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 1970 WICHITA EAGLE-BEACON

Wichita Eagle-Beacon Friday, January 2, 1970 page

14A. Dedication of two new buildings at Friends University is scheduled for early this year. The \$750,000 gymnasium is nearing completion, and a \$667,000 library and media center is under construction and is expected to be dedicated in March. Details.

Sunday, January 4, 1970 page

Special section

- 5A. Article about increase in taxi fares which was effective January 1. Fares were raised from 50 to 75 cents for the first mile and from 25 to 30 cents for each additional mile. Further details and discussion.
- 1B, 4B. Calendar of major events in Wichita in 1969:
 - January 11: Dedication of Century II.
 - January 14: Contract won for expansion of Wichita State University stadium.
 - January 29: Plans announced by Sacred Heart College for a \$900,000 library, to hold 125,000 volumes.
 - February 19: First land for new zoo northwest of Wichita purchased by County Commission.
 - March 3: Wichita State University Field House renamed Henry Levitt Arena.
 - March 24: A Chrysler Corporation subsidiary bought 150 acres northwest of Kellogg and Rock Road for future development.
 - April 2: William Lear, Sr., founder of Lear Jet Industries, sold his last holdings in the firm to Gates Rubber Company.
 - April 8: Don Enoch elected mayor.
 - April 16: Architect's plan for the \$3.65 million Sedgwick County zoo was approved.
 - April 18: City Commission approved a design for a 12 story, \$8.9 million city building at Central and Main.
 - May 31: Dr. Lewis Miller, Wichita movie pioneer and builder of the Miller Theater, died at 93.
 - June 7: New U.S.S. Wichita, a fleet oiler, was commissioned at Boston.

June 10: \$51.8 million school budget, in increase of \$3.2 million, was approved by Board of Education.

June 17: Metz Lumber Company was sold to a Kansas City-Manhattan, Kansas firm.

June 23: City manager Wulz revealed a \$41.3 million budget for 1970.

August 4: International Association of Machinists went on strike at Beech.

August 5: City Commission adopted \$40.9 million 1970 budget.

August 7: Coleman Company confirmed plans for major new facilities on 163 acres at 37th North and Hydraulic.

August 12: City Commission approved \$12.5 million in industrial revenue bonds for expansion of Wesley Medical Center.

August 27: A \$2.6 million remodeling and face-lifting announced for the Schweiter Building.

September 2: Beech strike settled.

September 5: St. Francis Hospital initiated second phase of a three part, multi-million dollar expansion program.

September 12: Dedication of 31,500 seat Wichita State University Cessna Stadium.

October 4: Public school enrollment 66,733 down 1486.

October 31: American Association awarded baseball franchise to Wichita, restoring professional baseball for first time since 1958.

November 2: Mysterious disappearance of Wichita Coin and Stamp Company dealer, Jack D. Hazelwood.

December 17: Wichita-built B-47 bomber was placed on permanent pedestal on U.S. 54 west of the city.

Section F. Special articles on economic growth and development.

- 1F. Article on Wichita Municipal Airport \$8.9 million capital improvement program started in 1968. In 1969 progress was made on construction of a new 7000 foot parallel runway on west side of terminal building. It is now about two-thirds complete. In 1969 an 11,000 square foot, one story addition to terminal building to house a new baggage-claim facility, was completed. Discussion under way about extension of runway from 7000 feet to 9000 feet. Further details.
- 11F. Article about core area building projects. In March 1969 the Union National Bank began a \$500,000 "pavilion bank" on southeast corner of Main and Central. Tenants began moving recently into the 10 story Olive W. Garvey Building, similar to the R. H. Garvey Building, which was built in 1966. Fox Theater opened October 22, 1969. Ten story Farm Credit Banks Building at 1st and Main is to be started next summer. First National Bank parking garage was completed in November 1968. Central Building was renamed Century Plaza last August and remodeling with a new bronze masonry coating, begun in 1968, has largely been completed. In April 1968 construction began on a five million dollar expansion project for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, including five story addition atop the present seven story structure at 154 North Broadway and a 12 story addition adjacent to the south. This is to be finished in 1970. Construction started early in 1969 on a five story addition to the Kansas Gas and Electric office building at 1st and Market, costing more than two million dollars, and this is to be completed in the fall of

1970. The Lassen Motor Hotel was purchased and then renamed the Radisson Hotel in mid-1969. Schweiter Building has been renamed "Commerce Plaza" and will undergo a \$2.6 million renovation. The former W. T. Grant Building at Douglas and Market was renamed the Adair Building after remodeling in 1968. Tenants began moving into the completely remodeled Sutton Place building in late 1966. In late 1966 the one million dollar Innes (Macy's) parking garage was completed. The Koch Building just north of Century II was razed about a year ago.

Full page ad with description of the new east addition to the Wichita Eagle-Beacon Building. Details. Photo.

Tuesday, January 6, 1970 page

5B. Bob Moore Oldsmobile, Inc., 6215 East Kellogg, has been sold and its president, Robert W. Moore, 47, has moved to Oklahoma City to operate a Cadillac dealership. New president of the local firm is T. Grant Davis, 38. The name will become Davis-Moore Oldsmobile, Inc. Biography. Bob Moore Oldsmobile was incorporated in 1953 and moved to the present location September 15, 1956.

Wednesday, January 7, 1970 page

8C. The new four level, 576 car parking garage in the Garvey Center complex opened Monday. Details.

Sunday, January 11, 1970 page

1B. Feature article by Frank Good with reminiscences by Mrs. Arthur T. Noble, 809 Faulkner, and Mrs. Bess Innes Gallard, 220 Circle Drive (daughter of Colonel William Innes, who came to Wichita in 1878 and married Sue Hart in 1880) about their lives in early days of Wichita. Details. Long article.

Tuesday, January 13, 1970 page

3B. Article about Wichita-based Air Midwest commuter airline, which serves 14 communities in four states. The line operates nine aircraft, including a Beechcraft 99A twin turboprop, five Cessna 402 "Utilitwins" and three single engine Cessna 206s. Details. Five communities served by the line are loaning it \$100,000 to be used for operating capital for the next six months. Employment by the company currently totals 61, mostly based in Wichita.

Sunday, January 18, 1970 page

1F. The Allied Building at corner of 3rd and Waco is ready for occupancy. Details. Photo.

Acme Brick Company, 1337 North Mosley, has begun site preparation for construction of a new plant on a 16 acre tract at 3400 North Hydraulic. To cost \$400,000 and be completed in mid-1970. Details. Drawing.

A new Pizza Hut is under construction at 1016 West Douglas and will be completed about February 15.

An old two story building at 237 North Main is to be razed and the site cleared.

Wednesday, January 21, 1970 page

- 1. James P. Robertson, music director and conductor of the Wichita Symphony Orchestra for 20 of its 26 years, has resigned effective with the 1970-71 season. Details. Photo.
- 8B. Report of death yesterday of Russell W. Woolley, 47, of 316 South Terrace Drive, president of Twin Lakes State Bank, after a long illness. Born in El Dorado, Kansas. Came here in 1965 from Kansas City, where he had been a vice-president of Commerce Trust Company. Survived by his widow, Suzanne, a son, Bill, and a daughter, Leslie, at home, and a sister (named) in Leawood, Kansas. Further biography. Photo. Burial at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Sunday, January 25, 1970 page

1F. A new terminal for the Mistletoe Express Service, 621 East 10th, will be constructed at 1360 North Mosley. To be 137 by 101 feet. Completion scheduled for mid-June.

Site has been cleared for a new commercial building at 2222 East Central, to be occupied by Moore Business Forms Inc. Forty by 50 feet. Completion in May.

Monday, January 26, 1970 page

Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Mary Jane Sullivan, 69, of 936 Back Bay Boulevard, wife of former Wichita mayor, O. F. Sullivan. Born in Stella, Missouri. Came to Wichita in 1925. Other survivors are a son, William, and a daughter, Mrs. George Fooshee, Jr., both of Wichita. Photo. Entombment in Wichita Park Mausoleum.

Sunday, February 1, 1970 page

- 5A. Dedication ceremonies are to be held Saturday for the new gymnasium at Friends University. Cost \$750,000 and is to be called the Garvey Physical Education Center. Details.
- 2F. Open house to be held today at the newly completed Resthaven Mortuary at West Kellogg and 199th (sic) Street, located adjacent to Resthaven Gardens of Memory. Cost \$300,000.

Architects were Todd Roberts Company, of Dallas, Texas. Details. Photos. [Editor's note: Upon checking the 1970 Suburban Directory, the street is 119th Street.]

4F. Open house being held today at the new Parke East townhouse development, 1000 South Woodlawn. Details. Photos.

Tuesday, February 3, 1970 page

5B. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Florence S. Wolf, 64, of 145 South Crestway, wife of J. Arthur Wolf, who once owned the Wolf Cafeteria. Born in Mankato, Kansas. Came here in 1926. Husband bought Wolf Cafeteria, 115 South Main, from his father. The cafeteria was closed in 1963. Survived by husband, two sons, J. Spencer, Story, Wyoming, and Stephen A., Wichita, and two brothers (named). Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

Wednesday, February 4, 1970

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5A. Photo of new type trash cans being installed by the city in the downtown area. Article with details.

Friday, February 6, 1970

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5A. Photo of Wichita police department's new helicopter.

Sunday, February 8, 1970

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1G. A major remodeling has been started at Doc's Steak House, 1515 North Broadway. To cost \$25,000. Architects are Robert K. Smith and Alan McHenry. Owned since 1963 by Louis Scott and Mike Belluomo. Details. Completion in April. Drawings.

Wednesday, February 11, 1970

page

5A. King's Drug Company, owned and operated by A. G. King since 1919, is to be torn down to make way for a new Safeway store. Located at 3122 East Douglas. King must vacate by February 28. Details. Photo of Mr. King.

Sunday, February 15, 1970

page

1D. Construction of the new Pizza Hut corporate office building has passed the halfway mark. Details.

Feature article about plans for residential units at Crestview Country Club. Details. Diagram.

Friday, February 20, 1970

page

- 5A. Article about Metropolitan Transit Authority meeting yesterday which considered changes in regulations for Wichita taxicabs. Details.
- Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Pauline R. Stettheimer, 74, of 426 Harding, lifetime resident. Her husband, Lawrence, died in 1967. Survived by two daughters, Mrs. Otis E. Wells, Wichita, and Mrs. Gerald Auerbach, Ogden, Utah, and a brother, Henry Wallenstein, Jr., of Wichita. Temple Emanu-El. Burial in Highland Cemetery.

Saturday, February 21, 1970 page

5A. Wichita State University's new College of Business Administration building is to be named R. P. Clinton Hall in recognition of the Wichita oilman's \$325,000 gift. Details. Photo on page 1.

Sunday, February 22, 1970 page

1F. Feature article about restoration under way on 1887 Wichita home at 1005 North Market, built by M. L. Garver and now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Duggan (he is an engineer). Garver came to Wichita with his family in 1879 and organized the Monarch Loan Company and was prominent in real estate for many years. He died in 1928. His wife, who died in 1917, was one of the founders of the Wichita Children's Home. In 1895 the property was acquired by Sam Amidon, a prominent Wichita attorney. The house has had several owners since them and was acquired by the Duggans about seven years ago. Details. Photos.

Article about eight story office building to be built on East Harry across the street from The Mall shopping center. Details. Drawing. (Was never built.)

Wednesday, February 25, 1970 page

1. Petition was presented to Wichita Park Board yesterday asking that the 40 acre former Mount Carmel Academy site on West Douglas be purchased as a city park. Owner of the land is the Catholic Diocese of Wichita. Details.

Thursday, February 26, 1970 page

4B. Report of death Tuesday of Mrs. Minnie Doll Parrott, 92, of 5322 Plaza Lane. Born in Kankakee, Illinois. In Wichita most of her life. Husband, Albert H., died in 1950. Survivors include a daughter, Miss Margaret Parrott, at home. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Friday, February 27, 1970 page

5A. Central and Waco Avenues through the Park Plaza urban renewal area will be closed Monday so work can begin on the relocation and reconstruction of these streets. The relocated Waco will curve to the east, while Central will curve southward to connect with the newly constructed Greenway Boulevard. The work will take about two months. Cost of the project is \$834,000. Details. Map.

Saturday, February 28, 1970 page

1. Report of death yesterday at her home, of Mrs. Rene (Bertha) Gouldner, 82, of 139 Courtleigh, daughter of a pioneer Wichita family. Born Bertha Stackman on August 3, 1888, at her parents' home in Riverside. Attended the Pro-Cathedral elementary school at 2nd and St. Francis. Graduated from Mount Carmel Academy. Spent two and one-half years studying pipe organ in Strasbourg, France. Met her husband in France and they were married September 4, 1913 in Wichita. Survived by husband, a son, Dr. Rene R. Gouldner, a dentist, and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Guldner, both of Wichita, and three grandchildren. Photo. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Sunday, March 1, 1970

page

- 5A. Article about history of First Presbyterian Church in Wichita. Details.
- 1F. Open house is to be held today at the new Olive W. Garvey Building. Two dozen tenants are already occupying space in the building.

Sunday, March 8, 1970 page

- 5A. The new Edmund Stanley Library at Friends University will be dedicated Tuesday. Details. The Garvey Physical Education Center was dedicated in January.
- 1C. Construction of the first Nu-Way Beef Burger franchise shop is under way at 808 South Oliver. To be opened in May. Details.

Remodeling and expansion of the Hi Way Inn is under way. Twenty-nine rental units will be added. Completion due about June 1.

Work has begun to renovate a structure at 2020 East Douglas for the Manning Clampitt Meat Company. Completion scheduled about May 15.

- 6C. The Law Company has completed renovation of their new quarters at 313 South Market. The building was formerly occupied by Wheeler, Kelly and Hagny Company. The Law Company moved into the building after interior remodeling was completed in December. Details. Photo.
- 1D. Feature article about the "Farewell to the Miller" theater party planned for March 18. The theater, which opened in 1922, will soon close its doors. Details. Drawing.

Wednesday, March 11, 1970 page

1. Report of death Tuesday night in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, of Marcellus M. Murdock, 87, president of the Wichita Eagle and Beacon Publishing Company. He had suffered a second stroke March 3 and had gone to Pittsburgh for physical therapy at the Watson Clinic. Born February 14, 1883 at the home of his parents, Marshall M. and Victoria Mayberry Murdock, located at Oak (now Murdock) and St. Francis. First marriage was to Mabelle Claire Armour, who died in 1938. Survived by widow, Mrs. Paula H. Murdock, a son, Marsh M., two daughters, Mrs. Victoria Bloom and Mrs. Foster Jennings, and seven grandchildren. A third daughter, Mrs. Ward Colwell, died in 1963. Long biography. Photo. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Thursday, March 12, 1970 page

1. Report of death yesterday of Fred N. Hoyt, 90, of 231 South Athenian, former missionary and director of the Fellow-Reeve Museum at Friends University. Born in Taylor County, Iowa and came to Medicine Lodge, Kansas at age two in a covered wagon. Family settled in the Cherokee Strip in the 1893 run. Attended Friends University 1900 to 1904. Served as Friends missionary in Kenya, Africa for 34 years beginning in 1911. Survived by his widow, Alta, two sons, Howard, Stillwater, Oklahoma, and Paul R., Oakland, California, and a daughter, Mrs. Martha McCallum, Columbus, Ohio. Further biography. Photo. Burial in Resthaven Gardens of Memory.

Saturday, March 14, 1970 page

1. Dr. Cramer Reed has been named first dean of the new College of Health-Related Professions at Wichita State University. Details. Effective April 1.

Sunday, March 15, 1970 page

- 5A. Another article about plans for the party to be held Wednesday celebrating the Miller Theater. Details.
- 1C. Photos of new buildings in Downtown Wichita. Southwestern Bell Telephone addition at 1st and Broadway is nearly complete. Holiday Inn Plaza exterior complete except top three floors, Kansas Gas and Electric building addition exterior is complete. Union National Pavilion Bank construction began recently.
- 2C. Construction will begin in next week on the Steak and Ale Restaurant at 8430 East Kellogg. To be completed in about three months. Details. Drawing.

Dillon Investment Company, of Hutchinson, Kansas, will soon begin construction of a Calhoun store at 3890 West 13th.

Report of death Friday of Glenn E. Trapp, 61, of 1202 Luther, engraver for Bemis Company, Inc. Born at Carthage, Missouri. Was a longtime Wichitan. Survived by widow, Anna, a daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Dooley, Hutchinson, Kansas, a brother and three sisters (named). Burial in Lakeview Gardens Cemetery. (Was a patient.)

Tuesday, March 17, 1970 page

1. Report of 14 inches of snow at Wichita in 24 hours -- Sunday night and Monday, breaking the 24 hour record of 13 inches set in January 1962. Details. Photos at airport (page 1) and Oak Park (page 3A).

Thursday, March 19, 1970 page

- 5A. Report of farewell party for Miller Theater held last night. Details. Last day Miller Theater was open was Tuesday, March 24, 1970 (ad on page 12A that day).
- 1B. Feature article about well known Wichita musician, Mrs. Myrth McGaugh Culp. Photos.

Sunday, March 22, 1970

page

- 5B. Crank's Drug Company will open its new store in The Mall Shopping Center Tuesday, the third store to open in the new shopping center. Details.
- 1C. The new Mall Cinema will be opened Wednesday in the Mall Shopping Center, 3833 East Harry. Seating capacity of 804. Operated by National General Corporation. Details. Photos.
- 1D. Feature article about various designs of Coleman lamps since 1903. Details. Drawings.
- 5D. Mistletoe Express is constructing expanded facilities at 1360 North Mosley, to be completed late this spring. Will move from 610 East 10th in mid-June. Architects are Carmichael, Wheatcroft and Associates. Details. Drawing.

Salvation Army is extensively renovating a building at 126 North Emporia. Details.

Tuesday, March 24, 1970 page

1. Article about progress in construction of I-35 West. Now constructing segment north of 17th Street. Details. Map.

Sunday, March 29, 1970

page

5A. Article about plans to install Joan of Arc statue from Orleans, France in park next to Kansas Gas and Electric plant. Details.

- 8D. Ad with photo of Orr's store on East Douglas.
- 1E. Southwestern Bell Telephone's expanded remodeled building at 1st and Broadway will be officially opened tomorrow. Five million dollar project started two years ago. Architects were Schaefer, Schirmer and Elfin. Details.

Article with details of remodeling work under way on Central Plaza building at Main and Douglas.

8F. Report of death of Mrs. Minnie Jane Forster, 95, of 1425 Park Place, widow of Thomas Forster, who founded the former Forster Manufacturing Company, 463-471 North Seneca. Came to Wichita in 1920 from Enid, Oklahoma. Husband died about December?, 1944. Survived by three sons and a daughter (named). Photo. Burial at White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

Friday, April 3, 1970 page

1. Report of death yesterday of Frank E. Barr, 79, of 118 Penrose, Wichita civic and business leader, while visiting in France. Born in Indian Territory near Marshall, Oklahoma. Started his business career here in 1912 as a meter reader for Kansas Gas and Electric. Graduated from Wichita High School in 1909 and later from a Wichita business college. Was named vice-president of Kansas Gas and Electric in 1940. Retired from Kansas Gas and Electric in 1956 and was then appointed assistant United States postmaster. Retired from that position in 1961. Further biography. Survived by wife, Esther, a son, Thomas, of Evanston, Illinois, and a sister, Mrs. Hazel Myers, Oklahoma City. Photo. To be cremated in France.

Report that a Kansas City investment firm has acquired an option to buy the Broadview Hotel. Option by Sphinx Investment Company lasts until July 1. Hotel is owned by Tri-State Hotel Inc., in which R. C. McCormick is a principal stockholder. McCormick bought the facility in 1938.

Saturday, April 4, 1970 page

1. Report of death yesterday of Fred W. Aley, 69, in Honolulu, Hawaii. Formerly lived at 115 South Rutan and was city attorney for 19 years. Moved to Honolulu in December. Born in Wichita. Graduated from Yale Law School. Survived by widow, Marian, a son, Fred N., Mexico, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Wilkenson, Honolulu. Photo.

Sunday, April 5, 1970 page

1D. Grand opening of the 196 unit Brentwood Inn Apartments and Club, at Harry and Woodlawn, will begin Saturday. Details.

Tuesday, April 7, 1970

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1. Photo of Holiday Inn Plaza shows building exterior complete except facing of top three floors.

Wednesday, April 8, 1970 page

5A. City Commission yesterday unanimously approved the final plans and specifications for construction of a 13 story city administration building, setting a maximum cost of the project of \$12.5 million. Architects are McVay, Peddie, Schmidt and Allen. Details.

Friday, April 10, 1970 page

1. Ground was broken yesterday for Villa del Mar, the first apartment complex to be built in Park Plaza Urban Renewal Project. The 162 unit complex will be built on a 7.87 acre tract at Central and Nims. Completion is scheduled in mid-November 1970, although the first buildings may be occupied by mid-September. Architect is R. Bruce Widstrom Associates, Omaha, Nebraska. Details. Map on page 6A of building layout.

Sunday, April 12, 1970 page

- 1G. Construction of the new Safeway Supermarket at northwest corner of Douglas and Hillside will begin about May 1. Opening is expected in late summer. Details. Drawing.
- 4G. Properties in the 800 block of North Lorraine and North Hillside have been cleared to make way for a medical office building, to be known as the Hillside Medical Offices, with accommodation for six doctors. The structure will be owned by T. F. R. Inc., 503 North Hillside. Architect is Earl D. Miskimen. Details. Completion scheduled about September 1. Drawing.

Thursday, April 16, 1970

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8B. First National Bank in Wichita was named sole executor of the will of the late Marcellus M. Murdock in Sedgwick County Probate Court yesterday. Murdock died March 10 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he had gone for physical therapy for a stroke suffered here November 29. He was 87 at his death. Murdock's will conveyed the family home, furnishings, and auto to his widow, Mrs. Paula H. Murdock. It provided that the remainder of his property, including his holdings in the two newspapers, was to be placed in a trust, which is to be divided into five equal shares with the net income from each share to go respectively to Mrs. Murdock, Marsh M. Murdock, his son, and two daughters, Mrs. Victoria Bloom and Mrs. Foster Jennings. The net income from the fifth share is to go to the children of a deceased daughter, Mrs. Ward Colwell. The will provides that the trust is to be terminated 15 years after his death.

Friday, April 17, 1970

page

5A. Report of Metropolitan Transit Authority discussion yesterday of proposed changes in regulations for city taxicabs required by city's cab ordinance. Details.

Sunday, April 19, 1970 page

- 1E. Feature article on the 60th anniversary of the Bartlett Arboretum at Belle Plaine. Details. Photos.
- 5E. Construction has started on the new Byron Stout Pontiac-Jeep Inc. facility at 5800 West Kellogg. Architect is Coler S. Hissem. Completion is scheduled for September 1. Details. Drawing.

Thursday, April 23, 1970 page

10A. Cessna will start construction this month on a 19,500 square foot building to house sales and service facilities for the new turboprop Citation jet. Completion is scheduled for September. To be located adjacent to the Cessna Military and Twin Division near Wichita Municipal Airport. Architects are Calvin, Perkins and Jones. Cost approximately \$800,000. Details.

Sunday, April 26, 1970 page

4B. Feature article on racial segregation of residence location in Wichita. Details. Maps.

- The Midland Valley Railroad, which once stretched 731 miles from Excelsior, Arkansas, to Bokoshe, Oklahoma, is being dismembered. Technically the line has been non-existent since 1967, when it merged with Texas and Pacific Railway, a branch of the Missouri Pacific. The Missouri Pacific took control of the Midland Valleystock in 1964. The first steam driven locomotive puffed in Bokoshe in 1903. But by 1958 only 15 of the original 58 stations remained open. In early 1969, 54.9 miles of track from Silverdale, Kansas to Pawhuska, Oklahoma, were toted away by a Houston, Texas construction company. The 35 miles of line between Wichita and Oxford, Kansas were purchased by Commercial Metals, of Dallas, Texas, which has removed most of the rails and ties from this stretch. The steel, bridges, ties, and ballast will be gone by June. Ten miles of that stretch, however, beginning at 57th Street South, is owned by one man, Rex Neff, of Udall, Kansas. Further details. Photo of disused Midland Valley bridge over Cowskin Creek near Mulvane.
- 4E. Report of death yesterday of Benjamin F. Hammond, 86, of 1635 May, cartoonist with the Wichita Eagle for more than half a century. Born at Clinton, Missouri, and came to Wichita in 1911 from Denver. Began his cartoon career with the Eagle in 1912. Retired in 1965. Survived by his widow, Elsie B., a son, John B., and a daughter, Dr. Geraldine Hammond, both of Wichita. Further biography. Photo. Burial in White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

Thursday, April 30, 1970 page

2F. Report of death Tuesday of Miss Effie M. Parrott, 86, of 1600 South Woodlawn, retired china painter and self-employed art teacher. Born at Evansville, Indiana, and was brought to Wichita as a child. Survived by a brother, John M., Manhattan, Kansas. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Friday, May 1, 1970 page

1. Article commemorating the start of Wichita's golden air age 50 years ago this spring with the flight of the Laird "Swallow," manufactured by the E. M. Laird Airplane Company. The first flight on April 8, 1920 was at a field near 29th and North Hillside, with E. M. (Matty) Laird, now of Boca Raton, Florida, at the controls. The plane was built in the Watkins Grain Building near William and Water, on what was then called "Tractor Row." A total of 45 Laird Swallows were built in Wichita, 43 of them while Laird was with the company. Laird sold his interest to Jacob M. (Jake) Moellendick in 1923. On January 22, 1924, the company became the Swallow Airplane Manufacturing Company, owned by Moellendick, Stearman, and Beech. Their company built the "New Swallow." The company later went into receivership August 12, 1927. Since then at least 138,661 planes have been built in Wichita by companies which survived or built more than one or two airplanes. List includes:

Travel Air -- 1396

Culver -- 2363

Mooney -- 251

Swallow -- 450

Cessna -- 91,826

Beech -- 27,828

Boeing -- 14,250

Lear -- 261

Rawdon -- 36

7C. Wooden walkways were erected yesterday on north and west side of City Hall in preparation for a three month refurbishing project to repair cracks, restore mortar joints, clean and sandblast the face of the structure, and install 64 floodlights, at cost of \$37,095. Details.

Saturday, May 2, 1970

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- 4A. Report of ground breaking for the Kiva shopping mall in the Garvey Center. To cost two million dollars. Architects are Platt Associates. Completion scheduled for May 1971.
- Feature article about old Sedgwick County Courthouse and its possible future. Full page. Details. Photos -- exterior stairways gone.

Sunday, May 10, 1970 page

3D. Full page ad for Carl Bell markets with photo of new east store and photos of members of Carl Bell family.

- 1F. Article about recently completed remodeling of the Hickory House restaurant. It was owned by J. Robert Dry, Sr. from 1950 until 1967 when it was sold to the Myron Green Cafeteria Company. Architects for remodeling were Calvin, Perkins, and Jones. Details. Photos.
- 3F. Office building for Glen K. Griffith, dentist, has been started at 427 Riverview in the Park Plaza Urban Renewal Area. To be 48 by 24 feet, one story.

Clinton Oil Company, 217 North Water, has purchased the structure just north of their present building and has begun remodeling the first floor. Renovation of the entire building is planned by the firm.

A new Dental Center to accommodate six dentists is under construction at 200 South Rock Road. Griffith, Bonham and Associates are architects. Details.

The Professional Pharmacy, in the Murdock Medical Center, 425 East Murdock, for nearly 20 years, will soon relocate to a new one story structure at 415 East Murdock. Completion scheduled about July 15.

Friday, May 15, 1970 page

5A. Article about centennial celebration of First United Methodist Church, being held May 17 to 24. Church was organized in a livery stable at 3rd and Main. Two years later it built its first church at the present location in third block of North Broadway (photo). Article gives further history of the church.

Saturday, May 16, 1970 page

5A. Demolition of the 63 year old Buck's Building at Broadway and Douglas and the Wichita Theater Building, 3101 East Douglas, is scheduled to begin next week. Ark Wrecking Company Inc., 4121 East MacArthur Road, has the 120 day contract. The theater will be torn down first to make room for a crane to be used in the Buck's Building demolition. Details.

Sunday, May 17, 1970 page

1C. Construction was started last week on a five story general purpose office building in Garvey Center to be called Page Court. To cost one million dollars. Site is between the Olive Garvey Building and the Fox Theater. The adjacent Holiday Inn is to be completed in late July. Architects are Platt Associates. Expected to be completed in May 1971. The building is being named for Robert A. Page, president of Garvey Center, Inc. Details. Drawing.

Dobbs House, Inc., of Memphis, Tennessee, is constructing a snack bar restaurant at 1716 West 21st Street, to be completed about August 1.

9E. Report of marriage May 16 of Miss Elizabeth Ann Tegeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Tegeler of 1132 Perry, to Victor Eugene Klaassen, son of Ruben Klaassen of Whitewater, Kansas.

Wednesday, May 20, 1970

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7B. Report of death Monday of Karl Joseph Mosbacher, 85, of 434 North Belmont, retired Hudson car dealer. Was a lifetime Wichita resident. Wife, Anita, died in 1961. Survived by a son, Karl, Jr., of Cincinnati, Ohio. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

Friday, May 22, 1970

page5A. Metropolita

Metropolitan Transit Authority approved resolution yesterday to require payment of exact fare by bus passengers beginning June 1. Drivers will no longer carry change and passengers will need either exact change or "punch pass" cards. The intention is to minimize the danger of operators being held up. Details. Punch passes can be purchased for 25 rides for \$5.00 or 50 rides for \$10.00, a 20 percent saving from the cost of single fares.

Sunday, May 24, 1970

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6E. Report of progress in constructing 16 unit Park Vista apartment complex facing McLean Boulevard, with entrance at 2531 West 11th. Details. Completion in late June. Photo.

Wednesday, May 27, 1970

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5A. Work is proceeding on reconstructing Douglas Avenue from the Arkansas River to Main Street. A brick and concrete pattern will be laid from Main to Waco, with asphalt in the last section from Waco to the bridge. Scheduled for completion by September 15. Photo of Douglas Avenue looking east from Water Street. The intersection of Waco and Murdock will be closed for 60 days beginning tomorrow in connection with the realignment of Waco for the Park Plaza urban renewal project. Another Park Plaza project, realignment and reconstruction of Central from Greenway to Waco, is now finished, and the street will reopen at 1:00 p.m. today.

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13A. Dedication of the new Aley Park swimming pool is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday.

Friday, May 29, 1970 page

- 1. Yesterday reported Wichita's population preliminary figure of United States census as of April 1 as 273,507, compared with 254,698 in 1960. Sedgwick County population reported at 347,928 compared with 343,231 in 1960. These figures are considerably below the January 1, 1969 census reported by Sedgwick County Assessor Louis Earle. The population of Wichita reported then by Earle was 282,989, and Sedgwick County was 354,213.
- 5A. Article on progress of construction of the new Sedgwick County zoo. Nine hundred twenty thousand dollar contract for first phase construction was awarded April 29. Details.

Sunday, May 31, 1970 page

- 1G. Wesley Medical Center this week will start construction of a curved 21 foot driveway which will be built from Hillside to the front entrance of the West Building. An 86 foot long marquee will be installed for protection of patients. Work will also start this week on relocation of the drainage ditch from Sleepy Hollow which goes across the Wesley property, in preparation for building the new seven level Tower building.
- 3G. Standard Oil of Indiana has begun a program of modernization of nine Standard service stations in the Wichita area. Details. Completion in mid-July.

The Hiway Inn Motor Hotel, 3900 West Kellogg, is to be remodeled beginning Monday, with addition of eight new units, making a total of 121. To be completed within 60 days.

Tuesday, June 2, 1970 page

11A. Announcement made yesterday of merger of seven air conditioning and heating contractors to form a new national corporation, Airtron, Inc., with headquarters in Dayton, Ohio. One of the firms included in the merger is Wichita's Fahnestock, Inc. Details.

Friday, June 5, 1970 page

- Article about the new Metropolitan Transit Authority transit center located on a six acre site south of the city prison farm on McLean Boulevard. The \$357,000 center houses maintenance areas, offices, and a driver's lounge. The four female drivers have a separate washroom with dressing lockers. The Metropolitan Transit Authority moved into the facility in late February from its previous quarters at 1815 East Central. Details. Photo. Executive director of the Metropolitan Transit Authority is Paul F. McGinnis, a 35 year veteran of transit work, who came to Wichita from Florida.
- 1B. Report of death yesterday of Dr. Joseph V. Van Clere, 66, retired former Wichita dermatologist, in Evergreen, Colorado. Born at Bellflower, Illinois. Graduated from University of Kansas School of Medicine in 1929. Came to Wichita in 1933. Moved to

Evergreen in 1958. Survived by widow, Barbara, two sons and two daughters (named -- none in Wichita), and a brother, W. J., of Wichita. Burial in Lakeview Gardens.

Saturday, June 6, 1970

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8A. Contract awarded yesterday by Urban Renewal Agency for construction of a multi-level park along the Arkansas River west of Century II at cost of \$323,127. Details.

Sunday, June 7, 1970

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1F. Ground is cleared at 2nd and Ohio for a new glass faced office building for architectural firm of McVay, Peddie, Schmidt and Allen. Details. Drawing.

Work is to start soon on the new Safeway Supermarket at Douglas and Hillside, with completion scheduled in early fall. Details.

3F. Construction has started on a new Mobil Service Station at 3134 East Douglas.

Wednesday, June 10, 1970

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5A. Photo showing demolition of the Wichita Theater building and Buck's Building under way. Theater is being torn down first, and only skeleton remains.

Saturday, June 13, 1970

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5A. The new 26 story Holiday Inn Plaza is scheduled to open approximately July 15. Building is 265 feet tall. Details. Photo.

Sunday, June 14, 1970

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- 7C. Article reporting that the S.S. Lurline will make its last departure from Honolulu next Friday. The ship has been sold by the Matson Navigation Company to the Chaudris Lines and will be renamed "Britanis" and operate under the Greek flag as a cruise ship.
- 1F. Construction of the first "Villas of Crestview," at Crestview Country Club, will start before the end of June. Details. Drawings.

Monday, June 15, 1970

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1. Article about a woman, Mrs. Alan Sleeper, who bought and is restoring the Santa Fe depot at Alden, Kansas. Depot has been moved to a spot just off the right-of-way and put on a new foundation. She hoped to give it to the Rice County Historical Society for use as a museum. Details. Photo.

Thursday, June 18, 1970

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1. Master plan for Wesley Medical Center announced yesterday. Details. Map -- essentially as later built.

Friday, June 19, 1970 page

18A. Report of death yesterday of J. K. Dirks, 5422 East Harry, retired principal of Gardiner Elementary School -- was there 23 years before retiring in 1967. Came to Wichita in 1937 from Newton. Taught two years at Horace Mann Intermediate, two and one-half years at John Marshall, and one semester at North High School. Wife, Ruth, died in 1968. Survived by a son and a daughter (named -- neither in Wichita). Burial in White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

Saturday, June 20, 1970

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8A. Photo of new library at Sacred Heart College under construction. Article with details. Cost is \$800,000 including furnishings, of which \$297,000 is from a federal grant. Construction began November 5, 1969 and completion is due next year.

Sunday, June 21, 1970

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- 8C. Ad with photos of three Shively Tire Company stores.
- 1D. Feature article about renovation of old buildings for new Clinton Oil Company offices. The four story building at 217 North Water has been completely renovated. It was formerly a furniture warehouse and later occupied by Boeing's engineering department. The second two story building, at 245 North Water, an all-concrete structure built about 1923, is now being renovated, with completion scheduled about August 1. It formerly was occupied by Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company. Architects are S. S. Platt and Associates. Details. Photos and drawing.
 - The \$1.2 million renovation program at Seneca Square Shopping Center, 31st and South Seneca, is nearing completion with grand opening planned for August 1. Size of center has been about doubled. Originally opened in 1957.
- 2D. Article about the first Wesley Hospital building at 1103 North St. Francis, which was razed this spring. Was leased in 1912 by the newly formed Wesley Hospital group with an agreement that the owners would spend \$2000 for remodeling. Another \$5000 was donated by Wichitans for furnishings and equipment needed to open the hospital. Prior to the leasing it was known as the Thomas Sanitarium. Details. Photo.
- Report of death Saturday of Truman H. Slothower, Sr., 74, of 136 South Belmont, retired theater owner. Born in Sumner County, Kansas. Moved to Wichita in 1924. Owned numerous drive-in theaters, including the 54, Meadowlark, Sunset, Twin, and 81.

Survived by widow, Merta Grogg, two sons and four daughters (named -- three in Wichita). Burial in Belle Plaine Cemetery.

Tuesday, June 23, 1970

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5A. Article about re-roofing now underway on the 89 year old City Hall. Cost \$29,284. Four layers of old roofing were found on the building. Details. Photo.

Wednesday, June 24, 1970

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5A. Photo showing old Southern bus being used by Wichita police department as a neighborhood information bus. Destination sign says "Communication Center."

Friday, June 26, 1970

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1. Cudahy Company, Phoenix, Arizona, announced yesterday that it will close its Wichita packing plant in December. The company, 2200 North Broadway, went into operation here in the fall of 1906 and employs about 1000 persons. Details.

Article about three early day airplanes owned by Wichitans: a replica JN4D-2 Jenny owned by Elton Rowley, a 1927 Travel Air 2000 owned by Max Walton, and a 1928 Curtiss Robin owned by Dave Blanton. Details. Photo of the three planes flying in formation.

Saturday, June 27, 1970 page

It is hoped to open eight miles of the nine miles of new four lane controlled-access Highway 54 west before July 4th, leading to the K-251 connection leading to the Cheney reservoir. A one mile stretch leading to the Sedgwick-Kingman County line will be opened later. A further seven miles beyond the Kingman County line is under construction with completion expected in summer of 1971.

Sunday, June 28, 1970

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- 1F. Dedication ceremonies will be held at 2:00 p.m. today at the new Metropolitan Transit Authority transit center, 1825 South McLean. Mayor A. Price Woodard will cut the ribbon. Ground was broken for the \$369,000 facility on April 21, 1969. Calvin, Perkins and Jones were architects.
- 1G. Building permit issued last week for new office building for McVay, Schmidt, Allen and Associates, architects, at 1133 East 2nd.

Monday, June 30, 1970 page

3A. The first B-52 bomber was delivered to the United States Air Force 15 years ago yesterday, on June 29, 1955. Two prototypes, first flown in 1952, were test airplanes. There have been eight models of the B-52, ranging from B through H. The last B-52H came off the Boeing Wichita assembly line on June 22, 1962. Of the total of 744 B-52s produced, 467 were produced in Wichita.

Wednesday, July 1, 1970 page

7A. Article reporting current employment levels in Wichita's aircraft plants.

Beech -- 7293, including 5991 in Wichita Cessna -- 6500, including Strother Field Gates Learjet -- 1200 Boeing -- a little over 6000.

Details.

Thursday, July 2, 1970

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1B. The Eldridge Hotel in Lawrence closed Wednesday. Details.

Friday, July 3, 1970 page

1. The Wichita Vinegar and Cider Works, 3200 West Central, was badly damaged yesterday by a fire that started from an explosion in a 5000 gallon tank of alcohol. Damage estimated at \$30,000 to the 44 year old building, which was built and opened at the West Central address in 1926. Owners are John W. Lonnberg, 1478 Woodrow Avenue, and N. H. Benscheidt and Mrs. Elsie Schmidt, both of Hutchinson. Details. Photos.

Saturday, July 4, 1970

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- 5A. Photo showing progress on reconstruction of West Douglas Avenue from Arkansas River to Main Street. Street is now closed. Entire project is expected to be completed by September. Details.
- 5B. An eight mile stretch of U.S. 54, a controlled access, four lane stretch, has been opened from two miles west of Goddard to K-251. Another one mile stretch to the Sedgwick-Kingman County line will be opened later on.

Sunday, July 5, 1970 page

1. Detailed article about improvements nearing completion at Wichita Municipal Airport. Aerial photo. The new 7000 foot runway 1L-19R will probably be completed for use by September 1. The new taxiway and both aprons are completed. The carousel baggage facility, built at a cost of about \$400,000, was completed in July 1969. A cargo building on the west side of the terminal area was completed in July 1967 at a cost of about \$300,000. As of June 12 a total of \$3,675,296 has been spent on the airport

improvements. A July 17 meeting of the park board and airlines will determine the final shape of two passenger fingers which will be built extending south from the terminal building at a total cost of \$1.8 million. There will be room for 12 gates, six on each finger. It will take about one year to complete the structure. Details.

1E. Foley Meats Inc. have announced plans for a new modern plant located at 230 North West. Completion expected about December 1. Details.

Demolition of the top two floors of the Bissantz Building in 100 block of South Broadway has exposed the north interior of Henry's building, 124 South Broadway. The wall is to be refaced, matching it to the rest of the building. To be completed in about three months.

Wednesday, July 8, 1970

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3A. Photo of interior of the completely redecorated Hickory House restaurant, 1625 East Central.

Thursday, July 9, 1970

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5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority is being asked to take a one year reduction in its mill levy from .480 mill to .282 mill to relieve the city's 1971 budget. Details.

Friday, July 10, 1970

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5B. Short article says that picnic tables in Sim Park were constructed from early cobblestone alleys and streetcar track paving. The stones were originally from mines in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Saturday, July 11, 1970

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- 4A. Drawing of the Carry A. Nation memorial drinking fountain erected by the Women's Christian Temperance Union in front of Union Station in 1916. It was struck by an automobile a few years ago and subsequently was moved to Cow Town.
- 5A. Sculptor James Rosati, of New York, has been chosen to create a new sculpture for the Century II park area. Details.

Sunday, July 12, 1970

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- 1B. Koch Industries Inc. recently moved into 200,000 square feet of new office and shop space in East 37th Street North. Details. Photos.
- 1C. Feature article on the Wichitennial River Festival beginning Saturday to celebrate Wichita's 100th birthday.

1G. About ten photos of decorative details of early Wichita buildings.

Wednesday, July 15, 1970

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The last remaining wall of the old Wichita Theater was knocked down with a bulldozer yesterday. Next, in the wrecking operation will be the Buck's Building at Douglas and Broadway. The land is owned by Fourth Financial Corporation, but no plans for the site have been announced. Photo.

Thursday, July 16, 1970

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- 3A. Announcement made yesterday of plans for a two million dollar expansion of Twin Lakes Shopping Center, 21st and Amidon. It will add 14,000 square feet to the present Sears store and extend the 21st Street upper and lower malls to the east and north. Construction will start almost immediately. Details.
- 5A. The next school year will be the last year for staffing of Kapaun High School by the Jesuit order. A report on a study of the future of the four Catholic high schools in Wichita is being reviewed by the diocese. It recommends that Kapaun High School be placed on the open market for sale. Details.

Friday, July 17, 1970 page

1. The Joan of Arc statue donated to Wichita by Orleans, France is being prepared for installation at the Kansas Gas and Electric reflecting pool on Greenway Boulevard. Details.

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- 1C. Drawing of first block of North Main Street in 1880s, showing horse cars.
- 9C. Feature article about "Wichita Century" book, which involved 22 months of work by hundreds of people under direction of R. M. "Dick" Long, former managing editor of Wichita Eagle. The book was published last November. Cost is ten dollars plus tax.

Sunday, July 19, 1970

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- 1D. Drawing of addition planned for Twin Lakes Shopping Center. Article with details.
 - Building permits issued for a 42 by 79 foot brick and concrete block warehouse at 437 North Washington. Completion scheduled for October 1.
- Report of death Friday after an illness, of Arsene F. Easley, 54, of 1784 South Clifton, manufacturing director of Coleman Company special products group. Born in Mt. Hope and lived most of his life in Wichita. Survived by widow, Harriett, a son, Fred J.,

Wichita, a daughter, Mrs. Linda Higdon, Kansas City, Missouri, his mother, Mrs. Louise May, a brother, Fred, and two sisters, Mrs. Winifred Vanatta and Mrs. Esther McCracken, all of Wichita. Memorial with American Cancer Society. Photo. Burial in White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

Tuesday, July 21, 1970 page

1. Kansas Turnpike Authority yesterday approved a reduction in the speed limit on the Kansas Turnpike from 80 miles per hour to 75 miles per hour in daytime and 70 miles per hour in nightime (sic), effective August 17. Details.

Thursday, July 23, 1970 page

Report of death yesterday in Kansas Masonic Home, of Carl E. Bitting, 88, son of Wichita pioneer businessman A. W. Bitting. Born in a cottage where Gill Mortuary is now located. Lived most of his life in Wichita and was in wholesale jewelry business with his father. No immediate survivors. First Presbyterian Church. Further biography. Photo. Buri al in Highland Cemetery.

Sunday, July 26, 1970 page

- 11A. The Town House Hotel in Kansas City, Kansas, will be sold Monday at public auction on steps of the county courthouse to satisfy a mortgage debt. Article gives some history of the hotel ownership. Schimmel Corporation ended its management on September 1, 1963.
- 8E. Ten day grand opening of The Mall, Wichita's newest shopping center, will begin Thursday. Cost about six million dollars. Details. Photos.
 - Article about the new Pizza Hut corporate offices at 10225 East Kellogg. Cost nearly one million dollars. Construction began almost a year ago and was completed in May. Grand opening planned for August 2. Designer of building was David Haines. Details. Photos.
- 14E. Coleman Company has acquired and remodeled a 65,000 square foot building at 410 East 37th Street North to house the company's customer relations department of special products division. Building was formerly the International Harvester Company's district office and warehouse. Details. Photo.
- 2G. Ad for the River View apartments, 1401 West River Boulevard, with photo.

Tuesday, July 28, 1970 page

2A. Wilbur L. Baird, 39, has been appointed interim postmaster at the Wichita Post Office, replacing retiring Ernest C. Balay. Details.

Wednesday, July 29, 1970

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1. Photo of Buck's Building being wrecked. Wrecking started a week ago.

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- 1. Article about plans for an American Indian cultural center in Wichita. Details. Drawing.
- 2B. Report of death Tuesday in Denver, of former Wichitan Mrs. Margaret B. Hartwell, 71, widow of Godfrey Hartwell. Born in Wichita. Lived here until 1961 when she and husband moved to Sun City, Arizona. Survived by a son, Richard, of Wichita, and two daughters, Mrs. Joyce Meyer, Topeka, and Mrs. Rita Anderson, Nederland, Colorado. Calvary Cemetery.
- 2D. Article about grand opening of The Mall today.

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12D. Article about grand opening tomorrow of the remodeled and enlarged Seneca Square Shopping Center, 31st and South Seneca. Details.

Construction will begin this week on the new Paul Burnett Buick-Opeal (sic) dealership at 9901 East Kellogg. To cost \$500,000 and be open October 1. Details. Drawing.

Twenty-six Mobil Oil service stations in the Wichita area are now in the process of being upgraded. Work to be completed in early August.

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2E. Mathewson school, built in 1951, will be renamed the Community Education Center.

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6C. Short notice of death Wednesday of David V. Walker, 73, of 66 Mission, Eastborough, owner of Walker's Dry Goods store. Survived by wife, Eileen. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

Sunday, August 9, 1970

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1G. Construction is about 50 percent complete on the TG & Y family center at 6229 North Broadway. To be opened in November. Details. Photo.

Pizza Hut at 1031 North Broadway has obtained a wrecking permit for adjacent building to clear space for additional parking.

Thursday, August 13, 1970 page

- 5A. Photo showing old Buck Building nearly razed with pile of rubble remaining to be removed. Being razed by Ark Wrecking Company.
- 10A. Beech Aircraft Corporation delivered its 500th King Air Model 90 yesterday. The King Air 90 first flew January 20, 1964 and was certified by the Federal Aviation Administration May 19,1964.

Friday, August 14, 1970 page

1. Medicenters of America, Inc. yesterday announced plans to construct a \$1.9 million, 174 bed Medicenter recuperative care facility at 932 North Topeka. Site clearance has begun and completion is expected in ten months. Details. Drawing on page 10A.

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5B. The Union National Bank's new Pavilion Bank facility at Main and Central will open August 24. Architects were Griffith and Bonham. Cost \$500,000.

Tuesday, August 18, 1970 page

- 6A. Construction will begin within a month on the new four million dollars plus Farm Credit Banks Building at 1st and Main. To be ten stories and completed in 1972. Schaefer, Schirmer, and Eflin are architects. Details. Drawing.
- 4B. Report of death of John C. Hedrick, 73, of 219 North Bleckley, yesterday in Denver while on vacation. Was retired coach and teacher at Mead Junior High School (and previously at North High School). Has lived in Wichita 48 years. Survived by widow, Marie, two sons (named -- not in Wichita). Photo. Burial in White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

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- 7C. Full page ad announcing opening of Union National Bank Pavilion Bank on Monday, August 24.
- 8E. Report of death Friday of Reynold M. Meyer, 62, of Andale, retired farmer and retired Boeing Company employe. Born in Manitowoc, Wisconsin and came to Andale as a child. Survived by widow, Helen, a son, Everett, Wichita, four daughters, Mrs. Shirley Schultz, Wichita, Mrs. Carol Strunk, Goddard, Mrs. Suzanne Kraus, Colwich, and Linda, at home, three brothers, Joe, Clearwater, Wilbert, Mt. Hope, and Leon, Andale, and four

sisters, Mrs. Loretta Reynolds, Mrs. Margaret Kelly, and Mrs. Marie Voegeli, all of Wichita, and Mrs. Susan Seiler, Andale. Burial in Andale Cemetery.

1F. Article about new Union National Bank Pavilion Bank. Details. Photos.

Construction is nearing completion on a 96 by 50 foot addition to the former Knights of Columbus building at 626 North Broadway. To be completed October 1 as office space. Details.

Building permit issued last week for completion of a 17 bed intensive and coronary care unit on the eighth floor of St. Francis Hospital. Eighth floor west was completed several weeks ago, adding 35 beds to the hospital's capacity.

Wednesday, August 26, 1970 page

4C. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Lillian Levand, 80, of 151 Courtleigh Drive, widow of Max Levand, former owner and editor and publisher of the Wichita Beacon. Born in Syracuse, New York. Came to Wichita 42 years ago from St. Joseph, Missouri. Husband with his brothers, John and Louis, owned the Beacon from 1928 to 1960. He died in 1960. Survived by three sons, Elliott and Marion, of Wichita, and Jack, of Beverly Hills, California, and a brother, John Edwards, Las Vegas, Nevada. Burial in Highland Cemetery.

Sunday, August 30, 1970 page

8C. Ad with photos of Larcher's 1923 and 1970 stores.

1D. Work has begun on a \$300,000 modernization and expansion of the Continental Trailways Bus Depot at 312 South Broadway. Property south of the present depot has been acquired and cleared. The 25 foot lot will be incorporated in the enlarged, completely covered concourse for loading and unloading buses, according to M. E. Hylton, vice-president and general manager of Continental Trailways, Inc. There will be space for eight bus ramps, leaving the north concourse to be used for package express shippers. Inside there will be an all new cafeteria style restaurant, ticket counters, and waiting rooms. The cafeteria will accommodate 76 persons. Exterior of the light brick building will also be changed. Details. The Wichita depot was opened on November 21, 1947. Presently there are 68 schedules arriving and leaving the bus depot each day with an average of 49,042 passengers through the depot in a month's time. In addition express shipments average about 17,856 a month. There are 47 employes working in the depot. Architects are Bennett and Bennett, of Dallas, Texas. Completion scheduled about February 1, 1971. Photo and drawing.

Site has been cleared at 120 North Sycamore for new office and shop buildings for the Weyl-Bansch Tire Service, now located at 157 North Waco. Move to the new quarters will be about December 1. Details.

Tuesday, September 1, 1970 page

- 3A. The Kechi Road (61st Street North) between U.S. 81 at Broadway and the new I-35 West Bypass west of Park City, was opened to traffic yesterday. Was \$450,000 project.
- 5A. A target date of November 9 has been set for completion of the reconstruction of West Douglas from Main to the Arkansas River. Workmen are preparing to lay the final brick and concrete pattern surface on the three block section. Sidewalk brick was delivered to the site yesterday. Work will begin today on laying of the walk on the south side of Douglas along the front of Century II. Pavement brick laying will begin within two weeks. Photo showing piles of brick along the sidewalk.

Saturday, September 5, 1970 page

5B. Report of death yesterday of Orville A. Bell, 81, of 1407 Burns, president of the Security Title and Abstract Company. Born on a farm west of Wichita and came here as a child. Attended Franklin School and Wichita High School. Was elected county clerk in 1928 and served three terms. Survived by his widow, Mildred, two sons, John M. and Roger N., and a sister, Miss Katherine G. Bell, all of Wichita. Photo. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Sunday, September 6, 1970 page

- 5A. Photo shows clearing of site for construction of Farm Credit Banks Building at 1st and Main. Has been a parking lot.
- 2D. The Broadview Hotel will construct a new parking lot on the site of the old Mid-West Motor Parts building, 151-55 North Waco, probably during October. Wrecking of the Motor Parts building is nearly completed.

Thursday, September 10, 1970

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- 16A. Ad with photo of Calhoun's new store at 13th and West Streets.
- 1B. Photo of arched window and door in old Rock Island depot at 729 East Douglas.
- 2E. Report of death Tuesday of Charles O. Feagins, 52, of 2280 South Minneapolis, retired architect and former member of the firm of Feagins and Kirsch, following a long illness. Born in Kildare, Oklahoma. Came to Wichita in 1941 from Blackwell, Oklahoma. From 1953 to 1959 he lived in Middletown, Ohio and then returned to Wichita. Survived by two daughters, Mrs. Robert L. Powell and Mrs. Jerome Short, and his mother, Mrs. Carmen Feagins, all of Wichita, two brothers, Robert T., Wichita, and W. Joe, New York City, and a sister, Mrs. William H. Plamann, Wichita. Burial in Calvary Cemetery.

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8C. Report of death yesterday of Henry Wallenstein, Jr., 77, of 442 North Broadview, lifelong Wichita resident and retired manager of the Domestic Athletic Company, Inc. Wife preceded him in death. Survived by two daughters, Miss Nadine Wallenstein, St. Louis, and Mrs. George Pratt, Baltimore, Maryland. Burial in Highland Cemetery.

Sunday, September 13, 1970 page

1F Ground was broken last Wednesday at 224(?) North Waco by Cleveland Avenue Church of Christ for an all-new facility which will be known as the Central Church of Christ when completed in the late summer of 1971. Sanctuary is octagonal shape. Architects are Carmichael-Wheatcroft and Associates. Church is presently located at 130 North Cleveland. Details.

Wednesday, September 16, 1970 page

12A. Report of death yesterday of Miss Isobel Jane Noble, 97, of 1230 North Waco, in a Wichita care home. Born in Todd's Point, Illinois. Her parents and six brothers and sisters moved to Urbana, Illinois. Came to Wichita in 1895 to select a family home after her father, Robert Noble, died. Her uncle, John Noble, Sr., father of artist John Noble, lived here. Further biography. Was world traveler. Lived in Canada a number of years. Returned here in early 1930s. Photo. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

Monday, September 21, 1970 page

12A. On August 30 a new Learjet 25C set a new record of 11 hours and 23 minutes for commercial aircraft for a round-trip coast-to-coast flight from Los Angeles to New York and back (i.e., from Van Nuys, California to White Plains, New York). Eastbound time was five hours five minutes and westbound five hours 30 minutes. Details. Photo shows plane number N251GL.

Sunday, September 27, 1970 page

- 1F. Brick's Men's Wear, 309 East Douglas, has announced plans to expand its store 75 feet to the east of the present location. Plans are for construction to begin about January 15 and be completed in late August or early September. Architects are Schaefer, Schirmer and Eflin. Bricks moved into its present location in 1965 after remodeling the building. Details.
- 7F. Report of death yesterday of Lawrence E. Wilbur, 65, of 1606 North West, retired Wichita public schools assistant superintendent. Born in Wichita. Entered the Wichita public schools in 1931 as a business instructor at East High School. Graduated from Friends

University in 1928. Survived by widow, Anna, a daughter, Mrs. Don Lindt, Hutchinson, Kansas, and a brother, Myrnon, Wichita. Photo. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.

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4B, 6B. Official publication of precinct and ward boundaries of Wichita and Sedgwick County.

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5A. Photo showing laying of brick this week on West Douglas Avenue between Century II and Garvey Center, with Hotel Broadview in background.

Friday, October 2, 1970

page

- 1. Announcement made yesterday that the Allis Hotel will be closed after tomorrow. The 289 room hotel is owned by Gotham Hotels, Inc., of New York City. The Allis opened on December 3, 1930 and has had a stormy financial history. It was sold six years after it opened and was traded again in 1955, twice in 1967, and again in 1968 when Gotham purchased it from Sheraton Corporation of America.
- 10A. The cornerstone for the new Sacred Heart College library, under construction, will be laid October 21. The building is scheduled to be occupied during the second semester. Architects are Hanney-Sanders and Associates. Details.

Saturday, October 3, 1970

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1. Report of crash of plane carrying Wichita State University football team yesterday afternoon near Silver Plume, Colorado, with many fatalities.

Sunday, October 4, 1970

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- 5B. The massive marquee of the Miller Theater has been removed. It was disassembled last week by the Ark Wrecking Company. The empty site of the old Buck Building across the street is to become a surfaced parking lot within a few weeks. Photo shows the cleared, vacant lot.
- 9G. Rockborough Executive Park project is underway on Rock Road between Central and Douglas, and the first building, for the office products division of IBM, is scheduled for completion early in 1971. Architects are Willis Chamber, Wichita, and R. Bruce Widstrom, Omaha, Nebraska. Details. Drawing.
- All of the leased space in The Mall shopping center is now open for business, and there is only a small amount of space left for lease.
- 1H-8H. Special section about Kansas colleges and technical schools. Details.

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- 1D. The Kansas Children's Service League opened the doors of its new building at 1315 North Custer last week. Cost was \$400,000. Extensive article gives history of the agency. Photos.
- 3D. Construction has begun on a new facility for the Carl Bell Wholesale Meat Company at 650 East 13th. Completion scheduled for December 15. Details. Drawing.

Tuesday, October 13, 1970 page

7B. Bids will be taken November 20 by the Wichita Park Board for construction of jet passenger gates and concourses at Municipal Airport. Extension of the east and west passenger concourses by 350 feet and provisions for 12 plane boarding gates were included in an eight million dollar revenue bond package approved in 1968. Roy Calvin is project architect. Details.

Friday, October 16, 1970 page

1. Total 1970-71 public school enrollment is 63,811, a decline of 2922 since last year and the lowest number here in eight years.

Elementary students -- 34,411, a decline of 2267

Junior high school students -- 15,330, a decline of 405

Senior high school students -- 13,984, a decline of 254

Enrollment last year was 66,733. High point for Wichita was 1966-67, with 70,051 students. In 1962-63 there were 58,759. Largest elementary school is Woodman with 1183. Largest junior high school is Truesdell with 2157 and smallest is Horace Mann with 595. High school enrollments include East 2515 (2402 last year), North 2302 (2451).

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6F. The \$300,000 renovation and expansion of the Continental Trailways Bus Depot is expected to be completed about February 1, 1971. Drawing.

Sunday, October 25, 1970 page

1F. The Coleman Company will hold dedication ceremonies today for its new Northeast Outing Products Plant at 3600 North Hydraulic and the nearly completed first phase of an expansion for the North Plant-Special Products at 801 East 37th North. The total north plant complex includes 33 buildings on a 42 acre tract. The first buildings were erected in 1888 for the Burton Car Works. This site was purchased by Coleman in 1947. Details.

Expansion is under way at Sweetbriar Shopping Center with additions being constructed on the south side of Cranks and on the north side of David's stores. Completion is expected about November 15.

Sunday, November 1, 1970 page

- 5A. Article about progress on construction of the new zoo. The Children's Farm should open about May 1st and the rest late next fall. Details. Photos.
- 1D. Contracts were approved last week for construction of the second phase of Wesley Medical Center's \$18 million expansion program, which includes the seven million dollar tower building. Completion of the east tower is expected in mid-1973. The first phase will be officially completed Monday when the remodeled Hillside entrance of the West building will become the new admissions and dismissals entrance. Architects are Thomas, Harris, Ash and Mason, of Wichita. Details. Photos.

Monday, November 2, 1970 page

1. Report of fire yesterday moming which destroyed the sanctuary of the Wellington Place Baptist Church at 209 West 21st. Arson is suspected. The building was ten years old. Details. Photo.

Wednesday, November 4, 1970 page

1. Report of results of election yesterday. Robert Docking elected to third term as governor.

Saturday, November 7, 1970

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1. Limousine service to and from Wichita Municipal Airport will end Sunday night. Details.

Sunday, November 8, 1970

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- 5B. TG & Y will hold a grand opening Wednesday for its new Family Center at Kechi Road and North Broadway. Details.
- 2D. Open house will be held Wednesday at the newly remodeled office building of Thomas, Harris, Ash and Mason, architects, at corner of 2nd and Waco. Details.

Saturday, November 14, 1970 page

1. Acquisition of Wichita's 80 year old City Building by the local Urban Renewal Agency for preservation as a historical museum was proposed yesterday by a Urban Renewal Agency commissioner, Don Alldritt. In August 1969 the city commission passed a resolution requesting that the city building "not be razed" because of its importance as a "prime historical landmark for the city of Wichita." Details.

Sunday, November 15, 1970 page

- 5B. Orrs, Inc. will open a new facility this week near the corner of Kellogg and Edgemoor to replace a store in the process of being closed in the Parklane Shopping Center, it was announced by Allan L. McLeod, president and manager.
- 1F. Construction is progressing toward a late spring opening for the Kiva shopping mall in Garvey Center. Details. Photo.

Thursday, November 19, 1970

Special ad sections announcing the grand opening of Wichita's newest Safeway supermarket at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday at northwest corner of Douglas and Hillside. Details. Photo.

Friday, November 20, 1970 page

8C. Report of death Tuesday of Mrs. Agnes Shaftesbury Schipper, 73, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, former Wichita schoolteacher. Born at St. John, Kansas and came to Wichita in 1925. Was art instructor at Horace Mann and Robinson junior high schools. Moved to Albuquerque in 1950. Survived by husband, Herman. Funeral at St. John.

Sunday, November 22, 1970 page

1D. The big two story, turn-of-the-century, house at 1107 North Broadway is to be torn down. Built by William Davidson, a partner in the Davidson-Case Lumber Company. By 1937 it was the home of the June Frisby Academy of Music. During the war years and after it became an apartment. Has now been vacant for nearly a year and badly vandalized. Details. Photos of windows, trim, etc.

Grand opening of Villa del Mar apartment complex, 550 Nims, is being held today. Details. Photos.

Tuesday, November 24, 1970 page

6C. Park Board yesterday tentatively accepted the low bid of \$2,277,913 by Coonrod and Walz Construction Company for building new passenger gate facilities at Municipal Airport terminal building. Contracts to be let in about two weeks. Details.

Thursday, November 26, 1970 page

6D. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved extending hours of bus service to downtown area until 9:15 p.m. for the month of December, beginning December 1 (i.e., Monday through Saturday). The last bus now leaves downtown at 6:15 p.m.

Friday, November 27, 1970 page

9E. Report of death yesterday of Henry A. (Red) Becker, 71, of 2823 East Lincoln, lifelong Wichitan and retired owner of Wichita Propeller Service. Survived by widow, Lucille, a daughter, Mrs. Mary Louise Wohler, two brothers, Fred J. and William A., and a sister, Miss Anna S. Becker, all of Wichita. Burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Monday, November 30, 1970 page

5A. Report of visit to the new Finlay Ross Park, adjacent to Century Plaza, by Finlay Ross III, grandson of the Wichita businessman and former mayor for whom it was named. Finlay Ross III recently retired as Colonel after 30 years in the Air Force. Is now living in Wichita. Details.

Thursday, December 3, 1970 page

1C. The Kansas Gas and Electric building's expansion and remodeling is expected to be completed some time next month, including a bank of floodlights around the top.

Friday, December 4, 1970

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6A. Cessna Aircraft Company delivered its 95,000th airplane yesterday, a twin-engine Model 421. Largest sellers have been

Model 172 Skyhawk -- 16,665 Model 150 -- 14,499 Model 182 Skylane -- 11,485

Beginning with the Model 310 in 1954 the company has delivered 6547 multi-engine planes.

Saturday, December 5, 1970

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Photo showing razing of the south bridge on U.S. 54 near I-235. Demolition will be completed next week, after which traffic will pass over the north bridge while a new bridge is built on the site. Traffic will then be routed over the new bridge while the north bridge is torn down and replaced. Construction will be completed in about a year.

Sunday, December 6, 1970 page

- 5B. Article reports that the Wichita Vinegar and Cider Works, long a landmark at 3200 West Central, is to be torn down and relocated in South Hutchinson. The large wooden storage tanks are now being moved. Reasons for the move are discussed. The building was damaged by fire July 3. Details. Photos.
- 1D. Construction started last week on a new swimming pool and bathhouse in Linwood Park. Expected to be completed by mid-May and is located at the southwest corner of the park, just north of Mt. Vemon. Details.

Building permits issued last week to St. Francis Hospital for razing of three dwellings, at 1027, 1031, and 1035 North Emporia, to provide additional employe parking space.

Thursday, December 10, 1970 page

3B. Article about a former Wichita bus driver, Bill (or Bob?) Ingram, 48, and his collection of cap badges and safe driving pins. He started driving for Wichita Transportation Corporation in 1949 at salary of 70 cents an hour. He is now a supervisor for Metropolitan Transit Authority and is age 48. Details. Photo. (Editors note: Upon reviewing the Wichita city directory for 1969, Mr. Ingram is listed under the name Robert Ingram, supervisor for Metropolitan Transit Authority.)

Friday, December 11, 1970

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19C. Ad with photo of new buildings at Don Schmid Dodge agency, 3205 South Broadway.

Sunday, December 13, 1970 page

15B. The old home of the Kansas Children's Service League at 1825 West Maple is being remodeled to house a "half-way house" for juveniles, sponsored by the Wichita Council of Churches and the Model Cities Council.

The First National Bank is plastering and refacing the south side of Walker Brothers, 123 North Main, after razing a building adjacent to Walker's for use as a parking lot.

The Broadview Hotel has contracted for razing of three buildings on North Waco on property owned by the hotel. They include the old Weyl-Bausch service station and tire recapping buildings and the Airtex Towel Service Building, all in 100 block of North Waco. The space will be used for a large Broadview parking lot.

- Photo of Page Court building under construction (framework completed but no exterior facing). Completion expected in spring of 1971. Architects are Platt Associates. Details.
- 2E. Report of death Friday of Miss Anna G. Sternberg, 80, of Mulvane, a retired secretary. Born in Wichita and moved to Mulvane about a year ago. Survived by two sisters, Miss Mary Sternberg, Mulvane, and Mrs. J. R. Carlman, Wichita. Burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Wednesday, December 16, 1970

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19A. Article discussing rough railroad crossings on Wichita streets. Details.

Thursday, December 17, 1970 page

1. Wichita Midian Shrine yesterday approved construction of a new one million dollar plus mosque just north of their present temple in 100 block of North Topeka. Work to begin by March 1. Architect is Glenn E. Benedick. Details.

Friday, December 18, 1970 page

- 1. Final 1970 census count reports Wichita's population at 276,554 and Sedgwick County at 350,694.
- 7A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday decided not to grant a ten cent fare reduction to senior citizens, claiming it would cost the taxpayers \$9,800 to \$20,000 annually in revenue.

Sunday, December 20, 1970 page

1F. Announcement of plans for a new \$500,000 building for Central State Bank, to be built on site half a block east of the bank's present quarters in College Hill Tower where it has been located since February 1963. Work is to start this week, with completion scheduled for September 1971. Architects are Schaefer, Schirmer and Eflin. Details. Drawing.

Building permit issued last week for wrecking of the old Byron Street Pontiac building at 1214 East Douglas, now owned by Spencer's Dodge, located next door. The building will be replaced by a new car and truck display area and customer parking. Spencer's will also remodel its new car showroom.

Building permits issued last week to St. Francis Hospital for wrecking of old houses it owns near the hospital. These are located at 1016, 1022, 1030-32, 1042-44, and 1046 North Topeka and will be cleared for more parking space.

- 7F. Drawing of new mosque to be built for Wichita Midian Shrine in first block of North Topeka. To be completed about November 1.
- 4G. Report of death Friday of Mrs. Lillian Josephine Oxley, 82, of 220 South Crestway. Born at Davenport, Iowa. Came to Wichita in 1915. Husband died in 1929. Survived by a son, Dwight, and a daughter, Miss Janet Oxley, both of Wichita. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

Monday, December 21, 1970 page

1D. Kansas airport projects completed in 1970 included construction of Runway 1L-19R at Wichita Municipal Airport.

Tuesday, December 22, 1970 page

8B. Report of death Sunday of Clayton Mammel, 73, of 115 South Rutan, retired general agent for Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company. Born in Roxbury, Kansas. Survived by widow, Maude K., and a son, Dr. Clayton K., Denver. Photo. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Sunday, December 27, 1970 page

1F. Wellington Place Baptist Church, 209 West 21st, has begun rebuilding its sanctuary, damaged by fire on November 2. Completion expected in March or April.

A new family-type restaurant is being built at 1220 West Douglas, home of the old Continental Grill. Details.

Tuesday, December 29, 1970 page

- 5A. Extensive article about sculptor James Rosati, who is planning a sculpture for Century II area. Details.
- 7A. Hopkins Bus Lines may be forced to end service to 14 Kansas towns on January 5. Details.

Wednesday, December 30, 1970 page

5A. An old annual flag pole was removed yesterday from the northwest corner of the roof of the City Annex building at Main and Douglas for safety reasons because of rusting and deterioration (i.e., old Hinkel Building). Photo showing tall crane removing it.