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.

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5. The Bontz apartments, 2610 East Douglas, will be completed the first of the week.

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4B. Photograph of new Bontz apartments, 2610 East Douglas, which will be open to visitors tomorrow. Cost \$75,000. Details.

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5. Article reports a second airplane factory for Wichita is being organized and has leased the building at 417 West 1st street formerly occupied by the Cooperative Creamery. Details.

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5. Report of farewell sermon of Dr. Walter Scott Priest at Central Christian Church yesterday.

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5. Reminiscence by Dr. Fabrique regarding Henry Schweiter, who has recently been ill. "At only one time did Henry lose a great deal of money. He built a railroad from Douglas and Emporia avenues to Eldridge's grove, now Linwood park. It seems I can almost see the dinky little engine pulling two cares down the street, and hear the shrill whistle at every corner. The road was laid down Emporia to Kellogg, than across the tracks, down Broadway to Hillside, then through Henry's farm to a point a couple of miles south of the village, and then back to the park. Henry lost money on this deal."

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5. Article says builder of Wichita's first street car line, George Dickson, is still living at 1207 Pearce, age 84.

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- 1. Article reports death yesterday of Hiram Imboden. Photograph. Obituary. Says first entry in cash book of Wichita's first flour mill was made May 21, 1874. Survived by five daughters including Mrs. Harry W. Stanley and Miss Mildred Imboden, of Wichita.
- 5. Article reports plans for remodeling the State Reserve bank building at Topeka and Douglas at cost of \$65,000.

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- 3. Wichita's new electric traffic signals will probably be in place by February 1st. They are being placed on a trial basis at all the intersections on Douglas from Waco to the viaduct and at 1st and William on Lawrence and Market. Details.
- 5. The two new Fageol parlor car buses received by the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company will be put into use in a few days.

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2B. Advertisement with map of Bus Association lines in Wichita.

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5. Production work in Wichita's new airplane factory has been started. The new firm under the name of Travel Air, Inc., has just opened a factory at 471 West 1st street and will build a 90 horsepower two passenger machine.

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5. C. E. Gillen sold the interest he purchased in the Broadview Hotel Company less than a year ago back to George Siedhoff for the price he paid, \$75,000.

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- 5. The two story brick Wolkow building at 504 East Douglas was sold yesterday by Hamwood Wolkow of Long Beach, California and formerly of Wichita to John F. McManaman, Wichita oil operator, for \$40,000. Has 25 foot frontage on Douglas.
- 1B. Advertisement with map of Wichita bus routes (of Bus Association).

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5. Edler School of Dancing will occupy new quarters today at 217 North Lawrence, formerly used by the Wichita College of Music.

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5. Wichita's new gas company, a branch of the Henry L. Doherty Company, operating property purchased from the Kansas Gas and Electric Company, will take up its work in Wichita some time in March. The company will take over all the gas properties of the Kansas Gas and Electric Company. The Cities Service Company is the holding company for the Doherty interests.

The new Kellogg street canal bridge will be opened in the next ten days, weather permitting. ¶ The Central avenue bridge will be finished in about a month and the 1st street bridge in six weeks. The 3rd street bridge will be started when the Central avenue bridge is finished. ¶ Work on the Murdock avenue bridge over the Little Arkansas river will begin February 16.

6. Article gives new schedule for buses of the Arkansas Valley Transportation company between Newton, Wichita, Wellington, Winfield and Ark City. Details.

Thursday, February 5, 1925

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5. The old Murdock avenue bridge will be closed today and wrecking will begin this afternoon. Erection of the new bridge will start about February 16.

Friday, February 6, 1925

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- 1. Photograph of Henry Schweiter, just recovered from serious illness.
- 5. A new Arkansas Valley Interurban schedule effective Sunday will reduce the number of cars operating between Wichita and Hutchinson from 14 to 12.

Saturday, February 7, 1925

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- 3. Advertisement listing new Arkansas Valley Interurban schedule effective tomorrow.
- 5. The Osborne and Keith Dry Goods Company is the new name of the Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods Company, controlling interest in which was purchased last fall by J. E. Osborne and A. H. Keith.

Sunday, February 8, 1925

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2. Article about Fairmount trustees' proposed gift of the campus, etc. to the city of Wichita. Details. Photograph of part of campus from tower of administration building.

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5. Article refers to an old bridge across the Big Arkansas river at Central avenue that burned

nearly 25 years ago (?).

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9. The Hegler bill, providing that any city of Wichita's size may establish a municipal university when approved by a majority of the voters at a general election, was signed by Governor Ben Paulen yesterday.

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5. Officers of the new Travel Air company, organized last month, were announced yesterday: Walter Innes, Jr., president; Clyde Cessna, vice-president; and Walter Beech, secretary. The first plane will be ready for service in two weeks. Details.

J. Arch Butts plans construction of a new building in second block on North Lawrence for his Packard agency, which will be separated from his Buick agency, now at 209 North Lawrence.

Wichita's electric traffic cops will be installed next week. Details.

Kellogg street canal bridge was opened yesterday and the Central avenue bridge will be ready in a week.

10. Advertisement with statement of plans of the new City's Service Company gas utility in Wichita.

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5. Wichita chapter of National Aeronautic association yesterday urged the city commission to acquire a municipal air port for the City of Wichita.

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- 2. Work on the Central avenue dam across the Little river will be complete within ten to 14 days. ¶ The Griffenstein bridge will be opened in about two weeks. The deck is finished and work is progressing on the approaches. ¶ Wrecking of the old Murdock avenue bridge is nearly finished and work on the new structure will begin at once.
- 5. The 160 acre Bunton farm, one mile north of Sullivan's dam on the Little Arkansas river, was sold the first of the week to A. A. Hyde and his sons George and Bert for \$25,000.

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5. George Bissantz, real estate man, yesterday purchased a 92 foot frontage of second block of North Market for \$60,000. It includes the lot just north of the Sedgwick building and

the one adjoining it to the north, now occupied by the old telephone building, which was used for some time as headquarters for the local American Legion post.

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7. Article reports Kos Harris is objecting to action of the school board at its last meeting in changing the name of Levy school to Laura B. Gardiner school. Details.

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- 12. Article describes the casting in cement stone in Wichita of the sculptured friezes, etc., for the York Rite Temple building.
- 5A. Photograph of Butts building (Carl Graham Paint and Wallpaper Company).

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- 3. Work started yesterday on a new \$16,000 pumping station and treating plant for the Missouri Pacific Railway near the 25th street shops. The new wells will be about 500 yards northeast of the old ones in order to get a better quality of water, and two 24 inch wells will be bored.
- 5. Friends university senior class has pledged \$2000 for erection of the stage, to assure completion of the university's new chapel.

Wednesday, February 25, 1925

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5. Article reports J. M. Moellendick has offered the city free use of the Swallow airplane landing field at 27th and Hillside. Details.

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5. The old Elks hall at 115¹/₂ North Topeka will be closed after the last initiation is held there tonight. It has given service for approximately 20 years.

Sunday, March 1, 1925

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2. Article about 77th birthday celebration of A. A. Hyde to be held tomorrow.

3. Photograph of first timetable of Wichita and Wellington branch of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe effective Monday, September 15, 1879, saved by oldest engineer on Panhandle Division, Ernest L. Gray, 1336 North St. Francis. He came to Topeka May 3, 1879 on assignment from the Hinckley Locomotive Works, of Boston, to look after Engine No. 73, then being delivered by the works to the Santa Fe at Topeka. On July 1, 1879 he came to Wichita from Topeka with Engine No. 31, which was to be used in construction work out of Wichita. Details.

7A. Article reports Rorabaugh Dry Goods Company will celebrate its 23rd anniversary next week. Twenty-three years ago Mr. Rorabaugh bought out the Cash Henderson store at 119-121 North Main. Two years later this property, owned by Finlay Ross, then 110 feet deep, was extended back to the alley, making a depth of 140 feet. In 1907 the second and third floors of 117 North Main street, over the Steel Hardware company, were leased, this building being owned by J. H. Stewart. In 1908 the 50 feet at 124-125 North Main owned by Lloyd B. Ferrell was secured when vacated by the George Innes Company, and in 1916 the ground floor vacated by Steel Hardware at 117 North Main was secured.

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Rotogravure

Photograph of National Savings Life Insurance Company building at 500 West Douglas (two story).

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- 2. Note on progress on York Rite Temple building says exterior stone is in place to the sixth floor.
- 5. A new \$70,000 funeral home will be built on southeast corner of Lulu and Douglas by Charles E. Lahey and Earl P. Martin, owners of the City Undertaking Company. Building 120 by 150 will cost \$40,000, the site \$15,000, and furnishings \$15,000. Details.

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- 1. Article reports on banquet last night honoring A. A. Hyde. Photograph. Details.
- 3. Woodman bridge, across the Little Arkansas, will be completed the last of the week (i.e., the lengthening ?) and will be opened Sunday and Monday. The new Central avenue bridge across the drainage canal will be opened the following week.

Street paving contracts let yesterday included Briggs from Perry to Amidon and Harrison from Coolidge to Amidon.

5. Salaries of Wichita intermediate school principals for next year will be \$3000 to \$3400. Details.

Article reports John P. Davidson re-elected as president of the Sedgwick County Pioneers society. His parents came here in 1870 and he was born here in 1875 in a house on the present site of the Elks club.

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- 4. Smith Baking Company, 2300 East Douglas, is one of eight western bakeries included in a merger of 23 such companies by the Empire Baking Corporation, with headquarters in Kansas City. Mr. Smith is head of Consumers Bread Company, of Kansas City, and will be president of the new corporation.
- 5. Wichita Chamber of Commerce yesterday passed resolution in favor of establishing a municipal landing field in Wichita.

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- 6A. Map of Wichita bus routes operated by members of the Wichita Bus Owners' Association.
- 12A. Article reports first anniversary this month of Smith and Hodge, photographers. Photograph.
- 9B. Article about Camp Bide-A-Wee, near Fairfield station on the bus and interurban lines. Driving there, go north to 69th street and then west to Little river. Details.

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5. Woodman bridge will be re-opened tomorrow and the Central avenue canal bridge will be opened Thursday and Friday. Several other bridges spanning the canal will be razed and new ones erected soon.

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5. Woodman bridge was re-opened yesterday afternoon, and Central avenue bridge across the Little river will be closed today for lengthening.

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2. Julius Lucht, city librarian for nearly ten years, has tendered his resignation, effective April 10.

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- 3. Mrs. Cash Henderson died yesterday at 54 of tuberculosis in Phoenix, Arizona. Survivors included one son, Cash, Jr., and two daughters, Barbara Henderson and Mrs. Karl Mosbacher. Husband died in 1909.
- 5. Resignation of Julius Lucht as city librarian was accepted by library board yesterday.

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7. Drawing of proposed new Nazarene church to be built at Lulu and Kellogg.

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10. Santa Fe "Scout" started operating through Wichita yesterday. Previously the only California train passing through here was the "Missionary."

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8. City commission yesterday agreed to deed the 13th street island in the Little river to the park board as a site for construction of a Wichita Indian lodge. ¶ The island will be named J. R. Mead island, in memory of J. R. Mead, pioneer and one of the fathers of the city. It is about one acre in size and valued at about \$5000.

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5. City commission yesterday voted to place the municipal university proposition on the ballot at the spring election.

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- 3. Advertisement with new Arkansas Valley Interurban schedule effective Sunday, March 22. All trains are locals (last timetable had one limited).
- 8. Petitions are being circulated for a new high school building at Mt. Hope, to cost \$55,000.

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- 4. Six airplanes are now under construction by Travel Air, Inc., Wichita's new airplane manufacturing firm, following the highly successful flight of the first plane of the company last week. Details.
- 5. David S. Jackman of Kansas Milling Company yesterday purchased the Adeline Apartments, 13th and Emporia, from Thomas C. Naylor, builder of the apartments, for \$160,000. There are 30 apartments with annual revenue of \$16,000.

Article about a former bridge over the Big Arkansas river at Central avenue built around 1885 and reportedly maliciously cut down a few years later. Details.

8B. Advertisement with photograph of new building of Johnson Brothers Auto Supply Company at St. Francis and William which will be formally opened March 25. Details.

Sunday, March 22, 1925 page Rotogravure List of about a dozen Wichita auto dealers with addresses.

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- 5. Drawing of new edifice planned for St. James Episcopal Church, to cost \$150,000.
- 6. Article about Eli Rush, pioneer grocer, who started his business here in 1896. Details.

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- 2. Photograph of partially completed York Rite Temple building taken last Monday. Six stories of exterior completed and top part skeleton only.
- 5. Article reports new plans for the Orient Railroad including a new depot in Wichita. Details.

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10. Diagram of Wichita Country Club's new 18 hole golf course now under construction. Details.

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- 5. Work will start tomorrow on two new apartment buildings to be built on Lewis between Topeka and Emporia by John T. Sever at cost of \$130,000. To be completed in 120 days. Details.
- 5A. Article about Joe Tack, 707 North Waco, who ran a locomotive 48 years including 44 years with the Missouri Pacific, and is now retired. Says he built the first sand boat in the Arkansas River at 2nd street and this led to the Wonderland park venture which he undertook with two other men.

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3. The 1st street bridge, third of the new canal bridges, was opened Saturday. Work on the Murdock bridge is expected to be completed within a month.

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9. Article announcing that a Better Business bureau will be established in Wichita within 60 days.

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7. Article reports corner stone is to be laid today for the new Wichita Salvation Army

Women's home and hospital, Sim park and 11th street. ¶ The home was established here January 1, 1921, and the present quarters at 1103 North St. Francis are badly overcrowded.

Gravure section

Photograph of Douglas avenue looking east with skeleton of York Rite Temple building under construction.

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5. Park board has adopted final resolution for construction of a neighborhood swimming pool in Woodland park this spring.

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- 2. Article about plans for remodeling part of the Court House.
- 5. Article reports Wichita's new electric traffic signals will go into operation next Monday. Installed at all corners on Douglas from Waco to St. Francis, and at Market and Lawrence on 1st street and William street.

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5. Miss Ruth Hammond appointed to succeed Julius Lucht as head of the Wichita City library.

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5. Santa Fe surveyors are laying out the road bed for the new \$175,000 switch track in Wichita which involves laying of a second track from Central avenue to 25th street and other tracks north of 25th street.

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6. Article reports statistics of Wichita city library for past year. Total circulation 385,114.

6B. Advertisement with photograph of two story E. B. McCullough Upholstering Company building at 323 North Market.

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2. Article describes battle with muddy roads by Wichita people returning from Lindsborg Messiah Sunday night. The big unwieldy Fageol bus of the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company floundered for six hours through 14 miles of slime from Lindsborg to McPherson. Robert Campbell, Jr., son of the general manager of the firm and driver of the bus was near collapse from nervous and physical strain when McPherson was reached.

- 4. Wichita's new electric "traffic cops" were put into official service yesterday. They will operate from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- 5. Statistical tabulation of Wichita city library for last ten years since May 14, 1915, when Julius Lucht took charge as librarian. He says every available inch of space is in use and the library should be enlarged.

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- 3. Article reports dedication of a granite market placed by Eunice Sterling chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on the Josh Lavender farm nine miles north and one mile west of Wichita commemorating the signing of the Peace Treaty of the Little Arkansas between the government and the Plains Indians tribes on October 18, 1865.
- 5. Article says Friends University plans to enlarge its capacity to handle 100 additional students. It has an enrollment of 477 this year.

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3. The flood prevention work along the rivers south of Central avenue has been finished and work on the northern sections is beginning. ¶ The huge pile of sand at the junction of the two rivers has been named Sand mountain. It will be covered with dirt and planted to Bermuda grass, making one of the beauty spots of the city. The mountain was made for several purposes according to city engineer P. L. Brockway: It was a convenient place to dump sand taken from the river banks; it hides the stables used by the park department; and it makes a real beauty spot in the city. The hill is 100 by 75 feet and about 25 feet high.

Seneca street bridge will be opened by Decoration day. Seven of the nine piers are finished. ¶ The lengthened West Central bridge will be completed by May 5, as will the Murdock avenue canal bridge. The canal bridge on 3rd street will be opened ten days later. Work is just beginning on the canal bridge on 10th street.

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A union bus depot, owned and operated by the Southern Kansas Stage Lines, will open tomorrow at 216 East 1st street according to D. E. Sauder, president of the company. The depot building was formerly occupied by an in-a-door bed company and has been remodeled for the stage line company. The lease includes the Blue Star filling station on the corner, which will be used by the buses for re-fueling. All buses will be checked in and out of this depot and by May 1 will quit making the hotels. All buses of other lines will be welcomed at the depot, Mr. Sauder said. ¶ The Southern Kansas lines run from Wichita to Pratt, Wichita to Augusta, Wichita to Eureka, Eldorado to Winfield through Wichita, Wichita to Caldwell, and South Haven to Blackwell.

24. Photograph of the first commercial airplane produced by Travel Air, Inc., designed by Walter Beech and Lloyd Stearman.

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2. Article reports the new Union bus depot at 216 East 1st street opened yesterday.

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3. Suit filed yesterday against Martin P. and George F. Nussbaum, owners of the White Star line of motor buses, for injuries in an accident at 1st street and Millwood on January 20 this year.

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5. Business portions of the new York Rite Temple building will be completed by June 27 according to the contractors, Campbell and Price. Details.

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5. The Golden Rule Oil and Refining Company has purchased the old Emerson school property at southeast corner of Water and Central and will place a filling station there.

Article says street cars will make all turns on the yellow lights at downtown intersections.

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11. Photograph of a gasoline rail car operated by the Wichita Northwestern railway between Kinsley and Pratt and built in the company's shops in Pratt. The car recently received a writeup in *Railway Age*.

Small section

Photograph of serving tables at Wolf's Cafeteria.

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- 2. Miss Ruth E. Hammond, appointed by the library board on April 8 as librarian at the City library, will assume her new position May 10. She comes here from Muskogee, Oklahoma, where she has been librarian for four years.
- 5. Construction will start next week on the new swimming pool at 21st street and the Little Arkansas river. Work will be finished in about six weeks.

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5. Article reports death yesterday of Dr. William A. Minnick at age 70, a prominent homeopathic physician here for 40 years.

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10. Wichita street car receipts have fallen off in the two weeks since the new electric traffic cops started operation according to Howard W. Patten, manager. "Persons who are unable to get to the loading platforms because of turned signals frequently walk or ride a bus rather than wait for the next car."

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- 2. The Lassen Hotel has purchased Wichita Board of Trade radio station WEAH. A completely new plant will be installed on the 11th floor of the Lassen with an aerial on the hotel building 190 feet above the street. Until the new transmitter is installed it will be operated from its present location on the Wheeler-Kelly-Hagny building.
- 6A. Article gives history of radio stations in Wichita. License for Wichita's first station was issued March 30, 1922 to C. A. Stanley of 1725 Fairmount avenue. His station was WEY, the first in the state. On April 25 the same year a license was issued to Otto Taylor and the United Electric Company for a 1000 watt station, WAAP, which took the air in the latter part of May. However it did not receive consistent advertising support, schedules became irregular, and finally in the summer of 1924 the plant was sold and moved to Milford, Kansas where it became KFKB, "Kansas First, Kansas Best," where it is still operating. WEAH of the Wichita Board of Trade, was built on the Wheeler-Kelly-Hagny building and completed about the middle of May 1922. It has been used primarily to broadcast market quotations, although including occasional entertainment features.

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Special section on the *Eagle's* new \$100,000 Hoe press.

9B. Article on history of Bar and Judges in Wichita.

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5. Article reports reorganization of Wichita hospital with canceling of old debts incurred during the war days. Details.

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3. Kansas City, Missouri and Orient Railroad has placed an order for five new oil burning Decapod type engines with the Baldwin Locomotive Works, the engines to be delivered

within 90 days.

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- 1. Colonel Sam B. Amidon died of heart attack in his office yesterday evening at age 62. Came to Wichita in 1886.
- 5. A new \$15,000 addition to the Twentieth Century Club at 536 North Lawrence will soon be under construction. Details.
- 8. The new \$110,000 Seneca street bridge over the Big Arkansas river will be opened and dedicated May 22.

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5. The Wichita Terminal Elevator Company has just completed a program of expansion, with the addition of two large new storage tanks and eight smaller ones, increasing the storage capacity from about 1,250,000 bushels to 2,000,000 bushels at a cost of \$150,000.

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Rotogravure

Photograph of J. W. Metz Lumber Company.

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11. The commercial section of the new York Rite Temple building will be completed by June 29 and the remainder by August 15.

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1-B. Special section describing new Elks lodge on North Market, to be dedicated this evening. Photographs and details.

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4. Four bridges will be opened in next two weeks. The B. F. McLean bridge on Seneca street will be dedicated Saturday, May 23. The Central avenue bridge across Little river will be re-opened next week, and the new drainage canal bridges at Murdock and 10th street will also be opened.

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2. Photograph of "Made in Wichita" Orient Railroad locomotive No. 130 which pulled special train taking Wichita Rotarians to Orient Shops for tour on Monday.

7. Article lists proposed improvements by the park department this year. Details.

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- 1. Announcement of proposed 14 story office building to be erected at southeast corner of Lawrence and Douglas to be a new home for Union National Bank. Drawing. Details. The site 75 feet by 125 feet will cost \$550,000.
- 3. Photograph of Union National Bank building (former Barnes building), which will probably be razed within the next 90 days to make room for the 14 story skyscraper.
- 9. Formal opening of new Seneca street bridge, to be named after Ben F. McLean, will be held this evening.
- 13. New officers named recently by Travel Air, Inc., include Clyde Cessna, president, Walter Beech, vice-president and general manager, and Lloyd Stearman, treasurer. Fifteen planes have been ordered from the new company, which is producing one plane every two weeks.

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- 1. Diagram of ownership of property in third block on East Douglas, where new 14 story building to be built. Edith Rockefeller McCormick Trust of Chicago will invest two million dollars in the new project.
- 8. Article reports opening of new Seneca street bridge last evening.

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- 5. Travel Air, Inc., will demonstrate its planes today at the field on East Central avenue, seven miles from town.
- 16. Article about the tourist camp at 13th street and Little River with photographs. There are 70 camping places in the camp, staked off in 10 x 35 foot plots. Users are charged 50 cents per car per night. Some 400-500 visitors have camped there since it opened March 2nd this year. Details.

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Rotogravure

Photograph shows Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe locomotive No. 1473 which pulled the Wichita booster train to the southwest.

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3. First Kansas branch of the nationally known Saunders Drive It Yourself system has been

opened at 223 North Lawrence. Details.

5. A score of persons were introduced to the new Travel Air product yesterday when first passenger rides were given by the company at its field on East Central avenue.

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- 2. Photograph of partially completed Salvation Army Rescue home at Sim Park and 11th street. The corner stone was laid on April 5. Building will be three stories, 205 feet by 35 feet and will accommodate 60 women. Building including grounds will cost about \$135,000. Dedication is planned for September 1.
- 5. Union National Bank has leased temporary quarters at 121 South Lawrence for use while its new building is being built.

Thursday, May 28, 1925

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9. Photograph of interior of Taylor's Café, which has its formal opening today at its new location, 105 West Douglas.

Sunday, May 31, 1925

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Rotogravure

Photograph of Friends University with graduating class marching in front entrance. Shows chimney at junction of east and north wings.

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3. Superintendent L. W. Mayberry reported yesterday it costs Wichita \$86.16 per year for each pupil in the city schools. Of this \$68.10 is spent for teachers.

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5. Neighborhood swimming pools at Lincoln, Linwood, Seneca, and McKinley parks will open tomorrow. ¶ The Woodland park pool in the North End is not yet finished and will open early in July.

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5. Kansas bus men are sponsoring the publishing of a guide of bus and truck routes and schedules in Kansas, the second edition of which is just off the press.

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1. Dr. S. S. Noble has purchased the west 25 feet of the Manhattan Hotel building, known

as 320 East Douglas, for \$100,000. The Manhattan Hotel has a frontage of 100 feet on Douglas, with the corner 50 feet owned by L. S. Naftzger and the next 25 feet by Mason Nevin. ¶ The hotel was built by Robert Black in 1884. On his death the property went to his widow, Mrs. Mason Nevin, a grand-daughter, and grandsons Kirk and Johnnie Johnson. Johnnie, now of Kansas City, bought his brother's interest and acquired title to the west 25 feet, which he has just sold to Dr. Noble.

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1. Article about the fortune Dr. S. S. Noble has made in Wichita real estate since he came here in March 1887. Details. Photograph.

10. Article says the Carthalite facing stone for the York Rite Temple building was manufactured by the Cement Stone and Supply Company in Wichita at its factory at 1447 North Mead. Details. The Company was organized in 1904 by Colonel Hiram Lewis, and H. B. Gilkeson is general manager.

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Rotogravure

Photograph of downtown from Broadview Hotel showing new York Rite Temple building.

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5. Article says wrecking of the old Union National Bank building will begin on August 1.

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5. Article reports a six story office building is to be constructed at southwest corner of Lawrence and Douglas. Details.

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- 2. The Orient Railroad has ordered three motor cars from J. G. Brill Company of Philadelphia for use on the Texas division starting early this fall. Details.
- 7. Motor bus operation in and around Wichita has caused a considerable depreciation in valuation of Arkansas Valley Interurban and Wichita Railroad and Light Company properties according to the Kansas public service commission. ¶ The Arkansas Valley Interurban's depreciation was \$170,000, while that of Wichita Railroad and Light company was \$254,000. Total decline of the ten electric railway properties in Kansas was over \$2,500,000.

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- 1. Article about Charles A. Noll, head of Noll Brick and Tile Company, who is about to sell his firm to the Western Brick and Clay Products Company. Details.
- 22. The Wichita tourist camp on 13th street is at present averaging about 38 cars daily. Details.

Motor buses operating in Kansas after next Monday will be subject to state regulations as strict as those applying to railroads and other common carriers. Details.

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Rotogravure

Photograph of new building of Packard Motor Company at 218-220 North Lawrence (one story).

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2. New record set at municipal pool yesterday with 4459 paid admissions. Previous record was 4004 on a Sunday in late August 1923.

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5. Herman F. Hoffman, 1601 Woodrow, has purchased from Clayton Smith the southwest corner of Douglas and Rutan for \$30,000 and proposes to build a large family apartment house there. The plat has frontage of 126 feet on Douglas and 339 feet on Rutan.

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5. Article reports Kansas City to Wichita air service will start about July 1st from Swallow field with fare \$30 one way or \$50 round trip.

The Wichita Creamery Company, 202 North Handley, announces expansion plans including three story brick and concrete building 50 by 124 feet.

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- 2. Photograph of new York Rite Temple building which will open July 1st.
- 10. Drawing of new University Friends church to be erected at Glenn and University. S. S. Voight, architect.

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5. Dold Packing Company has started construction of a new hog killing house to cost \$300,000.

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5. Frank Gaines yesterday took out building permit for three story apartment building at 2606 East Douglas. Total cost to be \$25,000, and building permit for \$40,000. Will have 18 apartments and be completed by December 1st.

The Davis Stage Line Company has discontinued service between Wichita and Arkansas City and Wichita and Salina due to refusal by the public service commission to grant operating permits, under the new law placing stage lines under supervision of the commission.

12. Air mail route from Chicago to Moline, St. Joseph, Kansas City, Wichita, Oklahoma City, Dallas and return was authorized yesterday by Postmaster General New, who asked for bids under the new contract plan. The route was one of eight authorized.

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- 2. The Cuthbert Cut Stone Company will begin erection Monday of a new \$75,000 two story warehouse 100 by 125 feet at southwest corner of Wichita and English.
- 3. The John F. Millhaubt Clothing Company will open August 1 at 217 East Douglas.

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5. Article says regular air service between Wichita and Kansas City will start today by Kansas City Airways Transportation Company, leaving Kansas City at 7:00 a.m. and returning from Wichita at 4:00 p.m.

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4. City commission yesterday passed ordinance providing for bond issue of \$75,000 to build art museum in Wichita.

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5. The first round-trip of the Kansas City Airways Transportation Company was made Tuesday (yesterday).

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- 2. In two round trips from Kansas City to Wichita only two one-way passengers have been carried by the Kansas City Airways Transportation Company.
- 3. Wichitans are using 225 tons of ice a day in the present hot weather, according to Wichita Ice and Cold Storage Company.

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- 3. Commencing this week the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company will operate a bus line between Hutchinson and Wichita, a permit for the line having been issued last week by the public service commission at Topeka. Passengers will be carried to intermediate points to and from Wichita and Hutchinson but no through passengers will be carried.
- 8. The brick walls of the addition to the Twentieth Century Club have been built and interior work is proceeding.
- 19. The Wichita Public Library has been redecorated. Article gives some history -- and says Mrs. Louise Caldwell Murdock persuaded Arthur Sinclair Covey, a famous Kansas artist, to paint three murals for the interior walls of the dome of the building, entitled "Promise," "Fruition," and "Afterglow." Details. These were described in an article on murals in *Scribner's Magazine* in 1921. She also designed and secured, assisted by Mrs. Elizabeth Stubblefield Navas, the Tiffany windows with sunflower designs which are in the dome of the building.

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3. Plans are being completed for the new Union National Bank building by Vitzthum and Burns, architects of Chicago and bids will be received on July 27. Details.

Crestview Country Club members voted yesterday to build five grass greens on the club's golf course, to be ready by next spring.

7. Five passengers were carried yesterday on the Kansas Airways Transportation Company's flights between Kansas City and Wichita.

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- 1. Wichita Hospital and Nurses Home was sold yesterday to the Sisters of St. Joseph for \$150,000. ¶ Article says it was first organized September 9, 1879 as the "Ladies Benevolent Home" for charitable work, and the association was incorporated in 1887 to include all hospital work under the title of "Ladies Benevolent Home and Hospital."
- 2. Mrs. William E. Morton, wife of the postmaster of Kansas City, yesterday became the first woman passenger on the Kansas City to Wichita air service of Kansas City Airways Transportation Company.
- 5. Contracts let yesterday for new St. James Episcopal church at Yale and Douglas. Ground to be broken next Sunday. Total was \$99,877.

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- 3. The Sisters of St. Joseph took charge of Wichita Hospital yesterday. Sister Superior Colette is superintendent.
- 5. Article about sites being considered for Wichita's new art museum. One of four sites is the old Steinbuchel estate directly west of Central Riverside Park, the tract at one time considered by the board of education for a high school site.

Twenty-two hundred thirty cars have registered at the Wichita tourist park since the beginning of the season.

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5. The new swimming pool at Woodland park, 21st street and Little river, is finished and will be opened in about ten days.

The List and Weatherly Construction Company, which has the \$250,000 contract for building 13 bridges across the drainage canal, will finish the work before Thanksgiving. The 17th street bridge will be opened by the last of the month and the 9th street bridge within 30 days. Bridges at Kellogg, 1st street, 3rd street, Central, Murdock, 10th street, 11th street, 13th street, and 15th street are already finished. Work on 2nd street and Broadway avenue will begin in a few weeks.

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- 4. Article about plans for landscaping Wichita Country Club's new golf course at cost of \$10,000. Details.
- 7. Biography of late Miss Jessie L. Clark, for 38 years supervisor of music in Wichita schools. Details.

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Rotogravure

Photograph of farm south of Wichita showing a new combine.

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5. Yesterday 309 persons were taken for brief airplane rides at the Travel Air field at this week's special rate of \$1.00, and 106 were taken in Swallow planes at the Swallow field at the regular rate of \$2.50.

Article reports ground breaking yesterday for the new St. James Episcopal church.

Tuesday, July 21, 1925 page 5. The Yellow Cab Company was purchased yesterday by the Blue Bird Cab and Transfer Company, which was organized here on August 21, 1924 by Roy Payne. The Yellow Cab company property includes ten cabs and three trucks, giving the merged company a total of 28 cabs and nine trucks. The merged company will eventually be known by the better known name of Yellow Cab and Transfer company.

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4. Only three passengers have been carried in the past two weeks on the Kansas City Airways Transportation Company service between Kansas City and Wichita, and the company says it will be abandoned if patronage does not improve.

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1. The Coleman Lamp Company plans to build four new four story buildings on their block between 1st and 2nd and between St. Francis and the tracks. One of the buildings will be on the site of the old church, which will be razed in a short time.

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4. Photograph of the new Salvation Army rescue home just north of Sim park. Exterior complete, and it is hoped to complete the building by September 1.

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5. Contract has been let for four story brick warehouse, 56 by 130 feet, to be built at 145 North Rock island for the Grant-Billingsley Wholesale Produce Company. Cost is \$52,000.

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2A. Photograph of Schollenberger Brothers three story Reo automobile agency building at northwest corner of 2nd and Lawrence, which they moved into in June 1920.

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Article by Victor Murdock about ways early settlers in this area gained titles to their land.

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- 2. Photograph of one of the planes used in the Kansas City to Wichita air passenger service of Kansas City Airways Transportation Company.
- 5. Nine hundred sixty-one persons took advantage of the dollar airplane trips offered

yesterday by the Swallow and Travel Air companies. Travel Air carried 525 passengers and Swallow 436 passengers.

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5. Operation of the Kansas City to Wichita air service is being temporary suspended until there is more evidence that Wichita wants the service, the company announced. There were no passengers again yesterday.

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5. Building permit issued yesterday for first of four four-story buildings to be built by Coleman Lamp Company. It is on St. Francis avenue and will include company offices and club rooms. The second building will be on the site for the old church, which will be razed in a short time, and the third and fourth buildings will be constructed along the tracks.

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5. Building permit issued yesterday for construction of two ornamental arches across Belmont avenue, one at Douglas and the other at Central. The arches will cost \$11,700 and be built by George Siedhoff Construction Company. The cost will be borne by property owners on Belmont. The arches of metal will be supported on pillars of Carthage stone.

Article reports new schedule of Arkansas Valley Transportation Company buses effective today. Details.

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- 1. Contract for new Union National Bank building let yesterday to George Siedhoff Construction Company. Wrecking of the old bank building (former Barnes building) will begin today.
- 5. The first of the Orient Railroads new decapod engines will leave the Baldwin Locomotive Works on August 17 and the other four will be delivered before September 15. They will be used in freight service on the Kansas and Oklahoma division between Fairview and Altus, Oklahoma. ¶ Delivery of the new Brill motor cars for passenger service will begin August 29. There will be three motor cars and two trailer coaches. They will be operated between San Angelo and Alpine, Texas.

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4. Advertisement gives bus schedules from Wichita to Augusta, Eldorado, and Winfield. Fare \$1.10 to Eldorado, 65 cents to Augusta, and \$1.75 to Winfield. 5. Orient Railroad revenues in 1924 were 91.19 percent from freight, 5.23 percent from passenger traffic, and 3.58 percent from other services such as switching, main and express. About 53 percent of operating expenses goes for labor and 17 percent for fuel.

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- 3. Motor cars will be delivered to the Missouri Pacific Railroad on September 1.
- 5. The Orient Railroad has purchased 12 lots north of the Swift and Company plant, 906 East Waterman, for \$20,000. This expands their holding in that section and squares up its tract. If the reorganization plan is approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission, it is thought the company intends to build a new office building in Wichita (or freight depot) and enlarge its yards.

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- 3. Steel work of Dold's new hog killing plant is completed to the fourth story, and the building will be completed by winter.
- 4. Full scale work of demolishing the old Union National Bank building will start tomorrow.
- 14. Photograph of one of the Brill motor car trains being delivered to the Texas division of the Orient Railroad. The first will be delivered August 28.

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3. Article by Victor Murdock about an alteration of the original Griffenstein town plat. Diagram. The change was in making lots face on Douglas avenue. The blocks on Douglas are 300 feet minus 20 feet for alley. To make the even 280 feet, he made corner lots on street and alleys 24 feet wide and the other lots 23 feet. The Douglas avenue lots are 130 feet deep compared with 140 feet on the side streets.

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5. With recent consolidations of bus lines operating in and out of Wichita, only four companies in addition to the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company are now in operation. They are the Seaman, Southern Kansas, DeLux and Pyle, and Robinson and Moore routes. The four latter load and unload at the union bus depot.

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3. Drawing of the new building of the City Undertaking Company at Lulu and Douglas, which is nearly half completed. The firm name will change to "The Lahey and Martin Mortuary" when the new home is occupied. Glenn Thomas is architect.

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3. Article tells of the work of the Wichita fresh air baby camp in North Riverside park. Details.

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4. Photograph of partly demolished Union National Bank building.

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2. Photograph of further progress in razing Union National Bank building.

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- 11. Sequence of photographs of progress past week in razing Union National Bank building.
- 15. Midland Valley Railroad advertisement with graph of decline in passenger revenue and less-than-carload lot freight revenue. Passenger revenue down from about \$1,280,000 in 1920 to about \$500,000 in 1925.
- 2A. Photograph of Mosbacher Motor Company at 214-16 North Lawrence.

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- 3. Article about use of cottonwood lumber in early Wichita. Photographs of Dr. Fabrique home, M. M. Murdock home, and the Munger house.
- 7. Article about granite columns in Wichita says those at St. Mary's cathedral came from the old post office building at Chicago. The single granite column at corner of Barnes building cost \$198.42. Mr. Barnes paid \$7.00 a thousand for common brick laid on the job and \$15 for face brick. Bricklayers thought nothing of handling 2000 brick a day and got \$4.50 for it. Roof on the building cost \$308, and the entire building cost \$98,000.

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5. Article says Midland Valley Railroad is considering discontinuing passenger trains between Wichita and Ft. Smith.

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2. The superstructure of the old Union National Bank building will be gone today, just one week after its removal started.

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- 1. J. Hudson McKnight died yesterday at his home, Willowdale, on South Hydraulic avenue from a stroke. Age 63. Obituary.
- 5. W. T. Kemper says if the Interstate Commerce Commission approves the plan of reorganization of the Orient Railroad, construction of a terminal and station here will start at once. Details.
- 8. Article reports opening tomorrow of John F. Millhaubt clothing store at 217 East Douglas. Details.

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3. Representatives of National Air Transport Company visited Wichita yesterday to consider it as a stopping place on the new air mail route. Details.

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2. Article reports talk of Victor Murdock at funeral of J. Hudson McKnight.

- 5. C. H. Hatton yesterday purchased 400 building lots in Ferrell's fourth addition from Lloyd
 B. Ferrell for \$55,000. Located from 13th to 17th streets between Woodland and
 Garland. It will be laid out in building sites and placed on the market in the near future.
- 4A. Santa Fe Railroad announced it will establish a bus line in New Mexico. Details.

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5. First two of the new decapod locomotives purchased by the Orient Railroad left Pennsylvania on their way to Wichita yesterday.

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- 3. The Harry street bridge across the Big Arkansas river, which two weeks ago fell under the weight of a wagon load of sand, is being rebuilt and will be completed in about two weeks.
- 6. Farewell to the old Masonic lodge hall at 1st and Main was celebrated by the Wichita chapter last evening (i.e., moving to new York Rite Temple).

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^{10.} Photograph of leveled site of old Union National Bank building.

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4. Photograph of excavation for new Union National Bank building -- shows teams of horses in excavation.

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8. The Pacific Hotel, 323-25 West Douglas, was purchased Friday from L. E. Mason by Ashley J. Ashford, of Kansas City, for \$30,000. The sale covered only the lease and furnishings. The building is owned by Fred Lampl.

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6. Article on the early Wichita feud between the rival dance halls of Rowdy Joe and Red Beard -- by Dick Long.

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5. Photograph of Travel Air "mystery" ship.

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6. Article reports Smith Baking Company will enlarge its plant at 2300 East Douglas by 50 feet to the east. Ten thousand dollars was paid for the 50 feet of ground. The present building is 100 by 145 feet. The parent or holding company is in New York. Expansion will cost approximately \$200,000.

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2. The Orient Railroad's first Brill motor train is now in Wichita at the local shops for a few days before it is sent south. It arrived from Philadelphia by freight yesterday. ¶ Work of completely remodeling engines is progressing at the shops now. They are torn down until nothing but the frame remains. New boilers, pistons, and in fact, everything but the skeleton are placed on the engines including superheaters, with piston valves of the latest type. ¶ By the middle of the week the first of three new locomotives ordered from Baldwin will be in Wichita. ¶ The first new box car to be entirely built by the Orient was completed at the local shops Saturday, and construction will proceed at once on 50 more cars. They are 40 feet in length with capacity of 80,000 pounds.

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- 2. The new South Hillside school house, District No. 23, will be formally opened Friday evening. The new one story brick building is being completed this week.
- 5. The city will pay \$72,000 for 13 acres of land and 44 acres of the bed of the Little

Arkansas river from 13th street to 21st street being condemned as part of the flood prevention program. A part of John Ferriter's sand and gravel bed is included in the tract.

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- 3. The new Salvation Army rescue home at Sim Park and 11th street will be occupied next week, but the official dedication will not be until September 27.
- 5. Work on the new three story Walter A. Vincent building at 1st and Topeka, 110 by 140 feet, was started yesterday, and it is to be finished by February 1st. Total cost will be \$125,000.

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- 3. Effective Sunday the Arkansas Valley Transit Company will operate its bus line between Salina and Newton only, making direct connections at Newton with Arkansas Valley Interurban trains. ¶ The Arkansas Valley Interurban has put into operation two additional cars in through service between Wichita and Newton and has placed on three other regular cars each way between Wichita and Newton an observation trailer car, which will run without any transfer of passengers at Van Arsdale. Details.
- 8. The Orient Railroad received the first of its new decapod freight engines in Wichita yesterday. Accessories and parts are being installed at the local shops, and the fires will probably be lighted under the boilers tomorrow. This is the first of five such engines being placed in service in Oklahoma where the steepest grades are found.

The park board completed the purchase yesterday of the Fairmount park site between 15th and 16th streets and between Vassar and Gentry avenues. The city commission voted \$7800 in bonds to pay for the site.

15. Formal opening of the Wichita Gas Company, "A Cities Service Company's," new office on ground floor of York Rite Temple building is being held today.

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- 5. Petition filed yesterday asking district court to appoint a receiver for the Wichita Theater Company (organized June 29, 1910) including the Crawford Theater (built at cost of \$86,000 and opened in 1911). Details.
- 6. Photograph of first Orient Railroad box car (No. 6001) to be built entirely in Wichita.

Advertisement for Orr's College Hill bookstore, 2226 East Douglas.

Advertisement with timetable of Arkansas Valley Interurban and Arkansas Valley Transit Company.

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- 3. Paving contracts let yesterday including Carlos, 11th to Little river.
- 5. Article says city commission will need authorization by state legislature to be able to purchase a municipal flying field.
- 14. The charter of Masonic Lodge 99 was removed from the old lodge room at 1st and Main last evening and ceremoniously transferred to the new York Rite Temple.

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4. The second new Orient Railroad engine will arrive in Wichita today from the Baldwin Locomotive Works.

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5. Two stories of the Southwestern Osteopathic sanitarium at Douglas and Rutan are practically complete. The hospital will have 50 rooms with 72 beds.

The second new decapod locomotive for the Orient Railroad arrived here yesterday and another is due today. The last of the five will arrive within the next week. The first engine is already in service at Altus, Oklahoma.

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1. Article gives first installment of diary of James P. Royal, early Wichita pioneer, whose funeral is today.

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- 5. Dedication of the Jessie Clark Memorial organ at Wichita High School will take place October 15.
- 26. Photograph of new addition to Twentieth Century Clubhouse.

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6. Photograph of Southwestern Osteopathic sanitarium under construction, up two stories.

Article about proposed extension of three bus lines in Wichita. Details.

- 7. Dedication of new Salvation Army rescue home is to be held today. Details.
- 3A. Photograph of Shanklin Mercantile Company building at 1601 East Douglas, with delivery

trucks.

4A. Equipment has been ordered for the new 500 watt Hotel Lassen radio station. Hope to broadcast on November 1.

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5. Article reports on dedication of new Salvation Army rescue home yesterday. Details.

Ground to be broken today for new \$50,000 Immanuel Lutheran church at northeast corner of Market and Indianapolis.

Philharmony Hall was crowded for a concert yesterday.

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5. Ground to be broken today for new University Friends church at Glenn and University, to cost \$80,000.

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11. Bus driver was robbed at Central avenue and East street last evening.

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- 2. National Air Transportation Company, Inc., was awarded the contract for the Chicago to Dallas-Fort Worth air mail route yesterday.
- 5. Plans for a new wing at Wesley hospital costing \$75,000 to \$100,000 were approved by the hospital board yesterday, and construction will begin in a short time.

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- 5. Another old time Wichita landmark, the old frame E. M. Dodd building at 136 North Lawrence, is to be wrecked. Details. Built in early '70s.
- 13. The Southwest Transfer and Storage Company has occupied its new warehouse building at 301 South Wichita street, corner of Wichita and English streets. Cost was \$72,500. Details.

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5. Johnston-Larimer Wholesale Dry Goods Company will erect immediately a \$75,000 work clothes factory at 9th street and Mosley.

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8. The new Dold hog killing plant will be completed and ready for occupancy about November 15.

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2. Article about the coming of the Farhas to Wichita from Syria 30 years ago in 1895. Details.

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Rotogravure

Dim photograph of the "First Street Car Out" in the morning -- with Bitting Avenue sign. Number not legible. Also dim photo of a railroad roundhouse.

Photograph of new building of H. S. Wise Company, 571-75 West Douglas.

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5. Article reports progress on construction of new building for Western Lithograph Company at 1st and Topeka. Details.

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18. The new Rounds and Porter one story warehouse building 240 by 340 feet, on Waco between 1st and 2nd, will be completed within 60 days. Cost is \$80,000. Details.

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2. Jessie Clark Memorial pipe organ at Wichita High School was accepted yesterday from the Austin Organ Company.

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1. Henry Schweiter died yesterday of pneumonia at age 81 at his home, 1235 South Hydraulic. Obituary. Survived by four sons and two daughters. Wife died two and a half years ago.

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3. Petitions for new bus line on Ida avenue to Lincoln street to Hillside avenue will be presented to the public utilities commission at Topeka Monday by both the Wichita Bus Owners Association and the Wichita Railroad and Light Company, which are contesting

for the new line.

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Photograph of Dr. Fabrique in rocking chair.

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City commission yesterday accepted city engineer's report on costs of widening the drainage canal to 100 feet width at top and 70 feet at the bottom, with minimum depth of 14 feet and water capacity of 8500 cubic feet per second, nearly seven times the capacity of the present canal with the old bridges. The entire project exclusive of bridges recently built will cost \$498,000, to be paid for by the city at large. Eight hundred forty thousand cubic yards of earth will have to be removed, and the construction will take about six months.

More than 250,000 new ties have been placed in the roadbed for the Orient Railroad since January 1. With the purchase of the new grader and ditcher, the roadbed has been graded and re-ditched from Wichita to Alpine. In many places the roadbed has been raised or lowered in order to insure a level stretch of track, and travel over the line has become far more comfortable.

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5.

Ground was broken Monday for the new addition to Wesley hospital. It is an extension of 60 feet on the east wing of the hospital, which is 44 feet wide, and will provide 60 new patient rooms, making 185 in all. Total cost approximately \$75,000.

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5. Sidney Mourning will construct a new apartment building on Kansas avenue a few yards south of Douglas at a cost in excess of \$30,000. The building, housing six families, will resemble a row of bungalows. Four single story apartments will face the north, and the other two in two stories, one above the other, will face the east. Building will be 27 by 100 feet and will be ready for occupancy within two months.

Hillside Avenue Church of Christ, at English and Hillside, has voted to go ahead and complete the erection of its new church edifice, started some two years ago. Details.

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15. Photograph of new Rounds and Porter warehouse, under construction on Waco between 1st and 2nd streets.

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1. Photograph of the Vail Jewelry Company on Douglas avenue at Blue Lantern Lane.

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5. Six additional new electric "traffic cops" will soon be added -- on William and 1st street at Main, Topeka, and Emporia.

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7. Article reports dedication yesterday of the Jessie L. Clark memorial pipe organ at Wichita High School. Cost approximately \$10,000.

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5. Ground will be broken tomorrow for the new Mexican mission church to be erected at 907 South St. Francis.

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- 3. Corner stone of new St. James Episcopal church is to be laid this afternoon. Details. Church was organized on June 4, 1920 and held the first service in the frame church on the present site in October 1920.
- 9. Photograph of new Union National Bank building on October 2 with framework up two stories.
- 6A. The Lassen radio station will take to the air in about two weeks. Work is starting on erecting the 125 foot high aerial towers for the station.
- 7A. Interview with R. B. Campbell, of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, who says bus transportation is here to stay.

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7. Advertisement with drawing of new Union National Bank building.

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1. Travel Air, Inc. landing field on East Central avenue road was purchased yesterday by Walter P. Innes and associates on the aviation committee of the Wichita Chamber of Commerce for \$32,000. The 160 acre field was bought from E. L. Hart, president of the Union Stockyards National Bank for \$200 an acre and will remain in the hands of the

purchasers until the state legislature amends the law which now bars the city government from owning property more than one mile outside the city limits. The city is then expected to take over the area as a municipal landing field. ¶ Hangars will be built and gasoline pumps installed. In addition, the Travel Air firm, whose lease on the property expires in the next few weeks, is expected to continue to use it. ¶ This removes the last obstacle to making the landing of air mail planes in Wichita a reality.

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- 10. Photograph of wood carrying locomotive tender just completed at the Orient shops for use on the Orient Railroad lines in Mexico on the west coast. It also has an auxiliary water tank, as water tanks in Mexico are far apart and a reserve supply must be carried.
- 16. Article says Frank Isbell proposes to build new steel and concrete stands at Island park seating between six and eight thousand. The present stands seat but 4500 and are of wood and need repairing badly.

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5. Speakers of the Exchange club will appear before all civic organizations of the city within the near future to speak on the need of train sheds for the Wichita Union station.

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Travel Air, Inc., which has been maintaining its factory at 417 West 1st street, is preparing to move the manufacturing industry to 535-37 West Douglas to allow expansion of its production.

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4. The second Brill motor train for service on the Orient Railroad arrived in Wichita yesterday. With the trailer it will carry over 100 passengers. It will be used on Orient lines in Texas, where the first motor train has been in service for some time in the Texas oil fields. The second train will go into service and displace steam train No. 1 on that division. A third train is expected to arrive in Wichita any day.

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5. The Orient's new gasoline motor train will be on display at the Midland Valley depot today. It consists of two cars, the first for passengers, and the second for baggage and mail. The cost of operation is only 50 cents a train mile compared with \$1.10 for a steam train.

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- 11. The cornerstone of the Union National Bank building was swung into place yesterday. Details.
- 14. The Wichita Western league baseball club was sold yesterday by Frank Isbell to John Holland, owner of the Oklahoma City club, and James Crawford, owner of the Tulsa club. Details.
- 20. The Wichita Rotary club will try to attain 100 percent attendance at its meeting Monday, November 16. One member, Dr. Henry Tihen, is in Vienna, Austria. Dr. Tihen has been cabled to attend the meeting of the Rotary Club there on November 16.

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- 2. With the arrival of two new motor trains which left Wichita yesterday, beginning Monday steam trains No. 1 and 2 on the Orient between San Angelo and Alpine, Texas will be supplanted by the motor trains.
- 5. The Gunite Construction Company, of Kansas City, contractors for the Murdock avenue bridge across Little river, will pour the last concrete today and expect to complete their part of the job before the end of the week. The park board, however, will not finish construction of the west approach for about ten days, and the bridge will be opened about Thanksgiving. ¶ The same company is now constructing a canal bridge on Broadway avenue, and another company will soon have the canal bridge on Harry completed. All other canal bridges recently lengthened, have been opened for traffic. ¶ The lengthening of the Douglas avenue canal bridge yet remains to be done, as it is being delayed until the courts decide on the widening of the avenue.

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8. Photograph of aerial towers atop Hotel Lassen for the hotel's new station, WKHL.

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- 1. Wichita's fifth radio station took the air at midnight last night for its first test using the old call letters WEAH on a wave length of 268 meters.
- 18. Wichita Chamber of Commerce will move its headquarters to the Hotel Broadview and Arkansas Valley Interurban station in the near future.

Lawton Camp No. 18 will meet to discuss plans for raising funds to purchase a statue, "The Hiker," in commemoration of the 1898-1902 period of the war with Spain, Philippine insurrection, and Chinese Boxer campaign. The statue is modeled after similar ones in New England whose original sculptor was Allen Newman, noted artist of New York, and will cost about \$3000.

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5. Car collided with a bus at 2nd and Estelle yesterday.

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5. Erection of a two ship hangar on the air mail field recently purchased from Travel Air, Inc. by the aviation commission of the Wichita Chamber of Commerce will probably take place within a month. The hangar will be 30 by 80 feet.

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Laying of cornerstone of the Mexican Protestant church, Hyde chapel, at 907 South St. Francis, will take place this afternoon. Details.

Article reports passenger train service between Wichita and Pratt will be discontinued November 29 and replaced by a daily mixed freight and passenger service.

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Photographs of all of Wichita's mayors.

Photograph of the first high school class in Wichita.

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3. Report of laying of cornerstone yesterday at the Mexican Protestant church, 907 South St. Francis, by A. A. Hyde. Details. To cost \$10,000.

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- 5. Nine middle western plants in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri of the Smith-Great Western Baking Corporation, including the one in Wichita, were sold yesterday to the General Baking Corporation for approximately \$2,700,000. The Wichita unit is worth \$300,000, and has done nearly \$1,000,000 in business the past year.
- 16. The new radio station of the Hotel Lassen was allowed to take the air yesterday with a definite call letter and wave length assignment. The call assigned is KFH, taken from the hotel's motto, "Kansas' finest hotel." The letters WKHL (Wichita, Kansas Hotel Lassen) had been sought, but the department of commerce has discontinued issuance of W calls to stations west of the Mississippi. The wave length remains at 268 meters.

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- 5. The Murdock avenue bridge over Little Arkansas river will be opened to traffic this afternoon. Contract price was \$88,000, but it is thought it has cost the Gunite Concrete Construction Company of Kansas City in excess of \$100,000 to complete their work, causing them a loss of nearly \$20,000.
- 16. The motorman of a Fairmount-Orient Shops street car was held up near the Orient shops last night.

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5. New Murdock avenue bridge was opened yesterday.

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- 5. The ninth floor of the new Union National Bank building will be poured today, making the second floor to be completed this week.
- 16. Fairmount beat Friends nine to seven at Island Park yesterday.

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- 2. Reminiscence of early Wichita resident, William G. Taylor. Says man named Vigus kept transients out of kindness of his heart until he "formed the habit" and drifted naturally into keeping Wichita's first tavern, the Buckhorn.
- 5. Yesterday was the last day of passenger service to Pratt on the Wichita and Western. Trains No. 45 and 46 are discontinued and the line will be served six days a week by a mixed freight and passenger service. Article tells of retiring Santa Fe engineer Charles Kleinheim, age 66.

While in Detroit for the annual meeting of the Bus Owners' Association, J. A. McClure and J. A. Combs, owners of the DeLux Transportation Company, operating bus lines between Wichita and Eldorado, purchased a new 36 passenger Commerce bus powered by a Continental motor for their business. They drove it to Wichita, arriving here last Thursday, and the bus made its maiden trip Friday. It will make four round trips daily between Wichita and Eldorado via Augusta.

While Miss Jess Spencer, dance hall supervisor for the Wichita police department, does not exactly approve of the Charleston, there will be no action to bar it from the city's dancing places. At only one or two of the dance halls is it danced to any extent.

- 6. Advertisement says construction is now under way on Wichita Park Cemetery, three blocks north of city limits on east side of Hillside.
- 7. Photograph of new Murdock avenue bridge.

Fifty cent piece is more in use now than ever before. It will buy a dozen eggs, a hair cut, ten pounds of potatoes or ten pounds of sugar, a noon lunch or a marcel, a dozen bars of laundry soap, enough meat for a family of four, or a pound of coffee.

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3. Article by Dick Long about "How Beautiful Riverside Came to Adorn Wichita." Tells of part played by Finlay Ross.

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5. Wichita's largest roof, 86,000 square feet, on the new Rounds and Porter Wholesale Lumber Company building on Waco between 1st and 2nd, will be completed tomorrow. Building to be completed by January 1.

The four story new building of Coleman Lamp Company at 2nd and St. Francis will soon be ready for occupancy. Windows will be installed in the immediate future. ¶ The new warehouse addition of the Grant-Billingsley Produce Company at 1st and Rock Island is nearly finished.

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7. Walter Beech, vice-president and general manager, announced that work will start soon on a hangar for six airplanes on the new municipal landing field, to be occupied by Travel Air, Inc.

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2. Eleventh floor of Union National Bank building will be poured tomorrow.

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- 3. Missouri Pacific will spend more than \$10,000 immediately in remodeling the interior of its passenger station in Wichita. Details.
- 5. The O. J. Watson five story building on West Douglas south of the Broadview Hotel, until recently the home of the local Willys-Knight and Overland agencies, will become a storage warehouse, Mr. Watson announced yesterday. Six hundred automobiles can be stored on the top four floors.

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9. Cornerstone to be laid today for new Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran church at Market and Indianapolis. Details.

3A. R. D. McKay Motor Company, local Willys-Overland distributor, has moved into its new home, 231-35 South Lawrence at English. Photograph.

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4. Article by Dick Long about the White Castle Hamburger System, Walt Anderson, originator, and E. W. Ingram, vice-president. First shop opened in 1916 at Mead and Douglas. Now there are 21 in all, including five in Wichita. Details. Photograph of White Castle (probably 318 West Douglas).

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- 1. Photograph of Imperial Flour Mills, 300 Commerce street, after being gutted by fire at 6:45 p.m. Monday. Another photograph shows it during the fire. Damage estimated at \$70,000.
- 3. The last concrete will be poured today in the Harry street canal bridge. Work began October 1 and it will be re-opened in about two weeks.
- 5. Article about the fire that damaged the Imperial mills, 300 Commerce street, Monday evening. Details.
- 12. Photograph of Union National Bank building under construction December 7.
- 28. Photograph of an old steam pumper fire engine in use at the Imperial Mills fire.

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- 1. The 78 foot frontage on Douglas avenue across the street east of the Eaton Hotel was sold yesterday by the Hartwig estate to Edward and Austin Stewart for \$100,000. The former owner, E. F. Hartwig, who died three years ago last August, had purchased the lots in about 1880 for \$6000. Details.
- 11. Crestview Country club last evening voted to start immediately building an additional nine grass greens on its golf course. Nine grass greens were recently constructed and will be ready for play next spring. ¶ A modern swimming pool will also be added.

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5. W. C. Coleman says his plant now makes 2000 lamps and lanterns, 500 camp stoves, 200 cookers, 250 radiant heaters, and 75,000 mantles daily. Sales this year will total five million dollars.

Missouri Pacific Railroad announced yesterday a purchase of equipment including eight

gasoline motor trains, 30 locomotives, and 24 passenger cars.

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15. Contract signed yesterday whereby the Hertz Driveurself System, Inc., of Chicago, will operate in Wichita with Ben Millar of the Millar Auto livery, 122 North Emporia, as local representative.

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S. Reminiscences by J. L. Nessly, who came to Wichita on the first passenger train. Details.

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5. The Lahey and Martin mortuary will start moving into its new home at Lulu and Douglas today. A formal opening will be held about January 1st. ¶ Its old home for several years at 922 East Douglas has been sold to the East Side Hardware Company, owned by J. A. and F. P. Yungmeyer.

The county commissioners yesterday accepted the new bridge just erected over the Big Arkansas river at 21st street. It is a pile bridge about 500 feet long and cost approximately \$6000. It replaces a similar structure built many years ago and will be opened some time this week.

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- 2. Howard Patten, general manager of Wichita Railroad and Light company announced that the East Douglas avenue line would be extended to the city limits during next year. ¶ Plans for the extension were under way two years ago when residents of South Belmont avenue obtained an injunction to stop the company from constructing a wye along that street. The street car company did not want to establish a wye on North Belmont avenue because of poor drainage, and further because the left turn is dangerous. ¶ It is now tentatively planned to extend the line to the city limits and to establish the wye east of East street. Extending the track from Roosevelt avenue and constructing the new wye will cost between \$14,000 and \$16,000.
- 4. The Swallow Airplane Manufacturing company will begin at once construction of added floor space for about \$20,000 to permit doubling of its output by late spring.

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Photograph of new Murdock avenue bridge.

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3. It is planned to complete the pouring of the 14th floor and roof of the Union National Bank building this Friday.

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1. Article reports rumor that Fairmount college will be merged with Washburn college and moved to Topeka. Details.

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- 3. Photograph of interior of Wichita post office taken yesterday with crowd.
- 7. Article about plans for dredging and widening Little Arkansas river for flood control program.

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- 3. Photograph of Wichita Klan No. 6 members and 550 baskets for the poor in Christmas headquarters in the Sedgwick building. About two dozen hooded Klan members in photograph.
- 10. The annual Amidon Christmas dinner will be held today at the Forum, being given this year by Mrs. S. B. Amidon. More than 2000 are expected and more than 1500 pounds of turkey will be served. Details.

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5. Article describes improvements at the Kansas sanitarium during the past year. A mental annex, called the Miller annex, is now under construction on the south side of the 40 acre tract and will raise the bed capacity to 60.

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- 4. The Missouri Pacific will change passenger trains No. 431 and 432 from Wichita to Geneseo to mixed trains on January 3.
- 5. A \$6000 mortgage contracted when a new addition to the Phyllis Wheatley Children's home was built will be burned on January 1. Alex Hyde, Wichita philanthropist, is an active backer of the home, located at 808 East 13th street.
- 18. Sufficient funds have been raised to assure erection of "The Hiker" by the local Spanish-American war veterans committee. It will be placed in one of the city parks, to be selected at a conference soon. The bronze statue, sculptured by Allen C. Newman of New York

City, will be ordered shortly after the first of the year.

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5. The three roughest blocks in the city will be resurfaced with asphalt. They are English, 3rd, and Central from Market to Main, all of brick laid some 30 years ago. William street from Market to Main, laid at the same time, was resurfaced in 1912.

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- 1. Article reports proposed developments on Douglas avenue for nearly a mile east of the city. A syndicate is being organized by Alton H. Smith to develop the 215 acre Lynch tract which reaches from 2nd street to Kellogg east of Woodlawn Heights and which has been optioned by H. C. Lynch for \$130,000 or nearly \$650 an acre. Douglas avenue will be extended past Woodlawn Heights in the form of a double drive for half a mile, bisecting the Lynch property. ¶ The sale of 320 acres of land just east of the Lynch tract to Howard Wheeler for \$100,000, or more than \$300 an acre was reported the first of the week. It is part of the Sankey estate, and was sold by A. T. Butler, business manager of the Beacon.
- 12. Drawing of new Immanuel Lutheran church, under construction at Market and Indianapolis.