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 1938 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon
Sunday, January 2, 1938
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C-2. Article with review of major Wichita events of 1937. Details.
C-7. Page about Wichita with photograph of Dr. T. Walker Weaver, mayor.
C-11. Page of Wichita aviation photographs including aircraft factories, airliners, administration building.

Monday, January 3, 1938
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1. The Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington today announced the consolidation of five large bus lines with the Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company, of Wichita. They are the Santa Fe Trail Stages, Inc., Central Arizona Transportation Lines, Inc., Rio Grand Stage, Inc., Cardinal Stage Lines Company, and the Western Transit Company. The lines were all purchased several years ago by the Southern Kansas Stage Lines before it was purchased by the Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company, but they were continued to be operated independently.

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2. The Samoan Clipper arrived in Honolulu yesterday on its first proving flight, without passengers, from Auckland, New Zealand, after overnight stops at Pago Pago in American Samoa, and at Kingman Reef. It connects at Honolulu with the Philippine Clipper from Manila, which will continue on to Alameda.

7. Article about school board meeting yesterday with plans approved for additions to several school buildings. Details.

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13. Effective this week, all four Transcontinental & Western Air flights stopping at Wichita
will be flown with Douglas DC-3 transports.

Thursday, January 6, 1938


Friday, January 7, 1938

1. The Wichita Club will move from its present quarters at 1st and Market to new quarters on the tenth and 11th floors of the Hotel Lassen in the month of April following remodeling of the new space.

Sunday, January 9, 1938

B-7. Small advertisement with photograph of Sunflower Hatchery at 3100 West Maple.

Tuesday, January 11, 1938

1. To augment the large fleet of “Luxury Liners” placed in service six months ago, the Santa Fe Trailways today announced the placing of a new order for 45 38-passenger parlor coaches, with delivery to start April 1. Total cost is nearly $750,000. The new coaches will be built by the J. G. Brill-American Car and Foundry Company plant at Philadelphia.

Wednesday, January 12, 1938


Friday, January 14, 1938

21. Photograph of new Safeway store at 1062 North Broadway, which opened today. Article with details.

26. The Board of Education grounds commission is seeking a site in Riverside for the new intermediate school, funds for which were voted at a special election about a month ago. The board has owned a piece of ground on the Little Arkansas river near 11th Street for some time, which was purchased for a school site, but it is too small for the site for the new school.

Wednesday, January 19, 1938

Monday, January 24, 1938
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3.
  Report of death today of R. C. Seward, age 76, at the home of his son, artist C. A. Seward, 1534 North Holyoke. Born in Anderson, Indiana and came to Rice County, Kansas at age 15. Moved to a farm near Valley Center in 1922, and then to Wichita eight years ago. Survived also by a daughter, Mrs. E. R. Wood, of Hutchinson, Kansas.

Tuesday, January 25, 1938
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6.
  Building permit issued yesterday for remodeling of tenth and 11th floors of Hotel Lassen as a new home for the Wichita Club. Contract let to Hahner and Foreman Construction Company. General contract amounts to $89,143 (?). Architects are Overend and Boucher. Details.

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12.
  The new Rock Island Rocket train will begin operation from Kansas City to Oklahoma City through Wichita on February 13. There will be no extra fare for this train, but advance reservations are required for both coach and parlor car seats.

Wednesday, February 2, 1938
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3.
  Article reports that Marsh Murdock, son of Marcellus Murdock, was sued for divorce in district court today by Sally L. Murdock, the former Sally Lahey. The have two sons, Marc N. Murdock, age ten, and Neil P. Murdock, who was eight last October 29. Marc was ten on January 7. They were married February 14, 1927. Details. Photograph. Follow up article February 7, page 2 says he was 23 and she was 19 at time of marriage.

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4.
  Advertisement for new Rock Island Rocket train which goes into service between Kansas City and Oklahoma City February 13.

Friday, February 11, 1938
1. Fire destroyed the Maplewood night club, one mile west of Wichita on the Cannonball Highway, early this morning. Details. Photograph.

2. Dwane Wallace, president of the Cessna Aircraft Company, today announced the sale of 15 “Airmaster” cabin planes to the company’s Pacific Coast representatives for $105,000. Powered by a Warner Super Scarab 145 horsepower engine. To be delivered during the spring.

Monday, February 14, 1938

1. Report of death today of Lee Naftzger age 22, junior student at University of Wichita, from a sudden illness. He was son of M. C. Naftzger, president of Southwest National Bank. Details. Photograph.


Tuesday, March 1, 1938

1. Report of resignation today of H. M. Van Auken, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. He will become manager of the Chamber of Commerce at San Antonio. Details. Van Auken came to Wichita March 1, 1926 from a similar position in Dubuque, Iowa.

Thursday, March 3, 1938

1. Robert Six, vice-president of Continental Airlines, of Denver, revealed last night that he had just returned from the East where he has completed negotiations for the purchase of five 14 place Lockheed planes to be used on a new air route between Wichita and Denver.

11. Follow up article about the divorce suit against Marsh Murdock. Details.

Saturday, March 5, 1938

12. Report that Bishop J. Henry Tihen, age 76, suffered a stroke Thursday morning and is in critical condition and semi-conscious at St. Francis Hospital. Details. Photograph.

Sunday, March 6, 1938

4. Photograph shows one end of the Arkansas Valley Interurban trestle bridge over Little Arkansas River at 20th Street and Jeanette.

B-12. Report of serious illness in Los Angeles of former Wichita resident and pioneer, Mrs. R. L. Holmes, mother of Wichita attorney Winn E. Holmes. She and her husband moved to California in 1922 and he died there in 1929. They had come to Wichita in 1886, where
her husband engaged in the practice of law. Mrs. Holmes was Miss Winn before her marriage. Her family was widely known in South Carolina and Kentucky as well as in Missouri. Photograph.

Tuesday, March 8, 1938


4. Braniff Airways will add two additional late afternoon flights between Chicago and Dallas with stop at Wichita effective March 15. Details.

15. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. James P. Royal, age 81, and a pioneer resident of this area. Born in Washington County, Maryland. Came to Wichita in 1871 from Topeka with her family. Attended high school here and in 1876 married Mr. Royal. The next year they moved to a claim at Oatville, Kansas, where they lived until 1910 at which time they moved to a new home in Wichita at 1104 North Market. Husband died in 1925. Survived by a daughter, Mrs Jesse D. Wall, a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Claude V. Royal of Oatville, and three grandchildren, James Gordon Royal of Oatville (on the home farm), Mrs. James B. Fisher of the Bontz Apartments, and Dr. David R. Wall of the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. Buried in Maple Grove.

Wednesday, March 9, 1938

6. Ground was broken Monday for a new recreation hall at Camp Hyde, which is being donated by the local Lions Club. To be built of native timber and rock. Details.

Saturday, March 12, 1938


Sunday, March 13, 1938

6. A. H. (Al) Parrot has been appointed general manager of the paint department at the Western Glass Company, 243 North Water. Details.

Monday, March 21, 1938

1. Air mail service between Wichita and Pueblo has been endorsed by the post office department. Details.
1. Sedgwick County has purchased most of the land for its proposed recreation park near Goddard for an average of $80 an acre. Details.

Sunday, March 27, 1938

15. Article describes the 50 new air conditioned buses which will soon be placed in service by Santa Fe Trailways. Being built by American Car and Foundry Company. Details. Photograph.

B-5. Photograph of Mrs. Walter Beech in front of new Beechcraft biplane No. NC 18779.

Friday, April 1, 1938

12. Building permit was issued today for the new Field School, to be erected at 3020 St. Louis at cost of about $52,000.

18. Formal opening of the new location of the Model Clothing Store at 125 East Douglas is to be held tomorrow. Details. Photograph.

32. Report of death yesterday of Professor W. W. Sanford, former Wichita music teacher and band director, at age 87 at his home in Venice, California. He moved to California about 25 years ago. Survived by wife, Clara, a son, Audrey Sanford, 1818 East Lewis, and four grandchildren (named) including Mrs. Beatrice Sanford Pease. Obituary.

Sunday, April 3, 1938

B-10. Article about new Santa Fe streamliners which will go into service between Wichita and Chicago on April 17. The seven car trains include a baggage car, three chair cars, a club chair car, a dining car, and a parlor observation car. Details. Photograph -- shows an eight car train -- locomotive number not visible.

B-14. New eight room unit for Lincoln School is under way. To cost $103,500, and it and the new Field School, costing $73,000, are to be completed by September 1.

Friday, April 8, 1938

3. Article reports that with the April 8 issue of the Wichita Transportation Company’s “As You Go News” a total of one million copies have been printed since publication was started two years ago in February 1936. During 1936 “As You Go News” was published monthly and issued in quantities of 20,000 an issue. During 1937 it appeared twice each month, and this year it became a weekly, being published every Friday afternoon. It has become increasingly popular, and the copies are usually exhausted in two or three days.

7. Report of planned visit here next month of Wichita pioneer and newspaperman, N. J.
Dilday, who now lives at Glendale, California. He left Wichita in 1889 to establish the *Pratt Register*, later moving to Paducah, Kentucky, then to Boston, and then to California. He writes of Wichita in the 1880s that Levy was the leading banker, Handley and Wall the leading lawyers, Ennis Ross and Cash Henderson the leading dry goods people, Bitting Brothers the leading clothiers, H. Hess the leading grocer, Fritz Schnitzler the leading saloon man, and Black and Niederlander the leading real estate men.

**Saturday, April 9, 1938**

1. Report of death yesterday of Albert Jay Champion, age 63, owner and manager of the Drive-In Market at Broadway and Central. Lived at 515 North Broadway. Born in Lawrence, Kansas and came to Wichita in 1929 from Salt Lake City. Survived by his wife, Alma, a son, V. L. Champion, a brother, E. J. Champion, of Wichita, and sister (named) of Tarko, Missouri.

7. Bids are to be opened by the post office department May 3 for regular air mail service between Wichita and Pueblo, Colorado. Details.

**Tuesday, April 12, 1938**

2. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Mary E. Coffman, age 83, widow of John F. Coffman, Sr., and mother of Dr. John F. Coffman, head of the Coffman Hospital in Wichita. Born in Lexington, Illinois. Married Mr. Coffman there in 1870. They moved to a farm at Tingley, Iowa and later to Marion County, Kansas before coming to Wichita in 1919. Husband died in 1927. Survived by three sons and one daughter (named). Further biography.

10. Article about proposed gift of land to city by Mrs. George T. Nolley, daughter of Dr. Fabrique. Shows photograph of the family. Details.

**Thursday, April 14, 1938**

1. Elmer R. Coon was elected mayor of Wichita by city commission today. Details.

**Friday, April 15, 1938**

1. Report of collision this morning between Santa Fe motor car and auto at Topeka and Bayley. Details.

12. Santa Fe advertisement for the new “Chicagoan” streamliner.

28. Article about the new Santa Fe streamliner. Details.

32. Report of death yesterday of Edward John Schwartz, pioneer Wichita lumberman, age 79, at his home at 142 North Chautauqua. Came to Wichita from Harper, Kansas in 1887 and
was with the Schwartz Lumber Company for many years. Survived by wife, Ida, one daughter, one son, two sisters, and one brother (all named).

Saturday, April 16, 1938


7. Photograph of East 2nd Street bus (number not visible).

12. Article about new Santa Fe streamliner on display in Wichita from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. today prior to its inaugural trip to Chicago tomorrow. Details. Photograph. Follow up article April 17, page 15.

Wednesday, April 20, 1938

6. The Stearman Aircraft Company of Wichita will operate under the name of the Boeing Airplane Company starting June 1 it was announced yesterday. Details.

Friday, April 22, 1938

27. Negotiations were completed today for sale of the Broadview Hotel by George H. Siedhoff and his daughter, Miss Viola Siedhoff, to the Tri-State Hotel Company, of which W. G. (Billy) Hutson is president. Details. Photograph.

Friday, April 29, 1938

1. Arch N. Booth has been appointed executive secretary of the Wichita Chamber of Commerce to replace H. M. Van Auken. Details.

Thursday, May 5, 1938

1. Report of death today of Francis Walter (“Pop”) Edler, age 62, operator with his wife of the Edler School of dancing. Born in Vienna, Austria and come to the United States at age 17. Was a violinist for many years. Married Mrs. Edler in 1921 and came to Wichita in 1922 as orchestra director at the Orpheum Theater. His wife opened a school of dancing here and Mr. Edler became manager of it in 1925. A few years ago they adopted a boy, Gustave, now age nine. In addition to his wife he as also survived by a daughter, Mrs. Gladys Coburn, of Bainbridge, Ireland, by a previous marriage. Further biography. Photograph.

Tuesday, May 10, 1938

20. Park board yesterday voted to make application to the Works Progress Administration for
funds to assist in construction of three hard surface runways at municipal airport. Details.

Wednesday, May 11, 1938

General offices of the Santa Fe Trails of Illinois are now in process of being moved from Chicago to Wichita. Details.

Friday, May 13, 1938

The 1939 Kansas license tags will have black numerals on a white background. The 1938 tags have white numerals on a black background.

Monday, May 16, 1938

Report of death yesterday of William Hebern Culp, age 73, who has been a florist here for the past 51 years. Born in Curran, Illinois and came here with his parents in 1873. His father, the late J. T. Culp, homesteaded land which is now the site of the Bridgeport Machine Company. Later the family moved to a farm on North Hydraulic. His residence is at 901 Woodrow. Wife died six years ago. Survived by one son, Ralph, at 901 Woodrow, and four sisters (named). Further obituary. Photograph.

Wednesday, May 18, 1938

The Bitting Building was reported sold today to the New York Life Insurance Company for an estimated $500,000 by the Bitting estate.

Sunday, May 22, 1938

Report of visit to Wichita of former newspaperman, N. J. Dilday, age 78, from his retirement home in Glendale, California. Biography and reminiscences. Photograph.

Monday, May 23, 1938

Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Marcellus M. Murdock at her home at 240 North Belmont, after several months of illness. Had lived her entire life in Wichita and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Armour. Graduated from Wichita High School in 1902. Married Mr. Murdock in July 1902. Survived by husband, a son, Marsh, of Wichita, and three daughters, Mrs. Robert Bloom, of New York City, Mrs. Foster Jennings, of Enid, Oklahoma, and Miss Jane Murdock, of the home. A brother, James Armour, lives in Wichita. Photograph. Report of funeral May 25, page 7.

Friday, May 27, 1938

City bus schedules are to be changed beginning Saturday morning, May 28, because of the taking off of special school buses. Details.
Saturday, May 28, 1938
page 1.
Federal Communications Commission examiner in Washington today recommended that radio station KFBI be permitted to move from Abilene to Wichita. Article says the station was originally built and operated on College Hill in Wichita by S. W. Cooper in the early 1920s and later was purchased by Dr. J. W. Brinkley and moved.

Wednesday, June 8, 1938
page 1.
Announcement made today by Sam P. Wallingford of start of construction of a 350,000 bushel addition to the Public Terminal Elevator on North Emporia (at 3311 North Emporia). Details. Photograph on page 4.

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Saturday, June 11, 1938
page 12.
The new $50,000 municipal swimming pool in South Riverside Park was opened to the public today. Finishing touches were completed as a Works Progress Administration project. The pool is 240 feet long and 125 feet wide and replaces the obsolete pool built by the city 15 years ago. Details.

Thursday, June 16, 1938
page 22.
The park board yesterday voted to change the name of the Old Tourist Park at 13th Street and the Little River to Minisa Park. Details.

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page 1.
School census reported to show Wichita population of 117,307, up 970 from last year.

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page 6.
Photograph showing high water under the South Hydraulic Avenue bridge over Arkansas River.

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page 18.
Article saying the pipe organ in the Palace Theater since 1916 is to be moved to the Alumni Auditorium about July 15 as a gift to the University from the Fox Midwest Theaters. It is an Austin concert organ, worth about $12,000.
Monday, July 4, 1938


Tuesday, July 5, 1938

19. Photograph of Field’s Clothing Store, 218 East Douglas, which opened today. Article with details.

Friday, July 8, 1938

1. To comply with new state laws passed during the last regular session of the state legislature, Wichita will make a complete change in traffic lights and stop signs throughout next year at a cost of approximately $50,000. Traffic signals over the center of intersections in the downtown area will be removed and replaced with a traffic lights on each corner of the intersections. Rubber stop signs in the center of the streets will be replaced with large metal signs erected in parkings or on sidewalks.

6. County commission proposes asking $625,000 in federal aid to build a new county courthouse. Details.

Sunday, July 10, 1938

1. Woody Hockaday, of Wichita, ran from the crowd toward President Roosevelt’s limousine in Oklahoma City yesterday and was taken into custody by police. He claimed he wanted to shine President Roosevelt’s shoes. Details.

9. Article gives details of plan for new county courthouse, with diagram.

Tuesday, July 12, 1938

2. After a hearing by Probate Court Judge Clyde M. Hudson today, F. W. (“Woody”) Hockaday was adjudged insane and ordered to be committed to the state asylum in Larned. Details.

16. Report of death yesterday of Dr. J. F. Kernan, prominent Wichita dentist, at age 57, after an illness of 15 months. Born in Monongahela, Pennsylvania on October 4, 1880 and came to Wichita in 1884 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Kernan. Married Martha Hinman on October 4, 1905. Survived by wife, one son, Fred S. Kernan, and his mother. Photograph.

Friday, July 15, 1938

12. Henry S. Hoefflin, Wichita lumberman, has purchased the old J. H. Aley home,
constructed in 1885 at corner of 14th and Fairview. The ten room home is one of the city’s landmarks and was recently the home of Billy Edwards, former secretary of state and postmaster, who also assisted in supervising the construction of the Orient shops.

13. Wichita Transportation company announced today that it has placed orders for six new buses, to cost about $50,000. Two of them will be “Twin Coaches” manufactured by the Twin Coach Company in Kent, Ohio, and four will be 25 passenger “Yellows” made by the General Motors Company of Pontiac, Michigan. Delivery is expected around September 1st. The new buses will be dark green in color with aluminum colored tops. The upholstery will be forest green. The city bus company will have a fleet of 75 buses when the new equipment is added.

Tuesday, July 19, 1938

The first diesel electric switch engine to be used by the Rock Island in Wichita arrived here early this morning from La Grange, Illinois. It weighs 100 tons and has a 600 horsepower Diesel engine. Photograph -- number appears to be 525 (last number indistinct).

Saturday, July 23, 1938

Article says John H. Graham, former mayor in Wichita in 1907-08 and 1911-12, has been named vice-president and general manager of the Coleman Lamp and Stove Company to succeed Charles E. Parr. For the past 19 years Graham has been manager of the Los Angeles branch of the company. He has been connected with the company for 25 years. He came to Wichita from Dubuque, Iowa in 1897 and was in the railroad business until 1901 and then entered the transfer and storage business. He is 69 years old. Photograph.

Monday, July 25, 1938

R. B. Campbell, manager and trustee of the Arkansas Valley Railway Company, announced after a hearing before Judge E. R. Sloan, chairman of the state corporation commission, that that company plans to abandon all passenger service probably on August 1 and continue operating freight service only. The passenger business has dwindled until it is now only five percent of the company’s revenue, compared to 95 percent in 1920, and the company is losing money on its passenger line even with only six cars in operation. Even if the company were to continue passenger operation with only three cars, it would necessitate an immediate expenditure of more than $4000. Only a few men will lose jobs with the change. All but four have been employed in the Arkansas Valley Interurban freight division or have found work elsewhere. The company also proposes to abandon the Arkansas Valley Interurban station at Valley Center, since little freight is shipped from that station. The company will also no longer need to maintain the Hutchinson passenger station, which rents for $250 a month and has a yearly upkeep of more than $3000.

Thursday, July 28, 1938
11. Photograph of the Mosbacher Motor Company at 220 North Broadway (next to Orpheum Building), Hudson and Terraplane dealer.

20. The new highway overpass on U.S. 81 south of Wichita, over the Rock Island Railroad tracks, was officially opened yesterday afternoon. Cost more than a quarter million dollars and took more than a year to build.

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Sunday, July 31, 1938

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1. J. S. “Rajah” Porter, notorious in Wichita for his promotion scheme of a rabbitry here which allegedly swindled hundreds of Wichitans, has been located again, this time in San Francisco, where he has been promoting an apparently fraudulent knitting business. Details. Photograph. Has apparently absconded with money there and fled from San Francisco.

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7. Aerial photograph of warehouse district near railroad tracks.

11. Photographs of packing plants including Sunflower Packing Company, Dunn-Ostertag Packing Company, F. W. Dold, Jacob Dold, etc.

Special anniversary edition
8. New $50,000 swimming pool at Municipal Beach built as a Works Progress Administration project was opened this summer.

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7. Interview with Robert C. Campbell, who predicts that the Arkansas Valley Interurban will be more successful with the expansion of its new all freight service. Details. Photograph.

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12. Announcement made that the College Hill bus line is to be extended to Mission Road in Eastborough beginning September 12. Details. Photograph of group in front of Twin Coach.

**Wednesday, August 10, 1938**

Contract let today in Washington, D.C. to Harmon Construction Company of Oklahoma City for $107,989 addition to the Wichita Veterans’ Hospital. Will be three story structure and add 75 beds to the hospital capacity. Work is to start in September. Details.

**Thursday, August 11, 1938**

The 15 room Henry Schnitzler residence at 1002 South Broadway has been purchased by the Women’s Home Mission of the Kansas conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to provide accommodation for 20 working girls at nominal cost. Structure is being remodeled for occupancy next month. New home is to be known as Esther Hall. Details.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 112 has purchased the former Gwendolyn Potts home at 1015 North Broadway. Details. Photograph.

Photograph of Wesley Flower Shop, 503-07 North Hillside.

**Friday, August 12, 1938**

Photograph of Woolf Brothers, which is celebrating its 16th anniversary.

Works Progress Administration officials have approved the plans for the new runways at municipal airport. Details.

**Saturday, August 13, 1938**

The South Seneca bus is to be re-routed beginning August 14. Details.

**Sunday, August 14, 1938**

Work on the new lake and recreation park between Goddard and Garden Plain is to begin by September 15. Works Progress Administration officials have approved the program for the 520 acre project which will cost $500,00 and take two years. Details.

**Friday, August 19, 1938**

Drawing of proposed new Sears, Roebuck and Company store to be located at 151 South Market, site of the old post-office building. Drawing by Overend and Boucher, architects, shows 13 story building which was never built to this design.

Map showing the equus beds from which Wichita proposes to obtain a supply of soft
water. Covers area of 1351 square miles.

**Monday, August 22, 1938**

1. Workmen today were razing the remaining section of the old post office building at Market and William preparatory to beginning construction on the new Sears, Roebuck and Company store. The floorboards and ramp of the large platform used as a parking lot are being torn up.

**Wednesday, August 24, 1938**


**Sunday, August 28, 1938**

11. Government approval was announced yesterday for a $433,205 grant for improvements at the municipal airport including the construction of the first of three hard surfaced runways. The north-south runway will be 3500 feet long and 150 feet wide. Details. Map of airport plan.

11. The newly completed Ripley Station of the Kansas Gas and Electric Company at 47th Street and Arkansas Avenue will be formally dedicated Friday, September 9. It has been named for L. O. Ripley, president of Kansas Gas and Electric. Contracts for construction were signed April 6, 1937. Details.

The Yellow Cab Company is being reorganized to operate under the zone fare system instead of the previous meter or mileage system. Details.

Photograph of the nearly completed new wing of the Lincoln School, built at cost of $115,000.

The chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1857 South Wichita Street, is being remodeled at cost of $2000. Photograph.

**Monday, August 29, 1938**

16. Cliff Nolan, an aerial photographer representing the Kargi (?) Aerial Survey Company of San Antonio, Texas, is in Wichita to make aerial photographs of the city and the surrounding territory. His pictures will be added to a government file, nearly complete, of aerial views of the entire United States.

**Tuesday, August 30, 1938**

20. Special election to vote on $1,333,750 bond issue for new soft water system is to be held
September 27. Details.

**Thursday, September 1, 1938**

1. The government has approved a grant of $53,997 of Public Works Administration funds towards cost of construction of a new library at Wichita University. Total cost will be $119,994, of which the school will furnish 55 percent, or $65,996. Details.

**Tuesday, September 6, 1938**

19. Article lists some changes in bus schedules effective September 12, mostly related to special school buses, etc.

**Thursday, September 8, 1938**

8. Article about dedication of Kansas Gas and Electric’s new Ripley plant tomorrow. Details. Photograph.

**Friday, September 9, 1938**


15. Building permit issued yesterday to the Midland Building Company for a two story building at 125 South Market, to cost $75,000 and to be occupied by Sears, Roebuck and Company store. Will front 55 feet on Market and 145 feet on William.

Building permit issued to Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company to remodel and repair the old five story Wichita Club building at 202 East 1st. Cost $80,000.

**Saturday, September 10, 1938**


**Thursday, September 15, 1938**

2. Final documents signed today transferring the Elks Club Building in second block of North Market to the American Order of United Workers. Building to be remodeled. Details.

**Thursday, September 22, 1938**

8. Small photograph of the new Field Elementary School building.
Friday, September 23, 1938

12. Formal opening of the new Broadway Mortuary, 1147 South Broadway, owned by Earl P. Martin, will be held tomorrow and Sunday. Details.

32. Report of gift of $50,000 to Wesley Hospital by J. H. Huston, vice-president of the Huston-Doughty Lumber Company, to be matched by a similar amount raised by the hospital and used for the erection of a new Nurses Home. Details.

Saturday, September 24, 1938

6. Report of death of Henry L. Schnitzler, age 44, proprietor of the Schnitzler Auto Supply Company, yesterday. Survived by wife, Isabella, son, Henry D., a daughter, Delores, and a brother, F. W. Schnitzler, and a sister, Albertina Powell, all of Wichita. He was oldest son of Wichita pioneers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schnitzler.

Wednesday, September 28, 1938

1. Bond issue of $1,333,750 for new soft water system for Wichita was approved by voters in a special election yesterday by 8775 to 2677. Details.

The Santa Fe Railway Company, already the owner of one-third of the stock of the Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company, has purchased the remaining two-thirds of the stock excepting only a few shares. The price per share was $12, with the total amount approximately $400,000. The Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company was organized by the Santa Fe Railway a few years ago when the company bought one-third of the stock of the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company. At that time an option was taken to purchase the remaining two-thirds of the stock. The option agreement was made on November 19, 1936. Further details with some history of the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company, saying it was organized November 26, 1924.

7. The board of directors of the Kansas City Southern Railway today approved the merger of that line with the Louisiana and Arkansas Railway. The plan must still be approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission and by Kansas City Southern stockholders to become effective. Details.

13. A Transcontinental & Western Air Skyliner arrived in Wichita at 11:30 a.m. today for the Harvest Festival. It will carry passengers on 20 minute flights over the city during the festival for a fare of $2.00 per person.

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B-3. Note says Robert Springer is pilot of the Transcontinental & Western Air Skyliner stationed in Wichita during the Harvest Festival.
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B-16. Ground breaking ceremony will be held tomorrow at municipal airport to inaugurate work on the new hard surfaced runways. Details.

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23. Photograph of ground breaking ceremony yesterday afternoon for the new North-South runway at municipal airport. Article with details. To be 3500 feet and 150 feet and cost $541,394. Expected completion July 1.

Friday, October 7, 1938
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1. Report of death today of Mrs. Ida A. Diver, 2010 North Market, at home of a son, Harry Fetrow, Peoria, Illinois. She was widow of late M. R. Diver, married to him in Hutchinson in December 1928 prior to his death February 16, 1929 at age 88. Her claim on his estate was set aside by the court on grounds of his mental incapacity after a long court battle. Their marriage in Hutchinson was witnessed by Mrs. Laura Buckwalter. Further obituary. To be buried at Leon, Kansas.

13. Wichita Transportation Company has been given a safety award at the annual meeting of the American Transit Association in Toronto, Canada. The company transported almost 12 million passengers nearly three million miles in 1937 without a single passenger fatality.

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3. The Caldwell-Murdock Building, 111-13 East Douglas, has recently been remodeled and redecorated, with a modernistic marble front replacing the over elaborate terra cotta work of 30 years ago. The lobby has also been remodeled, with gray marble superceding the tile and wood. The exterior of the new entrance is of manufactured black granite in flat planes.

18. Andale voters yesterday approved a bond issue for a new school building. A Public Works Administration grant has already been approved for part of the cost.

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15. Van Arsdale Motors, Inc., yesterday moved into its new and larger quarters at 1700 East Douglas, one block east of their former quarters at 1600 East Douglas. Van Arsdale is the local distributor of Graham and Willys motor cars. The new quarters were formerly occupied by the Studebaker agency. Photograph.

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9. Photograph of Hart’s Cut Rate Drug Store, 142 North Broadway.
13. Montgomery Ward advertisement featuring Wichita Transportation Company, with photographs. Says Wichita has 75 modern buses.

B-16. Enrollment of 1411 for first semester at the University of Wichita, excluding 541 in the downtown division, is the largest in the history of the school, up from 1295 last year.

**Wednesday, October 19, 1938**

page 20. Contract let yesterday to Armagost and Son for building the new John Marshall Intermediate School between 14th and 15th Streets and Payne and Salina. Total cost to be $310,296. Some Public Works Administration funding is expected. To have 14 classrooms plus shop, gymnasium, cafeteria, auditorium, etc. Work will probably start next Monday.

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page 11. Photograph of rebuilt front of S. G. Holmes and Sons Clothing Store, 309 East Douglas, which had been damaged by fire last July.

**Sunday, October 23, 1938**

page B-16. Ground breaking ceremony for the new John Marshall Intermediate School is to be held at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow. Details.

**Sunday, October 23, 1938**

page Magazine 10. Advertisement with photograph of Santa Fe Trailways bus.

**Sunday, October 30, 1938**

page 6. Contract has been let to Wilson and Donnell Construction Company for erection of the new residence for the president of University of Wichita, to be located on the campus. Low bid was $20,547. Forty-five percent of the cost will be paid by the federal government. Work expected to begin by November 3. Architects Overend and Boucher. Drawing.

**Tuesday, November 1, 1938**

page 21. Telephone company used 30 trucks to distribute the new November telephone directories in Wichita starting this morning. Deliver should be completed by Thursday.

Maybelle, a sister and a brother (named). Further obituary. Photograph.

Friday, November 4, 1938

1. Report of death today of Claude C. Stanley, prominent Wichita attorney and oil man, at his home, 1323 North Emporia. His wife, Jetta, died April 19, 1933. She was daughter of Wichita cattleman M. C. Campbell. Survived by two daughters and a brother (named). Further obituary. Photograph.

Saturday, November 5, 1938

10. Contract let today to the Frank E. Blaser Construction Company of Wichita for the new library at Wichita University. His low bid was $111,073. Federal funds will pay 45 percent of the total cost.

Wednesday, November 9, 1938

7. Ground breaking ceremony for the new University of Wichita library was held this morning. Details.

Monday, November 14, 1938

7. Rock Island Railroad announces schedule change effective today in its Rocket train from Kansas City which will now be extended past Oklahoma City to Ft. Worth and Dallas.

Wednesday, November 16, 1938

1. A warehouse building on tractor row at 227-29-31 South Wichita Street, owned by the Swartz Lumber Company, was destroyed by fire early this afternoon.


Friday, November 18, 1938


Thursday, November 24, 1938

3. A committee of five persons was named at the Allis Hotel Wednesday night to draw up a constitution and by-laws and make application for a charter for the Wichita Museum
Society and make a report September 8. Committee members are H. M. Cauthorn, Dr. Claude Holmes, Omrah Aley, Bertha V. Gardner, and Dr. David M. Edwards. Details.

**Saturday, November 26, 1938**

Wesley Hospital completed its fund raising drive yesterday, with subscriptions totaling $55,632, more than enough to match the $50,000 donation of J. H. Huston for the purpose of building a new nursing home. A building committee was appointed. Details.

**Monday, November 28, 1938**

Photograph of Don S. Hughes, Inc., newly appointed DeSoto-Plymouth distributor in Wichita, at 319 South Broadway (successor to Arnold Auto Company).

**Thursday, December 1, 1938**

Photograph of first 1939 license tag shows black numbers on white background with year and KAN at top.

**Friday, December 2, 1938**

The commission working to organize a new historic museum in Wichita have adopted the official title “Wichita Public Museum Association” at a meeting held last evening. Details.

**Sunday, December 4, 1938**

The commission appointed to organize a new historic museum in Wichita will make its public report at a meeting at the Allis Hotel at 7:30 p.m. Monday. Details.

**Monday, December 5, 1938**

Report of death this morning of Mrs. Winn E. Holmes, the former Miss Sydney Clapp, at her home at 204 West 18th, after a long illness. Born in Iowa City, Iowa and graduated from Wellesley College before marrying Winn Holmes in 1913. Survived by her husband, four children, Anne (sic), Robert, and Richard, all of Wichita, and Mrs. Wytze Gorter, of Palo Alto, California, two brothers, Marc and R. D. W. Clapp, and a sister, Mrs. Wilbert Millison, of Wichita. Further obituary. Photograph. Burial to be in Highland Mausoleum.

Article reports that Transcontinental & Western Air is discontinuing use of the slogan “The Lindbergh Line” because of Lindbergh’s decision to live in Germany. Details.

Ground will be broken in a few days for the new rural high school in Andale. Details.

**Monday, December 12, 1938**
1. Report of death today of Dwight C. Rounds, president of the Rounds and Porter Lumber Company, at age 77, at his home in Hollywood, California. He formerly lived in Wichita for about 18 years, but has lived in California for the past 20 years. Born in Vermont and went to Oklahoma when the Strip was opened. Later came to Wichita. Survived by his wife and one son, Ralph M. Rounds, of Wichita.

Friday, December 16, 1938


B-2. Wichita will be the terminus of the Missouri Pacific Railroad’s Sunflower train after January 8, it as announced yesterday. The train now runs on to Hutchinson, but the business between here and Hutchinson is too little to continue this run. Details.

Sunday, December 18, 1938

14. Advertisement announces the Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company will be located in its new quarters at corner of 1st and Market Streets beginning tomorrow.

Monday, December 19, 1938

1. Report of death yesterday of George W. Knorr, partner in the Knorr-Kuhl Clothing Company, in a hunting accident a mile east of Oliver on 29th Street, at age 61. Born May 26, 1877 in Philadelphia and was brought to Wichita by his parents at age two. Survived by two sons (named). Obituary. Photograph.

Saturday, December 24, 1938

2. At the annual Christmas party for employees of the Wichita Transportation Company and their families last night at the Twentieth Century Club, bonuses averaging $135 and a ham for Christmas were given to each employee. The bonuses totaled approximately $15,000. Details.

Thursday, December 29, 1938

7. Photograph of old pile bridge across Arkansas River between Wichita and Maize on Highway 96. To be replaced by new bridge.

Friday, December 30, 1938

Saturday, December 31, 1938

10. Agricultural conservation officer in Wichita has received approximately 200 aerial photographs of Sedgwick County taken last summer from altitude of 14,000 feet by the Kargi Aerial Surveys of Salt Lake City.