

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 1937 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon

Sunday, January 3, 1937

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8. Advertisement announcing opening today of Airport Dining Room in administration building at municipal airport. Menu.

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3. The new swimming pool and bathhouse at College Hill park have been completed. Details.

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18. Report of death this morning of Harry A. Lawrence, prominent Wichita lumberman and head of the Lawrence Lumber Company, of a stroke, at age 51. Born in Wichita of pioneer parents and was brother of the late Charles Lawrence, former mayor of Wichita. Lived at 1043 North Broadway. Survived by wife, Bertha, three daughters, Margret (sic), Laura, and Harriet, and two sisters, Mrs. Hugh Wright and Miss Harriet Lawrence, a missionary in Juneau, Alaska. Obituary. Photograph.

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9. Report of death yesterday at his home in Concordia of Howard Wesley Patten, formerly general manager of the Wichita Transportation Company. At the time of his death he was an executive and manager of properties of the Kansas Power and Light Company. While in Wichita, Mr. and Mrs. Patten lived at 616 North Bluff and they have many friends here. They were married at the Episcopal Church in Eldorado about ten years ago. In 1931 they moved from Wichita to Manhattan and in December 1935 he was transferred to Concordia. ¶ His father, the late Joseph More Patten, came to Topeka from Massachusetts in the 80s and became one of the builders of the Topeka Railway Company, of which he was general manager. Albert Patten, a brother of Howard, died in Topeka some years ago and was also an executive of the Topeka Railway Company. Mrs. Patten was formerly Miss Lillian Bronte, of Wichita. ¶ Howard Patten was born in Medford,

Massachusetts, and came to Kansas with parents at an early age. Survived by wife, sister-in-law, Mrs. Albert Patten, and niece and nephew (named). Burial to be in Mt. Hope Cemetery at Topeka. Further obituary. Photograph.

Wednesday, January 20, 1937**page**

8. Article reports experiences of a reporter while driving a Wichita city bus. The bus he drove was No. 901-- Nighswonger. Details. Photograph in driver's seat.

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6. Exercising an option held on the old Travel Air airplane manufacturing plant on the site of Wichita's first municipal airport on East Central, Walter H. Beech, president of the Beech Aircraft Corporation last week purchased the property from the Curtiss-Wright Aviation Company of St. Louis. The consideration was not disclosed. Further details, but print too faint to read.
13. Photograph of the new all-metal twin-engine lower wing monoplane recently completed by the Beech Aircraft Corporation and known as the Model 18. Number appears to be NC 15810 (?).

Article announcing opening of the new Lassen Hotel Coffee Shop on Wednesday, January 27. Advertisement with photographs.

Friday, January 29, 1937**page**

1. Report of death today of Howard W. Darling, pioneer Wichita lumber dealer, of a heart attack at his home at 3755 East Douglas, at age 80. Obituary (faint and hard to read). Photograph.

Sunday, February 7, 1937**page**

8. Report of death Friday of J. A. Davison, early Wichita banker, at his home at 1141 University Avenue, age 86. He opened the Commercial Bank of Wichita at 148 North Main in 1891. Born in Wapello, Iowa. Went from there to Texas, and after a few years there came to Wichita in the late 1880s. Retired from active management of the bank in 1920 and succeeded by son, Ed L. Davison. Survived also by wife, Blanche, and another son, George M. of Vancouver, Washington.

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- C-3. Full page advertisement announces near completion of the \$300,000 rehabilitation program at the Hotel Lassen including new Coffee Shop, extensive redecorating, etc.

Wednesday, February 24, 1937

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- 1 Report of death of Mrs. H. C. Wear, prominent Wichita society woman, on February 13 following an abdominal operation at Kisumu, Kenya, East Africa, while on a trip with her husband for hunting in East Africa. They left Wichita on November 2 and arrived at Capetown December 3. She was buried in Kenya.

Thursday, February 25, 1937**page**

17. Photograph of Ford demonstrator transit bus No. 1101 which went into trial service on the Wichita Transportation Company yesterday. Seating capacity is 25. The bus is being demonstrated here this week in connection with the large Ford truck display at the tractor and road show now on in Wichita and marks the entry of the Ford Motor Company into the metropolitan bus field for the first time.

Friday, March 5, 1937**page**

20. Article reports that the United Warehouse Building at 2nd at Rock Island was purchased today by the Coleman Lamp and Stove Company. Details.

Saturday, March 6, 1937**page**

6. Photograph of new twin-engine Beechcraft Model 18 with caption indicating it made its first (?) experimental flight yesterday afternoon with pilot Jack Thornburg.

Tuesday, March 16, 1937**page**

16. Formal opening of the new Continental Grill No. 2, located at 3012 East Douglas, will be held tomorrow. Details.
17. Report of death last Saturday in San Diego, California of Mrs. Schuyler Jones, Sr., of a sudden illness. Survived by husband, son, Schuyler Jones, Jr., a daughter, Mrs. Mary Louise Russell, and two grandchildren, Schuyler Jones III and John Russell. To be buried in Mausoleum at Newton.
24. Resignation of Truman G. Reed, principal of Wichita high school East since 1929, was announced today. He has taken a position as principal of Lewis and Clark High School at Spokane, Washington. Reed owns his home at 1509 Briggs. Previously he was principal at Horace Mann Intermediate from 1921 to 1923 and of Central Intermediate from 1923 to 1929. Details.

Wednesday, March 17, 1937**page**

7. Report that work started today on a seventh floor to be added to the George Innes Company building at Broadway and William to provide a large fur storage and sales department. To be completed within 30 days and will be on the north and Broadway sides

of the building. To cost over \$15,000. Plans drawn by Overend and Boucher. Contract let to Ellis and Vollmer Construction Company. Details.

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4. Formal opening of the new home of the Evans Motor Company, 235 South Topeka, is to be held beginning March 20. Details.

Friday, March 19, 1937**page**

- B-2. Announcement of marriage today of James Ogden Davidson, son of Mrs. J. Oak Davidson and the late J. O. Davidson, to Martha Schultz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick William Schultz, at St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal Church in Oklahoma City. Mr. Davidson is president of the Ranson-Davidson Investment Company. They both attended the University of Wichita. Details. Photographs.

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- B-16. Zoe J. Hollabaugh yesterday purchased the Coronado Hotel from H. O. Hockensmith and his son, Charles B. Hockensmith, who have owned and operated it for 15 years. Hollabaugh plans to remodel and refurnish the hotel. Details.
- C-1. Articles about opening of new home of the Evans Motor Company this week. Details. Photograph.

Tuesday, March 23, 1937**page**

1. Radio station KANS will become an affiliate of the National Broadcasting Company on April 15. Details.
4. Transcontinental & Western Air advertisement showing DC-2.
22. Board of County Commissioners today passed a resolution calling for remodeling of the south side of the Sedgwick County courthouse, including removal of the limestone steps leading to the second floor on the south side. Details.

Thursday, March 25, 1937**page**

7. Report of death yesterday of Abram J. Crow, age 77, employee of the Wichita Transportation Company for 25 years, at the home of his son, Merle Crow, De Queen, Arkansas, where he went a week ago to visit. He resided at 660 Hiram Avenue. Born in Woodford County, Illinois and came to Kansas in 1874. Survived by five children, Merle A. Crow, De Queen, Arkansas, B. W. Crow, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Mrs. George B. Cartwright, Sedalia, Missouri, E. W. Crow, 2301 East Kellogg, and Mrs. Reed C. Sparks, 325 North Oliver. Burial at Wichita Park Cemetery.

The Santa Fe shops in West Wichita are to be enlarged. General manager in Topeka has authorized building of a 1750 foot long spur track and a 12 foot addition to the roundhouse. The latter is already underway. Estimated cost is \$8000.

24. The affiliation of radio station KANS with National Broadcasting Company has been advanced from April 15 to April 1.

Saturday, March 27, 1937

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1. Photograph of tail of Transcontinental & Western Air DC-2 which crashed near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania airport, killing 13. Shows No. 320 on fin and NC 13730 on rudder.

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11. Article about new sidewalk and pavement in North Riverside Park between Griffenstein Bridge and 11th Street Bridge. Details. Map.

Saturday, April 3, 1937

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9. Photograph of Mrs. L. A. Bone getting off the Wichita Transportation Corporation bus named "Bone" for her late husband, L. A. Bone, who came to Wichita in 1870 and was in business at Main and Murdock for 40 years. The "Bone" bus is operating on the College Hill line. (Number not visible.)

Sunday, April 4, 1937

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- C-1. Advertisement about grand opening of enlarged Dockum Drug Store No. 2 in Union National Bank Building. Articles with Dockum history and photographs on pages C-7 and C-8 (photograph).

Wednesday, April 7, 1937

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1. Report of city election yesterday. Robert E. Israel and Schuyler Crawford re-elected to city commission. Details.

Friday, April 9, 1937

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1. Report that well known Wichita pilot, E. B. (Swede) Christopher, president of the Swallow Aircraft Manufacturing Company, was killed today in a plane crash north of Los Angeles. Age 34. Had been resident of Wichita for eight years, being a sales representative with Travel Air before establishing the Christopher Airplane Service and then in 1933 taking control of the Swallow Company. Details. Photograph.
2. Article about improvements planned by the park board for McKinley Park. Details.

Monday, April 12, 1937**page**

4. Ground was broken yesterday for the new W. H. Stanley African Methodist Episcopal Church at 11th and Indiana.

Tuesday, April 13, 1937**page**

17. Announcement made today that the Swallow Airplane Company will carry on its work despite the death of E. B. Christopher. S. Bloomfield is chief engineer and general manager. O. K. Swope is chief test pilot. Homer Herington is factory superintendent.

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30. The board of directors yesterday voted to change the name of the Wichita Home for the Aged to the Huston Home for Aged in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Huston, 141 South Erie, who donated the ten acre tract on which the home is located at 2245 South Broadway and contributed generously to its construction and furnishing. Details.

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28. Dr. T. Walker Weaver was unanimously elected mayor of Wichita at the city commission meeting last evening, succeeding Robert E. Israel. Details. Photograph.

Thursday, April 22, 1937**page**

1. The Allis Hotel Corporation, which has operated the Allis Hotel under a 30 year lease with 24 years yet to run, today announced the purchase of the real estate, building, and leaseholds upon which the hotel is built for a reported one million dollars. Details.

Sunday, May 2, 1937**page**

14. Article about golden jubilee of St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Details. Photograph.
- C-2. Alfred MacDonald superintendent of parks, yesterday announced the opening of a strip of pavement in North Riverside Park extending from the south end of Forest Avenue to the Campbell Bridge. One segment of the pavement was begun last summer and the balance was finished this winter. A sidewalk running along the newly completed drive was only recently completed.

Friday, May 7, 1937**page**

1. Report of Hindenburg Zeppelin disaster. Details.

Sunday, May 9, 1937**page**

1. Arthur W. Kinkade, of Amarillo, Texas, is to succeed the late L. C. Kelley as executive vice-president and director of the Fourth National Bank. Details. Born at Chillicothe, Missouri in 1896 and moved to Gage, in then Indian Territory, now Oklahoma, with his parents in 1903. Has been in Amarillo the last five years. Has a son, 17, and two daughters, 15 and nine. Biography. Photograph.

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15. The old Sedgwick County courthouse at the northeast corner of 1st and Main will be razed during the next week and a new building will be constructed on this corner by the Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company for lease to the Kroger Grocery Company. Details.

Tuesday, May 11, 1937**page**

15. The Missouri-Central Type Foundry is enlarging its plant at 705 East Murdock. Details. Drawing.

Wednesday, May 19, 1937**page**

2. Report of death today of Mrs. J. H. Huston, at her home, 141 South Erie, at age 78. She and husband donated land and money for the Huston Home for the Aged on South Broadway. Formerly lived in Towanda and moved to Wichita 22 years ago. Survived by husband, a brother and a sister (named). Obituary. Photograph,

Sunday, May 23, 1937**page**

14. The new swimming pool and bathhouses in College Hill Park will be dedicated Tuesday evening. Details. Photograph.

Sunday, May 30, 1937**page**

15. Advertisement says consolidation of the Mentholatum Company's offices necessitates the prompt sale of all the Hyde properties in Wichita including plant at 1300 East Douglas, building at 108 Cleveland, and residences at 3728 East 2nd and 348 North Roosevelt. Details. Photographs.

Monday, May 31, 1937**page**

1. Report of death last night of former Wichita business man and mayor, C. L. Davidson, age 78, at his home in Melbourne, Florida. Obituary. Photograph. To be buried in Highland Mausoleum.

Tuesday, June 1, 1937**page**

1. Kansas sales tax goes into effect today using the new sales tax tokens.

Friday, June 4, 1937**page**

1. Report of visit of Charles B. Driscoll, New York writer, formerly from Wichita, to his old home town today. Accompanied by his 17 year old daughter. He is to give commencement address at his alma mater, Friends University. Daughter's name is Mary. Details. Photographs.
12. Petition filed with city manager yesterday asking extension of the city bus service from Seneca and Wheeler west five blocks to Millwood.

Saturday, June 5, 1937**page**

1. Annual picnic of the Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County is being held at the Forum this afternoon. Details.

Sunday, June 6, 1937**page**

11. Announcement yesterday that Thurston's store is to be moved from 320 East Douglas to 220 East Douglas after remodeling of the new location is completed. Remodeling is to start tomorrow and should be completed early in July at cost of over \$20,000. Details.
- C-4. Building permit issued yesterday to wreck two old buildings on East Douglas to Carl Benninghoff and Max Noble. The old business buildings are at 605-607-609 East Douglas.

Monday, June 7, 1937**page**

Special Edition

1. Page 1 of Friends University special edition reporting on commencement address by Charles B. Driscoll and awarding to him of honorary degree. Details. Photographs.

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3. Report of visit to Wichita this week of W. R. Morrison, of Detroit, Michigan, former superintendent of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, and his wife. He left Wichita in 1911 after having been superintendent here for 11 years. From here he went to the Barbados Islands for several years. After returning to the United States he was with the construction department of the Illinois Traction System for several years, at Champaign, Peoria, and Quincy, Illinois, and at St. Louis. Since his retirement Mr. and Mrs. Morrison have resided in Detroit.

Sunday, June 13, 1937**page**

12. Transcontinental & Western Air's new Skysleeper planes recently placed in transcontinental service, will begin regular service to Wichita on June 25. Details.

Monday, June 14, 1937**page**

4. Photograph of group from Wichita Workshop for the Blind ready to board Wichita Transportation Corporation Twin Coach -- 34 passengers being taken, so the bus is probably 30-R Twin Coach No. 901, Nighswonger.

Wednesday, June 16, 1937**page**

1. County assessor reports Wichita population for 1937 at 103,629, up 282 from 103,347 in 1936.

Friday, June 18, 1937**page**

12. Braniff Airways yesterday brought to Wichita for demonstration one of the ten Douglas DC-2 14 passenger airliners it has recently purchased. The planes are now being used on the southern division from Dallas to Brownsville and will be used on all of the Braniff routes beginning July 1. Photographs of nose of plane and crew, but number of plane not shown.

Sunday, June 20, 1937**page**

8. A. J. Cleary announced yesterday a 30 day trial extension of the Osage-South Seneca bus line beginning Monday, June 21. The bus will follow the present route south on Seneca to Wheeler, where it will turn west for three blocks to Elizabeth Street.

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- C 1-6. Special section on large order of new buses by Santa Fe Trailways. Details and photographs.
- C-2. Article says Santa Fe Trailways and Southern Kansas Stage Lines are spending \$750,000 on new equipment. A total of 39 new buses are involved including 22 36 passenger American Car and Foundry Company parlor cars, of which 12 will be in service between Chicago and Wichita. Ten Clipper buses are also included, of which five will be in service between Wichita and Chicago. Five of the new buses are known as Ditmars and will be in service between Emporia, Salina, Topeka and Kansas City, Missouri. Two of the purchases are Internationals. Details. Photographs.
- C-4. Map of Southern Kansas Stage Lines freight routes.
- C-5. Photographs of A. E. Greenleaf and D. E. Sauder.

- C-8. The Eastborough board of directors is planning \$120,000 in residential construction. Details. Says the Eastborough addition was recently incorporated with the Woodlawn Heights addition to form Eastborough Village, a third class city.

Tuesday, June 29, 1937**page**

11. The first of the new Douglas airliners going into service on Braniff Airways will arrive in Wichita on Flight 12 at 7:25 p.m. Tuesday. The second will arrive on Flight 1 at 1:15 a.m. ¶ The two new Douglas ships will be placed on the Chicago to Texas lines only until sufficient equipment is obtained to place them on all the Braniff lines. Four other planes are expected to be ready for delivery soon, and probably two others will be added soon afterward to complete equipment for the entire new service.

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4. Report of the arrival in Wichita yesterday at 7:45 p.m. of the first scheduled flight of Braniff Airways' new 14 passenger Douglas airliners, carrying seven passengers and several company officials. The crew included R. V. Carleton, chief pilot of the system, Ray Schrader, flight superintendent of the northern division, and Miss Rebecca Garza, chief hostess. ¶ Article indicates Braniff will have five of the new planes altogether.

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14. Photograph of Riverside School.
20. Aerial photograph of warehouse district.
21. Article about Wichita Transportation Corporation and A. J. Cleary says seven new 31 passenger buses have been ordered by the company for delivery in September. These are in addition to seven new buses purchased and put in service already this year, making a total of \$150,000 invested. ¶ Also a new garage is nearing completion at 10th and Fairview, costing \$40,000.
26. Photograph of Swallow Airplane Company plant.
27. Article about "The Wichita Babe" newspaper published by D. G. Millison in 1874. Details. Photograph.

Wednesday, July 14, 1937**page**

1. Mac Short, vice-president and chief engineer of the Stearman Aircraft Company, today submitted his resignation from the company, effective August 2 (?). He will move to the west coast, where he will be affiliated with another aircraft company. Photograph.

Friday, July 16, 1937**page**

1. Report of death yesterday in Topeka, of R. C. Clevenger, age 53, a few hours after having a stroke. He was president of the Topeka National Bank and formerly was president of the Fourth National Bank in Wichita. Survived by wife, one son, Charles, in Topeka, and one daughter, Louise. When in Wichita the family lived at 312 North Rutan. Obituary. Photograph.

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4. Work has begun on the main auditorium part of the New Hope Baptist Church at 9th and Ohio.

Friday, July 23, 1937**page**

1. The first official city flag was completed this morning and run up on the flag pole on the city hall. Details. Photograph.

Monday, July 26, 1937**page**

2. Mrs. Clayton B. Wells, who has lived for the last 42 years at 1626 North Holyoke, has sold her home to the Reverend W. H. Hayes, pastor of the First Reformed Church, and will leave Friday to make her home with her son, Frank C. Isely, in Washington, D.C. Another son, the Reverend Merrill Isley, is a missionary in Turkey. ¶ Mrs. Wells was first married to W. H. Isely, the first dean of Fairmount College, who died in 1907. She later married the Reverend Clayton B. Wells, for many years pastor of the Fairmount Congregational Church. She was raised near Clearwater, where her brother, J. C. Nickerson, now lives. ¶ Her son, Merrill Isely, married Mildred Myers, and they have three children, Mary Frances, William Henry, and Caroline Elise.

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1. Report of fatal accident this morning when car struck by Santa Fe motor train at 29th and North Broadway. Details. Photograph. Number not visible.

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5. Photograph of bathing beauties on Wichita Transportation Corporation bus No. 903 (appears to be Twin Coach 30-R).

Sunday, August 8, 1937**page**

11. The 1938 Kansas license tags will have white numbers on a black or very dark blue background and will be shorter and wider than the 1937 tags, with the state name and year at bottom of the tag.

Monday, August 9, 1937**page**

1. Article reports purchase of controlling interest in the Ben Sibbitt Iron and Foundry Company, 217 Moore Street, by E. A. Watkins, vice-president of Union National Bank. The company was founded in 1914 by the late Ben J. Sibbitt, who died 14 months ago, and the stock was sold by his widow, Mrs. Clara Sibbitt and by Walter S Henrion, of Henrion Improvement Company.

Friday, August 13, 1937**page**

2. Article about changes in some bus routes (too faint to read).

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12. Report of visit to municipal airport yesterday afternoon of six P-26 army pursuit planes from the 55th pursuit squadron of Barksdale Field, Louisiana. Photograph.

Sunday, August 15, 1937**page**

2. M. L. Arnold, pioneer Wichita auto dealer, has returned to Wichita from Dallas to resume the presidency and general management of the Arnold Auto Company, DeSoto and Plymouth distributor in Wichita. He founded the Arnold Auto Company in 1908. Had moved to Dallas to engage in the motor business there six months ago, but is returning because of the recent death of his son-in-law, C.(?) H. Strider, who was managing the Wichita company in his absence. Photograph.
12. Timmermeyer's Grove, an 80 acre tract near 29th Street and the Little River, which was homesteaded in 1883 by George Timmermeyer and remained intact for 54 years, has been divided by five Wichitans who paid cash for 40 acres of the grove. The Timmermeyer homestead and the remaining half of the land will remain in the possession of Mrs. Louise Timmermeyer, widow of the late William Timmermeyer, who died in 1929. ¶ Purchasers of the 40 acre river section are Dale A. Resing, Glen H. Thomas, Lee E. Thorn, Charles O. Parrott, and George W. Herrman. Each plans to build a fine home in the district. ¶ William G. Timmermeyer, a son of George Timmermeyer, lived on the tract for nearly 47 years and was the father of ten children. ¶ Further details.
- B-15. Night photograph of crowd at Lawrence Stadium on opening night of National Semi-Pro Baseball tournament.

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13. Article reports construction of a new and modern cabin in the Salvation Army Fresh Air Camp. Photograph of the new cabin and drawing of an early plan which shows it to be built around an old street car, in which lockers are now located.

Saturday, August 21, 1937**page**

12. The Rock Island's new Texas Rocket streamlined train made an exhibition visit in Wichita this morning and was inspected by a large crowd of visitors. It is powered by a 1200 horsepower V-16 Diesel engine giving a top speed of 117 miles per hour. Details. Photograph. Article August 22, page B-10, says 8,665 persons visited the train during its stay in Wichita on Saturday.

Monday, August 23, 1937**page**

1. Kansas Gas and Electric today announced plans to build a new 20,000 kilowatt generating station on a site approximately two miles north of Sullivan's dam on the Little Arkansas River. The company has purchased a tract of 40 acres and of additional land to give access from the new plant to Arkansas Avenue. It is expected that natural gas will be employed as fuel. Details.
14. The Wichita Fire Department has added a new 750 gallon pumper to its equipment. It carries its own water for use on country blazes. It has an enclosed cab, carries 250 gallons of water, has a foamite generator, and is capable of pumping 750 gallons per minute from five hydrants. Built by the Ahrens-Fox Company, of Cincinnati.

Tuesday, August 24, 1937**page**

2. Truck license tags sold in Sedgwick County so far since December 1, 1936 total 6237 compared with 6221 for the full year from December 1, 1935 to December 1, 1936. ¶ Auto license tags sold since December 1 last total 38,196 compared with 38,572 for the full year from December 1, 1935 to December 1, 1936.
20. City commission yesterday voted to change the name of Northeast Parkway to Sleepy Hollow Drive at the request of property owners along the street.

Wednesday, August 25, 1937**page**

17. An Interstate Commerce Commission examiner in Washington today recommended that the Interstate Commerce Commission not approve a reorganization plan recently submitted by the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company. Details.

Friday, August 27, 1937**page**

- B-14. Report of death recently of former Wichita business man Robert C. Bolte at his home in Hermosa Beach, California. He was the owner of the building occupied by the Jenkins Music Company on East Douglas. When in Wichita he lived with his brother, Edgar W. Bolte, who now lives in Pasadena, California. ¶ Bolte was born June 8, 1876 and attended Wichita schools. In earlier years he was in the furniture business with his father, but retired 18 years ago and moved to Hermosa Beach. Survived by his widow, a son, Robert,

Jr., in California, and his brother in Pasadena.

Saturday, August 28, 1937**page**

12. Report of death this morning of Mrs. Achsah Mirenda Seymore Jones, age 90, mother of Herbert C. Jones, president of the Jones Milling and Manufacturing Company, at her home, 407 South Chautauqua. She came to Wichita from New York State in 18(71 or 81 ?). Her husband, W. B. Jones, died in 1916. Survivors in addition to her one son include two daughters, Miss Alice M. Jones, at home, and Mrs. Grace Jones McGomey, of Cunningham, Kansas.

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14. Article with details about the new generating plant to be built by Kansas Gas and Electric north of the city. Site preparation started last week.

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2. Condemnation of land began today for Wichita's second railroad overpass, to be built over the Rock Island Railroad south of the city. Details.

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5. Report of completion of remodeling at Helzberg's Diamond Shop, 100 East Douglas. Details. Photographs.
32. Cessna Aircraft Company is to issue additional shares of stock, increasing its capital stock by approximately \$200,000, to permit expansion necessitated by the increased demand for Cessna planes. Dwane L. Wallace, president stated the company will hire an additional 75 men in the coming year. The company expects to gross \$1,000,000 in sales during the same period. Gross sales between January 1 and September 1 of this year were \$204,700 and 44 planes were delivered during this time. However three or four times that volume could have been produced if plant capacity allowed.

Tuesday, September 7, 1937**page**

8. Two changes in Wichita Transportation Corporation bus schedules became effective today. ¶ The South Main line will be extended to serve a larger area by making a loop at he end of the line. It will turn west on Skinner to Water, south on Water to Kinkaid, east on Kinkaid to Broadway, north on Broadway to Skinner, west on Skinner to Main, and thence north. ¶ The downtown routing of the North Waco line is being changed so that it will come south from 2nd Street on Broadway to Douglas instead of to William as at present, thence west on Douglas to Market and north on Market via the present route.

Tuesday September 14, 1937

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1. Report of death this morning of Joseph William Metz, age 78, well known Wichita lumberman, at his home, 1112 North Topeka. Came to Kansas from Illinois 58 years ago. Born in Dewitt County, Illinois on March 23, 1859 and came to Kansas in 1880, settling near Columbus. After marriage in 1884 he operated a lumber mill in Kiowa for 17 years before coming to Wichita. Has been semi-retired since a stroke in latter part of 1925 which left him disabled. Survived by wife, Ada May, age 78, one son, D. Otis Metz, daughter-in-law Josephine Metz, and grandson, Joseph Metz, all of 156 North Broadview. Further obituary. Photograph.

Wednesday September 15, 1937**page**

1. Report of visit of former Wichitan, Miss Harriett Lawrence, who has been a missionary in Alaska for past 15 years. She is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hugh Wright, of 1701 West Maple, and is a sister of the late Charles Lawrence, former mayor of Wichita, and Harry Lawrence, 1043 North Broadway. Their father was early Wichita pioneer, Robert Lawrence. Photograph.

Thursday September 16, 1937**page**

8. Note about Wichita Transportation Company Booster Club dance last night held in the new bus garage at 10th and Fairview (sic) to initiate the new garage into service.

Sunday, September 19, 1937**page**

13. Open house is to be held next Sunday at the Huston Home for the Aged, 2245 South Broadway. Photograph.

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Special section on first anniversary of Radio Station KANS, with articles and photographs.

Sunday, September 26, 1937**page**

- B-10. Probate court record shows that C. M. Beachy, president of the Steffen Ice and Ice Cream Company, has purchased the property on the north side of the alley in first block on North Market, on the east side of the street, from the estate of the late Henry Schnitzler, Sr. (Henry Schnitzler, Jr. and F. W. Schnitzler executors) for \$32,000. The building on the site is now occupied by the Mayfair Cafe.

Thursday September 30, 1937**page**

15. Construction work on the new Kansas Gas and Electric generating plant will begin during the next week. It will be located north of Heller's Grove on the west bank of the Little Arkansas River, and will have a capacity of 23,000 kilowatts. The plant will cost

\$2,500,000. Details.

Monday, October 4, 1937**page**

18. Building permit issued today for erection of the New Hope Baptist Church at 1001 Ohio at a cost of \$9500. To be of brick and have seating capacity of 500. It will be erected on the present foundation of the building, in which services here been held for the past two or three years. Details. Architect is Ted Mason.

Tuesday, October 5, 1937**page**

1. Photograph of the Missouri Pacific depot at Towanda, where the agent fired on an intruder early this morning. Details.

Wednesday, October 6, 1937**page**

1. Report of death of City Commissioner and former mayor Frank Nighswonger, age 79, at his home at 214 North Emporia. Born in Illinois November 11, 1858. Family moved to Kansas 20 years later, settling near Viola. Later attended law school and came to Wichita the year he graduated. Survivors include wife, one daughter, Mrs. Roger Lemon of 4625 Meadow Lane, and a brother, Isaac Nighswonger, of Viola. Further biography. Photograph.
9. Sale of the Golden Rule Refining Company to the Champlin Refining Company, of Enid, Oklahoma, was announced today by Elbert S. Rule, head of the Wichita concern. The sale includes all Golden Rule properties except its service stations in Wichita and Colorado Springs which Golden Rule will continue to operate. The company has stations in 23 cities in Kansas and six in Colorado. ¶ Rule started the business in 1914 when he opened a station at Sharon. He is said to have built the second "drive-in" station in Wichita, on the site now occupied by the Orpheum Theater. ¶ The Golden Rule refinery in Wichita has been in operation for 17 years. Details.

Tuesday, October 12, 1937**page**

4. Note says Ward Week shopping crowds will be handled by the 73 new buses of the Wichita Transportation Company. Photograph shows Ford bus demonstrator No. 1101 which was in Wichita some months ago.

Wednesday, October 13, 1937**page**

14. Article says the special Golden Jubilee issue of the *Catholic Advance* newspaper was issued yesterday. Details.

Sunday, October 17, 1937**page**

14. Photograph taken nearly 50 years ago, in the 1890s, of early choir of the old Pro-Cathedral. Photograph includes Father J. Henry Tihen with the choir group.

Sunday, October 17, 1937**page**

- C. Special Section on commemoration of the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Wichita Catholic Diocese. Special articles with history and photographs.
- C-15. Article about Bishop Tihen, with photograph. Born in Oldenburg, Indiana, July 14, 1861. Says his parents came from Hanover, Germany in 1859. Arrived in Wichita in February 1889. Details.

Monday, October 18, 1937**page**

10. Photograph shows passengers entering bus (probably Twin Coach).

Wednesday, October 20, 1937**page**

9. Articles about the Catholic Golden Jubilee. Photograph showing retired Bishop J. Henry Tihen.

Sunday, October 24, 1937**page**

1. Article about Chamber of Commerce plans to request Works Progress Administration aid for building of hard surfaced runways and other improvements at municipal airport. Details.
12. War Department at Washington yesterday awarded a contract to the Stearman Aircraft Company for 20 primary training planes, to cost \$122,229. The order represents an increase of a previous order for 72 planes of the PT-13 A variety, of which almost 20 have already been delivered.

Tuesday, October 26, 1937**page**

20. The 11 room home of the late Lillian E. Hadley, of 1730 University, has been willed to Friends University for use as a residence by the president of Friends University, Dr. David M. Edwards. Details.

Friday, October 29, 1937**page**

- B-6. Photograph of new Kroger store building nearing completion at northeast corner of 1st and Main.

Thursday, November 4, 1937**page**

24. Report of death yesterday of veteran Wichita mail carrier, E. B. Smith, age 78, at his home at 335 South Exposition. Born at Gallipolis, Ohio and came to Wichita in 1887. Married Frances M. Allison, of Bloomington, Illinois, in 1889. Built in 1893 the home in which he died. Survived by his wife, a son, Edgar B. Smith, photographer, of 124 North Estelle, and a grandson, Jerry Edgar Smith.

Friday, November 5, 1937**page**

- C-12. New Kroger grocery store at northeast corner of 1st and Main is being opened this noon. Details. Photograph.

Sunday, November 7, 1937**page**

1. Report of negotiations for sale of the Wichita Club building at 1st and Market for conversion into an office building. Details.
14. Announcement made today of the change of the name of the Rorabaugh Dry Goods Company to the Rorabaugh-Buck Dry Goods Company, with J. W. Buck as president and general manager and W. P. Buck as secretary-treasurer. Store was founded in 1902. Details. Photograph with new sign.

Sunday, November 14, 1937**page**

1. Article reports approval of proposed sketches by artist John Steuart Curry for murals to decorate the rotunda walls of the state capitol in Topeka. Details.
12. Braniff Airways will discontinue Flight 3 southbound and Flight 12 northbound between Kansas City and Dallas via Wichita on November 16 because of the post office department's refusal to designate this second round trip as a mail pony flight. These flights have been in operation for one year and seven months with good passenger patronage, but passengers alone do not pay the cost of operation, especially during winter months and with the new larger Douglas equipment. Flights 1 and 2 will be continued.

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6. The Wichita Consistory is holding a Golden Jubilee this week . Article gives history. Photographs.

Tuesday, November 16, 1937**page**

22. Report of christening of cruiser *U.S.S. Wichita* today by Miss Margaret Ayres at Philadelphia Navy Yard. Details.

Wednesday, November 17, 1937

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24. Report of death today of Wichita architect, S. S. Voight (sic), at age 52 after a short illness. Born in Leipzig, Germany but has lived in Wichita for a number of years. Survived by wife, Florence, a sister, Elsie, and a brother, Walter, both of 351 South Hydraulic.

Wednesday, November 24, 1937**page**

9. Article describing the Field School at Central and Gordon on the West Side as a disgrace to Wichita -- with photographs. Still has outside toilets. Urges vote in favor of school bond issue in December to build new Field school building, etc. Details.

Friday, November 26, 1937**page**

9. Full page advertisement announcing opening tomorrow of first Wichita store of Oklahoma Tire and Supply Company at 228 South Broadway. Article with details on page 8.

Tuesday, November 30, 1937**page**

1. The roof of the American Indian Institute, 3300 East 21st Street, was destroyed by fire this morning. Details. Photograph on page 22.
32. Report of death yesterday of Jacob Achenbach, pioneer resident of Hardtner, Kansas, at age 91. He was farmer, rancher, and railroad builder. Born at Epplesheim, Rheinhausen, Germany on March 22, 1846 and came to United States with his parents at age five, settling in 1852 at Taylorsville, Illinois. In 1867 he married Elizabeth Rathgeber, who died July 19, 1929. Came to Kansas in 1881 and homesteaded in Kingman County. Two years later purchased 6300 acres in Barber County from Dr. Hardtner of Carrollton, Illinois. In 1883 he laid out the town of Hardtner and was postmaster there for 30 years. In 1908, with L. B. Blockstock of Springfield, Illinois, he organized the Kiowa, Hardtner and Pacific Railroad to build the line from Kiowa to Hardtner, leased by the Missouri Pacific in 1910. Further biography. Survived by two sons, August and Adolph. Photograph.

Friday, December 3, 1937**page**

- C-11. Photograph of Wheeler-Kelly-Hagny building.

Sunday, December 5, 1937**page**

1. Dedication ceremonies for the new four lane highway between Wichita and Newton are to be held this afternoon. Details. Report on December 6, page 11.
7. The New York Life Insurance Company yesterday filed a deed to the Kaufman Building, 212 South Market, following foreclosure of the mortgage against the previous owners more than a year ago. ¶ Recently the New York Life Insurance Company also foreclosed

the mortgage on the Biting Building, but the redemption period on this property has not yet expired.

Wednesday, December 8, 1937

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22. School bonds were passed at election yesterday by 2937 for to 2257 against. The total amount of \$688,314 is to provide for a new intermediate school, and new elementary school buildings at Field and Lincoln schools as well as other additions and improvements.

Tuesday, December 21, 1937

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1. The 1938 Wichita city directory is just off the press and now being distributed.

Thursday, December 23, 1937

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19. Report of party last night of Wichita Transportation Company Booster Club at York Rite Temple at which Christmas turkey and bonus of \$135 was given to each company employee. Details.

Saturday, December 25, 1937

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12. Report of death yesterday of Dr. John H. Fuller, age 78 and a physician here for 44 years, who resided in the first house ever built in Wichita, now located at 920 Back Bay Boulevard. He purchased the old Munger House 18 years ago. Survived by two sons, in Wichita. Born in Booneville, Indiana. Obituary.

Sunday, December 26, 1937

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- C-2. Chronology of main events in Wichita in year of 1937.

List of new buildings erected in Wichita in 1937. Includes:

Evans Motor Company, 229-33 South Topeka, \$43,500

General Electric Supply Corporation, 902 East 1st, \$17,000

Allsteel Products Manufacturing Company, 801 South Wichita, \$15,200

National Guard Armory (remodeling), 151 North Waco, \$13,000

Three hundred fifty-four one family dwellings, \$1,485,000

Eighteen two family dwellings

Nine apartment houses

Several additions to school buildings -- listed

Eastborough now has a total of 53 houses and 12 houses have been built in Forest Hills. Twenty-three of the 53 Eastborough houses have been built in the past year and five more are scheduled to start in the spring.

New swimming pool and bath house in College Hill Park.

Monday, December 27, 1937

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18. Report of death yesterday of John F. Millhault, former county commissioner, at age 74. Lived at 3232 East English. Born in Fremont, Ohio February 3, 1863. Parents born in Switzerland. Came to Wichita in 1886. Married Marie Henrietta Julian, of Terra Haute, Indiana October 23, 1888. Was Sedgwick County sheriff 1909-1912. He and associates in 1914 formed McVicar-Howard-Millhault Clothing Company. Sold out his interest in 1925. Obituary. Photograph.

Friday, December 31, 1937

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18. Building permits issued in Wichita in 1937 totaled \$2,301,362 compared with \$2,356,683 in 1936.