

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 1890 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle

Thursday, January 2, 1890

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5. The management of the Hotel Metropole changed hands yesterday with Messrs., Casebeer and Dean taking over the lease for a number of years.

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5. The new school building between the rivers and the rooms added to the Emerson school will be opened when work resumes on Monday next.

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5. Article about planned paving by the street railway companies. Details.

Hose house No. 3 will be turned over to the department on Monday all ready for occupancy. The building is about 40 feet front on Fourth Avenue facing west on the corner of 13th Street and is 25 feet deep. There is room for two apparatuses, probably a chemical and a hose cart. Upstairs is finished into sleeping apartments for the boys. The building is of brick with stone trimmings. The West Side house is also completed. It faces west on Seneca just south of Chicago Avenue, having a frontage of 25 feet and also of brick with stone trimmings.

Mr. R. E. Lawrence has moved into his new house.

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5. City council yesterday let contract for city building to R. Rogers for \$61,965, using Augusta stone.

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5. The stockholders of the Riverside and Suburban Railway Company elected directors as

follows: J. O. Davidson, W. E. Stanley, C. L. Davidson, A. Faulkner, and Thomas G. Fitch. Officers elected were: J. O. Davidson, president; Thomas G. Fitch, secretary and treasurer.

Letter to *Eagle* by McLean and Martinson, owners of the Towanda Quarries, asking why Augusta stone was selected for city building when Towanda stone was cheaper. Says the Whittaker packing house used Towanda stone exclusively, the Dold packing house used several hundred car loads of the Towanda stone, the YMCA building is all Towanda stone and the watch factory the same. A large quantity of the same stone has been used in Hutchinson, Newton, Conway Springs, and other places.

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5. The Wichita and Suburban Railway Company have completed the line to the Burton car works and made a trial trip over it yesterday, making the run from the car works to 15th Street in 12 minutes. They will commence giving through electric service to the car works Monday morning.

The deed for the city building site on southeast corner of Main and William was given to the city yesterday and Mr. George H. Blackwelder and Mr. Charles Firebaugh received \$19,500 from the city for the four lots. The contractor for the building can now commence work as soon as he pleases.

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5. Stockholders of the Wichita Street Railway Company met yesterday at the office of the company on South Main Street. The following directors were elected: B. H. Campbell, George L. Rouse, J. O. Davidson, R. E. Lawrence, O. Martinson, William Griffenstein, and N. A. English.

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5. Report of the annual meeting of the Wichita Board of Trade yesterday. Details.

Saturday, January 18, 1890

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5. Article lists officers and committees of Board of Trade.

Sunday, January 19, 1890

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5. The Rock Island yesterday started moving the buildings on the property recently purchased for a freight building adjoining the passenger depot.

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5. City council yesterday rescinded its action to use Augusta stone in the city building and voted instead to use Alma stone.

City council received petition asking extension of 11th Street west to the Little river and building of an iron bridge across the river there. Petition signed among others by J. O. Davidson and William Griffenstein.

The addition to hose house No. 1 is completed. The new engine was shipped last night from Cincinnati.

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5. Yesterday the new hose cart No. 1 hose house was completed. It is a home production, being built entirely in the McKenzie carriage works of this city. Description.

The Santa Fe union depot (sic) will be opened to the public shortly after the first of the month. The carpenters finished the last ticket case yesterday.

The Electric Manufacturing and Supply Company expects to have the station armature of the Riverside and Suburban rebuilt within a few days.

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5. The snow yesterday interfered somewhat with the street car travel. About all the cars were running but it was impossible to make time. The main lines were drawn by four mules and no great speed was reached them. The electric lines did not suffer quite so much.

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5. Details about progress on the government building which should be finished by the new extended contract deadline of May 1.

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5. Article refers to the recently completed telephone connections with Newton and Hutchinson. Says the company contemplates an extension to Kingman at an early date and from Wellington to Harper and Anthony, putting Wichita in reach of three more important towns.

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5. Article describes the new steam engine for the fire department, which arrived yesterday from Cincinnati. It was named "Wichita" and cost \$4,000. Details.

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5. The Riverside cars now leave from Main and First., while the north town and Fairmount cars leave from Douglas and Market.

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5. The Wichita and Suburban Street Railway Company opened its line to the Burton car works yesterday and now the entire run can be made by electricity.

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2. From Topeka February 3: The St. Louis, Ft. Scott, and Wichita Railroad was sold today by order of the United States circuit court at public sale. The Union Trust Company of New York was the purchaser. The price paid was \$6,466,742.67, the amount of the first mortgage held by the Trust Company against the road.

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5. Steps are being taken towards the erection of a priest's dwelling immediately north of the St. Aloysius hall, to face Wichita on Fourth Avenue. Construction will commence as soon as Spring opens.

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5. City council yesterday: The city engineer submitted plans for 11th Street bridge across Little River. Estimate is for \$2,600. Report placed on file.

Report of Burton Stock Car Company for 11 months ended December 31, 1889 showed Gross Earnings -- \$99,381, Expenses -- \$83,916, Net Earnings -- \$15,465.

Council let contract yesterday for paving alley between Main and Market from Douglas to Central with vitrified brick.

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5. Progress on school buildings: The sixth ward building and first ward building have reached the second story, and the West Side building shows walls of first story nearly completed.

The new hose wagon, made in Wichita, was delivered to Hose House No. 2 yesterday, and the hose reel formerly at No. 2 was moved to No. 3 in the north end.

Friday, February 14, 1890**page**

5. Letter to the *Eagle* about the Wichita library now numbering some 1,300 volumes. Small fee of \$1 per year is charged for memberships. Details.

Wells Fargo have plans completed for a building to be located just south of the Santa Fe passenger depot building. To be a cubic block 25 feet on either side and 25 feet high, built of stone.

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5. The new Santa Fe passenger station is nearly completed and the grounds about it are being heavily macadamized.

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5. Ladies! Don't forget to see the football game next Saturday at the baseball park. The Riverside motors take you to the gate.

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5. Work on the trenches for the concrete part of the foundation for the city building will be commenced today. Mr. J. U. Woods has the contract for the foundation and expects to complete it by April 1. Below ground concrete and Augusta stone will be used and at the surface the Alma stone will commence to the top of the eight- foot wall.

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5. The street force were yesterday removing an extra street railway switch from First Street between Main and Water.

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5. Article mentions a plan to add on the north of the Metropole an addition with front of 50 feet and 120 feet deep, four stories and conforming with the present building.

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5. Ordinance introduced in city council yesterday for insurance of a \$4,000 improvement bond for the purpose of purchasing the Oak Street bridge, which at present belongs to private individuals/

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5. The Riverside and Suburban expects to start paving Market Street tomorrow with vitrified brick made at Tolerville by Mr. Clask, who has a small plant.

The Wichita Street Railway Company is putting in another switch at the corner of 11th and Topeka, which will greatly facilitate the travel on the stock yards line.

Saturday, March 1, 1890**page**

5. Report of the Old Settlers 15th reunion yesterday at Garfield hall. Text of speech by J. R. Mead on history of the Chisholm Trail.

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5. City council yesterday passed ordinance appropriating \$4,000 to purchase the Oak Street bridge from J. O. Davidson.

Saturday, March 8, 1890**page**

5. The brick paving between the rails of the Riverside and Suburban has been completed on Market Street in the block from Central to Elm. It took 15,000 of the Tolerville made brick to pave this block. It is though the Market Street paving will be complete in two weeks.

Wednesday, March 12, 1890**page**

5. The Griffenstein park line of the Wichita Street Railway will henceforth leave Main and Douglas on the even hour instead of the half hour. The first car in the morning will leave the park at 7:30 and the last car at night will leave Main and Douglas at 9:00. This line will now alternate with the North Main line, which will leave on the half hour.

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5. Mr. Charles A. Potts of Cincinnati yesterday leased the north half of the Whitlock block at Main and English for a wholesale drug business he will establish here about May 1.. Details.

The Barber Asphalt Company commenced work on North Main Street yesterday, commencing at Third Street from where the work will first extend south to English, after which the ends will be paved.

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5. The College Hill street car line to Wichita university is equipped with a brand new span of horses and is giving excellent service.

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5. Today the new Santa Fe depot is open to all trains. The depot will be the terminus of the

Frisco and Wichita and Western. The Santa Fe will continue to sell local tickets and check local baggage only at Oak Street.

The Frisco people have blood in their eyes for fellows who greased their track yesterday. The 10:00 passenger east on the up grade out of town was unable to make regulation time. The wheels of the engine went round and round faster than ever, like they were greased sure enough, but the train failed to move. The engineer frothed at the mouth and assisted by others the air was soon blue. It was sand, pulls up, back out for more sand, pull up, and back out for five hours before they got over the smooth rails. It is believed that some boys got hold of a grease can used by the electric line on curves and thought it would be fun to put it on the Frisco track.

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5. An agent for Studebaker closed the lease yesterday for the old Rock Island freight depot to be used for storage room for carriages and wagons. The lease is effective in about six weeks after the Rock Island have sufficiently completed their new depot building to be able to use it.

The first ticket sold in the new Santa Fe depot was purchased by Mrs. P. J. Michael of Pratt, Kansas.

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5. Article describes the new Santa Fe passenger depot. Details.

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5. Article describes the Wichita Soap Manufacturing Company, on Fifth Avenue near Kellogg. Details and drawings of buildings - three stories, 140 feet deep and west front of 80 feet Plant has been operated about two and a half years. N. A. English is president of the company.

Mr. Horace A. Keefer, of Kansas City, made an effort Tuesday night to shoulder the Wichita and Valley Center motor line and hustle out of the state. He succeeded in raising some of it but failed to get away. He deals in railroad supplies and some time ago was corresponding with Major Powell, claiming he had a buyer for the road. While he was looking for a buyer Mr. Powell sold the line to the Riverside and Suburban and an hour later a message from Keefer announced that he had sold the road. It was answered that he was too late, and nothing more was heard until he was seen in town Saturday last. He failed to seek any conference with Mr. Powell or the Riverside and Suburban, but Tuesday night about 60 men commenced work in three places on the line taking up rails. They confined their operations at Valley Center. The Riverside and Suburban were apprised of the situation yesterday morning and an injunction stopped work.

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5. Article about the New York Soap Company on Rock Island near Division. Drawing of building three stories. Details.

The last stone in the building proper was laid yesterday on the tower of the new court house. The mason was John Bamburgher, the same that laid the first stone. There are 99,676 stones in the structure, weighing 85,000 tons.

The work of putting down the asphalt paving on Main Street goes on. When the east side of Main is completed from Third to Douglas work will be commenced on the west side, to finish the blocks where there is so much travel as soon as possible.

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5. Article gives history and details about the Wichita Union Stock Yards Company. Building of first yards commenced in spring of 1887 after company charter had been filed on December 28, 1886. Yards were completed in October 1887 but after one load of cattle were hauled they were destroyed by fire the night of October 18. They were promptly rebuilt and completed on February 1, 1888. The following November, Jacob Dold Packing Company commenced operations, and receipts increased from 510 cattle and 1,151 hogs in the preceding 8 1/2 months to 679 cattle and 10,279 hogs in the following two and a half months up to February 1, 1889.

Tuesday, March 25, 1890**page**

5. City council yesterday passed franchise for the new Wichita Electric Railway Company, which is a consolidation of the City Railway Company and the Riverside and Suburban. Capital stock of new company is \$1,000,000, of which \$600,000 is available to City Railway stockholders and \$400,000 to the Riverside and Suburban stockholders. It is proposed to commence work within 60 days and within four months after that date to be operating eight miles of electric railway through the leading business streets of the city. Details.

Wednesday, March 26, 1890**page**

1. Drawing of exterior of Garfield Hall.

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5. Article about Huttig Brothers sash and door company on South Rock Island near English. Drawing. Details.

Another note about possible reconsideration of proposed use of Alma stone in new city building. In the foundation, which is being put down now, the contractor is using Augusta

stone.

Friday, March 28, 1890**page**

5. Article about the Getto-McClung Wholesale Boot and Shoe Company at 15th and Humboldt streets in Getto's third addition (i. e. the factory location) with offices in 50 feet of the Smith-Skinner block on North Market Street. Drawings of office and factory buildings. Details.

Saturday, March 29, 1890**page**

5. The Consolidated Street Car Company accepted the franchise yesterday. Some of the track which is not in the center of the street will be moved at once.

Sunday, March 30, 1890**page**

1. Article about grain elevators in Wichita with drawings and details. Includes J. W. Hawn's elevator at southwest corner of First and Fifth Avenue and Missouri Pacific elevator on West Side.
5. Article about the Barber Asphalt Company plant at Wichita on Ackerman island just north of Douglas Avenue bridge. Drawings and details.

Article about plans of the new Wichita Electric Railway Company. Consolidation of City Railway and Riverside and Suburban. Details.

Tuesday, April 1, 1890**page**

5. Article about removal of the rails of the Valley Center Motor line on Sunday. Details.

Wednesday, April 2, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Kansas Sash and Door Company on South Washington. Drawing.

Detailed article about the weather station of the United States Signal Service in Wichita. It was opened in July 1888 and is located on the fourth floor of the Sedgwick building with instruments exposed on the roof above. Flags are displayed announcing the weather forecast. The station is in charge of Dr. Fred L. Johnson. Details.

Work was commenced yesterday on the Rock Island freight house.

Thursday, April 3, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Kansas Spring Bed Company at Second and Mead. Drawings.

The Wichita Electric railway has decided to locate the power station of the new system at the corner of Tenth and Wichita streets. The company has secured a plot of ground 120 by 400 feet on the Missouri Pacific tracks. The dimensions of the building have not yet been decided on, but 100 by 80 feet has been estimated. The Riverside and Suburban station at present is supplied with 220 horsepower, making a total of 500. The Thompson-Houston people are commencing to figure on the plant. The electrician, Mr. Bailey, of Chicago is expected to arrive tomorrow and to commence work immediately on the station and line.

Friday, April 4, 1890**page**

5. Article describes at length St. Francis hospital. Details and drawing.

Sunday, April 6, 1890**page**

1. Long article describes Wichita's packing plants at length, with drawings and details.

Tuesday, April 8, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the *Eagle* Cornice works at 800-804 South Main. Drawing.

City council yesterday gave the Postal Telegraph Company a franchise to reach the central part of the city along the alley between Waco and Wichita streets.

The work of constructing the electric system over the lines of the old City Railway Company commenced yesterday. To facilitate matters the North Topeka line will not run beyond 13th Street until further notice and passengers for the north part of the city will be transferred at that point to the electric cars. Cars will leave Main and Douglas every ten minutes for 13th Street.

6. Board of education yesterday named the new Third ward school the Washington school. Committee on buildings and grounds reported it would take 300 feet of water pipe to reach Lincoln school, 1,100 to reach Franklin, 450' to reach Park, and 1,500' to reach Irving from present location of water main, at cost for laying of 12 cents per foot.

Wednesday, April 9, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Planning mill on the southeast corner of Central and Wichita Street. Drawings.

The Wichita Electric railway commenced work yesterday removing the flat rails on Riverside and replacing them with the "F" rail, the rails removed to be used in the central portion of the city. Work commenced yesterday distributing rails on Topeka Avenue north of 13th Street.

Thursday, April 10, 1890**page**

5. Another article about the muddle in selection of type of stone for the city building, the Alma stone sent from the quarry having been rejected by the architects.

The last load of stone to complete the new court house was hauled from the yards of Ballance and Jaus yesterday.

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5. Article describes the Wichita Steam Stone works of Ballance and Jaus, estimated in May 1887 on Tenth Street near Water. Missouri Pacific switches run into the yards. Drawing. Article lists source of stone in various Wichita buildings. Says Court House is of Grouse Creek stone.

Saturday, April 12, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Kansas Paint Manufacturing Company located at Third Street and Fifth Avenue. Drawings.

The track of the old City railway, being removed on South Market Street, leaves a void near the center. The railway people think this should be paved by the property owners where the railway people do not use the street. The same state of affairs will likely come up in a few days on North Market, where the track will be removed and the middle of the street not paved.

Sunday, April 13, 1890**page**

1. Long article describing Wichita's Board of Trade. Drawings.
5. Article about progress on street railway improvements.

Tuesday, April 15, 1890**page**

1. City council yesterday awarded the contract for construction of the bridge across the Little river at 11th st to J. K. Sawyer for \$2,900.
5. Text of annual report of mayor at the city council yesterday.

Wednesday, April 16, 1890**page**

3. Report of bids received for 11th st bridge at council meeting on April 14.
5. Article describes the Kansas Pump Company located on northeast corner of Fourth Avenue and First Street. Drawings.

The Chicago Avenue house, the large frame hotel just across the Douglas Avenue bridge, was destroyed by fire at 3:00 a.m. today. It has been unoccupied for some time.

Article says Mr. Robert F. Wilson of Chicago has the contract for paving Douglas Avenue with jasperite and expects to start work soon.

The water company started work yesterday removing the wooden mains on Douglas and replacing them with iron. This will be down from Waco to Washington Avenue.

The priests' house has been moved to 359 North Fourth Avenue, corner of Central.

Thursday, April 17, 1890**page**

5. Article described the West William Street. Planing Mill. Drawing.

Friday, April 18, 1890**page**

1. Track laying for the electric street car line will begin on North Topeka Avenue. Monday.
5. Article describes the City Hospital at corner of Fourth Avenue and Tenth Street. Drawing.

It has been discovered that the contract for construction of the 11th Street. bridge across the Little river has been awarded before the city owned the land at that locality. The contractors will therefore be invited to submit new bids.

Sunday, April 20, 1890**page**

1. Drawing of the new government building in Wichita.
4. Drawing of the new court house.
5. Drawing of the new city building.

Article about construction work of the Wichita Electric Railway.

Note says Mr. McPherson is architect of the county building.

Tuesday, April 22, 1890**page**

1. The Electric Street Railway has 300,000 feet of ties on the way here and will begin widening the gauge on Main Street. as soon as they arrive.
5. Article on further discussions by city council of stone to be used in city building.

City council awarded yesterday the Wichita electric railway franchise to make its life 20

years instead of 21 in order to comply with the state law.

Wednesday, April 23, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Crystal Ice factory. Drawing.

Thursday, April 24, 1890**page**

1. The work of placing the incandescent light wires in the new country building is in progress. About 500 lights will be placed in the building when completed.

Friday, April 25, 1890**page**

1. Communication from R. Rogers, contractor for city building to council yesterday regarding stone to be used. Original contract for Augusta stone was changed to Alma stone but the Alma stone being received is inferior to the sample and deemed no good, and he was willing to go on with the contract and substitute stone equally as good.
5. Article describes the Wichita Hospital located at 1021 South Fourth Avenue. Drawing.

Eagle editorial on the city building contract and debate over type of stone to be used.

Sunday, April 27, 1890**page**

1. Full page article describing the Burton car works. Drawing. Says the company is employing 160 men and will make about 1,000 cars this year.
5. Drawing of residence of Robert E. Lawrence.

Letter to *Eagle* from Mayor G. W. Clement discussing in detail the city hall stone controversy.

Tuesday, April 29, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Children's Home. Drawing.

Wednesday, April 30, 1890**page**

1. Article describes construction activity of Wichita Electric railway.
5. Article reports preparations for paving of Douglas Avenue. South side of street being graded from Wichita to Main.

Asphalt company commenced yesterday laying top layer of asphalt on Main between English and Third Street.

The furniture for the Santa Fe passenger depot arrived yesterday from Michigan and will be ready fore use the last of the week. It cost over \$8,000.

Thursday, May 1, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Box Factory on Emporia near First Street. Drawing.

Anhauser-Busch Company yesterday bought a lot 200 by 125 feet on South Rock Island, on east side of street with north line 100 feet south of Douglas Avenue, for \$25,000.

The agents for boilers and engines will reach the city Saturday and present bids to the Electric Railway Company for the power station machinery of the company.

Friday, May 2, 1890**page**

5. The work of putting down new iron water mains on Douglas Avenue was completed yesterday from Washington to Main.

The asphalt paving was completed on Main Street as far north as Second Street yesterday.

Saturday, May 3, 1890**page**

6. Ad with drawing of interior of Bitting Brothers clothing store.

Sunday, May 4, 1890**page**

1. Long article describes Wichita stock yards. Drawing. Receipts of lime stock listed.

4. Article about Jesse Chisholm, with drawing. Says he was a Cherokee half blood, but practically white. Come to this section as a trader in 1865 and in 1866 built a trading post on the North Canadian river. Died in 1868 at the Comanche Indian camp at age 65 or 70. Letter about the photo sent by M. B. Kellogg from Fresno, California on 4/26/90 - says it was taken at Leavenworth in 1867.

5. Article about street pavement. Main Street will be paved from Lewis to Park under the present contract. Market Street is already paved from English to Pine with asphalt. Work of paving the alleys with Fort Collins sand stone is also progressing rapidly. Excavations on Douglas Avenue have commenced and paving with Jasperite will soon start. Work of laying a standard gauge track in place of the present narrow by the Wichita Electric Railway on many streets has commenced, and erection of the overhead wire system will follow immediately. Discussion and drawings of street paving techniques.

Tuesday, May 6, 1890**page**

5. Article describes city council meeting with drawing of council chamber. There are six

wards and two council members from each ward. Details.

City council yesterday voted to complete the city building using Cambridge stone at cost of \$73,765. Details.

Board of education yesterday awarded contract for school building for College Hill to Mr. Campbell. To be located on the ground already purchased by the board.

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5. Article describes E. C. Hartzell's Douglas Avenue Planing Mill, on Douglas Avenue near Washington. Drawing.

The incoming freight train on the Wichita and Western Railroad yesterday had 52 cars.

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5. Article reports progress on new school buildings. In Sixth ward the brick work is completed, plastering is being done, and building will be finished in a few weeks. In First ward the four room building on South Main will be completed within ten days. In Fifth ward the building is being roofed and will be completed within four weeks. In Third ward the eight room building has been completed up to the second story. Committee on buildings has been empowered to close the contract for the College Hill building at the low bid of \$15,900.

The contractor, Mr. Valentine Jobst, yesterday completed his work on the government building. Work was commenced on the building March 10, 1889.

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1. Article describes the Riverside park area with drawing.

Drawing of YMCA building.

4. Drawing of St. John's Episcopal church as it will appear when completed.
5. Drawing of First Methodist Episcopal church.
6. Article about purchase of machinery for the power plant of Wichita Electric Railway. Says the company has definitely decided to abandon the line on Market Street and operate the Riverside and north town lines over the Water Street line from First and Main. The track, wire and poles will be removed from Market Street this week.

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5. A street car on the Wichita university line was upset yesterday by the high wind.

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5. Article describes Wichita Fire Department in detail with drawings of the engine house.

The bell for the new court house has arrived and will be put in position as soon as the tower is finished. It weighs 5,000 pounds and will be part of the E. Howard and Company hour striking tower clock which will ornament the building.

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5. Article reports that Joseph P. Allen, pioneer Wichita business man, opened his drug store here 20 years ago today. Details.

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5. Article describes the Toler stock farm, opened three years ago last January. Two and a half miles northeast of the city on the Missouri Pacific road. Drawing. The 515 acre farm with improvements cost \$40,000.

Wichita Electric Railway Company has made an agreement with the Thompson-Houston Electrical Supply Company of Chicago for machinery for the central station of the railway. The machinery costs about \$75,000, three motors to be delivered within 15 days and all the machinery for the station within 60 days. Some delay is feared in getting iron poles for Main Street and Douglas Avenue from the St. Louis foundry. The wood poles for outside the central part of the city are being received, and the work of track construction is going ahead on North Main and North Topeka.

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5. Article describes the Yucca Soap Company at 1213 East Douglas. Drawing.

City council yesterday decided to advertise for bids to construct 11th Street bridge over Little river.

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5. Article describes in detail the Wichita Water Works. Drawing. Says they are located on an island in the Great Arkansas. The waters of the visible river run around both sides.
6. Article about improvements at Maple Grove cemetery.

Tuesday, May 20, 1890**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* from J. R. Mead quotes Jesse Chisholm as having said a few days before his sudden and unexpected death: "I know little about the bible and churches, but the good God who sent me here, gave me the knowledge of right and wrong. I have never wronged any one in my life. I have done all the good I could. I have been a peacemaker among my brethren. No man ever went from my camp hungry or naked, and I am ready and willing to go to the home of the Great Spirit, just as I am, whenever he calls for me."

Letter from J. R. Mead about Jesse Chisholm (continued) says: "He was by nature noble, chivalrous, and brave. An arbitrator and peace-maker among the wild tribes of the plains and territory, beloved and respected by all."

Wednesday, May 21, 1890

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1. Article from New York stated yesterday that the control of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad had been sold to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Company.

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5. Article describes the Wichita Trunk factory. Drawing.

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5. Article describes the C. V. Frizell French Confectionery at 238 North Main. Drawing.

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5. Article about power house and other plans of the Wichita Electric railway.

Mr. Reed has the contract for wiring the new court house building for incandescent electric lights and will probably have the work completed within two weeks.

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5. Article describes the McComb Brothers Harness and Saddles Company on Douglas Avenue Drawing.

Article about the first church in Wichita, with drawing. Says it stood near the southeast corner of the new county building.

6. Article describes the J. M. Moore and Company barrel factory near corner of 21st Street and Fourth Avenue. Drawing. Output is between 500 and 600 barrels per week.

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5. Article about council action yesterday gives some history of the hydraulic mill race on

Chisholm creek.

One of the electric cars got off the track Sunday at the corner of Pine and Water.

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5. Article describes the Lee Hays Saddlery Leather Company on southwest corner of Douglas and Water. Drawing.

The First Ward school building will be ready to accept in a few days and the Sixth Ward building will be completed within two weeks. The cornice is being placed on the Third Ward building.

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5. Article about progress of the Wichita Electric railway . Two of the new motors arrived yesterday and three more are expected within a week. The company will provide seven cars for the crowd to the cemetery on Memorial Day and also extra mule cars over the sleigh line.

Beginning Thursday May 29 the electric cars will leave First and Main at 6:15 a.m. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:00 p.m. Cars leaving on the hour and half hour run to Fairmount. Last car for Burton at 9:15 p.m. and last car for Fairmount at 9:30. Cars leave Fairmount for city at 15 and 45 minutes past the hour.

The largest sign in the city now adorns the platform at the Union depot, informing the public that tickets are sold and baggage checked to all points in America.

Friday, May 30, 1890

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5. Graduating exercises of the High School held last evening in the Crawford Grand. 17 graduates including Agnes Conway.

Sunday, June 1, 1890

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1. Drawing of the Wichita university.
5. Article describes the Crawford Grand opera house. Drawing.
6. The government building has been accepted. The furniture is expected within a month. The contract for putting in steam heating apparatus will be awarded on June 6.

Tuesday, June 3, 1890

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5. The striking bell will be put in position today on the new court house.

Board of education yesterday deferred action on a new College Hill building, the contractor having withdrawn his bid since so much time had elapsed since he made it. The board voted that two additional rooms should be added to the high school building.

Wednesday, June 4, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Hotel Metropole. Drawing.

The Wichita Electric Railway Company yesterday ordered five more motors, which makes 20 ordered. It is intended to order ten more and the service when complete will be given by 30 cars. Track has been completed on Topeka as far south as Pine Street and will probably reach Douglas by the last of the week. The north track on Douglas will, then be removed and the new one put down, and the east track put in on North Main Street when the one track line will be operated. The second track will then be put down on Main and Douglas. Five car loads of the iron poles have arrived and most of the wire is on hand.

Friday, June 6, 1890**page**

5. Article describes Lewis Academy in detail. Drawing.

The contract for the central power station of the Wichita Electric Railway Company was awarded yesterday to Mr. Sternberg for \$10,000. Completion by the middle of July is hoped for.

Sunday, June 8, 1890**page**

1. Article describes the Tucker fruit farm, four miles due east of Lawrence and Douglas between Douglas and Kellogg. Drawings.
5. Article describes the Wichita Cracker Company on Fourth Avenue near First Street. Drawing.

Houses are being removed from the grounds to be occupied by the central station of the electric railway and excavating will commence next Tuesday. Work will start tomorrow on putting down new track for Douglas Avenue. Within ten days it is thought the Topeka Avenue line will be operated from Main and Douglas to the packing houses and car works.

The building committee of the school board yesterday accepted the new building in the First ward at Harry Street.

Tuesday, June 10, 1890**page**

5. Street car No. 27, of the College Hill line, broke an axle yesterday at the corner of Douglas and Fourth Avenue.

Thursday, June 12, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Occidental hotel. Drawings. Says it was built in 1872 and open for business in the early part of 1873.

Wichita Street Railway Company are in earnest with two or three hundred men employed. The transformation from mule to electricity requires an outlay of about \$170,000.

Arrangements were completed yesterday for a \$20,000 loan on the YMCA building, allowing payment of the slight indebtedness on the building and proceeding with work toward completion of the building. Work will be commenced in a few days. The money from the loan and donations should permit completion of the basement, first and second floors. Details.

Friday, June 13, 1890**page**

5. Article on progress of construction on the Wichita Electric Railway.

Article reports commencement exercises of Wichita university yesterday.

The street cars on the Garfield university line will starting today and until further notice run south on Main to Lewis and thence west to Maple, as formerly. This temporary change is to allow reconstruction of the track on West Douglas.

Saturday, June 14, 1890**page**

5. Article describes Faries Machine Shop, 124 South Washington. Details. Drawing.

The Electric Railway Company commenced work yesterday on the Garfield university extension. The iron poles were being placed on Douglas from Main to Topeka.

Sunday, June 15, 1890**page**

1. Drawing of Wichita university and article with details of history, etc.
5. Article describes the Globe Iron Works at corner of Second Street and Fifth Avenue. Drawing.

Tuesday, June 17, 1890**page**

5. School board yesterday awarded contract for erecting the College Hill school building for \$6,109 to William Dunscombe.

The Rock Island freight depot will be completed by the last of the week and by the first of next week the business of the road will be changed from the old depot to the new. The

old one will be occupied by the Studebaker Wagon Company.

Wednesday, June 18, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Overall and Shirt Manufacturing Company on Topeka near First Street. Drawing.

The Sixth ward school building will be completed this week.

Thursday, June 19, 1890**page**

5. Article reports appointment of Judge Edward B. Jarrett as postmaster at Wichita, subject to Senate confirmation.

Article about progress on the Electric railway.

W. H. Tonda, superintendent of the Centropolis car works near Kansas City, was in Wichita yesterday and said that the works are making good progress with the cars for the Wichita Electric railway. Ten of the cars are well under way and five nearly finished.

Friday, June 20, 1890**page**

5. Article describes All Hallows academy. Drawing. Corner stone laid November 1, 1886 and school opened the following September.

Saturday, June 21, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Manhattan hotel. Drawing. Was built in 1884.

Three forces of men were at work yesterday putting down jasperite on Douglas.

Grading on English Street from Main to Market, preparatory to paving, commenced yesterday. This is the first work towards paving the cross streets between Main and Market, although the contract for such work was awarded many months ago. Col. Jocelyn has the contract to pave with brick and has purchased some of the brick at Atchison and some at St. Joe.

The grading force of the railway company on Main Street yesterday removed over 500 wagon loads of dirt. The wiring on Douglas from Main to Topeka was completed yesterday and service from Main and Douglas to the stock yards on Topeka will probably commence today. This will take some of the travel off Main Street, decreasing the demand for mule cars on Main Street, and that service will be stopped.

Sunday, June 22, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Carriage Works of W. A. McKenzie and Company on southwest corner of First and Water. Drawing.
6. Article describes the Wichita Bottling Works on corner of First and Waco. Drawing.

Wednesday, June 25, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the City Roller Mills. Drawing.

The Electric Railway Company will commence today giving Fairmount service from First and Main and will transfer passengers at Water and Tenth with no walk of a block or two, which has been unavoidable in the past few days. The mule car service will stop on Main today and track work rushed. Superintendent Fitch hopes to have cars running on Main within one week. The Company is making some headway placing temporary power plant in the plow factory. It is believed that within ten days the Riverside station will be relieved.

Thursday, June 26, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Vinegar Works at corner of Hydraulic and First Street. Drawing.

Article says the two year contract over the property known as Ackerman's Island was settled yesterday by the land office which gives the title undisturbed to Mr. Ackerman. It had been alleged that William Roberts, who homesteaded the property and sold his title to Ackerman had been under age at the time and therefore could not legally homestead, but this was proved untrue.

Anheuser-Busch have commenced work on their storage building near the Rock Island depot. A two story brick building 30 by 40 feet is being built as a barn, and the storage building will be two stories and 50 by 120 feet.

The Rock Island freight business has been moved into the new depot near the passenger depot. The drive way around the passenger depot reaching the freight building is being paved.

On Topeka Avenue the electric cars stop only at the further intersection of street crossing and in the middle of long blocks where sign is posted.

The old 12 inch water mains on Central have all been taken up and replaced with new 16 inch iron pipe.

Friday, June 27, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Natatorium, opposite the Crawford Grand on South Topeka.

Drawing.

The Wichita and Western will join the great Santa Fe and Frisco combination on July 1.

Saturday, June 28, 1890

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5. Article describes Healy's Stock Farm. It is the north half of section 7, township 28, range two east, in Gypsum township, about eight miles southeast of Wichita, and was purchased by P. V. Healy in 1882 for \$11,000. Drawing.

Sunday, June 29, 1890

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5. Article describes the Carey Grand hotel. Drawing.

Interview with W. A. Martin: "I have spent a good portion of my time for the past year in working up the John Bright university. I have made several trips east and have met with a great many difficulties, but think now that I will make a success of it. Much of the delay has been caused by the apathy of the people directly interested in the location. Had they done their duty the question would have been settled long ago. As it now stands the money is about all subscribed, and I expect soon that \$160,000 will be secured, which is the amount that the plans call for.

6. The Railway company yesterday placed a dynamo at the Gilbert Plow works and it will be ready to give service on the Fourth. This will give power enough for 20 cars.

Article lists tax valuation of the different railroads in Sedgwick county. Total mileage 217.49. Average valuation \$6,000 per mile. Locomotives assessed at \$4,000 each passenger cars \$2,500, dining and sleeping cars \$6,000. Details.

Brick work on the third ward school is nearly completed. The Sixth ward building will be completed this week. The Fifth ward building is being plastered.

Wednesday, July 2, 1890

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1. Article describes the Jewett Farm, located four and a half miles south of Cheney. Drawing.
5. Article complains about large number of people missed by the census enumerators. Says the city directory compiled one month ago shows 14,467 names. Multiplied by two and half times gives estimated population at least 35,167. Says "Wichita by the most conservative and reliable estimates lost in the opening and settlement of Oklahoma a year ago, from five to 7,000 people."

Col. S. E. Jocelyn has contract for paving with brick certain side streets from Main to Market between English and Elm streets. The grading on English for the block to be

paved is about completed. From there the work will proceed north.

Barber Asphalt Company told city council they had finished paving (Main Street.) on May 25 and had not received pay.

Thursday, July 3, 1890

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5. Article on parks says the city council have begun to beautify the grounds which were donated to the city some time ago for park purposes, known as Linwood park. One of the most desirable out door places of amusement is Riverside park and the Little river when there is water enough to float a boat. Ever since the obstruction at the mouth of Little river was destroyed by the storm, there has been but very little water in the river and not enough to make it a desirable stream for boating purposes. It can be made a beautiful stream at little expense by placing a dam at its mouth of sufficient height to raise the water two or three feet. With proper flood gates an even stage of water can be had at all times from the dam north to a point above B. H. Campbell's residence.

Editorial says Wichita's new street railway system will be unexcelled.

Street railway service on July Fourth: (i. e. Wichita Electric railway). Cars will run to Alamo every 20 minutes. Motors will run to Burton every 40 minutes until 10:00 p. m. and after that mule cars will run through. 15 minutes service will be given on Topeka Avenue and regular service to Fairmount. A crew of men worked all last night in order to complete the Main Street. line, and the Riverside service will run over the Main Street line to Pine Street after today.

Friday, July 4, 1890

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5. Article describes an underground electric railway conduit invented by Ernest M. Reed of Wichita. Drawings.

The electric cars commence running on Main Street today from the corner of Main and Douglas.

Saturday, July 5, 1890

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5. Article reports laying of corner stone of the city building yesterday. Details. Drawing of building. The placing of corner stone was conducted as a Masonic service. Corn was sprinkled on the stone as an emblem of plenty and wine and oil were poured over it as emblems of joy and peace. Article lists items sealed in the box under corner stone.

Article describes Fourth of July activities in Riverside park.

Sunday, July 6, 1890

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5. Article on construction progress of Wichita Electric railway. Says during the Fourth over 20,000 people were carried over to Riverside, with eight motor cars and four trailer cars in service. "Only one car left the rails causing a delay of five minutes."

The concrete work has commenced for the paving of English between Main and Market.

Tuesday, July 8, 1890

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5. Report to school board yesterday: The McCormick Avenue school building completed. The Kellogg Street school building about completed. Work on College Hill building progressing rapidly. Grading around the Harry Street school completed.

Wednesday, July 9, 1890

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5. Bar association yesterday took under consideration a list of suggested attorney's fees. List give, "No legal advice should be given for less than \$2.50."

Thursday, July 10, 1890

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5. Article describes the Wichita Newspaper Union, located in Fletcher block at Second and Main. Drawing.

Article about question of paving the Market Street canal.

Friday, July 11, 1890

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5. Article describes the Candy Kitchen, 254 North Main. Drawing.

On Sunday next the cut-off between the Ft. Scott and Rich Hill, on the Missouri Pacific line will be opened, materially shortening the distance to St. Louis. At that time a special sleeping car service will be put on via Placement Hill, Rick Hill, Ft. Scott and Wichita to Geneseo and Colorado.

Report of building fund of city schools for year ending July 1, 1890:

Paid for real estate, school sites, etc.	\$25,426
Paid for building Burton school house	\$ 3,516
Paid for building Kellogg school house	\$10,195
Paid for building Harry Street school house	\$ 9,608
Paid for building McCormick school house	\$ 7,825
Paid for building Washington school house	\$13,763
Paid for building Riverside school house	\$ 496

Saturday, July 12, 1890**page**

5. Article on construction progress on Wichita Electric railway.

The grading on the North side of Douglas Avenue for paving commenced yesterday at Wichita Street. The paving on the south side has been completed and opened up as far east as Topeka Avenue.

Sunday, July 13, 1890**page**

5. Article describes Thomas Shaw Music Company, 129 North Main. Drawing.

Article describes Wichita Steam Laundry of the firm of Garst, Frasier, and Garst, adjoining the Garfield hall building. Drawing.

Article mentions electric car No. 8, on stock yards line yesterday.

The Rock Island will be receiving goods Monday at the new freight depot.

Tuesday, July 15, 1890**page**

5. City council yesterday: Little river dam estimate of \$601 was received.

Wednesday, July 16, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Electrical and Mechanical Supply Company on West Douglas Avenue. Drawing.

Excavating commenced yesterday for the addition to the high school building.

Thursday, July 17, 1890**page**

5. Article about progress on Wichita Electric railway.

Main Street is longing to see the cars back again. This will soon occur, but they will see the mules no more forever.

Sunday, July 20, 1890**page**

4. Article gives table summary of assessment of personal property in Sedgwick county for 1890.

5. Article describes the Kansas Buggy Company of Tuller and Washburne at 114-116 North Fourth Avenue. Drawing.

Article describes the tin shop of Butler and Graby in the Butler block on South Main. Drawing.

Wednesday, July 23, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Wichita Sand Pumping Company. Drawing of a sand boat. Sand pump is located at present just above the Second Street bridge.

Friday, July 25, 1890**page**

5. Article describes the Banbow Brothers Washing Machine Factory at 1304-1308 Hunter Avenue. Drawing.

Saturday, July 26, 1890**page**

5. The Missouri Pacific depot at corner of Wichita and Second Street is being raised 12 inches, renovated, and supplied with new furniture.

Sunday, July 27, 1890**page**

5. The beginning for a neat little park has been made by the city in Hyde's addition. Trees have been planted, water introduced, and it is fenced and cared for. It is between Ellis and Fannie avenues and less than a block south of Douglas.

Contract for building the Chisholm creek Douglas Avenue bridge has not been signed yet. The council wanted the Electric railway company to put up one-third of the bridge, or \$1,500, but the company so far do not concede that anything in the franchise compels them to do this.

Tuesday, July 29, 1890**page**

5. Article about progress of the electric railway.

The excavations on the north side of Douglas preparatory to paving are about completed.

Wednesday, July 30, 1890**page**

5. Article describes Henry Schad Harness and Saddles Company at 105 West Douglas. Drawing.

Thursday, July 31, 1890**page**

5. The electric cars are expected to be running south on Main on schedule time on Saturday and west on Douglas at the same time. Five new cars are ready for shipment from the shops. A short service is to be put on from the depots on Douglas to Oak and Main, and

these cars will run between the time of the College Hill and Garfield university lines, thus affording double service on the busy portions of Main and Douglas. The power house is being rushed to completion. The engine house is roofed over and the foundations are ready for the engines. The boilers are being set. The Riverside line is now running down Main Street on its regular time.

The Fort Collins sand stone is down between the tracks on Main from Douglas to Second Street.

Friday, August 1, 1890

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5. Article describes the Kansas Steam Laundry at 240 North Water. Drawing.

Ground was broken yesterday for the new Oak Street Presbyterian church which is to replace the one recently burned.

Saturday, August 2, 1890

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4. Sarcastic editorial about hermaphrodite in Topeka.

Sunday, August 3, 1890

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5. Drawings of four new school buildings in Wichita:
 Washington school at Cleveland and Third.
 McCormick Avenue school at McCormick and Martinson.
 Kellogg school at Laura and Kellogg.
 Harry Street school at Harry and Main.
6. The Electric Railway Company expect to be able to commence service to the West Side and on South Main Street tomorrow. The track is about completed and the wiring almost ready. Five motors and five cars are expected to arrive within a few days.

Wednesday, August 6, 1890

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5. Article describes the Wichita branch of the Iola Carriage and Omnibus Company at 235-237 South Main in the south half of the Whitlock block. Drawing.

A large force are at work on the interior of the YMCA building. The plastering seems well along and the wood work is being fitted.

Thursday, August 7, 1890

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5. Letter to *Eagle* urging consolidation of the Wichita hospital (formerly Benevolent Home) and the City hospital. The Wichita hospital is staffed by allopathic physicians and the City hospital by homeopathic physicians.

The electric cars are now running to the West Side via Douglas Avenue and south on Main Street, giving a 15 minute service.

Friday, August 8, 1890**page**

5. The race track at the fair grounds will be completed by Saturday night.

Saturday, August 9, 1890**page**

5. Article describes pleasure parties on the Little river near Oak Street bridge. 50 different parties were counted during the evening. The Woodman steam launch scuds up and down loaded to the gunwales with pleasure seekers. Drawing of steam launch "Wichita."

Sunday, August 10, 1890**page**

6. Editorial says the Fair association has succeeded in making out of the old track what expert horsemen say will be the fastest track in Kansas. The turns have been eased.

Friday, August 15, 1890**page**

5. The Rock Island Railroad has recently placed gates at the crossing on Douglas Avenue.

Sunday, August 17, 1890**page**

5. The engine which is being put in place in the Wichita Street Railway plant is 400 horsepower. The fly wheel weighs 26,000 pounds and the crank shaft is 12 inches in diameter. It is a Hamilton (Ohio) Condensing Corliss engine.
8. Board of education asking bids for supply of coal for city schools for ensuing year, approximately 600 tons.

Tuesday, August 26, 1890**page**

5. The big river has been rising rapidly since Sunday and now shows a larger volume of water than it has contained for a year. There had been practically no water in the channel of the Big river above the juncture with the Little river for two or three months.

The Wichita Electric Railway Company has received five new motors which are already in service, and ten more are on the road. (i. e. on the way here).

Friday, August 29, 1890**page**

5. The postoffice is to be moved on the 1st to the government building.

Tuesday, September 2, 1890

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5. Board of education committee reported yesterday that the roof on the College Hill school building is being constructed and the addition to the high school should be ready by October 1.

Thursday, September 4, 1890**page**

5. Wichita university opened yesterday. The electric line will be complete, it is believed, at least to the top of the hill, in a week.

Saturday, September 6, 1890**page**

5. The attention of the mayor and city council is called to the fact that there are a number of breaks in the surface coating of the.jasperite paving on Douglas Avenue. The number is such as to not only attract serious attention but apprehensive comment, the breaks coming so soon after the work had been completed.

Friday, September 12, 1890**page**

5. Article reports organization of the Union Grain and Elevator Company with a capital stock of \$100,000. Details.

Saturday, September 13, 1890**page**

5. Col. Jocalyn reports more paving brick expected to arrive the first of next week, when work will be resumed on the cross street paving contract. So far only Elm and English streets have been completed, and the Third Street is ready for the brick.

Gas connections were being made yesterday with the YMCA building.

Sunday, September 14, 1890**page**

5. Fair week will be opened September 29. The electric cars will run to the main entrance. Drawing.

Tuesday, September 16, 1890**page**

5. Article reports fifth annual meeting of the YMCA last night in the assembly room of the new building. Details of building fund, etc. Total spent to date \$55,592 including stone work for \$14,383.

Thursday, September 18, 1890**page**

5. The works of the clock for the steeple of the county building have been received. It was purchased of the Howard Company. The clock face is nine feet in diameter, and the hands

four feet long. The bell to sound the hours weighs two and a half tons and is the largest bell in the state.

Friday, September 19, 1890**page**

5. Report of sixth annual meeting of the directors of the Wichita hospital. Hospital had 110 patients between September 1, 1889 and September 1, 1890, of whom only 20 patients were paying patients - all the rest were charity.

Article about progress of Electric railway construction.

Saturday, September 20, 1890**page**

5. It is estimated the College Hill school building will be ready to occupy by the middle of October.

Sunday, September 21, 1890**page**

5. Average number of patients per day at St. Francis hospital from January 1st to August 31st was 13.

Tuesday, September 23, 1890**page**

5. City council yesterday received report of park committee favorable to accepting the offer of William Griffenstein and J. O. Davidson relative to selling park land on the Little river to the city. The report also favored the inclusion of the Schuman park at the foot of Central Avenue. Cost would be about \$60,000 and would be submitted to the voters as a bond proposition.

Wednesday, September 24, 1890**page**

5. Work on the Rock Island coal chute was commenced yesterday.

Thursday, September 25, 1890**page**

5. Paving grade stakes were set around the Santa Fe depot and at the Douglas Avenue crossing yesterday. Work will commence in a few days. The plans for a new Santa Fe freight depot arrived yesterday and were place with contractors for bids. The building will be located just south of the passenger depot and will be 250 feet long and 35 feet wide, one story, and of stone.

Editorial on the park purchase question. Says it was advocated originally by the *Eagle* and a map of the plot published last spring, but "we have said nothing in advocacy of the matter lately simply because of the changed condition of financial affairs."

Friday, September 26, 1890**page**

5. Lehman and Higgins (sic who have secured the Miller block on Water near First Street for their wholesale grocery business, are getting their stock in and will be ready for business within a few weeks. Mr. C. R. Miller, who owns the building, is having a Mitchell elevator put in, to be powered by a ten horsepower electric motor. They will get their power from the Electric railway company.

The second car of furniture for the court house was unloaded yesterday.

Saturday, September 27, 1890**page**

5. Article gives details of building improvements at fair grounds.

The Market Street canal is being filled with cinders, and the work had reached as far north as Second Street yesterday.

Sunday, September 28, 1890**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* favoring spending the money to buy park land.

Tuesday, September 30, 1890**page**

5. City council yesterday votes *not* to proceed with purchase of park land costing \$60,000.

Wednesday, October 1, 1890**page**

5. Article reports on opening of the Southern Kansas District Fair yesterday with 2,544 paid admissions.

Thursday, October 2, 1890**page**

5. Admissions to fair yesterday were 5,486.

Friday, October 3, 1890**page**

5. Yesterday was Wichita Day at the fair, with 21,757 tickets taken in.

Sunday, October 5, 1890**page**

5. Commencing Monday morning the Wichita Electric railway will run ten minutes service to the stock yards and 40 minute service to Burton by way of Topeka Avenue. The Fairmount cars leave Douglas and Main every 30 minutes by way of North Main and 13th Street The Fairview cars leave Douglas and Main every 15 minutes. The Riverside cars will run through to Harry Street on South Main every 30 minutes.

Tuesday, October 7, 1890**page**

5. School enrollment is 3,772 (listed by school) including 263 at the high school. Total is up 61 from same time last year.

A large force are busy putting in a double track from Park to 13th Street on Main.

Wednesday, October 8, 1890**page**

5. Excavating commenced yesterday for the new Santa Fe freight depot. The building will be 280 feet long and 40 feet wide.

Thursday, October 9, 1890**page**

5. The great stones are being rolled up around the city building until William Street is completely blocked and half of Main Street also. The walls at last have commenced to grow in a perceptible way. Every column, belt, projection and ornament is cut from solid stone.

Friday, October 10, 1890**page**

5. The high school building will probably be ready to occupy by the first of next month.

Sunday, October 12, 1890**page**

5. The great clock for the new county building has arrived and was moved from the depot to the building yesterday.

The large old post office hall, corner of Water and First streets, has been rented for the German fair.

Tuesday, October 14, 1890**page**

5. City council yesterday awarded contract to J. K. Sawyer for constructing Douglas Avenue bridge at Chisholm creek for \$1,494.

The Sedgwick block is being wired for incandescent lights.

Wednesday, October 15, 1890**page**

5. Special meeting of Council yesterday decided to accept offer of William Griffenstein to sell 41 acres of land along Little river to the city for \$20,000 and to submit the bond proposition at the next general election.

Thursday, October 16, 1890

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5. The new Union Grain and Elevator Company has decided to located its elevator building on five acres of ground between 16th and 17th streets, and between the Santa Fe and Rock Island.

Saturday, October 18, 1890**page**

5. The county officers will close their doors at 1:00 p. m. today and move to the new county building.

Sunday, October 19, 1890**page**

5. The county records and officers were removed yesterday to the new building. They will be arranged for business by tomorrow.

Thursday, October 23, 1890**page**

5. The four trunk railway lines employ 12 switch engines in their yards in Wichita to handle the freight along.

Sunday, October 26, 1890**page**

5. Note says there is some opinion that state law does not grant the city of Wichita power to vote an indebtedness for purchase of park land and therefore the proposed bond election would be useless.

Article about progress with the Electric railway.

Friday, October 31, 1890**page**

5. The Electric Railway Company is waiting patiently for steam pipe, but in the meantime they are at work on the College Hill line.

Friday, November 7, 1890**page**

5. Work on the Douglas Avenue bridge across Chisholm creek is expected to commence within a few days.

Saturday, November 8, 1890**page**

5. City employees are making improvements in the park on Ellis Avenue, near Douglas, including a band stand and numerous walks.

The new building of the Oak Street Presbyterian church will be dedicated next Sunday.

Six cars were shipped yesterday from Kansas City for the Electric Railway Company. The company has disposed of all the bonds necessary for the construction of the road and is financially well prepared to complete the system.

The electric cars are now sailing along both of the double tracks on Main Street and on Douglas Avenue.

Thursday, November 13, 1890

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5. The Electric railway Company has received the steam pipe which has caused a long delay. It is now being put in and steam power will be ready to use by the first of the week. The new dynamos for the power station have arrived and will furnish the power until the Riverside dynamo and the one stationed at the plow works are removed to the Central station, where the four will be ready for service in any emergency.

William Hoff commenced today to pump water into his combination fish and ice lake today. The lake covers seven acres on Hydraulic between Second and Third streets and is excavated seven feet to carry six feet of water. Water is being pumped from six drive wells 30 feet deep. Pump capacity is 2,000 gallons per minute. Ice will be harvested during the winter and then 10,000 German carp stocked in the lake next spring.

Saturday, November 15, 1890

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5. The four room school building near 11th Street and Cleveland Avenue will probably be completed by January 1st. It is being constructed using portions of the old Kellogg and Washington Avenue school buildings.

Sunday, November 16, 1890

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5. The steam was turned on yesterday at the central power station of the Electric Railway Company. The three new dynamos are connected and will be furnishing power by Tuesday. Word was received yesterday that four new cars had been shipped and six more will be on the road within a week.

Tuesday, November 18, 1890

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5. The city engineer is at work on a map of the city to be used by the street naming committee.

Wednesday, November 19, 1890

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5. Four of the new street cars for the electric line arrived yesterday.

The cheering news comes from the Burton Car Works that orders have been rolling in of late, and it is estimated that six months of steady work is now on hand.

Saturday, November 22, 1890**page**

5. J. O. Davidson stated yesterday that during his trip east he disposed of \$250,000 of the electric railway bonds, which makes the total bond indebtedness of the cost \$300,000. The entire system will be completed by the first of next year.

Wednesday, November 26, 1890**page**

5. Address of the Wichita Children's Home is 119 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Sunday, November 30, 1890**page**

5. The Electric Railway Company commenced using the new power station yesterday, and the dynamos and machinery in the suburbs will be brought in within a few days. The plow works and Riverside dynamos will be given a rest and placed in the new station.

Thursday, December 4, 1890**page**

5. The Electric Railway Company is building a short "stub" one block south on Topeka Avenue in order to accommodate theater goers by running cars directly to the opera house.

There is no Big river above the mouth of the Little river nor has there been for a month. The Little river is now the big river in fact the Big river having disappeared in the irrigating ditches of the west.

Saturday, December 6, 1890**page**

5. The YMCA has fitted up some comfortable rooms at 213 North Market.

Sunday, December 7, 1890**page**

5. Three cars arrived from Kansas City yesterday for the Electric Railway Company. They will be supplied with trucks within a few days and into service. The company was yesterday putting in the connecting link at Chisholm creek, on Douglas, where the new bridge is about completed. So far the special rails for the railroad crossings on Fifth and Mead have not arrived.

Tuesday, December 9, 1890**page**

5. Tomorrow the Santa Fe will be cut up into an increased number of divisions. The southern division with headquarters here will take the Galveston line as far south as Purcell, the McPherson branch and Little river branch, about 520 miles in all. The Panhandle division will have headquarters at Wellington.

Wednesday, December 10, 1890**page**

5. Col. Jocelyn resumed work yesterday on the brick paving on Third Street between Main and Market. For some time the job had been at a standstill owing to unavailability of the brick.

Thursday, December 11, 1890**page**

5. The city engineer is securing the data for making an official map of the city.

Saturday, December 13, 1890**page**

5. Car 23 of the street railway was out on trial yesterday. It is one of the new ones and a dandy. A well developed vestibule with style and elegance. It will go out into regular service today and two more of the cars will be out in a few days. They are being set on the trucks and the motors adjoined.

Sunday, December 14, 1890**page**

5. Article about improvements being made in the Santa Fe yards.

Thursday, December 18, 1890**page**

5. The motorneers of the Electric railway will give a ball on Christmas eve at Peerless hall, in the old county building, corner of First and Main.

Friday, December 19, 1890**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* says the Sedgwick County Library is located at the corner of Market and William streets, just south of the post office. Membership is one dollar per year.

Sunday, December 21, 1890**page**

5. The Electric railway track was completed yesterday across the railroads on East Douglas and will be ready to run through to the hill early this week.

Wednesday, December 24, 1890**page**

5. The directors of four branches of the Missouri Pacific, the Wichita and Colorado, Interstate, Denver Memphis and Atlantic, and V. V. I. and W., met yesterday at the 21st Street depot. A resolution was passed consolidating the branches represented under one name to be known as the Kansas, Colorado, and Pacific.

The steam heat plumbing for the YMCA building was completed yesterday.

Friday, December 26, 1890

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5. Superintendent Parsons of the Santa Fe said yesterday that about all the work on the yard improvements is completed. It will probably be four or five weeks before the offices can be moved to the new freight depot. As soon as the new building is finished the old one north of the avenue will be removed and additional driveway into the yards provided.

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5. The Pratt school building in the Fourth ward will not be completed by Monday next. (at 11th and Cleveland).