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 1935 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon
Thursday, January 3, 1935
page 2. Further discussion by city commission yesterday of proposed new bus ordinance. Some argued for municipal ownership. Details.

Tuesday, January 8, 1935
page 16. City commissioners yesterday postponed action on the proposed new bus franchise. Details.
City commissioners yesterday approved building of a new bridge across the Little Arkansas River at Bitting Avenue, to cost $36,000, of which the city will pay $25,000 for materials and the government will contribute $11,000 for labor.

Friday, January 11, 1935

24. The Kansas Emergency Relief Committee has leased from the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company the five story building at 704-706 East Douglas opposite the Union Station, which was formerly occupied by the Hanser-Garrison Wholesale Dry Goods Company. It will be used for the distribution of food commodities in the surrounding area. Details. Photograph.
Friday, January 18, 1935
12. It was announced today that the new concrete bridge over the Little River at 11th Street is to be named the Campbell Bridge in honor of B. H. Campbell, known to his friends as Barbecue Campbell, a pioneer and former Riverside resident who died in 1908.

Saturday, January 19, 1935
3. Photographs of all the Protestant pastors in Wichita.

Sunday, January 20, 1935
1. The Wichita Chamber of Commerce received notice yesterday from T. E. Braniff, president of Braniff Airways, that his company has placed orders for several Lockheed Electra passenger planes which they will put into service between Chicago and Brownsville, Texas, via Wichita, thus re-establishing passenger service on this route. The Braniff Company also signed contracts for office space in the new administration building at the municipal airport. The new service will probably not become effective until July 1, as the planes will not be delivered until shortly before then.


Tuesday, January 22, 1935
1. The city commission yesterday unanimously passed Wichita’s new bus franchise ordinance providing for an all bus system, five cent fares, and ownership of the Wichita Transportation Company by a group of Wichita men. Details. (“City Will Get 5 Cent Buses in Two Months”)

Sunday, January 27, 1935

15. The Ferguson-Olander Motor Company, Wichita’s new authorized Ford dealer, is now located in its permanent home at 1214-1220 East Douglas. Details.

Saturday, February 2, 1935

Tuesday, February 5, 1935

1. Report of death this morning of John H. Howard, business man and civic leader, at age 65. He was a partner in the McVicar-Howard-Millhauft Clothing Company, which was sold about five years ago. Came to Wichita in 1901. Obituary and photograph.

15. Petition filed with city commission yesterday asking expansion of bus service to the West Side by a line routed over the Maple Street Bridge. Details.

Thursday, February 7, 1935

1. Federal Emergency Relief Administration funds have been approved to build the first unit of paving on the University of Wichita campus, consisting of the diagonal road from the end of Hillside pavement northeast to pass in front of science hall and the administration building. Work will commence next week. Funds have been requested for additional paving on Fairmount Avenue to the library, Fiske Hall, and the gymnasium. This second unit of paving will probably be laid next summer.

10. All the necessary right-of-way has been obtained by the city for the paving proposed of East Kellogg Street to the Veteran’s Administration Hospital. The city was required to obtain right-of-way having a width of 80 feet. Details.

Monday, February 11, 1935

1. Donald Inman, age 22, youngest of the three Inman brothers of the Inman Brothers’ Flying Circus -- Rolley, Arthur, and Donald, was killed in a plane crash on takeoff yesterday at Ellenton, Florida. The Inman Brothers’ home is in Coffeyville. Details.

Saturday, February 16, 1935

7. City commissioners yesterday granted a certificate of convenience and necessity to the Peoples Cab Company for the operation of 70 cabs in the city.

Sunday, February 17, 1935

12. Photographs of modern Yellow Cab Company trucks in use in Wichita. Article with details. On page 13 is photograph of six new International taxicabs put in service in Wichita the past week.

Tuesday, February 19, 1935

1. Five cent bus and street car fares (i.e., five tokens for 25 cents) will become effective in Wichita next Monday at 5:15 a.m., as the result of the acceptance today by the Wichita Transportation Company of the new bus franchise passed recently by the city commission. If cash fares are paid, seven cents will be charged, as at present. All street cars are to be abandoned within one year. Fifteen new buses are to be put in operation within six months and 40 within the next year. Five new type buses are already in operation. The
Transportation Company deposited with the city a check for $2000 as the first monthly payment on the $75,000 which is to be paid to the city to pave the right-of-way when the car tracks on which 24 street cars are now being operated are removed. The new franchise is for 16 years, and the five cent fares will be in effect for at least three years. A deed to the car tracks, including rails, ties, spikes, and other material, was given to the city with acceptance of the new franchise.

**Wednesday, February 20, 1935**

11. Transcontinental & Western Air will increase its service to three planes daily through Wichita effective Wednesday. All will be operated with Douglas Airliners. Details.

**Monday, February 25, 1935**

2. After an absence of 15 years, the five cent street car and bus fare returned to Wichita at 5:15 a.m. today (i.e., five tokens for 25 cents). The seven cent street car and bus fare has been in effect in Wichita since October 1, 1920. Envelopes containing five tokens are to be had for 25 cents on all street cars and buses.

7. Photographs of tornado damage in Wichita Heights yesterday. Article with details on page 1.

**Tuesday, February 26, 1935**

1. Bert C. Wells, city manager since 1927, announced his resignation effective after the April city election. Details and photograph.

**Saturday, March 2, 1935**

10. Eldon Cessna has resigned from the staff of the Cessna Aircraft Company and will be in Inglewood, California, as engineer with the Northrop Aircraft Corporation, it was announced today.

Offices of the municipal airport will be moved into the new administration building beginning March 10, it was announced today.

**Wednesday, March 6, 1935**

7. Dr. T. Walker Weaver, who is just completing eight years of service on the Board of Education, has announced his candidacy for the city commission. He was born near Maize, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weaver, who came to Kansas from Illinois in 1874 and still reside in Sedgwick County southwest (sic) of the city. Details. Photograph.

**Friday, March 8, 1935**


8. Harvey Brothers men’s clothing store will open their new store in Wichita tomorrow morning, at 122 East Douglas. Details and photograph.

Saturday, March 9, 1935

1. Report of death this morning of John Ferriter, age 71, real estate dealer here for the past 35 years. He lived at 2007 Arkansas Avenue. Born in Indianapolis, Indiana and came to Wichita from Kansas City, Missouri in 1895. Obituary. Mrs. Ferriter died December 14 of last year. Survived by a son, Clyde, of Wichita and sister in Indianapolis (named).

10. The Frisco Railroad expects to complete the replacement of 47 miles of track between Wichita and Beaumont with 90 pound rails in place of lighter rails. Fifteen miles of 90 pound rails between Columbus and Oswego, Kansas will also replace 75 pound rails. One gang of men has also recently been transferred to Wichita Heights, where 90 pound rails will take the place of the old 70 pound rails.

Sunday, March 10, 1935

12. Report of death yesterday of William Olin Sternberg, age 76, pioneer salesman, at his home at 115 North Fountain. Came to Wichita from Norwich, New York in 1885 and was associated with the old Moore Drug Company. Left here at one time for Kansas City, Missouri, but later returned to Wichita. Survived by his widow, Mary, two sons, Harold G., of Kansas City, and W. Arthur, of 3419 East 9th in Wichita, and by a brother, Oscar, of 435 North Clifton.

B-7. The Central Kansas Bus Lines will start a daily round trip service between Wichita and Independence on Thursday. Details.

Tuesday, March 12, 1935

10. A 32 passenger demonstrator bus made by the White Motor Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, is being operated for two or three days (beginning today) on the East Central Avenue line of the Wichita Transportation Company. It was brought to Wichita from Chicago yesterday and has a 12 cylinder “pancake” type engine located under the center of the body, and has two doors. It has a blue and aluminum finish and has air brakes.

Sunday, March 17, 1935


C-1. Advertisement with photograph of a Pontiac used by the People’s Cab Company. Special advertisement section next few pages describes the transfer and storage business of the People’s Cab Company, with photographs, etc.

C-8. Photograph looking north on Broadway from Douglas.
Monday, March 18, 1935


Saturday, March 23, 1935

1. Strike by bus drivers and motormen of the Wichita Transportation Company began this morning. They originally asked for a wage increase to 65 cents an hour from the present scale of 40 to 45 cents. By noon, partial service was restored, with 19 buses and 11 street cars in operation. New men are being hired to replace the strikers. Details and photograph of the striking men at bus garage. More details on page 2 with photographs of first bus and street car to leave the garage and car barns this morning (East Kellogg bus and College Hill street car -- numbers not visible).

Sunday, March 24, 1935

1. Article about the continuing strike of approximately 100 Wichita bus drivers and motormen. Details.

13. Photograph looking north on Main Street from Douglas, with one street car visible.

Saturday, March 30, 1935


Sunday, March 31, 1935

1. Report that retired Bishop J. Henry Tihen suffered a heart attack on Thursday, but has since improved. Details and photograph.

15. The new Case Memorial Building at First Presbyterian Church is to be dedicated today. Details and photograph.

B-9. Photographs of exterior and interior of new airport administration building.

Monday, April 1, 1935


Wednesday, April 3, 1935

1. Report of results of city election yesterday. Dr. T. Walker Weaver, Frank Nighswonger, and Harry D. Cottman elected to city commission. Photograph of Dr. and Mrs. Weaver
Tuesday, April 16, 1935  
1. Frank Nighswonger was elected mayor of Wichita for the third time by the city commission last night. Details and photograph.

Thursday, April 25, 1935  
11. The new building of the Phyllis Wheatley Home for colored children will be dedicated Sunday, April 28. New home is at 9th and Mathewson. The old home has been at 808 East 13th Street. Details.

Saturday, April 27, 1935  
7. The Missouri Pacific “Sunflower” arrived in Wichita this morning, for the first time carrying air-conditioned cars throughout.

Sunday, April 28, 1935  
B-6. Photograph of the old and new Phyllis Wheatley Children’s Homes. New one to be dedicated today. Details.

Photograph of Dr. Henry Tihen, who is to speak at Kansas Medical Society meeting in Salina.

Friday, May 3, 1935  
28. Article with details of some proposed changes in bus routes, which will take effect when the street cars are taken out of service July 1. (“Study Changes in Bus Routes”)

Monday, May 6, 1935  
18. The first of ten new double deck sleeper buses of the Santa Fe Trails line will be on display at the union bus dept from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. tonight. They were constructed at a cost of $20,000 each.

Wednesday, May 8, 1935  
1. Report of death yesterday of prominent Wichita mortician, I. W. Gill, at age 77, of a heart attack. Established his business here in 1889 (?) under the name of Boaz and Gill, changed in 1891 to the I. W. Gill Mortuary and in 1921 to the Gill Mortuary. Survived by his widow and a son, Hugh, a partner in the business. Obituary and photograph.

Report on large raid on a number of Sedgwick County liquor selling road houses. Details
Saturday, May 11, 1935
page 1.
T. H. Slothower, proprietor of the State Theater at 471 East Douglas, plans to start building a new neighborhood theater at the northeast corner of Topeka and Harry within the next few weeks. Details. Article May 12, page 7, says it is to be called the “Southern” theater and shows drawing.

Sunday, May 12, 1935
page 10.
The Sedgwick County Pioneer Society is planning to hold its annual picnic Saturday, June 1, at the Forum. Details. Names listed.

Wednesday, May 15, 1935
page 2.
Article lists in detail the proposed new bus routes, to go into effect July 1. At that time 30 new buses will be placed in operation and all street cars will be junked, thus requiring the continued operation of only 13 old buses. A hearing on the new bus routes is to be held by city commission Friday evening. (“Study Planned Bus Routing”)

Sunday, May 19, 1935


Tuesday, May 21, 1935
page 11.
Aerial photograph of downtown Wichita showing swollen rivers.

Friday, May 24, 1935
page 6.
Photograph of new Santa Fe Trail System Nitecoach sleeper bus which will begin operating out of Wichita to Los Angeles at 4:00 p.m. next Monday. Bus No. 5208.

Tuesday, May 28, 1935
page 1.
Report of death this morning in Los Angeles of Mrs. Daniel Innes, mother of Walter P. Innes, president of the George Innes Company in Wichita. She and her husband were formerly residents of Lawrence, Kansas, but moved to Los Angeles more than 25 years ago. Her husband died several years ago. Survived in addition to Walter, by one other son, William A. Innes, and one daughter, Mrs. Willard Doran, both of Los Angeles.

11. County assessor reports Wichita population of 102,087 this year, an increase of 2987 over
last year. Population of Sedgwick County 128,142, up from 125,164 last year.

Friday, June 7, 1935
page 19.

Proposal of the Wichita Transportation Company to name Wichita’s 30 new buses to be put into service July 1 in honor of Wichita pioneers is meeting with public endorsement. Omrah Aley, president of the Sedgwick County Pioneers Society has sent to the transportation company a revised list of names of pioneers for use on the buses. The list includes: Meade, English, Jewett, Waterman, Fabrique, Allen, Woodman, Hyde, Ross, Harris, Lewis, Munger, Carey, Schweiter, Gribi, Black, Smith, Lawrence, McCoy, Aley, Sluss, Stanley, Smythe, Sowers, Steele, and Getto. The four large double-door buses to be used on the College Hill line will be named Griffenstein, Davidson, Murdock, and Mathewson.

Sunday, June 9, 1935
page C-6.

Word was received yesterday by the Wichita Transportation Company that the delivery of the 30 new Yellow Coaches will be June 18 in Pontiac, Michigan. Twenty-six are of the 21 passenger type like the five new buses now operating on the East Kellogg line. Four of the new buses are a new 32 passenger type and are the first of this type ever built by General Motors. Details.

Tuesday, June 11, 1935
page 12.

Wichita’s new all-bus system will start with new routings at 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 30, as provided for by a resolution passed by the city commission yesterday. Detailed list of routes given. (“Bus Routings Are Adopted”)

Wednesday, June 12, 1935
page 1.

Report that Greyhound is negotiating to buy the Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus company. Details.


10. Free bus rides will be given on “Transportation Day,” June 26, from 9:00 a.m. until noon, to acquaint Wichitans with the new buses. Details.

Sunday, June 16, 1935
page 14.

Braniff Airways will revise its schedules effective June 20 and bring Wichita second airplane passenger service, using its new fleet of Lockheed Electra two motored transports. Details.

Friday, June 21, 1935
Report of arrival in Wichita shortly after 2:00 a.m. today of the first Braniff Airways Lockheed Electra passenger flight, which departed from Chicago at 9:00 p.m. last evening.

Details.

Sunday, June 23, 1935

New Transportation Era in Wichita.

C-1. Drawing of new 32 passenger type bus.

C 2-5. Schedules of the new bus lines.

C-3. Advertisement with photographs of new buses.

C-4. Article lists new bus routes in detail.

Monday, June 24, 1935


Tuesday, June 25, 1935

Report of plans for Transportation Day celebration in Wichita tomorrow. The fleet of 30 new Yellow Coach buses arrived in Wichita at 4:15 p.m. yesterday from Pontiac, Michigan after having been driven the 1200 miles to Wichita without mishap.

Wednesday, June 26, 1935

Report of Transportation Day celebration today.

Friday, June 28, 1935

School census gives Wichita’s 1935 population as 113,494 an increase of over 2500 from 110,992 last year.
Wichita will become a regular stop of the “Sky Chief,” Transcontinental & Western Air’s premier transcontinental passenger plane service, on July 1. Details.

13. Wichita school census population by year:

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Sunday, June 30, 1935

1. Wichita’s last street car pulled into the car barns at 12:45 a.m. today under the guidance of Motorman J. J. Stamps, after completing its run from Fairmount. Details.

Announcement made yesterday of a new two story building to be erected on the location of the old Liggett Building at southeast corner of Market and Douglas, and which is to be leased to the W. T. Grant Company for 25 years. Construction will be started by September 1. Details.

10. New all bus service in Wichita starts today. The old street cars are for sale -- if anybody wants them. Photograph of one of the new buses (number not visible).

Tuesday, July 2, 1935

19. List of teacher assignments by school. Riverside:

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Saturday, July 6, 1935

10. Street car loading platforms are being removed. The two docks on North and South Main at Douglas had their removal completed Saturday. The others on North Main are the next to be removed, followed by the ones on Douglas Avenue.
Sunday, July 14, 1935

7. Article about a new auditorium and commons building for Wichita University, to be built on the site of the old Fairmount Hall. Details. Waiting for approval of Public Works Administration funds.

8. The Fischer Reo Company, distributor of Reo cars and trucks, is now located in its new quarters at 300-302 South Broadway (the four story Arnold Building). Details.

14. Corner traffic signals instead of the present ones hanging in the middle of the intersection are to be tried in Wichita. The first set was installed Saturday at the four corners of Main and Douglas and will be observed as a test.

Wednesday, July 24, 1935

4. Omrah Aley, president of the Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County announced yesterday that the new 32 (sic) passenger double door bus recently ordered by the Wichita Transportation Company would be named in honor of Judge William C. Little, an early Wichita pioneer. Details.

Friday, July 26, 1935


Saturday, July 27, 1935

1. A newly formed single owning and operating company, the Lassen Hotel Company, has taken over the building and real estate, owned by Mrs. Richard M. Gray and John Rigby, of the Rigby-Gray Hotel Company, and the lease and fixtures, owned by L. S. Seymour, of the Seymour Hotel Company. The same owners (above) are the principal stockholders of the new company. About $200,000 will be spent in remodeling and refurnishing the hotel. In the new consolidation all ownership is severed with the Wichita radio station, KFH. Public rooms will be air conditioned. Details.

Tuesday, July 30, 1935

3. Razing of the old Scheetz block at southeast corner of Market and Douglas was started yesterday in preparation for building a new two story building to be leased by the W. T. Grant Company. Details of past ownership.

Sunday, August 4, 1935


Monday, August 5, 1935
The proposed new auditorium and commons building for University of Wichita, to be built with aid of Works Progress Administration funds, has been approved by federal officials. Details. Architect is Glen Thomas. Estimated cost $82,800.

Tuesday, August 6, 1935
The placing of an order with the General Motors Company for ten additional new buses was announced today by the Wichita Transportation Company. Delivery is to be on or before September 5, 1935. The new buses will be of the 23 passenger type, slightly larger than the 21 passenger coaches purchased last month. With the new order, Wichita will have a total of 46 modern coaches: 31 of the 21 passenger type, ten of the 23 passenger type, and five of the large double-door 32 passenger buses. The ten new coaches are equipped with air brakes and have a 24 inch longer wheelbase than the 21 passenger type and 28 inches longer overall length. The new buses will weigh 10,700 pounds and use a 94 horsepower motor. Photograph.

Wednesday, August 7, 1935
Roy Moulton, of New York City, is coming to Wichita to manage the Lassen Hotel under direction of its new ownership company. Details.

Sunday, August 11, 1935
Advertisement with photograph of clubhouse at the Westlink golf course.

Omrah Aley, president of the Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County, announced today that the ten new buses recently ordered by the Wichita Transportation Company would also be named in honor of Wichita pioneers. The ten names selected by the society are: Miller, Throckmorton, Caldwell, Bolte, Daisy, Noble, Fuller, Jackson, Powell, and Reese.

Wednesday, August 14, 1935
To assist the activities of the Salvation Army five street cars and one bus were donated to the organization, it was announced today by A. J. Cleary, vice-president of the Wichita Transportation Company. Adjutant Byam G. Youngman says the bus and street cars will play an important part in the work of the Salvation Army here. The bus will be used to transport Life Saving Scouts, Girl Guards, and underprivileged children to Camp Hyde on summer outings. The street cars will be made into cabins for the camp. Sixteen street cars and three buses have now been placed with character building organizations in Wichita in the hope that they may be useful to the underprivileged youth of the city.

Tuesday, August 20, 1935
Requested changes in a few bus routes were discussed by city commissioners yesterday.
Monday, August 26, 1935
page 5. Capt. Frank T. Courtney, noted English flier, yesterday took delivery of a new Beechcraft. Photograph of plane (number not visible).

Tuesday, August 27, 1935
page 7. International Harvester Company is starting construction at once of a new $75,000 truck sales and service building at southeast corner of 17th and Broadway. Details.

10. City commissioners yesterday approved change in routing of East 2nd bus line effective with the opening of the school term Monday, September 9. The 2nd Street bus line will run to Fairmount and the Wichita University instead of continuing east of Hillside on 2nd Street as at present. Under the new routing outbound buses will turn south from 2nd on Lorraine to Douglas, thence east to Hillside, thence north to 13th, then east on 13th to Fairmount Avenue and north on Fairmount to the University. The return trip will reverse this route. The 13th Street bus line will continue to run to 17th Street on Hillside as at present, when the above change is inaugurated, but the stub line on Hillside will be discontinued at that time.

Saturday, August 31, 1935
page 7. Building permit issued to Dr. H. E. Friesen for new $7000 two story frame stucco home 47 by 45 feet at 1036 Shady Way.

Sunday, September 1, 1935
page 12. Photograph of the old building at southeast corner of Douglas and Market which is soon to be razed and replaced by the new Grant Clothing Company building. Tearing it down will begin within a few days.


Thursday, September 5, 1935
page 15. Article clarifies previously announced (August 27) changes in bus routes to take effect Monday, September 9. The East 2nd bus will no longer run east of Hillside, but will run south on Main to William, east on William to Broadway, north on Broadway to 2nd, east on 2nd to Chautauqua, south on Chautauqua to Douglas, east on Douglas to Hillside,
north on Hillside to 13th, east on 13th to Fairmount, and north on Fairmount to the University of Wichita, and return by same route. The other end of this line will connect with North Waco, making this the longest route in the city, a total distance of nine miles. The East 13th Street line will remain the same except that it will now turn north on Hillside to 17th Street instead of the present route over Fairmount Avenue to 17th. The Hillside Avenue stub line will be discontinued.

20. Photograph of the new model Cessna plane which was flown by George Harte, Wichita pilot, at the national air races in Cleveland. In photograph George Harte is at left and Duane Wallace at right.

Saturday, September 7, 1935


Sunday, September 8, 1935

12. Advertisement celebrating first anniversary of Van’s Pig Stand, 2111 East Central. Details. Photograph.

13. Announcement by Wichita Transportation Company of several special school buses to be operated beginning tomorrow and of a 30 day trial operation of a stub line on West Douglas running west on Douglas from Sheridan to West Street and south on West Street to the 400 Club and return. Details.

14. The new parochial school for the parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 23rd and Market will be dedicated today by Bishop Schwertner. Details.

Monday, September 9, 1935

4. Photograph of old building at southeast corner of Market and Douglas being razed to make way for new W. T. Grant Company store building.

Photograph of the Fischer Reo Motor Company building at 300 South Broadway (formerly Arnold Auto Company building).

Tuesday, September 10, 1935

1. City commission yesterday approved proposed new auditorium and commons building for University of Wichita, which is to be paid for by $102,000 of bonds issued by the university’s regents plus $82,000 of funds from the federal public works administration. Details.

Thursday, September 12, 1935
Santa Fe Railway announced that it has just taken delivery from the Electro-Motive Corporation of the most powerful Diesel locomotive ever placed in service, which, after tests, is expected to haul The Chief between Chicago and California on a new faster schedule. The new engine is rated at 3600 horsepower, weighs 240 tons, and is approximately 127 feet long. It is a multiple unit of two identical sections. Each unit has two Winton V-type, 12 cylinder, two cycle oil engines, each rated at 900 horsepower, and can operate up to 98 miles per hour. Further details. Photograph.

Sunday, September 15, 1935
Two small photographs of Market Street looking south from second block and from first block.

Monday, September 16, 1935
Ten employees of the Wichita Transportation Company left today for Pontiac, Michigan to drive back the ten new buses recently ordered for Wichita. The new buses are larger than those recently placed in service here.

Wednesday, September 18, 1935
Report of death yesterday of pioneer Wichita store owner, J. Edward Petrie, at his home, 414 South Osage, at age 79. Born in Paw Paw, DeKalb County Illinois, January 28, 1856, of Scotch descent. Married Miss Addie Bruce at Lawrence, Kansas on January 24, 1884, at which time he was in clothing business in Pueblo, Colorado. Moved from Pueblo to Wichita in the same year and opened a clothing store in first block on West Douglas, just across the alley from the present location of his store. Survived by wife, two sons, C. Judson and R. Bruce Petrie, two grandsons, John Edwin and Giles Petrie, and a granddaughter, Mrs. A. E. Howse, all of Wichita. Obituary. Photograph.

Friday, September 20, 1935
Report of death today of Mrs. Lulu Sheppard Gibson, prominent club woman and wife of John W. Gibson, former county commissioner and member of board of education, at age 62. Her home was at 903 Nims Avenue. She came to Wichita with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sheppard, in 1884. Graduated from Wichita High School in class of 1893. Taught at Emerson School for five years before marriage to Mr. Gibson in 1902. Survived by husband and one daughter, Miss Barbara Gibson, who is a teacher in the Garden City high school.

Saturday, September 21, 1935
Sale of the controlling interest in the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company to the General Improvement Company, an affiliate of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway
Company, was announced today. After negotiations opened more than two years ago and actively under way since March of this year, the General Improvement Company has acquired 22,228 shares of treasury stock of the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company and has purchased 22,722 shares from individuals, making a total of 46,000 shares of the 90,500 shares of authorized capital of the company. Approval of the transaction was granted by the Kansas Corporation Commission.

**Sunday, September 22, 1935**

Wichita’s new art museum overlooking the Little River will be officially opened to the public at 3:00 p.m. today. Details. Drawing. Designed by Clarence Stein, noted architect of New York City. Further report September 23, page 8.

**Friday, September 27, 1935**

Tomorrow will be the last day of operation of the stub bus line on Harry Street owing to lack of sufficient patronage to pay its expense, A. J. Cleary announced today.

**Saturday, September 28, 1935**

Objection being raised to Transcontinental & Western Air’s proposed discontinuance of the “Sky Queen” flight at Wichita beginning next Tuesday. Details. Further report September 29, page 1 says the order to discontinue the “Sky Queen” flight has been rescinded.

**Sunday, September 29, 1935**

The new Southern Theater at corner of Harry and Topeka will be opened to the public today. Built by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Slothower, who also own and operate the State Theater. Details. Photograph.

Photograph of new W. T. Grant store under construction at Market and Douglas.

**Sunday, October 13, 1935**

Photograph of steel skeleton of new W. T. Grant building at Market and Douglas.

**Monday, October 28, 1935**

The laying of the keel of the new cruiser, *U.S.S. Wichita*, was held today at the Philadelphia navy yard. Details.

**Thursday, November 7, 1935**

Report of death last night of famous evangelist Billy Sunday in Chicago at age 72. Had
made frequent visits to Wichita. Obituary.

Friday, November 8, 1935
1. The China Clipper left Miami today for Acapulco, Mexico on its way to San Francisco to inaugurate regular trans-Pacific air service.

Article about giant air show to be held this Sunday at the Braley Airport. Details.

Saturday, November 9, 1935
10. Remodeling of the north part of the second floor of the city hall building was started today to build quarters for the engineering department. This area was previously occupied by the police department but has been vacant since the new police department building was constructed. Some other changes are being made in city offices in the building. Details.

Sunday, November 10, 1935
C-5. Advertisement announcing grand opening tomorrow of Stein Brothers new fur salon, 201 South Main. Photograph.

Monday, November 11, 1935
5. Drawing of new home for the Wichita Council 691 of the Knights of Columbus now under construction at 626 North Broadway. To be completed by February 1.

Tuesday, November 19, 1935
7. Petition presented to city commission yesterday asking return of bus service on East 13th Street between St. Francis and Cleveland. Service there was discontinued when the street cars were taken out of service and an all-bus system put in. Petitions suggested that the North Topeka buses be run east on 13th to Cleveland. To be discussed at a later meeting.

Wednesday, November 20, 1935
1. First trial run of new Santa Fe diesel powered Super Chief reach Newton at 4:45 a.m. today after covering 635 miles from Chicago in 585 minutes. Details.

Thursday, November 21, 1935
26. The Wichita Transportation Company has agreed to extend the West Riverside bus line to include a stop in front of the new art museum during the hours it is open. This service will operate only on Sundays and holidays from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. At all other times the buses will continue to turn north from Central on Nims.
Saturday, November 23, 1935

1. Report of arrival of the first airmail flight of the China Clipper at Honolulu today after its overnight flight from Alamed, California. Details.

Monday, November 25, 1935

1. Contract let for new commons building and auditorium at Wichita University to Hahner and Foreman for $183,955. Details.

Tuesday, November 26, 1935

6. City commission yesterday ordered changes in two bus lines. Starting at Wheeler and Seneca a bus line will run north on Seneca to Dayton, east to Osage, north to Maple, east to Water, north to Douglas, east to Broadway, south to William, west to Water, and return over the same route. The clockwise Maple Street line will be discontinued. The former Maple Street line will be operated west on Douglas to Seneca, south to Maple, west to Hiram, south to McCormick, east to Millwood, north to Maple, east to Seneca, north to Douglas, and east to Downtown Wichita. On North Topeka every other bus will run east from Topeka on 13th to Mosely and north to 17th Street. Alternate buses on North Topeka will run as at present. In the 17th Street district a 20 minute service will be given during the rush hours and a 30 minute service during quiet hours.

Friday, November 29, 1935

12. The new 1936 Kansas license tags will have black numbers on an orange background.

Friday, December 6, 1935

4. The China Clipper returned to Alamed, California today from its inaugural trans-Pacific airmail flight to Manila. Details.

C-1. Cornerstone laying ceremonies are to be held Sunday, December 8 at the St. Mary’s American-Syrian Orthodox Church, corner of Maple and Martinson. Details.

Sunday, December 8, 1935

4. Details of changes in bus lines to be made beginning Monday morning, December 9.

B-16. Article about cornerstone laying at St. Mary’s American-Syrian Orthodox Church today. Details. Architect is S. S. Voigt. Drawing.

Tuesday, December 10, 1935

10. Photograph of the Boston Store.
Saturday, December 14, 1935
3. Board of regents of University of Wichita yesterday voted to save $2400 in the construction cost of the new auditorium and student union building by changing the stone to be used in trimming of the building from Carthage limestone to Bedford limestone.

Sunday, December 15, 1935

Monday, December 16, 1935

Tuesday, December 17, 1935
5. Wichita ten cent taxicab companies yesterday asked city commission for authority to operate 24 additional taxicabs. The Peoples Cab Company is now operating 67 cabs and is asking for 11 more. The Wichita Cab Company is now operating 52 cabs and is asking for 13 more. To be discussed at a later date.

Monday, December 23, 1935
12. Many Wichitans have wondered about the big yellow colored coach now running on the College Hill line. A. J. Cleary said today the bus was being demonstrated here for operating efficiency and rider popularity for a period of four or five days. The bus was brought here by the Twin Coach Company of Lima, Ohio. It seats 31 passengers. The Wichita Transportation Company is considering buying new equipment in 1936, Cleary said, and we want to find the best possible type of equipment for Wichita.

Tuesday, December 24, 1935
2. City commissioners yesterday discussed a plan to change the location of bus loading and unloading in downtown Wichita. Under the new plan this would be on the far side of the street intersection instead of on the near side as at present. Details.

Friday, December 27, 1935
4. The Old Heidelberg Inn, formerly the Cocked Hat, at 226 South Broadway, was opened for business today, but the formal opening will be held tomorrow evening.

Saturday, December 28, 1935
7. The Hebrew congregation will formally dedicate its cemetery at 18th and Oliver Sunday afternoon. Details.

Sunday, December 29, 1935

C-2. Chronology of events in Wichita in 1935.