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 1929 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon

Tuesday, January 1, 1929

page

1. Report of development of aircraft industry in Wichita in 1928. Says 847 planes were built here -- Travel Air 500, Swallow 205, Stearman 90, Swift 3, and Knoll 1 (note Cessna omitted). Details.

Friday, January 4, 1929 page

7. The January issue of the Wichita telephone directory has 31,565 names listed, up 1990 from the 29,575 listed in last July's directory.

Saturday, January 5, 1929

page

10. Contract has been let to the George H. Siedhoff Construction Company for the new dial office building for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at 2nd and Topeka. Cost will be about \$175,000. Details.

Sunday, January 6, 1929

page

- 9. Article about popularity of Dale's Drug Store at Maple and Hiram. Photographs of store and of Frank M. Dale.
- 12. Chamber of Commerce advertisement with photograph looking west on Douglas from Union National Bank Building.

Sunday, January 6, 1929

page

Magazine

5. Feature article about L. W. Clapp. Biography and photograph.

Wednesday, January 9, 1929

page

1. Announcement made of merger of the Fourth National Bank and the Wichita State Bank. Details.

Saturday, January 12, 1929

page

- 6. Photograph of Riverside Christian Church, Litchfield and Harrison.
- 12. Full page advertisement announcing that the Knoll Aircraft Corporation stock issue has been over subscribed. Lists names of company's backers.

Sunday, January 13, 1929

page

10. Long article with details of the enlargement and remodeling of St. Francis Hospital now under way at cost of about \$500,000. Two new wings will be built on Emporia Street side and the present Emporia side will be remodeled and strengthened with steel and concrete beams and made fireproof. Details. Drawing.

Sunday, January 13, 1929

page

Magazine

2. Feature article about Wichita mayor, Frank Dunn. Photograph.

Monday, January 14, 1929

page

- 6. Photograph showing exterior of Broadview Hotel addition nearing completion.
- 7. Photograph of new Central Building under construction -- about one floor up.
- 16. Report of death vesterday of Wyatt Earp at age 80, in Los Angeles. Obituary.

Wednesday, January 16, 1929

page

- 1. Report of collision of Arkansas Valley Interurban car No. 12 with automobile near Interurban Place early this afternoon. The two men in the car were near death. The auto was thrown more than 60 feet by the impact with the southbound Arkansas Valley Interurban car. Details.
- 11. The first of the five super "Speed Mail" planes being built for the Varney Air Lines by the Stearman Aircraft Company made its first flight yesterday with great success, piloted by Deed Levy, test pilot. Details and photographs (shows No. 9051 and large No. 14 on tail).

Friday, January 18, 1929

page

7. The Kansas Public Service Commission has authorized changes in the routings of the East 2nd, East 9th, and Bridgeport bus lines, as requested recently by the Wichita Motor Bus

Company. Details.

Sunday, January 20, 1929

page

Magazine

4. Feature article on Fred W. Dold, with photograph.

Tuesday, January 22, 1929 page

7. Work started yesterday on construction of a combined hangar and service station at the east end of the East Central airport being built for Air Service, Inc., E. A. Watkins, president. Hangar to be 100 by 96 feet, of steel, with 14 foot high front door clearance facing the west. At the north side of the building will be a 16 by 100 foot section for offices, lockers, and dressing rooms. Total cost about \$20,000. Details.

Sunday, January 27, 1929

page

B-1. Aerial photograph of Wichita High School and Roosevelt Intermediate.

Sunday, January 27, 1929

page

Magazine

6. Feature article about Charles Lawrence, with photograph. He was a brother of Robert E. Lawrence and came to Wichita in 1872 at age 17, from Berkshire County, Massachusetts, with his parents. Father's first homestead was east of Seneca, between that street and the Arkansas River. Robert E. Lawrence had preceded the other members of the family to Wichita by two years. ¶ Charles worked for three years at the J. P. Allen drug store on west side of Main Street, near 1st Street, and then went into the drug business for himself on the site of the present Schweiter Building, where he was in business 23 years. He started in business for himself on November 1, 1877. He had many calls for photographers' supplies, so in 1900 sold his drug store and went exclusively into the photographic supply business, first at 219 East Douglas. In 1910 he built the building now occupied at 149 North Lawrence. He was born in 1855 and is now age 74. Married Miss Ella A. Wood, a teacher in the Wichita public schools, in 1884, They have one son, Henry W., now with the Trentman Land Company. Residence is at 841 North Emporia.

Monday, January 28, 1929

page

12. Victor Roos, former general manager of the Swallow Airplane Company, has been named president and general manager of the Lincoln Aircraft Company, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Wednesday, January 30, 1929

page

1. The C. E. Potts Drug Company, a leading wholesale drug distributing company in the Southwest for 40 years, has been sold to McKesson and Robins Company, Inc., a national

syndicate with headquarters in New York. Details.

9. Report of death this morning of Julius C. Luling, age 59, proprietor of the Luling's City Laundry. Obituary. Photograph.

Friday, February 1, 1929 page

- 1. Report of fire which totally destroyed the Wichita Bridle and Saddle Club early this morning, killing 33 horses. Details. Aerial photographs of building before and after fire.
- 14. Contracts let today for construction of the \$63,000 hangar at the new municipal airport. Details.

Saturday, February 2, 1929

page

1. Arthur E. Stilwell, retired railroad builder, left an estate of only \$1000, his will showed today when it was filed for probate. The estate is divided between two sisters and a sisterin-law.

Sunday, February 3, 1929

page

4, Photograph in flight of Cessna's latest monoplane.

Sunday, February 3, 1929

page

Special Section

Special Motor Show Section with many auto advertisements.

Sunday, February 3, 1929

page

Magazine

- 2. Feature article on W. C. Coleman, with photograph.
- 3. Feature article on Transcontinental Air Transport and its planned air-rail transcontinental service. Details. Photograph of Ford Trimotor No. 5092 (?) on tail.

Monday, February 4, 1929 page

- 1. Announcement of plans to build a 16 story hotel on the site of the Eaton Hotel, to be named the Hotel Roxy. Details. (Was never built.)
- 14. A street car was knocked off the tracks and ran up over the curb of the sidewalk at Central and Cleveland after colliding with a motor car this morning. R. Dooley was the motorman. Photograph shows street car No. 281 with Cleveland destination sign.

Thursday, February 7, 1929 page

- 1. Report of major fire about 6:30 a.m. today that destroyed the Dotson Produce Company at 219 West 1st. and the McKenzie Body and Carriage Works at 209 West 1st. Apparently caused by a gas explosion. One hundred seventy-five thousand dollar loss. Details. Photographs.
- 3. Report of death today of pioneer attorney, Judge W. C. Little. Came to Wichita from Illinois by stage coach September 20, 1870. Born March 17, 1847. Survived by wife and three sons (named). Obituary. Photograph.

Saturday, February 9, 1929 page

- 6. Photograph of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, at 8th and Market, which is celebrating the 20th anniversary of its organization.
- 7. Aerial photograph of downtown Wichita looking north from Douglas.

Sunday, February 10, 1929 page

- 5. Article says Wichita's newest airplane company, the Okay Airplane Company, plans to build a tri-motor transport plane as well as small single motor low-wing monoplane. William P. Sullivan, who resigned his position with the Chamberlin Aeronautical Corporation of Jersey City, New Jersey last week, has accepted the position of chief engineer for the Okay Airplane Company. Details.
- 12. The Travel Air Company plans to build two more factory units as soon as the one now under construction is completed. The two will cost about \$75,000. Two units have been completed for some time, each 75 by 300 feet. The third unit, of the same size, is now under construction paralleling the east building on the south. One of the proposed new units will parallel the west building, and the fifth unit will connect the other four, giving the plant the form of the letter "H."
- 14. Advertisement announcing completion of the new Fred Dold and Sons Packing Company plant at 21st and Topeka. Photograph. Articles with details.
- B-1. Photograph of air mail plane over Wichita National Air Transport hangar at 3:55 a.m. yesterday. (Looks like Curtis Falcon.)

Sunday, February 10, 1929

page

Magazine

2. Feature article about Kos Harris, with reminiscences of early Wichita. Details. Drawing.

Tuesday, February 12, 1929

page

19. Within the next 30 days, Orient Railroad passenger trains will begin using the Union Station instead of the Midland Valley depot, and their freight trains will begin using the North Wichita yards of the Santa Fe.

Wednesday, February 13, 1929 page

3. Report of death this morning of John C. Loevenguth, principal of Allison Intermediate School, at age 45 of erysipelas. Had been in the Wichita schools for 14 years. Born in Portsmouth, Ohio but attended high school at Emporia, Kansas. Survived by wife, two sons and two daughters, two brothers and one sister (named). Photograph.

Thursday, February 14, 1929 page

- 11. The newly formed Southwestern Air Fast Express has ordered five Ford tri-motored transports. Details.
- 13. Photograph of wreck on Tuesday between a Ford truck and a southbound Riverside bus.
- 22. The Central Airlines Company was formed yesterday as the successor to the Air Service Corporation. The first airline of the new corporation will be opened Sunday between Wichita and Tulsa. The school will operate as a division of the airlines service. The company is capitalized at \$200,000, and E. A. Watkins is president. Walter H. Beech is technical director.

Friday, February 15, 1929 page

- 4. The Central Air Lines Company will inaugurate its new Wichita to Tulsa air passenger service at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, using eight passenger Travel Air monoplanes, to be christened Miss Tulsa and Miss Wichita. The fare will be \$17.50 each way and two round trips will be flown daily. Officers of company listed. Details.
- 11. Central Air Lines Company advertisement.
- 13. Transcontinental Air Transport's plans have been changed, and Waynoka, Oklahoma will be the point where transfer of passengers between plane and train is made.

Saturday, February 16, 1929 page

2. The last of the unsightly electric line poles present on the north side of the City Hall for many years, was removed this morning, now that the downtown wiring has been placed underground.

Sunday, February 17, 1929 page

- 1. Report of death last evening of Wichita pioneer, M. R. Diver, at age 89. Came here 50 years ago. Married, but wife and one son died. Remarried Ida Wilhite last December 21, she being 68, in Hutchinson, with aid of Laura Buckwalter. Long court hearing regarding incompetency. Details. Obituary.
- 8. Report of 99 year lease closed yesterday on the A. H. Fabrique residence, property at northwest corner of Central and Lawrence, 180 feet square. Details.
- 11. Construction of the Braley Flying School building, begun in January but delayed by bad weather, will be resumed this week and completed by spring. Details.

Sunday, February 17, 1929

page

Special Section

Special pages, advertisements, photographs announcing completion of the new Broadview Hotel addition. Details. Advertisement with photograph on page 16 -- claims 320 rooms.

B-12. Drawing of proposed Wichita Art Museum. Details.

Sunday, February 17, 1929

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Magazine

6. Feature article about J. H. "Jack" Spines. Photograph.

Monday, February 18, 1929

page

1. The new Wichita to Tulsa airline of the Central Air Lines was opened yesterday. Details.

Wednesday, February 20, 1929 page

- 2. Exclusive distribution rights in the United States and Canada for the Cessna Aircraft Company's planes was granted yesterday to the Curtiss Flying Service, Inc., and an initial order was placed for 39 four place cantilever planes.
- 7. Aerial photograph of the Noll brick plant on North Lawrence Avenue.

Thursday, February 21, 1929

page

- 1. Further discussion of the M. R. Diver's estate and will. Details.
- 5. Plans announced yesterday to establish the Yunker Aircraft Corporation in Wichita rather than in Dodge City. Details.

Friday, February 22, 1929 page

12. In-flight photograph of Central Air Lines Travel Air plane shortly after leaving Wichita for Tulsa.

The Pillsbury Flour Mills Company yesterday purchased a tract of ground on which to build a two and a half million bushel elevator. The tract was purchased from the Wichita Union Stockyards Company and lies a short distance south of 21st Street along the west side of the Missouri Pacific tracks. It contains about eight acres and is triangular in shape. Contract has already been let for construction of the elevator.

22. Drawing of the new Knoll Aircraft Company factory and office building, now under construction by the Siedhoff Construction Company. To be 150 by 250 feet and two stories and mezzanine. Cost will be \$100,000. Architect is Ed Forsblom.

Sunday, February 24, 1929 page

- 3. Article about the first Wichita built airplane motor, the Blue Streak motor, which has been under development the past year, and which is due to make its first flight this week in a Cadet biplane. Photograph. Design has been under direction of the German designer, Joseph Schaeffer. It is a three cylinder, 70 horsepower motor. The company is also working on a five cylinder motor of 125 HP. Details.
- 11. Delivery of the first Knoll Aircraft Company plane is to be made tomorrow to a Mexican air transport firm. The second plane will be ready for delivery in about three weeks. Details.
- 15. Article about very early surveys and roads in Sedgwick County. Details from L. A. Bone, an early pioneer. ("Local Pioneer Explains Stand")
- B-1. Aerial photograph of oil field and derricks one mile south of Valley Center.

Sunday, February 24, 1929

page

Magazine

6. Feature article on William G. Howse, with photograph.

Tuesday, February 26, 1929 page

- 1. Report of incorporation today of a new airplane company, the Wichita Airplane Manufacturing Company, headed by C. A. Knoll. Other incorporators listed. The company has already completed and flown its first plane, the Cadet, which is expected to fly again this week with a Wichita-made Blue Streak motor. Details.
- 15. Photograph of Douglas Avenue during snowstorm yesterday. Shows the peaked cornice decorations still on Boston Store.

Wednesday, February 27, 1929 page

- 2. Photograph of Knoll biplane which left Wichita yesterday on its delivery flight to Mexico City. Number not visible.
- 3. Building permit issued yesterday for new Kress Building at Lawrence and Douglas.

Thursday, February 28, 1929 page

- 11. Report of incorporation of the Ellis and Singleton Building Company for construction of a \$350,000 office building and ramp garage in the second block on South Lawrence. Schmidt, Boucher and Overend are architects. Details. Photographs of Ellis and Singleton.
- 24. Aerial photograph of Tractor Row.

Saturday, March 2, 1929 page

- 2. Razing of the old buildings to clear the site for the new Ellis and Singleton Building in second block of South Lawrence will begin next week.
- 3. A new monoplane is near completion here at the factory of the Roy Morris School of Aviation, 420 Jackson. It is to be called "The Dove," named after the company's chief engineer, Frank Dove. (Page 14 on March 3 indicates factory is in Topeka.)

Sunday, March 3, 1929 page

- 1. Western Air Express is planning a new line from Kansas City to Los Angeles via Wichita. Details.
- 3. Photograph of Commodore Apartment Hotel under construction. Framework nearly completed.
- B-1. Night photograph of Keystone Patrician trimotor, which is visiting Wichita.

Tuesday, March 5, 1929 page

- 4. City commissioners yesterday let contract for paving with concrete the west half of Oliver from Douglas to Central. The east half of the road is in the county. Other paving contracts awarded (listed).
- 20. Surveying has been completed for a new diagonal road from South Wichita to the new municipal airport.

Wednesday, March 6, 1929

page

6. Orient Railroad passenger trains will start running into the Union Station tomorrow as a result of the consolidation of Orient and Santa Fe Railroad facilities.

Thursday, March 7, 1929 page

14. The old Bolte residence at 335 South Water is to be torn down and a new \$14,000 brake station built at the location. Details.

Friday, March 8, 1929

page

24. The Wichita Airplane Manufacturing Company has leased the assembling plant of the Baldwin Manufacturing Company on West 1st Street for the manufacture of its "Cadet" type planes.

Saturday, March 9, 1929

page

3. Small photograph of the old Bolte home on corner of Water and Waterman, which is soon to be razed for the new Kirk Brake Service building.

Sunday, March 10, 1929

page

- 3. Photograph of the new North High School under construction.
- 11. Photograph of Nomar Theater under construction.
- B-11. Ground will be broken today for the new dormitory building of the Braley Flying School, and the company's new training plane, the "Beezle Bug," will be given its first public demonstration. Advertisement with photograph of the plane, which was built in the shops of the Braley School (No. X8171).
- B-13. Photograph of the Wichita Airplane Manufacturing Company's new plant in the 700 block of West 1st Street, where manufacture of the Cadet plane will begin tomorrow. Article with details.
- B-14. Aerial photograph of downtown Wichita showing peaks on Boston Store cornice and framework of one floor of Central Building.

Sunday, March 10, 1929

page

Magazine

- 5. Feature article on E. A. Watkins, with drawing.
- 7. Feature article on A. O. Rorabaugh, with photograph.

Wednesday, March 13, 1929 page

- 1. Report of successful first flight yesterday of a new Wichita plane, a Watkins low wing monoplane powered by a three cylinder, 40 horsepower Szekeley motor, at the California section, with G. A. McDonald, chief pilot for Central Airlines School, at the controls. Plane was designed by W. C. Cummings, co-designer of the Alexander Eagle Rock and the Mohawk Pinto. The parts were brought here last week from Minneapolis and assembled at the school rooms of the Central Airlines School, 200 North Waco. Details. Photograph.
- 7. The Santa Fe station at Viola is to be abandoned and a connecting spur built enabling Santa Fe passenger trains to use the Orient station at that point. At Cherokee, Oklahoma the Santa Fe station will be used and the Orient station abandoned.

Thursday, March 14, 1929 page

9. The newly formed Braley Aircraft Company was organized yesterday and plans production of the Braley machine. Thomas Braley is president. The plane to be built was designed by Ward Braley, younger brother of Ted Braley of the Braley Flying School, and son of Thomas Braley. Other officers listed. The company today purchased a plant site of ten acres at the corner of the 320 acre Braley flying field southeast of Wichita. This is the tenth company organized to manufacture airplanes in Wichita. Others listed.

Friday, March 15, 1929 page

1. Report of death this morning of Dwight K. Oxley, general manager of the Southwest Cracker Company, at age 43 after a long illness (stomach ulcers). Survived by wife, Lillian, one son, Dwight K., Jr., and one daughter, Janet Oxley. Obituary. Photograph.

Sunday, March 17, 1929

page

B-24. Article with details of plans for development of the new municipal airport.

Monday, March 18, 1929

page

3. Photograph of North High School under construction.

Tuesday, March 19, 1929 page

22. Aerial photograph of Travel Air plant taken last Sunday. Shows three factory units completed plus part of center building.

Wednesday, March 20, 1929

page

10. Aerial photograph of new Central Airlines hangar, at east side of East Central airport,

which will be completed in about one week.

Thursday, March 21, 1929 page

- 4. Brown-Crummer Company today hung a beautiful clock from Schweiter Building, corner Main and Douglas. Details and photographs.
- 8. Aerial photograph of administration building of the Braley School of Flying, which will be ready for occupancy in about one week.

Friday, March 22, 1929 page

- 11. Business on the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway between Wichita and Valley Center has increased more than 40 percent since oil was discovered near Valley Center about six months ago. The company's capacity has been taxed to the limit at times, and it has therefore been compelled to purchase a new-type 50 ton electric freight locomotive to help handle this business. The new locomotive will be capable of handling 25 to 30 loaded freight cars at a time. It is expected to be available the latter part of April.
- 12. Aerial photograph of the Sedgwick County tuberculosis sanitarium.

Sunday, March 24, 1929 page

- 5. Photographs of buildings under construction, including North High School, Central Building, Commodore Apartments. Central Building has framework of first six stories up. Commodore framework and about half of brick work completed.
- 9. Air to air photograph of recently completed Watkins (?) low wing monoplane.
- 11. Advertisement with photograph of the Cadet biplane of the Wichita Airplane Manufacturing Company, ready to go into production at the company's plant at 700 West 1st Street.
- 13. The Cessna Aircraft Company announces plans to build a \$100,000 six unit plant on an 80 acre site recently purchased half a mile north of the California section. Work will begin within four days, and the plant is expected to be in operation within 60 days after that, with a capacity of 20 ships weekly. The present plant will be sold. Details.

Sunday, March 24, 1929

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Magazine

7. Feature article on Colonel A. H. Webb, of Missouri Pacific Railroad, with photograph. Says the original Missouri Pacific frame depot was torn down a few months ago.

Tuesday, March 26, 1929

page

1. Report of results of city primary election yesterday.

Wednesday, March 27, 1929

page

10. The Supreme Propeller Company will build a new plant at the southwest corner of Lincoln and Frisco (sic), at cost of \$35,000, it was announced yesterday after a meeting of directors. The new plant will have a capacity of 50 propellers a day compared with present output of 12 to 15 a day at the present plant, 1017 South Santa Fe. Ed Forsblom is the architect. Details.

Thursday, March 28, 1929

page

5. Photograph of North High School under construction.

Sunday, March 31, 1929

page

- 5. A charter has been granted to the Associated Aircraft Company, of Wichita, with capitalization of \$250,000, to manufacture an all metal monoplane. Details.
- 17. Aerial photograph of the new Central Airlines hangar at East Central Avenue airport, which is now completed and at which an open house will be held today. Building is all steel. Details.
- B-13. The new Nomar Theater is to open Wednesday evening. Details. Photograph.

Monday, April 1, 1929

page

5. Contract has been let to the Henrion Improvement Company to build the new Cessna plant at a cost of about \$110,000. It will be just across the road west of the Braley School of Flying. Ed Forsblom is architect.

Tuesday, April 2, 1929

page

14. Article about the new Supreme Propeller Company building to be built at Lincoln and Washington by the George Siedhoff Construction Company. Drawing (indistinct). To be 70 by 312 feet and cost about \$50,000. Architect is Ed. Forsblom. Details.

Wednesday, April 3, 1929

page

1. Results of city election yesterday. Fred Horn and Herman Hill elected to city commission. Propositions passed to build new fire stations and remodel Central Fire Station into a police station. Details.

Thursday, April 4, 1929

page

1. Report of death this morning of Wichita pilot, John Flournoy, in plane crash at Scott City, Kansas. Details.

Friday, April 5, 1929

page

30. Aerial photograph of Swallow Aircraft Company plant.

Saturday, April 6, 1929

page

1. A new aircraft company for Wichita is being organized by A. W. Mooney, until recently chief engineer and designer for the Eaglerock Aircraft Company, of Colorado Springs. The company plans to produce a monoplane. Details.

Sunday, April 7, 1929

page

- 1. Formation of Aircapital Aircraft, Inc., to manufacture the low-winged monoplane brought to Wichita by E. A. Watkins and associates, was announced yesterday. Details.
- 10. Production of a small low-winged monoplane air "flivver" is to be launched in Wichita April 15 by a company known as the Lear Aircraft Company, which was formed January 1, 1929. Claud C. Lear is chief engineer and designer, and Arch J. Lear is president. The first plane has successfully passed all tests. Details.
- 11. Eastborough, Wichita's suburban subdivision, will be formally opened and the estates placed on sale next Wednesday morning. Details. Advertisement page B-23.
- B-10. Photograph of new fire station under construction at 3rd Street and Mathewson.

Sunday, April 7, 1929

page

Magazine

7. Feature article about James Murry, with photograph.

Tuesday, April 9, 1929

page

18. Construction of new Central Building is progressing rapidly. Workmen are now setting the forms for the tenth story, which should be completed early next week. Brick work is completed to the top of the fifth story.

Wednesday, April 10, 1929

page

1. The Cessna Aircraft Company received an order today at the Detroit Air Show for 87 planes valued at \$780,000 for the Curtiss Flying Service. Details.

14. Photograph of Central Building under construction.

Thursday, April 11, 1929

page

8. The Uptown Theater was sold yesterday at a bankruptcy sale by George Bassett, receiver, to Charles H. Smyth, largest creditor, for \$110,000.

Friday, April 12, 1929

page

- 8. Article about aircraft plants under construction in Wichita. Details.
- 11. Report of protest from Riverside residents over city commission action last Monday in voting to change names of Riverside streets to correspond with numbered streets east of the Little River. Voted to change Parker and Stanley to 13th, Woodman to 12th, Beal to 11th, Briggs to 10th, Harrison and Riverside to 9th, and Franklin to 8th. Details.
- 13. Excavation began today for the new Supreme Propeller Company plant at Lincoln and Washington.
- 19. Photograph of the new Snyder Ice Cream Company plant at 307 West Murdock, which is nearing completion.

The proposed new franchise for the Wichita Transportation Company is to be discussed by the city commission Monday. Details.

Saturday, April 13, 1929 page

3. The Kansas Masonic Home board yesterday decided to proceed with building of a new unit similar to the present group of buildings but facing on Maple and Martinson. To cost about \$400,00. Details.

Sunday, April 14, 1929 page

- 12. The Braley School of Flying will resume its regular ground school schedule this week after moving to its newly completed administration building at the Braley airport, southeast of the city and a mile east of the county farm. Details.
- 16. Photograph of the Missouri Pacific Railroad's new 20 ton traveling crane at the 2nd Street yard.

Tuesday, April 16, 1929 page

7. Report of incorporation of the Yunkers Aircraft Corporation, with \$250,000 capitalization, to build a three place commercial plane. Construction of the plane will start this week at the plant, 115 North Osage. George C. Yunkers, president, has been an air

enthusiast in Dodge City, Kansas, where he opened the Dodge City School of Flying about a year ago. Other officers and directors listed. Details. Photograph of George Yunkers.

10. Charles S. Lawrence was elected mayor by the city commission yesterday. Details.

Wednesday, April 17, 1929

page

Wesley Hospital, which is now building an addition in the form of a fifth story on the east wing of the hospital, is now making plans to build a similar fifth story addition on the north and south wings of the hospital at a cost of approximately \$35,000. Henry S. Conrow, architect, is working on the plans. Details.

Thursday, April 18, 1929

page

1. The county assessor reports Wichita population as 108,107, compared with 101,428 in 1928, an increase of 7000.

Monday, April 22, 1929

page

14. Report of death this morning in Hollywood, California, of former Wichita lawyer Robert L. Holmes, age 68. Moved to California about five years ago. Survived by wife and one son, Winn E. Holmes, also an attorney. Obituary.

Tuesday, April 23, 1929 page

1. Report of collision of a South Main street car with a Santa Fe passenger train at 9:00 a.m. today at Bayley and South Main. Motorman was Frank Grable, 38, son of veteran Fairmount motorman, Amos Grable. Brakes on street car were said to have failed. Four people injured. Details. Photographs on page 18 show the street car to be No. 237.

Wednesday, April 24, 1929

page

- 2. The Swift Aircraft Company plans construction of a hangar 50 by 100 feet within the next month as soon as the 50 foot addition to the factory now under construction is completed.
- 3. The Watkins Aircraft Company has taken temporary factory quarters at 414 West 2nd. Machinery is now being installed and production of their low wing monoplane is expected to be under way within two weeks. The building now occupied has a floor space 50 by 100 feet. Details.

Friday, April 26, 1929 page

19. The Cadet, Wichita's smallest training plane, previously powered with a 40 horsepower Szekeley motor, made its first test flight this morning powered with a 60 horsepower LeBlond motor. The plane is manufactured by the Wichita Airplane Manufacturing

Company.

Sunday, April 28, 1929

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- 3. Map of planned development of new College Hill Park. Article with details.
- 11. First eastbound flight of Central Airlines' new Wichita to Kansas City service was made yesterday, landing at Fairfax airport in one hour 20 minutes. The first flight from Kansas City will be made today, with a five minute stop in Topeka. Article gives schedules from Wichita to both Kansas City and Tulsa (latter with stop at Bartlesville).

Friday, May 3, 1929

page

- 1. Report of negotiations for an airline merger including Central Airlines, of Wichita, and the Paul Braniff Lines, of Tulsa. Details.
- 5. City commission yesterday again failed to take action on the proposed new franchise for Wichita Transportation Company.
- 32. Article on progress in building Sullivan Aircraft Company's first plane. Details.

Saturday, May 4, 1929

page

12. Southern Kansas Stage Lines is planning to build an addition to its building on West 2nd Street. To be 100 by 200 feet and one story and cost about \$35,000. Plans being prepared by Glen H. Thomas. Details.

Sunday, May 5, 1929

page

2. Article about fifth anniversary today of the Missouri Pacific Railroad's Sunflower, between Wichita and St. Louis. First train arrived here May 5, 1924. Photograph of the first train arriving, locomotive No. 5505.

Sunday, May 5, 1929

page

Magazine

4. Feature article on Clyde V. Cessna, with photograph. Says he was born at Hawthorne, Iowa December 5, 1879. When one year old his parents came to Kansas and took a claim near the Chikaskia River in Kingman County. Biography.

Tuesday, May 7, 1929

page

2. Photograph of Missouri Pacific's engine of the modern 5300 class, No. 5316, open for public inspection yesterday to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Sunflower.

Wednesday, May 8, 1929

page

Article reports Wichita plants produced 127 planes in April; including: 5.

> Travel Air 52

> Swallow 27

> Cessna 24

> Stearman 18

Friday, May 10, 1929

page

- Announcement yesterday that the Mooney Aircraft Company has been absorbed as a 1. subsidiary of the Bridgeport Machine Company. Charter has been granted to the Mooney Company. A factory will be erected on a tract adjacent to the Bridgeport plant on the opposite side to the one now occupied by the Stearman plant. A. W. Mooney elected president of the new Mooney Company. He was former chief engineer of the Alexander Eaglerock Company at Colorado Springs. Further details.
- 40. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway's new 50 ton electric locomotive has arrived at the company's shops in Wichita from the General Electric Company plant at Erie, Pennsylvania and is being tuned up ready for service. It will be ready to go on the road Monday or Tuesday of next week. The locomotive cost \$26,000 and is more powerful, though not so speedy, as the company's other locomotive. It will be able to handle 20 loaded cars at a speed of 13 to 15 miles per hour.

Sunday, May 12, 1929

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Long article about the newly organized Mooney Aircraft Company. Details. 5.

Tuesday, May 14, 1929 page

7. Board of regents yesterday authorized building of a \$25,000 stadium section, to seat 2400 persons. Details.

Thursday, May 16, 1929

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- 3. The Orpheum Theater will reopen Monday after installation of sound equipment for its new talking movies policy. Details.
- 21. Full page advertisement for proposed new 16 story Roosevelt Hotel to be built at Topeka and 1st (site later changed to Waco and Douglas). (Was never built.) Drawing.

Friday, May 17, 1929 page

1. Photograph of Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus from Kansas City to Wichita damaged and in ditch following collision this morning at east city limits. Details.

Saturday, May 18, 1929 page

- 2. The federal radio commission granted permission for a transfer of ownership of radio station KFH, Wichita, from the Rigby Gray Hotel Company (Lassen) to the Radio Station KFH Company.
- 5. Photograph of the First Methodist Episcopal Church with the old church beside it.

Monday, May 20, 1929

page

14. Photograph of one of the new gates at Wichita University which have been donated by the graduating class. The other section of the new gate will be finished in a few days (brick and stone pillars).

Wednesday, May 22, 1929 page

8. Photographs of new Wichita aircraft plants, etc., under construction. End parts of hangar at new municipal airport up, but not the hangar part between. Fifth unit of Travel Air plant nearly finished. New Cessna plant exterior about half complete.

An additional story is to be built on the one story section of the Price Auto Service Company, making the whole building two stories. Details. To cost \$40,000.

Thursday, May 23, 1929 page

12. Report of granting of charter to the Wichita Imblum Aero Company, which plans to build the Imblum cam motor in Wichita. Motor designed by Lev Imblum, of Pueblo, Colorado. Details.

Friday, May 24, 1929 page

- 3. City commissioners yesterday tentatively decided to propose to Wichita Transportation Company a uniform 7 cents fare for both street cars and buses, or eight tokens for 50 cents.
- 8. First photograph of the new Cessna CM-2 speed mail plane, a mid-wing type. Details.

Saturday, May 25, 1929 page

2. Backers of the proposed new Roosevelt hotel have decided on a site at the northeast corner of Waco and Douglas instead of the previously announced site at 1st and Topeka.

Sunday, May 26, 1929

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- 19. Aerial photograph of Wichita University.
- B-20. Aerial photograph looking east along 17th Street showing grain elevators and flour mills.

Tuesday, May 28, 1929

page

9. Side view photograph of the new mid-wing Cessna racer.

Wednesday, May 29, 1929

page

- 2. Aerial photograph of downtown area showing new Central Building nearing completion.
- 7. The Yellow Air Cab Company was granted a charter Monday. Details.

Thursday, May 30, 1929

page

13. Saturday will be the last day of operation of Central Airlines as a separate company. The next day control of the line will be assumed by Braniff Airlines of Oklahoma City, a part of the national Universal Airlines System. Details.

Friday, May 31, 1929

page

25. Installation of dial telephones by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Wichita will begin tomorrow, but the dials will not be used until the date of conversion early next year.

Saturday, June 1, 1929

page

1. The Chevrolet Motor Company will build a new parts warehouse in Wichita at Murdock and Wichita Streets. Construction will begin at once. Details.

Sunday, June 2, 1929

page

B-1. New Central Airlines schedule effective June 1. Now includes Oklahoma City to Kansas City via Ponca City and Wichita, as well as Wichita to Tulsa and Wichita to Kansas City. Details.

Sunday, June 2, 1929

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Special Section

Special Section for the Kansas Air Tour, with articles, photographs, advertisements, etc.

Monday, June 3, 1929

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1. Report of terrific windstorm about 7:00 p.m. yesterday which damaged or destroyed many planes at the municipal airport, including a Western Air Express Fokker F-10 trimotor, which was completely destroyed, the Stanolind II Ford trimotor, which was badly damaged, and Edgar B. Smith's plane and hangar. Details and photographs.

Wednesday, June 5, 1929

page

- 10. E. A. Watkins announced that his company, Central Airlines, will be taken over today by the Universal Air Lines System and operated as part of their Middle West network of air routes. The Universal lines will acquire a majority of the stock of his company.
- 11. Formal opening of the Commodore Hotel will take place Sunday, June 9. Details.

Thursday, June 6, 1929

page

11. The Frisco has replaced its line between Neodosha and Beaumont with heavier 90 pound rails during the last several weeks and is continuing to lay the heavier rails between Beaumont and Wichita.

Friday, June 7, 1929

page

24. Report of death last night of William F. Schell, long time Wichita nurseryman, at his home, 1526 Park Place, at age 73. Came to Wichita 40 years ago. Survived by two sons, W. Robert, of Tulsa, and Albert L., 1144 Coolidge, and two daughters (named). Obituary. Photograph.

Saturday, June 8, 1929

page

- 2. Ernest E. Altick has resigned after eight years as boys' secretary at YMCA to organize a country day school to be located on the George Hyde farm on the Little Arkansas north of the city. Details.
- 3. Photograph of Fairmount Congregational Church.

Sunday, June 9, 1929

page

- 3. Advertisement of Wichita Blue Streak Motor Company, 529 West Douglas, says the first public demonstration flight of plane powered by the Wichita Blue Streak Airplane Motor will be made at Travel Air field this afternoon.
- 5. Report that the low-winged monoplane to be built by the Watkins Aircraft Company made its first flight yesterday. Pilot was G. A. MacDonald. Photograph.
- 13. Announcement made yesterday that Wichita men have organized the Continental Aircraft

Company with factory at 704 East Douglas to build a cantilever wing monoplane. W. P. Dougherty is chief engineer. Details.

Monday, June 10, 1929 page

- 2. Article reports that Sunday's test flight of the Wichita Blue Streak Motor was a success. It is a three cylinder, 70 horsepower motor. The company will also build a five cylinder, 125 horsepower motor.
- 4. Report of formal opening of Commodore Hotel yesterday. Details.
- One hundred one thousand dollars was deposited in the Union National Bank today for the purchase of 51 percent of the stock of Central Airlines by the Universal Airlines. Central Airlines will remain as a separate corporation within the Universal Airlines System. New officers of Central Airlines and directors elected (named). E. A. Watkins is president. Details.

Thursday, June 13, 1929 page

7. Report that Bishop J. Henry Tihen is ill in Denver. Laudatory comments. Article says both the Pro-Cathedral at 2nd and St. Francis and the residence adjoining it where he lived, have been razed. ("Bishop Tihen Ill In Denver")

Friday, June 14, 1929 page

27. Moving of equipment into the new Cessna plant has started. Ships will move out to the new factory within the next two weeks.

Saturday, June 15, 1929 page

- 2. City commissioners and Wichita Transportation Company came closer to agreement on new franchise in meeting yesterday. Compromise valuation of \$2,250,000 was accepted. One stumbling block remaining is insistence of City Attorney A. V. Roberts that the Company, which is now incorporated in Delaware, must be chartered in Kansas. Details.
- 10. The old home of the late Dr. A. H. Fabrique, 503 North Lawrence, is to be razed at once to make room for the California Community Market, which A. J. Champion will build. Mr. Champion has planned a drive-in market. Contract has been let. To cost \$40,000.

Sunday, June 16, 1929 page

1. Howard Jones, popular Wichita pilot, was killed yesterday afternoon in crash of a Fleet monoplane at Buffalo, New York airport. Jones left the employ of the Knoll Aircraft Company a month ago. Details. Photograph.

- 9. Advertisement with drawing of the new Snyder Ice Cream factory, corner of Wichita and Murdock. Glen H. Thomas, architect. Article with details on page 10.
- 12. Advertisement for sale of stock in Knoll Aircraft Corporation, 471 West 1st. Street, with drawing of company's new factory, under construction at company's 149 acre airport, which adjoins Central Avenue airport to the south. Details.
- B-9. Full page advertisement for Eastborough Estates -- Unit No. 3 being opened for sale on Tuesday, June 18. Map.

Wednesday, June 19, 1929

page

7. Large Knoll Aircraft Corporation advertisement. Details.

Thursday, June 20, 1929

page

18. The first trial trip of Transcontinental Air Transport though Wichita occurred this morning at 9:20 when the tri-motored Ford landed at 9:20 at the California section. The plane was the "City of Kansas City," en route from Waynoka, Oklahoma to St. Louis. Trial trips will be continued from now until July 3rd, without paying passengers. The regular service with paying passengers will begin July 8. Details.

Saturday, June 22, 1929 page

3. The first all metal new wing cabin monoplane made in Wichita has been completed by Roy B. Buckley of the American Cornice Works and associates on the upper floor of the company's building at 237-241 North Water. It will be taken to the airport today for assembly and exhibition on Sunday. Mr. Buckley has been at work on the plane since February in association with D. F. Fechtman, engineer and experienced airplane builder, who was formerly an airplane designer with the Fokker and then the Keystone aircraft companies. The motor is a Kinner K-5. Details.

Sunday, June 23, 1929

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16. The next Wichita built plane which is due to fly is the Sullivan low wing monoplane which is nearing completion at the Sullivan Aircraft Company's plant at 620 East Gilbert. William P. Sullivan, designer and builder, expects to have it in the air within the next month. Details.

Monday, June 24, 1929

page

- 8. Report of christening of the Transcontinental Air Transport plane "City of Wichita" at the new municipal airport yesterday. Details.
- 9. New franchise for Wichita Transportation Company to be discussed by city commissioners

today. Nearing agreement. City and company have agreed that the East Douglas street car line should be extended to Oliver, but residents of the section have complained against the plan, saying that the cars would disturb their peace.

12. Contracts let last week for two new eight room elementary schools, at 25th and Jackson, and at 1st and Oliver, each to cost about \$70,000. An addition is now under construction at Horace Mann Intermediate School. The new eight rooms will take the place of the old annex which formerly was used. Meridian School is having a six room addition built.

Tuesday, June 25, 1929 page

- 16. The new low wing, all metal monoplane, built by D. F. Fechtman, former engineer of the Junkers plant in Germany, in association with Roy B. Buckley, is expected to make its first flight today. Details.
- 20. City commissioners yesterday discussed the proposed Wichita Transportation Company franchise, but took no action.

City commissioners yesterday granted permission to the Santa Fe Railway to abandon its Wichita and Western bridge across the Big River together with trackage in the city on that line west of the river. The company will use the Orient tracks from the shops to the city. The Wichita and Western tracks east of the river will be retained for switching of material to Tractor Row.

Wednesday, June 26, 1929 page

1. Report of pending merger of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation and the Curtiss Aeroplane and Motor Corporation, possibly including Travel Air and Cessna. Details.

Thursday, June 27, 1929 page

- 1. Merger of Wright and Curtiss firms confirmed. Details.
- 9. The new Buckley all metal monoplane made its successful first flight yesterday afternoon at the new municipal airport, piloted by Ted Mitchell. Details. Photograph.

Friday, June 28, 1929 page

13. Quantity production of the Watkins, low wing monoplane has begun in earnest at the company's new plant, 2300 East Douglas. The Watkins Aircraft Company recently acquired the former plant of the Campbell Baking Company and remodeled it to suit their needs. Details.

Saturday, June 29, 1929 page

2. Distribution of Wichita's new telephone directory will begin Monday. It is the last one to be issued for the present manual telephone exchange. The company's new building at 2nd and Topeka is now ready for installation of dial exchange equipment, which will be ready for operation about January 1, 1930.

Sunday, June 30, 1929 page

- 14. Photograph of Pillsbury Flour Mill Company's new two and a half million bushel elevator, now nearing completion at 19th and St. Francis.
- 16. Photograph of Red Star Milling Company's new one and a half million bushel elevator at 18th and Topeka, giving the company a total capacity of four and a half million bushels.
- B-11. Aerial photographs of Friends University and Mt. Carmel Academy.
- B-16. Buckley Aircraft Company advertisement inviting people to witness first public flight of the Buckley all-metal airplane at 4:00 p.m. today at East Central Avenue flying field. Photograph.
- D-1. Aerial photographs of courthouse, Forum, city hall, Wichita High School, Roosevelt school, Wesley, Hospital, and stock yards.
- D-2. Aerial photographs of downtown (Central Building -- exterior complete, and peaks still on roof of Boston Store), new municipal airport hangar (half of roof completed), North High School (exterior complete except only framework of auditorium roof).
- E-1. Aerial photographs of municipal swimming pool (with street car bridge visible), Hillcrest Apartments, and Transcontinental Air Transport trimotor said to be the "City of Wichita" -- No. NC9850 (?).
- E-9. Photograph looking west on Douglas Avenue, with two or three street cars.

Monday, July 1, 1929 page

2. J. M. (Jake) Moellendick, Wichita aviation pioneer, has returned to Wichita and joined forces with the Sullivan Aircraft Company, whose new plane, designed by William P. Sullivan, should fly within the next two weeks. Mr. Moellendick had gone to St. Louis after he severed connections with the old Swallow Company.

Tuesday, July 2, 1929 page

1. Article relates how the Central Airlines Travel Air monoplane loaned to Colonel Lindbergh was damaged in landing at Mexico City February 27 when one wheel fell off due to failure of a mechanic to replace a steel pin holding the wheel in place. Plane was returned to Travel Air for repairs. Details. The plane was the one named "City of Wichita" by Central

Airlines.

2. School board yesterday let contracts for new schools at 1st and Oliver for \$63,378 (plus about \$16,000 for plumbing and electrical contracts), and at 25th and Jackson for \$58,926 (plus \$16,000) and for addition to Meridian School for \$17,930. Plumbing and heating contract for Horace Mann addition let for \$8230 and electrical contract for \$1632.

Thursday, July 4, 1929 page

8. Report of organization of the Wichita Glider Club at meeting last evening. Eldon Cessna was elected president. Other officers named. Application to be made for a state charter.

Saturday, July 6, 1929

page

3. Photograph of Zion Methodist Episcopal Church at Lulu and Bayley.

Sunday, July 7, 1929 page

12. Transcontinental Air Transport will start its regular passenger service tomorrow with arrival here of the westbound plane at 4:56 p.m., followed Tuesday by arrival of the first eastbound plane at 9:56 a.m.. Details. Photograph of Transcontinental Air Transport aero car used to transport passengers on the ground.

Report of opening of dormitory at the Braley Flying School and completion of another Beezle Bug plane.

Monday, July 8, 1929 page

- 1. Two planes inaugurating the Transcontinental Air Transport air-rail transcontinental service landed at St. Louis shortly before noon on their trip west from Columbus, Ohio. The "City of Columbus" arrived at 11:42 a.m. and departed at 12:10 p.m., and the "City of Wichita" arrived at 11:55 a.m. and departed at 12:12 p.m. Details.
- 2. The second Braley "Beezle Bug" plane made its first flight yesterday, piloted by Ted Braley. The plane was designed by Ward Braley, 17 year old Wichita high school boy. Three more Beezle Bugs are nearing completion at the factory on the Braley Airport.

Tuesday, July 9, 1929 page

1. Report of arrival this morning of the two sections of the first east bound Transcontinental Air Transport service at 10:18 a.m. Planes were the "City of Wichita" and "City of Indianapolis" (or "Columbus"?). Details. Photographs of "City of Wichita" on page 10 clearly show No. NC9650. (One place says "City of Indianapolis" another says "City of Columbus.")

Wednesday, July 10, 1929 page

1. The new smaller sized paper currency arrived in Wichita yesterday and went into circulation today. Details.

Friday, July 12, 1929 page

1. Report of death yesterday in New York City of former Wichita resident M. W. Levy. Obituary. Came to Wichita in 1870s. Survived by wife and three sons, all in New York. Funeral to be at Riverside Memorial Chapel in New York.

Saturday, July 13, 1929 page

2. Announcement made yesterday of organization of the Buckley Aircraft Company, with capitalization of \$150,000, for manufacture of Wichita's first all-metal plane, the Buckley cantilever monoplane powered with a Kinner motor. William B. Stout, president of the Stout All-Metal Airplane Company, of Detroit, is chairman of the board of directors, and Roy B. Buckley is president. Directors listed.

Sunday, July 14, 1929 page

- 3. Aerial photograph of flood in Hutchinson showing two cars in Arkansas Valley Interurban station.
- 9. The Southern Kansas Stage Lines will open a motor bus service between Wichita and Denver on Sunday, July 21. New American Car and Foundry Company parlor coaches purchased especially for the Colorado run are to be used. Details.

Although erected less than two years ago, the Southern Kansas Stage Lines home at 435 West 2nd Street has been outgrown and officials are planning an addition, which will probably be built next year. The new unit will be on ground 100 by 250 feet adjoining the east side of the company's present building. The new addition will be primarily for the freight end of the business.

- 10-11. Two page Southern Kansas Stage Lines advertisement with map of lines and schedule of new service to Denver, effective July 21st.
- 12. Advertisement and photograph of one of fleet of new American Car and Foundry Company buses just delivered to Southern Kansas Stage Lines. Powered with the Hall-Scott motor. For the Wichita-Denver route.
- 13. Article with biography of M. J. Stone and history of the Supreme Propeller Company. ("Wichita Home of Propellers")

Southern Kansas Stage Lines has 141 employees, including 15 office employees and 50

coach drivers. Names all listed. Photographs of office employees and some drivers.

14. Advertisement of the Sullivan Aircraft Manufacturing Corporation, 630 East Gilbert Street, which is now building the "Harpy" -- a low wing three place cabin monoplane. Construction of first plane started April 29, 1929. Designer and chief engineer is William P. Sullivan. Photographs of fuselage of plane under construction. Offering of stock for sale. Details.

Monday, July 15, 1929 page

- 1. The Santa Fe will formally take over management of the Orient Railroad August 1. The Orient properties from Wichita to Altus, Oklahoma will be attached to the Panhandle Division of the Santa Fe, and those from Altus to Alpine, Texas will be attached to the Staton Division of the Santa Fe. The old Orient organization will be absorbed.
- 20. Brief biography of Albert H. Parrott, 1217 North River Bend, with photograph. Born in 1878 in Evansville, Indiana. Moved to Wichita in April 1887. Married Minnie T. Doll in June 1900.

Tuesday, July 16, 1929 page

7. Henry's Clothing Store, 422-24 East Douglas, is being remodeled and enlarged to double its previous size. Drawing.

Wednesday, July 17, 1929 page

- 1. The Wichita Imblum Aero Corporation is making plans for organization of a company to build the Imblum airplane motor, designed by Leo Imblum, of Pueblo, Colorado.. Details.
- 7. The Ace Aircraft Manufacturing Corporation, of Wichita, was granted a charter today by the state charter board. Incorporators listed -- including Governor Clyde Reed and Senator Henry J. Allen.
- 13. Advertisement with construction photographs of Sullivan Aircraft Corporation's "Harpy" plane.

Thursday, July 18, 1929 page

- 2. Report of ground breaking yesterday for the new Hotel Roosevelt at Douglas and Waco.
- 14. Article about progress in construction of Sullivan Aircraft Company's first "Crested Harpy" plane, with photograph. Officers of company listed. Details.

Friday, July 19, 1929 page

- 1. Report of death today of Wichita Pioneer, William Finn, of Sedgwick, Kansas, at age 81. Came here in 1869 from Illinois. Born in Brooklyn, New York July 4, 1848. Survived by one son and two daughters (named). Obituary. Photograph.
- 4. Article about expansion plans of the Braley School of Flying. Details.

Sunday, July 21, 1929

page

- 7. Report of opening today of the new English style Franklin Apartments, 1207 Franklin Avenue. Details.
- 11. Aerial photograph shows hangar at municipal airport nearly completed. Doors are yet to be hung.

Newly completed Cessna plant can build 28 planes a week. Details.

Monday, July 22, 1929

page

- 3. Four officials of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway in Wichita will be moved this fall to other cities by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway. Details.
- 5. Park board passed resolution urging building of \$175,000 administration building at municipal airport without delay and suggesting method of financing. To be presented to city officials. Details.
- 6. Report that the Stearman Aircraft Company has been absorbed by the United Aircraft and Transport Company. Details.

Tuesday, July 23, 1929

page

20. Board of education yesterday decided to name new school at 25th and Jackson after William Finn and the one at 1st and Oliver after A. A. Hyde.

Wednesday, July 24, 1929

page

11. Filing of will in New York City of Maurice W. Levy, who died July 11 at age 83, revealed he left an estate estimated at close to one million dollars. Details.

Thursday, July 25, 1929

page

13. Contract has been let for the new Santa Fe depot in Newton. Drawing.

Friday, July 26, 1929

page

1. Report of holdup today of the Peoples State Bank at northeast corner of St. Francis and

Douglas. Photograph.

Sunday, July 28, 1929

page

12-13. Two page advertisement of the Yellow Air Cab Company. Details.

Monday, July 29, 1929

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16. Full page advertisement announcing that Eastborough Estates Unit No. 4 will be open for sale Tuesday, July 30. Map.

Tuesday, July 30, 1929

page

- 9. City commissioners yesterday passed resolution declaring it necessary to build administration building at municipal airport. Details.
- 11. Advertisement announcing opening for sale of lots in McKnight Place tract -- between English and Kellogg and between Hydraulic and Minnesota. Map.

Wednesday, July 31, 1929

page

- 5. Two of the new Watkins "Skylark" planes are now under construction and the company will soon apply for an approved type certificate. Details.
- 10. At the close of business today the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway ceased to exist as an independent railroad, and tomorrow morning it will operate as the Atchison. Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, Orient division. Details.

Friday, August 2, 1929

page

6. Report of death yesterday of Charles Aylesbury, age 71, former head of the Aylesbury Wholesale Grocery Company. Born in Illinois and came to Wichita in 1900. Survived by wife and one son. Obituary.

Saturday, August 3, 1929

page

3. Photograph (rather faint) of the Fellowship Congregational Church at Pattie and Kellogg.

Sunday, August 4, 1929

page

- 1. A tall Neon beacon light is to be erected on top of the Beacon Building. Details.
- 19. Article about Jake Moellendick, who has returned to Wichita after an absence of more than two years. Details of his life during that time. Photograph.

Monday, August 5, 1929 page

- 1. Report of visit to Wichita yesterday of Transcontinental Air Transport's giant 20 passenger Curtiss Condor transport plane. Photographs on page 6.
- 6. Article confirms sale of controlling interest in Stearman Aircraft Company to the United Aircraft Transport Corporation. Details.

Wednesday, August 7, 1929 page

1. Article reports merger of Travel Air Company with the Curtiss-Wright Aeronautical Corporation. Travel Air stockholders to receive one and three quarters share of Curtiss-Wright stock for each share of Travel Air stock. Travel Air stock has increased in value to 40 times its original price. Details. Says Travel Air built in:

1925 19 planes

1926 46 planes

1927 154 planes

1928 532 planes

Thursday, August 8, 1929 page

- 7. Report of death today of John F. Knoblauch, pioneer business man, age 66, at his home, 141 North Broadview. Born in Illinois and came to Wichita in 1885. Married Miss Emma Gribi in 1890. Survived by wife and one daughter, Vera, at home. Obituary.
- 13. Private school to be opened September 9 by E. E. Altick at 49th Street and Little Arkansas River. Details.

Friday, August 9, 1929 page

- 3. An elaborate descriptive booklet about Wichita's aviation industry is on the press and will be ready for distribution next week. Fifteen thousand copies will be run on the first printing and will be available at the Chamber of Commerce. Details.
- 11. The new elevator of the Pillsbury Flour Mills Company will begin receiving wheat today or tomorrow. Details.
- 12. The third Braley Beezle Bug plane has successfully completed a series of tests. It has a Curtiss Challenger motor. The first Beezle Bug had a Wright Whirlwind motor.

Friday, August 16, 1929

page

18. The Siedhoff Construction Company has resumed work on the Supreme Propeller

Company's plant at Lincoln and Washington after a six weeks delay due to the vacation season. Building will cost \$50,000.

Saturday, August 17, 1929 page

3. Photograph of the small Assembly of God church at Kellogg and Market, which is rented from the Universalist Church. The Assembly of God has purchased lots at Main and Lincoln for erection of a new church.

Sunday, August 18, 1929

page

- 10. The skeleton frame of the Ellis-Singleton Building is completed and the brick work has been brought up to the seventh floor.
- 20. Full page advertisement for sale of stock in the Yellow Air Cab Company. Details.
- 21. The Midcontinent Air Express subsidiary of Western Air Express will open service on its Denver to El Paso branch Tuesday, using Fokker Super-Universal planes.
 - The Wichita Airplane Manufacturing Company has recently been reorganized and refinanced, with revised officers and directors. Names listed.
- Wesley Hospital's new crippled children's ward is to be dedicated Tuesday, August 20. A fifth story has been added to the building. Photograph.
- B-9. The Central Building will be ready for tenants in three weeks. Article with details. Photograph.

Tuesday, August 20, 1929

page

9. The new floodlight at the Wichita municipal airport was turned on last night.

Wednesday, August 21, 1929

page

2. Report of dedication of new floor at Wesley Hospital last evening. Details.

Thursday, August 22, 1929

page

- 2. Final transfer of the Simmons Hardware Company property in Wichita to the A. J. Harwi Company, of Atchison, will take place September 27. Details.
- 8. Formal opening of the Spines Clothing Company's new quarters in the Central Building will be held tomorrow.

Friday, August 23, 1929

page

6. The Frisco Railroad will inaugurate a new train to be called the Air Capital Limited between Wichita and St. Louis on September 8. Details.

Sunday, August 25, 1929 page

- 1. Announcement of a new hotel, probably 20 stories, to be erected at corner of Lawrence and William and leased for 99 years by the Allis Hotel Company. Details.
- 21. Work is to start immediately on the first wing of the new stadium at the Wichita University athletic field, to cost approximately \$30,000 and seat 3000 persons. It will be built on the west side of the field and adjoin the new gymnasium.
- B-17. Old photograph of first block of South Main, circa 1906 (?), showing seven street cars.

Sunday, August 25, 1929

page

Magazine

16. Report on the Wichita aircraft industry, says 2500 people are employed by it. Details. Over 1000 employed at Travel Air.

Monday, August 26, 1929

page

- 1. The Knoll Aircraft Company was placed in receivership today at the request of its own major stockholders. James A. Woods, president of the Bridgeport Machine Company, was appointed receiver. Details.
- 12. Photograph of buildings now on site on which the new Allis Hotel is to be built. Details.

Tuesday, August 27, 1929 page

10. Two large brick veneer residences are to be built at once on the bank of the Little Arkansas River, by Charles H. Hatton and Harry W. Stanley, at cost of \$20,000 to \$25,000 each. The Hatton house was designed by Robert Mayberry and the Stanley house by Schmidt, Boucher, and Overend.

Friday, August 30, 1929 page

20. Report of death today of Wichita pioneer, John Davidson, age 89, at his home. Born in Cooper, Fifeshire, Scotland, came to American about 1868 and to Wichita January 25, 1870. Worked as a carpenter and then went into the lumber business, founding the Davidson and Case lumber firm. Survived by one son, John P., one daughter, Mrs. Harry Pottenger, and a grandson, John Davidson Pottenger.

Sunday, September 1, 1929

page

- 9. The new dormitory at the Braley School of Flying will be open for public inspection today. Photograph.
- 10. More articles about the Braley School with details and photograph of their administration building.
- 12. Report of opening last night of the new Ritz Garage in the Ellis and Singleton Building. Details.
- 15. The new Sullivan "Crested Harpy" plane is due to make its first flight this week. Details and drawing.

Tuesday, September 3, 1929

page

5. Contract let yesterday to George Siedhoff Construction Company for the new unit of the Kansas Masonic Home, which will cost \$400,000 equipped. Work is to start at once.

Wednesday, September 4, 1929

page

1. Report that Transcontinental Air Transport plane "City of San Francisco" is missing near Grants, New Mexico. Details.

Report of destruction of Fairmount Hall at University of Wichita by fire last night. Details on page 7.

Thursday, September 5, 1929

page

- 20. The new Sullivan low wing monoplane made its first flight successfully at municipal airport this morning. Photograph.
- 24. National Air Transport, operating Wichita's night air mail line, will move into the municipal airport hangar and begin operations from the new field tonight.

Friday, September 6, 1929

page

7. Details of the Sullivan "Crested Harpy's" test flight yesterday. Homer Weyant was the pilot.

Saturday, September 7, 1929

page

1. Wreckage of lost Transcontinental Air Transport airliner found on south slope of Mount Taylor, about 20 miles west of Albuquerque. Eight people were aboard. Details. Plane No. 9649.

3. Photograph of Mathewson Avenue Church of Christ, at 1st and Mathewson.

Sunday, September 8, 1929

page

- 1. More details of Transcontinental Air Transport plane crash in New Mexico.
- 12. New Wichita high school North to open tomorrow. Details.
- 19. Article with details about the Sullivan "Crested Harpy" low wing three place cabin monoplane designed by William P. Sullivan. Officers and directors of company listed. Photograph.

Monday, September 9, 1929

page

1. Report that Watkins Aircraft Company has received order for 330 planes from a Los Angeles company to be delivered over five years. Details.

Tuesday, September 10, 1929 page

- 16. A charter has been granted to the Jayhawk Aircraft Company, capitalized at \$100,000 to manufacture a small plane designed by Thomas M. Finnie, former chief engineer for Swift. The plane will have folding wings and be powered with a 60 horsepower LeBlond motor. Directors listed.
- 26. Report of inauguration of Frisco Railroad's new Air Capital Limited Sunday night between Wichita and St. Louis. Details.

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5. Wichita's new hotel at Lawrence and William will be called the "Hotel Allis." Details.

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5. Transcontinental Air Transport has added two giant Curtiss Condor biplanes to its fleet used between Columbus, Ohio and Waynoka, Oklahoma, and will resume its service on Monday (discontinued after recent New Mexico crash).

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14. Formal opening of enlarged and remodeled Henry's Clothing Store will be held tomorrow. Details.

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7. City commissioners yesterday ordered construction of a bridge across the Big Arkansas

River at Lincoln Street. At present there is no bridge across the river between Maple and Harry Street.

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Board of regents of Wichita University have authorized construction of a new \$250,000 building to replace the destroyed Fairmount Hall. Ed Forsblom to draw plans.

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5. The Sullivan Aircraft Company yesterday purchased five acres adjoining the Swift factory, directly across the road west of the municipal airport, to be used as a site for a new factory.

Friday, September 27, 1929

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1. Article reports the Santa Fe Railway plans to enlarge the Orient Shops. Details.

Saturday, September 28, 1929

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- 1. Further details on expansion of Orient Shops.
- 3. Photograph of Grace Presbyterian Church, 124 Cleveland.

Sunday, September 29, 1929

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- 16. The new Yunker biplane has been flown several times in the last week in private tests and today will be given its first public demonstration at the Municipal airport. Photograph.
- 20. The new Supreme Propeller Company plant at Lincoln and Washington will be open for public inspection Monday. Will employ 150 to 200 men when full capacity of 50 propellers per day is reached. Photograph of plant and of M. J. Stone, originator of the Supreme propeller. Article with biography of M. J. Stone on page 21. Charter for company was granted June 15, 1928 at Topeka and first propeller was tested July 27, 1928. Since then the company has manufactured and shipped over 1500 propellers.

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4. After the expiration of its present six month sales agreement with the Curtiss Flying Service, Inc., at the first of the year, Cessna Aircraft Corporation will handle its own sales.

Friday, October 4, 1929

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27. Report that the Yellow Air Cab Company has ordered 200 low-wing, all metal cabin monoplanes from the Buckley Aircraft Company. Details.

Sunday, October 6, 1929

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- 19. Photograph of Western Air Express Fokker trimotor in front of hangar at municipal airport.
- B-20. The new Swift two place training plane has been flown to Kansas City, interrupting a series of test here that were started two weeks ago.

Monday, October 7, 1929

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1. A deal was completed Saturday for sale of 40 Kansas and Missouri theaters, including the Miller, Palace, Orpheum, and Wichita in this city to the William Fox interests. Details.

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5. Article about court contest between heirs of the late W. J. Babb, former mayor of Wichita, who died June 18, 1923. Article with details.

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C-2. Photograph of the new Chevrolet Motor Company building at Murdock and Wichita Streets, which was occupied last week. Article with details.

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3. Drawing of the improved and slightly enlarged Buckley all metal, low wing monoplane, which is to be built and to go into production not later than December. 1.

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21. Swallow Aircraft Company today announced a new and different plane, a four place, low wing, cabin monoplane, which was test flown yesterday for the first time by L. H. Connell, Swallow's chief test pilot. Details.

Saturday, October 19, 1929

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3. Photograph of West Side United Brethren Church, Seneca and Hendryx.

Sunday, October 20, 1929

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- 10. The new beacon light on top of the Beacon Building is to be dedicated tomorrow. Details. Photograph.
- 12. The addition now being built at the Horace Mann school is expected to be completed by November 1st. The new Hyde school and William Finn school are expected to be ready

for use by January 15.

B-10. Photograph of the new Swallow low wing monoplane.

Thursday, October 24, 1929

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- 1. Report of panic selling on stock market. Details.
- 6. Lawrence Stettheimer announced plans to close out his women's ready-to-wear store. He came to Wichita from Kansas City 11 years ago. Details.

Friday, October 25, 1929

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1. Further details about stock market crash. One million dollars in values lost in Wichita alone.

Saturday, October 26, 1929

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2. State Board of Agriculture reports Wichita's population of March 1, 1929 was 108,117, up from 101,436 in 1928.

Tuesday, October 29, 1929

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1. A Western Air Express tri-motor passenger plane with five aboard has been missing in New Mexico-Arizona area since yesterday morning. Further article October 30, page 1 reports plane reached Albuquerque safely after a forced landing en route in bad weather. Details.

Sunday, November 3, 1929

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- 1. Report of proposed new 12 story building to be erected just east of Schweiter Building. Details (never built).
- 11. Drawing of planned new Wichita University administration building.
- C-10. St. Francis Hospital's new wing on Emporia Avenue is nearing completion. Photograph of entrance and building.

Tuesday, November 5, 1929

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3. Work was begun yesterday on building a hangar for the Buckley Airplane Company on their property recently purchased north of the Travel Air plant on East Central. To be one story, brick, 62 by 122 feet, with an office wing 14 by 40 feet, and cost \$15,000.

Wednesday, November 6, 1929

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1. All three proposals were passed in \$260,000 bond election yesterday: new bridges over Little River at Central Avenue and 13th Street, and subway under East Waterman Street elevated tracks. Details.

Friday, November 8, 1929 page

14. The Cadet, smallest biplane built in Wichita, made a successful first flight Wednesday at the municipal airport. M. E. Johnson was test pilot.. Powered by 60 horsepower LeBlond engine. A second plane has been started and plans adopted for production. Photograph.

Sunday, November 10, 1929

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- C-1. The scheduled inaugural flight of Midcontinent Air Express from Kansas City to Denver via Wichita yesterday was postponed owing to bad weather.
- E-12. Full page advertisement of the Rajah Rabbitry, 3400 West Douglas, with photograph.

Wednesday, November 13, 1929

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11. The new Midcontinent Air Express passenger service between Kansas City, Wichita, and Denver, is to be inaugurated this afternoon.

Friday, November 15, 1929 page

Merger of Transcontinental Air Transport and Maddux Airlines began several months ago with purchase of controlling interest in Maddux by Transcontinental Air Transport and will be completed by joint operations of the lines beginning Saturday. The new line will be known as the TAT-Maddux Lines.

Saturday, November 16, 1929

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1. Report of death last evening of Dr. J. G. Dorsey at age 69 following one week illness with pneumonia. Born in Fairmount, Virginia, July 5, 1860. Later moved to Chillicothe, Missouri, where he married Miss Etta Palmer on October 18, 1883. Moved to Wichita in 1893. Survived by wife and two daughters, Mrs. Mabel D. Moore and Mrs. Helen D. Weaver, both of Wichita. Also two brothers (named) and a sister, Mrs. John S. Milbank, of Chillicothe, Missouri. Photograph.

Sunday, November 17, 1929

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B-5. The A. J. Harwi Hardware Company will formally open its Wichita branch Thursday in the former Simmons Hardware Company building at 1st and Rock Island. Details. Photograph.

Tuesday, November 19, 1929

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18. Value of Dr. J. G. Dorsey's estate estimated at \$300,000. Article gives details of will.

Friday, November 22, 1929 page

24. Paul R. Braniff yesterday announced his resignation from the Universal Air Lines. He had founded the Braniff Air Lines which later became a part of the Central Division of the Universal Air Lines along with Central Air Lines, of Wichita.

Sunday, November 24, 1929

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3-E. Photograph of Reo car in front of the Hilton Super Midwing plane recently designed and built by Mr. Ralph Hilton in the Hilton factory at 702 East Harry. No. is X373M.

Monday, November 25, 1929 page

- 5. A financial shakeup in management of Transcontinental Air Transport will reduce employment considerably. With the merger with Maddux, the Western division of Transcontinental Air Transport from Clovis, New Mexico to the coast will be operated by Maddux personnel. Some field equipment has been little used, such as the Aerocar in Wichita which has never been used. Details.
- 14. Photograph of addition to Kansas Masonic Home under construction.

Sunday, December 1, 1929

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6. Drawing of new Allis Hotel. Article with details. Contract to be awarded soon.

Sunday, December 8, 1929 page

- 1. Report of death last night of David V. Walker, pioneer department store owner, at his home at age 66. Born in Dudley, England on November 17, 1863 and came to United States with his parents at age six. Family settled near Tipton, Missouri, and at age 16 David came to Wichita for employment. After six years he went into business for himself at 139 North Main. Later he moved to a new building at 129-133 North Main, on the site of the original Black Diamond Grocery. Married Sarah Eleanor Johnson on June 24, 1887. Survived by wife, two sons, I. J., 236 North Crestway and D. V., Jr., 3417 East Central, and one daughter, Mrs. Paul M. Hart, Detroit, Michigan. Further obituary.
- B-5. Article about progress of aircraft industry in Wichita. Details.

Thursday, December 12, 1929 page

1. Contract let for three story addition to the Domestic Laundry's building on East Douglas,

just west of the present plant, at cost of \$100,000. Details.

8. With the expiration of its option to purchase the Wichita street railway on Tuesday night of this week, the Wichita Transportation Company may be forced to turn the business back to the Illinois Power and Light Company. After three years the city commission has failed to give the company a new franchise which would allow the completion of the purchase. Critical comments by Robert B. Campbell, manager of the system, saying it is impossible to give good service with present street car fares. The contract for the option was signed December 11, 1926 and the street cars have been operated by the local company since March 1927. Details.

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- 20. Henry I. Green, of Champaign, Illinois, chief counsel for the Illinois Power and Light Company, arrived in Wichita yesterday and reportedly was told that under the present local conditions, the Wichita men associated in the Wichita Transportation Company did not care to purchase the street railway property. Details.
- 23. The Westlink golf course was thrown into receivership today. Lawrence R. McCool was appointed receiver. Details.

Sunday, December 15, 1929

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- 10. Drawing of planned new Wichita post office.
- C-11. Photograph of the new Kress Building. The erection is completed and store expected to open January 11.
- D-14. Southern Kansas Stage Lines advertisement about new services. Company has 65 buses, including 11 new parlor cars with reclining chairs. Photograph.

Wednesday, December 18, 1929 page

- 16. Article gives details of Southern Kansas Stage Lines routes and schedules.
- 22. Short article says J. M. (Jake) Moellendick will head a new aircraft factory at Dalhart, Texas.

Thursday, December 19, 1929 page

4. A new glider, designed by Eldon Cessna, was finished yesterday at the Cessna factory and given its first tests for balance. Details.

Monday, December 23, 1929 page

- 1. Harold McCrory, chief test pilot for the Yunker Aircraft Company, died early today from injuries received when the Cadet sport biplane he was flying crashed yesterday afternoon over the municipal airport. While stunting the plane went into a fatal spin from a low altitude and did not recover in time. Details. The plane was the only Cadet in existence, although others are under construction.. The first Cadet was demolished several months ago when a Travel Air monoplane landed on it at Central Avenue Airport.
- 3. Report of death yesterday of Charles S. Daniels, long time Wichita furniture dealer, at age 69. Came here in 1888. Obituary.
- 8. Report of heavy holiday traffic on the airlines through Wichita. Details. Says Brower Air Service reported a gratifying increase on its Wichita-Omaha line, which touches Salina and Belleville.
- 18. Report of crash landing of a Transcontinental Air Transport landing at the Indianapolis airport in a snow storm yesterday, with one passenger killed. Details.

Tuesday, December 24, 1929 page

- 1. All time record of 821,672 hogs to date received by Wichita Union Stock Yards this year.
- 5. Sunday's loss of the Cadet biplane was a hard blow to the manufacturers of the plane. Tom Harley, head of the company, said yesterday a new one would be started as soon as possible, but it will take some time, as the company had turned back their factory lease and stored equipment pending completion of flight tests for an approved type certificate, after which the manufacturing was to start.

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12. Photograph of Eldon Cessna's new glider in flight.

Sunday, December 29, 1929

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B-4. The Vail Jewelry Company, 116 East Douglas, is closing its business and has been sold to William Levitt effective February 1. Details.

Six million dollars worth of aircraft were sold by Wichita plants in 1929 including three and a half million at Travel Air. Details.

Tuesday, December 31, 1929 page

3. National Air Transport planes flew a total of 2,646,966 miles during 1929, approximately half of which was flown at night. A total of 2,027,959 pounds of air mail and 75,607 pounds of express was carried.

7. Article reports George H. Siedhoff becomes the owner of the Eaton Hotel on January 1st. He purchased the equipment from M. N. Brown, who has operated the hotel for several years, and whose lease expires December 31. Mr. Siedhoff will operate the Eaton as well as the Broadview and has deferred his plans to build a new on the Eaton site because of plans for building two other new hotels in the city. Details.