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 1926 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon Friday, January 1, 1926

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2. Chronological list of major events in Wichita in 1925. 1925 events:

January 16	Hiram Imboden dies.
April 13	Electric traffic signals in operation.
May 14	New Elks building opened.
May 21	Fourteen story Union National Bank Building announced
July 15	Sisters of St. Joseph take over Wichita hospital.
August 19	J. Hudson McKnight dies.

Saturday, January 2, 1926

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1. John Rigby and Richard M. Gray of the Rigby-Gray Hotel Company, lessees of the Lassen Hotel, have purchased nearly all the stock of the hotel building for \$600,000. They have succeeded in working out a refinancing plan for the hotel. It has not earned dividends during the last three years due to the fact that there is more hotel space in Wichita at this time than is warranted by the demand. Details. Richard M. Gray has been personally in charge of the hotel's operation since its completion.

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3. Advertisement with dark photograph of nearly completed concrete skeleton of the Union National Bank Building.

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9. Article about the first Santa Fe depot in Wichita with many errors. Photograph of

employes.

Monday, January 4, 1926

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- 6. Merger of more than half of the brick manufacturing companies of the central west into an eight million dollar corporation known as the Western Brick and Tile Company is expected to be completed this week. Thirty-three companies are to be included in the merger, including the Noll Brick and Tile Company of Wichita, the Coffeyville Vitrified Brick and Tile Company of Ft. Smith, Arkansas and Cherryvale, Kansas and Coffeyville, Kansas and Collinsville, Oklahoma, and others (listed).
- 12. Report of death yesterday of W. W. Pearce, age 82, former president of the Pearce Dental Supply Company until resigning in April 1925 because of poor health. Obituary and photograph.

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7. In connection with the flood prevention plan, city commission has let contract to Kelly Construction Company for moving 50,000 cubic yards of dirt from Little River between Griffenstein Bridge and 11th Street for 29 cents per yard.

Thursday, January 7, 1926

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11. The Wichita Reo Motor Company has taken over the business of the Wichita Automobile Company, of George H. Schollenberger, and has taken a long time lease on the company's property at 2nd and Lawrence. Details.

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8. District court has given a temporary injunction against Fire Chief Brownewell's order to tear down the old frame building of the McKenzie Carriage Works at southeast corner of 1st and Water. The order was at request of George R. Bassett, receiver for the McKenzie property, which has been the subject of dispute for several months among the heirs, Donald and Leo McKenzie, brothers. It adjoins on the east a large brick building in which the McKenzies have their principal shops and factories.

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Magazine

2. Article about Wichita City Directory of 1878 which was recently given to the Wichita City Library by the Cincinnati Public Library. Details and three photographs -- North Main Street, Tremont Hotel and Douglas Avenue bridge.

Monday, January 11, 1926 page

1. The Orpheum Building was sold today by the building company stockholders: Richard M. Gray, president, J. Arch Butts, vice-president, and W. A. Vincent, secretary, to the Brown-Crummer Investment Company for approximately \$500,000. Details.

Tuesday, January 12, 1926

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- 3. Eight motor buses, constituting the entire rolling stock of the South Topeka Avenue bus line, were damaged in varying degrees early Monday morning by a fire in the Winger garage, 600 South Topeka. One bus is a complete loss and one other is in such condition that it is doubtful if it can be repaired. The other six are scorched but have less heavy damage. The bus line is operated by Roy L. Bowlus, 1427 South Emporia, who is continuing service on the South Topeka line using buses borrowed from other lines. Details.
- 7. Construction of the hanger for the Chicago-Wichita-Dallas air mail planes is to be finished in the next few weeks. Contract for the building was let yesterday to the Kansas Planing Mill Company at cost of \$2000. It will have a concrete floor and corrugated iron walls and roof and be 40 by 50 feet. Besides the hanger, an office will also be built at the Travel Air Field on East Central.

Wednesday, January 13, 1926

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3. George V. Smith, realtor and oil operator, today purchased 160 acres of land southeast of Wichita from Mrs. Anna Otto for \$40,000. It is the northwest fourth of Section 30, Range 27, Township 2 East and lies on the south side of Kellogg one mile east of Oliver, and is just across the road south from the Lynch tract, recently purchased by Alton H. Smith.

Friday, January 15, 1926

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9. The McKenzie brothers, Don and Leo, today agreed on a settlement of their dispute over the McKenzie estate. Don becomes the owner of the carriage works and Leo receives the rest of the estate, including some valuable real estate in the city. Details.

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3. An apartment house with six apartments has been completed at 121 South Kansas by Sidney Mourning. Cost was \$27,500.

Sunday, January 17, 1926

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8. The Reiff Motor Company, local Chevrolet dealer, has been sold to Chester Dahl, of Kansas City, Missouri, and will continue at the same location, 221 South Lawrence, as the Dahl Chevrolet Company.

Sunday, January 17, 1926

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Magazine

7. Article about the weather bureau in Wichita. Details.

Monday, January 18, 1926

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7. The Kozy Klosure Company, 600 East 35th Street, was completely destroyed by fire Saturday night at a loss of over \$100,000. Company plans to rebuild the factory.

Fire early Sunday morning caused heavy damage to the second and third stories of the Knorr Mercantile Company warehouse at 135-137 North Santa Fe.

Friday, January 22, 1926

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1. Report of death today of Arthur S. Parks, president of the United Sash and Door Company, at age 69. Came to Wichita in 1886 from Wisconsin. Moved to Beverly Hills, California a few years ago. One daughter, Mrs. Tom Kelso, also lives in California. A nephew, George Parks, lives in Wichita. Obituary. Further obituary January 23, page one.

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Magazine

10. Article about Jack Vickers, of Vickers Petroleum Company. Biography and photograph.

13. Article about Derby Oil Company with photographs of its refinery on East 21st Street.

Friday, January 29, 1926

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- 2. The First Presbyterian Church has purchased the O. D. Barnes residence at 901 North Lawrence as a pastor's residence for the Rev. Harrison Ray Anderson. Home was owned by the Barnes estate. Mrs. Barnes, widow of the builder, now lives in Los Angeles. House was built 15 years ago. The church is paying \$20,000 for it. Photograph.
- 7. All directors and officers of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company were reelected at the annual meeting this week. Directors listed. George Theis, Jr. is president, W. E. Brown and C. H. Smyth, vice-presidents, and R. B. Campbell is secretary-treasurer. Company has 90 on its Wichita payroll. Operating expenses for the past year were \$307,017.19, and 845,822 passengers were carried.

Sunday, January 31, 1926

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5. The Southwestern Osteopathic Sanitarium expects to move into its new building at Rutan and Douglas Monday morning from the former location across the street.

- 8. Advertisement for Lahey and Martin's new mortuary's formal opening Monday, February 1, at 1401 East Douglas. Photographs.
- B-7. Title to the Boy Scout cabin in Riverside has been transferred from the Riverside troop to the Wichita council of the Boy Scouts. Details.

Tuesday, February 2, 1926

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- 2. Board of education yesterday voted to raise salary of L. W. Brooks, principal of Wichita High School, from \$5000 to \$5280 a year, by a five to four vote.
- 12. The Arkansas Valley Transportation Company, a subsidiary of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, has agreed to sell its bus lines south of Wichita to the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company. This will give the Southern Kansas Stage Lines lines from Wichita to Blackwell, Caldwell, Winfield by way of Augusta, Winfield by way of Wellington, Eldorado and Eureka, and to Pratt. The Southern Kansas Stage Lines will have a total of 33 buses and yesterday applied to the charter board for an increase in its capital from \$75,000 to \$125,000 for today's purchase and other outlays of money.
- 18. Article about D. B. Emmert, who compiled Wichita's first city directory in 1878. Letter has been received from his two sons, E. S. and R. G. Emmert, of Muskogee, Oklahoma, saying that he moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, and died there in 1881.

Wednesday, February 3, 1926

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7. The first Curtiss "Carrier Pigeon" plane is expected to be delivered this week at Buffalo to the National Air Transport, Inc., which has the contract for air mail service between Chicago and Dallas, known as Route No. 3. It is the first of ten planes of the same type ordered by the company, plus 35 Liberty engines, at a total cost of over \$300,000.

During the winter a club house was erected by the Walnut Grove Community Club.

Thursday, February 4, 1926

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- 4. Contract was let today for Johnston and Larimer Company's new factory building at 10th and Santa Fe (should be 9th and Mosley) for \$20,800.
- 7. Windows are in the new Union National Bank Building to the tenth floor and bricklayers are ready to begin laying brick for the twelfth story.
- 9. Schmidt, Boucher, and Overend have been employed to prepare plans for completing the Hillside Christian Church building. The basement and foundation were built three years ago and roofed over and used for services since then.

Friday, February 5, 1926

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8. Advertisement announcing formal opening of the new Southwestern Osteopathic Sanitarium and Hospital at Douglas and Rutan on Saturday, February 6. Photograph. Long article with details and history. The institution moved from Blackwell to Wichita in June 1924.

Sunday, February 7, 1926

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- 6. Announcement of a few changes in Arkansas Valley Interurban schedules effective Wednesday, February 10. ¶ The Arkansas Valley Transport buses have been discontinued south of Wichita and the Southern Kansas Stage Lines have taken over that operation. All of the Southern Kansas Stage Line buses will operate in and out of the Arkansas Valley Interurban station at 416 West Douglas in addition to operating through the Union Bus Station on East 1st Street.
- B-6. Sixty thousand golfers made use of the Sim Park municipal links in 1925 compared with 56,000 in 1924.

Monday, February 8, 1926

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13. Foundations are in and bricklayers are laying the walls for the W-W Feed Grinder Company building on West 2nd Street. To be 100 by 206 feet, one story, and cost about \$50,000.

The Central State and Merchants State Banks have consolidated and opened for business this morning.

Tuesday, February 9, 1926

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- 8. Advertisement announcing new Arkansas Valley Interurban schedule.
- 16. An old Wichita landmark, the Peter Getto house at the southwest corner of 2nd and Water Streets, is being torn down. Mrs. Getto desires to sell or lease the ground on which the house stands for business purposes. The house was built in the early 80s and has been continuously occupied until a few months ago. It stands just north of the Western Glass Company's building.

Thursday, February 11, 1926

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9. Four bus routes of the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company were officially turned over to the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company by an order issued yesterday by the Kansas Public Service Commission. The four routes are:

Route No. 6: Wichita to Wellington through Waco, Belle Plaine, and Riverdale

Route No. 7:	Wichita to Winfield through Wellington, Dalton, Oxford, and Albright.
Route No. 8:	Wichita to Winfield through Belle Plaine.
Route No. 9:	Wichita to Winfield through Waco, Belle Plaine, Wellington, and Oxford.

Friday, February 12, 1926

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11. The long awaited train sheds at the Union Station are finally to be built, starting within 30 days. There will be two sheds, each 600 feet long. One will be between the first through track and the first spur track, and the other between the second and third through tracks. Details.

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6. All intercity bus lines entering Wichita will stop at the Arkansas Valley Interurban station as well as the Union Bus Depot. Buses of the Southern Kansas Stage Lines have been stopping there since Wednesday. Those of the De Luxe Blue Line began stopping there today, and the Seamans Transportation Company buses for Anthony and the southwest will begin stopping there Monday.

Sunday, February 14, 1926

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3. Article describes early day travel in sleeping cars. Details. "Dollar Cars" with no seats and no uppers.

Sunday, February 21, 1926

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6. Full page advertisement for a refinancing plan for the Elks Club Building, second block on North Market. Details.

Sunday, February 21, 1926

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Magazine

13. Article about Dwight K. Oxley, secretary and general manager of the Southwest Cracker Company. Born in Iowa 40 years ago. Came here from Omaha in 1915 when the Western Biscuit Company was reorganized and became the Southwest Cracker Company. Biography and photograph.

Monday, February 22, 1926

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7. The Rounds and Porter Lumber Company moved into its new home in the second block of North Waco Saturday. It is on the site of the old Gipsy Smith tabernacle and is 250 by

350 feet in size.

Tuesday, February 23, 1926

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8. The Eberhardt-Hays Music Company, which has been in business in Wichita for 23 years, is closing its business and moving from its store at 318 East Douglas. After remodeling, the building will be occupied by the Hub Clothing Company, now at 403 East Douglas.

Wednesday, February 24, 1926

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1. Allen W. Hinkel today purchased that portion of the Boston Store owned by the Emporium Building Company, which was organized in 1906 by the late Charles G. Cohn. This includes the west 36 feet of the Boston Store building. The east 56 feet of the building is owned separately by Judge W. C. Little. Cost of today's purchase was around \$250,000. Details.

Friday, February 26, 1926

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- 8. Mr. Otto Weiss, who has lived in Wichita 54 years, is moving to Garden City for two or three years to look after his land there.
- 13. Mr. H. M. Van Auken, the new secretary of the Wichita Chamber of Commerce, arrived here this morning from Dubuque, Iowa.

Saturday, February 27, 1926

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8. The Crawford Theater was sold at a sheriff's sale February 3 to L. M. Crawford for \$53,049, following foreclosure of the mortgage. It had been owned by the Wichita Theater Company, which has 18 months from date of the sale to redeem the property.

Sunday, February 28, 1926

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- 2. Drawing (accurate) of the million dollar apartment building to be built at Rutan and Douglas. Plans are being prepared by Schmidt, Boucher and Overend.
- C-6. The Kansas Power and Light Company sale of their seven percent preferred stock, which opened on February 4, has been discontinued because the entire issue has been sold. The company is owner of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company.

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Magazine

9. Article about H. W. Darling, Wichita lumberman, with biography and photograph.

Wednesday, March 3, 1926

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1. Two "Carrier Pigeon" planes of National Air Transportation, Inc. will arrive in Wichita this afternoon on the company's preliminary flights over the new Chicago to Dallas air mail route. Date not yet established for start of regular service.

Friday, March 5, 1926

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- 1. Article reports a controlling interest in the Jacob Dold Packing Company has been sold to Edwin A. Andrews, president of the Niagara Radiator and Boiler Corporation of North Tonowanda, New York, from the executors of the late Jacob Dold's estate. Details.
- 9. City of Wichita was today enjoined in district court from widening Douglas Avenue from Hydraulic to Grove by taking 20 feet from property on the south side of the street and assessing cost to the property owners. Judge I. N. Williams said he believed the city at large should pay the greater share of the cost.

Saturday, March 6, 1926

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8. The Wichita Fresh Air Baby Camp, previously located in North Riverside Park, is to be moved to Wesley Hospital April 11. Details. It was founded August 3, 1918 by Mrs. J. Cooper King and Mrs. Howard Norton.

Cornerstone of the University Friends Church is to be laid tomorrow afternoon. Details. Report March 8, page 12.

Sunday, March 7, 1926

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B-12. Article about the new train sheds at union station, the construction of which will start in a few days. Will cost about \$50,000. Details and drawing.

Tuesday, March 9, 1926

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10. The Siedhoff Construction Company started laying brick on the Johnston and Larimer factory building at 9th and Rock Island this morning.

Thursday, March 11, 1926

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11. The Missouri Pacific will place a gasoline motor car in service Monday on the Wichita to Hardtner line. The car arrived in the city today. It has a six cylinder engine and a capacity of 44 passengers. A baggage trailer is carried on the rear.

Friday, March 12, 1926

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4. Report of death this morning of prominent Wichita lumber dealer, Alexander C. Houston, age 67. Survived by wife, Katherine, five sons, Joseph B., Guy R., Max A., Ted B., and

George M., all of Wichita, and one daughter, Mrs. Gilbert H. Trith, of Emporia. Photograph.

Sunday, March 14, 1926

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C-8. Photograph of one of the Seamans Transportation Company's buses, which run between Wichita and Woodward, Oklahoma. Mr. Seamans has ten buses and plans to put two new buses on the line in the next two weeks.

Sunday, March 14, 1926

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Magazine

7. Article about E. A. Watkins, president of the Watkins Manufacturing Company, 200 North Waco, age 42. Biography and photograph.

Monday, March 15, 1926

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9. Article about plans for the Chicago-Kansas City-Wichita-Dallas air mail route which is to be inaugurated May 12 by National Air Transportation. Details.

Wednesday, March 17, 1926

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4. Workmen today began dismantling the interurban line between Winfield and Arkansas City. Permission to discontinue the service and junk the line was given by the Kansas Utilities Commission Monday. ¶ It has been owned and operated by the Arkansas City Northern, of which George Theis, Jr., and associates, are the principal owners. It was purchased at a receiver's sale four years ago, and Mr. Theis has lost \$50,000 in the experiment. ¶ The College Hill line in Winfield will continue as before.

Thursday, March 18, 1926

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8. The county this summer will pave two and a half miles of road between the southeast edge of the city and the county farm. The pavement will begin at Hillside and Lincoln, where the pavement on South Hillside now ends, and continues south half a mile, than east one mile, and then south to the northwest corner of the farm. A five and a half mile section of the Maize-Wichita road will also be paved, connecting with the Arkansas Avenue pavement at 29th Street. The remaining four and a half mile gap will be paved early next year.

Tuesday, March 23, 1926

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9. Luncheon was given today at the Elks Club by Fred G. Smyth to a group of nearly 100 Wichita pioneers (names listed).

Thursday, March 25, 1926

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- 5. The Mary B. Talbert branch of the YWCA for colored women and girls is to be have its own club house in a two story building at 818 North Water recently purchased by the central YWCA. Building to be remodeled. The branch has previously been located in a large room at 628 North Main. Details.
- 10. The industrial department of the Western Lithograph and Office Supply Company at 125-129 North Emporia has been moved to the new Vincent building at southwest corner of 1st and Topeka, and the office supply department, located at 146-48 North Market will be moved in about two weeks.
- 20. The brick walls for the new Johnston and Larimer building at 9th and Rock Island are completed and trusses for the roof are being put in place. The roof should be completed within the next ten days.

Friday, March 26, 1926

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- 1. Article says the Orient Railroad receiver, William T. Kemper, is proposing to sell approximately 55 miles of unimproved right-of-way of the Orient Railroad between Eldorado and Emporia to the Santa Fe. Details.
- 7. Workmen began razing the old McKenzie carriage shop at 1st and Water Streets this morning. It was built by M. A. McKenzie in 1884 and was recently condemned as a fire hazard.
- 8. The Missouri Pacific's new motor train between Wichita and Hardtner is proving popular. It was put in service about two weeks ago.

Monday, March 29, 1926

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13. When Douglas Avenue is extended east two miles to the aviation field, as it will be soon, a part of it will be two streets instead of one. A plan, approved by the county planning board, calls for this double street for a distance of about three fourths a mile through Minneha Park, the new subdivision of a part of the Lynch tract, to be platted and sold by Alton H. Smith and associates.

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2. It is planned to christen the "Miss Wichita" air mail plane of National Air Transportation on May 3. Details.

Thursday, April 1, 1926

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3. St. Mary's Cathedral has purchased the Robinson property on North Lawrence adjoining the cathedral on the south. The 12 room house will be used by instructors in the Cathedral

High School. Cost was \$15,000.

11. Sidewalks are being poured now and the new Union National Bank building will be ready for tenants next week.

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3. Advertisement with photograph of interior of the Wichita Theater, looking toward the rear.

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9. Work is under way on the union station train sheds. It will take about three months to complete them. Details.

W. C. Turner, driver of a 2nd Street bus, was robbed of \$47 late Sunday night as he was turning the bus around at 2nd and Crestway.

Tuesday, April 6, 1926

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8. Board of education yesterday let contract for the new Alcott School building at Vassar and Murdock to Scott Brothers Construction Company for \$92,846. To have eight rooms, kindergarten and auditorium. Total cost including plumbing and heating and electricity is \$115,291. Architect is Glen H. Thomas. To be completed by opening of school in September.

City commission yesterday elected Frank Nighswonger as mayor.

The Frisco Railroad has been using motor car passenger service out of Wichita longer than any other railroad, having used it here since 1917. The oldest motor car now in use is the one which operates to Ellsworth. It first came here in 1919. Details.

Saturday, April 10, 1926

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6. Monday morning, April 12, the Western Lithograph and Office Supply Company will open with all its departments in its new building at southwest corner of 1st and Topeka. Details.

Sunday, April 11, 1926

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- 4. Advertisement announces rents in Orpheum Building have been reduced 20 percent. Photograph.
- B-2. Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Tihen, 1227 River Boulevard, announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Ann, April 1, in Wesley Hospital.

Wednesday, April 14, 1926

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7. Report of sudden death yesterday of Topeka pioneer, Fred R. Huntoon, age 77, a brother of Mrs. Coler Sim, of Wichita. Had lived in Topeka since 1856.

Friday, April 16, 1926

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11. The new wing at Wesley Hospital will be opened May 4. Details.

Saturday, April 17, 1926

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7. Dr. Raymond C. Clapp, Wichita physician, was sentenced today in federal court in Topeka to one year and one day in prison following his conviction on a charge of mail fraud. Details.

Monday, April 19, 1926

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- 3. Map of a new air mail route from Chicago to Dallas to be started May 12 by National Air Transportation. Route is Chicago-Moline, St. Joseph, Kansas City, Wichita, Oklahoma City, Ft. Worth-Dallas. To stop in Wichita northbound 11:47-11:57 a.m. and southbound at 1:08-1:18 p.m.
- 9. Reminiscences of early Wichita by Dr. Charles C. Allen, dentist, visiting here from Kansas City, who is son of Dr. E. B. Allen, first mayor of Wichita. Details. ("First Graduate of Wichita High Visits the City")

Wednesday, April 21, 1926

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13. Large advertisement urging vote Saturday in favor of making Fairmount College a Municipal University. Details.

Thursday, April 22, 1926

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13. Ward and precinct map of Wichita.

Sunday, April 25, 1926

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- 1. The municipal university proposition carried in the election yesterday by about a two to one majority. Details.
- C-3. During the past week the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company has purchased two new Studebaker buses from the Floto Motor Company. They are known as the 15 passenger cross seat sedan, and will be delivered early this week. This will make a total of nine Studebaker buses owned by the Southern Kansas Stage Lines. ¶ The Southern Kansas Stage Lines has adopted Minnesota blue as their standard color and all of their buses are

painted this color with a white stripe at the belt line.

Wednesday, April 28, 1926

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1. C. L. and F. C. Brosius will begin work by July 1 on a six story building at southwest corner of Lawrence and Douglas. Plans are being prepared by Schmidt, Boucher, and Overend. Details.

Thursday, April 29, 1926

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5. Cornerstone of the Hillside Christian Church will be laid Sunday afternoon.

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8. Article about Wichita golf clubs with photographs of the three club houses.

Monday, May 3, 1926

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9. Article about progress on the train sheds at union station. Details.

Tuesday, May 4, 1926

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- 6. Members of the board of regents of the new municipal university have been selected. Named.
- 20. Article discusses possibility of moving the street car tracks over Arkansas River to Douglas Avenue bridge. Details.

Wednesday, May 5, 1926

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7. Article about christening ceremonies for the air mail plane "Wichita" Sunday afternoon. Details.

Frisco Railroad has today asked the Public Service Commission for permission to discontinue motor trains 327 and 328 between Wichita and Cherryvale.

Thursday, May 6, 1926

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1. The first National Air Transportation airmail plane to land in Wichita arrived today at 11:33 a.m. on a practice flight. Pilot was D. P. Askew, of Ardmore, Oklahoma. Plane had left Dallas this morning and continued to Kansas City. Details.

Sunday, May 9, 1926 page

- 2. Drawing of new six story building to be erected at southwest corner of Lawrence and Douglas by the Brosius Brothers. To be 50 by 120 feet.
- 5. Immanuel Lutheran Church will worship for the last time today in its old frame church building at 320 Ellis, which has served it for 15 years. The first unit of a new brick church at South Market and Indianapolis has been built and will be dedicated on Sunday, May 16. Details May 13, page seven. Report May 17, page six.
- 9. Large advertisement for buses of Southern Kansas Stage Lines, DeLuxe Transportation Company, and Seaman's Transportation Company, with diagram of routes served.
- B-12. Full page advertisement for Wichita's new air mail service, which starts May 12. Schedule.
- C-6. Photograph of new 22 passenger Reo bus sold last week to Ben Chewning, Wichita bus operator. It is a "palace chair coach" and will be used only for special charter trips, etc.

Sunday, May 9, 1926

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Magazine

6. Article about F. B. Isely, now dean of the Texas Women's College, of Ft. Worth, who was a member of the first graduating class at Fairmount in 1899, and about others in the Isely family. Photograph of first Fairmount College student body.

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14. Report of christening yesterday afternoon of National Air Transportation's mail plane "Wichita." Details.

Tuesday, May 11, 1926

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18. City commission yesterday passed the enabling act which allows the city to take over Fairmount College and maintain it as an institution of higher learning.

Wednesday, May 12, 1926

page

1. Report of arrival of the first regularly scheduled air mail planes in Wichita today. First plane, from the south, arrived at 1:03 p.m., one hour and six minutes late. The south bound plane arrived on time at 1:18 p.m. The first plane from the south was the "Miss Dallas," followed a few minutes later by a second section in the "Miss Ft. Worth." The first was piloted by Herbert L. Kindred and the second section by Dorsey L. Askew. The south bound plane was piloted by R. L. Dobie. Details.

Thursday, May 13, 1926 page

- 3. "Hillcrest Apartments" is the name chosen for the large company-operative apartment house to be built soon at Rutan and Douglas by Herman Hoffman and others at cost of about one million dollars.
- 11. Article about the first mail train to arrive in Wichita, on May 13, 1872, when the track was completed only to the packing house area. William Griffenstein went to Topeka and rode back as a passenger, and Otto Weiss and his brother William, who were nephews of Griffenstein, were also passengers. Details.

Friday, May 14, 1926

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8. Board of regents yesterday chose Dr. John D. Finlayson as the president of the new University of Wichita. He has been president of Fairmount College for four years. Formal transfer of the college property to the city will occur on graduation day, June 2.

Sunday, May 16, 1926

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- 7. County commission has approved the paving of Motor Avenue from Lawrence Avenue east to the Bridgeport Machine Company works in North Wichita with an 18 foot concrete slab.
- C-3. Photograph of the Floto Motor Company with three new 15 passenger Studebaker buses purchased by the Greenleaf Stage Line. The buses were driven here from Syden, Ohio, where the body works of the Studebaker Corporation is located.

Monday, May 17, 1926

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2. The few newly painted cars on the Arkansas Valley Interurban are very loud. The color which has been chosen for use on the exterior of the cars is a vivid red. R. B. Campbell, secretary-treasurer of the company, admits that the new car coloring is of his choosing.

Monday, May 24, 1926

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- 3. The Orient Railway is beginning the construction of a new freight depot at Fairview, Oklahoma on the site where the old eating house stood. The old building is being wrecked and a commodious new building is to be erected.
- 8. The new \$60,000 factory building of the Johnston and Larimer Company opened for business today. It was planned by Schmidt, Boucher, and Overend and is a one story, L-shaped building, with each angle being 161 by 50 feet. Details.

Friday, May 28, 1926

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3. The W-W Grinder Company's new building at 419-25 West 2nd is completed and the company is about ready to move into it in the next few days. It is 100 by 267 feet.

16. The Helzberg Diamond Shop has leased the ground floor of the Schweiter Building for five years. It will be remodeled at cost of \$10,000 before the store expands to occupy the entire corner. It is now next to the corner at 102 East Douglas.

Sunday, May 30, 1926

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4. The new Union National Bank building had its official opening yesterday. Actual construction began on August 20, 1925 and building was completed by May 1. Architects were Vitzthieu and Burns, of Chicago. Erected by George H. Siedhoff Construction Company. Cost approximately \$2,100,000. Is 72 by 120 feet and 14 stories. Details and photographs.

Wednesday, June 2, 1926

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- 9.
- Charters were granted in Topeka today to the Metropolitan Building Company, C. L. and Frank Brosius, et al. (named), capital \$350,000, which will erect a six story office building at Lawrence and Douglas, and to the Douglas-Rutan Building Company, incorporated by Lorentz Schmidt, G. F. Schmidt, Herman Hoffman, C. F. Boucher, and L. B. Hoffman, capital \$100,000, who plan erection of a million dollar apartment building at Douglas and Rutan.

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B-12. The former Wichita Wholesale Grocery Company building at southeast corner of Commerce and William has been purchased by the Knorr Mercantile Company for about \$70,000. The building has been partially occupied recently as a warehouse for storage of broom corn. Details.

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8. The Wheeler Kelly Hagny Trust Company has purchased as an investment the three story Lawrence building at southeast corner of Douglas and Emporia for \$135,000 from Harry Lawrence (sic), and his sisters, Miss Harriet Lawrence and Mrs. Ruth Wright, heirs of the Robert Lawrence estate. The first floor was occupied for several years by the Merchants' State Bank but is now occupied by Lunger's café and some small stores, and the two upper floors are occupied by the Bowers Hotel.

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7. Drawing of old part of the Riverside Boat House by Kansas City artist, Walter A. Bailey.

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14. Work will start this week on the new R. G. Kirkwood Building at 405 West Douglas, to

cost about \$35,000. To be 104 by 165 feet, two stories a considerable distance back from Douglas Avenue, and then one story the rest of the distance. H. S. Conrow is architect.

Tuesday, June 15, 1926

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1. The Wichita Hospital nurses residence, 313 North Seneca, the old Ben McLean home, was damaged extensively by fire at 4:00 a.m. today. Details. Photograph.

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- 2. Report of death today of Mrs. Lottie Elizabeth Loevenguth, wife of O. P. Loevenguth, principal of Lowell School, at age 26, at her home, 1402 South Hydraulic, after a long illness. She had lived in Wichita two years, coming to this country from Sweden. Survived by husband and a daughter, Esther L., age two.
- 7. Report of death of Mrs. U. S. Hougeland (Marion) yesterday in St. Louis at the home of her father, Wichita pioneer N. F. Niederlander. Says her father settled on a farm 25 miles west of Wichita in 1875. Soon after, he moved to Wichita and engaged in real estate business with Pat Healy at corner of Douglas and Emporia. The partnership lasted until 1892 and he lived in a large brick house at 629 North Lawrence, where Peter Lahey now lives. He lost most of his fortune in the failure of the Wichita National Bank, but recouped his losses after moving to St. Louis in 1895, where he became affiliated with the American Brake Company.

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7. Article about Wichita's public swimming pools. Municipal pool had 102,700 patrons in 1925. Details and photographs.

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18. A communication to city commission from Mrs. Laura Buckwalter, 1106 Larimer, warning the city to keep its weed cutters off her property on pain of having them prosecuted for trespass, was read to city commission yesterday.

City commission yesterday approved paving with concrete of a half mile of South Hydraulic from Harry to Stafford. No curb and gutter will be built.

Wednesday, June 23, 1926

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7. Article about a Model S-200 Travel Air four passenger plane to be delivered tomorrow to the Gerbracht Aeronautic Corporation of Ames, Iowa. It is one of six turned out by Travel Air each month and is a cabin type ship designed by Lloyd Stearman of the company and made its first flight this morning.

Thursday, June 24, 1926

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12. The new train sheds at Union Station are almost completed and should be completed by Saturday. They were built by the W. A. Bechtel Company, of San Francisco.

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3. Ben Chewning, 1703 East 13th, this week purchased another Reo bus from the Wichita Reo Motor Company. This is the second bus purchased from them by Mr. Chewning in the past two months.

Thursday, July 1, 1926

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 Report of death yesterday of pioneer Wichita contractor, S. G. Gribi, age 82, at his home, 431 South Water. Born in Switzerland March 27, 1844. Came to Kansas in 1868 and to Wichita in 1871. Survived by wife, Anna, one son, John, and two daughters, Mr. J. F. Knoblauch and Mrs. A. H. Bolte.

Friday, July 2, 1926

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17. Lieutenant Ira Martindale was appointed captain of the Riverside Fire Station to succeed Captain C. S. Rowsey, resigned, by Chief Al Brownewell, today. He has been on duty at the Riverside station since it was built. Bo Offenstein was made Lieutenant to succeed Martindale.

Sunday, July 4, 1926

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5. A 300,000 bushel elevator will be added to the unit of the Wichita Flour Mills immediately, giving a total capacity of a million bushels. To be completed by September 1.

Tuesday, July 6, 1926

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10. The paving of Arkansas Avenue Road from 25th to 37th Street, one and a half miles, has been completed.

Bids for paving five and a half miles of the highway east from Maize towards Wichita will be opened about August 15. The second section of the road, completing it from Maize to Wichita, will be built next year.

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4. "The Brown Building" is the name given by Brosius Brothers to the new six story office building they are preparing to erect at southwest corner of Lawrence and Douglas, the land on which the building is to be erected having been leased from the Brown estate. The work of razing the old building is progressing rapidly. This work was started yesterday morning and by noon today the entire second story had been torn down.

Roland P. Murdock, Jr., of Kansas City, Missouri, is visiting in Wichita today. He is Kansas field representative from the *Kansas City Journal*, the *Kansas City Post*, the *Sunday Journal-Post*, and the *Kansas City Weekly Journal*. He is the son of the late R.
P. Murdock and spent his youth here. He accepted a job with the *Kansas City Journal-Post* two years ago.

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- 5., 15. Article by Bliss Isely giving history of ownership of the southeast corner of Lawrence and Douglas where the new Union National Bank Building is located. Details ("And The Site Once Sold For Taxes")
- 10. Article by Bliss Isely -- "How Main and Douglas Came to Be." Details.

Monday, July 12, 1926

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12. Contract for the new Hillcrest apartment house at Rutan and Douglas has been let to the Ellis and Singleton Construction Company. The general contract was for \$675,000. Excavation will be started this week. The former residence of George Walker on the site, sold a few years ago after Mr. Walker's death and used for a time as an osteopathic hospital, was recently sold and moved away. Details and drawing.

Tuesday, July 13, 1926

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8. Report of return home today for a year's vacation of Miss Harriett Morris, after five years in Korea as a missionary for the First Methodist Church, of Wichita. She will stay at the home of her father, Walter Morris, 11th and Riverside. She is a teacher of home economics in a girl's high school in Pyong Yang and will return in one year. She was greeted among others by five nieces, two of them being daughters of W. L. Morris, two daughters of Mrs. H. Clay Lint, of New York, and one the daughter of Mrs. Max Noble. Details. Photograph on July 18, page B-2.

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- 6. Robert W. Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Campbell, has cut loose from the office of the interurban and has entered the employ of the Watkins Manufacturing Company as a traveling salesman.
- 9. National Air Transportation will spend three months testing passenger planes on its line for suitability. A ten passenger Ford plane will be delivered to the company Saturday at Chicago.

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- 2. Further discussion of the question of putting the street car tracks on the Douglas Avenue bridge. The street car company's attitude is passive, as it would cost them about \$25,000 without any increase in return. Details.
- 17. Zoning map of city of Wichita, with legal description.

Saturday, July 17, 1926

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2. No decision regarding matter of putting street car tracks on Douglas Avenue bridge at meeting last night between city commission and Albert M. Patten, of Topeka, head of the Kansas Power and Light Company, of which the Wichita company is a subsidiary. Details.

Tuesday, July 20, 1926

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8. Twenty-eight thousand one hundred forty-two cars have been registered in Sedgwick County since the first of this year.

Wednesday, July 21, 1926

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7. Photograph of the Carry Nation drinking foundation in front of Union Station, erected in 1918 by the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Thursday, July 22, 1926

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9. A two car motor train has been installed on the Missouri Pacific between Wichita and Cherryvale in place of the steam service. These cars were operated between Wichita and Hardtner for a time, but a single motor car has been put on that run in place of them.

Friday, July 23, 1926

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3. Workmen this morning began pouring concrete for the footings of the new Brown Building. Within a few days the excavation will be completed and the foundation walls will be started.

Saturday, July 24, 1926

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1. The ten passenger plane recently ordered from Ford by National Air Transportation will not be ready for trial flights until August 15.

Sunday, July 25, 1926

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2. Report that applications were filed yesterday with the Kansas Public Service Commission in Topeka by Horace M. Beck for six new blue lines in Wichita, to operate on South Market, 1st Street, West Side, South Wichita, Northeast Wichita, and 3rd Street. Hearing to be held September 7. ¶ There are now nine independent bus lines in the city and two operated by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company.

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5., 12. Article about buses operating out of Wichita, Union Bus Depot, etc. Details. Photograph ("The Stagecoach Stages A Come Back")

Monday, July 26, 1926

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12. Another article about application for new bus lines in Wichita by Horace M. Beck, of St. Louis, through his Wichita attorney, Lew A. Hasty. Details.

Thursday, July 29, 1926

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2. Report of fire yesterday at the four story Cotto-Waxo Floor Cleaning Company building at 220-224 West 10th Street. Damage estimated at \$7000. Photograph.

Sunday, August 1, 1926

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- 9. J. H. Turner was elected president of the newly formed Wichita Flying Club at its initial meeting Friday night. The club is to finance and handle flying events in Wichita in the future. It was organized with a membership of 100, and dues are \$5.00 a year. Other officers include Howard Fleeson, vice-president, Roscoe Vaughn, treasurer, and C. M. Casey, secretary.
- B-1. The Board of Regents levied a one mill tax for the maintenance of the University of Wichita during the coming year at its meeting Saturday. Details. ¶ Miss Irene Tihan (sic -- Tihen) of Wichita High School was employed as physical instructor for women. She has had three years experience at the University of South Dakota (sic).

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10. Article by Bliss Isely about one of Kansas' most versatile surveyors, H. L. Jackson, of 461 West 9th in Wichita, for whom Jackson Avenue was named. He has been a railroad surveyor, county surveyor of Sedgwick County, and city surveyor of Wichita. Came to Kansas in 1869 at age 21 to survey the meridians and parallels. Surveyed the extension of the Wichita and Western from Kingman to Pratt, built in 1886, and the Kansas Midland Railroad. Also the Hutchinson and Southern. Retired several years ago. Has two daughters, Mrs. William Stice, 1103 Carlos, and Mrs. Gordon Hall, 477 West 9th. Details and photograph.

Monday, August 2, 1926

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7. Walter Morris and Son have purchased a 74 acre tract from East Street to Oliver Street south of Douglas from the Knight Investment Company of St. Louis for \$125,000 and will open it for development as a restricted residential district. It was originally an 80 acre tract but the Wichita Consistory purchased a building site on one corner of it two or three years ago.

Tuesday, August 3, 1926

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1. Article about vice found in the Eaton Hotel by the chief of police. Details.

Wednesday, August 4, 1926

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 Report of death yesterday of prominent pioneer Wichita attorney and judge, Henry C. Sluss, at age 84, at his home, 1035 North Topeka. Came to Wichita in 1870 from Illinois. Survived by two daughters, Mrs. Howard V. Wheeler, 346 North Belmont, and Mrs. Clay B. Smythe, of New Haven, Connecticut. Photograph.

Friday, August 6, 1926

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7. Mr. O. S. Shirk has purchased from Mrs. Dovie Lauck four lots at northwest corner of 2nd and St. Francis with 100 foot front on St. Francis and will erect a brick building 100 by 140 feet thereon.

Saturday, August 7, 1926

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- 1. Report of flight of Walter Beach (sic -- Beech) in the Ford reliability tour. Details.
- 2. Article about possibility of extension of the street car line on East Douglas from Roosevelt to Oliver. ¶ Howard W. Patten, superintendent, stated that the first thing to be settled is the fight over the building of a wye at Douglas and Belmont. Judge Sargent has dissolved the injunction obtained by certain property owners in that vicinity, but it is understood that they are talking of appealing the case, and if they do that the company will have to wait to see what their next move will be.
- 8. Airplane express service has been inaugurated by National Air Transportation, Inc. Packages will be carried from any National Air Transportation route point to another at the rate of 50 cents a pound, the size limit being the airplane pit size. Picking up and delivery service will be included on any package weighing more than five pounds.

Sunday, August 8, 1926

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10. List of names of contributors, Jewish and non-Jewish, to a relief fund to prevent starvation among Jewish people of Europe. Henry Wallenstein is chairman of the campaign. Dr. H.

N. Tihen gave \$25.

Monday, August 9, 1926

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10. The Coleman Lamp Company is taking steps toward the building of the last unit of its plant in the second block of North St. Francis. Bids are being asked for the wrecking of the old Catholic church building which occupies the southeast corner of 2nd and St. Francis; this will than be replaced by the final unit of the company's plant, four stories, and 60 by 140 feet, at cost of approximately \$60,000.

Wednesday, August 11, 1926

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- 1. Article says the Ranney-Davis Mercantile Company plans to erect a large building in Wichita. Details.
- 3. Advertisement for the second annual Ford Air Reliability Tour which will visit Wichita Friday and Saturday.
- 5. Good progress is being made on the garage being erected by the Arkansas Valley Interurban on its South Poplar Street property in Newton, which will house the company's buses operating between Newton and Salina. To be ready for occupancy next month. The Arkansas Valley Interurban this week purchased another new Studebaker bus for service out of Newton.

Thursday, August 12, 1926

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- 2. Excavation for the basement of the new Hillcrest Apartment Building at Rutan and Douglas has been under way since early in July and will be completed tonight. Approximately 12,000 cubic yards of earth have been removed by E. E. Kelley, excavation contractor, and the cost of excavation alone is \$18,000. Ellis and Singleton have the general contract for construction of the building. Details.
- 9. The old Coler Sim house at 1303 North Lawrence was sold today to J. O. Gilbert, furniture dealer for \$20,000. It was built by Mr. Sim 15 years ago. After his death his widow sold it three years ago to G. B. Waite, an oil man of Blackwell, Oklahoma. After his death, his son, Garrett Waite, who now lives in Blackwell, came into possession.
- 14. Article says Lloyd Stearman, of the Travel Air Company, designed the plane in which Walter Beach (sic -- Beech) has been winning events in the Ford Reliability Tour. Says Stearman came to Wichita about two years ago and helped to organize Travel Air Company. Details.

Friday, August 13, 1926

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9. Free copies of the "Comprehensive City Plan" prepared by Harold Bartholomew, of St.

Louis, for the city planning commission, will be given to persons who call at the Wichita Chamber of Commerce office.

Saturday, August 14, 1926

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1. Report of death at 6:15 p.m. yesterday of George Theis, Jr., president of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway and Kansas capitalist, at age 64, when he was struck by an airplane propeller at the Travel Air Company airport, which was being taxied to the hangar by Lloyd Stearman. Details and photograph.

Report of Ford Reliability Tour which left Wichita this morning for Kansas City. Details.

3. Photograph of the Travel Air biplane with Walter Beach (sic -- Beech) standing in front taken 30 minutes before it killed George Theis, Jr.

Biographical article about George Theis, Jr. and his life and philosophy. Details. (Life and philosophy of George Theis, Jr.)

Sunday, August 15, 1926

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- 2. It will cost the city \$242,623 to buy the land necessary to continue the flood control program by widening the drainage canal. A strip of about 95½ acres between 21st Street and the Arkansas River, in 834 separate parcels, is to be acquired. Condemnation proceedings will be started at once. Details.
- 3. Photograph of the Coler Sim mansion, 1303 North Lawrence, recently sold by Garrett Waite, of Blackwell, Oklahoma, to J. O. Gilbert, who will take possession about September 15.

The Holiness Tabernacle, recently completed at Beulah park, will be dedicated this morning. Details.

6. Announcement of incorporation of the Sutton Electrical Supply Company by R. M. Sutton, president of the Southwestern Electrical Company. Details including names of other officers.

Monday, August 16, 1926

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10. Widening of the drainage canal is expected to begin by November 1st. The Douglas Avenue bridge is the only bridge across the canal which remains to be widened. It will be made 100 feet wide. Its reconstruction was held up because the proposal to widen Douglas Avenue met opposition in the courts. This litigation has not yet been settled but the bridge will be widened anyway.

Tuesday, August 17, 1926

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2. Report of funeral of George Theis, Jr. Article says Robert B. Campbell, general manager of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, and the Theis family, have been acquainted since 1895, when the Theis and Campbell ranches, near Ashland, adjoined. Some biography and personal description ("Associates Pay Respects to George Theis")

Wednesday, August 18, 1926

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- 8. A 69 acre tract of land just north of Kellogg and east of Oliver has been purchased by Emil Elder and Eben Pyle from Eschel Bronston, formerly of Wichita but now in New York, for approximately \$50,000. It is just east of the tract recently purchased by Walter Morris for \$1500 an acre, and the price per acre was about half that paid by Mr. Morris. The tract was originally 80 acres, but ten acres from the corner was recently sold to Emil Elder. Mr. Bronston purchased it in 1902 from the Keene Syndicate for \$35 per acre, a total of \$2800.
- 14. Henry S. Conrow, architect, has prepared plans for the one story building, 100 by 140 feet, to be erected at once by O. S. Shirk on the northwest corner of 2nd and St. Francis. To cost \$25,000 to \$30,000.

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11. George Theis estate estimated to be worth about two million dollars. Details.

Brief note about F. A. Wesley, owner of the photography and framing shop at 122 South Topeka.

Sunday, August 22, 1926

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1. Report that Walter Beech won first place in the second Ford Reliability Tour. Details.

Monday, August 23, 1926

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- 2. Article about reported provisions of George Theis' will. Survived by wife, three sons and two daughters (named).
- 10. Construction will start this week on the infirmary building at the Sedgwick County farm. To cost \$23,000.

Tuesday, August 24, 1926

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2. Contract let yesterday to George H. Siedhoff Construction Company for remodeling and addition to the building at 115-117 North Topeka recently purchased by the Midian Shrine. It was formerly owned by the Elks Club, which built a new front on it a few years ago. The present 40 by 50 feet, three story addition will extend the building back to the

alley. At present it is 50 by 100 feet. Plans are being prepared by S. S. Voigt, architect. Cost to be about \$60,000.

1., 4. Theis will is probated. Text is given in detail. ("Theis Will is Filed")

Wednesday, August 25, 1926

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12. Horace W. Beck, of St. Louis, in whose name application has been made to operate six new motor bus routes in Wichita, was in Wichita today gathering information for the hearing before the Kansas Public Service Commission in Topeka September 7. Mr. Beck says he plans to operate 20 or more Fageol buses of the most recent design.

Friday, August 27, 1926

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- 2. George Theis' will leaves \$30,000 to employes of the Arkansas Valley Interurban. Twenty thousand dollars goes to 80 employes who have been in the company's service for more than a year prior to Mr. Theis' death, i.e., \$250 each. Ten thousand dollars will be divided among the heads of the departments and two former officials, a total of seven individuals, to receive \$1428 each, including R. B. Campbell, general manager; C. M. Morrison, traffic manager; Charles Basse, auditor; A. Martin, general superintendent; E. R. Vallance, master mechanic; Charles A. Morey, former superintendent and now with the Arkansas City-Winfield-Northern Company at Winfield; and H. M. Dobbin, former auditor, living in Wichita.
- 4. Article about local opposition to the six new bus lines in Wichita proposed by H. E. Beck and associates, of St. Louis. Details.
- 20. The eight passenger Ford plane ordered by the National Air Transportation for use on the Chicago-Kansas City-Dallas air mail route will not be placed in operation until September 15.

Sunday, August 29, 1926

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- 3. Photograph of the George H. Siedhoff home at northwest corner of 2nd and Belmont, which has been sold to S. L. (Kid) La Mar for \$55,000. Has Carthage stone exterior. Mr. La Mar is an oilman who came to Wichita from Eldorado. Home built six years ago.
- B-5. Fiske Hall, formerly the men's dormitory at Fairmount College, was completely remodeled this summer and will be used by the University of Wichita for offices and class rooms. Photograph.
- B-7. Large Southern Kansas Stage Lines advertisement.

Monday, August 30, 1926 page

12. Test of a resolution of tribute to George Theis, Jr., by the directors of the Arkansas Valley Interurban. ("Arkansas Valley Interurban Directors in Tribute to Mr. Theis")

Tuesday, August 31, 1926

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- 5. Contract is to be let Thursday, September 2 for paving of the first section of the Maize to Wichita road, comprising a little more than five miles running east from Maize. The second section is to be placed under contract early in 1927 according to plans.
- 12. Article speculates about new president of Arkansas Valley Interurban. Suggests it might be Warren E. Brown, Robert B. Campbell, or Charles G. Smyth.

Friday, September 3, 1926

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- 1. The city today purchased land in the West Riverside district as the site for a municipal art museum. It comprises a part of the Stackman tract at the intersection of Sim Park Drive and River Boulevard and fronts the lagoon which the Little River forms as it circles the Municipal bathing beach. Mrs. Marie Steinbuchel, administrator of the estate, sold the tract (five acres) for \$16,500, which is below the market price, and then ceded 2.15 acres more, giving the city a total tract of 7.15 acres, thought to be worth \$25,000, for the \$16,500. The Stackman estate, of which this is a part, was established by Frederick P. Stackman in 1873, and in 1881 he bought a farm of 130 acres in what is now Riverside addition. His widow, Mrs. Marie Steinbuchel, still lives in the original homestead, 705 Faulkner.
- 7. Contract was let Thursday by the county commission for the first five miles of the Maize-Wichita road, to be paved with concrete starting at the Missouri Pacific tracks in Maize. Work is to start within 30 days and be completed by January if weather permits, although June 1, 1927 is the completion date permitted by the contract. Contractor is Schultz Brothers, of Wichita, and cost of the 18 foot slab is \$1.74 per square yard.
- 9. South Lawrence-Riverside buses are detouring between Lawrence and Main Streets on 2nd Street, instead of 1st Street because of the laying of the conduits for the Kansas Gas and Electric Company on 1st Street.

Sunday, September 5, 1926

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- 1. Report of serious illness of Senator William B. McKinley, of Illinois, Illinois Traction magnate and politician. Details and photograph.
- 2. Resolution by Chamber of Commerce opposing addition of another bus company to those already in Wichita.

Sunday, September 12, 1926 page

Magazine

10. Article about the group of Wichitans who will be on the University Afloat round the world tour aboard the *S.S. Ryndam* for eight months, sailing from New York next Saturday. Wichita group will be led by former Governor Henry J. Allen, accompanied by his wife and his daughter, Henrietta. Wichita students include Paul W. Fleeger, Richard Dold, John R. Tucker, Lawrence Stanley, Jack K. Moore, Tom Harley, Jr., Millard W. Simmons, Rex Whitlock, Hunter Gilkeson, Jr., and Whitney Drake. Details and photographs.

Sunday, September 19, 1926

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9. The Wichita Railroad and Light Company promises better cars for the Fairmount street car line, H. W. Patten, superintendent, said today. Three old cars have been used on the line from Fairmount to the Orient Shops, but Mr. Patten says he will now use these for trouble cars or extra cars when other cars are temporarily out of order, and will put better cars on the Fairmount line in place of them. Patrons of the Fairmount line have complained to the Kansas Public Service Commission about the condition of some of the cars used on the line.

Sunday, September 26, 1926

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- 6. O. P. Loevenguth, who has been a principal at Lowell School for three years has been transferred to Kellogg School. He came to Wichita from Iowa, where he taught school, and is a graduate of the State Teachers' College at Emporia. Photograph.
- B-7. The new University Friends Church at University and Glenn Avenues is to be dedicated October 10. Cost with lot about \$90,000. Details. Photograph.

Sunday, September 26, 1926

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10. Article by Bliss Isely about the Munger House with details and photograph as it appears now at 820 Back Bay Boulevard, with owners Dr. and Mrs. John H. Fuller. ("Wichita's Oldest Home")

Tuesday, October 5, 1926

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4. The eight passenger airplane which National Air Transportation has purchased for service on the Chicago-Kansas City-Wichita-Dallas line will be in service about October 20 according to the latest word. The plane will be delivered to the company about October 15 and will make several trial flights before regular service is started.

Wednesday, October 6, 1926

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3. Service between Newton and Bethel College has been permanently discontinued. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Company continued such service for several years after the

road was constructed, but it never paid expenses and notice was given three or four years ago that it would be discontinued. The action was fought by the city of Newton and was forbidden by the Public Service Commission. Meantime the service was discontinued pending a decision of the United States Supreme Court (?). This case has been dropped by an agreement of those interested, and the track between Newton and the college, two and a half miles, will be taken up.

Thursday, October 7, 1926

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- 5. Horace W. Beck and associates, who have applied for permission to establish six new bus lines in Wichita, will give free rides to Wichitans for six days beginning Friday to demonstrate the 29 passenger Fageol safety coach he plans to use if permission is granted. He will operate the bus only one day on each of the six proposed routes: South Wichita, Country Club, High School, West Side, Northwest line, South Main and Ellis.
- 8. St. Francis Hospital will build an addition within the next year at the northwest corner of 9th and St. Francis. There is a large frame house on the corner which will probably be removed for the addition.

Friday, October 8, 1926

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7. Mr. and Mrs. John L. Powell, who formerly lived at 131 Circle Drive, returned this morning for a visit after an extended tour of Europe. For several years he has been a traveling representative of the United States Chamber of Commerce and will now be western representative of the United States Chamber of Commerce with headquarters in Wichita. They will live temporarily at the Shirkmere Apartments. Photograph.

Sunday, October 10, 1926

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- 9. Advertisement with photograph of interior of bus proposed for use in Wichita by Horace W. Beck and associates.
- B-6. Advertisement with map of bus routes proposed by Horace W. Beck and associates.

Sunday, October 10, 1926

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13. Article by Bliss Isely giving reminiscences of Amos Grable, street car motorman, about one of the last buffalo killings in Sedgwick County when he was eight years old in October 1873. Details and photograph. ("He saw the last buffalo killed") (Badge 503.)

Monday, October 11, 1926

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12. Billie Naramore, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arch P. Naramore, 810 Carter, died yesterday of pneumonia which followed whooping cough, after being in the hospital eight

weeks this summer with a broken leg caused when a neighbor's car, backing out of the garage, ran over him. In addition to the parents he is survived by sister, Mary, and a brother, John.

Thursday, October 14, 1926

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1. The Wichita Railroad and Light Company yesterday filed an application for the Public Service Commission in Topeka to revoke all bus permits in the city of Wichita except those granted to that company. Hearing was set for Tuesday, October 19. The application asks for revocation of the bus permits for the following bus operators in Wichita: J. J. Flournoy, Ben Chewning, J. W. Calhoun, H. A. Sidles, Nussbaum Brothers, E. C. Goss, and H. L. Bowlus (who all banded together in the Independent Bus Owners Association).

Sunday, October 17, 1926

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7. The new parochial school and community building at Andale will be dedicated next Wednesday by Bishop Schwertner. Details.

Tuesday, October 19, 1926

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1. State Board of Agriculture census reports Wichita population in March 1926 of 94,179.

Wednesday, October 20, 1926

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- 1. Article reports plan to build a ten story medical arts building at northeast corner of William and Water. Details.
- 2. Report of dedication of Andale's new parish school today. Details. Cost \$50,000 and replaces old one in use many years. It is 50 by 90 feet, two stories.

Friday, October 22, 1926

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2. Lots on the J. Hudson McKnight tract between English and Kellogg and east of Hydraulic will be placed on sale tomorrow. Details.

Sunday, October 24, 1926

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- B-1. Division superintendent A. H. Webb, of the Missouri Pacific, of Wichita, will retire November 1 after being with the Missouri Pacific in Wichita nearly 40 years. Came here in 1887.
- C-2. Article about the new home of the S. A. Long Electric Company in the second block North Market. It was formerly occupied by the Western Lithograph and Office Supply Company and is owned by the J. H. Burns interest. The three story, 33 foot front building

has been remodeled. Photograph.

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5. Article about the old Harry Hill place on South Hillside between Lincoln and Harry, with entrance bounded by long lane of pine trees. Harry Hill came to Wichita in 1877, built his house in 1885 and died July 19, 1896. The original house built in 1885 burned to the ground in 1916, after which Frank J. Penley, a wealthy Augusta farmer who had bought it, started construction of the colonial mansion (photograph) which now stands at the top of the hill. Mr. Penley then gave it to his daughter, Mrs. R. J. Paul, who also came here from Augusta. ("The House On The Hill")

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2. Thirty thousand six hundred one automobile licenses have been issued in Sedgwick County since January 1. The total number issued in 1925 was slightly less than 27,000, but is expected to reach 31,000 this year.

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1. Announcement made yesterday by Allen W. Hinkel of an extensive remodeling and rearrangement program at the Boston Store to cost approximately \$100,000. Actual work will start December 27. Details. The old central stairway will be torn out. Boston Store will have its 40th anniversary in January 1927.

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18. Robert B. Campbell was elected president of the Arkansas Valley Interurban at a special meeting of the board of directors yesterday to succeed the late George Theis, Jr. Other officers elected were

Warren E. Brownfirst vice presidentCharles H. Smythesecond vice presidentMrs. R. L. SchrecksecretaryCharles Bassetreasurer.

Mr. Campbell stated the company would go out after more freight business and that about 40 percent of their business is now freight, whereas a few years ago it was only around ten per cent. Details.

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3. Another Dockum drug store, the fourth, will be opened about February 1, at 21st and Lawrence in the Dunn Mercantile Company's building. Details.

- 10. Article about A. H. Webb, long time Missouri Pacific superintendent here, who effective November 1 is appointed Special Assistant to the Vice President-General Manager. His headquarters will remain in Wichita. He is now 71 years old, with 52 years of service to the Missouri Pacific. Came to Wichita in November 1886. Details and photograph.
- C-11. The new University of Wichita has started with an enrollment of 554 students.
- C-13. Article about Southern Kansas Stage Lines says after returning from World War I in 1919, Aaron Greenleaf began his stage line to Pratt with a seven passenger car after securing the star route mail contract. As the business grew he added more cars, and two years ago he installed coaches. Today 30 coaches are needed for the four lines out of Wichita -- to Pratt, Eureka, Caldwell and Tonkawa, and to Winfield and Arkansas City. The routes total about 250 miles and the daily mileage of buses is 4500. Southern Kansas Stage Lines advertisement.
- C-15. Article about St. Francis Hospital. Says 56,862 persons have been cared for there in 37 years, of which one-fifth were treated entirely without charge. The school of nursing was opened in June 1917. Details.
- D-8. The new telephone directory is now being delivered in Wichita. There are 26,000 telephones in Wichita. Details regarding changes in arrangement of classified pages.

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- 7. Advertisement with photograph of the Brokers Office and Warehouse Company, 139-147 North Rock Island.
- D-8. Article with some early history of Wichita by O. C. Emery. Says the first settler in what is now the city limits of Wichita was Jesse Chisholm in 1863. The first white woman to settle in Wichita was Mrs. H. W. Vigus in 1867. The first claim on the present townsite of Wichita was taken in February 1868 by E. P. Waterman. The first post office was established in 1868, with Milo Kellogg as post master. The town was first called Wichita in 1868. The first plats were filed simultaneously in early 1870 by D. S. Munger and William Griffenstein. Details. ("City Founders Enumerated in *Beacon* of 1878")

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3. Gifford M. Booth and associates have purchased the Grit Printing Company from Lon P. Denton and Walter J. Weiss. The Grit Printing Company was established in 1898 and had its first offices in the old Crawford Theater building, at William and Topeka, later moving to William and Lawrence, where it remained until a year ago, when it went into its present quarters, 223-25 North Market. Mr. Booth has been with the firm for 25 years and for several years has been its president. Details.

7. Compiling of information for the 1927 Wichita City Directory began today and will require two or three months. It is hoped to distribute the book in April.

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7. Frank A. Power, head of the Power-Myers Conservatory of Music and formerly Dean of Music at Fairmount College, is moving to Joplin, Missouri November 16 to be near his daughter there. He came to Wichita 21 years ago. Details.

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- 5. National Air Transportation plans to add air express to its air mail flights between Chicago and Dallas via Wichita not later than April 15, 1927. Details.
- 11. The Wichita trolley versus bus case is to be heard by the Kansas Public Service Commission November 22. Details.

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7. J. C. Fisher, president of the J. C. Fisher Investment Company, has purchased the 25 foot lot and two story building at 309 East Douglas, just east of the Union National Bank Building, and occupied on ground floor by Holmes Sons, clothiers, for estimated \$125,000 to \$150,000, from Mrs. Luthera O. Draper, of Boston, Massachusetts, widow of Emerson H. Draper, who came into possession of it 31 years ago foreclosure of a loan on it made during the 80s boom.

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1. National Air Transportation's big tri motor Ford plane landed at Wichita at 12:30 p.m., today on a trial flight from Chicago to Dallas, the route over which it is to carry passengers, mail and express beginning early in 1927. Details.

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1. Frontal photograph of the tri-motor National Air Transportation plane which landed at Wichita yesterday on a trial flight.

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1. George Innes Dry Goods Company on Friday announced plans to build a large new store at northwest corner of Lawrence and William at a total cost of about \$2,050,000. Details.

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2. Report of death this morning of early Wichita settler, George M. Dickson, age 85, at his

home, 1207 Pierce (sic), where he had lived for 39 years. Born in Erie, Pennsylvania. Was manager of the street railway company in its horse car days. Came to Wichita 40 years ago. Later went into real estate business with James Allison. Was manager of the Sedgwick Building for 20 years. Mrs. Dickson died several years ago. No immediate relatives survive. Details.

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3. Widening of the drainage canal will begin in about two weeks. The mile between Central and Kellogg must be completed by April 1, 1927, and the rest of the job must be completed by April 1, 1928. Details.

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12. Alexander W. McClellan, former owner of the McClellan Hotel and now a resident of Chicago, has filed suit to regain control of the property, charging it was taken from him by fraud. Details.

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5. Several Wichita photographs from earlier years. Includes the old John Davidson house in second block on North Market, the last motorcycle race ever to take place on the old Meridian Speedway, on July 4, 1921, and the Broadview Hotel under construction.

Monday, November 22, 1926

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- 1. Report of hearing by Public Service Commission in Topeka of Wichita Railroad and Light Company complaint that seven bus firms were ruining the company's business. Company declared that its existence and its investments exceeding a million dollars were threatened by the buses.
- 2. Article about planned adjacent at north side of First Baptist Church. Details and drawing.

Tuesday, November 23, 1926

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1. Further discussion of the controversy between the street car company and the bus operators. Details.

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1. Purchase of all independent bus lines in the city of Wichita by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, announced by T. F. Doran, attorney for the street car company, brought to an abrupt close today the public service commission's hearing into the controversy between the two interests. ¶ The purchase price is said to be approximately \$150,000.

The sale carried with it the 52 buses operated by the seven operators organized into the Independent Bus Operators' Association. ¶ It was announced that the Wichita Railroad and Light Company would ask permission to increase the bus fares to eight cents, or two for 15 cents. The present bus fares are five cents. The street car fares are six cents. A transfer system is anticipated between street cars and buses. ¶ The bus lines bought today by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company include:

(1) North Market and 21st Street line, operated by Joseph Calhoun and Jesse T. Dunn.

(2) Wichita Star line, on the west side, operated by George F. and M. P. Nussbaum.

(3) South Topeka and East Harry Street line, operated by Roy L. Bowlus.

(4) East 2nd Street line operated by John F. Flournoy.

(5) South Lawrence and Riverside line, operated by Hal A. Sidles.

(6) North St. Francis and East 13th Street line, operated by Ben W. Chewning.

(7) East 9th Street line operated by Ben W. Chewning.

(8) South Water Street line, operated by Ernest C. Goss.

The street car company a year or more ago bought the Kellogg Avenue and Central Avenue bus lines, which are now operated in conjunction with trolley service. \P The application of Horace W. Beck to establish an additional bus service in Wichita was taken under advisement by the commission.

2. Wichita Railroad and Light Company advertisement saying the company owes the city \$89,259 in paving taxes, which it is paying regularly, whereas the motor bus operators contribute nothing to the upkeep of the streets.

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1. Report that negotiations are under way for the purchase of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company by a group of Wichita capitalists, reportedly including Robert B. Campbell, president of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, Howard V. Wheeler, president of the Wheeler Kelly Hagny Trust Company, and R. C. Clevenger, president of the Wichita State Bank. The Wichita Railroad and Light Company is a subsidiary of the Illinois Power and Light Company, which in turn is a subsidiary of the American Power and Light Company, controlled by the Insull and Studebaker interests.

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6. Report of public protests against the proposed increase in Wichita bus fares from five cents to eight cents. Details.

The 1927 Kansas automobile license tags will be battleship gray with black numbers and letters.

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3. Plans are on foot to build at the municipal airport east of town a factory for the

construction of Travel Air planes. It is said that the building program will be backed by the booster committee, which obtained the airport and is holding it until such time as the city of Wichita can take it over.

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6. Article with history of town of Derby, southeast of Wichita, formerly known as El Paso. It was laid out and platted in 1871 as El Paso by John Huffbauer and J. Hout Winnich. A ferry operated across the Arkansas River there until 1873 when the two townships, Rockford and Salem, built a bridge. The first Santa Fe train entered El Paso July 18, 1879, and in November the town boasted a depot. In 1880 the Santa Fe Railroad decided to change the name of El Paso and did so. The railroad station was marked Derby and the post office was changed to Derby. Details.

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Long article about hearing on Wichita Railroad and Light Company's application for increase in bus fares to eight cents, or two for 15 cents, or five for 35 cents, with vociferous objections by Mayor Frank Nighswonger and others. ¶ Albert Patten, of the street railway company testified that an investment of \$600,005 will be required to serve the city with buses in connection with the street car service. This figure includes:

\$145,000 for purchase of buses of the independents.

\$82,000 for buses and garage equipment of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company. \$148,005 for a new bus garage.

\$120,000 for 15 new buses at \$8000 each.

\$100,000 for organization, engineering, and financing based on 20 percent of the other expense.

Mr. Patten's testimony stated that the gross revenues for the Wichita Railroad and Light Company's bus operations on its Kellogg and Central lines were \$88,918.90 for the year ending October 31; that total maintenance and operation costs were \$76,509.48, and depreciation at four cents a mile was \$23,730.48, making a net operating loss of \$11,411.06.

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- 5. City commission today granted Frank Isbell, owner of the Wichita baseball club, a six year lease on that part of the Island Park occupied by Isbell's baseball field. Details.
- 7. The Mother Lee Home of Redeeming Love, 1021 South St. Francis, has been traded to Dr. C. C. Keester for his unfinished hospital at Harry and Fannie. The rescue work of the association will be discontinued and left to the Salvation Army, and the new quarters will be converted into a home for elderly people sometime in the spring. The rescue organization made application some time ago to remodel the old home, but this could not be done under the city's new building code. Dr. Keester started his hospital about eight

years ago and finished the walls to the top of the sashes in the first story, and then work stopped.

13. The exterior of the new Brown Building is completed and workmen are removing the barricade along the street.

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7. The Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company yesterday purchased the De Luxe Transportation Company, which operated buses between Eldorado and Wichita. Purchase price for the line, including the three buses, was \$26,000. The Southern Kansas Stage Lines took over operation of the line today. A total of 38 buses are now being operated by the company.

Widening of the Wichita drainage canal is to be started by the Martin-Day Construction Company within the next ten days. Excavation will begin on the east side of the canal at Kellogg and proceed north to Central, and then back along the west bank to Kellogg. The canal is to be widened to 115 feet at the top.

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- 6. A modern factory building for the Travel Air Airplane Company is soon to be built at the municipal airport at a cost of approximately \$30,000. Details.
- 18. The Wichita bus fare hearing by the Public Service Commission in Topeka is to be concluded Saturday. It is expected that the application of the Wichita Bus Owners' Association and the Wichita Railroad and Light Company for an increase in bus fares will be approved, but that the commission will not grant an eight cent fare as requested. The street car fare now is six cents and the bus fare five cents. Details.

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1. The Kansas Public Service Commission today ordered an increase in bus fares in Wichita. The old bus fare was six cents with a transfer or five cents without a transfer. The new rates, effective at 6:00 a.m. Thursday, at which time the Wichita Railroad and Light Company takes over the seven independent bus lines which the company purchased ten days ago, is eight cents for a cash one way fare, or two tickets for 15 cents, or five tickets for 35 cents, or 24 tickets for \$1.50. Bus transfers will be good on all street car lines. Street car fares will remain at six cents, with an additional charge of two cents for a transfer to a bus line. ¶ Howard W. Patten, manager of the street railroad, announced that all the 52 buses purchased from the independents will be replaced as rapidly as possible, with the most modern buses costing about \$8000 each. For the present all the bus routes will remain as they are now being operated, but eventually changes will be made. Contemplated changes in the city's transportation service includes the discontinuance of the Bitting Avenue car line, now a branch of the West Riverside line. ¶ The bus lines are

to be operated by a subsidiary corporation of the street railroad. It will be known as the Wichita Motor Bus Company. A charter for it is to be asked immediately. ¶ For the past two years the street railroad company has been operating 13 buses of its own on the East Central and Kellogg lines. These and the 52 buses purchased from the independents gives the company a total of 65 buses.

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7. The street railroad company has rented the Forum Annex as a garage and repair shop for its buses. The company is also employing between 50 and 60 additional bus drivers, as the men will be on duty an average of nine hours and 15 minutes, the same as the union street car men, beginning Thursday, whereas those working for the independents had been working ten or 12 hours per day or even longer.

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- 3. The increased bus fares will not become effective until Friday morning because of a delay in receiving the new tickets from the printers. The tickets are to be off the press Thursday afternoon.
- 7. Report of death yesterday of Miss Irene Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawrence of 841 North Emporia, of a heart attack. She was born in Wichita and attended Lewis Academy, after which she taught music for several years. She is survived by her parents and one brother, Henry W. Lawrence, at home.

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- 10. Advertisement for the new Hillcrest Homes Company-operative Apartments, with drawing.
- 16. Advertisement announcing new Arkansas Valley Interurban Schedule effective Sunday, December 12, 1926.

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- 7. Brief report of funeral today of William B. McKinley, at Champaign, Illinois.
- 17. The large excavator for widening of the Wichita drainage canal was placed in operation yesterday on the east side of the canal immediately north of Kellogg. Trucks are used to haul the dirt to the bed of Chisholm Creek near the Board of Education shops.
- 26. Out of respect for the memory of late Senator William B. McKinley of Illinois, all street cars and buses in Wichita have been ordered stopped for two minutes at 2:00 p.m. today. Senator McKinley formerly owned the Illinois Traction Company, of which the local street car company was a subsidiary.

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 Senator William B. McKinley's unhappy marriage -- separated from wife for years, apparently due to her mental illness. Details. ("Senator McKinley's Love Tragedy Comes to Light After Death") (Article appeared in *Chicago Daily News* on December 11.)

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5. Feature article about the L. W. Clapp home. Details.

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- 2. Inauguration of the increased bus fares has been postponed from last Friday until this Thursday owing to delays in getting the new tickets printed. ¶ City commission yesterday discussed objections to the new fares. Details.
- 7. City commission yesterday instructed city engineer P. L. Brockway to prepare plans for a bridge over the drainage canal at Lincoln and Ash. Details.

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11. John Wenzel, Wichita building contractor is preparing to build another apartment building at 520 South Main, 52 by 135 feet, two stories, brick, to cost approximately \$50,000 and have 20 apartments. Architect is W. V. Street.

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- 9. The new bus fares became effective in Wichita this morning. Twenty-four tickets purchased in a book sell for \$1.50, and five tickets are sold for 35 cents. Two tokens are sold by drivers for 15 cents. Single cash fare is eight cents. The street car fare remains six cents. Transfers from buses to street cars are given at no additional charge. Transfer from a street car to a bus line costs two cents.
- 20. Resolution adopted by National Corn Growers Association. ¶ Believing that the department of agriculture was established to improve the condition of the man who produces food products and to represent him as his spokesman for such legislation as the farmer considers helpful to his cause, we believe that the present secretary of agriculture should be replaced by some man whose practical training qualifies him to represent that section of the nation that produces 75 percent of the nation's food. (Asking removal of Secretary Jardine.)

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- 3. Henry L. Green, of Urbana, Illinois, general solicitor for the Illinois Power and Light Company and law partner of the late Senator William B. McKinley, of Illinois, is listed as owner of 4996 of the 5000 shares of stock in the Wichita Motor Bus Company, a charter for which was granted yesterday by the state charter board in Topeka. Holders of one share each are William H. Lee, of Urbana, and Clayton E. Kline, J. E. Gossett, and R. E. McFadden, all of Topeka. Capital is \$150,000. The Illinois Power and Light Company is the holding company for the Kansas Power and Light Company, of which the Wichita Railroad and Light Company is a subsidiary.
- 18. Contract let yesterday to George H. Siedhoff Construction Company for the new Marland Refining Company building at Wichita and Lewis streets.

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5. Report of death this morning of Meyer Wallenstein, age 95, at the home of his son, Henry Wallenstein, 832 North Topeka. Born in Bavaria February 14, 1831 and came to United States in 1852 and settling in Cincinnati. Retired in 1904. Came to Wichita to attend marriage of daughter, Rose, to Ike Goldsmith, and then remained here. Wife died three years later. Four sons survive (named). Three daughters are deceased (named) -- including, Mrs. Ike Goldsmith, who died December 7, 1925. Obituary and photograph.

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- 3. Board of education inspected the new Alcott School building yesterday prior to its formal acceptance at next Monday's meeting. It has eight classrooms and one kindergarten room and will be opened the first day of the new semester, January 31. Details.
- 10. Report of collision yesterday of an ambulance with an East 9th Street bus at St. Francis and Murdock. The westbound bus was turning south on St. Francis. Both vehicles were turned over, but there was only one passenger on the bus and injured were minor. Details.