

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 1892 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle

Sunday, January 3, 1892

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5. The elevator in the Sedgwick block broke down yesterday.
6. Article reports annual meeting yesterday of the directors and stockholders of the Wichita Union Stock Yards company. Details.

Saturday, January 16, 1892

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5. Ice men are busy putting up ice at present. Some are at work at Huff's pond and others at Chisholm creek and on the Little river.

The old Oak street Santa Fe depot has been moved to Putnam, a new station on the Santa Fe between Newton and Sedgwick.

Sunday, January 24, 1892

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5. Article gives annual report of the secretary of the board of trade summarizing Wichita business the past year, etc. Details.

The Santa Fe last week moved the north Wichita depot building and a portion of the platform to Putnam, the new station between Sedgwick and Newton.

Wednesday, January 27, 1892

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5. A new theater, the Lyceum, will open Monday night, February 1. It is nearly opposite the city building on South Main and will seat about 400 people.

Thursday, January 28, 1892

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5. A large number of persons are engaged in moving houses into the city from out in the suburbs to place them upon vacant lots. House movers report a thriving business just

now, and say that they have contracts for some time to come.

The Cannon elevator is completed and is now open for business.

Friday, January 29, 1892**page**

5. The Wichita Implement company was chartered yesterday with capital stock of \$10,000.

Tuesday, February 2, 1892**page**

5. Note says the new Lyceum theater on South Main was opened last evening with a crowded house. Details.

The Burton car works are gradually increasing their force.

Saturday, February 13, 1892**page**

5. Article reports that Garfield University was transferred yesterday to Honorable Edgar Harding, of Boston, who has paid off all the debt on it, and who has the means, the faith and the ability to re-establish it. Details. Says he hopes to be able to hold a short spring term this spring.

Sunday, February 14, 1892**page**

5. Yesterday the deed transferring the title to the Garfield University to Edgar Harding of Boston was filed in the register's office of the county. ¶ Article says when it was in operation three years ago, only partially finished, it was attended by as high as 400 students.

Thursday, February 18, 1892**page**

5. Article reports marriage at the pro-Cathedral of Miss Lizzie Tihen and Mr. Benjamin Vieth of Jefferson City.

Saturday, February 27, 1892**page**

5. The city offices will commence moving into the new city building today. The furniture is not in the building yet, but the councilmen whose terms of office will expire this spring are anxious to try the new council chamber before they retire.

Wednesday, March 2, 1892**page**

5. The city offices are being moved into the new city hall.

Thursday, March 3, 1892

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5. Next Saturday evening the new Bijou theater will be opened to the public. Admission will be 25 cents.

Friday, March 4, 1892

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5. The Burton car works are pushing the work on new cars rapidly. Over 60 men are employed and there are now orders for cars for two months ahead.

Sunday, March 6, 1892

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5. The Burton electric cars were hard pressed to make time yesterday, as the track was flooded in a number of places.

The new Bijou theater, formerly the Lyceum, on South Main across from the Metropole hotel, opened last night. Details.

Tuesday, March 8, 1892

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5. Article describes funeral yesterday of Mrs. Kate Murdock Hull, daughter of Colonel Marsh Murdock.

Thursday, March 10, 1892

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5. A book reception will be held next Tuesday in the chapel of the Wichita University.

Saturday, March 12, 1892

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5. Note on the burial yesterday of Colonel Murdock's daughter.

Sunday, March 13, 1892

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5. The announcement of the opening of Garfield University March 28 for a spring term of ten weeks is a source of gratification to its friends. Details.

Tuesday, March 15, 1892

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5. After the heavy snow yesterday, the salt car of the street railway made regular trips up and down the line all day long.

The spring term of Wichita University will open next Wednesday. The university street car is doing good service this year.

Wednesday, March 16, 1892

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5. The city council met yesterday afternoon for the first time in the new city building. They did not occupy the regular council chamber because it is not yet furnished, but met in the clerk's office, which contained the furniture brought from the old council chamber.

Saturday, March 19, 1892**page**

5. The Viele and the Clapp residences on North Lawrence avenue are nearing completion.

An electric wire yesterday fell on to a trolley wire on North Main street near Walnut, burning it in two. The break was quickly repaired and the travel was not suspended for more than 15 minutes. The manner and dispatch with which the street car company repair breaks now is worthy of commendation.

Tuesday, March 29, 1892**page**

5. The city building was duly accepted by the city council at its meeting last night.

Wednesday, March 30, 1892**page**

5. Article reports the opening Monday of the spring term of Garfield University. Details.

Friday, April 1, 1892**page**

5. Article says the Wichita Electric railway is trying a new light weight truck under one of its cars, the invention of one of our citizens, Mr. J. J. Crisp.

Article reports terrible cyclone at Towanda last evening with four killed and many injured. (Four more died later.)

Tuesday, April 5, 1892**page**

5. The Burton car works are now turning out one car per day.

Wednesday, April 6, 1892**page**

5. Table lists expenses of the various city departments for past three years. (to show they were much lower the past year under Mayor John B. Carey than the preceding years under Mayor Clement). Details.

Friday, April 8, 1892**page**

5. The Citizens' Electric Light company are putting in the electric lamps in the new city building. Details.

Sunday, April 10, 1892

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5. I. W. Gill has purchased the interest of S. S. Boaz in the firm of Boaz and Gill, undertakers.

Tuesday, April 12, 1892**page**

5. Article reports annual address of Mayor Carey to city council yesterday. When he entered office he found unpaid bills of \$25,575 and there was a reduction of nearly half a million dollars in the assessed valuation of city property, so financial stringency in expenditures was imperative to place the city back on a sound financial basis. ¶ Despite this the 11th street bridge was built and paid for and the source of annoyance, the mill dam property, was condemned, and one third of this is already paid. Details.

City council: The specifications of the city engineer for filling the approach to the 11th street bridge over Little river, were received and adopted.

Monday, April 25, 1892**page**

5. City council yesterday: Moved and carried that city clerk advertise for bids for filling the east approach to the 11th street bridge.

Saturday, April 30, 1892**page**

5. Leo Hamilton's new brick building on North Main street has reached the third story.

Sunday, May 1, 1892**page**

5. Article reports open house for citizens to inspect the new city building last evening.

Sunday, May 8, 1892**page**

6. Fire Marshal Walden has moved into his new offices in the new city building.

Yesterday the Sedgwick County bank opened its doors at 142 North Main with capital of \$50,000.

Wednesday, May 11, 1892**page**

5. A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Oak Davidson Monday.

Thursday, May 12, 1892**page**

5. The old Missouri Pacific depot on the corner of first and Wichita streets is about to be moved away.

Sunday, May 15, 1892**page**

6. About 20 employees of the Burton car works were laid off Friday evening owing to a slack in orders.

Tuesday, May 17, 1892**page**

5. New summer cars were put on the North Topeka line yesterday for the first time this year.

Thursday, May 19, 1892**page**

5. The Leo Hamilton block on North Main is nearly completed.

The new elevator in the government building is being installed and will probably be running in a few days.

Friday, May 20, 1892**page**

5. Car Number 25 of the South Main line was derailed yesterday.

Saturday, May 21, 1892**page**

5. Derailments on the street car lines are almost as frequent as wrecks on the railroads. The heavy rains have placed the road bed in bad shape in some places.

The Burton Stock Car company has commenced work on another order of eight new cars. The rumor that the shops were to close and quit work had no foundation.

Ringling Brothers' circus will be in Wichita today with a grand street procession followed by the performance at Riverside park.

Friday, May 27, 1892**page**

5. Article reports commencement exercises of the high school yesterday at the Crawford Grand. Twenty-seven graduates.

Wednesday, June 1, 1892**page**

5. Board of education yesterday voted salary schedule for school principals:

For one room building	\$60 per month
For two room building	\$62 per month
For three room building	\$65 per month
For four room building	\$70 per month

For six or eight room building \$75 per month

Thursday, June 2, 1892

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5. Article gives table of all county taxes levied yearly in Sedgwick county from 1871 through 1891. ¶ Also lists bonds of company now outstanding -- includes
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| \$18,000 at six percent due July 1, 1895 | Old court house |
| \$10,000 at six percent due July 1, 1906 | Poor farm |
| \$140,000 at five and three-quarters percent due February 1, 1910 | Colorado, Kansas and Nebraska Railroad refunding |
| \$200,000 at five percent due June 1, 1908 | Court house and jail |
| \$50,000 at five percent due June 1, 1909 | Court house additional |

Friday, June 3, 1892

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5. Article reports marriage of Mamie Mead, daughter of J. R. Mead, to Isaac B. Lee yesterday.

A group of baseball enthusiasts met yesterday to form a regular baseball association. Details.

Sunday, June 5, 1892

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5. The Baccalaureate sermon of the Wichita University will be at three o'clock this afternoon. The university car will make connections with the Douglas avenue cars at 2:40 and 3:00.

Thursday, June 9, 1892

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5. The Citizens' Electric Light company are now engaged in extending their light service to the residence portions of the city. Wire is being put up along North Market, Lawrence, and Topeka and in a day or two the service will be ready for private houses. If it proves a success in these locations, the service will be extended to all residence portions of the city.

Commencement exercises of the Wichita University will be held tomorrow. There will be four graduates from the academy department and three from the commercial department.

Sunday, June 12, 1892

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6. The new brick buildings erected by the Pabst Brewing company at corner of 5th avenue and 1st street are now completed.

Friday, June 17, 1892**page**

8. A man was run over and killed a few nights ago by Car Number 8 of the Wichita Electric Railway at 28th street

Saturday, June 18, 1892**page**

5. Article gives Maple Grove cemetery report. Details.

Thursday, June 30, 1892**page**

5. Article reports commencement exercises of All Hallows academy yesterday.

Friday, July 1, 1892**page**

5. Work on Fairmount college will be commenced next week and pushed to completion in time for the fall term.

Tuesday, July 5, 1892**page**

5. Street cars overcrowded on the 4th, and some brought as high as 100 persons from the fair grounds. On top of one car alone the writer counted as high as 20 persons.

Wednesday, July 6, 1892**page**

5. Article gives details of the sale of the Fairmount college building and campus on February 17, 1892, to Mr. H. W. Erving, trustee for the bondholders, and satisfying of the previous mechanic's lien and reduction of the mortgage debt. On February 24, 1892, the Fairmount Institute was incorporated. money has been raised allowing work on the interior of the building to be resumed, with a view to opening the school on September 15. The Fairmount college was intended exclusively for young ladies, but in this reorganization the scope has been broadened to include both sexes. Details.

Saturday, July 9, 1892**page**

5. Article says a mortgage on the Burton Stock Car company for \$1,500,000 was filed with the register of deeds at the court house yesterday, ostensibly to raise money to enlarge the capacity of the works.

Sunday, July 10, 1892**page**

5. Article lists the faculty for fall term of Garfield University, opening September 6.

Friday, July 15, 1892**page**

5. The North Topeka avenue summer cars are very popular these hot days. The cars are crowded every night with people taking a cool ride as far as the packing houses and back.

Sunday, July 17, 1892**page**

5. Commencing Sunday, July 17, street railway changes: ¶ Cars formerly running from North Main and 10th street to East Douglas and Ida avenues will run South on Main street to Levy. ¶ A five minute service will be put on East Douglas to connect with the five minute service on North Main. ¶ Including the regular College Hill cars a ten minute service will be given from Main and Douglas to Hydraulic avenue, and a regular five minute service from Main and Douglas to the depots.

Wednesday, July 27, 1892**page**

5. Mr. Sheets, proprietor of the property on the southeast corner of Market and Douglas, where a wooden building now stands, has concluded to put up a fine brick building there.

Thursday, August 4, 1892**page**

5. Article reports the sudden death of N. A. English yesterday at age 62. Came to Wichita in 1870. Eight children are living. Obituary. Born March 12, 1830 at Newark, Ohio.

S. E. Noyes and Company have leased the Innes and Ross building and will open a dry goods store.

Sunday, August 14, 1892**page**

5. Article describes Riverside park ready for the Grand Army of the Republic reunion, with at least 200 tents up and more to come, etc. Details.

Thursday, August 18, 1892**page**

5. Drawing of Garfield Hall.

Friday, August 19, 1892**page**

8. The street car company will make extra efforts to carry the thousands of visitors to the packing houses, stock yards, and Burton car works this morning.

Saturday, August 20, 1892**page**

5. Superintendent Sweet of the Street Car company says that on Thursday his company handled 21,996 people without accident. It was a matter of general remark among the thousands of strangers in Wichita that the street car service of this city was simply immense. It was perfect and gave general satisfaction.

Friday, August 26, 1892**page**

5. The street car on the Wichita University line will commence to run on Monday for the fall term.

The street car company will in a short time, put a street car on the corner of Main and Douglas near the curbing to be used as a waiting room for passengers who have to wait for transfers. The city council has granted the company permission to do so.

Tuesday, August 30, 1892**page**

4. Ad announces the fall term of The Fairmount Institute will open September 15, 1892.
5. A new game called basket ball has been introduced at the YMCA gymnasium and bids fair to become quite popular.

Thursday, September 8, 1892**page**

5. Finishing touches are being put upon newly finished rooms at Fairmount Institute, and all will be ready for the opening on Thursday, September 15.

Saturday, September 10, 1892**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* from Professor R. M. Tunnell, principal, outlines his aims for Fairmount Institute. Details.

List of teachers at the various city schools for coming year — does not include a Riverside school.

8. The old buildings are being torn away on southeast corner of Market and Douglas in preparation for construction of Mr. Sheets' new three story building.

Sunday, September 11, 1892**page**

6. Article reports on work done this past opening week at Garfield University.

Tuesday, September 13, 1892**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* summarizes in detail the history and negotiations regarding Fairmount Institute. ¶ "The Fairmount Institute is an outgrowth of Fairmount college, which had its inception nearly six years ago. The beautiful building erected by the Fairmount College corporation was simply inclosed and could not be completed for want of funds. For nearly five years the building stood in its unfinished condition, when its loss became imminent through the foreclosure of a mechanic's lien." Further details.

Saturday, September 17, 1892**page**

5. Article reports the formal opening of Fairmount institute yesterday morning. Details.

Sunday, September 18, 1892**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* describes improvements being installed by the Wichita Gas Electric Light and Power company. A new one story brick building with brick and stone stack 80 feet high is being built for the electric light station. The boiler room will be 63 by 48½ feet and the dynamo room 98 by 64 feet, into which they will transfer this present electric machinery. There will be three steel tube boilers each of 100 horsepower capacity and one Hamilton Corliss engine of 500 horsepower capacity. There will be one are light dynamo and two alternating current dynamos (750 light capacity each) for incandescent lighting.

Students in the new boarding hall at Wichita University paid average of \$1.38 last week for each boarder. The students say the board was better than they received anywhere else. It included meat three times a day and a variety of dishes good enough for a king.

Tuesday, September 20, 1892**page**

5. The new dry goods establishment of S. E. Noyes and Company will open their doors on Thursday morning in the old Innes and Ross building at 120 North Main.

Wednesday, September 21, 1892**page**

5. A bulletin board has been erected at the end of the Fairmount car line directing persons to the seminary building, which is the brick store building one block east. ¶ The Seminary will open as advertised on Monday, September 28. Details. (Note — This is not the same as Fairmount Institute.)

Friday, September 23, 1892**page**

5. The Barnum and Bailey circus will be in Wichita today on over six acres of ground at Lawrence and Lincoln streets.

The new dry goods firm of Noyes and Company opened their doors yesterday. Details.

8. The Missouri and Kansas Telephone company is putting in a new returning wire between the city proper and College Hill, which will be a great improvement.

Saturday, October 1, 1892**page**

5. Article reports in detail on the United States district court decision in the jasperite paving case involving paving on Douglas avenue. Judge rules that the city will have to pay for the paving. Details.

8. Last year the aggregate attendance at the various departments for the YMCA was 43,000.

Wednesday, October 5, 1892**page**

5. Article reports on dedication of Fairmount Institute last night. Drawing. Details.

Saturday, October 15, 1892**page**

8. A new bridge is being built over Chisholm creek on 32nd street. The old bridge has been torn out and new piles are being driven.

Wednesday, October 19, 1892**page**

5. Street car Number 22 struck a buggy on Douglas avenue yesterday.

Friday, October 21, 1892**page**

6. A new bridge has been completed over Chisholm creek on 21st street.

Wednesday, October 26, 1892**page**

5. Mr. Wails, an architect from Boston, is here to supervise further work on the Garfield university building. He plans to enclose the entire building and to build the stone steps leading to the various entrances. The windows of the south wing will all be put in before cold weather.
8. The new building of the Wichita Gas and Electric Light company is rapidly approaching completion. The carpenters are now putting on the roof.

Street car Number 8 of the East Douglas line came within one foot of striking a buggy yesterday.

Saturday, October 30, 1892**page**

5. Editorial comments on an estimated population increase of 2000 in Wichita in the past three or four months.

Friday, November 4, 1892**page**

8. Article says Mr. Duguid, motorneer on Topeka avenue line car Number 2, found a package of money.

Saturday, November 5, 1892**page**

5. The new power house of the Wichita Gas and Electric Light company is nearly completed.

Tuesday, November 8, 1892**page**

5. Santa Fe switch engine Number 235 struck a man in the Santa Fe yards here yesterday.

Sunday, November 13, 1892**page**

5. The second term of Garfield university will open Tuesday, November 15th.

Tuesday, November 15, 1892**page**

5. The Metropole hotel will open up again tomorrow. This time it will be operated and managed by Frank Rannells.

The fire department was called out Sunday night to Riverside park to subdue a fire in one of the stables connected with the old race track. The entire west wing of the stalls was burned, but fortunately the balance of the stalls as well as the Electric railway property was saved. The stables were about 150 feet long. Owing to the distance from water, 2,150 feet of hose had to be used and consequently the pressure was weak.

Note refers to the case of the 4th National bank versus the Wichita and Suburban Railway company being tried yesterday in district court.

Sunday, November 20, 1892**page**

5. Article about Wichita's first school house. Details.

Work has been commenced on a large addition to the new boarding hall at Wichita University. Both boarding houses are crowded and a large number of new students is expected at the beginning of the next term.

Miss H. Rea Woodman has been elected professor of English literature at Garfield University. She studied at Garfield through the junior year, and upon its closing in 1890 she went to Drake University, receiving the AB degree there in 1891.

Thursday, November 24, 1892**page**

5. Article about sale of street railway to have been held yesterday to satisfy a \$324,000 mortgage, but enjoined by Mr. Martinson, a stockholder. Details.

Friday, November 25, 1892**page**

5. A football game between Lewis Academy and the Wichita University will be played Saturday at the Riverside Baseball grounds.

Sunday, November 27, 1892

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5. The second term of school at Wichita University begins November 30.

Friday, December 2, 1892**page**

5. Note says the electric street railway was sold yesterday, subject to the result of the injunction proceedings, to the American Loan and Trust company for \$102,645.

Saturday, December 3, 1892**page**

1. Article reports death yesterday of Jay Gould, railroad magnate.

Wednesday, December 7, 1892**page**

5. The Sheets block on corner of Market and Douglas has now reached the second story.

The old Douglas avenue house is undergoing a general renovation.

The contractor will immediately commence finishing the Garfield University.

Tuesday, December 20, 1892**page**

8. The Eagle Cornice Works, at Orme and South Main street, was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The second story brick building, 35 by 75 feet, was erected by the owners, Caswell and Buckley, in 1888 as an overflow works for their then large business. The main office is at 324 North Main.

Saturday, December 24, 1892**page**

5. The ice pond out on 2nd and Hydraulic streets affords splendid skating now.

Friday, December 30, 1892**page**

5. City council yesterday: an estimate of the city engineer for filling on approach to the 11th street bridge was received and placed on file.