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 1920 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle Sunday, January 4, 1920 page

- 4. Kansas Sanitarium will solicit \$20,000 in funds to complete needed improvements. During the past summer it built a 36 room nurses home at cost of \$40,000. This is the first appeal for funds to the public since the institution was founded here in 1904.
- 5. The Regent Theater is being rebuilt following its partial destruction by fire in November and should be ready to re-open by January 20. The exterior of the building is being repainted and the old Colonial sign has finally been removed.

Section B

1. Article on buildings planned for Wichita in 1920. Photographs of Walter Innes Dry Goods company warehouse at 1st and Mead under construction and of J. Arch Butts building in second block on North Lawrence.

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5. The Coleman Lamp company has purchased the old pro-cathedral building and site at southeast corner of St. Francis and 2nd streets from W. M. G. Howse and will build four reinforced concrete buildings, 60 by 140 feet, of four stories each on the property. The property was released to the Coleman Lamp company by Mr. Howse on the condition the company build additional buildings in Wichita instead of expanding to other cities.

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When the heating plant of the Wichita hospital broke down the night of December 31, the Missouri Pacific was called on to furnish steam until the break could be fixed. One of the yard switch engines was backed to the engine house at the hospital and connected to the hospital steam pipes. Reports indicate it is doing a splendid job in keeping the temperature of the buildings up to normal. Two locomotive firemen have been kept busy day and night keeping up steam for the engine. It is thought the plant will be fixed Tuesday afternoon.

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Article reports the United Congregational church will build a new structure to cost over \$100,000 at northeast corner of 1st and Clifton. The present church building will be converted into a Sunday school.

Wichita will not postpone its action in condemning the street car bridge which spans the river at Douglas avenue. A. M. Patten was in Wichita Tuesday and requested that the hearing on the matter set for January 15 be postponed, but this was refused.

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5. The Alexander Hamilton intermediate school at Lawrence and Zimmerly will be formally dedicated Thursday, January 16.

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Wichita's \$100,000 Cathedral school opened its doors for pupils yesterday with 350 enrolled. Formal dedication was made Sunday afternoon. There are 14 classrooms, gymnasium, and auditorium. Children from seven years through high school are enrolled.

T. B. Richardson purchased the Baltimore hotel yesterday for \$60,000 from the Henry Stunkel estate. It was purchased by Henry Stunkel 35 years ago and has been added to since that time. There are eight large storerooms on the first floor and 74 rooms on the upper floors.

Friday, January 16, 1920

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5. Statement made yesterday by A. M. Patten, Kansas manager of McKinley interests, that Wichita street cars operated at a loss of \$41,312.67 during 1919. ¶ Net earnings of the Wichita Railroad and Light company were \$53,977.72, but dividends on preferred stock, interest on bonds and bond discount amounted to \$95,290.39, accounting for the deficit. ¶ In 1918 the company's profits had approximated \$72,000. ¶ Some discussion with city commission of possible use of the Douglas avenue bridge by the street cars.

Saturday, January 17, 1920

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- 2. Temporary improvement of the 13th street and 2nd street bridges was authorized by the city commission yesterday.
- 5. Wichita's first elevator was installed in 1889 in the Eno Furniture company, located on West Douglas where Sam's Kitchen now stands.

Sunday, January 18, 1920 page

C11. Equivalent of 17 miles of 18 foot roadway was amount of paving completed in Wichita in 1919.

Total was:	Brick	84,000 square yards
	Concrete	60,200 square yards
	Asphalt Concrete	13,100 square yards
	Sheet Asphalt	3500 square yards

An additional 84,500 square yards was contracted for but not yet built. ¶ Graph shows yearly amount of paving in Wichita for past 31 years. Only 1910 and 1911 exceeded the amount in 1819.

Tuesday, January 20, 1920

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5. Stockholders of Jones Motor Car Company met yesterday and report was received of excellent business in 1919.

Thursday, January 22, 1920

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5. Wichita street cars ran in droves for a time yesterday. At 4:30 22 cars were counted between Main street and the arch at Lawrence avenue.

Santa Fe switched wrong Pullmans at Newton yesterday. Car from Wichita bound for Colorado wound up back in Wichita, while car returning to Wichita from the East ended up in Colorado. \P "Santa Fe officials, when questioned about the mistake, said they did not care to discuss the matter."

Saturday, January 24, 1920

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5. Kansas National bank leased for 99 years the old Keck building and site at 111 North Main street, extending their property to the alley and giving them a frontage of 93 feet on Douglas and 130 feet on Main for their new building.

Sunday, January 25, 1920

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- 4. Letter from Kos Harris regarding William Griffenstein.
- 5. College Hill street cars were running off schedule yesterday, when they ran at all, and a passenger suggested that they needed a new schedule. A lad of 12 years caused a laugh when he remarked, "I think they need a calendar instead of a schedule."

Contract let for seven story mill addition for the Kansas Milling company at 13th and Santa Fe streets. To cost about \$300,000 and have capacity of 1500 barrels daily.

Monday, January 26, 1920

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2. The Wichita Federation of Churches was organized yesterday with 25 member churches.

Tuesday, January 27, 1920

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- 5. South Main street which has been patient with the smallest Ford bus in the city, is now crowing over the finest Reo running. It is a dark green with fancy leaded windows and all the trimmings that make it quite distinctive.
- 6. Annexes were opened yesterday for second semester including a temporary ten room addition at the high school in the rear of the building and a two room addition at Horace Mann Intermediate school. Four rooms in the old section of the high school were vacated on orders from the fire marshall. The high school now has a total of 1830 students.

Wednesday, January 28, 1920

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- 2. The Regent theater, on North Market, reopens today after reconstruction following the fire last October.
- 5. Kansas State Association of Graduate Nurses has given a "fair price" list of service charges by nurses, including:

General cases, per week	\$30.00
General cases, per day	\$5.00
Contagious cases, per week	\$35.00
Hourly nursing, first hour	\$1.00
Hourly nursing, each additional hour	\$0.50

The Registered Nurse should be relieved for six consecutive hours' sleep and two additional hours recreation out of each 24 hours.

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7. Article describing interior of redecorated Regent theater.

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- 2. The "flu" hospital in the North End will be reopened by the Red Cross in view of the appearance of the 1920 flu epidemic in Wichita a week ago with 36 new cases reported yesterday. It will be ready for patients by Saturday.
- 8. New Arkansas Valley Interurban timetable (advertisement) effective February 1, 1920. Lists stops of Limited and Local cars.

14. Article on Arkansas Valley Interurban schedule changes. Total number of passengers increased from 743,550 in 1918 to 826,000 in 1919. Article describes improvements in bridges and line made last year.

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5. City engineer and street commissioner recommended to city commission yesterday the resurfacing of West Douglas from Wichita to Seneca streets and the compelling of the Wichita Railroad and Light company put in double track all the way to Seneca.

Sunday, February 1, 1920

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5. The Santa Fe Railroad plans to relay the tracks on the Wichita and Western division between Wichita and Kingman this spring at a cost approaching \$500,000. The new rails will be of a much heavier steel than those now used.

Section B

- 1. Special Mid-Centennial page of Wichita -- with article about Pioneer Society and various historical notes.
- 12. Article about Wichita High School cafeteria.
- 14. New Arkansas Valley Interurban timetable (advertisement).

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- 2. Board of education yesterday re-elected L. W. Brooks as principal of high school for year 1920-21 at salary of \$4200 and L. W. Mayberry as superintendent of schools at salary of \$6000.
- 5. School board yesterday voted to re-open the question of the name of the new West Side Intermediate school in order to satisfy West Side residents, who have objected to the name "Mark Twain" previously adopted. ¶ Quakers are said to oppose Mark Twain as a name because he was a Unitarian.

Street car operators have changed on February 1 from a three shift schedule to a two shift schedule.

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6. Howard Patten, superintendent of the Topeka Street Car system since 1910, has been appointed superintendent of the Wichita system. Announcement made by Albert M. Patten, general manager of the McKinley properties in Kansas.

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- C2. Letter by old time Wichita resident, Otto Weiss, nephew of William Griffenstein regarding the original plats of Wichita recorded in March 1870.
- C3. A shortage in the glass market has caused a well known maker of alarm clocks to approach photographers with offers to buy all their old glass photographic plates. Local photographers have been besieged by representatives of the clock company, and a number here have disposed of their accumulations. The plates are to be cleaned and installed in the alarm clocks.

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5. Note that the South Main street cars are still "back tracking" because of paving work. ¶ Says also that the street car boys are strong for Charlie Lewis and regret his leaving the company.

Proposed street paving jobs for which bids are to be advertised for around February 17 are listed. ¶ Brick includes:

Dewey	Water to St. Francis
Lewis	Topeka to St. Francis
Yale	3rd to Central
Topeka	17th to 18th
Waterman	Topeka to St. Francis
16th	Market to Lawrence
Hydraulic	Douglas to Boston
Central	Clifton to Roosevelt
Bitting	13th to Little River
Zimmerly	Main to Lawrence
13th	Waco to Bitting

Also lists concrete and asphaltic concrete paving jobs.

New two story Smyth building being built in first block on North Lawrence adjoining the Innes Tea room. Ground floor to be occupied by Penney company and second floor by Innes Tea room. To cost \$75,000 and be completed in four or five months.

Tuesday, February 10, 1920 page

- 2. Work progressing rapidly on the three story Schollenberger garage at corner of Lawrence avenue and 2nd street.
- 5. The Grant Miller Broom Corn Company is erecting a two story reinforced concrete warehouse at 132 North Mosley, adjacent to its present quarters. To be 50 by 140 feet and cost \$40,000.

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2. Union National bank is enlarging its quarters and will close the corner entrance into the lobby and open a new entrance into the center of the bank on Douglas avenue. Further description of bank quarters and ownership.

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5. Howard Patten has arrived in Wichita from Topeka to become superintendent of the Wichita street railway company. He has been in the employ of the Topeka street railway company for 20 years and superintendent of the company for the past nine years. He is a brother of A. M. Patten, superintendent of McKinley properties in Kansas, is 38 and single.

Sunday, February 15, 1920

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5. Excavation began January 20 for the \$750,000 addition to the Red Star Milling company's plant here. To be completed by January 1, 1921. Located on Topeka avenue between 18th and 19th streets. Mill building and head house to be 60 by 160 feet and nine stories high. Elevators are 60 by 60 feet and adjoin the mill building on the north. The Red Star Milling company was established in 1905.

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- 5. Kansas National bank will start moving into quarters of the National Bank of Commerce tomorrow. Formal opening of the new First National Bank in Wichita will be February 24.
- 6. Advertisement announcing opening of First National bank in Wichita on Tuesday, February 24.

Thursday, February 19, 1920

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1. Two hundred thousand dollar fire at Jones Motor Car Company yesterday destroyed two of the five big buildings of the plant. Started in the paint shop. Fourteen finished automobiles and 100 auto bodies were destroyed. Company is said to have 1000 orders on file. Recently it has been completing three or four cars a day and had made arrangements to increase production to a half dozen machines a day.

5. The Calvary Baptist church is rapidly nearing completion. Last Sunday the congregation, which heretofore has been worshiping in the basement of the new structure, moved up into the auditorium, which recently was completed. Built at a cost of \$50,000, the congregation has already cleared up \$35,000 of the debt and plans to have the church paid for during the year.

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- 2. Campaign of the United Congregational church has raised \$102,350 toward the \$145,000 goal for building of a new church. Bids have been advertised for.
- 5. Sketch of Jones Motor Car company after the fire.
- 16. Advertisement for sale of stock in The Red Star Milling Company to finance an additional mill and elevator giving a total milling capacity of over 4000 barrels per day and a storage capacity of over 1,500,000 bushels. Company was established in 1905 with capacity of 500 barrels per day and storage capacity of 30,000 bushels to present capacity of 2000 barrels per day and storage capacity of 1,000,000 bushels.

Saturday, February 21, 1920

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- 2. Contracts let yesterday for approximately 50 blocks of paving.
- 5. Stock Yards street car and Stock Yards jitney bus collided yesterday on Market street at Missouri Pacific tracks.

The street car loop in front of the Friends University campus is to be removed and a wye built one block south at the southeast corner of the school grounds according to Commissioner W. S. Hadley, who conferred yesterday with street car officials. The car line is to be extended south one block to University avenue, where the switch will be built, and the intersection leading to the university is to be paved.

Material is to be purchased for a narrow cement stone roadway with a 16 foot body and two feet of sloping sides at each edge to be constructed from the Central avenue bridge and winding around the river banks to the entrance of Sim park. The cost will be approximately \$70,000. Original recommendations were for a 27 foot boulevard, but the park board decided 20 feet would be wide enough.

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2. Tentative agreement reached between L. W. Clapp, city manager, and Arkansas Valley Interurban regarding right of way. A villa is to be constructed by the company north of the Murdock avenue entrance to Riverside (sic) Park, and a rest station will be built where the right-of-way crosses Seneca street on waterworks island. 5. Plans are being drawn for new buildings to replace those destroyed by fire at the Jones Motor company.

Mrs. Laura Buckwalter, of Larimer avenue, is circulating a petition requesting city hall to enact an ordinance compelling property owners to install water service pipes every 50 feet before a street is paved. The purpose it so put a stop to cutting new pavement by doing the required pipe work before the pavement is put down.

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Special section for Auto Show -- many auto advertisements.

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7. Several articles on 15th anniversary of Rotary Club. Organized in Wichita in 1911, nine years ago.

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5. Article about opening of the new First National bank today with transfer of funds of the Kansas National bank across the street to temporary quarters in the building of the National Bank of Commerce. This was done with every precaution over the weekend.
¶ Tearing down the Kansas National bank building will not start until March 15, giving all tenants time to vacate.

A serious shortage of brick is delaying completion of the South Lawrence road paving. Orders for 24 carloads of brick per week, delivered in Wichita, have been placed with plants in Cherryvale and Independence, but only three carloads have arrived in the past three weeks.

8. Contract let for a large building to replace two units of the Jones Motor company destroyed by fire last week.

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- 3. Article says fire early yesterday destroyed the winter quarters of the animals in the Central Riverside Park zoo and caused the death of the animals there.
- 5. Letter addressed to park board asks that McKinley park, 17th and Ohio, be officially designated as a recreational grounds for the colored people of the city and that the city furnish the money to light the park and make other improvements.
- 9. The North Lawrence road has been re-sanded from 27th street to the Harvey county line.

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5. Feeling that the old system of issuing transfers causes a loss of time to conductors and patrons, the street railway has decided to issue a punched check which will be good on any line in the city provided it is not a parallel line. Three sets of transfers will be used by car conductors each day to avoid confusion. The conductor on the line receiving the punched transfer card can tell from what line the car was issued and approximately at what hour of the day.

Tuesday, March 2, 1920

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6. Article on the debate at board of education last night on the name for the new West Side Intermediate school, with the final decision to name it after a West Side citizen, James Allison, now deceased. He was for many years prominent in West Side circles and was in real estate business and affiliated with the Friends in many activities.

Wednesday, March 3, 1920

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2. City is negotiating with the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad company for acquisition of south part of Ackerman Island for an athletic field and for a park boulevard which will extend to Waterworks Island and there connect with the Riverside boulevards. ¶ The Arkansas Valley Interurban company leased the island from A. E. Nuttle, the owner, Saturday, for the purpose of constructing shops. It comprises 25 acres, and not all of this land is required for railroad uses.

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2. Memorial arch, corner of Lawrence and Douglas avenues, is to be torn down as soon as Walter Vincent, who promoted the building of the arch, is reimbursed \$1800. ¶ The Victory Arch, as it is termed, cost \$8200. Of this \$6400 was subscribed by Wichita citizens. In order to complete the arch, Mr. Vincent made up the difference of \$1800.

Formal dedication of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, 13th and Lawrence, will take place Sunday after 12 years in which the church debt was paid in full and the mortgage destroyed. ¶ Article gives history of the church.

The "backing up" street car service on South Main in operation while pavement is being completed, will be improved by rewiring three cars so that the motorman can operate the car from either end. It has been thought dangerous for the motorman to manage the car from the rear end.

9. Officials of the Arkansas Valley Interurban are hoping to begin work on the new passenger and freight depots at Douglas and Waco by March 20. Revised plans have been received from the Chicago architects and approved. ¶ The passenger depot, two stories high, 75 by 100 feet, will face on Douglas avenue. The freight depot, also two stories, 30 by 80 feet, will face on Waco. Cost will be around \$100,000.

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- 5. The triple apartment house at 1st street and Hillside, built by George Siedhoff, was sold last week for \$115,000. Each three story building contains six apartments.
- 7. Drawing of proposed Calvary Presbyterian church, to be erected at 17th and Park Place for \$40,000.

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5. Death notice of Gorge L. Pratt, pioneer lumberman, age 71.

Wednesday, March 10, 1920

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5. Lobby of Manhattan hotel will be remodeled April 1 into store space and the hotel office will be moved to the second floor. Hotel was built in 1884 -- some history given.

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5. Directors of the Wichita Club decided yesterday to add another story to the club's building at 1st and Market at cost of \$100,000, to be used for gymnasium and roof garden.

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- 3. Resolution adopted by the park board Friday declaring five streets as boulevards. ¶ They are: (1) River boulevard from Wiley to Buffum, (2) River boulevard from Buffum to Parker, (3) Murdock avenue from Wiley to Buffum, (4) Murdock avenue from Buffum to Amidon, (5) Beal avenue from River Boulevard to Amidon. ¶ According to law, boulevards can be paved without presentation of petitions by property owners.
- 2. G. A. King, owner of the property at 2146 North Market occupied by the Flu hospital was paid \$300 by the city commission Friday as the city's share for the rent on the structure. Sedgwick county paid a like amount.
- ?. Article on proposed changes in Wichita's park system. Map of present park boulevards and drives.

Section B

8. Made-in-Wichita airplane will go on market soon. Jack Moellendick persuaded E. M. Laird and company to come here from Chicago, where they already have a plant in operation. They have opened a plant here at corner of Water and English streets, with 11 men working in the shop. The first "Laird's Wichita Tractor" will be completed and tested within the next ten days. Description of the plane. They will be able to build two planes weekly.

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5. Article about history of the Water Company franchise in Wichita and question of whether the company really wants to sell out to the city.

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- 2. The Manhattan Hotel was sold yesterday to A. F. Coleman, 239 North Grove. The building was not included in the deal. Jack Quick, former owner, ran it for seven years.
- 5. A new drug store, the Coronado Pharmacy, will occupy the lobby of the Coronado Hotel, corner of William and Main, beginning May 1 on a ten year lease. The hotel office will be moved to the rear of the present lobby, where the reading and rest room is now located.

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5. Division manager of Frisco believes that new heavy rail of 85 or 90 pound steel likely will be laid on the line east of Wichita this year.

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5. A. T. Sayres, who has been in the dairy business in Wichita for 15 years, is moving from present location at 1032 Munnell to a new \$20,000 plant at 132 North Walnut the first of next week. Building is 50 feet by 80 feet, two stories. He is handling 1000 gallons of milk daily, all of which he wholesales.

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5. The money box was stolen from the rear end of Stockyards street car No. 207 Friday night.

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2. If the weather holds up for the next two weeks, the paving work on South Main, which has been going on since early last fall, will be completed. ¶ Since the pavement was torn up last fall, street cars have been forced to back down South Main street to the tenth block and return. With the pavement completed, car tracks will be laid and regular schedules resumed.

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5. City commission approved yesterday the paving for nearly \$60,000 as recommended by the park board of Murdock avenue from Wiley to Buffum and on Park boulevard around the river from Buffum to Central avenue. Bids are to be advertised.

Street car patrons were introduced to a new transfer system yesterday. ¶ Three different series are based on the general direction in which the cars run. Hours of the series are 5:00 a.m. until noon, noon until 4:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. until midnight. Transfers are distinguished by colors, and no two parallel lines have transfer of the same color.

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- 5. Wichita is soon to have six new buses. Three are ready for operation and will be used by the DeLuxe company on North Topeka, South Emporia, and Cleveland avenues. The Wichmann Brothers Manufacturing company on South Washington avenue has constructed these and has orders for three others which will soon be ready. They are constructed on Reo and Oldsmobile chassis and will each have a seating capacity of 16 passengers.
- 6. Work of tearing down the old Kansas National Bank building and two Mahan buildings adjoining it will start today. The site is to be cleared within the next 30 days.

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- 2. Work on the new interurban track into Wichita is being delayed by failure of steel rails to arrive. The track is laid as far as Waterworks island.
- 5. The Red Cross Hospital in the 21st block on North Topeka has been bought by M. W. Wood of the Sedgwick House and will be used as a special service establishment.

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5. Article says two additional stories are to be added to the Wichita Club building at 1st and Market.

Article on proposed street car loop downtown. City manager favors extending present loop east on 1st street to Topeka. Street car company favors a loop south on Water from Douglas to William, then east to Main street and north to Douglas.

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5. City commission is considering the park board's recommendation to purchase the vacant property east of Park Villa and the east line of Larimer avenue lying between 10th street and the Griffenstein bridge. With this additional property, a well-constructed driveway could be opened which would eliminate all sharp turns. ¶ It is further suggested that the city acquire the property bounded by Jackson, 8th and 9th streets, and the river, except for the property between Jackson and Lewellen.

Tuesday, March 30, 1920 page

- 1. Effective April 3, price of the *Eagle* delivered in Wichita will be 15 cents a week. Single copies will be three cents on week-days and five cents on Sunday.
- 2. The DeLuxe Bus Company will begin the operation of its North Topeka line the latter part of this week.
- 5. C. L. Brosius has taken a 20 year lease on the Holland theater building, 118 East Douglas, from O. D. Barnes effective June 1, 1921.

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5. Estimates are being prepared by park director, W. K. Seitz, for new zoo buildings to be located in South Riverside park to replace the large zoo in Central Riverside park which was recently destroyed by fire.

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4. Article giving some history of the tract known as Mathewson's pasture. ¶ The original homestead of 160 acres extended from Central to Douglas and from Washington to Hydraulic. The south 120 acres was eventually platted and sold as city lots, leaving the north 40 acres, which was the old homestead pasture and has since been known as the Mathewson pasture. When Cleveland avenue was opened, it cut the pasture in two equal parts.

Section B

3. Article about growth of Wichita's telephone service.

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- 5. The additions to Sunnyside and Riverside schools will probably be completed the latter part of this week.
- 6. The first Made-In-Wichita airplane has been completed and will be tried on the North Hillside flying field this afternoon. E. M. Laird, head of the company, will pilot the machine.

It was announced yesterday that the new Wesley hospital will be ready for occupancy by July 1.

Thursday, April 8, 1920

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2. Nearly 200,000 yards of paving has been let under contract by the city this year at cost of \$750,000.

5. The Polytechnic Hospital opened its doors this week at 220 West 13th street. Contains 12 rooms. Organized by five doctors including Dr. John F. Coffman.

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6. The test of Wichita's first made airplane was made yesterday evening on North Hillside road and exceeded expectations, reports E. M. Laird, the pilot. Four flights were made with two passengers each time.

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- 2. The Wichita street car company will be asked by the city to set back the street car loop at the end of the South Main line far enough so the curve will not extend beyond the center of the street. The loop has been in its present place for more than a year, but complaints from residents on South Main street prompted this step.
- 5. Wichita club is to be remodeled in next 60 days, but it has been found impossible to make the addition of two stories as planned, because the architects say the foundation of the building will not bear the additional weight.

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- B5. H. T. Ritchie of Ritchie Brothers, paving contractors, is moving here from Topeka and will occupy the B. F. Hegler residence, 124 North Fountain, built two years ago. ¶ Ritchie Brothers have been awarded contracts for paving Riverside boulevard.
- C1. Fairmount College is planning pageant to celebrate its 25th year. Old photograph of Fairmount building with street car in foreground. Article gives some history of the school.
- C12. Article and map of plan for Theis Park on south half of Ackerman Island, with proposed athletic field.

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- 5. Three new trailers for the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad arrived in Wichita yesterday and will be used for freight and express. It is planned to run trains starting the first of next week instead of the single motors and trailers as in the past. Increased business makes this necessary.
- 6. A truck was struck yesterday morning at an early hour by Pattie avenue street car No. 166 near Lewis street.

Wednesday, April 14, 1920 page 5. A carload of steel for the Arkansas Valley Interurban arrived in Wichita Monday and another is on the way from Hillsborough, Ohio. Work can now be resumed on the track into Wichita.

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5. A passenger fell last evening when alighting from Stockyards jitney No. 201 at 16th and Market streets.

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5. Article reports Wichita street car employes are seeking a raise.

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Section B

Article and photographs on new buildings now under construction in Wichita including Wheeler-Kelly-Hagny building, Innes wholesale furniture building on East 1st, and Reo Motor Car company three story building at 2nd and Lawrence.

Article and photograph of new boat house now under construction at Murdock and Little River by Mr. R. C. Israel. ¶ Article says R. C. Israel built his first small boathouse on this site in 1905 and had a few wooden boats made. Later these were replaced with steel boats, and at one time nearly 100 steel row boats were available for rent. ¶ In 1910 Marc Clapp and Ike West formed a canoe club, which erected a canoe house near the boat house. The graceful canoes have now almost entirely supplanted the steel rowboats. ¶ Article includes small photographs of earlier boat houses on the site.

13. Photograph of Wichita's new Polytechnic hospital, 220 West 13th street, which opened Monday. (Later became Coffman hospital.)

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5. The Fire Fly Bus company started a new service yesterday on the West Side, the first company to extend its lines to the West Side. Two buses will run from Main and Douglas to the University.

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5. United States census announced yesterday that Wichita's population is 72,128. Wichita business men think this is too low.

Charles A. Bull has taken a 20 year lease on the Holland theater building, 118 East Douglas, and will improve it with a new front, metal canopy, and electric sign. ¶ The Holland theater building was built by John Holland about six years ago.

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- ?. Article by Kos Harris on history of the old Keno Corner, Main and Douglas, site of the new First National Bank building, a gambling joint in early days of Wichita.
- 9. Photograph of first railroad engine to bear the name Wichita, now in operation out of Pratt on the Wichita-Northwestern line (4-4-0).

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5. City commission passed ordinance yesterday requiring the Missouri Pacific Railroad to lower its tracks on West Douglas avenue within next 90 days to conform with the grade of the street.

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5. The Arkansas Valley Interurban has asked the Kansas court of industrial relations for authority to increase passenger fares from two and one-half cents to three cents per mile and freight rates approximately 15 percent. The new rates would be approximately equivalent to those now charged by the steam railroads.

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12. The Parent-Teacher Association meeting of Riverside school will hold an informal reception Saturday evening, May 1, to celebrate the completion of the new addition to Riverside school, in the new building, which will double the capacity of the school. The school building was opened in 1910.

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5. Harland Bartholomew, city planner of St. Louis, selected by Wichita planning committee to work out plans for this city. Fund of \$10,000 to be raised.

City to advertise May 18 for bids for wrecking the memorial arch at Lawrence and Douglas.

Parks being readied for summer. One thing which will be missed this summer will be the zoo, containing wild animals, which was destroyed by fire last year.

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11. Advertisement about opening of East Lawn addition -- Pershing to Oliver between Douglas and Central. ¶ Photograph showing scattered houses to west of the addition.

- B4-5. Advertisement for new Jones Park addition near Jones Motor Company in North Wichita. Diagrammatic map.
- B10. Advertisement by Wichita Railroad and Light company saying that starting Monday, through service will be resumed on North and South Main street. Take cars at the near crossings.

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5. The Derby Oil company has purchased 37 acres of land between Washington and Cleveland avenues, facing on 21st street, for \$20,000, as the site for an addition to the Western Oil Refining company's plant, to increase the capacity from 1200 to 3000 barrels per day.

Paving work on the street car track on Pattie avenue between Bayley and Zimmerly avenues began yesterday and will be completed within ten days. The Pattie avenue and Waco avenue cars are going around the loop while this work is being done.

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2. Article on deadlock between city and county commissions on paying for paving the gaps between city streets and new county roads on South Lawrence, East Central, and West Douglas avenues.

Saturday, May 8, 1920

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6. Article reports graduation Thursday of the first class of the nurses training school at St. Francis hospital. Photograph. Seventeen graduates.

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5. Work of wrecking the old Wonderland park buildings is under way and the ground will be cleared in two weeks, after which work on the new Arkansas Valley Interurban shops will begin. Steel for the track into Wichita is on the way and expected at any time. Steel is now laid as far as Waterworks island, all the poles are set and bridges finished, and completion is waiting only on the street.

Article gives history of the Old Settlers' Association, formed here in 1873, which has been merged into the Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County, which was organized February 19, 1919 at the home of G. M. Whitney, 1103 North Market.

7. Advertisement announcing opening of Sim Park Home Sites addition, between Coolidge and Amidon from Murdock to 11th and between Murdock and Franklin from Coolidge to Woodrow. Diagrammatic map showing old circle and roadways in Riverside park. Photograph of entrance to Sim park. Price of lots \$244 to \$304.

C5. Advertisement announces that beginning May 14, the Southwestern Motor Transportation Company will start motor bus service between Wichita and Augusta on a regular schedule, fare 81 cents. Wichita station at Eaton Hotel and Augusta Station at Fifth Avenue Hotel.

Wednesday, May 12, 1920

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2. Contract awarded yesterday for pavement of the street car company's right-of-way at Athenian and Grand streets.

Thursday, May 13, 1920

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5. First shipment of freight to reach Wichita by airplane was received yesterday by the Coleman Lamp company from the Kansas City White Metal company. It was a rush order of 100 pounds of solder. The plane, of the Lightning Aviation company, left Kansas City at 12:00 noon, and after a stop at Cottonwood Falls for gasoline, landed at Laird field here at 4:27 p.m. Cost of trip was \$250.

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5. Kansas Court of Industrial Relations has given permission to Arkansas Valley Interurban for 15 percent increase in freight rates and increase from two and one-half cents to three cents per mile in passenger fares, putting the fares on the same basis as the steam roads. Goes into effect May 15.

The new car works of Arkansas Valley Interurban on the north end of Ackerman's island will be under construction within a week. To be a concrete block structure 160 by 120 feet and cost \$30,000.

Saturday, May 15, 1920

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- 5. Contract let yesterday for the new 12 story First National Bank building. Architects are Richards, McCarty and Bullard of Columbus, Ohio. Building to be 94 by 135 feet. Buildings on the site must be cleared away before construction can start.
- 7. Advertisement announcing postponement of starting date for the Wichita-Augusta motor bus line operated by the Southwestern Motor Transportation Company, owing to failure of the body builder to deliver the bus as promised.
- 8. City commission passed resolution yesterday for street car company to move its wye on Mt. Carmel line at Grand and Athenian one block west to Grand and Meridian, and for it to do away with its loop at University and Hiram on the University line and build a wye one block south on Hiram avenue.

Sunday, May 16, 1920 page

C1. Article about the E. M. Laird Airplane company here, with factory at Wichita and English and an assembling plant in the second story of the Forum annex, employing 30 men and turning out two planes per week. Plane is known as the "Laird Swallow." Flying is done from the 40 acre Laird field about one mile north of Fairmount college. Photographs.

Wednesday, May 19, 1920

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- 2. Article reports property owners are pressuring the street car company to move its wye at Athenian and Grand avenues one block west to St. Clair avenue. Since Grand avenue is not paved there is no jitney competition on this street, but property owners are preparing to petition for paving of Grand from Millwood to Athenian if street car company fails to act.
- 5. Complete plans for the Arkansas Valley Interurban terminals were received yesterday and are in the hands of construction companies for bids.

A Stock Yards bus collided with at truck yesterday at 14th and Market.

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5. Owing to paving work on Pattie avenue, the street cars on that line cannot round the loop as usual and are having to back up instead.

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- 5. City officials have begun to clean out the ten acre tract of land north of 11th street known as "No Man's Land" and will build roads through the timber leading to the main highways.
- C1. Comprehensive article by Kos Harris on history of Wichita banks and bankers from 1871 to 1920. Drawing of Keno Corner, 1st and Main, in 1871.

Monday, May 24, 1920

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12. The Wichita Automobile company, Reo dealer, has moved into its new building at corner of Lawrence and 2nd street.

Tuesday, May 25, 1920

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6. High school graduation tonight for 231 graduates.

Wednesday, May 26, 1920

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5. Paving petitions approved, including Faulkner from Murdock to Pine.

- 6. Members of Sedgwick County Medical society yesterday voted to establish an exchange to assist in location of doctors at any time.
- 16. City commission yesterday passed ordinance creating a park department to succeed the board of park commissioners.

Thursday, May 27, 1920

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2. At the request of Arkansas Valley Interurban officials, the city commission Tuesday passed a resolution requiring the interurban cars not to discharge passengers at 1st and Main streets, but to back into the station at Water and 1st streets before opening the car doors. Request made because of several recent near accidents.

Friday, May 28, 1920

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5. Article mentions the paved street going north to the Nims avenue bridge runs right to the bridge, but the bridge is not used for any purpose except passage of street cars.

Work on lowering of Missouri Pacific tracks from Millwood to Maple street started Wednesday. Will take two weeks and cost \$1600.

Saturday, May 29, 1920

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8.

Building permit issued yesterday to Arkansas Valley Interurban for machine and repair shops on north end of Ackerman's Island. Building to be 120 by 156 feet, of cement stone blocks, and cost \$14,000.

Wichita Railroad and Light company informs the Kansas Court of Industrial Relations it cannot meet the demands for increase in wage scale from present 34 to 43 cents an hour to the requested 60 to 65 cent scale unless fares are increased, as it is barely paying operating expenses now.

Monday, May 31, 1920

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2. Article reports running of first bus Saturday by the Southwestern Motor Transportation company between Wichita and Augusta. Trip will take one to one and one-half hours depending on road conditions. Three hour service to be offered. Station to be at Eaton hotel. ¶ The first bus has capacity for 16 passengers and is an attractive one, with body made by the United Fixture and Manufacturing company on a Reo speed wagon chassis. ¶ The company intends to establish other lines.

Part of the Coleman Lamp company addition adjacent to the present plant has been finished and occupied, and the rest, which is two stories and 100 by 140 feet, will be finished within three weeks. When finished the plant will be able to turn out 2000 lamps and 50,000 mantles daily and will employ over 500 people.

5. Although the formal opening of the new Murdock avenue boat house has not been held because a carload of new canoes has not yet arrived, thousands of people lined the banks of the river there Sunday night and the new boat house was beautifully illuminated.

Tuesday, June 1, 1920

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2. Wichita's memorial arch still stands. No bids were received on May 19 in response to city's advertisement for bids for its removal.

Wednesday, June 2, 1920

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5. City commission yesterday accepted a contract with Arkansas Valley Interurban company giving the city a 99 year lease on portion of Ackerman's Island south of the Missouri Pacific and Arkansas Valley Interurban tracks to be used as a park, and also a strip 120 feet wide along the east side of the entire island to be made into a boulevard. (Action later rescinded by city.)

Paving petition granted by city commission for brick pavement on Ohio from 2nd to 3rd streets.

Thursday, June 3, 1920

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5. Bathing beaches are to open Sunday. Besides the large beach in Central Riverside, improvements have been made on the bath house and beach located on the John Ferriter property at 19th street and on the beach for colored patrons in South Riverside.

The Wilks Hotel, 119 North Emporia, has been sold by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bible to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holdrin for \$14,000. Mr. and Mrs. Bible have been in the hotel business here for five years.

6. Article reports that a new gymnasium building will be started at Fairmount College this summer. Details. To cost \$100,000.

Friday, June 4, 1920

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5. Building permit taken out yesterday for new Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger and freight stations, the two buildings to cost \$125,000.

Sunday, June 6, 1920

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5. The Wichita summer baby camp, 1140 Forest avenue, was totally destroyed by fire Saturday night. Buildings were not occupied. Origin of fire not known.

Monday, June 7, 1920 page

3. Article says city making plans to restrict the operations of jitney buses in order to improve the service.

Thursday, June 10, 1920

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2. Article mentions large crowd at opening of the new boat house last night.

Friday, June 11, 1920

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5. The bathing beach established last summer on the banks of the Little Arkansas river at 19th street has been closed by J. M. Ferriter. ¶ Mr. Ferriter states that to reach the beach it was necessary to cross his premises, and as the people have left the gates open, letting a number of cattle out of his pastures, he has found it necessary to forbid all trespassing.

Sunday, June 13, 1920

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- 11. Rebuilding of the baby camp in North Riverside park will begin tomorrow. Plans provided voluntarily by Lorentz Schmidt, architect.
- 15. Advertisement and diagrammatic map announce opening of Stackman addition.

Tuesday, June 15, 1920

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6. Restraining order obtained by E. L. Foulke, 2015 University, to prevent Wichita Railroad and Light company from building a street car loop at University and Hiram. Work on the loop was started Saturday, but work has been stopped. Mr. Foulke desires to compel the company to build a wye as original proposed instead of the loop.

Thursday, June 17, 1920

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- 2. Riverside street car No. 253 jumped the track yesterday on Central avenue at the curve into Riverside park.
- 5. The new Interurban tracks yesterday were laid across the Missouri Pacific tracks on Wonderland Park island. This will allow them to start bringing in material for the new depot.

Saturday, June 19, 1920

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5. Article says five schools are now under construction: Washington, Roosevelt, Allison, Emerson, and Woodland.

Sunday, June 20, 1920 page

11. Article describing new Arkansas Valley Interurban depots and shops. Excavation and laying of foundation for depot has already started. The freight depot will have six doors and a team track on the south, and two large doors and a double track on the north, so that four cars can unload at once. Second floor of freight depot will contain club rooms for the employes. ¶ The shops being built on the Island are almost ready for roofing. They will accommodate 12 cars and will have two pits so that work may be done on four cars at once.

Monday, June 21, 1920

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5. Material for the new baby camp was being hauled to the site all day Sunday. The new camp is to be erected west of the old site and will be nearly a block from any house. Work will start today.

Tuesday, June 22, 1920

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5. The Missouri Pacific yesterday added a new train between Wichita and Geneseo, giving three trains daily from the northwest. Article gives schedule.

Wednesday, June 23, 1920

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- 1. Drawing of new Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger station.
- 5. City commission yesterday passed resolution for the paving of South Lawrence avenue from Kinkaid avenue about five-eighths mile to the existing hard surface road.

City commission has decided not to allow the street car company to build a loop on private property purchased recently on the corner at Hiram and University avenues. The company will be requested to remove its loop now at that corner and to construct either a wye or a loop one block west (sic) on University.

City commission yesterday passed resolution declaring Central avenue from Seneca street to Nims avenue a boulevard, and as such, city property of the park board so improvements can then be made.

City commission yesterday approved a petition to widen Lawrence avenue from 1st to 2nd streets by seven and one-half feet on each side, with new curbs and gutters to be constructed.

Saturday, June 26, 1920

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3. Wichita's new baby camp is being erected 200 feet west of the former site, on 11th street Because of the need for a fireproof building, it is to be constructed of hollow tile and concrete with brick and concrete pillars and a tile roof. To have a capacity of 20 beds. Approximately \$5200 in subscriptions already received. 5. Article says an American made airplane sold to the Mexican government last week was equipped with Midco tires made in Wichita. ¶ Under the reorganization of the Mid-Continent company last February, the Zenith Tire and Rubber company, of Cleveland, purchased \$561,000 worth of the company's \$1,000,000 capital stock, giving them a controlling interest in the Wichita factory.

Sunday, June 27, 1920

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5. The City Undertaking company, Lahey and Martin proprietors, last week purchased for \$22,000 the two story Battin building at 922 East Douglas occupied by them for past seven years.

Tuesday, June 29, 1920

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2. Auto yesterday collided with street car No. 237 at Douglas and Rock Island.

Wednesday, June 30, 1920

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5. Article says there is to be a reorganization of the Jones Motor Car company in the next few days, and 60 men let out at the factory last week will be re-employed. A conference will be held in the next few days with a number of out-of-town representations of capital, who will become connected with the company.

Article mentions C. R. Lewis, superintendent of Arkansas Valley Interurban.

Friday, July 2, 1920

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5. Contract for new First National Bank building has been re-let to the George Siedhoff Construction company because it was impossible for the Swenson Construction company to carry out the contract made several weeks ago.

Saturday, July 3, 1920

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- 5. Article says effective July 4 the city will charge ten cents for swimming at the municipal pool. Lockers will cost five cents.
- 6. Article reports bandit held up passengers on Arkansas Valley Interurban car near Hutchinson.

Monday, July 5, 1920

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5. Article reports a carload of the latest tire manufacturing machinery has been received at the Mid-Continent Tire company, and 26 men were let off. With the new machinery about 100 men will now be employed to produce a large number of tires than before.

Wednesday, July 7, 1920

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5. Building permit issued Monday for a new nurses' home for Wichita hospital at 313 North Seneca, to be two stories, 26 by 56 feet, frame construction, and cost \$12,000.

Thursday, July 8, 1920

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5. City commission voted yesterday to temporarily set aside South Riverside park for tourist camp purposes.

Petition granted by city commission yesterday for paving of Perry avenue from 10th to 11th streets.

City commission yesterday passed a resolution declaring Central avenue from Nims street to Seneca avenue to be a park boulevard. An ordinance to this effect will be prepared.

Friday, July 9, 1920

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5. Article reports the Smith Baking company of Kansas City plans to build the largest bakery in the state on the 24th block on East Douglas.

E. V. Schnoor of Schnoor Cigar company plans to build a three story wholesale cigar warehouse at 626-628 East Douglas. To have 42 foot frontage on Douglas.

Goldsmith Book and Stationery company will move on August 1 from 122 East Douglas to 116 South Topeka. It has been at the Douglas avenue location for 27 years. The location on South Topeka is owned by Judge J. N. Haymaker.

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Mrs. Laura Buckwalter is seeking an injunction to prevent the assessment of special taxes for paving against her property on Jefferson avenue. She is claiming that the resolution to curb, gutter, and pave Jefferson avenue is void, for the reason that it was the result of a conspiracy between the city manager, the city engineer, and Ritchie brothers, contractors, and that various substitutes were used instead of required paving materials.

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5. Building permit taken out last week for construction of First National Bank building at Main and Douglas for \$300,000.

Wednesday, July 14, 1920

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1. Bishop John J. Hennessy of Wichita died yesterday of apoplexy at age 72. Had been bishop here since November 30, 1888.

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- 5. A Wichita carpenter, W. S. Beck, told the city commission yesterday that he would tear down the memorial arch at Douglas and Lawrence avenues for \$735 and wait until February 1 to collect.
- 6. Photograph of Bishop Hennessy funeral procession passing beneath memorial arch on Douglas at Lawrence.

Sunday, July 18, 1920

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5. Contract awarded yesterday for Smith Baking Company's building at Spruce and Douglas. To be 100 by 150 feet and cost \$40,000.

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5. On completion of the new Washington school, the old Washington school at 3rd and Cleveland will be taken over by the board of education as its workshop.

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5. Sylvester W. Forrester, oil operator, has spent more than \$100,000 in redecorating the interior of the old J. O. Davidson house and in landscape gardening of the grounds. Beautifully designed asphalt driveways and walks have been installed, and 18 large brick and concrete pillars built at the outer edges of the grounds. Yard improvements alone cost \$24,000. ¶ A large white pergola and summer house at the rear have just been completed, and the garage is being remodeled to accommodate 12 autos and will contain a turntable to turn them. A fuel oil furnace was installed in the house. Details about interior decorations given. ¶ Mr. Forrester purchased the house from J. H. Butts more than a year ago.

The Blazer estate at Hillside and Central is to be purchased by Wesley hospital for use as a nurses home.

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5. Article reports new Wesley hospital to be ready for formal opening September 15.

New heavy 85 pound rails are being laid on the Wichita and Western Railroad between here and Kingman replacing the 52 pound rails now in use. Work has already started west of Wichita and should be completed by fall.

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2. Cannon Ball Stage has been established between Wichita and Pratt by E. L. Greenleaf of Kingman. Leaves Wichita at 8:00 a.m. and arrives Pratt at 11:45 a.m. Leaves Pratt at 4:00 p.m. and arrives Wichita at 7:45 p.m. Operates daily.

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- 5. A. G. Mueller has purchased the property at 314 North Lawrence, formerly the home of Mrs. Agnes Hawk, and will remodel the three story building into a modern funeral home. Expects to be open there for business by October 1.
- 12. Article gives detailed specifications of the Laird Swallow airplane.

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5. Street car No. 237 on University caught fire yesterday -- damage slight.

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5. Article says city commission will probably call special election to vote bonds to erect a building connecting the Forum and Exposition buildings and to complete the latter structure. ¶ The city market now occupies the space between the two buildings -- about 125 by 300 feet.

The Arkansas Valley Interurban gave the street car company an opportunity to purchase its track and wire from 21st to 24th and Mascot, but this offer was refused, so the tracks will be torn up and salvaged when the new Interurban station is completed.

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- 5. The new Sim Park drive is nearing completion. About two-thirds is completed and the entire stretch will be thrown open for traffic by 1st of September. Extends from River boulevard near the waterworks through the park to 11th street. Constructed of sheet asphalt and will cost \$75,000.
- 6. Foundation work has been completed at the new Arkansas Valley Interurban freight and passenger depots, and brick laying will start today.

The Arkansas Valley Interurban will soon have four new gondola type of sand cars to haul gravel from the company gravel pits. C. M. Morrison, traffic manager, just returned from St. Louis, where he arranged for the cars. They are expected to arrive soon.

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2. New trolley wire is being strung on the College Hill line.

5. Crawford theater to be sold at auction about September 15. Details.

Woodland and Emerson schools should be ready for use this fall. Allison may be completed by Thanksgiving and Roosevelt by next spring.

The new Interurban shops have been completed except for finishing touches and are ready for use.

Sunday, August 1, 1920

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- 1. Violent wind and hail storm in Wichita last evening -- destroyed the barns at West Side race track. Much hail damage over the city (details).
- C1. Photographs at Wichita's municipal beach. Article says "the city fathers built a municipal bathing beach several years ago near the Central street dam. This site was later changed to the present one near the Woodman bridge because of its nearness to the street car line. The bottom of the river there is sand and slopes gradually off into deep water.

Map of voting wards and precincts.

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- 2. Work started yesterday on tearing down the arch at Douglas and Lawrence.
- 5. Only two panes of glass in roof of the city's greenhouse in South Riverside park remained unbroken after Saturday's hail storm. Nine hundred thirty panes, 16 inches square, were broken. Another 44 panes on the side, eight by ten inches, were broken.

New baby camp located at an ideal place north of Riverside park on West 11th street opened yesterday. It is open and well protected with screens.

Wednesday, August 4, 1920

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- 2. Bond issues for \$175,000 for a new concrete bridge at Maple Street and for \$25,000 for a new fire station in Central Riverside both carried approximately two to one in yesterday's election.
- 5. A Peabody oil man has agreed to donate \$30,000 toward the new Wesley Hospital Nurses' Home at 3210 East Central. His name is being withheld for the present. The money will be used in remodeling the home, purchased recently from the J. B. Blazer estate.

Article reports opening of the new baby camp recently constructed in Riverside yesterday. It is absolutely fire-proof and has large open windows. Can accommodate 20 babies and has an excellent kitchen.

6. Receiver is appointed for the Jones Motor Car company. He took possession yesterday and will continue its operation until such time as it is advisable to turn it back to private control.

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5. Even in its last days the memorial arch is causing grief. A small fence has been placed around one end where workmen are tearing it down to keep pedestrians from getting pelted with falling pieces of cement.

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C1. Photograph of new fireproof baby camp building (photograph is transposed under wrong caption -- photograph in middle of page).

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3. Adams Music Company is enlarging its department for selling of player piano rolls and will carry a stock of 15,000 rolls.

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- 2. City engineer is planning the construction of a \$10,000 wooden bridge over the Arkansas (sic) river at Central avenue. The old bridge was condemned by the city several weeks ago as unsafe, and it was decided to build a temporary wooden bridge until the city can afford a new modern bridge. ¶ Preparations are also being made to pave the strip from the bridge to the existing Sim park drive.
- 5. Missouri Pacific train being pulled by switch engine No. 2614 ran over a man at 1st and Waco.

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4. Only two or three blocks of East Central are yet unpaved, and city commission Friday passed a resolution to pave regardless of protest Central avenue from Madison to Grove.

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5. The Interstate Commerce Commission decision to loan \$2,500,000 to the Orient Railroad means an increase of 15 to 20 percent in number employed at the Wichita shops immediately and perhaps more later. The road at present starts at Wichita and runs to Alpine, Texas. One of the first extensions planned will be from Alpine, Texas 140 miles southwest to the Mexican border.

Within the next few days the city will begin work on installing five municipal tennis courts in South Riverside park across the river from the municipal bathing beach in the quartermile stretch of the old-race track. The courts will be clay with a cinder base.

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11. Drawing of new gym building for Fairmount college.

Wednesday, August 25, 1920

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- Death notice of Judge David M. Dale, age 68 (died yesterday). ¶ Three brothers survive: Judge Frank Dale, Guthrie, Oklahoma; J. W. Dale, banker, of Clearwater; Arthur H. Dale, of Leland, Illinois. ¶ Four sisters are dead: Mrs. Bacon, of Chicago; Mrs. Watson, of Mt. Hope (died within last year); Mrs. Beckwith, of Wichita (died two years ago); Mrs. Metcalf. ¶ Born in Illinois. Came to Wichita in 1879. Elected district judge in 1894 and served eight years. Ran for governor in 1904. Married 1881 in Illinois.
- 5. Estimated cost of completing extensions to the Orient Railroad totals \$32,000,000 -- includes 75 pound steel.

Wichita to Kansas City	\$ 7,800,000
Alpine to Rio Grande	2,000,000
Rio Grande to Marquez	2,200,000
Sanchez to Hornillos	15,000,000
San Angelo to Del Rio	<u>5,000,000</u>
	\$32,000,00 0

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3. Two jitney drivers on South Emporia line were arrested last week on charge of assaulting a street car motorman at the loop on South Emporia avenue.

All that now remains of the memorial arch which spanned Douglas avenue at Lawrence avenue is a pile of bricks and mortar which comprised the south base of the arch and several uprights which formed the support to the massive structure. Within the next day or two all that will remain of the arch will be a memory. It has taken more than two weeks to wreck the structure.

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5. Article about statement of street car company before the city commission in support of request for higher fares. Operating statistics and earnings were presented for the years ending June 30, 1918, 1919, and 1920. Request is for seven cent cash fare or four tickets for 25 cents.

Statistics	<u>1918</u>	<u>1919</u>	<u>1920</u>
Revenues		\$540,080.1 9	\$635,666.2 4
Total expense and tax		\$445,554.1 2	\$551,387.5 8
Depreciation			\$33,052.39
Gross earnings		\$62,937.40	\$51,216.27
Fixed charges		<u>\$75,400.93</u>	\$ <u>78,580.24</u>
Net deficit		\$12,463.53	\$27,363.97
Total number passengers	13,312,855	12,995,814	15,350,492
Total cash passengers			12,788,955
Average fare per passenger	4.86 cents	4.92 cents	4.89 cents

Estimated expenses for next 12 months \$701,585.40 (increase of 150,197.82). \P Estimated fare with increase 6.4 cents.

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- 1. George Siedhoff announces plans for new five story hotel with 156 rooms to be built at Douglas and Waco avenues beside the Arkansas Valley Interurban station and to be known as the White House.
- 3. Street car company officials still hope to be able to construct a loop on property recently purchased on the West Side, and E. L. Foulke near whose property the loop will be constructed is determined to prevent this. A. M. Patten, superintendent from Topeka, told city officials that the lines serve too many persons for a wye to suffice.

During recent dry weather the Water Company built a frail dam across Big Arkansas river above the Seneca bridge to form a pool there to raise the level of the underflow. Water was pumped into the pool across Waterworks island from the Little Arkansas, and the underflow level was raised three and one-half feet.

Wednesday, September 8, 1920

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5. City commission yesterday voted to require jitney buses to load passengers on the far corner of intersections rather than on the near corner used by the street cars. ¶ The commission also voted to install several raised wooden platforms about six feet wide and four inches high at several of the street car stops on Douglas avenue as an accident preventive measure.

Board of education yesterday voted to change the designation of caretakers of school building from "janitor" to "custodian," explaining that to some the word "janitor" has a servile shade of meaning.

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5.

The jitney owners intend to fight the ruling of the city commission requiring them to load passengers on the "far" side of street crossings.

City commission passed resolution to repave Douglas avenue from Sycamore to Osage with brick.

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5. Article reports schools will open on Monday. Kindergartens have been added in nine elementary schools, including Riverside.

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- 2. The new swimming pool in Lincoln Park, at Lawrence and Bayley avenues, has been completed, but will not open until next summer.
- 5. Article reports on dedication yesterday of the new Wesley hospital.

City has relented and will set aside a separate portion on near side of corners for loading of bus passengers, rather than requiring them to load on far side.

Saturday, September 18, 1920

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- 5.
 - Meeting yesterday to plan campaign to wipe out the indebtedness of Wesley hospital. Hospital cost \$642,000 of which \$364,000 has been paid. Wichitans will be urged to contribute \$150,000 with remainder to be met by Southwest Kansas conference, Methodist Episcopal church.

Apartment building to cost \$35,000 will be built in seventh block on North Lawrence by W. L. Scott.

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2. Wesley Hospital Nurses' home, 3210 East Central, was dedicated yesterday in the presence of the donors, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burton, Peabody, Kansas. Photograph on page 17. They contributed \$30,000.

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5. One hundred fifty thousand three hundred sixty-one dollars pledged by Wichita Methodists yesterday toward clearing the indebtedness of Wesley hospital.

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2. Work on improvements of park property including repairing and straightening out the park drives will begin soon according to L. W. Clapp, city manager. The trees are to be trimmed and thinned out, probably for the first time in the history of the city parks.

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2. Paving contracts let yesterday including following brick block contracts:

Kellogg	Pattie to Washington
West Douglas	Sycamore to Osage
Wichita Railroad and Light company right of way on East Douglas	Indiana to Cleveland
Wichita Railroad and Light company right of way on West Douglas	Sycamore to Osage
Wichita Railroad and Light company right of way on Grand avenue	Athenian to Clarence

5. Frank Isbell, owner of Wichita club in the Western league, is asking city for a ten year renewal of his lease on city land occupied by Island park. Present lease expires within a year.

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- 2. The Memorial gymnasium for Fairmount College is being rushed to completion. The concrete footings are in and outside walls are up to a height of six feet or more. Main auditorium will be 85 by 92 feet and include 45 by 75 foot basketball court.
- 5. The M. E. Garrison house at 3557 East Douglas was purchased by T. J. McDonald for \$35,000. Large ten room, brick.

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- 5. The old City hotel building, 128-130 North Market, has been sold to S. O. Naftzger for \$55,000.
- 6. Photograph of E. E. Walker apartment house at 4001 East Douglas, built last winter for \$50,000 and sold recently.

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3. C. A. Seward, a Wichita artist, has finished an oil painting of Wichita in 1868-69. To be exhibited at the Wheat Show next week. Shows Wichita as a trading post along a trail (Waco avenue) extending north from the Munger house.

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5. Report that city commission will soon authorize a six cent street car fare.

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7. A note mentions that Wesley hospital opened for patients on September 20.

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5. City commission has directed filing of an order with the city clerk giving the Wichita Railroad and Light company the right to increase passenger fares to six cents cash fare and about five and one-half cents when purchased in quantity.

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5. Fixtures for the dining room and kitchen at the new Arkansas Valley Interurban station have been contracted for at a cost of \$4700.

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- 1. Picture of painting of the original Wichita settlement as done in oil by C. A. Seward, a local artist, and to be displayed at the Fall Wheat show.
- 15. Article on history of early day fall fairs and carnivals in Wichita.
- 18. Photograph given by H. C. Mann to Kos Harris, claimed to be corner of 3rd and Main streets on July 10, 1874.

Special Issue for Fall Jubilee. Many special articles. Many statistical tables.

C3. Drawing of old water mill on Chisholm creek.

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Photograp C1.	Exposition building old Santa Fe depot.
C5.	Sheep at corner of Lawrence and Douglas in 1873.
C6.	Wichita Terminal elevator.
D4.	City Roller Mill at Santa Fe and Douglas.
E7.	Horace Mann school.
E8.	Interior of T. J. Rice cafeteria, 114-16 South Lawrence.
	Sayer's Dairy
F4.	Several auto repair firms.
F7.	Kansas Gas and Electric plant with second smokestack added.
G4.	Baby Camp in Riverside park.
G6.	Market street between William and English with Wheeler-Kelly-Hagny building under construction.
H10.	Emerson, Roosevelt, and Allison(?) schools under construction.
I1.	North Main street in 1871.
I13.	Boats on Little river above boathouse (taken 1913).
I14.	Flour mills.
Internatio 2.	nal Wheat Show section Office buildings
3.	Northwest corner of Main and Douglas in 1873 (drawing)
4.	Polytechnic Hospital, 220 West 13 th
13.	Sylvester Forrester (Davidson) residence with asphalt walks and drives.
G1.	Article listing all street paving completed or contracted for in 1920.
H14.	Article says concrete retaining wall 12 feet high is being built on east bank of Big Arkansas

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5. Article lists new physicians' fees approved by Sedgwick County Medical society.

Wichita Railroad and Light company has accepted city's offer regarding fare increase, and effective Friday, October 8 the cash fare will be six cents or nine tickets for 50 cents.

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- 1. Photograph of crowd at Main and Douglas on opening day of Wheat Show. Shows two double truck cars on South Main.
- 5. E. M. Laird Airplane company announces it will build a large factory building at Laird field within the next year.

F. X. Busch, shoemaker, has purchased the three story Professor Samuels building at 116-118 South Topeka for \$50,000. He now occupies the ground floor, and will convert the remainder to a modern apartment building.

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5. The Metropolitan Five and Ten Cent Store has taken out a building permit for three story building at 117-121 East Douglas 55 by 120 feet. To cost \$60,000.

Friday, October 8, 1920

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5. Increase in street car fares to six cents cash or nine tickets for 50 cents starts today.

Sunday, October 10, 1920

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- 1. Photograph of entrance to the International Wheat Show.
- 2. Article about plans to reorganize Jones Motor Car company, now in the hands of the federal court.
- 5. Proposals to be on ballot November 2 for municipal bond issues to improve the Forum and adjacent structures (details).

Wichita Commercial College, on sixth floor of Butts building, so named since 1893, has changed its name to The American Business College.

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5. Officials of the Wichita Railway and Light company (sic) have been requested by the city commission to appear before that body at a hearing to be held October 19 and explain why

the street car loop at Hiram street and University avenue has not been removed. \P According to L. W. Clapp, city manager, the street car company agreed some months ago to remove the loop, directly in front of Friends University, and build a "Y" a block further south. The failure of the street car company to remove the loop is delaying paving work in that vicinity, the city manager stated.

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City commission to consider resolution Friday providing for paving River Boulevard from Central to Buffum, a distance of four blocks, and Seneca, Central to River Boulevard, a distance of one block. ¶ This improvement comes under the new park law provided for Kansas municipalities in Wichita's class, which delegates to city commissions power to order paving in absence of petitions, and will be the first involving individual properties since the measure became effective.

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Article in Sunday paper about a number of prominent homes with photographs of 11 of them. ¶ Photographs:

W. E. Edwards	1505 Fairview	built 1870 by J. H. Aley (barn built first)
M. C. Campbell	1313 North Emporia	
A. W. Bitting	1157 North Topeka	built early 90s
C. W. Bitting	715 North Lawrence	built 1888
Walter Morris	11th and Riverside	built 1888
C. W. Brown	1104 North Lawrence	built 1892
Dr. Fabrique	503 North Lawrence	begun July 1870
Gilbert Tucker	1105 North Lawrence	built 1886
L. W. Clapp	Wellington Place	built 1887
H. W. Lewis	305 North Emporia	completed January 1884 by A. W. Oliver
A. A. Hyde	3723 East Second	built 1889

Dr. Fabrique's daughter, Mrs. George Nolley, and husband live with him. Mentioned: C. M. Jackson home built by George Strong; Mrs. W. B. Buck home on North Topeka built by the late S. L. Davidson, and Oak Davidson, Charles L. Davidson, and Mrs. Sam Woolard grew up there; Mr. and Mrs. Finlay Ross 821 North Waco built 1886 on the old Munger site; Walter Morris home -- built 1888 by B. H. Campbell built of Kansas stone.

Inlaid oak floors. The woodwork was brought entirely from Chicago, and the home was the work of a Chicago architect.

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15. Arkansas Valley Interurban Notice: On October 26th we use our new freight station on Douglas and Waco Avenues. ¶ Our passenger cars until further notice will operate to and from our present station, corner First and Water Streets.

Article on origin of decision of Friends University to locate here in old Garfield University building.

12. Article on move of Arkansas Valley Interurban to new station. ¶ New city stops will be Seneca street, Sim Park, 13th street, 17th street and Garland avenue, 19th street and Woodland avenue, 21st street and Mascott (sic) street, 24th street and Mascott street. ¶ Limited stops only at 21st and Mascott.

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3. Street cars on the West Side (University) line will be operated as shuttle cars beginning Friday morning. Topeka avenue cars will be operated around the downtown loop. Howard Patten, superintendent of the Wichita Railroad and Light company, states that the arrangements are necessary until the pavement on Hiram avenue in front of Friends university is finished. Topeka avenue and University lines have been operated in conjunction. Transfers will be made at Main and Douglas until the Hiram avenue line is put in order.

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9. Statement by City Manager describing Forum buildings and urging passage of bond election to improve same.

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5. Work soon is to begin a construction of a solid concrete elevated platform at the Union Station. It is to cover all passenger tracks and will be approximately 500 feet. long. For a long time complaint has come from the traveling public because to roughness of the board-covered platform. ¶ Scaffolding is being erected for the purpose of repairing cornice work on the front of the station building. However chances of constructing the long-talked of train sheds for the station appear to be very remote.

Saturday, November 6, 1920

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7. Arkansas Valley Interurban Notice: On November 8th we begin to use our new line into Wichita and all passenger trains will operate to and from our new freight house, corner of

Douglas and Waco avenues. ¶ We are compelled to use our freight station for passenger service for a short time until our new passenger station at same location is ready for occupancy.

Sunday, November 7, 1920

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2. Wichita, according to records in city clerk's office, on November 6 had completed a total of 102 miles of paving of all character. There is brick, 41 miles; asphalt, 42 miles; concrete, eight miles; patent of various kinds, 11 miles. ¶ In addition to that completed, something like 30 miles either is in course of construction or petitioned for, including several miles of brick and concrete highways extending out from the city limits.

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3. First passenger cars of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad started operating from the new station at Waco and Douglas avenues Monday morning. These cars are now being run into the new freight depot over the new interurban tracks. General offices of the company will continue to be located in the old building on West First street until December 1, according to a statement made by Robert B. Campbell, secretary of the company.

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5. Article about possible extension of Arkansas Valley Interurban to Salina. ¶ "The interurban now carries approximately 750,000 passengers each year over its road."

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16. Full page article on saving the Orient Railroad. ¶ About June 1, 1917, W. T. Kemper, President of National Bank of Commerce in Kansas City was named receiver for Orient lines in the United States. ¶ Beginning on South side of East Douglas avenue in Wichita about 740 miles has been constructed, to Alpine, Texas where it connects with the Southern Pacific Railroad. ¶ Of the 200 mile gap between Kansas City and Wichita, about one-third of graded and many bridges in position. ¶ Orient Railroad employs 600 in Wichita; with payroll of over one million dollars per year. ¶ The shop here is also now employed in rebuilding of St. Louis', San Francisco Railway's engines.

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3. Advertisement by Wichita Railroad and Light Company says. ¶ "The Birney Safety Cars now in use by the Wichita Railroad and Light Company have proven their practical value in preventing accidents and cutting expenses of operation, and are now used in more than 200 cities throughout the United States. ¶ The Wichita Railroad and Light Company points with pardonable pride to the fact that it was among the very first to install the Birney Safety Cars -- setting the pace."

Saturday, November 27, 1920

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5. J. O. Bowers, of Dallas, Texas, has bought the Eaton hotel from W. H. Gaines, who has been proprietor since September 1919. Mr. Gaines sold the business because of poor health, it is said.

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2. New J. C. Penney store at 120 North Lawrence avenue will be opened December 1.

General offices and wholesale business of O. J. Watson Motor company were moved Saturday from 223 South Lawrence to the new five story building at Waco and Douglas avenues. Building was constructed at a cost of \$200,000.

- C1. Article by Kos Harris -- "Reminiscences of the Boom Days." ¶ The Boomer "had known of a street car system that cost over \$400,000 and sold at private sale for \$30,000. He had seen three street car systems dismantled, junked and sold for old iron, with an aggregate loss of about \$500,000."
- E2. Aerial photographs of downtown, Union Station, and St. Mary's cathedral. Shows track arrangement at Union Station. No canopy visible over platforms.

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2. Inspection of South Lawrence and East Central pavement. There are three and a half miles of paving on East Central and eight miles on South Lawrence completed (brick).

Manhattan Hotel sold.

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5. Orient Railroad offices have been in old telephone exchange building in second block of North Market, but will move after first of year to entire fourth and part of fifth floors of Sedgwick building.

Sunday, December 5, 1920

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- 5. Street car service on Hiram avenue was resumed Saturday and West Side folk were shouting for joy. Service has been demoralized a year. So has the street. All sorts of things caused the delays.
- C1. Article describing prominent citizens predictions of Wichita 25 years hence.

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5. Three hundred thousand more dollars needed to complete Roosevelt school building, due to advanced prices of material and labor. At present only the basement and walls up to the second story are completed The school is to cost \$400,000, but of the bonds voted in spring of 1919 for construction of Roosevelt, Washburn, Allison, Woodland, and Emerson schools, all but \$100,000 of the total sum authorized was spent on the latter four buildings, which were completed first.

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5. Central Avenue bridge, which has been closed since last spring while the new structure was being completed to a passable state, is now open for traffic. Later an asphalt floor, walks on either side for pedestrians and concrete bannisters will be constructed.

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5. Resolution for park improvements adopted by commission -- includes golf course and tennis courts in Sim Park, acquiring additional lands along Little River, a new zoo house, other new buildings in parks, new park boulevards and widening park drives.

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5. City commission authorized city manager to proceed with formation of plans for construction of Waterman street subway, for which plans and specifications were submitted last week by the chief engineer of the Santa Fe, which company will bear a portion of the cost of construction.

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6. The new Allison school is to be occupied Monday, January 31st. It contains 21 rooms and auditorium seating 700.

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- 1. Three dead in fire at old Garfield hall, First and Water, early Saturday morning December 25, 1920.
- C8. Article on events of 1920. ¶ First National Bank of Wichita organized by consolidation of Kansas National and the National Bank of Commerce. ¶ Kansas State Bank organized and will be put in operation soon on West Douglas. ¶ New buildings: Red Star Mill and Elevator Company -- \$750,000 addition; Contract for First National Bank building of which first two floors are already poured; Arkansas Valley Interurban station; Innes Wholesale Furniture company's warehouse, Smyth building, housing J. C. Penney and Innes Tea Room; addition to Orient shops; Wesley Hospital; Laird Airplane factory; Grant Miller Corn company building on North Mosley; Wheeler, Kelly and Hagny seven story

office building; 15 miles of paving; Emerson and Woodland school buildings; start of Roosevelt school.

Article describing Christmas in Wichita 50 years ago (in 1870).

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5. Last work on the River Boulevard system of driveways was completed Tuesday when laborers finished the stretch connecting Sim Park driveway with Central avenue. On the other side there is a connection between Buffum and River Boulevard. There is about 12,500 feet of boulevard roads in the entire system.

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- 2. On January 1, 1920 Wichita had 92 miles of pavement better than gravel. During the past year an additional 21¹/₂ miles has been completed, the largest amount ever laid in one year here, bringing the total in the city to 113¹/₂ miles.
- 5. Farmer Doolittle (George Litzenberger), for many years on the reportorial staff of the *Eagle*, taken suddenly ill last evening with high fever. He lives at home of Mrs. Nellie Mendenhall, 1013 South Main street.

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3. Advertisement of New Year Greetings from street car company titled in advertisement as "Wichita Railway and Light Company."