeka, at noon today. Stone weighs 6500 pounds and is a replica of the one placed as a gift to the nation July 7, 1919 in Washington, D. C., by Mr. Hockaday. Details.
- 16. Article about survey comparing street car and bus investment, etc., in Wichita. Details. Fifteen million passengers were carried by street cars in Wichita in 1923, while four and a half million were carried by the 37 buses. Bus lines operated on these routes: East 2nd, North Market, East Central, South Topeka and East Harry, South Lawrence, North St. Francis and East 13th, Kellogg, South Water, and the West Side over Maple Street. Twelve owners control the bus system of the city.

Thursday, April 10, 1924 page

- 7. Another article about the bus versus street car situation in Wichita. The bus owners are considering initiating a transfer service between the various buses. Says street car company receives an average of 4.8 cents per ride, less than the 6 cents fare, because of transfers.
- 9. Photograph of the H. W. Underhill Construction Company's plant at 235 North Waco (shows railroad or street car tracks?).
- 11. The work of cutting through the old channel of the Little River between 13th and Bitting is almost completed. When the cutting of the dikes lets the river through, it will form an island about 400 feet long and 200 feet wide at its broadest point.

Friday, April 11, 1924 page

- 7. Wichita bus situation discussed by city commission yesterday. Bus owners want an extended permit to operate. Details.
 - J. C. Fisher today purchased the J. P. Allen Building at 108 East Douglas for \$100,000. It is two stories, 23 by 130 feet, and since Mr. J. P. Allen's death, has been owned by his son, Roy, and daughter, Bess, of New York City. It was purchased by J. P. Allen in the 1880s for \$1500.

Saturday, April 12, 1924 page

2. Report of death today of George Innes at his home in Lawrence at age 85. With his nephew, Walter P. Innes, he purchased the Innes store in Wichita in 1897. He was never

actively connected with the Wichita store and three years ago sold is stock to his nephew.

Sunday, April 13, 1924 page

4. The board walk leading from Hillside up to the main entrance of Wesley Hospital is to be replaced with a concrete walk this spring. Plans are in hand for landscaping the ten acres of land around the hospital. The hospital is also negotiating with the city for the widening of Hillside Avenue. At present there is a jog of 27 feet in Hillside at Central, where the hospital grounds begin. The hospital proposes that the city take over 15 to 18 feet from the hospital grounds on the east side of Hillside to widen that street. Details.

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8. Mrs. Frank M. Deam, 939 Nims, daughter of N. A. English, who named Douglas Avenue, says it was named for Stephen A. Douglas, from Illinois, famed for the Lincoln-Douglas debates. She tells story of how it got its name. Details.

Wednesday, April 16, 1924

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- 2. The Stockyards State Bank, organized in 1907, and the North End State Bank, organized in 1917, are merging to form the Industrial State Bank, which will occupy the Stockyards State building at 21st and Lawrence.
- 11. The Greenleaf Stage Lines have added a morning stage to the Salina-Wichita line, making three direct stage connections with Salina. The new stage leaves the Eaton Hotel at 8:00 a.m., reaching Salina at noon. The other two Salina stages leave Wichita at 12:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 17, 1924 page

1. The official county census shows Wichita's population to be 90,465, a gain of 4294 over the 86,171 in 1923.

Friday, April 18, 1924

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- 11. Eight persons were injured when a loaded 13th Street bus struck a car and turned completely over at Central and St. Francis about 6:30 p.m. yesterday. Driver of the bus was Virgil McCord of 1327 North Santa Fe. Details.
- 17. Photograph of building at 123 North Market occupied by the Southwestern Electrical Company.

Saturday, April 19, 1924 page

2. Advertisement with photograph of the Wichita Theater.

Sunday, April 20, 1924 page

9. Formal opening of the new Shirkmere Apartments will be held tomorrow. Photograph. The brick used in building was 435,900 brick made by the Noll Brick Company of Wichita. Architects were John Eberson and Harry Weaver, with offices in both Chicago and Wichita. Mr. Weaver is in charge of the local office and came here as directing architect for construction of the Orpheum Building some two years ago. At present they are completing plans for the York Rite Temple Building. Articles with details. These architects also drew plans for the Kaufman Building in Wichita.

Monday, April 21, 1924 page

- 2. Superintendent H. W. Patten says if the street car company were to operate buses in Wichita it would abandon most of the buses now in use and purchase regulation city buses, which are lower and wider and overturn less easily. They cost about \$7000 each, the same as the small type street cars now used here. Instead of seats around the inside of the bus such as Wichita now has, they would have cross seats of the same type as are found in street cars. Seating capacity of the proposed bus is 29, while the average capacity of the present bus is 17. The one-man street cars now in use here seat 37.
- 6. Article says Arkansas Valley Interurban is considering use of gasoline motor cars to bridge the gap between Newton and Salina. Details.

Tuesday, April 22, 1924 page

3. City yesterday completed arrangements to purchase the south half of Ackerman Island plus a strip all around the north half, from George Theis, Jr., for \$42,500. Details.

City commission yesterday sold the city's old fire station at 228 North Market to Robert E. Stein for \$14,000.

Wednesday, April 23, 1924 page

7. The Wichita Lions Club will finance construction of a hike cabin for boys on an 18 acre tract six miles north of Wichita and a half mile west of Arkansas Avenue, purchased by A. A. Hyde. Cabin will cost \$2600 and be 31 by 47 feet, frame. Details.

Friday, April 25, 1924

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13. Full page advertisement announces formal opening of Hockaday's tomorrow.

Saturday, April 26, 1924 page

2. Report of death today of Mrs. Theresa Getto, widow of Peter Getto, at her home, 255 North Water, at age 70. Survived by four daughters (named).

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- 6. Article about bus stage lines operating out of Wichita, with map. A total of 15 lines operate out of Wichita. The pioneer is Aaron Greenleaf, who makes his headquarters at the Eaton Hotel, operating lines to Salina, Eureka, Blackwell, and Pratt. He has been operating since 1920. Details. Advertisement with timetables.
- 8. Article about different styles of house built in different decades in Wichita. Details and photographs.

Tuesday, April 29, 1924

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8. A new theater, to be called "The West," is to be opened in July by B. R. Gundy, of Oklahoma, who has leased the building at 901 West Douglas owned by Fred Farmer. Building is 40 by 100 feet and now occupied by the West Side Racket Store.

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14. The Peoples Finance Company has leased the banking room at 201 North Main, formerly occupied by the Fidelity State Bank, which consolidated with the Fourth National Bank, from Dr. J. G. Dorsey, owner of the building, and is today moving there from its previous location at 117 North Topeka.

Thursday, May 1, 1924

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- 5. Report that a new Midian Shrine Temple will be built on the site of the old Toler Auditorium, at southwest corner of 1st and St. Francis. The Shrine purchased the site, 175 by 140 feet, five years ago.
- 11. Mrs. C. E. Winne, age 83, sustained a fractured hip yesterday in a fall at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Saxe, 1040 Jefferson, with whom she lives.

Sunday, May 4, 1924 page

2. The new Missouri Pacific Sunflower Special will arrive here Monday at 9:55 a.m. from St. Louis. The first train to leave here for St. Louis Monday at 5:30 p.m. will have three Pullmans attached. Details.

Monday, May 5, 1924

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2. Report of arrival of new Missouri Pacific train, the "Sunflower," from St. Louis at 9:55

a.m. today. Was headed by two huge engines and carried seven all steel cars, including a baggage and express car, smoking car, chair car, diner, and three Pullmans. Details.

Thursday, May 8, 1924 page

7. Article says the Southwestern Osteopathic Sanitarium, of Blackwell, Oklahoma, yesterday purchased the old Walker home site at southwest corner of Rutan and Douglas from Clayton Smith, 1145 Coolidge, for \$30,000 as a site for their new hospital in Wichita. Details.

Friday, May 9, 1924 page

5. First Baptist Church has purchased 50 feet of property known as the Haynes property immediately south of the Downing Mortuary in third block on North Lawrence for \$16,000. In the past few months two other 50 foot lots north of the church have been acquired, giving them a total frontage of 250 feet, running north from 2nd Street. Details.

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10. The 13th Street bridge was closed today and is being lengthened 90 feet. When this work is completed, the Bitting Avenue and 11th Street bridges will also be lengthened.

Excavators are cutting away a strip of ground all around the city's newly acquired Ackerman Island. South of Murry Bridge, two islands are also being removed from the river bed.

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2. A. J. Coombs, of the Coombs Mercantile Company has purchased the old Rodolph Hatfield property in the fourth block on South Seneca from Claude Neil as an investment. On the property, which has a 200 foot frontage on South Seneca, is a two and a half story brick house built by Hatfield in 1887 for \$15,000. Hatfield sold the place to John C. Fisher about 12 years ago.

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7. With the approval of a charter applied for yesterday at Topeka, the Wichita Railroad and Light Company will have its name changed to the Kansas Public Service Company and will become a part of a unified system of public utilities owned in Kansas by the Studebaker interests of Chicago. The new company will be the operating concern for the railway and light company at Topeka, the Atchison Railway, Light and Power Company, a large power plant under construction at Tecumseh, near Topeka, and a network of transmission lines. The new company will have a capitalization of \$3,400,000. Clement Studebaker, Jr., of Chicago will be president of the Kansas company. He is now president of the Illinois Traction Company, the present owner of these properties in Kansas.

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- 7. The clubhouse of the Crestview Country Club (photograph) was largely destroyed by fire last evening. The building was frame except for the foundation. Details.
- 14. John H. Engstrom removed his office today from the Engstrom Lumber Company buildings at Douglas and Waco, and the building will be razed at once and the entire site cleared.
- 15. The Dunn Mercantile Company's new store at 13th and Waco was formally opened today. Details.

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- 6. The Swallow Airplane Manufacturing Company is producing an airplane every eight days, or 45 ships a year. The Swallow company now has 12 planes under construction. The one started yesterday will be ready to fly within two months. More than 100 airplanes have been built at the Swallow plant on North Hillside, according to Walter H. Beach (sic), manager.
- 7. Photograph of new home of Mr. D. R. Lauck, at 230 North East Street. R. B. Holmes, contractor.
- B-1. Harry Weaver chosen as architect for the new clubhouse for Crestview County Club, to replace the one destroyed by fire. Details.
- B-10. Wichita's oldest Catholic Church building will be dedicated today as Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, at its new location, 926 South St. Francis. It is to be used for the Mexicans of that section of the city. The building, which is the frame church which formerly stood at 306 North St. Francis, has been completely remodeled for its future work.

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6. Article about the widening of the Little River being carried out for flood control purposes. Three hundred fifty thousand cubic yards of material to be excavated between the mouth and 13th Street. Near the mouth it will be widened on the west bank, meaning that the Central Avenue bridge and dam must be lengthened 100 feet From 400 feet west of the Woodman Bridge to 400 feet north of Murdock, the entire stream is to be widened. North of 13th Street, the river will be widened to the city limits. Details.

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2. Photographs of one of the old Burton Car Works buildings leased by the Kozy Klosure

Manufacturing Company, which produces closed tops for open Ford cars. The company will have capacity to produce a hundred tops a day before the summer is over.

12. About a year ago the Rock Island Railroad decided to paint all its passenger stations canary yellow, discarding the time honored dark red. This order is being carried out all along the line. The old station in Wichita, now used for freight offices, was painted yellow last fall and has just had a new coating.

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7. Transfers put in their appearance today on the 48 buses operating in the city, and along with this the bus drivers donned blue uniforms and wore individual numbers on their caps. The transfers allow continuous passage from one bus to another across the city upon the payment of an extra cent, making the total fare including transfer, six cents instead of the usual five cents. The transfer is optional at the request of the passengers. Four colors of transfer slips were put in use, one for each section of the city, to prevent return riding on a transfer ticket. The transfer fare of six cents is to be divided equally between the two owners who do the carrying, at clearing house meetings, to be held each Tuesday night.

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- 1-B. The last of the two man trolley cars will disappear from the streets of Wichita June 8. At that time one-man safety cars will take the place of the double truck, two man cars which for years have been operating on the South Main-Stock Yards line. The change is to be made for the purpose of economy. No additional cars will be needed for the change during the summer, Mr. Patten said. Street car traffic is normally reduced sufficiently during the summer months to make possible the transfer of the eight cars necessary for the Main Street line without affecting other lines. By fall, he said, new cars will have been purchased and delivered. This will make the Wichita street car company 100 percent one-man operation. With the exception of the three cars used on the Orient line, all will be of the small safety variety. The double truck cars will be kept in the car barns and used for emergency purposes.
- B-1. A South Emporia street car motorman was held up late Saturday night just after he finished turning the loop (sic) at Emporia and Harry. Details.

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1. Aerial photograph of new high school.

Wednesday, May 28, 1924 page

8. Dr. H. G. Norton, 941 Buffum, has purchased the C. L. Davidson residence at 1326 North Lawrence, for \$13,500. The lot fronts 137 feet on North Lawrence and the residence is

a large three story frame, which has been remodeled at various times since it was built in 1884. Dr. Norton has sold his home at 941 Buffum to Mrs. W. E. Stanley, 939 Buffum, for \$7500. Photograph.

Thursday, May 29, 1924 page

7. Corner stone of new Elks building in second block on North Market is to be laid this evening. Details.

The state tax commissioner yesterday made a reduction in the assessed valuation of the Wichita Street Railway Company from \$2,211,473 to \$2,065,432. The company had applied for a much larger reduction, saying that the company would otherwise be compelled to request a higher rate of fares for Wichita.

12. Report of high school graduation exercises at Forum last night, with 408 graduates. Details.

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7. Report of laying of corner stone of new Elks building last night.

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- 5. Article with early history of Friends University and Garfield University. Building opened in 1887 with just first two floors of north wing completed and entrance at northeast corner of building. Garfield formally closed in 1890 but continued in small way until June 1892. Friends University opened September '98 and in 1900 main entrance and Russell Hall were finished.
- 7. Article with some history of Mt. Carmel Academy, founded in 1887 as All Hallows Academy. Details.
- B-5. The debris of the old county jail will finally be removed this week and the site leveled up, permitting walks and a driveway to be constructed at the east front of the new jail.

Monday, June 2, 1924

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7. Offices of the Western Union Telegraph Company were moved Saturday night from the Sedgwick Building, where they had been for 35 years, to the company's new building at 1st and Topeka. Details.

Tuesday, June 3, 1924 page

9. School board yesterday voted to build two new grade school buildings, at Levy and Pattie, and at Maple and Meridian, to be two stories, five rooms each, Spanish type with brick

and stucco exterior, and cost about \$40,000 each.

11. Wichita use district map.

Friday, June 6, 1924 page

20. Formal opening of the paved highway from Wichita to Augusta is to be held next Wednesday. Details.

Sunday, June 8, 1924 page

2. Drawing of new club house planned for Crestview Country Club by Eberson and Weaver, architects. To be of Spanish type, 50 by 130 feet., two stories. Details.

Monday, June 9, 1924 page

7. With the installation of one-man street cars on the South Main-Stock Yards line Sunday, some other changes were made in schedules and routings of other lines. The change which caused the most complaint was that which took the 15 minute service from Bitting Avenue and substituted 20 minute service by taking off the Fairmount cars and running the Orient Shops cars to North Riverside. That is the only case of a slower schedule according to H. W. Patten, superintendent, and it was made because of small revenues on the Riverside line north of Nims and Franklin where the Bitting line joins the West Riverside line. The Fairmount cars are now operated around the downtown loop as the College Hill cars are. The Orient line is given faster service, with 20 minute headway all day now. Previously the line had one car every 36 minutes after 8:00 p.m. Six of the one-man safety type cars are operated on Main Street and eight at peak load hours, the same number as under the old double truck cars schedule. Since fewer men are needed for the one-man cars, ten junior motormen and conductors have been placed on the extra list. The senior conductors on the Main Street line are now acting as motormen. By next autumn several new safety type cars will be purchased and placed in operation on the Orient-Bitting line to replace the old type "double ender" cars now being used. The old double truck cars have been placed on the reserve list at the car barns.

Only 4 percent of bus passengers ask for transfers. Nearly 20 percent of street car passengers use transfers. A new \$6000 bus is now operating on the 13th Street line and another of the same type will be put in operation on Central by the end of the week.

Tuesday, June 10, 1924 page

6. A Fairmount street car left the tracks at Hillside and 13th yesterday morning and continued along 13th Street until stopped by a telephone pole. No one injured. The car was in charge of J. H. Love, who, until yesterday was a conductor on the Main Street-Stock Yards line.

7. The new Westminister Presbyterian Church at Market and Harry will be dedicated next Sunday, June 15. Details.

Work has been suspended on the extension of the College Hill street car line from Roosevelt to Belmont. Some of the residents on South Belmont object to the construction of a wye at that point and asked that it be built on North Belmont instead. A petition is to be heard by the city commission.

Friday, June 13, 1924 page

- 2. An agreement has been reached between the Rounds and Porter Lumber Company and the Wichita Railroad and Light Company for the purchase by the lumber company of a five acre industrial site in the second block on North Waco for \$60,000. The Rounds and Porter Company plans to erect a one story warehouse 150 by 400 feet along the south side of the Missouri Pacific switch track when the deal is consummated. This awaits a change in the city ordinance to permit the Missouri Pacific to switch its locomotives across Waco Avenue, and also the approval of the Chicago office of the street car company. There is a frontage of 267 feet on the west side of Waco extending west to the Arkansas River, and the property fronts 518 feet on 2nd Street. A small tract 75 by 140 feet on the east side of Waco was also included in the agreement. Should the deal be consummated, the Wichita Railroad and Light Company will lease for a two year period a triangular strip of ground from the Rounds and Porter Company. It would be used by the street car company for storage. Should the street car company establish bus service, a garage building will be located on the ground facing 2nd Street, it is said.
- 12. The Wichita Baby Camp in Riverside park will open for its eighth season Monday. Details.
- 13. Rev. J. Henry Hornung, of Cleveland, will preach this Sunday at the United Congregational Church.

Saturday, June 14, 1924 page

2. Article about suspension of extension of College Hill street car line from Roosevelt to Belmont. Objection to installation of a wye on South Belmont was made by J. T. Nuttle, whose home is at the intersection. He declared the tracks would not leave sufficient room to park motor cars in front of his home and that the noise of street cars on the wye would be annoying. Details. The extension if completed would cost the car company \$15,000. Mr. Patten said they stopped work because they didn't want to spend the money on the extension and then find they would have no place to turn their cars around.

Tuesday, June 17, 1924 page

2. Bond election to be held August 5 on the question of issuing bonds to build new concrete bridge at Seneca Street.

9. Use district map of Wichita.

Thursday, June 19, 1924

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9. Legal publications with notices regarding street paving, etc.

Saturday, June 21, 1924

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2. Contract let today to Ellis and Singleton, contractors, for the new clubhouse for Crestview Country Club for \$43,171. To start next week and be completed by October 1. Details.

Tuesday, June 24, 1924 page

- 3. City commission yesterday refused to enter in to the controversy between the citizens of South Belmont and the Street Railway Company over the location of a street car wye at that point, after being advised by city attorney that they lacked jurisdiction in this.
- 16. City commission yesterday passed resolution for bond issue of \$15,000 to purchase a six acre tract at 13th Street and Little River as site for an automobile tourist camp. Agitation for the tourist camp was started more than two years ago after it was decided to convert the temporary camp in South Riverside Park to use of new swimming pool. Details.

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7. John Nuttle has obtained a temporary restraining order from Judge Thomas Elcock to prevent the street car company from building a wye at Douglas and South Belmont. Hearing on permanent injunction to be in early July. Details.

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- 5. Robert McVicar has purchased the 50 foot site adjoining on the south his building occupied by the McVicar-Biggart Garage in the second block on South Market, for \$15,000, from Mrs. Elizabeth Harder, of Canton, Ohio. It is the first time these lots have been transferred since 1886.
- 6. The Price Auto Service Company will erect at once a one story brick building, 50 by 140 feet, on the site adjoining the south of their present building at 301-311 South Topeka. Will give a frontage of 200 feet on South Topeka.
- 7. Another article saying the street car company's pile bridge at Douglas Avenue is in poor condition, and their tracks will probably soon be moved to the middle of the concrete bridge after it is widened on the north side. Details.

The Wichita Bus Owners' Association are asking for a delay in the proposed city ordinance which would compel them to make an outlay of more than \$100,000 within six

months for new equipment and larger indemnity bonds. Details.

12. School board census gives Wichita's population as 89,776 compared with 88,190 in 1923.

Saturday, June 28, 1924 page

2. Mrs. Laura Buckwalter, 1106 Larimer, owner of ten lots at 1014-1032 Jefferson, filed an injunction suit in district court today to stop construction of a storm sewer connecting 9th Street with the Little River, claiming that the petition asking for the drain was obtained fraudulently. Details.

Sunday, June 29, 1924 page

- 6. Article about the grasshopper invasion on Monday, August 8, 1874. Details.
- 6-A. Residents of North Riverside are circulating petitions asking restoration of 15 minute service and modern cars to the Bitting avenue street car line. Since substitution of one-man safety cars for double truck cars on Main Street line three weeks ago, the Orient Shops cars have been routed over the Bitting avenue line, running every 20 minutes. These are the old type of "double enders."
- 9. Article about lodge to be built at Camp Bide-a-Wee. Details.
- B-1. Smith and Hodge were official photographers for the recent Wichita Chamber of Commerce Trade Trip, the first one made in automobile buses. Towns visited included Derby, Mulvane, Oxford, Geuda Springs, Arkansas City, Winfield, Douglas, and Augusta.

Tuesday, July 1, 1924 page

7. Excavation has been completed for the new Crestview Country Club club house.

Thursday, July 3, 1924 page

10. A new motor bus service between Wichita and Hutchinson will be started tomorrow using Fageol Safety Buses, a type new to this part of the country. Owners of the line are J. Grandell, C. A. Messino, and H. H. Liese, all of Kansas City. The buses will carry 24 persons and are equipped with the Hall-Scott airplane type motor. Length is 218 inches and height only five feet nine inches. There will be three round trips daily leaving Wichita at 9:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. Route will be over the Cannon Ball Road via Goddard, Cheney, Garden Plain, and Darlow. Distance is 62 miles and the trip takes two hours. The Wichita station will be at the Hotel Lassen.

Assets of the Peerless Ice and Storage Company, 147 South Rock Island, were purchased by L. S. McCaslin, Tulsa capitalist, for \$145,000, from W. V. Frazier, trustee in bankruptcy. A new charter was granted yesterday to the Peerless Ice and Storage

Corporation, a new company which will continue to operate the plant.

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12. Article about the Kozy Klosure Company, making closed tops for open Ford cars in a plant leased from the Bridgeport Machine Company. Actual production started only a few weeks ago, and they are now making 25 to 30 tops a day. About 25 men are employed. Details.

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8. Report of interview with three elderly Wichita Indians, who stated that the word Wichita means "Paint Face." Details.

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7. Rev. J. Henry Hornung of the Collinwood Congregational Church, Cleveland, Ohio, has accepted the pastorship of the United Congregational Church in Wichita, replacing Rev. Hubert C. Herring, resigned. Will preach his first sermon September 7.

Thursday, July 10, 1924 page

7. The pasture owned by E. M. Leach, north of 15th and east of Vassar, has been proposed as a city park for the Fairmount area. It is a historic location which once was the old Braeburn Golf Links. It was later abandoned and became a rifle range for Wichita units of the national guard, and later a cow pasture. "The street car barns were also located in this pasture at one time and the grade where the car tracks ran to join the main line can still be seen."

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2. The three story brick building at northwest corner of Main and English has been sold by Peter L. Lazarus of the United Millinery Company to Howard Schroeder, real estate dealer, for \$45,000. It was formerly occupied by the Kansas Gas and Electric Company and fronts 65 feet on Main street. Mr. Lazarus sold the north 25 feet a year ago to the Wichita Truck Company. Charles Baker, plumber, and a cleaning and pressing establishment occupy the ground floor, while the Colvin Chiropractic College has the two upper floors.

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7. Wichita has a new mounted policeman for patrolling Douglas avenue between Water and Lawrence. Details.

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2. Article about Bliss Isely about a visit to the Wichita Indians with many details about their grass lodges, etc., and photograph of a grass lodge.

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3. Report of death yesterday of Wichita pioneer merchant Charles G. Cohn, at home of his daughter in Kansas City, Missouri, at age 70. Was president of the Cohn-Hinkel Dry Goods Company, owners of the Boston Store. Born in Batesville, Arkansas April 22, 1855. Spent youth in Hopkinsville, Kentucky. Came to Wichita in 1886 and opened a general store at corner of Main and Douglas, known as the Boston Store, in partnership with his brother-in-law, Henry Wallenstein. Partnership was incorporated in 1903 as the Wallenstein-Cohn Dry Goods Company. A new corporation was formed when the new six story building was constructed in 1907. Financial difficulties brought about another reorganization in 1915, at which time Allen W. Hinkel came to Wichita to take active charge. Firm was reorganized again in 1917 with retirement of Mr. Wallenstein and firm name changed to the Cohn-Hinkel Dry Goods Company. Survived by widow, Cora, one son, Sylvester H. Cohn, of Wichita, and one daughter, Mrs. Ira Gottlieb, of Kansas City, Missouri. Photograph.

Tuesday, July 15, 1924 page

2. Four hundred men are now employed at the Orient shops.

Thursday, July 17, 1924 page

7. Street car company is considering a bus line as an extension of the Wichita Riverside street car line, to reach as far as Woodrow Court. Details.

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- B-1. Photograph of 72 car freight train of Kansas wheat pulled by Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe locomotive No. 790, leaving Wichita Thursday.
- B-4. Map of Wichita's newly designated through streets, which go into effect tomorrow. White lines are being painted across all intersecting streets and must not be crossed without stopping first. Streets are East and West Douglas, North and South Lawrence, and East Central, East 1st, and East Kellogg.
- B-8. Advertisement for Wichita-Hutchinson Stage buses with photograph of Fageol bus. Schedule shows five trips daily.

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- 3. Schedules of auto stages from Wichita.
- 8. Another long article by Bliss Isely about visit to Wichita Indians and story of their four year camping at site of Wichita, as told by Kiowa, chief of the tribe. There are only about 750 of them, including the inter-related tribes of Kechis, Wacos, and others. Says Jesse Chisholm, half breed Cherokee, had been adopted into the Wichita tribe and was living here with them when J. R. Mead crossed over from Towanda in 1863 to establish the trading post in the Wichita town. Wichita, therefore, was not founded by white people but by Indians. The white traders, chief of whom were Mead and William Griffenstein, came to trade with them, and white settlers came next. Details. ("Chief Kiowa's Story of Founding of Wichita")

Monday, July 21, 1924 page

2. Wichita Bus Owners' Association has applied to city commission to operate a new bus line into North Riverside as far as Woodrow Court. Route would extend from downtown to 2nd, west on 2nd to Waco, north on Waco to 9th, west on 9th to Lewellen, north on Lewellen to 11th, west on 11th to Woodrow, and north on Woodrow around the driveway in Woodrow Court. Return would be south from that point along the Little River to 11th and thence to the business area over the same route.

Thursday, July 24, 1924 page

10. Employes of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company will hold a picnic at Heller's Grove August 6. Motormen who are employed in the morning will go to the picnic after 2:30 p.m. while those who work in the afternoon will go in the morning.

Friday, July 25, 1924 page

- 9. Report of death in Los Angeles yesterday of Frederick Wooster (sic -- meaning Wurster), former president of the Wooster (sic) Construction Company, which was for years a leading contractor in Wichita. Among the buildings in Wichita constructed by that company were the Schweiter Building, Boston Store, Caldwell-Murdock Building, St. Mary's Cathedral, Central Intermediate School, Morton-Simmons Building, Mentholatum Building, and L'Ouverture School. Mr. "Wooster" moved to Los Angeles about ten years ago. He has no relatives in Wichita. One adopted son is in Los Angeles.
- 12. Stub service is necessary on the Orient-Bitting street car line at present while Dayton Avenue on the West Side is being paved. Because of the pavement, different rails have to be put down. Two stub cars will be operated on the west side -- one from Main and Douglas and the other from Dayton to the Orient loop, giving a 15 minute service. A stub will also be operated from Nims and Franklin to the Bitting wye, with a ten minute service.

Saturday, July 26, 1924 page

2. List of five miles of streets to be paved this summer and fall. Includes Amidon from Beal to Murdock with asphaltic concrete, and 3rd from Mosley to Washington and Webb from Douglas to 1st with brick.

Advertisement with photograph of Fageol Safety Bus and timetable of Wichita-Hutchinson Stage schedule. Stops at Broadview Hotel on way to and from the Lassen.

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- 2. Short article about need for a union bus depot for out-of-town buses. Details.
- 10. Map of ward and precinct boundaries as revised in April 1924.

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10. Two large greenhouses will be constructed by the Riverside Greenhouse Company at the northeast corner of Carter and Franklin to take the place of three houses now being razed, three old greenhouses have been there over 20 years says Otto Kuschenmeister, proprietor.

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8. Drawing of The Model, new clothing store at 115 East Douglas opening tomorrow. Article with details.

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3. The new elevated 300,000 gallon water tank at Murdock and Belmont will be completed in about two weeks. Details.

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6. Article about old Fort Supply, Oklahoma. Details.

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- 8. The wooden street car loading dock on north side of Douglas at Main is being torn out by the city for the purpose of building a permanent dock such as the one on Main in front of the First National Bank. All the temporary docks in the downtown district will be torn out and permanent ones substituted. The old dock had been standing for three years.
- 10. A hot box set fire to the Orient Railway bridge at Bayley Avenue early yesterday morning

and destroyed the west half of the bridge, with damage estimated at \$25,000.

Wednesday, August 6, 1924 page

5. Bond issue of \$140,000 for a new concrete bridge over big Arkansas River at Seneca Street was carried in election yesterday by 4929 to 1783.

Remodeling of the Reserve State Bank Building at Topeka and Douglas started today. Details. Exterior of the three story structure will be given a coat of white stucco.

Thursday, August 7, 1924 page

- 3. Report of progress in building Camp Bide-a-Wee, on Little Arkansas eight miles north of the city. Foundation for the central lodge is laid. Being sponsored by YWCA board. To be dedicated in September. Details.
- 7. Report of Wichita Railroad and Light Company's employe picnic at Heller's Grove yesterday. Details.

Sunday, August 10, 1924 page

- 7. City Manager Elliott yesterday announced a \$300,000 bridge building program within the next year. Because of the widening of the Little River and the Drainage Canal, the Griffenstein and Woodman Bridges over Little River are to be lengthened, and now concrete bridges over the canal are to be built at Harry, Broadway Kellogg, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Central, Murdock, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 15th, 17th, and 18th streets. Also a bond issue for construction of a new bridge across the canal at Douglas and across the Little River at Murdock will be submitted to the voters at the November election. The new canal bridge will be 100 feet long, the width of the canal after it is widened, compared to the present 60 foot length.
- 12. Photograph of the new municipal swimming pool.

Monday, August 11, 1924 page

10. Razing of the old Park school was started Saturday and is being criticized by a number of residents of that section of the city. L. W. Clapp and others protest. The old Washington school was also torn down some time ago (within the last four years). Salvaged building material will be used in construction of the new Levy and Meridian schools. Details.

Tuesday, August 12, 1924 page

7. The Jett and Wood Mercantile Company, 630 East William, yesterday purchased the stock of the Wichita Wholesale Grocery Company, 201 South Santa Fe, for approximately \$150,000. Jett and Wood Company was established in 1895 and present building built in

1898. Details.

The Inter-City Bus Association of Wichita will meet tomorrow evening to discuss establishment of a downtown depot. There are 14 lines operating out of the city. Details.

The Arkansas Valley Interurban and its trainmen yesterday submitted their wage dispute to the Kansas Industrial Court. Details. The company showed its books for the last three years, showing a net loss in income for that period.

12. Article about plans for a big aviation meeting in Wichita on October 11 and 12, probably at the California section southeast of the city. Details.

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7. Article with details of the events to be held at the National Air Races in Wichita October 10 and 11.

Thursday, August 14, 1924 page

7. Contract for new York Rite Temple Building at Market and William was awarded last Saturday to Campbell and Price Construction Company, of Oklahoma City, for \$439,845. Details.

Friday, August 15, 1924 page

- 2. The Kansas Court of Industrial Relations yesterday ruled for a three cent an hour wage reduction for Arkansas Valley Interurban trainmen from the 1923 scale of 44 to 50 cents an hour. Details.
- 7. Excavation for new York Rite Temple building will start next Monday. Total contract cost is \$505,552. Details.

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7. Drawing of proposed new \$125,000 Osteopathic Sanitarium to be erected in Wichita.

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- 2. Four new school houses will be opened in Sedgwick County this September (listed), including the two room O.K. School one and a quarter miles west of the city on 13th Street and a quarter mile north, of brick, and the new Cook Hill School, two rooms, at 9th and Oliver. Cook family lived there in early days. Two room brick, cost \$12,000.
- 5. Article about the "forest primeval" on the O. J. Jones property at 1205 Forest. Details.

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5. Excavation for York Rite Temple Building started today.

Tuesday, August 19, 1924 page

- 5. McClellan Hotel was sold yesterday. Details.
- 7. Howard W. Simpson, of Madison, Wisconsin, has purchased the stock and lease of the McClellan Hotel Company from Richard M. Gray and John Rigby, of the Rigby-Gray Hotel Company, for \$75,000. Details.

Report of death in Tulsa on Friday of C. J. Griffenstein, age 54, son of late William Griffenstein, from a stroke. Buried at Highland Cemetery. Survived by wife, Mabel, four sons and one daughter (named), including W. J. Griffenstein, of Wichita.

10. City Plan Commission is to prepare an analysis of the bus situation in Wichita for the city commission. Details.

Friday, August 22, 1924 page

5. A number of Russian engines are being rebuilt at the Orient shops. One of them will be ready for use this week.

Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Leta Sayers, age 41, wife of A. T. Sayers of 1221 River Boulevard, at the Halstead Hospital following a major operation. Survived by husband and two children, Leonard, nine, and Glennie, two.

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12. Photograph of bus built on Cadillac chassis by M. A. McKenzie Carriage Works in Wichita for the Allen Auto Stage Line. The bus will operate between Wichita and Newton.

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4. Article about the visible remnants of the Kansas City, Mexico, and Orient Railway's attempt to build its line through the Sierra Madre mountains of Chihuahua, Mexico. Operations ceased in June 1911, when Mexico was embroiled in a revolution. Details.

Monday, August 25, 1924 page

1. The new State Reserve Bank opened today in the old quarters at Douglas and Topeka of the American State Bank, which failed 14 months ago on June 19, 1923. Details and photographs.

Wednesday, August 27, 1924 page

2. The old drainage canal bridges built in 1906-07 are too narrow and too short and will be torn out and new ones built as part of the flood control program. When they were built, Douglas avenue was paved only as far as Hydraulic. The Woodman, Griffenstein, and Central avenue bridges will also be lengthened for the flood prevention work.

Saturday, August 30, 1924 page

2. The autumn telephone directories were distributed today throughout the city. More than 23,000 were handed out, more than 1000 over last spring's deliveries. The boys deliver 75 books each and receive 1½ cents for delivering each new book and ½ cents for brining in old ones.

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1. Large photograph of David D. Leahy. Long article about him on page 6.

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7. Between 400 and 450 feet of track is being built by the Arkansas Valley Interurban as an extension to the siding of the Walnut Grove Sand Company's siding along Little River, at Forest Park, six and a half miles north of Wichita. One hundred cars of gravel and sand will be hauled by the interurban from the company's sand pit for paving work to be done at Newton. The Walnut Grove Sand Company is a subsidiary of the interurban.

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- 3. Photograph of the new Shanklin Grocery building at 1601 East Douglas. Article with details.
- 9. City commission yesterday voted \$55,000 for purchase of a 13 acre tract as site for new College Hill park.

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6. A new 27 passenger safety coach bus arrived last night from Oakland, California, the second for use on the stage line between Wichita and Hutchinson. The new bus is name "Miss Wichita," and is of the safety coach type, as is the original bus put on the line when the Wichita Safety Transportation Company opened up its stage line to Hutchinson. The original bus is named "Miss Hutchinson" and is white, while the new one is blue. There are now three of the safety type buses used here, the third of which arrived recently and is used by the Greenleaf Stage Lines on their route to Wellington and Blackwell. The two buses make five trips to Hutchinson each way daily, running west over the Cannon Ball

to Midway Garage in eastern Kingman Company, then north to Hutchinson.

7. The Rev. J. Henry Hornung, new pastor of the United Congregational Church, arrived in Wichita last night. He will preach his first sermon in the church Sunday. He comes here from Cleveland, where he was pastor of the Collinwood Congregational Church for seven years.

Friday, September 5, 1924 page

1. Report of death yesterday of Aldrich H. (Buster) Lassen, son of the late Henry Lassen, in an auto accident near Pueblo, Colorado, at age 23. Survived by wife, mother (of 901 North Lawrence), brother, William Henry Lassen, one sister, one half brother, and one half sister (all named).

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- 6. The newly rebuilt First Evangelical Church, at corner of Estelle and Waterman, badly damaged by fire on April 2, will be reopened and dedicated on Sunday, September 14. Details.
- 12. Photograph of the new Wichita High School, by Smith and Hodge.

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- 5. Wichita's new tourist camp at 13th Street and the Little River is to be dedicated September 22.
- 6. The new 350,000 gallon elevated water tank on College Hill was completed on Saturday and will be tested tomorrow.
- 7. Clark G. Anderson, formerly of Davenport, Iowa, has been appointed assistant general manager of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, to give R. B. Campbell, general manager, more time to deal with the truck and bus problem.
- 12. Report of death yesterday in Buffalo, New York, of Jacob C. Dold, president of the Dold Packing Company, at age 65. He was a brother of Fred Dold, manager of the Dold plant in Wichita. Had three other brothers, Edward, of Detroit, and Charles and Phillip, of Buffalo.

Wednesday, September 10, 1924 page

3. Report of death yesterday of Robert C. Israel, Wichita pioneer and real estate dealer, at his home, 743 North Waco, at age 69. In failing health for more than a year. Born at White Hall, Illinois in 1855. Moved to a farm in Sumner County near Norwich in 1876 and then to Wichita in 1876. Operated a grocery with C. D. Ward at 414 East Douglas

until the boom, when he entered the general mercantile business with his brother, Fred. The business was sold at auction after the boom. Soon after the boom he opened his first real estate office at 414 East Douglas. Married Miss Julia Deming at Carthage, Missouri in 1885. She was daughter of A. M. Deming, who managed the Occidental Hotel for a number of years and is sister of Mrs. Charles W. Bitting, of Wichita. He built two large apartment buildings at southwest corner of Waco and Murdock in 1910, at which time he opened the large boat house. Prior to that time his son, Robert E., had operated the boat house in a small way. Survived by wife, one son, Robert E. Israel, two daughters, Bessie May, and Mrs. Celia Carter, all of Wichita, four brothers and one sister. Details. Photograph.

Thursday, September 11, 1924 page

- 3. Missouri Pacific Railroad announced purchase of 50 locomotives for delivery November 15. Thirty-five are to be built by the American Locomotive Works, including ten Pacific type passenger engines and 25 2-8-2 freight engines. Fifteen eight wheel switchers are to be built by the Baldwin Locomotive Works. Large locomotives cost about \$75,000 each, making total approximately \$3,750,000.
- 7. Wichita Railroad and Light Company is working on plan for better service to North Riverside, now being served by a stub line connecting with ten minute West Riverside line at Franklin. An extra car has been put on for the early morning school rush. The area had been served by a line from the Orient Shops North Riverside line through the downtown section, and before that by the Fairmount-Bitting line.

Friday, September 12, 1924 page

16. Arkansas Valley Interurban advertisement for special round trip fare of \$1.50 to the State Fair in Hutchinson. September 13 to 21st.

Sunday, September 14, 1924 page

- 5-A. Interview with P. L. Brockway, city engineer, explaining why Douglas avenue and other streets do not line up east and west of the river. Says one group of surveyors working for the government laid out the section lines on east side of the river and another group on the west side and they ended up 600 feet (one block) apart. Douglas avenue, half section line, corresponds to 1st Street west of the river. Maple Street is section line west of the river, while Kellogg is on the east, and they are a block apart at the river, etc.
- 12. Photograph of modernized front of Helzberg's Diamond Shop, 102 East Douglas.
- B-9. Advertisement for special fares to Hutchinson for Fair by Wichita Safety Coach Company

Monday, September 15, 1924 page

- 1. Santa Fe engine No. 548 exploded today at the Ellinwood roundhouse. Engine cab blown 150 feet back over the round house and boiler blown over 300 feet on opposite direction. The throttle lever was found nearly half a mile away. Cause unknown. One man killed. Engine was from Ellinwood-Florence line.
- 7. Two Wichita bus lines, the Kellogg and the East Central, were sold today to an agent of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, it was announced by J. A. Combs, who owns the Kellogg line. A man named Brooks was apparently the agent for the street car company. The Kellogg line has five buses and the Central line has six. Each cost about \$5500 new. The remainder of the bus owners will continue to operate their own lines.

Wednesday, September 17, 1924 page

- 2. The Central and Kellogg bus lines will be placed under control of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company beginning Friday morning, and transfers will be given from buses on those lines to street cars. Regular fare on the buses will be five cents, with one cent extra to be paid if a transfer is requested. New safety type buses are to be purchased for the two lines. Details. The Wichita Bus Owners' Association transfers will no longer be honored on the street car company's bus lines.
- 6. Brick for the new York Rite Temple building has been purchased from the Noll Brick and Tile Company and the Lumberman's Supply Company, both of Wichita.

Thursday, September 18, 1924 page

8. The remainder of the concrete highway through Sumner County will be opened to traffic Sunday evening, making a paved road from north edge of Sedgwick County to south edge of Sumner County.

Sunday, September 21, 1924 page

B-1. Howard Patten, superintendent of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, says the company is well satisfied with its results in operating the two bus lines purchased by the company this past week, those on Kellogg and Central. In purchasing the lines the company obtained seven Reo buses of the most modern type. For about 30 days it will also be necessary to operate the older buses, until some new equipment can be obtained.

All plans for building a new Midian Shrine temple this year have been abandoned. Details.

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7. Photograph of Bat Masterson's old home four miles north of Kechi. Article with details. A sister of his is living in Wichita, Mrs. James Cairns, 1221 Carlos.

Tuesday, September 23, 1924 page

5. Contracts let by city commission yesterday for 13 bridges across the drainage canal, to replace the present ones at Kellogg, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Central, Murdock, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 15th, and 17th Streets, at cost of \$299,544. They will be the full width of the street, this eliminating the hazard of the present 18 foot bridges.

School board yesterday let contracts for building the new Levy Street and Meridian schoolhouses. Work to begin early in October and be finished within three months.

The first tourist to use Wichita's new free tourist camp at 13th Street and Little River stayed there last night. Details.

7. Howard Patten, manager of the Wichita Railroad and Light company, said today the company would immediately make application for abandonment of the Bitting Avenue stub street car service as a result of the granting of a franchise yesterday to Hal A. Sidles to extend his Lawrence Avenue bus service to the Riverside district. "The line never has paid," he declared, "and the bus service will take even more revenue from us." The Sidles extension will become effective Wednesday and will give ten minute service to North Riverside. The route will extend from Lawrence Avenue west on 1st, north on Waco, west on 9th, north on Lewellen, west on 11th to Perry, thence looping north to 13th, east to Woodrow, south to 11th, and returning over the same route. The street car company had proposed a similar bus service from 11th and Market west on 11th to Coolidge, north on Coolidge, east on 13th to Woodrow, south on Woodrow to 11th and return, with transfers to street cars at 11th and Waco and 11th and Bitting, but this proposal was shelved by the city commission.

Thursday, September 25, 1924 page

16. C. A. Wait, of Decatur, Illinois, assistant to the president of the Illinois Power and Light Company, of which the Wichita Railroad and Light Company is a subsidiary, is in Wichita to make a survey of the transportation system here and to consider possible unification of street car and bus service.

Sunday, September 28, 1924 page

B-6. The Wichita Fresh Air Baby Camp in Riverside Park cared for 47 babies between June 15 and September 22 this year.

Monday, September 29, 1924 page

3. Actual work on Wichita's new drainage canal bridges was started today, beginning with the new Kellogg Street bridge, where the old bridge was being torn out this morning. Next will be Central Avenue, followed by 1st Street. New bridge will be level instead of having a hump in the center.

Tuesday, September 30, 1924 page

2. Arkansas Valley Interurban is considering operation of a bus service to supplement its interurban car service. Details.

Wednesday, October 1, 1924 page

6. A new two story building 100 by 140 feet is to be built in first block on South St. Francis, immediately south of the National Guard Armory, by Ellis and Singleton, who will then lease it to the Johnson Brothers Auto Supply Company Details.

Thursday, October 2, 1924 page

- 2. Work will start on the new Seneca Street bridge by October 10. To be 379 feet long and have 40 foot roadway with eight foot sidewalk on each side. There is at present a temporary wooden structure a short way downstream from the site of the new bridge. It was built last spring after destruction of the old wooden bridge. Cost to be about \$107,000.
- 7. Six new motor buses have been ordered by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company and four of them are expected to arrive today. They are of Mack manufacture, cost between \$7000 and \$8000 each, and have capacity of 25 passengers. They will be used on the Central and Kellogg bus lines, recently purchased by the street car company. They will be painted cream color and green, with the cream dominating.

The Water Company's big new tank at Belmont and Central (sic -- Murdock?) was put in service today.

Sunday, October 5, 1924 page

- 11. Claude E. Neil, realtor, has purchased 100 feet of ground at 424 North Topeka and will build there a three story brick apartment costing \$65,000. The building will occupy the north 50 feet of the ground.
- 12. Full page advertisement for the National Air Congress in Wichita on October 10 and 11. Details. Admission \$1.00. To be at California section.

Tuesday, October 7, 1924 page

- 2. City commission yesterday approved an application for the establishment of a new bus line on 9th Street by Ben Chewning.
- 5. A garage to house 40 or 50 buses, and a repair shop, is to be built soon by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, according to a statement today by C. A. Wait, of Chicago, assistant to Clement Studebaker, Jr., president of the Illinois Power and Light Company,

parent of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company. Six new Mack buses have been received in Wichita from the shops and are now being painted, ready for use on the Kellogg and Central lines. They are being painted in Ivory and olive green and will seat 26 passengers each and have leatherette seats. The company has leased for a time a garage at 710 East 1st to house and care for its buses. It has a capacity of 18 to 20 buses. The company now owns 13 buses including the six brand new ones, or practically new, besides several old ones that are still in service.

16. City commission yesterday granted a license to Ben Chewning to operate a bus line on 9th Street. He will operate two buses, which will go north on St. Francis to Murdock, east on Murdock to Washington, north to 9th Street, and then east to the end of the pavement, returning by the same route and looping in the downtown district via William, Lawrence, and 1st back to St. Francis.

Wednesday, October 8, 1924

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18. The street car company has consolidated the Orient Shops and Fairmount lines. The cars now run through from Fairmount to the shops, making this the longest line in the city, with a 15 minute service. Since the change in the Fairmount-Bitting line some time ago, Fairmount cars have been looping downtown.

Thursday, October 9, 1924 page

3. An extension of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad from Newton to Salina will not be built, George Theis, Jr. said today. Details.

Sunday, October 12, 1924 page

- 1. Report of the National Air Congress show at the California section yesterday and today. Details.
- 2. A new store front is to be built immediately for the Newark Shoe Stores Company, 325 East Douglas. An electrical sign about 20 feet high will be installed.

Monday, October 13, 1924 page

1. Mrs. Ruth Garver, age 31, wife of Karl Garver, owner of Garver's Flying Circus of Attica, Kansas, was killed yesterday afternoon at the California Section, in a parachute jump, when the parachute failed to open. Details. She has been making parachute jumps for two years.

Wednesday, October 15, 1924

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5. Report of death of W. F. Bort, formerly of Wichita, in Long Beach, California, last Saturday. He was in lumber business in Wichita.

- 8. The Arkansas Valley Interurban is planning to carry 1000 school teachers from Wichita to Hutchinson tomorrow for the Kansas State Teachers' Association meeting. C. M. Morrison, traffic manager, says he plans on running eight extra cars to Hutchinson between 9:00 a.m. and noon.
- 11. The North Lawrence paved road is now opened for the entire distance, the last of the brick having been laid yesterday to close the gap north of Wichita.
- 12. The Mid-Continent Mapping Company, 121 North Market, has just placed on the market a very complete map of Sedgwick Company, giving the name and location of every farm owner in the county. It has taken more than three months to do the work to prepare the map.

Monday, October 20, 1924 page

- 3. Work started today on the new one story 50 by 140 foot brick building at 313-315 South Topeka for the Price Auto Service Company
- 10. R. B. Campbell, general manager of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, returned today from the American Electric Railway Association meeting at Atlantic City and will at once make a report to company officials recommending the number and type of buses to be purchased by the Arkansas Valley Interurban, routes to be operated, etc.

Tuesday, October 21, 1924 page

3. Three of the new green and cream colored buses of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company are now in operation on the Kellogg and Central bus lines and three more probably will be by the end of the week. They have been favorably received by the public, and business on the Kellogg and Central Avenue lines has increased greatly, H. W. Patten said today.

Tuesday, October 21, 1924 page Special section

Photographs and description of the new Crestview Country club house. Also photograph of the previous club house, destroyed by fire on May 15.

Thursday, October 23, 1924 page

1. Allen W. Hinkel, manager of the Boston Store since 1915, today bought out the half interest of the Cohn estate, effective at once. Price understood to be excess of a quarter million dollars. Mr. Hinkel has been half owner since 1917 when the corporation took the name of the Cohn-Hinkel Dry Goods Company Effective today it becomes the Allen W. Hinkel Dry Goods Company Details. The Boston Store was founded in 1886 by

Wallenstein and Cohn, who came to Wichita from Cincinnati. It was a partnership until 1903 when it was incorporated under the Wallenstein and Cohn name. Mr. Hinkel came to Wichita in 1915 when the Boston Store was in financial difficulties. He assumed the management under an agreement between the creditors on one side and the owners, Henry Wallenstein and Charles G. Cohn on the other. Since his arrival the store has increased its sales to five times what they were in 1915.

- 6. The old board walk between the Pullman tracks, Nos. 7 and 8, was torn out last week and is being replaced with a cement walk.
- 9. David V. Walker, of Walker Brothers Department Store, has begun excavation for a new home at 236 North East Street, to cost \$22,000. Architect is Edward Buehler Delk, of Kansas City.

Friday, October 24, 1924 page

- 3. The Little River dam will be opened some time next week and the water lowered in preparation for the flood control work this winter of widening the river for most of its length through the city. Most of the widening will be done with steam shovels. Undecided as yet which end of Woodman Bridge to lengthen.
- 10. Construction has started on the new Seneca Street bridge over Arkansas River. To be completed by October 1, 1925. Work has also started on the new Kellogg and Central Avenue bridges over the drainage canal.

About 15 miles of street paving will be completed in 1924.

Sunday, October 26, 1924 page

4-A. Daughters of the American Revolution plans to mark the spot in Sedgwick Company where historic Indian treaties were signed in 1865. Said to be about four miles up the Little Arkansas near the residence of E. P. Thompson later. This residence was in northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 26, Range 1 East on land now owned by W. O. Van Arsdale.

Monday, October 27, 1924

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- 1. Newton is running a bus line to Bethel College this winter.
- 3. Passenger receipts at the Union Station have dropped from \$225,000 in September 1920 to \$180,000 in September 1923 and \$140,000 in September this year.

Tuesday, October 28, 1924 page

2. The two Wichita and Augusta bus lines have been purchased and consolidated by J. A. Combs, former operator of the Kellogg Street bus line, he announced today. The Augusta line will go under the new management tomorrow. Buses will leave at Lawrence and Douglas and stop at the Eaton Hotel, with a regular daily schedule of eight round trips on week days and four on Sundays. New Dodge buses will be put into service. They will leave Wichita at 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m., and 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 6:15, and 10:30 p.m. There will also be a cut in prices from the former 75 cents one way and \$1.25 round trip, to 50 cents a trip straight.

7. Owners of the inter-city bus lines have made arrangements with the Derby Oil Company whereby the northwest corner of Lawrence and 1st may be used for a central bus terminal when the proper time comes for opening such a terminal. The Derby Oil Company now leases the corner from Madison Aley for a filling station.

Wednesday, October 29, 1924 page

3. A. A. Hyde has purchased the H. J. Bunten farm of 159 acres three miles north of the city on the Arkansas Valley Interurban and Little River. The property was sold by the Bunten heirs for \$25,000. The Little River bisects the property.

Advertisement for new J. A. Combs Wichita to Augusta bus line.

Sunday, November 2, 1924 page

11. The new YWCA camp, Camp Bide-a-Wee, on the Little River north of Wichita, is to be dedicated today. Details. To get there go eight miles north on Arkansas Avenue to the Fairfield Station, turn west and go to the river, and then turn north into the camp grounds. Those going on the Arkansas Valley Interurban should get off at the Fairfield Station.

Wednesday, November 5, 1924 page

- 1. Report of election yesterday. Details.
- 6. Flood gates of the Little River will be opened today to lower the water and permit widening of the Woodman Bridge. The bridge will be closed about three months.
- 7. Dr. Walter Scott Priest, pastor of Central Church of Christ for 15 years, has submitted his resignation effective January 1st, at which time he will be 65 years old.

Thursday, November 6, 1924 page

6. Report of death this morning of W. O. Van Arsdale at his home, 205 Broadview, at age 66. Born in Mason County, Illinois, in 1858. Came to Burrton, Kansas in 1883 and to Wichita a few years later. Survived by wife, May, two sons, J. H. and Leon B., both associated with him in business, and one daughter, Louise. Photo.

Saturday, November 8, 1924 page

- 2. Inter-city bus owners today filed petition with City Manager Elliott asking permission to establish a depot north of 1st and west of Lawrence. Details.
- 8. In Tuesday election the Murdock Avenue Bridge bonds carried 13,703 to 8817, and the Douglas Avenue Canal Bridge carried 12,809 to 9003.

Sunday, November 9, 1924 page

- 2. Wichita Railroad and Light Company advertisement announcing change in routing of Kellogg and Central Avenue buses.
- 8. Article lists street paving contracts since August 1924. Details.

Inauguration of Photo Gravure Section.

Photograph from top of Beacon Building by Homer Harden shows points on roof of Boston Store still present.

Photograph of residence of E. M. Middlekauff.

Tuesday, November 11, 1924 page

- 6. City commission yesterday tentatively approved plan of having a central depot for intercity bus lines. Details.
- 7. Arkansas Valley Interurban has shipped over 100 carloads of cattle from Hutchinson to Wichita this month. They were received from the Rock Island Railroad at Hutchinson. Fifty-four have arrived in the past two days (54 carloads) for the Wichita Union Stockyards.

Wednesday, November 12, 1924 page

3. U. G. Charles, architect in Wichita for many years, has moved to Topeka, where he will work as a patent attorney.

Thursday, November 13, 1924 page

11. Details about plans for widening the lower end of the Little River and lengthening the Central Avenue dam. Mouth of Little River will be widened from present approximately 90 foot width to about 250 feet. Dam will be widened by 90 feet. Intersection of Central and Seneca will be rebuilt.

Sunday, November 16, 1924 page

- 4. Bus service between Wichita and Arkansas City will be started tomorrow by the Kansas Motor Lines Company. Buses will leave Hotel Broadview at 7:50 a.m. and Lassen at 8:00 a.m. daily. The new bus company is owned by P. H. and T. A. Kennedy, formerly owners of the Kansas City Coach Company, of Kansas City, Missouri. The company will operate two Fageol safety coaches, and two more of the buses will arrive within the next 30 days. The buses will run through Wellington, Oxford, and Winfield and will leave from Broadview and Lassen hotels.
- 7. U. G. Charles, architect, has moved to Topeka and is engaged in patent work there. However the Wichita office of U. G. Charles and Company, in the Schweiter Building, remains open, with M. Y. Charles in charge.

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8. Article about F. Woody Hockaday with details about activities, personality, etc. ("Lack of Children Makes Hockaday an Idea Factory")

Tuesday, November 18, 1924 page

6. City commission yesterday voted to start condemnation proceedings at once to obtain the land for the new College Hill Park at Roosevelt and Douglas from its more than 50 owners, and appropriated \$55,000 in bonds to pay for the purchase, or about \$2619 an acre.

Wednesday, November 19, 1924 page

6. Arkansas Valley Interurban directors today began the consideration of purchasing buses to use in connection with their trolley line. Details.

Friday, November 21, 1924

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2. N. M. Brown, of Topeka, has purchased the lease of the Hotel Eaton from W. H. Gaines for upwards of \$30,000. Details.

Sunday, November 23, 1924

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- 2. Auto stage Time Tables.
- 7. Map shows streets in area of the new College Hill park and location of the park site with article.

Monday, November 24, 1924 page

9. Article reports rumors that the Wichita Railroad and Light Company will buy some of the existing bus lines in the city. Details.

Tuesday, November 25, 1924 page

- 5. Three bus lines, the Sauder Motor and Truck Company, Greenleaf's Stage Line, and Gurly's line, known as the Wichita-Winfield-Arkansas City Stage Line, have consolidated into one incorporated company with a capital of \$50,000, Dan Sauder, of Wellington, announced today.
- 7. A new stage line from Junction City to Wichita has been put into service, with four cars in operation. The route will be via Herington, Marion, Florence, Peabody, Walton, and Newton. The trip will take four and a half hours, leaving Junction City at 8:00 a.m. and returning from Wichita in the afternoon.

Wednesday, November 26, 1924 page

1. Under the old stage coach statutes the state charter board in Topeka granted charters today to four motor bus lines, including the Southern Kansas Stage Line, of Wichita, C. Greenleaf and Robert Pyke, of Wichita, directors, with authorized capital of \$50,000.

Thursday, November 27, 1924 page

1. Sale of the Kansas Gas and Electric Company's gas rights and distributing system to the Cities Service Company, subsidiary of the Empire Companies, for six million dollars, was announced yesterday. The Kansas Gas and Electric Company will continue in the electric power business only. Details.

Saturday, November 29, 1924 page

2. Motormen on the North Riverside stub line of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, operating from Nims and Franklin to 12th and Bitting, make 116 round trips each 18 hour day of the week. The two operators are C. J. Esclavon, who makes the first trip at 5:30 a.m., and Charles Lynskey, who makes the last one at 12:20 a.m. For the 116 trips the trolley is turned 232 times each day. The car makes one round trip every six minutes (SPC?).

Sunday, November 30, 1924 page

3. Cornerstone of the new York Rite Temple Building at southeast corner of William and Market will be laid Wednesday. The skeleton outlines of the building are now rapidly being raised. Details.

Sunday, November 30, 1924 page

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- 1. Photograph of Douglas avenue looking west from Lawrence street cars (same photograph I have -- shows wooden platforms).
- 3. Reminiscences of early Wichita by Mrs. John C. Mossman, 550 North Green, who has lived for 53 years on the old homestead, an 80 acre tract north of Central and east of Grove. Details. The Mossmans bought their 80 acres from Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodyear, who came here the year before. Mrs. Goodyear is a sister of Mrs. Mossman and still lives here at 1526 West Maple. The Goodyears sold their west 80 and kept the east 80. Mrs. Mossman's brother, Henry Smith, owned the quarter section south of 13th and east of Grove. Her father, Joshua Smith, lived on the quarter section between Douglas and Kellogg east of Grove. At the northeast corner of Hillside and Central was the home of Andrew Cook, and the quarter section south of the Mossman's was owned by Ed Rose, a bachelor. Details.
- 7. Interview with the Missouri Pacific engineer, W. A. Thompson, who drove first engine from Ft. Scott to Yates Center in 1882 (photograph), and two years later the first Missouri Pacific train into Eldorado. The engine first used west of Ft. Scott was an old Missouri, Kansas and Texas engine rebuilt for the new line west of Ft. Scott. Details.

Fall **Magazine** section

1. Aerial photograph of downtown Wichita from west taken by Smith and Hodge from Laird Swallow plane.

Section with special articles and photographs. Article about early Wichita history with details. Article with history of Wichita's early telephones. Article with details on history of Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad. Photograph of the Johnston Press -- printing and office supplies.

Monday, December 1, 1924 page

2. Report of visit to Wichita this week of M. W. Levy, of New York, former Wichita resident, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kos Harris. Mr. and Mrs. Levy were married here 50 years ago last October 18. Levy said his sons, Guy, Sedgwick, and Herbert are handling the Levy brokerage business in New York under the name of Levy Brothers. They were all born in Wichita and attended school here, and Guy attended Fairmount College.

Tuesday, December 2, 1924 page

5. At school board meeting yesterday a committee of Negroes requested that either the Ingalls School be converted into a Negro school, or that a Negro school be built near that location, at 9th and Cleveland, as that district is rapidly filling up with colored families and white families there are moving to other sections of the city.

7. Belmont Avenue is to have a residential "white way" lighting system paid for by the property owners, extending from Central to Douglas, and at the entrances to the street at Central and Douglas ornamental arches are to be erected.

Wednesday, December 3, 1924 page

- 1. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company today announced the formation of a subsidiary company, the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company, capitalized at \$100,000, to purchase the inter-city bus lines operating out of Wichita. Three bus lines have been purchased: from Wichita to Hutchinson, from Wichita to Newton and Salina, and from Wichita to Winfield and Arkansas City by way of Wellington. Fifteen buses will be placed in service at once, seven of which are new buses. Another line is planned, from Wichita to Eldorado and Augusta. New buses purchased are the Fageol make, four being parlor cars seating 32 passengers. Three sedan type buses have also been purchased, with seating capacity of 27. Eight Reo and Cadillac buses owned by the companies taken over will be used. Cost is approximately \$75,000.
- 8. Report of laying of corner stone of York Rite Temple building today.
- 9. M. F. Morris has started a new bus line from Wichita to Mulvane by way of Derby. Buses leave from 111 North Emporia. Details.

Friday, December 5, 1924 page

15. Board of education yesterday purchased approximately 11 and a half acres from the southern half of the Steinbuchel estate, on the low sand hills between the Little River and Sim Park, for \$40,000 as a possible site for a new high school. Details.

Saturday, December 6, 1924 page

2. City engineer is working on plans for the new Murdock Avenue bridge. It will be 245 feet long compared with 160 feet of present bridge, and will have 40 foot roadway and 12 foot walks compared with 20 foot roadway and four and a half foot walks of present bridge.

Sunday, December 7, 1924

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Magazine

1. Photograph of M. W. Levy and of the old Levy home in Wichita.

Monday, December 8, 1924 page

2. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Rose Goldsmith, wife of Ike Goldsmith. Born in Cincinnati January 28, 1875, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Wallenstein, and came to Wichita 25 years ago. Survived by husband, two daughters, Marion, senior at Wichita High School, and Virginia, student at Wichita College of Music, four brothers, Henry

Wallenstein of Wichita, Abe Wallenstein of New York, Ike Wallenstein of Chicago, and Jake Wallenstein of Atchison, and one sister, Mrs. I. Gerson, of Houston. Lived at 4203 East Douglas.

Tuesday, December 9, 1924 page

- 3. Report of death Sunday of Wichita pioneer, James F. Humphrey, who came here in 1870, at age 76. Obituary and photograph.
- 5. The Arkansas Valley Transportation Company today eliminated the direct bus service between Wichita and Hutchinson of the Wichita Safety Coach Company, which it has purchased. Details.

Wednesday, December 10, 1924 page

- 1. A 30 foot section of the South Lawrence Avenue bridge collapsed this morning under weight of a 14 ton excavating machine. Details.
- 2. Work started today on installation of the city's new automatic traffic signals in downtown area. Details. To be installed by January 15.
- 9. The old Rutan home at Rutan and Douglas, which later became the Ben Eaton home, is being moved from its foundation to a point 52 feet west and five feet north to make room for the new Osteopathic Hospital. It is an 11 room brick that has been stuccoed over.

Thursday, December 11, 1924 page

7. The state charter board today granted a charter to the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company

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11. Recent poll of 1734 students at high school showed following means of conveyance to school:

Street car 678
Walking 482
Automobile 393
Motor bus 98
Bicycle 83

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1. Photograph of Jocelyn home at Wiley and Riverside.

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3. The first of the new buses purchased by the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company, subsidiary of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, arrived in Wichita Tuesday night after having been driven from the factory at Kent, Ohio. It is a Fageol sedan with seating capacity for 27 passengers. It has a blue body with a white band. The company has ordered eight new buses.

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8. Stage line routes from Wichita to Greensburg, Coldwater, and Ashland were opened today by Erwin S. Mendenhall, owner of the Blue Star Stage Line. This line has been operating between Wichita and Pratt for almost one year. Today the line was extended to Ashland. It leaves Wichita at 11:00 a.m.

Monday, December 22, 1924 page

3. Piers of the new Seneca Street bridge will be completed within three weeks. After that work on the superstructure will begin.

Wednesday, December 24, 1924 page

8. Beginning Sunday, three Rock Island trains will stop in Wichita for meals at the Fred Harvey dining room here. Previously those trains have stopped for meals at Caldwell.

Thursday, December 25, 1924 page

- 2. Effective today the Wichita-Eldorado DeLuxe Auto stage line owned by John McClure and in operation for two years or more, is being consolidated with the Augusta-Wichita Stage line of J. A. Coombs, which was started a few months ago after J. A. Coombs sold his Kellogg Street bus line in Wichita. Details.
- 3. S. B. Amidon's 22nd annual Christmas party was held this noon at Scottish Rite Temple. His first party was in 1903. Twenty-five hundred people were expected to attend.
- 12. Aerial photograph by Smith and Hodge of the J. H. Turner Coal Yards at 600 West Douglas.

Saturday, December 27, 1924 page

7. Each employe of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company with the company six months or more received a paid up insurance policy for \$500 as a Christmas present yesterday.

Two hundred men participated in this gift.

Sunday, December 28, 1924 page

6. Article about plans of Arkansas Valley Transportation Company to build a new bus garage on North Waco just north of the Arkansas Valley Interurban freight depot and facing east on Waco. Details.