

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 1915 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle

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2. Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad will withdraw from the Wichita union station after January 5 to save about \$2300 a month, \$2200 in interest charge for using the depot and \$100 in operating expense for its one passenger train a day. ¶ A coach will be set on the Orient track opposite the old Frisco passenger depot at Mosley and Douglas and will be used temporarily as a ticket office and waiting rooms beginning January 6. The inbound Orient passenger train No. 2 will use the union depot for the last time January 5. ¶ Later it is possible the Orient may use the Missouri Pacific passenger depot or the Midland Valley passenger depot.

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5. Article reporting formation of the Guarantee Title and Trust company.

Street car No. 212 last night ran into the rear end of an interurban car which was stopped at 21st and Market.
11. Article quoting article written by Mrs. Victoria Murdock in 1913 giving alleged origin of the name "Peerless Princess of the Plains" -- supposedly so named by M. M. Murdock in honor of her.

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2. Article reports rumor that Frisco might join the Orient in leaving the union station. ¶ Orient Railroad workmen are laying a platform of oak planks west of the Orient freight depot, corner of Douglas and Mosley avenues. The platform is about 400 feet long and about 25 feet wide. A passenger coach will be brought over from the West Wichita shops today and placed west of the depot for a ticket office and waiting room. It will be lighted at night and heated. Baggage will be checked in the freight office. Baggage, mail, and express will be handled over the freight house platform.

6. Claude C. Stanley, attorney, is to erect a new home at 1319 North Emporia beside the residence of Mrs. Stanley's father, M. C. Campbell, rancher. To be two stories, nine rooms, with living room eighteen feet by 35 feet. Plans designed by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley, and contract let to O. A. White. Interior decorating to be done by Mrs. R. P. Murdock. Work is to start on it this week.

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6. Article describing the Orient Railroad's new passenger depot on wheels -- "the only passenger station in the city which is equipped with plush seats" -- about 38 of them. It consists of Orient passenger coach No. 409, which was brought over from the West Wichita shops yesterday and placed on a track at Douglas and Mosley avenues. Near the center of the coach is the ticket office. On the north end of the coach is a large sign reading "Orient Temporary Passenger station." ¶ Arch Narrimore (sic), cashier at the Orient freight depot, will be the ticket agent at the passenger station.

Thursday, January 7, 1915**page**

1. Tom Blodgett, former vice-president and treasurer of the Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods company, now in bankruptcy, was arrested last night and charged with embezzlement of \$84,000.
2. Travelers on the Orient Railroad are adapting themselves to the new passenger depot, which consists of a coach opposite the freight depot at Douglas and Mosley avenues. ¶ The "depot" will be moved to a point about six feet south of Douglas avenue and steps leading from the sidewalk to the coach will be constructed. This will enable passengers to step from the depot to the avenue.

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5. Article reports petitions are being circulated asking the mayor and commissioners to call a special election to vote on whether or not Wichita shall abandon the commission form of government.

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5. Article reports the will of Mrs. Victoria Murdock.

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5. Tipton Cox, former president of the bankrupt Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods company, was arrested yesterday on charge of embezzling \$46,000 from the dry goods company.

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8. President George Theis, Jr., of Arkansas Valley Interurban spoke to commercial club in Hutchinson in support of the proposed extension of Arkansas Valley Interurban to Hutchinson and approval of \$30,000 bond issue by that city. ¶ Says Arkansas Valley Interurban now has 36 miles of track, that there are \$856,000 in bonds on the road, of which \$350,000 had been put up by the construction company stockholders, and that the road for the past three years had been earning about \$140,000 annually, paying interest on the six percent bonds and breaking even otherwise. ¶ It would cost \$300,000 to extend the line 22 miles from Halstead to Hutchinson, and owing to the condition of the eastern money market, most of this money would have to be raised in the west, principally in the territory of the road. He said that building the road into Hutchinson would mean that it would be able to pay dividends.

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2. The pile bridge across Chisholm creek on North Washington is to be rebuilt. This work may begin right away.

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6. Hudson Motor Car company yesterday signed contract with Karl Mosbacher to establish agency here. A building has been started for the company at 219-221 South Lawrence avenue at cost of \$12,500 -- to be ready about March 1.

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2. Work is going slowly on the new Woodman bridge owing to the old style pile driver being used.

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8. Orient shops now employ 226 men, more than at any time since they were built four years ago.
11. Jones Motor Car company will start manufacturing machines in their plant here, 210-212 West Douglas avenue, tomorrow. Five cars of material are on the tracks here ready to be unloaded, and a shipment of 100 motors has been received.

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5. City commission yesterday directed city attorney to bring a mandamus suit in the state supreme court to compel the McKinley Syndicate, with head offices in Illinois, to bring its books here so that an auditor may determine the city's share of the street car company's profits.

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5. Article reports rumor that Orient Railroad may return to union station.

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8. Article regarding change in home building styles in Wichita showing photograph of recent modern "California bungalow" type home built for \$6500 and of an old style home of about twelve years ago built for \$1000. In twelve years the average cost of Wichita homes has increased from \$1000 to \$4000.

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5. Jitney buses likely will appear on the streets of Wichita Monday morning. They will be operated on paved streets and carry passengers for a "jitney," which is slang for five cents. ¶ A. H. Lewis has three autos to start with and says within a week at least eight will be operated. ¶ Initial routes will be:
- From Hillside avenue to Market and Douglas;
 - From end of pavement on North Lawrence to end of pavement on South Lawrence;
 - Between Market and Douglas and West Wichita by way of Maple street bridge;
 - Linwood park district and return.

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2. Means Brothers, druggists, will sell their drug store at Lawrence and Douglas avenues today to J. Floyd Tilford and John K. Klopffstein, pharmacists; for about \$15,000. The new firm will be known as the Tilford Drug company. ¶ Mr. Tilford about one year ago formed a partnership with Harry Dockum, the firm being the Dockum-Tilford Drug company, 400 East Douglas; he sold his half interest to Mr. Dockum a week ago. ¶ The Means Brothers drug store was established in its present location in 1901.

Article reporting that jitney bus service was delayed and did not start yesterday, but will start today. Article describes the lines to be served. On the radiator of each car will be the word "jitney" in yellow letters, and on the sides of the car will be the name of the street which the automobile traverses.

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5. Board of education Monday night rehired L. W. Mayberry, superintendent of schools, for two years with increase in salary from \$3000 to \$3250 a year. I. M. Allen, principal of the high school, was rehired with increase of salary from \$2750 to \$2875. ¶ Mr. Mayberry came here two years ago from Iola, succeeding George W. Kendrick. Mr. Allen has been at the Wichita High School since 1907.
6. Article reporting first day of jitney service yesterday and did only fair business. ¶ Three autos ran yesterday. ¶ A. H. Lewis, of 1950 South Lawrence, who organized the jitney

service, ran his own car, a six cylinder Apperson bus on Lawrence Avenue. ¶ J. E. Lewis, of South Handley avenue, drove his Ford from downtown to Hillside avenue. ¶ T. Decker, who lives on Laura avenue, operated a Ford automobile from Lawrence and Douglas to Pattie avenue and back. ¶ Headquarters established at the Ford Machine shop, 155 North Emporia, where drivers will check in mornings. ¶ On radiator of each auto is the word "Jitney" in three inch yellow letters, and on the sides of the cars in smaller yellow letters is the name of the street on which that particular car travels.

8. Weigand Tea and Coffee company will move from North Main street to larger quarters at 120 North Market street.

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6. Jitney service is growing. Five cars will be out today.

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5. Chassis of the first Jones Six was taken from the factory to a display room yesterday. The car is ready for the body, which is rapidly being put together in the factory. ¶ The first car has already been sold to Boyd Newcom, auctioneer.

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2. New clubrooms are being installed in the Lyceum building, formerly the Pro-Cathedral, corner of 2nd and St. Francis, for the use of Catholic young men.
3. Article comments pro and con regarding jitneys in Wichita.
5. New Santa Fe train, "The Missionary," cuts down time to Wichita from Chicago several hours. It leaves Chicago at 10:30 p.m. and arrives here at 4:35 p.m. The old train left Chicago at 6:00 p.m. and reached here at 5:20 p.m.
9. Article reports talk by M. W. Levy of New York, formerly of Wichita, introducing Victor Murdock at tenth annual dinner of the Kansas Society of New York, of which Mr. Levy is president.
- B-5. Photograph and article about fifth addition to St. Francis hospital built at cost of \$65,000, facing on Emporia avenue. Has been under construction since April 1914, the fifth addition in the last seventeen years. There are 70 wards (sic) in the new addition of four stories plus an attic used as a dormitory for the sisters. The main entrance of the hospital will now be on Emporia avenue instead of St. Francis avenue. The hospital can now accommodate more than 175 patients, and there are more than 50 sisters in the hospital.

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2. John Nuttle, lessee of Wonderland park, says about 1500 autos are used every evening in Wichita for pleasure drives, cutting down attendance at the amusement park, so that he is hesitating about opening the park this summer.

First motor fire apparatus to be placed in any of the substations arrived yesterday and was installed in No. 3 station in the North End. The truck cost \$7500 and was made by the Boyd Motor Car company of Philadelphia.

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5. Article saying A. A. Hyde has obtained an option on 60 acres of the McKnight tract on East Douglas avenue and that the city can have it for \$98,000 to use it for a public park.

Wichita's first home-made automobile, a Jones "six," will be turned over to its new owner, Boyd Newcom, auctioneer, at noon today.

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2. Article reporting dedication yesterday of the new Mount St. Mary's, mother house of the sisters of St. Joseph. Article describes the building.

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2. The Domestic Laundry and Dry Cleaning company, now located at William and Lawrence, is going to build a new \$40,000 building at Ellis and Douglas avenues, according to E. V. Johnston, president. Building to be two stories and is expected to be completed about September 1st.
5. Article about rumor that city will build a detention hospital on Elbe (sic) Island. Recently the city won a lawsuit over the title to this island, located on the west bank of the Big River below Harry street and east of Seneca street. This property was purchased during the administration of C. L. Davidson. It was intended for a city farm or work house, but owing to litigation these plans were abandoned.
8. Article reporting talk by A. A. Hyde to Rotary club advocating city purchase of the McKnight property for a park.

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5. After two weeks of operation, A. H. Lewis is quitting his jitney bus business and advertising his three cars for sale.

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5. Application for charter has been filed in Topeka by the newly organized Southwest State

Bank, with L. S. Naftzger, president and Henry Schweiter vice-president. The bank will be located in the corner room of the Manhattan Hotel building, Topeka and Douglas avenues. Doors to open for business on May 1. Capital stock \$100,000.

6. Street car company's reply to mandamus suit filed by city in Kansas supreme court.

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5. Plans for new Webster elementary school were chosen by Board of Education yesterday. To cost about \$50,000. To be two stories, with ten rooms and an auditorium. Architects are A. A. Crowell and George W. Van Meter of Wichita, who also designed the new Carnegie library. Bids will be called for soon.

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5. Dr. Walter W. Minick, former mayor, and a practicing physician for 23 years, is retiring from practice today and will move to his farm near Oatville.

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5. The Wichita street car company has secured a contract to repair damaged wheels from the Enid street car company, which were previously repaired at Kansas City, Missouri. ¶ The Wichita company has also been repairing "flat" wheels for the Winfield line for several weeks.

- B-5. Map of city showing *Eagle* circulation.

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1. Photographs of train wreck between Santa Fe and Frisco trains at Valley Center yesterday evening (Santa Fe engine No. 1433).
2. A new sign 35 feet long and three feet wide now extends across the McVicar-Howard-Millhault Clothing company on the first floor of the Winne building, 210-212 East Douglas.
8. School board voted to ask for estimates on the cost of wiring 28 school buildings for electric lights.
9. Street map of Wichita.

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2. The Kansas-Independent Laundry yesterday bought the plant of the Kansas Dry Cleaners, 119 North Lawrence avenue.

5. Article reporting that a \$75,000 theatrical corporation is being formed in Wichita to build a new theater with a 75 foot frontage on East Douglas immediately east of the George Innes Dry Goods company. Article lists leaders of the company and the building which will be razed on the site of the theater.

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5. A two story brick apartment house will be built at 910 North Lawrence avenue for \$8000. Thirty-two feet wide and 65 feet long with twelve rooms.

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5. A \$1200 oil portrait of Mrs. S. B. Amidon done by John Noble was received yesterday.

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5. Tipton Cox, president, and Tom Blodgett, treasurer of the bankrupt Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods company were arrested yesterday on charges of embezzlement and forgery in connection with the failure of their wholesale business. Article includes details.
10. The first carload of Jones "Six" automobiles shipped from the factory in Wichita were consigned yesterday to Riley and Son, Hutchinson. Three machines, which were completed only yesterday morning, were in the shipment.

Building at 420 East Douglas, built in 1880 and used as a cigar parlor for past seven years, is to have a new front.
11. Santa Fe passenger train engine No. 1432 was derailed between Douglas avenue and 1st street yesterday.

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5. One of the older street cars was burned out yesterday while side-tracked for an overhauling.

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10. No matter how the jitney bus business grows in Wichita or Topeka, the Wichita Railroad and Light company will not fight back by establishing rival jitney buses. Albert M. Patten, general manager of the McKinley system in Kansas, announced at Topeka this week that under no conditions would his company use gas cars to drive out competition.

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5. The Comley lumber yard at 223-225 West Douglas has been closed and will be razed. The

yard was established by the Ponds about 30 years ago and was later known as the Pond and Comley Lumber company before the Ponds closed out their interests in it.

Construction work on the Carnegie library is completed and with the installing of equipment within two weeks the building will be ready for the public. The contractor has been paid about \$53,000 for his work.

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3. Article about history of the Jones Six car.
 12. Article giving history of alleged first auto in Wichita, owned by A. S. Parks, and received in 1899.
 17. Article about the rapid growth of the jitney bus in cities of the U.S.

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2. College Hill Methodist church Sunday raised \$19,000 in subscriptions toward completion of a new church at Erie and 1st street.
5. Two story eight room home at Douglas and Clifton avenues erected last fall was purchased by T. J. Holdridge, miller and grain dealer, for \$8000.

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8. New foundry of George C. Christopher Foundry company in the seventh block on Ohio avenue was completed this week and will start operation today. Cost was \$10,000. Ten tons can be melted and poured by the furnace daily.

Contracts are being let for material for the new colored Methodist church at Elm and Water. The foundation was constructed several months ago. The building will cost about \$14,000. It will be of brick with stone trimmings. S. S. Voight drew the plans for it.

9. Map of city showing street car lines.

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11. The Riverside club has about 350 members and is starting a campaign to increase this to 400 by May 1.

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5. Article on construction of First United Brethren church at Ellis and Hyde Park.

8. The old fourteen room Black home at Douglas and Hydraulic, built in 1887 for \$22,500, was destroyed by fire Saturday and will be razed.

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2. The working day at the Domestic Steam Laundry, William street and Lawrence avenue, will be reduced from nine and a half hours to nine hours beginning Monday.

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5. Article about injunction by Jackson-Walker Coal and Material company to keep the state from collecting a royalty on sand taken from Big Arkansas river bottom. The company contends the river bed is the property of the owner of the land on each side of the stream. The state asserts that the river was at one time navigable and therefore the bed belongs to the state.
9. Map of city showing street car lines and roadways in Riverside park (before Nims extended through park).

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5. The Southwestern Drug company, at 214-216 West Douglas for twelve years, yesterday purchased the four story Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods company building in second block on South Market. The building is 100 feet wide and 140 feet long.

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5. The largest and most expensive monument to be placed in a Wichita cemetery has been ordered for the grave of Christian Kimmerle in Highland cemetery. He owned the first tombstone business in Wichita, and died at San Diego, California two months ago. A stone of granite has been ordered from a quarry at Rion, South Carolina, and will measure seven and a half feet high, five and a half feet long, and three feet thick when cut, with weight a little over 3000 pounds and cost of \$1250 when set into position. The stone will be sculptured with the relief figure of a woman after arrival in Wichita.

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5. Article saying bonds to aid in building of Arkansas Valley Interurban extension were voted in Hutchinson Monday, guaranteeing its construction. Four and a half miles of the right-of-way remains to be obtained. Work will probably start next week.
12. Article reporting that the steam heating stove on an Arkansas Valley Interurban car exploded at 18th street last evening.

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2. Chester D. Shelley is to sell out his drug store in the Barnes block at 311 East Douglas, where it has been located since June 1910. The owner of the Barnes block, O. D. Barnes, is Mrs. Shelley's father.
5. Open house is to be held for inspection of the new Carnegie library on Saturday. The formal opening will be early in May.
11. Baseball patrons will be able this summer to alight from the street cars at the stairway leading to Island park, instead of having to walk from one end of the bridge. Superintendent Charles R. Lewis, of the street car company, will build a platform at the stairway so patrons can get off there, he stated yesterday.

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5. Deal closed yesterday for a new theater building on East Douglas, just east of the Barnes building. Frontage of 115 feet on Douglas and 125 feet deep, with capacity of 1800, and costing around \$85,000. Construction to begin about May 10. Details of owners given.

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10. "Hill Crest" addition of seven acres to be added to the city soon -- just north of the old Hockaday home on East Douglas -- bounded on north by 2nd street, east by Belmont avenue and west by Broad View (sic) avenue, and on the south by D. C. Rounds property. Will be divided into 70 lots. Said to be first addition to Wichita in over three years.
11. Article reporting on open house held yesterday at the new Carnegie library.

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8. Officials of Arkansas Valley Interurban have asked the city commission for permission to operate either single or double tracks from the corner of Market and 21st streets west to Mascot avenue and then north to the city limits. Request was referred to the entire city commission and the city attorney.

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2. The extension of the Arkansas Valley Interurban line from Halstead to Hutchinson will be completed by July 1, according to Charles D. Bell, superintendent. The company has placed an order for 2800 tons of steel rails and 60,000 ties, and four grading gangs will be at work within two weeks. A sub-power station will be established at Burrton.

7. Article about objection by Midland Valley Railroad to its tax valuation. Gives figures of income and expense by the railroad:

	<u>1913</u>	<u>1914</u>
Operating revenue	\$107,602	\$111,539

Operating expenses	\$115,991	\$127,215
Operating deficit	\$8339	\$15,676.

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6. Article listing new Missouri Pacific time card.

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6. Solid tires for motor trucks can not be purchased in Wichita. It has been necessary previously to buy heavy truck tires in Kansas City, Missouri, causing delays and often expense because of enforced laying off of trucks. Because of an increase of 80% in the number of trucks used in Wichita within a year, the Johnson Brothers, of the Auto Supply of Tire company are now carrying a stock of tires for motor trucks.

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5. President of Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad says line will not be extended from Wichita to Kansas City at least two years. ¶ Orient trains will not run over the elevated tracks at the union depot until a reorganization of the company takes place. Passenger traffic on the line is strictly local and has suffered no ill effects from withdrawing from the joint association. ¶ The Orient president said that the company would have as much reason to consider offers by the Midland Valley Railroad to use its terminal as re-entering the East Douglas avenue station.
11. Fire broke out in the roof of the old Rock Island freight house near Division street and Rock Island avenue yesterday afternoon. The building, which is of brick and stone construction, is being razed, but the roof had not been removed. The fire was put out by the Central station department.
- B-12. Photographs depicting "Progress of the Wichita Street Railroad" from 1882 to 1915. Photographs by Rogers. Shows cars of 1888, 1900, 1907, 1910, 1912.

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8. Because of the shaky condition of the street car bridge across Little river to North Riverside, it is necessary to drive about a dozen new piling, reports C. R. Lewis, superintendent. Car service on this line likely will be cut tomorrow while the pile driver is being used on the bridge. Some of the piling have rotted away.

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2. Robert B. Campbell, who retired Monday as commissioner of water and lights, will devote his time to building, operating, maintaining, and financing interurban railways. He is secretary of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Construction company and will be assistant

to George Theis, Jr., president of the Interurban. ¶ Before his election four years ago he was in the insurance business.

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2. To handle the wheat crop this year, the Wichita division of the Missouri Pacific will get ten or twelve of the "1200" engines for use during the wheat rush. These are the largest engines in use by the Missouri Pacific. At present the largest engines being used on the Wichita division are the "100" type, which is several sizes smaller than the "1200" type.

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2. Big sidewalk clock in front of the Reinhard jewelry on Main street (109 North Main street) for past sixteen years is being moved to a new location in front of C. A. Whitney jewelry store at 222 East Douglas. The clock was erected by the late I. F. Varney in 1899 and has been maintained by his successor since then. The Reinhard jewelry is closing and Mr. C. A. Whitney bought the clock at an auction sale after spirited bidding.
12. Advertisement by Wichita Railroad and Light company saying beginning Thursday, April 15, at 9:00 a.m. all Riverside cars will run for the next ten days over the West Riverside line owing to repairs being made on the bridge of the North Riverside line. A street car will also be run from the bridge north.

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2. Joseph Tihen, a brother of Bishop J. H. Tihen, died in a hospital in Kansas City, Missouri Monday. He was sick about a year. Mr. Tihen and his brother John were engaged in business in Jefferson City, Missouri.

O. W. Lilljestrang of the Kansas Milling company yesterday purchased a bungalow recently erected at 825 Faulkner by the California Bungalow company. The house has six rooms and was sold for \$3000.

Plans have been made by Bert Wells, city engineer, for new bath houses on the new bathing beach site on north side of Little Arkansas River west of Woodman bridge. The new beach will be 300 feet long and 75 feet wide. Bath house will have dressing rooms for 78 men and 47 women and 130 lockers.

Summer cars made their first appearance on the street railway lines yesterday. They were run on the Fairmount line.
5. On the site of the former magnificent home of Hank Heiserman (deceased) at Carter and Riverside avenues, a new \$5000 home is to be built for U. O. Bryan, owner of Bryan Transfer and Storage company. ¶ The Heiserman residence cost between \$12,000 and \$13,000 and was destroyed by fire in the early '90s.

10. Trolley cars were put to a new use in Wichita yesterday. A summer car used in stub service in North Riverside was hitched to a pile driver instead of a team, and nearly ten piling were driven during the day. An old fashioned pile driver was used, and by using the trolley car instead of a team of horses, the number of piling driven was increased by 100%.

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2. Article about popular phone numbers in Wichita.
- B-6. Article by Farmer Doolittle describing the origin of St. Francis hospital following the burning of the old street car bran on North Main street in 1888.
- Editorial Section
3. Map of Wichita. Shows (by dots) number of houses in each block. Shows railroads but not street car lines (does not show Midland Valley Railroad).

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9. From *Wichita Eagle* of 40 years ago (April 15, 1875): Board of directors of the Wichita Bridge company announce that on and after Monday, April 12, 1875, the bridge will be opened as a toll bridge with a marked reduction in tolls.

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6. Article about plan of business men to lease South Riverside park for use as a race track. Racing meets were held there for eight years but were discontinued some 20 years ago. The former half mile track is now used as a drive and would be widened for the proposed new track along with the building of horse barns and a grand stand. ¶ South Riverside park was purchased, it is stated, from Sedgwick county for \$5000. It passed to the county following the failure of a former Wichita national bank which held the tract. This failure resulted in a loss of county funds deposited in the bank.
9. Article reporting that the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway company has been placed in the hands of receivers in Chicago.
10. Advertisement by Wichita Railroad and Light company saying "We have built a loading and unloading platform opposite the ball park for the accommodation of our Booster Patrons, and eliminating the long walk. Ride the cars to within a few yards of the entrance."
12. Article about plan to build new \$30,000 main building for College Hill Methodist church.

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5. Article about proposal to tax jitney buses -- says it is reported there are more than fifteen

jitneys operating in Wichita.

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7. Article by Farmer Doolittle reporting some opposition to a new race track in South Riverside park. ¶ Says the first races held there years ago were on October 11, 1887 -- "previous to this time the park had been little more than a cow pasture and a meeting place for tramps and a semi-lawless element of society. ¶ Lists names of organizers in 1877.
8. Note saying the old fire barn was located at 230 North Market street.
9. Orient Railroad announced that work would start soon on a new icing station near the Orient shops.
12. Street car service to North Riverside will be resumed the latter part of the week. Repair work on the bridge was not as big a task as expected. New piling were driven to replace old.

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5. Article reporting filing yesterday of will of Louise Caldwell Murdock, providing that her estate is to be used for purchase of an art collection for the city of Wichita. Includes biography of Mrs. Murdock and copy of the will. She died April 23, 1915.
6. Article about marriage of Mr. C. R. Lewis, superintendent of Wichita Railroad and Light company -- and photographs of C. R. Lewis.

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5. Arkansas Valley Interurban start grading Monday with 20 teams and 40 men on the new roadbed for 22 mile extension of the line from Halstead to Hutchinson. Work is to be completed by 1st of July, but cars will not operate until some time in August. Three cars have been purchased to accommodate passenger traffic. ¶ Hutchinson voted \$30,000 in bonds to induce the interurban to extend its line from Halstead.

The treasure room in Soldiers and Sailors monument in court house square is too damp, so local Grand Army of the Republic posts have decided to move the paper records and relics from there to the new Carnegie library.

11. The new municipal beach isn't finished, so water must be kept down in the river until this work is done. The contractor building Woodman bridge is ready for the gates in the dam to be closed. ¶ The bath house is being transferred to the north side of the river.

Arkansas Valley Interurban has not yet leased out Walnut Grove park for this summer, so it may not be open this year.

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2. The library books and equipment have been moved from their old quarters on the fourth floor of City Hall to the new Carnegie library building. ¶ The board of education will move into the fourth floor quarters in the City Hall vacated by the library.

5. William Marple, who opened the first motion picture house in Wichita, the "Elite" in 1906, died several weeks ago at Aurora, Illinois. After opening the "Elite," he later built the "Marple," which is still being operated. He sold out his business here in 1911, with a profit of \$20,000.

Fourth National bank will occupy temporary quarters in the Sheetz building, across the street, until its new six story building is far enough along for first floor occupancy. Work on the bank building will start about June 1st.

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2. Article reporting the Rock Island Railroad will build a new freight depot here soon.

Article listing antique furniture and objects in possession of Wichita families.

The ordinance extending Nims avenue through Riverside park was enacted by the city commission Saturday.

- B-1. Letter from early Wichita resident, Anson Gard, of Toronto, Kansas, about early days in Wichita and competition between Munger and Griffenstein for early development of their additions and about the election between Wichita and Park City for county seat.

Article about antique furniture, etc., in possession of Wichita families.

Tuesday, May 4, 1915**page**

5. The old German church on northeast corner of 2nd and Ohio is being razed to make way for the new \$10,000 brick school to be erected by the congregation of St. Anthony's German Catholic church. The old church has been used as a school since completion of the new German church across the street.

The Little river is narrower at Nims avenue than it was before work was started on the Woodman bridge. The bridge was built shorter than the distance between the two banks, and when the street car company started building a landing for the new municipal bathing beach, it decided to shorten the street car bridge. One bent of the trolley line bridge will be filled in.

9. *Eagle* advertisement with map of Sedgwick County showing townships and railroad lines.

Wednesday, May 5, 1915**page**

2. Deposits in the four national banks in Wichita:

Kansas National	-	\$3,601,106
Fourth National	-	\$3,455,094
National Bank of Commerce	-	\$2,931,163
Union Stockyards National	-	\$829,329.

5. Contract let for construction of St. Anthony's German Catholic school at Ohio and 2nd streets for \$11,000.

Thursday, May 6, 1915**page**

5. Missouri Pacific freight business in Wichita yesterday was the greatest in the company's history in this city.

Friday, May 7, 1915**page**

2. On the windshields of jitneys hereafter will be seen blue colored figures showing the number of the city license. The jitneys are required to pay a licence under the ordinance referring to autos for hire. The city is furnishing number and requiring the owners to place them on the windshield.

5. Professor I. M. Allen, principal of the Wichita High School for the past eight years, has announced his resignation at the end of the school year in order to attend the Columbia University Teachers' school at New York for further studies. He became principal of the Wichita High School in 1907. Photograph. ¶ During his eight years here the number of high school students has grown from 610 to 1488, the number of high school teachers from 21 to 51, and he was active in obtaining and planning the new high school building.

8. Discussion by city commission about costs of operating the new Carnegie library.

Saturday, May 8, 1915**page**

5. Article discussing need for a new concrete bridge over the Arkansas river at Maple street. Would be 450 feet long and cost about \$35,000.

Work on the extension of the Arkansas Valley Interurban from Halstead to Hutchinson, which has been held up the past two days by bad weather, will start this morning with extra men and teams in order to complete the road on time. Nearly a mile and a half of the road bed is ready for ties and rails, and it is expected that the line will be completed at the scheduled time, which is July 1. ¶ For the last two weeks 20 teams and 40 men have been clearing the right-of-way. Charles W. Bell, engineer for the interurban, announced yesterday that the force of men would be increased to 100 and the number of teams to 70.

Sunday, May 9, 1915**page**

- B-1. Another article about antique items in Wichita homes.

Article about old hotel registers in Wichita. Most have been burned or destroyed when accumulation became too large.

Thursday, May 13, 1915**page**

2. The Carnegie library will be open Friday at 9:00 a.m. although some of the furniture has not yet been installed.

Surveys will be made Friday to determine who owns the land on which the municipal bath house is being constructed. According to a survey made in 1880 by the county surveyor, Schuman's (sic) park, commencing 727 feet north of Central avenue and thence following the north bank of the river to Buffum avenue, was bought by the city. The investigations will be to establish where the north bank of the river was in 1880 or at the time the city bought the park, which was later.

Friday, May 14, 1915**page**

2. Another article about controversy between city commission and library board over policies.
5. It is planned to open the new municipal bathing beach June 1. Workmen have been busy erecting new bath houses and transferring the old ones from the former location to the new beach.

Saturday, May 15, 1915**page**

3. Article reports the opening yesterday of the new Carnegie library.
5. A two story brick building costing \$15,000 is to be built at the southeast corner of Topeka and William for occupancy by the Wichita Undertaking company, now at 1238 East Douglas. Details.

Sunday, May 16, 1915**page**

5. Julius Lucht, librarian at University Club of Chicago, has been appointed librarian of the new Carnegie library in Wichita.
9. With nearly every paved street of importance in Wichita boasting a jitney line, the owners of the jitneys are now talking of installing jitney lines between Wichita and the smaller towns in the vicinity, such as Derby, Mulvane, Rose Hill, Augusta, Cheney, Goddard, Garden Plain and others. ¶ At the present time there are 27 licensed jitney buses in the city

operating days and part of the night.

10. William Meyer and Max Krauss of the Wichita Vinegar works have leased Walnut Grove from the Interurban company for the summer season. It will be opened to the public May 23 for concerts, boating, bathing and dancing.
11. Output of the Jones automobile factory is increasing. When the first car was turned out in February a production of one car a day for two months was planned, but since then two cars have been produced daily and for the last two weeks three cars daily have been produced. From now on 25 cars will be turned out each week. Salesman are organizing the states of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Iowa to take a majority of the output, with the rest being shipped to Los Angeles, California.

Tuesday, May 18, 1915

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2. According to a report by Bert Wells, city engineer, the city owns the land 59 feet north from the bank of the Little river, west of Central Riverside park. This would include the bathing beach and a drive-way.
5. Article reports city commission threatens to abolish the Carnegie library board.

The three story building at 406-408 East Douglas was sold yesterday by L. M. Miller to Marcellus and Victor Murdock for \$75,000. The Hockaday Auto Supply company has a lease on 406 and the Novelty theater on 408.

Wednesday, May 19, 1915

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8. The commerce committee of the Wichita club yesterday guaranteed \$5000 to be used in purchasing a campus for an Indian academy in the Fairmount district.
12. Frisco advertisement for through train leaving Wichita at 12:50 p.m. and arriving St. Louis at 7:35 a.m., the only solid through train to St. Louis, and the only train through Wichita serving meals in dining cars (Fred Harvey Management).

Friday, May 21, 1915

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2. Julius Lucht, librarian of the University club of Chicago, has accepted the position of librarian of the new Carnegie library at a salary of \$1200 per year.
5. Flood waters in the drainage canal yesterday ate away dirt under the east approach to the concrete bridge on Douglas avenue and caused a section of the pavement ten to fifteen feet wide and 25 feet long to fall in, leaving a gaping hole in the street.

Sunday, May 23, 1915

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2. The Security State bank will move tomorrow from its old location at Washington and Douglas to its newly remodeled quarters in the building at Emporia and Douglas.

Tuesday, May 25, 1915**page**

5. Contract yesterday by which Arthur Paulline traded the Pacific hotel, 227-229 West Douglas and \$40,000 cash to John P. Mahan for the Jefferson hotel, 625-27-29 East Douglas. The Jefferson building is three stories, 60 by 120 feet with 41 rooms and was built by Mr. Mahan in 1905 opposite the old Santa Fe station. The Pacific hotel is four stories, 48 by 120 feet, with 55 rooms, and was built two years ago by Albert Kunkel, who sold it to Mr. Paulline

An auto race driver yesterday asked the city commission for the right to use the half mile track in South Riverside park for an auto race on Friday, May 28..

6. The Kansas Gas and Electric company yesterday asked the city commission for permission to build a board dam at the mouth of the Little river just two feet higher than low water in the Little river to keep water from the Big Arkansas river from backing up in Little river. The company uses Little river water in its boilers at the electric plant at foot of 3rd street.

Thursday, May 27, 1915**page**

5. A southern syndicate yesterday bought the Holland and Marple theaters and took an option on the Empress for more than \$15,000. ¶ The Holland theater, in first block on East Douglas, was opened last August by J. G. Holland. ¶ The Marple theater was built in 1910 by William H. Marple. ¶ The Empress theater is owned by Professor Henry Samuels and the building has been used as a theater since the fall of 1912.

Friday, May 28, 1915**page**

2. City and county ask injunction to stop sand pumps from pumping sand from bed of river below Douglas avenue bridge. They have been running almost continuously since the bridge was built and allegedly have lowered the sand level six feet, threatening exposure of the wood pilings supporting the concrete structure.

Saturday, May 29, 1915**page**

10. C. L. Davidson yesterday sold the three story brick building at 510-512-514 East Douglas to Rudolph H. Weber, of Kansas City, for \$70,000. The building was built in 1902 and with the Hartwig block, stands directly across the street from the Eaton hotel.

Sunday, May 30, 1915**page**

10. The probable first president of the new Indian school, to be located on the McGinnis 40

acre tract on 21st street and Ellis avenue, will be Henry Roe Cloud, born on the Winnebago Indian reservation in Nebraska. Biography given. A beginning of the school will be made at the McGinnis farm house this fall. Later the school will be built.

The corner stone for the new St. Anthony's school at 2nd and Ohio will be laid this afternoon.

B-1. Article discusses ways the city might use Elba island, which it has owned since 1910.

Wednesday, June 2, 1915

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8. Drawing of Fourth National bank's new six story building. The old four story building on the site is to be razed during the next two weeks. It is hoped to complete the new building in November.

Friday, June 4, 1915

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2. The city commission yesterday gave permission to Kansas Gas and Electric company to build a low dam across the mouth of the Little Arkansas river to keep water from the Big Arkansas river from backing up during times of high water into the Little Arkansas river.

Saturday, June 5, 1915

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9. Rainy weather has practically stopped work for the past two weeks on grading for the Arkansas Valley Interurban extension from Halstead to Hutchinson. So far seven of the 22 miles of grading necessary for the extension has been done. If the weather does not improve, the work will not be completed before September 1.

10. Corner stone will be laid Sunday for the new \$40,000 church of the First United Brethren church at Ellis avenue and Hyde Park (drawing).

Sunday, June 6, 1915

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5. O. S. Shirk yesterday became sole owner of the Eaton hotel property. About a year ago he had bought a half interest in the building from Ben L. Eaton for \$100,000, and yesterday he paid a like amount for the remaining half interest. ¶ The building covers five lots, with 125 foot frontage on Douglas avenue and 120 feet on South St. Francis. It has 135 guest rooms including 75 with private bath. Mr. Eaton expanded \$55,000 three years ago in improving and remodeling the building. ¶ Horace Humphrey will remain the tenant and operator of the hotel. He has the hotel leased until 1930.

9. Full page advertisement for the Jones Six auto. Drawing.

B-1. Article about boats on Little river -- says there are more than 100 boats, 80 canoes, and a dozen launches. The Riverside Boat House, under lease to Robert C. Israel, has 80 steel

boats and a few launches. Adjoining it is a canoe club housing 60 canoes. Riverside club has sixteen canoes, and the Old Town Canoe club boat house has perhaps ten canoes. ¶ Photograph of string of 80 boats in Little river above Murdock bridge (taken 1913 by L. G. Whittier) and of boats beside Murdock bridge in front of boat house.

Number of jitney licenses issued in Wichita has increased in past two weeks of rainy weather from 27 to 65.

Tuesday, June 8, 1915

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2. City commission yesterday authorized Sam Brunet to show moving pictures in Central Riverside park this summer every night except Sunday, provided no charge is made. They will be financed by advertising features between films.

10. Article by Farmer Doolittle on controversy between jitneys and street car company. Supporters of street car company point out that the company has 33 miles of track in the city, has helped pave 26 miles of streets, is assessed at \$1,600,000 and pays \$70,000 a year in taxes, employs 227 people and pays wages of \$151,000 each year.

Thursday, June 10, 1915

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5. Weather permitting, the new municipal bathing beach will be opened next Sunday. The bath house, a pretentious looking wooden structure, is ready for use. ¶ The new beach is located a hundred yards west of the north end of the new Woodman bridge, which is now open for traffic.

Friday, June 11, 1915

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5. Frisco train No. 7 arriving at 3:05 yesterday afternoon was turning the "wye" in the north yards, to back to the Union station, when the rear truck of the Pullman jumped the track, causing a delay of more than two hours reaching the station.

Saturday, June 12, 1915

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5. In order to fill the old bed of Chisholm creek north of Douglas avenue and south of 1st street, a portion of the old creek bed on Minneapolis avenue is to be used as a city dump.

10. *Eagle* circulation map of Wichita -- shows railroads and street car lines.

Sunday, June 13, 1915

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- B-6. Drawing of bath house at new municipal beach, opening today. Contains lockers for 48 women and 82 men, plus smaller lockers for boys and girls. The bath house is more than 200 feet long, and a dock has been built from the bath house into the river, so that the water at the end of the dock is deep enough for diving.

Tuesday, June 15, 1915**page**

2. Frisco advertisement states that Train No. 8, leaving Wichita at 12:50 p.m. and arriving St. Louis at 7:35 a.m., was over ten minutes late arriving at St. Louis only eight times in past four months -- on February 6 and 22, March 7 and 17, April 13, and May 20, 26, and 27.

5. A cub bear was added to the Riverside park zoo Sunday.

Thursday, June 17, 1915**page**

8. Contract let yesterday for new building for the Domestic Steam laundry at Ellis and Douglas avenues. To be 125 by 120 feet and part two story and part one story.

Tuesday, June 22, 1915**page**

5. A receiver has been appointed to manage the affairs of the Summer Garden, an outdoor amusement place in the third block on North Main.

Thursday, June 24, 1915**page**

5. Beginning today, when street cars stop at railroad crossings, the motorman instead of the conductor will get off and look to be sure no train is coming before proceeding.

6. Petition to be presented to city commission today asking that the alley between St. Francis and Emporia in the first block south of Douglas be paved with wooden blocks. (Petition was granted.)

Friday, June 25, 1915**page**

2. City commission yesterday approved estimated cost of \$351 for the six foot side-walk being built by the city on Nims avenue through the park.

Sunday, June 27, 1915**page**

- C-1. Photograph of William Davidson home, 1107 North Lawrence.

In order to better care for the crowds that pour into Central Riverside park during summer months, the Wichita Railroad and Light company is building double tracks on Nims avenue. The double track will begin at Murdock avenue, extended, and run south to the Little river, a distance of two blocks. One block has been down for years. The new track will be about 350 feet long and will enable the street railway to handle more cars to and from the park.

Tuesday, June 29, 1915

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2. Because of an increased number of tourists to the Panama Pacific exposition, the Santa Fe Missionary train, passing through Wichita at 4:35 p.m., for the past five days has been compelled to have two engines of the 1400 Class to carry the fourteen or fifteen coaches daily. Normally the train has eight or nine coaches.

Wednesday, June 30, 1915**page**

10. Fred Dold of the Dold Packing company is purchasing ten more burros to add to the three already in Central Riverside park, where the city provides free burro rides for the children. Burros cost about \$10 each.

Long article discussing the planned Roe Indian Institute.

11. Article states that the proposed city order requiring bonding of jitneys will drive them out of business.

Thursday, July 1, 1915**page**

2. Wichita Railroad and Light company advertisement announces there will be three minute service to Riverside and Wonderland Parks on July 3, 4, and 5.

Friday, July 2, 1915**page**

5. Oil burners, which were discarded from engines by railroads a year ago when the price of fuel oil soared sky-high, have been replaced on the locomotives of the various roads entering Wichita. Oil burners are now being used on nearly every passenger engine that passes through Wichita.

Saturday, July 3, 1915**page**

2. The Baltimore hotel changed hands Thursday, when D. W. Morehouse assumed the management of it. For some years it has been conducted by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Huffman, who have retired. The building is owned by Henry Stunkel, a wealthy Peck farmer.

Sunday, July 4, 1915**page**

5. The McGinnis property east of the city has been purchased by the Roe Indian school for \$15,000, of which the national board of trustees of the school will pay \$10,000, with Wichita pledging to pay the remaining \$5000.

Contract was awarded Thursday for construction of a three story brick family hotel building at 147 North Topeka. To be 40 by 118 feet and contain 40 rooms. The owner is Mrs. Clara McEwen.

- B-6. The Western Biscuit company was sold yesterday at a receiver's sale to George M. Brown and S. B. Amidon for \$60,000. They will form a new organization with \$100,000 capitalization to continue the operation. The name of the new concern will be The Southwest Cracker company.

Tuesday, July 6, 1915**page**

2. A new high mark for a day's attendance at Wonderland park was set yesterday, with 13,600 people passing through the gate after 6:00 p.m. and nearly 3000 during the day. The previous high day of about 16,000 paid admissions was three years ago.

Wednesday, July 7, 1915**page**

2. Article reports discussion of proposed jitney regulating ordinance by city commission yesterday.
5. Workman starting today to raze buildings in third block on East Douglas where a new theater is to be built. The first to be razed is at 311 East Douglas, formerly occupied by the Shelley Drug Store.
8. Riverside school will have four teachers the coming year, including Myrtle Craig teaching third and fourth grades.

New headlights are being placed on all street cars. The new lights are more brilliant and have a yellow reflector to prevent the rays from blinding the motorman of a car approaching from the opposite direction. They are termed the "Golden Glow" lights.

Thursday, July 8, 1915**page**

2. Work on construction of the new Fourth National Bank building at Market and Douglas will start this week.
- A charter was granted to the Southwest Cracker company of Wichita yesterday.
5. Police chief O. K. Stewart was arrested yesterday and charged with bootlegging contraband liquor at City hall.

Friday, July 9, 1915**page**

9. Article reports death in Oklahoma of Rev. J. H. Parker, the founder of Fairmount college. In 1886, when pastor of Plymouth Congregational church in Wichita, he proposed founding a ladies' college in Wichita, to be the "Vassar of the West." The site was chosen where Fairmount college now stands. The next year he decided to enlarge the board from five to fifteen and to change the name to Fairmount college, under which the state charter was obtained in 1887. ¶ Forty thousand dollars was spent on the building, but then

financial troubles caused the property to be sold to satisfy claims. The school was later re-established in 1892.

Saturday, July 10, 1915**page**

5. The Wichita Railroad and Light company had one of its best days on Monday, July 5, with about 57,000 rides being taken, mostly on the Riverside and Wonderland lines. Since nearly half the passengers use transfers, the street railway takes in an average of about three cents for each ride, making the total receipts for the day about \$1700.

Sunday, July 11, 1915**page**

8. Article mentions decision last week to enlarge Martinson school, and tells some history of early Wichita schools. Says the first public school of four rooms was built just 40 years ago and then burned down in 1878. It was followed two years later by the old Webster building, which was torn down a few years ago to make room for the new high school. By 1884 it became necessary to build a High School.
12. Article mentions a history of Wichita recently issued by the Eunice Sterling chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, which gives space to the career of Jesse Chisholm, for whom the creek and the trail were named. Details given. Photograph (or drawing) of Jesse Chisholm.

Tuesday, July 13, 1915**page**

5. The building on West Douglas across the street from the Missouri Pacific station, formerly occupied by the Comley Lumber company, has been leased by the Wichita fair and exposition board and will be remodeled into a stock pavilion. An entrance arch will also be built on the Douglas avenue front of the site and used as an entrance to the fair grounds.
8. A quit-claim deed to land at the end of the West Douglas avenue pavement was given the city by the Kansas Sanitarium. The strip of land will be used in straightening out the avenue and doing away with a double curve at that place.

Iron railing secured from the old Douglas avenue bridge across the Arkansas river will be used in construction of a foot bridge across the storm water sewer on 3rd street near the canal.

Thursday, July 15, 1915**page**

2. Workmen are this week tearing up the railroad track in the alley between Wichita and Water streets in the first block north of Douglas to lay new switching tracks to accommodate the wholesale houses on the Missouri Pacific tracks. A concrete base will be put in.

5. The Wallenstein and Cohn Dry Goods company (Boston Store) has been reorganized. Allen W. Hinkle of Terre Haute, Indiana has become General Manager and Superintendent and elected a Vice-President of the firm. Article gives some history of the firm.
14. The driver of jitney No. 117, owned by J. A. Cox, lost control of his car yesterday and smashed into a light pole at Market and William.

Friday, July 16, 1915**page**

2. Article reports statement yesterday by A. M. Patten, general manager of Wichita Railroad and Light company, as to why jitney buses are not a good thing for the city and should pay a license fee. ¶ "As presently operated, the jitneys simply run just ahead of our cars, picking up the persons attracted to the car lines by our established service, and then only during the hours when the transportation business is profitable."
5. City commission yesterday adopted a jitney ordinance requiring payment by jitneys of a high license fee for operation on streets on which there is a street car line, but allowing them to operate freely on streets away from car lines. Details. Ordinance to take effect August 1.

Saturday, July 17, 1915**page**

7. Jitney owners say they may operate "Donation Cars" after August 1 without charging definite fares, so as to avoid the provisions of the new jitney ordinance. Article says there are 93 jitney owners in Wichita.

Sunday, July 18, 1915**page**

- B-6. Six Jones Six cars have been shipped to Los Angeles this week.

Wednesday, July 21, 1915**page**

2. Fire broke out yesterday in an old Wichita mule car being used as a lunch house at 113 North St. Francis.

Work is to start in a few days on the two story brick building at William and Topeka being built for the Wichita Undertaking company. Building will front 50 feet on Topeka and 140 feet on William, cost \$18,000, and to be completed by November 1.

Thursday, July 22, 1915**page**

12. Article reports Wichita jitney owners are organizing to fight the new jitney ordinance.

Sunday, July 25, 1915**page**

5. Budget of the city library for coming year is \$7500.

Editorial Section

1. Has taken a full week to tear down the vault in the old Fourth National Bank building at northeast corner of Market and Douglas. Excavation for walls of the new building should be finished tomorrow.

Wednesday, July 28, 1915

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2. Statement of earnings of Wichita Railroad and Light company filed with the city yesterday as provided in a franchise. Earnings were down. The total revenue was more than \$425,000, but expenses soared to almost \$300,000, leaving earnings of \$156,581.93, or less than 10% of the company's investment of \$1,902,578.20. Report is for fiscal year.

Friday, July 30, 1915

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5. Petitions for a motor fire truck are being circulated by residents of No. 6 fire station district on South Lawrence avenue.
10. Kansas interurbans cleared \$4,033,078 over their expenses in fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, according to biennial report of the Kansas public utilities commission. Details given. ¶ The Topeka Street Railway company for 1914 reported total revenue of \$432,326.21, and expenses of \$215,417.64, leaving net operating profit of \$216,908.57. Taxes were \$25,926.83 and interest was \$58,375, leaving net surplus of \$133,006.74.

Sunday, August 1, 1915

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2. Shoes made in Wichita by the Daniels Shoe company, 415 South St. Francis, will be placed on the market this week. The company, headed by John F. Daniels, bought the McNaghten shoe factory, enlarged it, and is now ready to begin manufacturing shoes. About \$40,000 worth of machinery has been installed, and the capacity will be 700 pairs of shoes a day. At full capacity, about 150 will be employed.

Thursday, August 5, 1915

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2. Plans for a \$10,000 interurban station at Hutchinson are being prepared by Architects Crowell and Van Meter. It will be two stories and of brick and stone construction.

Friday, August 6, 1915

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2. Ringling Brothers circus showed to 23,890 persons in Wichita yesterday. Twelve thousand one hundred ninety saw the afternoon show and 11,700 the evening show. Admission was 50¢ with an additional 50¢ for a reserved seat.
5. For the circus parade and circus yesterday the Wichita Railroad and Light company had

every available car in use, even to some of the old canvas top trailers.

Saturday, August 7, 1915**page**

2. The Wichita Alfalfa Stock Food mill at 14th street and Santa Fe avenue is now working at capacity day and night, producing 35 tons of the stock food every 24 hours.

Sunday, August 8, 1915**page**

6. Drawing of new building being constructed on southeast corner of Topeka and William for the Wichita Undertaking company. Foundations are finished and brick laying will start Monday. Completion due by November 1. Building is 50 by 140 feet, of dark brown colored brick with stone trimmings. Cost is about \$18,000.
- B-1. The basement is about dug for the new Fourth National bank building, and a concrete pouring tower has been erected.

Tuesday, August 10, 1915**page**

5. Contract let yesterday for construction of a new concrete and steel bridge over Chisholm creek on East 21st street. Cost of \$3797 to be paid a fourth by Wichita township, a fourth by city of Wichita, and half by Sedgwick county.
10. City commission yesterday instructed city engineer, Bert Wells, to draw up plans for a storm sewer to carry off the water standing in the elk pen at Riverside park.

Wednesday, August 11, 1915**page**

2. Plans for a station for the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway at Burrton are being made by architects Crowell and Van Meter. The station will be of brick, one story in height, and cost about \$5000.

Friday, August 13, 1915**page**

2. Sunday, August 15, will be the last service in the old African Methodist Episcopal church. The frame church at 523 North Water was built nearly 40 years ago and will be demolished beginning Monday.
5. The old Mason home on Riverside Drive, built sixteen years ago, with two stories and ten rooms, and occupied by Fred Buckley, owner of the Buckley Cornice works since three months after its completion, was sold yesterday to Z. T. Bartley, a western Kansas ranchman, for \$8000.

Sunday, August 15, 1915**page**

7. Drawing shows location of proposed auto speedway -- two miles south of Douglas avenue on Meridian road, on east side of road. A mile and a half track is planned for this location.

Tuesday, August 17, 1915**page**

2. The Wichita Railroad and Light company announced yesterday that the Pattie avenue car line will be consolidated with the Mount Carmel line and its service cut from fifteen to 30 minutes. The Cleveland and Waco runs will also be consolidated, and Fairmount cars will run around the loop. C. R. Lewis, superintendent, said the reduction in service was necessary because of the jitneys. Changes will start tomorrow.

Friday, August 20, 1915**page**

1. Article reports oil was struck last night on the Drollinger farm, one and a half miles southeast of the Wichita city limits.

Tuesday, August 24, 1915**page**

2. City commission yesterday let contract for paving Bort avenue with brick from 1st to 2nd streets.

The new wing of St. Francis hospital will be dedicated tomorrow, bringing the total to 200 rooms. The Emporia street entrance to the hospital will be used entirely after this week.

Thursday, August 26, 1915**page**

2. Article reports dedication yesterday by Bishop Hennessy of the new 72 room Emporia avenue addition to St. Francis hospital. Forty eight sisters serve the institution.

Friday, August 27, 1915**page**

8. Article reports service on Stockyards-South Main street car line may be reduced owing to jitney competition. "The Stockyards car is now run from the loop on 21st street directly through to the end of the South Main street line."
10. George Theis, president of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, stated in Hutchinson that Hutchinson people will be proud of the Arkansas Valley Interurban depot there. He expects to spend every dollar of the \$30,000 voted to his road in bonds by the people of Hutchinson on improvements in that city. ¶ He stated that wet weather and the matter of the railroad crossing are the only two things delaying the entrance of the Arkansas Valley Interurban into Hutchinson. ¶ We have eighteen miles of track to build. The ties and rails are on the ground and paid for, our poles are ready, and our wire is waiting to be shipped. We could build the line in 25 days if we had good weather. When we get a change, it will not take us more than 40 days to get into Hutchinson."

Saturday, August 28, 1915**page**

2. Because of insufficient patronage, the Summer garden, an outdoor picture and vaudeville theater on North Main street, has been closed.

Wednesday, September 1, 1915**page**

10. Finishing touches are being placed on the new St. Anthony's parochial school building at 2nd and Ohio, and it will be dedicated next Sunday in time for the fall term of school. The new building cost \$12,000.

Thursday, September 2, 1915**page**

5. Building permits issued during August included the new theater on Douglas avenue for \$65,000 being built by the Southwestern Amusement company.

Friday, September 3, 1915**page**

5. Article says the number of jitneys in operation in Wichita varies from 70 to 80 or more.

Saturday, September 4, 1915**page**

2. Permit issued to Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods company to build a one-story building adjoining their building.
10. Half a dozen teams are grading Wichita's new speedway, south of the Orient shops on Meridian avenue. To be completed by September 25.

Tuesday, September 7, 1915**page**

9. Article reports on dedication Sunday of new St. Anthony's school at 2nd and Ohio.

Thursday, September 9, 1915**page**

2. Bids will be opened Saturday at the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway office on West 1st street for the construction of a \$10,000 station at Hutchinson to be two stories high. ¶ The Burrton station will be erected by company men.

Wesley hospital is having a Scheidel Western X-ray machine installed. It arrived Tuesday, and is the first X-ray for the hospital.

Friday, September 10, 1915**page**

9. Twenty-two Wichita street car employes will go to Topeka next week to help handle the street cars there during the fair.

Saturday, September 11, 1915**page**

5. Plain gray brick, made in Shawnee, Ohio, has been selected for the new Fourth National bank building. The first floor will be of terra cotta and the other five floors of the gray brick.

Sunday, September 12, 1915**page**

5. Editorial Section
Map of Sedgwick county.

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2. Article reports Board of Education may ask for a bond issue to establish a system of intermediate schools to include four schools, one on north, east, south, and west side of city.

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6. Because the Rock Island Railroad does not want its main line cut by a grade crossing, the extension of the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway from Halstead to Hutchinson may be delayed several weeks. ¶ Rails are now within four miles of the crossing and will be there within a week. Work on the extension was started at Burrton, and rails are being laid in both directions from there. The company has until December 29 to complete the line, and with this unexcepted delay, it may require every day of that time to do the work.

Sunday, September 19, 1915**page**

1. The Kansas Gas and Electric company filed yesterday an application for an immediate increase of \$300,000 in capital stock authorization to be used in extending the transmission line from Van Arsdale station, near Newton, to Burrton in order to take care of the current needed by the interurban on the extension to Hutchinson. The local plant will furnish power for the interurban to within five miles of Hutchinson.
5. Contract was let yesterday to the Foy Construction company of Hutchinson for the new interurban passenger station at Hutchinson. The bid was between \$10,000 and \$11,000. Work will start at once.

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2. A three story brick addition to the Kansas Sanitarium is now well under way at a cost of \$4500.
5. Beginning tomorrow the Wichita Railroad and Light company will increase the Pattie avenue-Mount Carmel street car service from a 30 minute to a 20 minute service. One-

man cars will be used on the line.

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2. The new Grace Methodist Episcopal church at South Topeka and Gilbert, which has been five years under construction, will be dedicated tomorrow. Drawing. Cost is \$65,000. During the construction, services were held in the basement for two years and then in the Sunday school wing for three years.
5. Work will start Monday on a three story brick building at 129-131 North Rock Island for the Wichita Casket company. To be 58 feet by 120 feet and cost about \$20,000.
8. Forms are being put up for the fourth floor of the Fourth National Bank building.

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5. City commission yesterday let contracts for paving with brick of 21st street from Market to Washington, Belmont from Douglas to English, English from Fountain to Belmont, and Fountain from Douglas to English.

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5. The last obstacle to the entry of the Arkansas Valley Interurban into Hutchinson was removed yesterday when agreement was reached permitting the electric line to cross the Rock Island Railroad tracks at Hutchinson at grade. About four weeks will be required for building the network of steel for crossing the four Rock Island tracks. The interurban is laying track at about 4000 feet per day, and overhead wiring is proceeding almost as rapidly. Work on the Hutchinson passenger depot will start this week.

County commission yesterday voted in favor of a new \$100,000 county jail to replace the dilapidated old one at corner of Elm and Market. To be left up to voters whether to pay for it by a one mill levy for one year only or by a bond issue.

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5. Gasoline price advanced 1¢ per gallon yesterday to a price of 11.2¢.

Two paving projects will be started this morning: the 18th street brick pavement between Lawrence and Topeka avenue and the wood block pavement in the alley at the rear of the Eaton hotel.

9. Article reports the formal dedication ceremony of the new Carnegie library last night. Gives details of history of the library in Wichita. Library was a pay library until 1900, when it became free.

Sunday, October 3, 1915**page**

1. Photographs of Fourth National Bank under construction, Red star and Expansion "daylight" mills.
5. Charter incorporating the Jones Motor Car company with capital stock of \$500,000 issued yesterday in Topeka. Two hundred thousand dollars of the stock is taken by J. J. Jones, founder. Will allow expansion to capacity of 60 cars a week in two months.
8. Photograph of Bitting building (four stories).

Automobile Section

9. Article on street paving in Wichita says in 1912, 7.29 miles of paving laid at cost of \$314,893, including asphalt 0.80 miles, brick 3.72 miles, hazzam 0.84 miles, concrete 1.11 miles, double bond 0.27 miles, westrumite 0.47 miles, and wood block 0.08 miles. Gives more details of street paving and sewer construction history in Wichita.

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2. Paving cost for 30 foot street is approximately \$4.00 per foot or \$400 for a 100 foot lot, with either asphalt or brick. For a 40 foot street it is about \$5.00 per front foot.

Photographs include:

4. Butts building
8. Wichita's first jail.

International Wheat Show Section -- part of special edition for fall Wheat Show. Photographs include:

1. Harry street canal bridge, Wichita street cars over the years.
2. Sedgwick building.
7. Schweiter building.
8. Beacon building.

Special articles about Wichita institutions and companies.

Wednesday, October 6, 1915**page**

10. A decision given yesterday in court in the case of the suit of the Welsbach Lighting company of Kansas City against the City of Wichita granted the company a judgment of \$900 against the city, which was the amount the city had tendered in settlement of the claim.

Thursday, October 7, 1915

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1. Article about balloon race to start from Island Park this afternoon.

Friday, October 8, 1915**page**

1. Photograph of balloons being inflated at Island Park yesterday.
5. Jitney bus No. 220 collided with a truck at Douglas and St. Francis yesterday.
10. Construction on the extension of the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway has reached within two miles of Hutchinson but is being delayed slightly by a marsh which requires a fill.

Saturday, October 9, 1915**page**

1. Winner of balloon race remained in the air eighteen hours 35 minutes and traveled 363 miles, landing twelve miles north of Prescott, Arkansas.
5. Article reports a receiver has been asked for the Riverside club. Petition filed by bondholders with payments long overdue. Unpaid taxes over past three years of \$2380, and the property of the club has been sold to satisfy taxes, subject to redemption up to November 4, 1915.
12. Building permit secured this morning for the new Arkansas Valley Interurban company depot in Hutchinson, at 119 2nd avenue east. To be two stories and cost \$12,000. ¶ Construction workers expect to complete the road between Burrton and Hutchinson before the line from Burrton to Halstead is finished.

Sunday, October 10, 1915**page**

5. The district court ruled yesterday that the city possesses full authority to regulate jitney buses within the city and to continue the present ordinance levying high licence fees for operation over streets having a street car service.
- B-3. The new Wichita Speedway is two-thirds completed. The grandstand will be 300 feet long and seat more than 5000 persons.

Tuesday, October 12, 1915**page**

12. City commission yesterday ordered bids advertised for paving of Litchfield avenue from Franklin to River Boulevard with concrete.
16. Wichita's new speedway will be christened this afternoon with Barney Oldfield attempting to break in the world's dirt track record. ¶ A small army of carpenters yesterday completed the grandstand. A steam roller has been working on in the track.

Thursday, October 14, 1915**page**

5. Jitney owners have appealed to the state supreme court from the recent ruling of in the district court. Article gives details.
7. The Wichita Speedway will be formally dedicated today after two days' delay owing to heavy rains. Location is on Meridian Road, two and a half miles south of Douglas avenue.

Friday, October 15, 1915**page**

2. The ten days wheat fair closed yesterday.
Total paid attendance in 1914 -- 103,384.
Total paid attendance in 1915 -- 90,978.
5. Report on opening of in the Wichita Speedway yesterday.

Sunday, October 17, 1915**page**

1. Editorial Section
Photograph of crowd at the new Speedway.

Tuesday, October 19, 1915**page**

2. Last night was fourth anniversary of opening of Coronado hotel.

Sunday, October 24, 1915**page**

2. The Stock Yards state bank at 18th street and Lawrence avenue changed hands yesterday.

Tuesday, October 26, 1915**page**

2. Editorial comment congratulating street car company for new policy of stopping and waiting for intending riders.

Directors of YWCA Friday decided to proceed at once with the new YWCA building on North Topeka avenue, north of the Salvation army barracks. To be four stories, 48 by 140 feet, and cost \$60,000.
8. Beginning today, five minute street car service will be run on the College Hill line from 6:30 until 9:00 in the evening, between Hillside avenue and Main street.

Wednesday, October 27, 1915**page**

2. The United Warehouse company, a new Wichita corporation, will occupy the new Rumley building at Rock Island avenue and 2nd street. The Rumley company is in the hands of a

receiver.

Friday, October 29, 1915**page**

1. Big gas well strike yesterday near Augusta.

Saturday, October 30, 1915**page**

1. Augusta field's one hundred seventy-eighth gas well brought in yesterday.

Sunday, October 31, 1915**page**

2. Ground breaking for new West Side Presbyterian church, Martinson and University avenues, to be held today. To cost approximately \$20,000. Drawing.
10. Advertisement for Jones Six car.
11. Standard Oil company yesterday purchased an entire block along the Santa Fe right-of-way between 9th and 10th streets. Several buildings will be erected there (details).

Friday, November 5, 1915**page**

5. Missouri Pacific Wednesday did its best single day's business of the year on the Wichita division, hauling over 35,000 tons in 706 car loads. Red ball freight No. 477 came through Wichita in four sections. Every available car and train man was used.

Saturday, November 6, 1915**page**

2. Advertisement with drawing of Wichita Undertaking Company building under construction at southeast corner of Topeka and William.

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5. Three story brick building in eleventh block on East Douglas bought for \$30,000 by Charles F. Weber. Building was erected by O. S. Shirk in 1913 and is 50 by 125 feet. Second and third floors are now occupied by factory of the Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods company.
- B-5. New \$1500 pipe organ at Calvary Baptist church (colored), Elm and Water streets, will be dedicated today.

Tuesday, November 9, 1915**page**

5. A Maxwell jitney, No. 212, collided yesterday with a South Emporia street car on East Douglas avenue.

The 21st street bridge across Chisholm creek, built by the city and county, is ready for use.

Thursday, November 11, 1915**page**

5. The Burton car works and 73 acres of ground were sold yesterday to the Jones Motor Car company for \$100,000. The property has been owned for about ten years by the American Warehouse company, known as Amwaco, and used for storage of broomcorn. Possession to be given January 1, 1916. Includes five buildings each 80 by 250 feet, giving ground floor space of 100,000 square feet. Sufficiently capacity for 10,000 cars per year.

Sunday, November 14, 1915**page**

11. Jitney No. 211 collided with a buggy at Main and Douglas yesterday.

Tuesday, November 16, 1915**page**

2. The Hamilton hotel was sold yesterday to J. F. Benson, of Chikasha, Oklahoma, by L. O. Gurnee. The purchase involves only the hotel equipment and operation, as the building is owned by a bank.

Thursday, November 18, 1915**page**

5. Article reports plan of Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods company to add three stories to the company's present three story building at 702 East Douglas.
16. Preparations are being made by the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway company to build a sand and gravel boat to pump ballast for its tracks. The boat will be built at Walnut Grove, where it will be used in the Little Arkansas river. It will be large and will be equipped with a 35 h.p. motor (electric). It will be ready within a couple of weeks. Several miles of track will be ballasted between Valley Center and Sedgwick. About two dozen carloads of gravel will be handled a day.

Friday, November 19, 1915**page**

9. Work of sanding and graveling North Lawrence avenue in Sedgwick county resumed again this week. The sand and gravel is being hauled from the Little Arkansas river. This work was started a year ago last spring, when the mile north of 29th street was covered. This was so successful on one of the worst miles of gumbo road in the county, that about three and a half miles more was sanded last spring. It is now planned to fill in the gap of one and a half miles to the parallel, and probably carry the sanding on to the county line, six miles farther north, if the weather remains goods.
10. The city yesterday signed an agreement with the Missouri and Kansas Telephone company ending its attempt to force lower telephone rates, which was started four years ago. As a result of this agreement, the company will start work within 60 days on a \$300,000

building to be built at 1st street and Lawrence avenue.

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2. For the parade in Electrical Prosperity week, the Wichita Railroad and Light company planned to unearth one of the mule cars used years ago in Wichita. It finally found one of the old cars in the first block on North St. Francis, where it has done duty for years as a hamburger and chili stand. Yesterday it became a street car again. It was hoisted upon trucks and towed on the street car tracks to a place where it will be decorated for the parade.

11. The new \$12,000 building of the First Church of the Evangelical association, at Estelle and Waterman, is to be dedicated next Sunday.

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10. Contract let yesterday for new YWCA building at 140 North Topeka, for approximately \$50,000.

11. Advertisements with photograph of new Christian Science church.

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2. Article reports first service was held yesterday in new Christian Science church in eighth block on North Lawrence. Building is not yet completed, so the service was held in the basement. Building will cost over \$50,000. Work on its started in May 1914. The former church building at 2nd and Lawrence was sold a year ago, and the congregation has been meeting at Philharmony hall.

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11. Work on the Arkansas Valley Interurban depot at Hutchinson is nearing completion. The structure is up to the roof. The crossings for the main line of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway have arrived and will soon be installed. Wires will be up by Thursday. With favorable weather all work should be completed and the line in running order by December 15. The new depot at Hutchinson will cost fully \$11,000. ¶ One of the most unique structures on the line is the new glass and tapestry brick depot and power plant at Burrton, which will cost about \$8000.

Thursday, December 2, 1915

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11. Residents of North Riverside are grumbling about their 20 minute street car service and are threatening to arrange with a jitney to provide service ten minutes after each street car. The Riverside service is divided at Franklin and Nims, with one car going west every 20 minute and the other going north every 20 minutes, giving a ten minute service from

downtown to Nims and Franklin.

Friday, December 3, 1915**page**

2. After eighteen months of struggling, the congregation of St. Paul's colored African Methodist Episcopal church will enter the basement of their new church, southwest corner of Water and Elm, next Sunday.

Saturday, December 4, 1915**page**

2. A scene in Riverside park has been painted in colors by John Elliott Jenkins, who has a studio in the Butts building. The scene shows the old bathing beach in South Riverside park.
9. Article about opening of the new Le Roy family hotel at 153 North Topeka. Photograph. Three stories with front balconies.

Sunday, December 5, 1915**page**

6. Article about plans by C. C. Cox, park superintendent, for plantings at Riverside park next summer. ¶ Efforts will be made to cover the stone wall at the west entrance with running vines and flowers. ¶ Old flower beds near the circle will be replaced with new earth of gumbo and rich loam. ¶ There are over 8000 plants and vines in the greenhouse of 441 different varieties. There are also 500 bulbs of different kinds now in beds. ¶ The lily pond in the north part has been cleaned out and fresh soil put in.
10. Article on early Wichita history by Kos Harris. Gives names of all Wichita post masters and locations of post offices.
12. Article reports the new Palace theater in third block on East Douglas will open January 5. Description. Work on the building started last June. To cost about \$100,000. Only moving pictures will be shown. Ten thousand dollar pipe organ to be installed.

Tuesday, December 7, 1915**page**

9. Both College Hill and West Side residents want the new motor fire truck which is to be purchased after the first of the year. It is to be a combination hose and chemical motor costing not more than \$5000.
12. Article about the Amidon Christmas dinner for the poor, probably to be at the Consistory. Last year over 1000 persons were fed in the Amidon dinner in Elks hall.

Wednesday, December 8, 1915**page**

2. Contract let yesterday for a \$15,000 addition to the Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods company

building at 704 East Douglas. Will include an addition of two stories and remodeling. The building at present has three stories. The factory at 1109-1111 East Douglas, in which the company manufactures overalls, shirts, and other work clothes, will be moved to the fifth floor when the addition is completed.

A new front is being placed on the old Niederlander building at 120 West Douglas, built in 1884.

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6. The Santa Fe is starting work immediately building a new switch 1680 feet long with a tail track 470 feet long in the alley between Tremont street and South Emporia. The improvement will cost over \$20,000, the track alone costing \$14,080. Beginning at Orme and Commerce streets, it crosses the Santa Fe property north to Kellogg, then crosses Tremont street 90 feet south of Dewey into the alley between Tremont and South Emporia, then runs north to William street. ¶ The main purpose is to build up a new wholesale district and it will mean the passing of the old districts along Tremont and South Emporia. The ramshackle Mexican quarters and other empty buildings on Tremont street will be torn down.

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5. Supreme court of Kansas yesterday ruled that the Wichita jitney ordinance is constitutional.
10. The 50 room Layle hotel, 610-612 East Douglas, has been remodeled at cost of \$6500.

Tuesday, December 14, 1915

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10. The Arkansas Valley Interurban railway will be informally opened for traffic to Hutchinson Monday afternoon, December 20, with an excursion trip from Wichita.

Tuesday, December 21, 1915

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1. Article reports first cars on new extension of Arkansas Valley Interurban were run through from Wichita to Hutchinson yesterday. Regular service will be inaugurated on Wednesday with cars running every hour and a quarter. Extension cost \$350,000. Details. ¶ Ballasting of the road will begin within a few days and the entire roadbed will be ballasted within a year. ¶ The extension adds 24 miles to the previous 36 miles of the road. Valuation is raised from \$983,000 to \$1,185,000. It is hoped it will double the present annual receipts of \$140,000.

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5. Jitney en route to town from stock yards collided with a car yesterday when the jitney

turned west at 13th and Market.

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6. Article by Kos Harris on history of early schools in Wichita.

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10. Gravel for ballasting the line of the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway company will be pumped from the company pits at Walnut Grove park, about 1000 feet south of the bath house. The pump is now being installed.