Money spent for street paving in Wichita in recent years has been:

1920  $1,000,000  
1921  $504,000  
1922  $512,000  
1923  $587,000  
1924  $656,000  
1925  $926,000  
1926  $450,000  

One hundred airplanes with total value of about $350,000 were built in Wichita during 1926. Each of the two companies now has a capacity of about one plane a week, and this is to be increased.

Photograph of skeleton of Hillcrest Apartments, now up nine stories.

Board of education after a long and bitter session decided last night that Wichita’s new high school is to be located on an 18-acre tract of ground between 13th and 15th streets and between Rochester avenue and the Little river. To cost not more than $605,000. Details.
1. City of Wichita has obtained a temporary restraining order in Shawnee County district court against the public service commission’s approval of the increased bus fare in Wichita, and the fare will be rolled back today or tomorrow to the previous five cents until the matter is settled. Details.

4. Excavation has started for the College Hill Baptist church, to be erected at southeast corner of Erie and Central.

5. Interdale Apartments, 916-24 North Lawrence, were sold to the Lindas Lumber Company yesterday by George M. Smith, of Augusta, for $175,000.

   Photograph of M. C. Campbell, Wichita rancher.

11. The budget of Wichita city library for 1927 is $34,855, of which $21,367 is for salaries and $7500 for new books. Details.

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3. The judge in Shawnee county district court did not grant a restraining order until January 24 but rather set the hearing on the order for that date, so the new eight cent bus fare will remain in effect at least until then.

Friday, January 7, 1927

1. Article reports National Air Transport, Inc., of Chicago, has ordered $128,676 worth of Travel Air planes. Details.

5. Kansas Gas and Electric plans to complete the system of underground conduits in downtown Wichita this year at a further cost of $522,154, making a total cost of about $1,000,000.

Saturday, January 8, 1927

3. The Universal Motor company Ford agency in Wichita has been sold to the two remaining Ford dealers here, the Price Auto Service Company and the J. S. Brown Motor Company, effective this morning. Details.

Sunday, January 9, 1927

5. More than 400 rubber flap stop signs are to be ordered at once to replace the white stop lines on through streets in Wichita. They are made of black rubber with the word “stop” in yellow and flatten to the street when struck by a car. One of the new signs has been tested for some time at the intersection of Central and St. Francis. The previous white lines are often misunderstood by motorists from other cities or are dim and difficult to see.
22. Photograph of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hyde, nearing 52nd wedding anniversary.

30. Article about W. A. Dye, chili manufacturer, with photographs of the company’s plant at 120 North Mosley and of W. A. Dye.

Tuesday, January 11, 1927

5. Clarence Brosisus, real estate man, has taken a 55 year lease on the Porter Block, 211-13 East Douglas, from the heirs of the late H. W. Porter, Mrs. G. W. Wilbur of Wichita, and Mrs. Alvin Yonel of Indiana. The building on the 50 foot site is a two story brick erected by Mr. Porter in 1902 at a cost of less than $15,000. Mr. Porter purchased the lot in 1902 for $6500. The lot and building are now worth at least $250,000.

Wednesday, January 12, 1927

7. Photo of the neighborhood shopping center at 13th and Hillside, which opens today.

Friday, January 14, 1927

5. Approximately 10,000,000 brick were made at the Noll Brick and Tile company of Wichita last year, the record of the plants four year history. ¶ Wichita builders are showing a preference for local brick. The Hillcrest Apartment building will use 800,000 Wichita made brick. The plant is located six miles north of Wichita on Lawrence avenue, where there is an excellent shale deposit.

Sunday, January 16, 1927

3. The Orient Railroad yesterday announced plans to convert all its coal burning locomotives to oil burners. Work will begin immediately in transforming 55 locomotives.

10. Article about the highway from Wichita to Newton says 20½ of the 26 miles are now paved. There remain two strips of sanded clay, one of four miles commencing at the county line and one of a mile and a half south from the city limits of Newton.

27. Article reports proposal to city commission from R. B. Campbell, H. W. Wheeler, and R. C. Clevenger to acquire the street railway and motor bus system of Wichita and unify the system if given a 30 year monopoly and an increase in street car fare to the level of the recent bus fare increase. Details.

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2. Article about Thurlow Lieurance.

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Article says site is being looked for for a new post office. Article says in winter of 1869 the post office was moved to the fifth block on Court street, now Main and was operated by a man named Dickey. It remained there some time. About 1873 or 74 it was moved to the old Eagle block, where it stayed a year or so, and then was moved to a structure in first block of North Main on present site of the Tanner building. It was there approximately five years and then moved to the building on southeast corner of 1st and Water, where it remained until the present post office opened.

Fixtures and furnishings of the Princess theater are being removed preparatory to razing the building to clear the site for the new Innes department store.

Installing of beacon lights on the airway between Wichita and Oklahoma City will be completed within ten days. Details.

The *Eagle* yesterday bought the 66½ foot tract just west of the Eagle building on William for $50,000 from C. F. Weber of Los Angeles, who bought it about 12 years ago for $12,000. It is to accommodate future expansion of the *Eagle* newspaper.

Seventeen and one-half miles of Missouri Pacific track between Ft. Scott and Yates Center will be relaid beginning this spring for approximately $150,000. The present 64 pound rails will be replaced with 90 pound rails.

Article reports death of Orsemus Hills Bentley, Wichita pioneer, yesterday at age 72. Photograph and obituary.

Article discusses rapid changes in property values on William street in recent years.

Article by Victor Murdock about how winters are less dreaded in Wichita than they used to be.

The new Tire Service Company at 1st and Emporia will open for business tomorrow. Photograph.
Formation of a third airplane manufacturing company here may result from a transaction announced yesterday in which Clyde V. Cessna severed his connections with Travel Air, Inc. through sale of his holdings, 179 shares of stock at $90 a share. Mr. Cessna said he would continue to design airplanes in Wichita and probably would form a new company.

Details.

Article about the early battle between Douglas avenue and North Main factions by Dick Long.

Article says Douglas avenue is 81 feet wide east as far as Hydraulic and then it narrows down to 50 feet.

Equipment has been ordered for lighting the Central avenue airport.

The board of education last month advertised for bids for sale of the old Midian Shrine clubhouse on the Little River, but no bids had been received as of February 1st, the date specified. The building is large and contains an abundance of good lumber.

Advertisement with photograph of Dockum Drug Store No. 4, at 21st and North Lawrence, which opens tomorrow.

Advertisement with photograph of new La Valencia Oil Company filling station at 901 East 1st (1st and Mosley) -- a Skelly station.

Article about progress on Hillcrest apartments. Brick exterior is laid to third floor. Garage to be four stories instead of three, to give capacity of 140 cars. Owners to start moving in about July or August.

Advertisement with photograph of new Piggly Wiggly store No. 14 opening today at Central and Hillside.
3. Photograph of Hillcrest Apartments -- framework nearly completed.

5. Work will start immediately at the Orient shops on the railroad’s new order for 150 box cars. They will be 40 feet in length and of 40 ton capacity.

Sunday, February 6, 1927

5. Article by Dick Long with reminiscences of J. C. Bales, early Wichita settler. Details.

Monday, February 7, 1927

2. Work of erecting the 51 foot tower for the new beacon light at the Wichita airport will start this week.

Tuesday, February 8, 1927

2. School board yesterday re-elected L. W. Mayberry as superintendent for two years beginning August 1 at annual salary of $7500. L. W. Brooks was elected principal of high school at $5280.

School board yesterday sold the old Shrine Club in Riverside to Charles Walden for $975, exclusive of plumbing and wiring.

Thursday, February 10, 1927

5. Missouri Pacific motor car No. 315 was de-railed yesterday seven miles southeast of Belle Plaine. The train was on its daily round trip from Wichita to Coffeyville. Both the motor car and the appended baggage car were derailed.

Friday, February 11, 1927

5. Work has started on the Hillcrest garage, to be 76 by 107 feet and cost $50,000 to $60,000.

Sunday, February 13, 1927

2. Article tells what each of Wichita’s former independent bus operators is doing now, since their lines were sold to Wichita Railroad and Light company.

5. Article reports plans to build an addition to Old Mission mausoleum this spring. Details.

19. Article describes proposal for a 25 foot pedestrian-only street from Market to Topeka half way between Douglas and 1st street. Map. Details.
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4. Article by Dick Long about Joe Fager, only living employe of Wichita’s first bank. Details.

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9. Walter Beach (sic) was elected president of Travel Air, Inc. yesterday. Officers and board of directors listed. New plant to be erected at cost of approximately $33,000.

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5. Seventy-five feet of ground on southwest corner of Lawrence and English, just south of the Niles Hotel and across from the Arnold Auto Company building, was purchased the first of the week by D. R. Lauck, Wichita oil man, from the J. H. Black estate for $37,500.

Thursday, February 17, 1927
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2. After jerking the trolley from an Orient Shops-Fairmount street car at Millwood and Walker avenues at 9:00 p.m., two thugs held up the motorman, F. T. Sweatt, and escaped with his changer containing nine dollars. He had just completed a loop at the end of the line.

3. Telephone calls can be made from Wichita to London starting today. The cost for three minutes is $81. Additional is $27 per minute.

5. The park board will at its own expense haul rich soil from the drainage canal excavation this spring to coat the ground at Central Riverside and Oak parks for grass to grow. A crisis exists in both of the parks as far as growing grass is concerned. Part of Central Riverside was once the bottom of the Arkansas river (probably means Little Arkansas?) and for years Oak park was a sand pit. As a result grass had to be grown on pure sand, with only the loam which has accumulated in the past few years. Much of the grass died as quickly as it was planted.

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3. Construction on Wesley Hospital’s new sixth floor east wing orthopedic ward addition will start about March 1 and be completed about June 1. Details.

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3-A. Good photograph of Reo Wayne school bus for Guymon Public Schools.
5. Article by Dick Long on early day orchardists in Sedgwick county.

9. Article with reminiscences by Mrs. Melissa Moore, age 81, on hunting of buffalo in early days in area of Wichita.

Sunday, February 20, 1927

Rotogravure

Photograph of Claude R. Lambe home, 937 Spaulding.

Thursday, February 24, 1927

5. Article reports Bishop Then is seriously ill at Mercy Hospital in Denver. Born at Oldenburg, Indiana July 14, 1861. He was seriously injured in an auto accident in July 1924.

6. Over $25,000 has been spent in remodeling the McLellan store in first block on East Douglas. It has been located in Wichita for the past five years. Details.

Friday, February 25, 1927

15. Photograph of car with 17 headlights.

Saturday, February 26, 1927

3. Contractors have started grading the two and a half mile stretch of road leading south to the county poor farm and will surface it with concrete as soon as weather permits.

5. The Kansas legislature has passed a measure which will allow cities to own park land within five miles of the city limits instead of within one mile, as previously. This will enable Wichita to take over the landing field east of the city on Central avenue, which was purchased 18 months ago by a group of citizens organized as the Booster Building Company.

Sunday, February 27, 1927

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4. Article by Dick Long about Homer T. Harden, Wichita photographer. Photograph.

Monday, February 28, 1927

2. Concrete foundations for the new Travel Air factory near the airport will be poured this week if weather is favorable. To be 75 by 275 feet.
Wednesday, March 2, 1927
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5. Oil burners are being installed in Orient Railroad locomotives at the rate of three locomotives a week.

Friday, March 4, 1927
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2. Dr. John D. Finlayson has resigned as president of the University of Wichita after the present term. Details.

3. Article about a proposed northeast diagonal boulevard from 2nd and Wabash northeast to University of Wichita. Details.

Saturday, March 5, 1927
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5. Work of installing 500 flap type stop signs on Wichita streets will start today.

Sunday, March 6, 1927
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25. Article says “Why doesn’t the University of Wichita pave the mudhole which serves as a street across the campus of the institution.” ¶ The excuse offered is that negotiations are under way to have the street car company run its tracks east a block and turn its cars there instead of on the campus. The pavement must wait until this is done.

Tuesday, March 8, 1927
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3. Contracts let by Board of Education yesterday for new grade schools at 10th and Grove and at Morris and Broadway avenue. Details.

Wichita has been selected as site for a branch office of the General Motors Acceptance Corporation, a subsidiary of the General Motors Corporation. Details.

5. Building permit issued yesterday to Kansas Milling Company to construct eight more grain storage tanks at cost of $34,000. About ten days ago the same firm took out a permit for 12 new grain storage tanks, to cost $50,000, making total of 20 new tanks.

Building permit issued yesterday to John Wenzel, contractor, for two story brick apartment house at Lewis and Main, to cost $55,000.

Excavation to start today for two apartment houses to be built at Douglas and Estelle by W. H. Gaines at cost of approximately $85,000, to accommodate 25 families.

Wednesday, March 9, 1927
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5. Article about derailment of Pattie avenue street car No. 280 yesterday by rock placed on the track. Details. Photograph (dim).

Thursday, March 10, 1927

W. G. Sims, Wichita Union Terminal superintendent, informed the Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday that in 1925 there were 446,957 freight cars and 76,048 passenger coaches handled over the Douglas avenue viaduct, and in 1926 424,518 freight cars and 76,083 passenger coaches were handled, a total of 1,023,946 railroad cars for the two years, or more than 1400 daily.

E. W. Stevens, superintendent of Wichita division of Missouri Pacific Railroad announced yesterday that road bed and bridges will be strengthened to permit the use of heavy 261 ton locomotives for the entire distance from Wichita to St. Louis. Until now they could be used only from Wichita to Durand, where lighter engines were substituted. The road will be improved between Durand and Ft. Scott, and on other divisions, during the next month. ¶ The 103 mile Wichita to Hardtner line will also be strengthened within 30 days, allowing 175 ton locomotives to replace the 132 ton engines, thus giving better service at harvest time.

Friday, March 11, 1927

Dr. George H. Siegel died yesterday at age 58 as the result of X-ray burns received in 1902 when he brought the first X-ray machine to Wichita.

O. P. Shearer started construction yesterday of a two story, eight family apartment house, 26 by 134 feet, at 540 South Market, to cost over $20,000.

The Southwestern Bell Telephone company has 509 employes in Wichita.

Saturday, March 12, 1927

The municipal tourist camp will be opened for the summer Monday. There were 4664 cars registered at the camp last year.

Paving operations on the road extending five miles east from Maize are expected to start by April 1.

Sunday, March 13, 1927

Improvements are to be made on the municipal airport on East Central avenue. Bermuda grass will be planted on the unused 80 acres of the field and that portion will be opened for use. The part now in use also contains 80 acres and includes the hangar sites. ¶ A line for lighting of the field is being strung from the Kansas Gas and Electric company’s eastern terminal. ¶ Concrete forms are up and work is progressing on the Travel Air factory.
17. Article reports death yesterday of Mrs. J. Hudson McKnight, “It is understood her will provides a fund to care for her son, George, who is in the Still-Hildreth osteopathic sanitarium at Mason, Missouri, age 34.

32. Photograph of the new Alcott grade school, being put into service with the opening of the second semester.

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7. Reminiscences by Hugh S. Hall of Wichita in the early 70s. Details.

Wednesday, March 16, 1927

1. Article reporting on will of Mrs. J. Hudson McKnight, including bequest of $25,000 for a memorial fountain at Wichita High School as a memorial to her late husband, J. Hudson McKnight, and trust fund of $200,000 plus other assets to be given to the University of Wichita after the death of her son, George Giltner McKnight, to be used by the university for erection of a fine arts building. Details. Will is printed in full on page 16.

Thursday, March 17, 1927

5. Bishop Schwertner has purchased a site at corner of 23rd and North Market for a new Catholic church, to be called “Our Lady of Perpetual Help.” Construction of the temporary frame structure is to start this month.

Friday, March 18, 1927

5. Eleven locomotives of the Orient Railroad have been equipped with oil burners and all 63 of the railroad’s locomotives will be so equipped. The Orient’s business is booming, with opening of the Texas oil fields.

15. Article reports the Fees addition is to be opened for home sites this spring. It comprises 50 acres south of Kellogg between Clifton and Bluff and has never been sold since a patent was secured for the land from the government by the late Charles Fees on April 1, 1869. The present substantial Fees farm house was erected 11 years later.

Saturday, March 19, 1927

5. The McKnight addition, extending from Hydraulic to the canal and from Kellogg to the McKnight home in second block on South Hydraulic, will be placed on the market next month. Details.

Sunday, March 20, 1927

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5. Article reports the board of directors of the Wichita Children’s home has formally rejected the terms of the $100,000 George Theis, Jr. bequest, which would have required renaming the home as the George Theis, Jr. Orphan’s Home. Details.

15. Trustees report the George Theis, Jr. estate is worth approximately $1,300,000.

21. Photograph of Skinner school.

Tuesday, March 22, 1927

1. The Princess theater and other buildings to the south will be wrecked by Thursday morning, and a steam shovel will then start excavation for the new Innes building. The south building will not be razed until April 1st, as leases on it prevent work there until that time.

5. John Engstrom will open a new lumber yard this spring at 147 North Waco. The building site is 175 by 300 feet and the yard will cover 175 by 200 feet. Plans are being prepared.

Thursday, March 24, 1927

1. Article reports United States Circuit Court of Appeals has reversed the previous approval of a reorganization plan for the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad. Details.

5. Article reports a recent count of traffic on highways out of Wichita. Details.

Friday, March 25, 1927

3. Note says 15 acres of blue grass has been sown in Central Riverside park on newly graded dirt brought there from the widening of the drainage canal.

10. Formal opening of the remodeled Allen W. Hinkel Company store, remodeled over past three months at cost of $100,000, will be held tomorrow.

Sunday, March 27, 1927

2. Drawing of the new two story Reese-Aley building in second block on East Douglas between the alley and the Kress building on north side, which will incorporate the present one story Whitney Jewelry Company building. The new building is being remodeled from an older one. Details.

5. Article says it is planned within a few years to close the central fire station on William street and supplant it with two new stations outside the congested district. Details.

Monday, March 28, 1927
1. Announcement of the new *Wichita Evening Eagle* newspaper, to be published daily starting this afternoon.

5. All motorcycle and traffic officers of the Wichita police department will don new khaki uniforms Friday. Patrolmen will continue to wear the customary blue.

**Tuesday, March 29, 1927**

3. City commission yesterday let contracts for building new canal bridges at Douglas and Lincoln. At Douglas, removal of the old bridge will cost $1200 and construction of the new bridge will cost $39,750. The Lincoln street bridge will cost $13,500.

5. Building permit issued yesterday for new Dahl Chevrolet company building at Topeka and English, 140 by 175 feet, to cost $50,000.

9. Article says contest being held for nickname for Wichita’s new Western League baseball team. It used to be “Jobbers” in old Western Association days. When the Western League was installed here the name “Wolves” was adopted for a time. Later it was known as the “Witches,” but that name was never used here much. The “Izzies,” from owner Frank Isbell, has been used for the past several seasons, but Isbell is gone, so a new name is needed.

**Wednesday, March 30, 1927**

5. Wichita Railroad and Light Company books in Topeka are being opened for audit by the City of Wichita. Details.

**Thursday, March 31, 1927**

4. Contract to be let April 29 for paving the four mile stretch of United States Highway 81 just north of the Sedgwick County line. This with the four miles completed in Harvey county in 1926 will close the gap in the paved road between Wichita and Newton and will give a paved highway from Newton to the Oklahoma line.

**Friday, April 1, 1927**

3. New two story brick building 26 by 133 feet to be built at northeast corner of Murdock and Main for $25,000.

**Saturday, April 2, 1927**

10. Frisco engine No. 1280 jumped the tracks yesterday just north of Central avenue. (Photograph.)

**Sunday, April 3, 1927**
1. Photograph of excavation for new Woods building, at Lawrence and William, to house the Innes Dry Goods company.

5. Midian Shrine will hold open house today at its new club rooms at 115-17 North Topeka. Building cost nearly $175,000 and is three stories.

15. Article about proposed bridge across Big Arkansas river from Sim Park drive to West Central. Map.

_Sunday, April 3, 1927_

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5. Article listing some local happenings in Wichita in 1878.

6. Photograph of southeast corner of Douglas and St. Francis.

_Monday, April 4, 1927_

5. Excavation of first unit for new First Baptist church has started and cornerstone will be laid early in May. Drawing.

_Wednesday, April 6, 1927_

1. Voters yesterday turned down $50,000 bridge project across Big Arkansas at West Central. Dr. T. Walker Weaver elected to School Board.

_Thursday, April 7, 1927_

3. Article about the improved prospects of the Orient Railroad.

5. Article says the increase by Wichita Railroad and Light company in bus fares to eight cents has reduced business and revenue of the company in first three months of 1927.

Steps to be taken toward widening of Central avenue east of the terminal tracks to Hillside avenue.

Southern Kansas Stage lines has purchased the Rounds-Porter property at 2nd street and Waco for a bus depot. Site is 225 by 400 feet and cost $20,000.

7. Photograph of new Western Auto Supply company store at 217 South Lawrence.

14. Article about new Midian Shrine club building at 115-17 North Topeka which was built on the shell of the old Elk’s club building.
16. Article giving history of Midian Shrine.

17. Photograph of new Midian Shrine temple building.

Friday, April 8, 1927

3. Work to start next week on installation of lights at Wichita airport.

Saturday, April 10, 1927

5. First consignment of steel for the new George Innes Company building has arrived in Wichita and will be placed about Tuesday. For the past month workers have been tearing down the Princess theater and the Evans building on the site.

8. Drawing of new Innes building as changed to give a full sixth story instead of half a story and tower. To cost one million dollars.

9A. Photograph of new D. A. Winters tire store at 2nd and Emporia.

Sunday, April 11, 1927

5. The road through the campus of the University of Wichita will not be paved for months or perhaps years, but it will be graded and sanded at once in order that the roadway in front of the college buildings will look less like a pig sty.

Wednesday, April 14, 1927

1. Article reports Santa Fe Railroad plans to build a 285 acre water reservoir three and a half miles west and one and a half miles north of Augusta. Water will come from Dry Creek. A dam 900 feet long and 27 feet high will be built, and a 12-inch pipe line will be laid from the reservoir to the Santa Fe yards in Augusta, where it will serve the locomotives of the Oklahoma cut-off. Details.

4. Article quotes old Santa Fe Railroad train rules of February 1874. Speed of passenger trains not to exceed 20 m.p.h. and freight trains 15 m.p.h.

12. Advertisement with photograph of small Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus.

Thursday, April 15, 1927


Friday, April 16, 1927

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5. Missouri Pacific Railroad has authorized expenditure of $75,000 for improvement of the line between Wichita and Geneseo including new ballast for the line and strengthening of bridges.

10. Advertisement says home delivered Morning and Sunday Eagle is 15 cents per week, with only five cents more for Evening Eagle, making total of 20 cents per week for all three.

Sunday, April 18, 1927


Monday, April 19, 1927

1. Several outbuildings and the small interurban station at Van Arsdale, five miles south of Newton, were wrecked at 1:00 p.m. yesterday by a baby “twister.” Parts of the station were carried for a quarter of a mile.

5. Article reports discussion by board of education yesterday of names for the two new grade schools under construction. Superintendent Mayberry suggested Ingalls for the one at 10th and Grove and Frances Willard for the one at Morris and Broadway avenue. Details. Other names also suggested.

Tuesday, April 20, 1927

10. Formal opening of the new Brown building is being held today. Photograph. Six stories, cost $500,000. Another photograph from south side on page 12.

13. A sand boat broke loose on Little River at 21st street yesterday, but was stopped 100 feet short of striking the 18th street bridge. Boat is about 30 feet long.

Wednesday, April 21, 1927

5. The Arkansas Valley Interurban has ordered 4000 full treated ties to be installed on the line this spring and an additional 1000 oak ties to replace worn timbers on some of the curves.

Thursday, April 22, 1927

9. Three hundred cubic yards of crushed rock are being dispatched daily from Sweetwater, Texas to be used in ballasting of the Orient Railroad line between there and Altus, Oklahoma.

Friday, April 23, 1927
Saturday, April 24, 1927

Photograph of the new neighborhood shopping center at Kellogg and Bluff just completed. Site and building cost $100,000.

Sunday, April 25, 1927

Article reports Wichita will get a fine new Kress store as soon as a site can be selected.

Tuesday, April 27, 1927

Interview with Kos Harris giving history of buildings at southwest corner of Main and Douglas. Details.

Wednesday, April 28, 1927

Contract for the new $70,000 bus garage of the Wichita Motor Bus company at corner of 10th and Wichita has been let to George Siedhoff Construction company, and work will be started within a week. Building to be 130 by 200 feet, with a paved service court in the rear, and will house 65 buses in addition to a repair shop.

Thursday, April 29, 1927

Article reports death yesterday of Mr. Tipton Cox, 66, in Little Rock, Arkansas, following a stroke. He was a former Wichita merchant (Cox-Blodgett Dry Goods company). Photograph.

Brick and stone work on the Hillcrest Apartments are practically completed, and interior work is progressing. Concrete work on the adjacent garage is nearly finished and brick laying will probably start next week. Details.

Building permit for $468,000 for the new Innes building was taken out yesterday.

Sunday, May 1, 1927

Article says tentative plan is to use bus service only east of the canal when the new Douglas avenue canal bridge is built as soon as school is out. Details.

Work on the new Lincoln street canal bridge is to start this week and will be completed within a month.
14-A. Interstate Commerce Commission statistics show railways in the southwest carried 67,500,000 passengers in 1920 and only 21,550,000 in 1926.

Sunday, May 1, 1927

2. Clear photograph of Arkansas river bridge around 1885.

Tuesday, May 3, 1927

5. Article reports dedication yesterday of a monument in Maple Grove cemetery in honor of deceased Masons.

Wednesday, May 4, 1927

2. Photograph of a two story house at 1447 Rochester avenue which is one of about seven houses on west side of the street that are to be moved out to make way for new high school.

3. Hearing is to be held in Wichita on May 11 regarding application by Arkansas Valley Interurban company for a rate increase from three to 3.6 cents a mile, equal to fares charged by steam lines. The Arkansas Valley Interurban also wishes to shorten the interval between trains from one hour and 30 minutes to one hour and 15 minutes. Details.

5. Article says street car company headquarters at 111 South Main must be moved, as the building must come down to make room for the proposed new Rorabaugh department store.

Photograph of two story house at 1459 Sherwood avenue which must be moved to make way for new high school.

Thursday, May 5, 1927

4. Photograph of Missouri Pacific locomotive No. 6435 of the Sunflower Special, ready to leave for St. Louis. The train will be on display today at the Missouri Pacific station to celebrate the third anniversary of this train. The first Sunflower train arrived here May 5, 1924.

Friday, May 6, 1927

7. The county will resurface the 13th street bridge over big Arkansas river, 400 feet long and 18 feet wide, with cold rolled asphalt three fourths inch thick for 80 cents a square yard. The bridge was built 20 years ago, of steel with a concrete floor, and the latter is showing sings of wear.
22. Large crowds visited Missouri Pacific engine No. 6433, on display here yesterday for third anniversary of the Sunflower passenger train to St. Louis. The engine weighs 137 tons and daily pulls a load of approximately 390 tons.

**Saturday, May 7, 1927**

1. Photograph of excavation for new Innes store.

5. The Wichita Railroad and Light company and Wichita Motor bus company will move their general offices to the Jackson-Walker building at 142 North Lawrence, where they have closed a ten year lease. They will have ground floor space of 18 by 30 feet and second floor space of 30 by 140 feet, the latter to be used for auditors’ offices and an employes’ club room. Rental for the first five years will be $300 a month.

16. Stein Brothers, Wichita furriers, have purchased 50 feet of Main street frontage at southwest corner of William and Main for $100,000 as a new location for their store. The 25 feet at the corner is occupied by a three story building, and they will erect a 25 foot three story addition to the south of this, giving a three story building with 50 feet on Main street and 140 feet on William.

**Sunday, May 8, 1927**

5. Plans to widen East Douglas from Hydraulic to Grove went on the rocks yesterday when the state supreme court upheld the injunction of Judge Williams of district court against this project, on complaint of R. W. Parks and other property holders that it was unjust to assess no more than ten percent of the cost against the city at large. ¶ The project entailed taking all the new ground for the street from the property on the south side of Douglas avenue. The south line makes a jog at Hydraulic and Douglas avenue narrows there from 100 foot width to 80 feet. The new plans called for a continuation of the south line of the avenue along the same line east of Hydraulic as it is on the west of Hydraulic. Details.

**Monday, May 9, 1927**

5. The Kansas supreme court Saturday denied an injunction sought by J. T. Nuttle to prevent the Wichita Railroad and Light company from building a wye near his property at Belmont and East Douglas.

**Wednesday, May 11, 1927**

2. Earl Elliott, city manager for six years, tendered his resignation to city commission yesterday following extensive criticism by the commission Monday of the city’s flood control program. Resignation to be effective August 1. Details. ¶ Article includes details of the flood control program -- to widen the Little Arkansas to 200 feet between 3rd and 21st streets and to widen drainage canal to a top width of 100 feet.
8. Whether the East Douglas street car line is extended beyond Roosevelt avenue will depend on action taken by the company’s three new owners, R. B. Campbell, R. C. Clevenger, and H. V. Wheeler. Details.

Thursday, May 12, 1927

13. Article reports on hearing held yesterday on Arkansas Valley Interurban’s application for a rate increase. Fare to Hutchinson would be $1.73 instead of $1.59. The auditor stated the company’s deficit was $30,000 in 1925 and $33,000 in 1926 and would be greater this year. Details.

Friday, May 13, 1927

15. The General Baking Company of New York yesterday purchased a site for a new bakery in Wichita, 125 by 140 feet, on Central avenue between Rock Island avenue and the Frisco tracks, for $12,100. A new two story building will be erected at cost of around $100,000, beginning after vacation of the property on May 25.

Saturday, May 14, 1927

9. Marland Refining Company will hold formal opening today of its new plant and service station at Lewis and Water.

Sunday, May 15, 1927

28. Advertisement says price of ice delivered at home will be 35 cents per 100 pounds when purchased by coupon or 40 cents per 100 pounds when purchased with cash.

Monday, May 16, 1927

5. After three months of storage, the 53 foot tower which will be surmounted by a five million candle power beacon will be erected today in the northeast corner of the airport. Border lights will also surround the 160 acres of the airport at intervals of approximately 200 feet.

Tuesday, May 17, 1927

3. Resignation of Earl Elliott as city manager was accepted yesterday by city commission by three to two vote. Details.

16. Paul H. Polk, formerly with the Three Arts Conservatory, has leased the 17-room home of S. W. Forrester at 1201 River boulevard and will establish there a new school, the Riverside Conservatory of Fine Arts. ¶ Mr. Forrester, former Wichita oilman, moved his family to San Antonio a year ago, and the home has been vacant since. ¶ Mr. Polk’s lease is for three years.
**Wednesday, May 18, 1927**

5. Article reports death yesterday of Mrs. Mary McCormick, widow of John McCormick, who died in 1908, and who was a pioneer homesteader on the West side in 1870 and the one for whom McCormick avenue was named. Details.

**Thursday, May 19, 1927**

5. Kansas public service commission has granted the Arkansas Valley Interurban a rate increase from three to 3.6 cents per mile. New schedule of 15 trains per day, every one hour and 15 minutes from 5:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. plus 9:30 and 11:30 p.m., will go into effect Sunday, May 22. Details.

**Friday, May 20, 1927**

5. A family hotel for use of those who wish to remain close to friends ill in Wesley hospital will be erected at 557 North Hillside by C. V. Snyder at a cost of approximately $30,000. To be two stories, brick, 36 by 102 feet. Contract has been awarded.

The beacon tower at the Wichita airport has been erected.

**Saturday, May 21, 1927**

5. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad is scheduled to receive tonight three of the 12 locomotives recently purchased from the New York Central Railroad, which is replacing them with larger ones. They will be nearly equal in power to the Orient’s 800 class engines, with weight of 100 tons and tractor power of 55,000 pounds. This will make it possible for the Orient to return the 15 engines borrowed from the Missouri Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads, both of which will need the power for the approaching harvest season.

**Sunday, May 22, 1927**

1. Lindbergh arrived in Paris last evening. Details.

5. The landing field on East Central will probably be taken over by the city this summer. Details.

29. Advertisement with photograph of downtown skyline from Wichita, showing Midland Valley water tower.

**Sunday, May 22, 1927**

Magazine
2. Article by Victor Murdock about early settlers in Wichita, etc. Photograph of first Douglas avenue bridge.

**Tuesday, May 24, 1927**

page 5. City manager Elliott recommended to city commission that Central avenue east of Washington be widened from its present narrow 30 foot width to 50 feet.

**Wednesday, May 25, 1927**

page 5. The first of 12 locomotives recently purchased by the Orient from the New York Central went into service yesterday. Six of the locomotives have arrived in Wichita.

**Friday, May 27, 1927**

page 5. Article reports ground-breaking held yesterday for new church school building for First Baptist Church, Lawrence and 2nd street. Details.

**Sunday, May 29, 1927**

page 11. Article says about 20 Indians of the Wichita tribe will leave Anadarko in trucks tomorrow morning to come to Wichita to build a Wichita Indian lodge on Mead Island, just south of 13th street. Details.

**Sunday, May 29, 1927**

page Special section with articles about Wichita institutions and businesses.

5-A. Photograph of east and north wings of Wesley Hospital.

10-A. Photograph of Forum with temporary exhibition gateway in front of Arcadia entrance.

11-A. Advertisement for Wichita Transportation Company, comprising the Wichita Railroad and Light company and the Wichita Motor Bus Company. Faint photograph of three buses.

14-A. Photograph of KFH towers atop Lassen Hotel.

**Sunday, May 29, 1927**


**Sunday, May 29, 1927**

page Rotogravure
Advertisement with photograph of Johnson’s Furniture company, building 225-27 North Main.

Monday, May 30, 1927
page 5. Border lights at the Wichita airport were lighted Saturday night for the first time.

Wednesday, June 1, 1927
page 11. The caravan of Wichita Indians from Anadarko reached here last evening and went directly to the tourist camp. The trucks were laden with grass and poles from the farms of the Wichita tribe near Anadarko, to be used in constructing a council lodge on Mead island for the Wichita Indian Historical society. Details.

Thursday, June 2, 1927
page 1. Photographs of Wichita Indians arriving on Mead island -- with bridge in background (probably 13th street -- or Bitting?).

3. Work is to start tomorrow on the Indian lodge on Mead island. Details.

5. Article reports the National Board of Fire Underwriters will recommend that Wichita’s Central fire station be closed and replaced by two modern stations, one south of Douglas and the other north of Douglas. Details.

Friday, June 3, 1927
page 1. Photographs of the start of the framework for the Indian lodge on Mead island.

9. The Safeway Company, of California, is looking for sites for five stores in Wichita in the near future. Details.

Saturday, June 4, 1927
page 2. Article reports budget of University of Wichita for coming year. Details.

6. Photograph of nearly completed framework for Indian lodge.

12. Article on progress of construction of Indian lodge.

Sunday, June 5, 1927
page 2. Commencement exercises to be held today at St. Mary’s Cathedral for Cathedral High School seniors. There are 59 graduates.
15. Beginning Sunday, June 12, the Missouri Pacific Sunflower schedule will be reduced by 30 minutes to 12 hours 57 minutes between Wichita and St. Louis, leaving Wichita at 5:30 p.m. and arriving in St. Louis at 7:23 a.m. The faster time has been made possible by improvement of the road bed with heavier rail east of Durand.

**Sunday, June 5, 1927**

2. Article by Victor Murdock discussing when the railroad first came to Wichita. Photograph of first depot.

3. Article about L. M. Crawford, theater entrepreneur.

**Monday, June 6, 1927**

2. Street car tracks on the canal bridge were torn up last night in preparation for widening the canal and building a new bridge. Beginning today street car traffic on the College Hill line is temporarily suspended east of Pattie, at which point street cars are turned to retrace their routes. Buses will replace the cars east of that point. However a stub street car is making the run between Douglas avenue and the end of the Fairmount line.

**Tuesday, June 7, 1927**

5. The Indian lodge on Mead island is to be completed today. Details.

6. Photograph of the nearly completed Indian lodge.

**Wednesday, June 8, 1927**

1. Photograph of completed Indian lodge on Mead Island.

2. The Wichita Motor Bus Company yesterday applied to Kansas public service commission for permission to issue 5000 shares of common stock.

   Article about completion of the Indian lodge.

**Thursday, June 9, 1927**

2. Photograph of completed Indian lodge with the Indians who built it.

5. Work is to be started within 30 days on a new garage and repair shop building for Southern Kansas Stage Lines at 2nd street and the Arkansas river. General offices of the company will also be located there. ¶ The site was purchased yesterday from the Rounds and Porter company for $20,000 and the building is to cost $45,000. It is to be one story, brick, 200 by 150 feet, with 25,500 square feet and floor space. Glenn Thomas is
D. E. Sauder is president and A. E. Greenleaf vice-president of the Southern Kansas Stage Lines company, which was organized three years ago, starting with two buses and one seven-passenger car. Other lines were absorbed and the company built up until it now handles 1200 passengers daily with 41 buses serving 50 towns in this area. One hundred twenty-five thousand dollars worth of equipment is now in use on the lines, and the company employs 20 shopmen and 32 drivers and has a payroll of $9500 a month. The company’s equipment travels 4800 miles a day on the average.

Friday, June 10, 1927
2. The group of Wichita Indians who built the lodge on Mead Island left yesterday for the return trip to Anadarko.

4. The Wichita Chamber of Commerce will move its offices by July 1 from the Arkansas Valley Interurban station building to the Beacon building.

5. Article reports park board’s plans for improvements this year. Details.

Saturday, June 11, 1927
5. Clyde Cessna is building a monoplane for the trans-continental air derby. Details. The Cessna Aircraft Company at 1524 West Douglas is small, but the latest machinery for construction of planes has been purchased.

12. Photograph of new building of the Kullman-Jones Tire company at the corner of South Lawrence and Waterman. Formal opening is today.

Sunday, June 12, 1927
10. Series of photographs of stages of construction of the Indian lodge from start to finish.

13. Travel Air, Inc., will be moved this week to its new building at the airport from its old factory at 537 West Douglas. Details.

20. Article discusses newspaper reactions and doubt about the Wright brothers first flights.

Sunday, June 12, 1927
Magazine
6. Article about Mathewson’s pasture.

Monday, June 13, 1927
2. Article reports the Knights of Columbus plan to purchase the Eagles lodge building at William and Emporia. Details.
3. Article says park board will spend about $15,000 on improvements to College Hill park. “At the time the park ground was condemned, College Hill park was considered a weed patch. As soon as the city took it over, home owners commenced to build residences facing the park. Now there are dozens of residences facing the barren ground.”

6. Map of Oxford, Kansas showing Midland Valley Railroad with depot location between Olive and Myrtle street. The railroad line runs north and south in the street west of Osage avenue.

Tuesday, June 14, 1927
4. Article reports death yesterday of Alden W. Harden, 89, pioneer Wichita photographer, and father of photographer Homer Harden. A daughter also survives, Mrs. Joseph I. Kirk of 3116 East 2nd.

Wednesday, June 15, 1927
5. A $250,000 gas compressor station is to be built by the Empire Gas and Fuel company at once on the South Seneca street road five miles south of Douglas avenue. Details.

Thursday, June 16, 1927
2. City commission yesterday elected Bert C. Wells, of Atchison, who left Wichita ten years ago, as the new city manager beginning August 1. Details. Salary to be $8000.

Construction of airplanes in the new Travel Air factory at the airport on East Central began yesterday. Since the company was organized two years ago 80 biplanes have been manufactured, and five monoplanes have also been built three of which have been delivered to National Air Transport, with five more to come on their order.

5. Article says announcement is expected soon of a new Catholic parish in the eastern part of the city. One site under consideration is the church property between Quentin and Bluff on Douglas, just east of the residence of Bishop Schwertner. Details.

Sunday, June 19, 1927

Tuesday, June 21, 1927
2. City commission yesterday ordered a suit to be filed against three railroads to compel them to construct a subway under the elevated tracks at Waterman street. Details.

Wednesday, June 22, 1927
The old McKenzie home, a landmark at 155 North Water, is being torn down to make way for a new filling station to be built by Don McKenzie. The old house was built by John Gribi and later purchased by Dan F. McKenzie, founder of the McKenzie Carriage works.

Thursday, June 23, 1927

The Swallow Airplane company is preparing to build its first monoplane. Details.

Friday, June 24, 1927

Article reports the Eagles lodge has decided not to sell its clubhouse at William and Emporia, which the Knights of Columbus had offered to buy.

Work will start Monday on construction of a four room addition to Cathedral school at a cost of $15,000. It will be built as a third story over the south end of the building, where a former addition was constructed over the gymnasium. Seating capacity of the gym will be increased to 1000 by other remodeling accompanying the new construction work. Details.

Sunday, June 26, 1927

Article announces establishment of a fourth airplane factory in Wichita by Charles Laird, who will immediately begin the commercial production of Laird biplanes here. The first model has been completed and made its first flight at the airport yesterday. Charles Laird is a brother of E. M. Laird, formerly of Wichita, who recently established an airplane factory in Chicago. Details.

Sunday, June 26, 1927

Photograph of Miss Irene Tihen, 1704 North Holyoke.

Monday, June 27, 1927

Photograph of the new biplane of the Laird Airplane Company, Charles Laird, designer (photograph). The plane was built in a small shop at 933 North Main, but he is now looking for larger quarters for his plant.

Tuesday, June 28, 1927

Article about accident at the street car barns which injured a motorman caught between two street cars. Details.

Thursday, June 30, 1927
5. The school board at its last meeting voted to change In galls to a colored school and rename it the Paul Dunbar school. The new school at 10th and Grove will then be named In galls.

The Frisco passenger station on East Douglas has been leased to H. S. Watson, Wichita tire dealer, who will establish a Goodrich tire store there, to be known as the Jayhawk Tire Company.

Friday, July 1, 1927

2. Three steel bridges, 20 years old, once a part of the building program for the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad line between Wichita and Kansas City, but never used, have been brought to the local railroad shops to be converted into 52 smaller bridges to be placed at various points in Texas to replace bridges built long ago when Orient engines and trains were smaller. ¶ The Orient also announced that ten more “sleeper” cabooses will be built in the local shops, each car containing eight sleeping compartments.

Saturday, July 2, 1927

5. The offices of the Travel Air company will today be transferred to the new factory building at the airport from the old location at 537 West Douglas.

7. Advertisement lists name and address of all grocery stores in Wichita. They will close at 1:00 p.m. Thursday afternoon during July and August.

Sunday, July 3, 1927

1. Article says the Chester L. Jones Stores Corporation, which operates several Sanger Brothers stores in Texas, is negotiating with Charles H. Smyth, owner, for a long term lease on the building at Lawrence and Douglas now occupied by the George Innes company. Details.

5. Severdale and Severlawn apartment buildings at Emporia were sold yesterday to W. M. Barber, of Anthony, for $150,000.

The Braley Airplane and Motor Company of Wichita will start production this summer of a two passenger airplane costing only $1400, it was announced yesterday by Thomas E. Braley, who with his son, Ted, owns and operates the concern. To have a four cylinder, 60 horsepower radial motor weighing only 70 pounds. The Barleys in their shop at 2411 East Douglas and in their hanger at the municipal airport have already built and rebuilt some 14 planes, and they are widely known for airplane motor work, receiving engines from all over the country for overhauling and repairs. Details.

Advertise ment with photograph of small Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus.
11. Apartments on second floor of Hillcrest Apartments will be opened for public inspection Thursday. Work on the interior of the building is being rushed and is scheduled for completion by August 15. Formal opening of the building will be in the first part of September.

Advertisement reports the McKnight Place tract goes on the market today for homesites at prices of $450 to $850 per site.

19. Photograph of a Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus equipped with awnings.

28. A crowd of between four and five thousand persons attended the formal opening last night of the Wichita Bus company’s new garage at 10th and Wichita streets, where a dance was held. The garage will house 65 buses, leaving five foot aisles between the rows and two feet of space at the ends of the buses. The building is 130 by 200 feet and was built by George H. Siedhoff in 50 days. It will be put into operation on July 6.

Sunday, July 3, 1927

Photograph of the new Indian lodge on Mead island.

Monday, July 4, 1927

1. Photograph of new Innes store under construction, with framework for three stories up.

2. Photograph of Thomas and Ted Braley holding their small 60 horsepower rotary motor to be used in a small airplane.

Tuesday, July 5, 1927

1. Article reports the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad will soon apply to the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to extend its line from Alpine, Texas to Presidio, on the Rio Grande.

Thursday, July 7, 1927

4. As soon as remodeling of the second floor of the Rock Island freight depot is completed, the traffic department will move to that location from its present quarters on the third floor of Union station.

5. The Frisco Railroad’s new automobile unloading platform at Rock Island avenue has been completed at a cost of approximately $20,000.

9. Photograph of interior of new Travel Air factory.
Friday, July 8, 1927
4. Article discusses question of whether the airport on East Central, now owned by the Wichita Booster company, should be taken over by the park board or by the city commission.

5. Article gives brief history of the Orient Railroad’s affairs and of W. T. Kemper’s part in them.

Reflooring of the Harvey house, ticket office, and telegraph office in Union station has been started.

Saturday, July 9, 1927
5. Another article about W. T. Kemper’s part in saving the Orient Railroad. Details.

Sunday, July 10, 1927
8. Photograph of new Marland Refining Company building at Lewis street and Arkansas river.

Sunday, July 10, 1927
Magazine
3. Reminiscences of John E. Herron, who has lived in 1700 block on Fairview since he came to Wichita on June 1, 1887. “Fairview was well built up with houses when we arrived. Park Place was little more than an alley then with only three or four houses. Fine houses on Fairview included that of Judge Lauck at 13th street, of Jake Aley at 14th street, Jim Stafford at 16th street, George Rouse at 16th street, and Colonel H. G. Toler in the 1600 block. ¶ A street car line (mule car line) then left the corner of Market and Douglas, ran down Fairview avenue, and ended in old Alamo park across the river, the crossing being made on the 17th street bridge. ¶ One of the North End attractions of that day was the race track in the Carey Park addition, where many horse races attracted excited crowds. ¶ Following the boom was a period of depression. A Congregational church in the middle of the 1600 block on Fairview, built during the boom and then abandoned, was torn down and the materials sent out of town for use elsewhere. Hundreds of houses went the same way, many of them going into Oklahoma.

Sunday, July 10, 1927
Magazine
5. Article about early Wichita -- “When Market Street Was Too Far East in Wichita.” Details.
8. Article by Dick Long about the first air show in Wichita on May 4, 1911. Details -- people resented admission charge, etc.

Monday, July 11, 1927
page
1. Article reports arrival of the Ford Reliability Air Tour planes in Wichita yesterday. Photographs. Details.

5. Record attendance set yesterday at Municipal Beach, with 4340.

Tuesday, July 12, 1927
page
5. Bert C. Wells will be sworn in as Wichita city manager today, succeeding Earl C. Elliot, who has been city manager since June 1, 1921.

Thursday, July 14, 1927
page
4. Article reports construction has started on a new 250 mile 20 inch gas line of Empire Gas and Fuel Company, Cities Service subsidiary, from Pampa, Texas to Wichita, with completion expected by January 1, 1928. The new line will cost about $15,000,000 and have a rated capacity of 70 million cubic feet daily. At Wichita the new line will tie to the present Cities Service system culminating in two 16-inch lines to Kansas City. Details.

12. Advertisement with aerial photograph of municipal beach pool.

Friday, July 15, 1927
page
2. Article lists acreage and bushels of corn production in Sedgwick County yearly from 1917 to 1926. Sedgwick County this year (1927) has 58,303 acres of corn, about one-seventh of the land under cultivation in the county, and considerably less than the average of 70,303 acres for the last five years.

4. Two hundred eleven thousand two hundred forty-five dollars has been pledged in the campaign of Friends University to raise $250,00 in order to increase the endowment of the school from $400,000 to $650,000.

Sunday, July 17, 1927
page
Rotogravure
Photographs of the late A. W. Harden, dean of Wichita photographers, the first photograph he ever took in Wichita, and of his home for many years.

Tuesday, July 19, 1927
page
Building permit issued yesterday to Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company for bus barns at 435 West 2nd, 150 by 200 feet, to cost $48,000 and be constructed by Henrion Improvement Company.

Article reports death yesterday of Fire Chief Al Brownewell following a stroke. Photograph and obituary.

**Wednesday, July 20, 1927**

Photograph of new Innes store under construction with framework nearly completed, ready to start roof.

Article reports that John Noble, Wichita painter, is subject of an article in current issue of *American Magazine*. He is now located in New York.

**Sunday, July 24, 1927**

Advertiment with photograph of new Innes store under construction and details about the new building. Excavating started March 25, 1927 and all footings and basement walls and columns were in May 27. Main floor was poured May 28. Second floor was poured June 13. Third floor was poured June 22. Fourth floor was poured June 30. Fifth floor was poured July 8. Sixth floor was poured July 16. Roof was poured July 23.

Ground for the new $90,000 bus garage for Southern Kansas Stage Lines was broken last week, and the structure will be completed in about three months. Glen Thomas is architect. Details. The two owners, D. E. Sauder and A. E. Greenleaf, consolidated their lines on November 24, 1924 to form the Southern Kansas Stage Lines Company. The company now has 42 buses with an average capacity of 27 passengers and carries about 350,000 passengers a year. Receipts this year will probably reach $325,000 compared with about $130,000 during the last year it was in business.

**Sunday, July 24, 1927**

Article about A. G. Mueller, Wichita mortician, with photograph.

**Monday, July 25, 1927**

Drawing of new Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus garage, under construction at West 2nd street and Arkansas river. Will have 27,000 square feet of floor space compared with 10,500 square feet at the old garage on South Topeka.

Ground was broken yesterday for the new Mexican Catholic church at 23rd and North Market. A small church, 60 by 38 feet, is to be built.
Tuesday, July 26, 1927
14. Article reports death today of Mrs. Henry Schnitzler, age 60. Has two sons, Henry Jr. and Frederick, and one daughter, Mrs. Albertina Powell.

Wednesday, July 27, 1927
2. H. H. McCall was named new fire chief of Wichita yesterday.
10. The five million candlepower beacon atop a 51 foot tower at the Wichita airport was lighted for the first time yesterday.

Thursday, July 28, 1927
3. Remodeling of the National Savings Life Insurance building at Douglas and Emporia is to be started within a few weeks.
5. City of Wichita yesterday filed suit in district court to attempt to compel the Wichita Terminal Association to open a passageway under the elevated tracks at Waterman street.

Friday, July 29, 1927
3. Photograph of John W. Gibson, school board member.

Saturday, July 30, 1927
3. Advertisement with photograph of new building of Dahl Chevrolet Company, 300-316 South Topeka, which holds formal opening today.
10. Photographs of new home of Weigand Tea and Coffee Company, which will be opened August 1 at 1st and Emporia, and of the Firestone Tire Service Company across the street at same corner.

Monday, August 1, 1927

Saturday, August 6, 1927
8. Work started yesterday on a $12,000 remodeling of the zoo building in Central Riverside park, where some of the present cages are considered unsafe. The new house will also provide better heating facilities.
Sunday, August 7, 1927

12. The old Frisco depot at 823 East Douglas, which has been an eyesore for some time, since it has not been used for 13 years and the windows have been boarded up during that time, has been remodeled into a tire service station and wholesale distribution plant for the Jayhawk Tire Company.

14. Article reports National Air Transport will start air passenger service from Chicago to Dallas, via Wichita, about September 1. Details.

The Hillcrest Apartments will be ready for occupancy September 1, the architects, Schmidt, Boucher, and Overend, said yesterday.

Sunday, August 7, 1927

Magazine

5. Article by Dick Long about Clyde Cessna and his belief in monoplanes.

Monday, August 8, 1927

2. Article reports cornerstone of new Mexican Catholic church at 23rd and North market was laid yesterday by Bishop Schwertner.

Tuesday, August 9, 1927

5. Architect Glenn Thomas reported to board of education last night on proposed plans for the new high school building at 13th and Rochester. Details. To have a 90 foot tower to offset the building.

9. Advertisement with photograph of old Frisco depot as the newly opened home of Jayhawk Tire Company.

Thursday, August 11, 1927

2. The last pier of the new canal bridge on Douglas was completed yesterday, and it is hoped that street car traffic can be resumed by the time school starts.

5. The Shirk, Bretch and Gossard company yesterday purchased the northeast corner of Hillside and Douglas fronting 75 feet on Douglas and 144 feet on Hillside from Edith Judy Carter of Neodesha for a reported $30,000. She is the wife of E. E. Carter, Frisco superintendent at Neodesha, and obtained the property 15 years ago, when it was valued at $7000. ¶ A new community center building will be constructed there, with a ten year lease on the corner location signed by Harry Dockum for his store No. 5.
Building permit issued yesterday to Shirk, Bretch and Gossard for a store, 45 by 100 feet, at 1900 North Waco.

Friday, August 12, 1927

7. The Wichita fire department’s steam pumper, a familiar sight here since 1902, is being placed in reserve at Central station and replaced by a second motor pumper. The steamer will not be taken out in the future unless a very large fire is under way. Details. The “bull wagon” which has pulled the steamer, will be used to haul extra hose to fires.

18. Photograph of Clyde Cessna’s new cabin monoplane, which will be tested in a few days.

Saturday, August 13, 1927

5. Article says city commission Monday ordered the city attorney to attempt to force the street car company to extend its line on South Emporia half a mile to accommodate residents in the district. Details.


11. Article reports the Swallow Airplane Company yesterday filed petition for district court to appoint a “friendly receiver,” to allow unfreezing of the company’s assets and continued production of the company’s large number of planes to order. Details.


Sunday, August 14, 1927

2. Photograph of Clyde Cessna’s new cabin monoplane, which made its first flight yesterday from an emergency airport at 13th and Hydraulic. At present the Cessna construction shop is at 1520 West Douglas. Details.

5. Article says the city is considering the future of Sullivan’s dam, which again needs repairs. Details and brief history.

7. Kos Harris is retiring from active practice of law. He came here from Centerville, Iowa in 1874 with his father, Judge Amos Harris.

Sunday, August 14, 1927

Rotogravure

Aerial photograph of Wichita High School and Roosevelt Intermediate from the south.

Sunday, August 14, 1927
Article about the tower on the Friends University building. Says the clock face is still bare -- the clock and hands have never been installed.

Six nurses were graduated last evening at the commencement exercises of the Kansas Sanitarium and Hospital held in the Seventh Day Adventist church at Dodge and Burton avenues.

Photograph of Travel Air monoplane, “Woolaroc,” which is entered in the air race to Honolulu.

The last of eight Travel Air monoplanes ordered by National Air Transport, Inc., is now ready for delivery and will probably be accepted by the company today.

Lindbergh to visit Wichita today. Details. He is to speak at the bandstand in Riverside park.

Article about Art Goebel, pilot, and the “Woolaroc,” Travel Air plane which won the Dole derby flight to Honolulu. Details.

Article reports on Lindbergh’s visit to Wichita yesterday.

The South Lawrence avenue bridge over Arkansas river was damaged by flood waters last night. Details.

Ten more locomotives of the “50 class” have been purchased (second hand) by the Orient Railroad and will be placed in freight service in the next ten days. They are now equipped for coal burning, but oil burners will be installed in the Wichita shops.

Article about “the largest crowd that ever gathered in Riverside park” there yesterday to see Lindbergh.

Photograph of flood waters covering Beulah park yesterday and surrounding tents there.
1. Photograph of 17 men standing on wing of new Cessna cabin monoplane.

3. Orders were received yesterday by the National Air Transport airport manager in Wichita for the construction of a small passenger station, 14½ by 16½ feet, to be used as waiting room and passenger station for the line’s scheduled passenger service beginning about September 1. Details.

5. Article reports reorganization of the management of the Johnston-Larimer Dry Goods company yesterday. Details.

Tuesday, August 23, 1927

page 5. The 15 foot high hedge is to be removed from the borders of the Wichita airport immediately, starting along the eastern side of the airport.

Thursday, August 25, 1927

page 5. Article reports the Frisco Railroad will spend $100,000 in Wichita for a new 90 foot turntable and other equipment to permit the use of the large “4000” class locomotives on the line between Wichita and St. Louis. Details.

Sunday, August 28, 1927

page 5. Article reports Lloyd Stearman has notified a group of Wichita backers that he will move the Stearman Aircraft Company, of Venice, California, to Wichita by October 1. Details and photograph of the type of plane he will build.

13. Completion of the four miles of paving on Highway 81 south of Newton and just north of the Sedgwick County line is expected to be completed tomorrow. The concrete must then set for 30 days before the road is opened to traffic.

Monday, August 29, 1927

page 1. Phillips Petroleum company of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, has acquired a 125 by 150 foot site at Central avenue and the Rock Island tracks for a filling station and storage plant. Twenty-five thousand dollars was paid for the site, which lies between Rock Island avenue and the Rock Island tracks on the south side of Central.

Tuesday, August 30, 1927

page 2. Air express will be carried on the National Air Transport planes through Wichita beginning September 12. Details.
5. The new Willard and In galls elementary schools will be placed in service Monday, September 1. The old In galls school at 9th and Cleveland will be used by colored children, and its name has been changed to Dunbar.

Wednesday, August 31, 1927

5. Article critical of Wichita Railroad and Light Company refusal to extend South Emporia street car line half a mile past Harry street suggests city commission may consider granting rights to a competing bus company. Details.

8. Drawing of a proposed new grandstand for Island Park of steel and concrete, to seat 8000. Details.


Thursday, September 1, 1927

5. Two paying passengers were carried yesterday afternoon to Ft. Worth on the National Air Transport mail plane through Wichita, although the service does not officially start until today. Details. Passengers will be carried at rate of ten cents a mile, with allowance of 25 pounds of free baggage and charge of $1.00 a pound for excess.

Friday, September 2, 1927

1. Dr. H. W. Foght has arrived here to assume his duties as president of University of Wichita. Details. Photograph page 3.

5. Article about unhappy West Side citizens who are considering possible secession or de-annexation of that area from the city of Wichita. Details -- says the original townsitie company paid $1811.09 on June 21, 1872 to the receiver of the United States land office for 144 acres of land in this section.

20. Report of first official passenger and American Railway Express service on National Air Transportation planes yesterday. Two passengers came here from Kansas City on the big blue Travel Air monoplane.

Saturday, September 3, 1927

6. A string of eight Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company stores opened in Wichita yesterday. Locations listed in advertisement on page nine.

Sunday, September 4, 1927

5. Article says Swallow Airplane company has five month backlog of orders. Details.
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Magazine
7. Article about the Stearman brothers, Lloyd, Wavey, and Ivan. Details.

Sunday, September 4, 1927
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Rotogravure
Photographs of Eagle building and buses loading to take boys to Riverside park for Lindbergh visit.

Photograph of banquet at Hotel Lassen in honor of Lindbergh.

Tuesday, September 6, 1927
page
1. Photograph of excavation under way at Central and Rock Island avenues for new plant of General Baking Company.


Wednesday, September 7, 1927
page
5. Article reports Travel Air is considering expansion of its plant. Details.

Friday, September 9, 1927
page
2. Cathedral school enrollment this fall will be about 300 in the high school and 375 in the grade school. Four rooms have been added to the south end of the boys’ high school at a cost of $12,000.

5. Article reports death of Don Motter, age 22, yesterday. He was son of Harve H. Motter, internal revenue collector.

Sunday, September 11, 1927
page
32. Advertisement says annex is being constructed to enlarge the Old Mission Mausoleum.

1-B. Special section announces formal opening of Hillcrest Homes. Articles with many details. Photographs including one showing street car track on Douglas.

Monday, September 12, 1927
page
5. Stockholders of the newly incorporated Cessna-Roos Aircraft Company met yesterday to consider the location of the company’s new factory. The second Cessna monoplane is nearly completed in the company’s temporary quarters at 1520 West Douglas.
Tuesday, September 13, 1927
2. The Hertz Driv-Ur-Self company will open for business Saturday in the newly leased building at 221 South Lawrence.

Thursday, September 15, 1927
10. Hillcrest Apartments are being formally opened to the public for inspection today.

Friday, September 16, 1927
page
1. Announcement made yesterday that contract has been let for a new unit of the Travel Air factory to double the size of the present plant. To cost approximately $75,000. ¶ The company has orders for 411 planes. A total of 75 planes have been completed in the new factory. There are 112 employees. ¶ Current production schedule each four weeks is 16 OX-5 biplanes, two Wright Whirlwind biplanes, and two monoplanes.

2. The Missouri Pacific plans to spend $80,000 on its Wichita yards. Five thousand feet of track will be installed for a coach yard near the round house at 25th street. The coach yard at present, having 3500 feet of track, is located between 1st and 2nd streets. This will be removed and team tracks and unloading docks installed, with space for 36 cars on the team tracks and dock space for 15 cars. ¶ A new 140 horsepower boiler has been installed near the Missouri Pacific passenger station to furnish steam for heating coaches while they are spotted at the station. ¶ The changes are to be made before cold weather.

8. Finishing touches were put on the air passenger depot yesterday. The all-metal building has accommodations of a waiting room. ¶ The passenger fare by National Air Transport to Kansas City is $17.30 and to Chicago is $61.40.

18. Photograph of Wichita Garden Club’s second annual fall flower show at the Forum, which closed last night.

Saturday, September 17, 1927
page
10. The animal building at Central Riverside park zoo is now undergoing extensive remodeling.

Sunday, September 18, 1927
page
2. Article about progress on Innes building. Says a water tank holding 50,000 gallons is already in place on the top story.

3. The Hertz Driv-Ur-Self station will open in Wichita today at 221 South Lawrence. Details.
6. Contract for the new Catholic church and school on Douglas between Quentin and Bluff is expected to be let within two or three weeks. Details.

17. Photograph of new Cessna monoplane which made its first flight yesterday from Swallow air field and made forced landing due to dirt in gas tank.

Sunday, September 18, 1927

4. Article about L. W. Clapp’s mapping of properties around Wichita by horse and buggy in the early days. Details. Photograph.

Wednesday, September 21, 1927

13. It has been decided that the Stearman Aircraft company plant, which is being moved here from Venice, California, will be located in one of the buildings of the Bridgeport Machine company in the North End. There will be 14,000 square feet of floor space in the building, which is to be occupied by October 1. About 30 men will be employed in the new factory. Although not located on an airport, a runway has been prepared of sufficient length to permit takeoff and landing of unloaded planes.

Thursday, September 22, 1927

2. Construction of the additional Travel Air factory on the Wichita airport will begin immediately. A deal was made yesterday by Travel Air with the Booster Building company for purchase of land on which to build the new factory. Travel Air, Inc. thereby becomes the owner of four acres lying directly east of the present factory, making the company’s total holdings nine acres. The new building will be a duplicate of the first unit.

5. The two story brick building at southeast corner of Douglas and Seneca at 1029 West Douglas, was purchased yesterday by Harry Dockum for approximately $50,000 from Mrs. George T. Riley and Roy Riley, heirs of the late George T. Riley, who erected the building 14 years ago. Details.

Friday, September 23, 1927

2. Article mentions that the board of education is using a temporary three room frame school building in the Orient Shops district.

4. Photograph of the Travel Air factory, which will be duplicated by the company’s new building.

Saturday, September 24, 1927

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5. National Air Transport carried 95 passengers during the first 15 days of its newly inaugurated passenger service between Chicago and Dallas.

6. Formal opening of the newly completed strip of pavement south of Newton on Highway 81 was held yesterday afternoon. Completion of the link gives a paved road from Newton to the Oklahoma line.

Sunday, September 25, 1927

14. Photograph of the Wichita Transportation Company’s recently completed bus garage with buses. Company has 340 employes and annual payroll of $490,813. Bus garage recently completed at cost of $70,000. New buses represent an investment of $120,000.

3-A. Photograph of two new 19-passenger Studebaker buses purchased the past week by the Arkansas Valley Transportation Company for use on the line between Newton and Salina. The company has four other Studebaker buses, two 15-passengers and two 12 passenger, which have covered as much as 207,200 miles each.

Tuesday, September 27, 1927

4. Work on the new unit of the Travel Air factory is expected to start today. It is located just 100 feet east of the present factory. Will cost approximately $75,000.

Ground will be broken immediately for the new $90,000 parochial school of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament at Douglas and Clifton.

11. Advertisement of The Wichita Transportation Company -- “owned and operated by Wichitans” -- comprising the Wichita Railroad and Light Company and The Wichita Motor Bus Company. Howard V. Wheeler, president; R. B. Campbell, vice-president and general manager; R. C. Clevenger, secretary-treasurer. ¶ More done to improve service in first six months of this company’s ownership and operation than for many years before, including 16 new buses, etc. ¶ Photograph of five of the new buses.

Thursday, September 29, 1927

5. The Orient shops this week completed conversion of the last of the lines 56 locomotives to oil burning. ¶ Within the year the Orient has purchased 22 locomotives from the New York Central for freight service. ¶ Since locomotives do not have to be changed frequently to clean the fire boxes, those on passenger runs out of Wichita will now run from here to San Angelo, where formerly engines were changed at Fairview, Oklahoma.

Saturday, October 1, 1927

5. Article reports return to Wichita yesterday of Lloyd Stearman from Venice, California.
Passenger service on the National Air Transport route from Chicago to Dallas via Wichita is being temporarily discontinued today to permit reconditioning of the Travel Air monoplanes used on the route, including installation of heaters in the cabins and improved seating arrangements.

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Article about the Stearman Aircraft Company and its return to Wichita. Details.

4A.

Aerial photograph of the Forum and Arcadia.

**Monday, October 3, 1927**

Page 5.

R. B. Campbell, general manager of the Wichita Transportation Company, announced yesterday that the company would replace the double track line on Douglas between Pattie and Washington, about 1000 feet, with new tracks. Other evidence of improved service is the purchase of 16 new buses, erection of a large garage, and the building of a wye at the University of Wichita.

**Tuesday, October 4, 1927**

Page 1.

Art Goebel, who piloted the Travel Air plane “Woolaroc” to Honolulu to win the Dole prize, will return to Wichita for a civic welcome today. Details. Photograph.

**Thursday, October 6, 1927**

Page 5.

Article about the litigation over future of the Orient Railroad. Details.

10.

Article about progress on the new Innes building. Exterior is essentially complete and interior work progressing rapidly.

**Saturday, October 8, 1927**

Page 8.

Article reports planes for a new factory for the Cessna-Roos Aircraft Company on West 1st street. Details.

16.

Photograph of new monoplane built recently in Wichita by T. C. Geselle.

**Sunday, October 9, 1927**

Page 5.

The Adeline apartments at 13th and Emporia were sold yesterday by D. S. Jackman to Lawrence A. Williamson, of St. Louis for $125,000.

6.

Article reports the reason the Travel Air monoplanes of National Air Transport were recently withdrawn from passenger service between Chicago and Dallas was the pilots’
complaint of a lack of “aileron control” in the planes. The company is seeking a remedy for this problem. Details.

Wednesday, October 12, 1927

8. Photograph of bus demolished in collision with train.

Saturday, October 15, 1927

1. Photographs of proposed sketches for McKnight Memorial fountain at Wichita High School as made by New York sculptor, Pietro Montana. Article on page 5 with details.

5. An airplane was assembled yesterday and made a test flight from the 27 acre site in West Wichita for the proposed new Cessna-Roos Aircraft Company factory. It is the second plane built in the company’s temporary shops at 1520 West Douglas.

11. Drawing of the proposed new Cessna-Roos Aircraft factory, now under construction on the Swartz tract of 27 acres at intersection of 1st street and Glenn. To cost approximately $35,000. Main building 100 by 150 feet.

Sunday, October 16, 1927

Magazine

3. Article about buggies in early Wichita. Details.

9. Article about Wichita’s American Indian Institute, Henry Roe Cloud, director. Details.

Tuesday, October 18, 1927

5. Crane Company has taken out building permit for $72,000 warehouse and office building at 640 East 1st. Taken out yesterday.

The promoters of Laird Whippoorwill airplanes have purchased a factory building at 471 West 1st street and will be in production by December 1st as Wichita’s fifth aircraft factory. Charles Laird will be on the engineering staff and superintendent of production. Others involved are listed. Storage hangers for testing purposes will be built on the ground of the Cessna-Roos plant on West 1st.

Wednesday, October 19, 1927

1. Report on the industrial survey of Wichita commissioned by the Chamber of Commerce from Lockwood, Greene and Company, industrial engineers, of Boston.
5. The Mother Lee Home of Redeeming Love, at 1021 South St. Francis, is to be razed and replaced by a modern 15 room brick apartment house. Details and some history of the old institution.

**Saturday, October 22, 1927**

3. Photograph of new Innes building, nearing completion.

Article says the Laird Airplane Company yesterday took possession of the Kansas Planing Mill building at 471 West 1st street, where its new factory is to be established. Details. Article also discusses progress on the new Cessna-Roos plant and the new unit of Travel Air plant.

8. The Wichita Sanitarium, formerly the Kansas Sanitarium, was incorporated in Topeka yesterday, with no capital. This hospital, with capacity for 60 patients, with property valued at $200,000, will be absolutely under the control of the Seventh Day Adventists.

16. Photograph of filling station of the Model Oil Corporation at Emporia and English, which opens tomorrow.

**Sunday, October 23, 1927**


12. Southern Kansas Stage Lines will move into its new building on West 2nd street at Arkansas river the next few days and will hold a grand opening party there Wednesday night. Article gives history of Southern Kansas Stage Lines company. They are now operating 21 Fageol buses and 20 other large size buses, mostly five Studebakers. More than 75 men are on the payroll, and the company handles over 1000 passengers daily.

Advertisement with photograph of new Southern Kansas Stage Lines garage and of one of their buses.

4A. The Nash dealer in Wichita will henceforth be known as the Stretch and Strain Motor Company.

**Sunday, October 23, 1927**

Magazine

6. Article about buffalo wallows in this area.

**Tuesday, October 25, 1927**

5. The last section to complete the pavement from Wichita to the state line -- between South Haven and Hunnewell -- will be opened to traffic on October 28.
2. Miss Rea Woodman returned to Wichita Saturday to live after being away nearly 20 years, most recently in Poughkeepsie, New York. Her old family home at 901 North Waco has been moved back on 8th street and shows little of its former career, which included service as Wichita’s first hotel.

**Wednesday, October 26, 1927**

10. Article reports opening party last night for the Southern Kansas Stage Lines garage and refers to the company’s “familiar big blue buses.”

18. Advertisement announcing parade tonight of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

27. Article reports test flight of the third Cessna monoplane at Swartz field yesterday, 1st street and Glenn. Details.

**Thursday, October 27, 1927**

5. A complete locomotive of the 110 ton class is being built at the Orient shops in Wichita. While the frame and trucks of the engine are those of a dismantled locomotive, all the boiler and flue work, the cab and the furnishings are being done in the Wichita shop.

**Friday, October 28, 1927**

2. Article reports charter issued in Topeka yesterday for Wichita’s sixth airplane company, to be known as the Swift Aircraft Corporation. President will be W. R. Ritchey, Wichita oil operator. C. B. Bennett, now production engineer at Travel Air, will be the chief engineer. The company will design and manufacture a biplane. Details.

3. General Motors Acceptance Corporation branch office in Wichita will open on November 14 and will occupy the seventh floor of the Union National Bank building.

5. The Eastlawn addition of homesites between Douglas and Central and between Pershing and Oliver will be formally opened on November 5.

The Stearman Aircraft company is now in operation here with 20 new employes and five more scheduled to start next week. The first plane will be an air mail craft for Varney Air Line, which operates between Pasco, Washington and Salt Lake City. The plane is scheduled to be completed by November 15.

8. Photograph of the new Cessna monoplane, which is to be manufactured here.

**Sunday, October 30, 1927**

3. Article says recent issue of *Aviation Magazine* has an extensive article on Travel Air, Inc.
Monday, October 31, 1927
3. William H. Snyder, president of the Snyder Ice Cream company, at 211 South Washington, died yesterday at his home at 837 Buffum. He came here from Leavenworth 18 years ago and started his business here.

Tuesday, November 1, 1927
5. Article reports Oliver Mourning will start immediately building a new $80,000 apartment building at 519 South Market, just south of the Leona apartments.

Wednesday, November 2, 1927

12. Article confirms that the Missouri Pacific Railroad has guaranteed the expenditure of $75,000 for improvements in the Wichita division, including construction of a modern coach yard at 25th street. When this is completed, the land now in use as a coach yard at 1st street will be cleared. This will mean the removal of one of the oldest railroad landmarks in Wichita, the old Missouri Pacific passenger depot, a small wooden building now used as a storehouse. An automobile dock and team tracks will be installed when the land is cleared.

Sunday, November 6, 1927

32. Advertisements with photographs of Wichita planes, including Swallow, Travel Air, Stearman, and Cessna.

5-A. Photograph of library and Fiske hall at Wichita University from the tower of old Fairmount building. Open fields beyond.

Photograph of Friends University building -- looks as though clock is installed in tower.
8-A. Photographs of several Wichita church buildings.

12-A. Advertisement with photograph of Southern Kansas Stage Lines bus.

13-A. Photograph of East High School (Wichita High School).

14-A. Aerial photograph apparently of Mead island with Indian lodge and footbridge leading to island.

C. Special section describing new Innes store, which will open Tuesday, November 8. Details.

Monday, November 7, 1927

page 5. Completion of the lighted airway between Kansas City and Dallas was announced last week. Revolving beacon lights have been erected at intervals of approximately ten miles.

Article reports death yesterday Robert M. Piatt, prominent Wichita attorney, at age 77.

Tuesday, November 8, 1927

page 9. The new Innes store opens this morning. Details.

Wednesday, November 9, 1927

page 5. Article reports on opening of Innes store building yesterday. Details.

Thursday, November 10, 1927

page 3. Residents of South End petitioned city commission Monday, for restoration by the Wichita Bus Company of service on Levy street eastward from Lawrence avenue, but the commission pointed out that the public services commission in Topeka has control over all bus routes, even those lying within the city, whereas the city commission has control over the street cars.

8. Article reports employes of the street car and bus companies in Wichita are satisfied with the local management and conditions, etc.

Friday, November 11, 1927

page 9. Article reports proposed building program for University of Wichita. First new building will be a science hall, which is badly needed. ¶ Contract was let yesterday for a new cafeteria at cost of $8484, to be completed in 50 days.
10. Cornerstone to be laid Sunday for new West Side Church of Christ, a Glenn and Douglas. To cost $21,000.

Article reports officers elected for the new Laird Aircraft Corporation. Details.

**Sunday, November 13, 1927**

7. New standard electric light block signals have been placed on the main line of the Rock Island Railroad between McFarland and Herington, replacing the old semaphore type. The double track between Kansas City and Herington is also complete.

8. The new Douglas avenue bridge over the drainage canal has just been completed at a cost of $45,734. ¶ With ditchers working day and night, widening of the drainage canal has been completed from Central avenue south to the Big Arkansas river and should be finished north to the limits soon after the first of the year. This will mark the end of a flood prevention program which has gone forward in the city since the big floods of 1923. Nearly $2,000,000 has been spent in this work, which also included the straightening of the Little river and widening of that stream in spots.


3-A. Photograph of a Sayers Dairy delivery truck.

**Tuesday, November 15, 1927**

5. Article reports Armour Creamery Company will erect a three story plant 100 by 138 feet, costing approximately $150,000, at corner of Washington and English. Details.

Park board yesterday presented resolution to city commission declaring it necessary to acquire a plot of ground for a municipal airport and recommending the 40 acres (sic) of ground on East Central now owned by the Booster Building Company. ¶ City attorney instructed to determine whether the park board’s action is legal.

Charter issued in Topeka yesterday for the Laird Aircraft Corporation.

**Thursday, November 17, 1927**

4. Advertisement for Wichita Transportation Company shows new (?) logo.

10. Drawing of new cafeteria building for University of Wichita.

**Friday, November 18, 1927**

5. There are at present 26,847 telephones in Wichita, an increase of 1056 over last year.
Saturday, November 19, 1927

8. The Phillips Petroleum company opens its first service station in Wichita, at 805 East Central, today. It is the Phillips Company’s first retail station.

Tuesday, November 22, 1927

3. The city plans to remove the last vestige of the old “squattertown” and dump site just east of Midland Valley tracks from Maple street south to the Orient Railroad bridge. Details.

Article about a man who arrived in Wichita 43 years ago yesterday at 11:00 p.m. He alighted at the old depot in the north end of town when the conductor announced the passenger station. Other passengers, knowing their Wichita, stuck with the train until it got down to the freight depot, which was located nearer the center of town.

Wednesday, November 23, 1927

13. Machinery is being moved in and within a few days the Cessna-Roos Aircraft company will be moved from its temporary quarters at 1520 East Douglas and operating in its new building at 1st street and Glenn, located on Swartz field, a 27 acre tract.

Thursday, November 24, 1927

4. Clyde V. Cessna, president of the Cessna-Roos Aircraft company, announced yesterday that he had purchased a majority of the stock, in the company held by Victor Roos, the secretary. The latter’s business interests in Omaha, where he formerly was associated with Ballanca in the airplane manufacturing business, have demanded too much of his attention for him to continue his close association with the Wichita company, and therefore he offered his stock to Mr. Cessna. ¶ Work on the company’s new factory at 1st street and Glenn is nearly completed.

9. Wichita University-Friends football game will be at Island Park today. Article lists scores of previous games between the two.

Friday, November 25, 1927

20. Photograph of picturesque bridge recently completed over the lake on Mt. Carmel Academy grounds.

Saturday, November 26, 1927

1. Photograph of Santa Fe engine No. 3180, which derailed and turned on its side in Wichita north of Pine street yesterday.

Sunday, November 27, 1927
Monday, November 28, 1927


The Santa Fe last week completed building the grade for its new cutoff from the Arkansas River south of Mulvane to a point near Rose Hill, and the laying of steel is now under way. The project also includes a new bridge with concrete piers across the Arkansas river, etc., and is intended to reduce the grade for California to Chicago traffic.

Tuesday, November 29, 1927

2. The Swallow airplane company was sold yesterday to a group of Wichita business men (named) for over $110,000 by the “friendly receiver,” George R. Bassett, who has been in charge of the company since August 12 this year. It is planned to build two new factory units and increase the capacity to one plane a day. Fifty-three men are employed at present. Details.

Article says the Wichita Transportation Company wants a new 20 year franchise, although the present one does not expire until 1933. Data was presented to the city commission yesterday. The company controls all the capital stock of both the Wichita Railroad and Light Company and the Wichita Motor Bus Company. The value of the Wichita Railroad and Light Company is given as $2,750,724 and that of the Wichita Motor Bus Company as $436,066. On this value the net earnings of the street cars in seven months was $30,260, and the net deficit of the buses in nine months was $55,512.

3. The public committee of the Chamber of Commerce is setting out to broaden the scope of the “Wichita, the Air Capital” publicity campaign. Details.

5. The city commission yesterday voted down three to two the proposal for opening of a new street between Douglas and 1st street extending from Topeka to Water. Details.

10. Article reports Gill mortuary is celebrating its 40th anniversary today. Gives history of the firm.

Wednesday, November 30, 1927

2. Contract let yesterday to George Siedhoff Construction Company for a new $150,000 suburban theater building at 3207-09 East Douglas. Work will start within two weeks. Seating capacity to be 1500. Details.

11. Photograph of newly completed Cessna Airplane factory at 1st street and Glenn.
Thursday, December 1, 1927

14. State board of agriculture census reported Wichita’s population as of March 1 was 99,651, up from 94,179 last year.

Friday, December 2, 1927

2. Board of regents of University of Wichita yesterday decided to erect a science building on the campus at the earliest possible moment. Other building plans discussed. Details.

6. New Dockum drug store No. 6, at Seneca and Douglas, will be opened tomorrow. Details. Photograph on page 7.

Piggly Wiggly Store No. 6 will move today into the new Dockum building at corner of Douglas and Hillside, being the first business to occupy space in the building. The building will also house Dockum drug store No. 5 about the middle of December.


Saturday, December 3, 1927

3. Eighteen thousand one hundred twenty-six persons saw the new Ford at the Wichita showroom yesterday.

18. Swift Aircraft Corporation officials announced yesterday that they have secured a site consisting of five concrete block buildings and 20 acres of land at 32nd and North Lawrence for the company’s plant. Details.

Sunday, December 4, 1927

2. The newly reorganized Swallow Airplane company of Wichita was given its charter in Topeka yesterday. Details.

12. Drawing of the new community store building planned for corner of Kellogg and Hydraulic.

28. Photographs of new Dockum building at Hillside and Douglas (exterior completed), the new General Baking Company building on East Central with brick up on two stories and framework of third, and Crane Company building at 1st and Santa Fe under construction.

Sunday, December 4, 1927

Magazine
7. Article about Professor C. P. Clark and the first golf course in Wichita. The Braeburn Golf Club was organized in 1897. First tee was near corner of 16th and Fairmount. There were six holes, with the holes themselves made of No. 2 tomato cans set in the ground. The greens were scraped off somewhat level with a hoe, and there was no sand. Some of the holes can still be seen, the greens making small circles in the ground which later is to become a city park (Fairmount park). The land belonged to Judge W. J. Babb, who permitted the members to use it for little or nothing, but once the game was well started the players had to look out for the cows which roamed the pasture. The cattle also kept the course (buffalo grass) mowed.

8. Article about J. M. Moellendick and his contribution to aviation in Wichita. Photograph.

Tuesday, December 6, 1927
page 3.
3. Building permits issued yesterday for 25 family apartment house at 515 South Market for $30,000, and for a ten family apartment house at 901 North Waco costing $45,000. The latter is two story, 73 by 102 feet.

9. A four room addition to Riverside school was recommended to the board of education yesterday by Dr. Frank Neff, chairman of the finance committee, to relieve crowded conditions.

Wednesday, December 7, 1927
page 2.
2. Photograph of Dr. Fabrique with new radio donated by friends.

4. Article describes Missouri Pacific’s plans for four new team tracks between 1st and 2nd street west of Wichita street, with loading dock approximately 300 feet long. Details.

5. Article reports stained glass windows valued at $10,000, the work of artists in Munich, Bavaria, have arrived in Wichita for installation in St. Mary’s cathedral. The windows are the gift of parishioners and will replace frosted glass windows used since the cathedral was constructed. There are ten large windows, eight slightly smaller ones, and three rose windows, making 21 all.

10. Article about reorganization of officers of Swallow Airplane Company yesterday. Details. J. H. Turner, of the Turner Coal Company, is president.

Thursday, December 8, 1927
page 2.
2. Advertisement of Wichita Transportation Company urging higher fares. Photographs of old style buses and of a new one.

5. Building permit issued yesterday for a $26,000 warehouse building at 311 South Wichita street, 125 by 164 feet.
13. Advertisement for a new through bus service, Wichita to Tulsa, effective December 10, by Southern Kansas Stage Lines of Wichita and Golden Eagle Stage Lines of Ponca City.

Friday, December 9, 1927
page
26. Map of airways of the United States

Saturday, December 10, 1927
page
8. The first Stearman biplane ever built in Wichita will depart this morning from the Stearman airport near 35th street and North Lawrence for delivery to the Varney Airways, Inc., operating the air mail in between Pasco, Washington and Salt Lake City.

12. Interior remodeling of the Smyth building at Lawrence and Douglas will start about January 1, so that the Sanger Brothers store can occupy the building about March 1.

Sunday, December 11, 1927
page
1. Photograph of first plane produced in Wichita by Stearman, which flew to Cheyenne yesterday.

5. Nearly 700 new Fords were ordered in Wichita within the first week after they went on display.

15. Article lists officials of the Stearman Aircraft Company. The factory is located in Y building of the Bridgeport Machine Company group, with a payroll of 40 persons. Within a short time it is expected to produce six planes monthly.

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Magazine
8. Map of lighted airways in the United States and article about same.

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Rotogravure
Advertisement with photograph of Bryan-Southwest Transfer truck.

Monday, December 12, 1927
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Tuesday, December 13, 1927
page
2. City commission yesterday refused to allow an increase in street car fares to equalize them with bus fares so long as the bus fares remain out of their control and under control of the public service commission in Topeka. Details.

Contract let yesterday for Sedgwick County’s new boys’ detention home to be built on South Seneca about half mile south of Harry street for $51,940.

Wednesday, December 14, 1927

5. The second unit of the Travel Air factory is completed and machinery is being installed. It is expected to be in operation in two weeks.

Thursday, December 15, 1927

2. Wichita Transportation Company advertisement with photograph of 16 old dilapidated buses they replaced with 16 modern ones.

6. Department of Commerce yesterday announced completion of the lighted airway between Chicago and Dallas via Wichita.

13. Photograph of Travel Air biplane being tested yesterday with new Fairchild-Caminez motor.

Friday, December 16, 1927

3. Because of loss of a plane in a crash, the Stearman plane intended for Varney Airways was delivered instead to the Western Airways for use in the air mail service between Cheyenne and Pueblo. Varney Airways still has orders placed for three Stearman planes.

Saturday, December 17, 1927

17. National Savings Life Insurance Company holds formal opening of its new home at northeast corner of Douglas and Emporia today. Photograph. ¶ Same building is also home of Merchants State Bank, also having formal opening today. Photograph on page 13. (Building has been remodeled).

Sunday, December 18, 1927

32. Photograph of Christmas tree at Eagle building entrance -- shows baseball scoreboard on William street side of building.

Sunday, December 18, 1927

Magazine

8. Article about John Noble, Wichita artist. Photograph.
Monday, December 19, 1927

3. Photograph of the old Mike Zimmerly home in sixth block on South Market, now deserted. Mike Zimmerly was early Wichita contractor, who built the Winne building.

Two houses at 3207 and 3209 East Douglas are to be moved this week to clear the site for the new suburban movie theater.

Tuesday, December 20, 1927

7. Work started yesterday on the new Sedgwick County boys’ detention home on a 47 acre site half a mile south of Harry street on Seneca.

Wednesday, December 21, 1927

5. Sedgwick county commission yesterday sold the county’s 158 shares of preferred stock and 158 shares of common stock in the Wichita and Midland Valley Railroad to directors of the company for $15,800 plus a dividend of $948. ¶ The Wichita and Midland Valley runs from Wichita to Arkansas city and is leased to and operated by the Midland Valley Railroad. ¶ After the Wichita and Midland Valley was formed, the county voted $31,500 in bonds to help build the railroad. Originally it was intended to meet the Union Pacific at Sharon Springs, in which case a total of $80,000 in bonds would have been issued. It is said that the road was originally financed by Philadelphia capitalists, who put up the bulk of the money.

The city has started on widening of the Big River along its three mile course through Wichita to a minimum of 420 feet. The willow clad island just south of the Maple street bridge will be the first to go. All sand bars in the stream for the three miles will then be removed. Details.

Thursday, December 22, 1927

2. Another Wichita Transportation Company advertisement urging higher street car fares.

5. The board of education has accepted the eight room addition to Hamilton school completed this week at a cost of $50,000.

20. Article reports bad fire in third floor of F. G. Orr Bookstore yesterday. The building, owned by I. W. Gill, was built over 40 years ago. Photograph of fire.

Friday, December 23, 1927

3. Plans for the new high school will be presented to the board of education in January. The ground for the new building cost a total of $110,000.
5. Total bonded indebtedness of the city of Wichita on January 1 will be $3,805,365. Details
given.

Building permit issued yesterday for 24 family apartment house at 519 East Central for
$30,000 and for a community store building at 1700 East Kellogg (at Hydraulic) for
$26,000.

Saturday, December 24, 1927
page 9. The annual Amidon Christmas dinner will be held tomorrow in the Elks club gymnasium.

Sunday, December 25, 1927
page 5-A Photograph of a new 21 passenger Studebaker bus just delivered to Southern Kansas
Stage Lines recently for opening of the Wichita to Tulsa bus service.

Monday, December 26, 1927
page 5. Eighteen hundred twenty people were fed at the Amidon Christmas dinner yesterday.
Details.

Wednesday, December 28, 1927
page 3. Article says National Air Transport plans to start night air mail service between Chicago
and Dallas in 1928.

Thursday, December 29, 1927
page 2. Article reports outlook for railroad traffic from Wichita.

5. With the completion of decorations now being carried out at the Marple theater, the name
will be changed to the State and an electric sign bearing that name will shortly be hung
outside the new facade. ¶ The policy will also be changed -- vaudeville no longer will be
offered.

Friday, December 30, 1927
page 5. Article reports Wichita airplane companies have turned out a total of 974 planes since
Swallow marketed its first ship nearly eight years ago. Swallow has built about 700 and
Travel Air 266, including 66 prior to this year and an even 200 planes this year. Details.

8. Victor Roos, formerly secretary-treasurer of the Cessna Aircraft Company, this week took
up his duties as general manager of the Swallow Airplane Company. The company hopes
to increase its production next year from three planes weekly to one daily.
Saturday, December 31, 1927
page
13. Advertisement for State Theater. All seats ten cents and 15 cents any time.