Dr. Edward N. Tihen (1924-1991) was an avid reader and researcher of Wichita newspapers. His notes from Wichita newspapers -- the “Tihen Notes,” as we call them -- provide an excellent starting point for further research. They present brief synopses of newspaper articles, identify the newspaper -- Eagle, Beacon or Eagle-Beacon -- in which the stories first appeared, and give exact references to the pages on which the articles are found. Microfilmed copies of these newspapers are available at the Wichita State University Libraries, the Wichita Public Library, or by interlibrary loan from the Kansas State Historical Society.

TIHEN NOTES FROM 1940 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle
Monday, January 1, 1940
page 2.
Announcement made yesterday that Yellow Cab Transfer and Storage Company has disposed of its taxicab department, which will henceforth be managed by the Safeway Taxicab service. A new company known as Yellow Cab Company of Wichita has been formed and will operate as a separate organization, but beginning today will adopt new zone rates which are the same as those of Safeway. The Yellow Cab company was last week given permission to increase its number of units from 24 previously allowed to 27 in 1940.

Tuesday, January 2, 1940
page 5.
Ground breaking to be held today at the site of the new Sedgwick county lake southwest of Goddard. Confirmed on page 3 of January 3. The 4000 foot dam will back up 240 acres of water on Afton creek. It will employ 450 Work Projects Administration workers for a year or more.

Wednesday, January 3, 1940
page 6.
New John Marshall school to be dedicated next Monday.

Thursday, January 4, 1940
page 2.
American Export Airlines yesterday announced signing of a contract with Vought-Sikorsky division of United Aircraft Corporation for initial work on three flying boats for trans-Atlantic service.

8. The Kit-Kat Coffee Shop at the Allis Hotel has undergone a complete modernization.

Saturday, January 6, 1940
page
1. Announcement made yesterday of appointment of Christian H. Winkelmann, auxiliary bishop of St. Louis, as the new bishop of the Wichita diocese. Photo and details.

5. Figures showing increase in air mail dispatched from Wichita:
   - 1935 -- 29,157 pounds
   - 1936 -- 55,896 ? pounds
   - 1937 -- 47,433 pounds
   - 1938 -- 49,072 pounds on 2535 flights
   - 1939 -- 70,139 pounds on 2878 flights.

   The new Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Huston memorial nurses home at Wesley hospital is now being occupied by student nurses. Open house to be held January 18 and 19.

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Sunday, January 7, 1940

26. Total of 879,135 volumes were borrowed from the city library during 1939 including 328,131 to adult readers and 551,004 to children. Of these 372,176 were from the downtown library and 506,959 from the branch libraries in schools, etc. The library collection totals 132,640 volumes of which 91,677 are housed in the main library.

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Monday, January 8, 1940

2. Photo of John Marshall Intermediate school, which is to be dedicated tonight.

5. Photo of many ice skaters on Little River north of 11th Street bridge.

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Tuesday, January 9, 1940

2. City commission yesterday received a letter from Mrs. Laura Buckwater, 1106 Larimer, in which she said an ordinance should be passed “compelling every pigeon owner to pay $50 per year, for every pen of five pigeons if inside the city limits.” Pigeons, she said, have made a roost on her house and are destroying asphalt shingles and “they have filled the cistern with filth; the water is unfit for use.”

   Braniff Airways in 1939 carried 62,247 passengers, an increase of 59 percent over the 39,023 in 1938. Gross passenger revenue was $942,230, up from $664,951 in 1938. Inaugural flights of the Braniff DC-3s were successful, and they will be standard equipment on the Chicago to Dallas route by January 15, when all the new fleet will be delivered. They have been seen at Wichita several times, including the inaugural flight ten days ago.

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Wednesday, January 10, 1940

Saturday, January 13, 1940
page 5. An all time record of 2516 births were recorded in the city of Wichita in 1939. There were 1522 deaths.

Sunday, January 14, 1940
page 2. Article reports Bishop J. Henry Tihen, in poor health at St. Francis hospital for the past two years, suffered a relapse a few days ago and is in serious condition, age 78. Photo.

Monday, January 15, 1940
page 1. Bishop J. Henry Tihen died yesterday morning in his sleep at St. Francis hospital at age 78. Photo and obituary. Says he arrived in Wichita February 15, 1889. In the fall of 1889 he was appointed rector of the pro-cathedral parish by Bishop Hennessy.

Tuesday, January 16, 1940
page 1. Fire last night nearly destroyed the two story building occupied by the Whitney Paper Company, 131 North Santa Fe. Photo and details.

Wednesday, January 17, 1940
page 12. Open house is to be held Thursday and Friday this week celebrating completion of the new Huston nurses’ home at Wesley hospital. Details and photo.

Thursday, January 18, 1940
page 5. City commission yesterday let contract for construction of the new water reservoir of 3,000,000 gallon capacity near the filtration plant just east of Sim park.

10. Bishop Tihen to be buried today in Gallagher Memorial sanctuary at Mount Olivet cemetery, Denver.

The F & E Wholesale Grocery company has secured a long time lease on the three story warehouse building at 701 East 2nd street which formerly housed the Winfield Wholesale Grocery company. Photo.

Friday, January 19, 1940
page 3. Dr. David W. Basham, 85, of 824 North Emporia, died yesterday. Had been in Wichita since 1902.

Saturday, January 20, 1940
page
6. Article reports formal dedication yesterday of the new Huston nurses home at Wesley hospital. Cost approximately $125,000, which included a donation of $50,000 by J. H. Huston.

**Sunday, January 21, 1940**

21. The old Smythe residence, 1212 North Broadway, was sold yesterday to Thomas B. Biggs of the Broadway Sanitarium.

Healey, Inc., the new Studebaker distributor in Wichita, was formally opened yesterday at 1700 East Douglas. Photo.

22. The Wichita Transportation Company is now distributing new two color city maps showing the present city bus routes. The new map was lithographed in Wichita by McCormick-Armstrong Press.

**Monday, January 22, 1940**

5. More than 3000 persons skated on the Little River yesterday in the park department skating area two blocks north of 11th street bridge.

**Tuesday, January 23, 1940**

5. Article reports death yesterday of Henry J. Roetzel, 87, former city official, at his home, 715 North Topeka. Obituary and photo. Came here in 1903 and was commissioner of streets and improvements from 1909 to 1913.

**Thursday, January 25, 1940**

6. Table with financial statement of Wichita Board of Education.

**Friday, January 26, 1940**

5. Article reports hearing held here yesterday by an examiner of the Interstate Commerce Commission on proposed sale of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company to the H. E. Salzberg Company, Inc., and a ruling is expected within two weeks. Details. Salzberg Company proposes to pay $109,274.58 for the property, of which $75,000 goes to the old Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company, $20,000 for capitalization of the new Arkansas Valley Railroad, Inc., and the balance for back and current taxes. Some 70 persons are now employed by the Arkansas Valley Interurban. The railway is being sold by Robert B. Campbell and Warren E. Brown, trustees.

**Thursday, February 1, 1940**

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5. Article reports death yesterday at his home in Santa Monica, California, of William Walter Minick, former mayor of Wichita from 1911 to 1913. Obituary and photo.

**Sunday, February 4, 1940**

30. Pan American Airways completed its 100th trans-Atlantic crossing a week ago, and with the departure of American Clipper from Miami yesterday will eliminate the stop at Horta in the Azores from its itinerary from New York to Lisbon.

31. Article about 25th anniversary of Arnholz Coffee and Supply Company, 133 North Broadway, which was founded by Robert (Bob) Arnholz here in 1915. Details of history and photo of company’s garage at 2510 East Douglas.

**Saturday, February 10, 1940**

1. Eagle announces its forthcoming installation of wirephoto service, the first newspaper in Kansas to announce this.

5. Report of the will of Bishop J. Henry Tihen. Property has estimated value of $25,000. Details.

**Sunday, February 11, 1940**

7. Article says Miss Rea Woodman, 341 South Elizabeth, celebrated her birthday yesterday.

**Sunday, February 18, 1940**

20. Article reports book has just been published on Jesse Chisholm by T. U. Taylor, a Texan. Details.

7-A. Photo of Western Implement Company building at 439 South Wichita, at south end of tractor row.

**Monday, February 19, 1940**

1. Photo of eighth block on North Main where building at 810 North Main, occupied by T-V Supply Company, was destroyed by an explosion yesterday.

**Wednesday, February 21, 1940**

5. Southwest Federal Savings and Loan association, which is moving to new quarters at 128-30 North Market, will build a new front and remodel the interior of the building at an estimated cost of $13,528. Building permit was issued yesterday.

Saturday, February 24, 1940
page 3. Braniff Airways’ south Texas runs will be operated with 14 passenger Douglas planes after March 1, replacing the ten passenger Lockheed Electras presently used.

Monday, February 26, 1940
page 1. Announcement made yesterday that after March 15, Pan American Airways clipper flights to Europe will no longer stop at Bermuda, but will proceed non-stop from the United States to Horta, in the Azores. The planes began making stops at Bermuda last October, reportedly because of war restriction on weather reports.

Tuesday, February 27, 1940
page 6. The franchise of the Wichita ice hockey team in the American Hockey Association was revoked yesterday at a league meeting in Kansas City, and the Skyhawks will complete the season as a road team with headquarters in Kansas City. Mrs. Ella B. Wible is owner of the club, which has been in financial difficulties the past two months. The league promised to pay all back salary claims.

7. Beginning March 15, Pan American Airways will replace the present 26 passenger Sikorsky flying boats used on its shuttle service to Bermuda with a Boeing flying boat able to carry up to 60 passengers depending on weather conditions.

Wednesday, February 28, 1940
page 3. Announcement made yesterday that the name of the Ben Sibbitt Iron and Foundry Company will be changed on March 1 to Watkins, Inc. The concern is now headed by E. A. Watkins, of Wichita, founder of the Watkins Rebabbitting company, which was later acquired by the Federal Mogul company. ¶ The company was founded by Mr. Sibbitt in 1914 with three employes and now has 130 on the payroll.

Thursday, February 29, 1940
page 5. Braniff Airways will inaugurate two new mid-day flights through Wichita tomorrow, bringing that airline’s flights here to a total of six a day. The new flights will be flown with the 21 passenger Douglas planes used on the other Chicago to Dallas flights through Wichita. Details.

Saturday, March 2, 1940
page
Building permit issued last month to Blessed Sacrament parish for a chapel and community building at 125 North Quentin at estimated cost of $50,000.

Sunday, March 3, 1940

Article describes plans for inauguration (installation) of Bishop Christian Winkelmann on Tuesday, March 5. Details.

Photo of Wichita’s three Continental Grills, which are celebrating their fourth anniversary this week. Number 1 at Hillside and Central, Number 2 at 3012 East Douglas, and Number 3 at 608 North Broadway.

Monday, March 4, 1940

The new corps building of the Salvation Army in the North End was dedicated yesterday. Details.

Tuesday, March 5, 1940

The New York Life Insurance Company will remodel the Bitting Building at estimated cost of $24,000, to include a new entrance, installation of a stairway, remodeling of the lobby, closing of an elevator shaft, and installation of a new elevator enclosure. Building permit issued yesterday.

Building at 212 East Douglas to be remodeled by the Christman and Amidon estate at cost of $2500 for occupancy by the Self-Service Drug store. Building permit issued.

Wednesday, March 6, 1940


Photo shows departure of a booster trip group yesterday on a Santa Fe Trailways Sleeper Coach.

Sunday, March 10, 1940

Drawing of new filtration plant now under construction at entrance to Sim park.

Continental Air Lines has received a certificate of authority to operate into Roswell, Hobbs, and Carlsbad, New Mexico and will probably start operation there in less than 60 days.

Article about the 14 through streets in Wichita, with map.
28. Article about planting of red bud trees by Girl Scouts in Wichita, and saying Mrs. H. N. Tihen is commissioner.

30. Photo of newly completed Eureka school Number 2 at 2nd and Anna, in Hoover’s orchard, west of Wichita.

**Monday, March 11, 1940**

3. Photo of a crowd in the Forum yesterday.

**Sunday, March 17, 1940**

9. Photo of 13 year old elm trees planted along fifth block of North Madison street.

10. Photo of crowd in the Arcadia theater.

18. Article about night lanterns along the current East Douglas avenue paving project between Hydraulic and Hillside.

**Thursday, March 21, 1940**

5. Building permit issued yesterday to Wichita Flour mills, 701 East 17th street, for construction of a head house at estimated cost of $30,000. To be 156 feet high, of reinforced concrete, and will replace a frame structure in use for a number of years.

**Friday, March 22, 1940**

3. Building permit issued yesterday to St. Peter’s Claver parish for erection of a new $13,000 church at northwest corner of 11th and Indiana. To be one story, concrete foundation and brick walls, 37 by 37 feet.

5. Braniff Airways announced order for four more of the 21 passenger Douglas Super-B Liners for delivery in June and July. They will be like the ones placed in service by the line the first of this year.

**Sunday, March 24, 1940**

6. Notice of death yesterday of Jake Moellendick, 66, founder of the Swallow Airplane Company. Had been in poor health since suffering a stroke a year ago.

12. Osborne’s Drive-In restaurant, formerly at the corner of Broadway and Central, was recently moved to 2111 East Central. Photo. Features “chicken in the rough.”

27. Map showing the first landowners in Wichita township.
Wednesday, March 27, 1940


5. Continental Air Lines plans to start service to Carlsbad, Roswell, and Hobbs, New Mexico, on May 11.

Friday, March 29, 1940

5. Civil Aeronautics Administration announced plans for equipping the Wichita-Pueblo air route for night flying during the fiscal year beginning July 1. Details.

Continental Air Lines announced yesterday the purchase of three new 17 place Lockheed planes costing a total of $334,000, to be delivered in June or July. They are the recently developed “Lodestar” models carrying 14 passengers and crew of three.

Sunday, March 31, 1940

2. Delinquent Arkansas Valley Interurban tax for 1938 of $4094.65 was paid to the county clerk yesterday by H. E. Salzberg Company, purchaser of the railroad. This followed notification that the Interstate Commerce Commission has approved the proposed organization of the railroad and its plan for issuing of stock. Details.

Tuesday, April 2, 1940

1. The American Clipper arrived at New York from Bermuda yesterday with mail seized last week from the Atlantic Clipper. The American Clipper is operating a shuttle service only between New York and Bermuda. Yesterday’s arrival also inaugurated inbound clipper flights at La Guardia field’s marine terminal.

2. Santa Fe president E. J. Engel said yesterday that the local shops for rebuilding refrigerator cars employ nearly 600 men and the Santa Fe Trailways bus company 425. ¶ In 1919 Santa Fe station earnings in Wichita were $6,220,000 and the payroll here was $560,000. In 1939 the station earnings were $4,670,000 and the payroll $930,000.

3. J. Arch Butts Inc., Wichita Oldsmobile dealer, yesterday purchased the Ridings Motor Company and will take over their distributorship for Cadillac and LaSalle automobiles.


Thursday, April 11, 1940

2. Photo of Farmers and Bankers insurance Company building.
Saturday, April 13, 1940
2. Charter granted yesterday to All Star Amusement, Inc., which will operate the Blue Moon, a new dance pavilion now under construction west of the municipal airport at a cost of $60,000. It is scheduled to open June 1.

Sunday, April 21, 1940
2-A. Station KFBI becomes a Wichita station today, the third station in the city. Details.

Sunday, April 28, 1940
3. Photo of new head house under construction at Wichita Flour Mills Company, 701 East 17th. To be completed about June 15.
15. Photo of Central avenue dam and Little river above it.
25. Photo of new front placed last week on first floor of Winne building for Self-Service Drugs. Also shows photo of the old entrance pillars of the building. Article gives some history of the building.
1-A. Santa Fe Trailways announce the purchase of two new fleets of buses. Photo and drawing. Article gives history of the company. Map of National Trailways System routes on page 2-A. Article also about Santa Fe Trails Transportation Company truck routes with photo of new trucks, etc. ¶ The new buses are built by ACF Motors Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. ¶ Round trip fare to both World’s Fairs is $69.95.

Chamber of Commerce Tour Section
29. Wichita Transportation Company carries average of 35,000 passengers daily. The buses travel over 7500 miles daily. ¶ During the past 12 and one half years the company’s system has transported 128,819,909 fares.

Tuesday, April 30, 1940
5. The first Boeing Stratoliner is to be turned over to Transcontinental & Western Air at Portland, Oregon tomorrow.

Wednesday, May 1, 1940
5. Heirs of Eliza J. Fitch, widow of Thomas G. Fitch, are a daughter, Laura E. Welch, of Wichita, and three grandchildren, Walter Phillip Buck, Jr., Thomas Fitch Buck, and Robert Ennis Buck.

Agreement has been reached between city of Wichita, the airlines, and the Civil Aeronautics Administration to move the radio transmitters now located at the municipal airport, to a new building to be constructed by the city on a plot of ground on the old county poor farm at George Washington boulevard and Oliver. It is expected the move will be made by mid-summer. Details.

Saturday, May 4, 1940

2. Photo of Ford trimotor starting a loop just above ground, as is to be done by Harold Johnson at air show tomorrow.

Sunday, May 5, 1940

2. Article says the 1600 wooden seats on the east side of the Wichita University football field were razed following the 1939 football season, leaving only 2200 concrete stand seats on the west side. A new stadium is needed.

Monday, May 6, 1940

10. Report of air show yesterday at Aviation Industries field on East Kellogg in which Harold Johnson looped a Ford Trimotor from a few feet above the ground.

Tuesday, May 7, 1940

2. Ad says bus fare to Kansas City is $3.70 one way and $6.70 round trip.

Thursday, May 9, 1940

2. New Transcontinental & Western Air Stratoliner flew over Wichita for the first time yesterday but did not land.

Sunday, May 12, 1940

24. Drawing of new marquees to be installed at the Miller and Orpheum theaters. The new front for the Orpheum will probably be put up next month and that for the Miller as soon as the Orpheum’s is finished. They are built by Claude Neon Federal company of Wichita. Details.

27. Photo of residence at 520 North Broadway, just north of the Commodore.

Magazine

Monday, May 13, 1940

10. Report of first visit of Transcontinental & Western Air Stratoliner to Wichita at 8:00 p.m. last evening.

Tuesday, May 14, 1940

12. City commission yesterday approved widening and repaving of 21st street to width of 46 feet from Market to Arkansas. Also approved paving of Jefferson from 11th to 12th.

Thursday, May 16, 1940

6. The new Trocadero dance pavilion, located at 3400 West Douglas, site of the former Green Tree Inn, will have its grand opening Friday night, May 17.

Sunday, May 19, 1940


1-8B. Photos of graduating classes of East and North High Schools.

Monday, May 20, 1940

3. Photo of army air corps’ new Beech C-45 light personnel transport.

5. A Transcontinental & Western Air Stratoliner will leave Wichita today after a three day stay here during which time the local Transcontinental & Western Air staff was taken for short flights and one of the motors was replaced after a new one was shipped here from Kansas City.

6. Contributions are being received from Wichita school children towards the purchase of John Noble’s painting, “The Big Herd” for the art museum.

Tuesday, May 21, 1940

5. City commission yesterday approved project for a new $300,000 concrete runway at the municipal airport. City will issue $40,000 in bonds and request approximately $285,000 of Work Projects Administration as a project contribution to the national defense program.

Thursday, May 23, 1940

7. Photo of Rorabaugh-Buck store.
Sunday, May 26, 1940
page 17. Photo of S. S. America, nearing completion at Newport News.

Sunday, June 2, 1940


28. The once famous Geuda Springs hospital, now vacant, was sold last week for delinquent taxes for $400.

Tuesday, June 4, 1940
page 10. Photo of new Orpheum theater marquee, which will be lighted for the first time at 9:00 p.m. today. Article with details. The Orpheum has recently installed a modern air-conditioning plant.

Wednesday, June 5, 1940
page 3. Building permit issued to Continental Oil company for a new service station at 257 North Broadway at cost of $3000.

Saturday, June 8, 1940
page 5. Article reports Wichita University plans to build new 7710 seat football stadium at northeast part of the campus if at least half of the estimated $100,000 cost can be obtained from Work Projects Administration.

Sunday, June 9, 1940
page 11. Article about increasing aircraft production in Wichita estimates 2300 are employed in the aircraft plants and related industries and that probably 1000 planes will be built this year in Wichita, to break the former record set in 1928. Aerial photo of Stearman plant.

8-A. Wichita police department has opened an outdoor target shooting range in an abandoned pit of the United Brick and Tile Company, at 53rd and Broadway, from which clay was formerly taken for brick manufacture. Photo.

Monday, June 10, 1940
page
1. Photo of S.S. President Roosevelt nearing New York with 700 Americans fleeing from Europe.

Friday, June 14, 1940

2. The new Blue Moon dance pavilion on South Oliver across from the Municipal Airport is to open tonight. Details.


Sunday, June 16, 1940

6. Drawing of new home of Southwest Federal Savings and Loan Association, 130 North Market, at which an open house will be held Wednesday evening. The association moved to the new location on Thursday of last week from its former location at 109 North Topeka. Details.

Monday, June 17, 1940

5. New $50,000 deep X-ray therapy unit at Wesley Hospital was dedicated yesterday. Details.

Tuesday, June 18, 1940

5. City commission yesterday voted to widen Central from St. Francis to Santa Fe to 60 feet.

Wednesday, June 19, 1940

1. Federal Communication Commission granted KFH authority to increase its night time power from 1000 to 5000 watts, giving it full time 5000 watt coverage. Article gives history of the station.

Thursday, June 20, 1940

5. Braniff Airways is today on its 12th birthday taking delivery at Santa Monica, California, of the first of its additional order for 21 passenger Douglas “Super B-Liners.” The line bought six of the planes several months ago which are now flying between Chicago and Dallas.

Sunday, June 23, 1940

24. Photo of the first Braniff Airways’ new fleet of 21 passenger Douglas “Super B-Liners” being added to the company’s previous fleet of this type. The plane was delivered Thursday, June 20 (NC21773).

Thursday, June 27, 1940

5. Stearman division of the Boeing Airplane company yesterday was awarded a $3,779,628 order for planes by the United States Navy, the largest contract ever placed in Wichita. Expansion of the plant is probable. Details.

Thursday, June 29, 1940

5. Transcontinental & Western Air announced yesterday the placing of an order for 15 more 24 passenger Douglas transport planes costing more than $1,500,000. Nine are to be delivered this year and the remaining six by next spring. ¶ The company’s new Stratoliner planes will go into service July 8.

Friday, June 30, 1940

3. Widow of O. H. Bentley died yesterday at 83. Four nephews survive.

6. Photo of one Continental Airlines’ new Lockheed Lodestar planes in a Lockheed ad. Last numbers of registration are 7385.

11. Article about first anniversary of Continental Air Lines’ service to Wichita. Gives history of line: after 1934 air mail contract cancellation, Varney Air Lines won the new contract for the run from Pueblo to El Paso. On July 1, 1937, the name was changed to Continental Air Lines, headed by Robert Six. The route from Pueblo to Denver was purchased from Wyoming Air Service, allowing service from Denver to El Paso. Twin-motored Lockheed 12 planes replaced the Lockheed Vegas which had been used. ¶ Due to the increase in business and application for new routes, Continental placed orders for seven new Lockheed Lodestars (photo).

2-A. Article about Wichita municipal airport, and its origin in summer of 1928. Says a second concrete runway is now under construction. Photo of administration building with Braniff DC-3 in front (with stripes on tail).

Monday, July 1, 1940

2. Cornerstone laid yesterday for the new Trinity Lutheran church at southwest corner of Erie and Orme. To cost $12,000.

Thursday, July 4, 1940


5. The first of Continental’s new fleet of Lockheed Lodestar planes will be placed in regular service today, probably on the Denver to Wichita run. The plane has been here on test flights but not on regular service. ¶ The second plane in the fleet of seven is to be delivered by July 15, and the rest as rapidly as possible so that all runs on the Continental network will be flown by Lodestars by August.

John H. Busch, 73, filed petition in district court yesterday asking appointment of a receiver for the Swallow Airplane Company. Hearing set for July 9. ¶ Says he and Sam Bloomfield entered into an agreement in May 1937 whereby they became owners of the Swallow Airplane Company assets -- not the Swallow Airplane Company, Inc., which was formed later -- and that he put up $11,735 for the purchase, for which he was to get half the stock in the company. ¶ Further details given.

10. The nation’s first fleet of strato-clippers, three planes of Pan American Airways, will go into service today between Miami and Barraquilla, Colombia.

Sunday, July 7, 1940
page 5.

The Cessna company during the week moved into its new unit, started several months ago. ¶ Plans have been drawn by Boeing engineers for new units at Stearman to cost over $250,000.

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Photo of two story building at English and Market, which has been sold to Globe Oil and Refining Company.

Monday, July 8, 1940
page 5.

Transcontinental & Western Air’s Stratoliners will inaugurate their service today on the New York to Los Angeles run.

Wednesday, July 10, 1940
page 5.

Article reports agreement yesterday between the parties involved in the application by John H. Busch for appointment of a receiver for Swallow Airplane Company. Details.

Thursday, July 11, 1940
page 5.

Transcontinental & Western Air flew new all time high of 14,882,661 revenue passenger miles in June, 50 percent above same month last year.

Friday, July 12, 1940
page 7.

The first regularly scheduled airplane service to Australia will start today with departure of a 42 ton Boeing Pan American Airways clipper from San Francisco.
Sunday, July 14, 1940
page 5. Ground breaking started yesterday for a new $250,000 unit at the Stearman division of Boeing Airplane Company, which will give 40,000 square feet of additional factory space.

7. Long article about David Leahy, with photo. Age 82.

13. Photo of East Douglas from west of Hillside, looking east.

21. Oklahoma Tire and Supply company will open their new store at 232-36 South Broadway tomorrow. Remodeled building has 75 foot frontage on Broadway. Photo.

Thursday, July 18, 1940
page 6. Braniff ad: three flights in each direction daily. Round trip to Chicago for $56.60.

Friday, July 19, 1940

Saturday, July 20, 1940
page 9. Transcontinental & Western Air will put two more of the 33 passenger Stratoliners into service today, these to fly schedules between New York, Chicago, and Kansas City.

Sunday, July 21, 1940
page 13. United States Army during past week placed an order for over $900,000 worth of advanced training planes with the Cessna Aircraft company.

Monday, July 22, 1940

Receiver of the Wichita-Northwestern Railroad for many years, T. A. Fry, of Hutchinson, yesterday asked the court for permission to suspend operations of the line, operating between Pratt and Kinsley and Larned, on August 31. The line was built by the late O. P. Byers in 1913 and went into receivership in 1922. Assets of the company are two steam engines, three motor cars, about 100 miles of steel rails, and the depots and roundhouse in Pratt. There are 35 regular employes. Another train makes a round-trip daily over the line carrying mail and passengers. Freight service operates about two trains a week, depending on business volume.
6. Table gives budget of city of Wichita.

Thursday, July 25, 1940
page 1.

The American Clipper yesterday completed the first round trip flight to New Zealand on Pan American Airways’ newly established route.

2. Photo of twin-engined Cessna for United States Army, counterpart of the commercial T-50 plane, which has been produced commercially since December 1939.

Saturday, July 27, 1940
page 5.

Wichita University board of regents yesterday authorized architects to draw plans for a new aeronautics building, to be constructed north of the present athletic field. Details.

Sunday, July 28, 1940
page

Eagle’s 68th anniversary edition.

27. Ad with photo of Miller theater’s new marquee, just completed.

3-A. Article with list of flour mills in Wichita and their elevator capacity.

8-A. Reprint of Marsh Murdock’s history of the early settlement of Wichita, written in April 1876.

15-A. Map of Wichita municipal airport.

2-B. Aerial photo of downtown Wichita from southwest (mid ‘30s).

6-B. Article about Wichita’s aircraft industry.

13-B. Planes have just been announced to close the downtown Wichita weather bureau after 53 years of operation and move it to the airport.

2-C. Photos of Service Supreme grocery stores including Larcher’s and Carl Bell’s.

6-C. Photo of Service Supreme grocers’ warehouse at 130 North Rock Island (Johnson-Frazier Building).

Monday, July 29, 1940
page 3.

Yesterday set a record attendance for this summer of 1879 swimmers at the municipal pool.
Tuesday, July 30, 1940
page 1.
New liner S. S. America, was welcomed to New York yesterday on arrival from the builders’ yards at Newport News, Virginia.

Friday, August 2, 1940
page 7.
The Kaliko Kat, local night spot and dance hall on South Broadway, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Photo.

Sunday, August 4, 1940
page 15.
Photo of recently completed chapel of Blessed Sacrament parish, at Douglas and Clifton.

Tuesday, August 6, 1940
page 2.
City commission yesterday authorized a four month trial of parking meters in 12 downtown blocks between September 1 and January 1. Details.

Saturday, August 10, 1940
page 5.
Plans have been completed for the traffic control tower to be built on top of the southeast corner of the administration building at Wichita municipal airport, and construction will start within the month. Details. Cost is about $7000.

Monday, August 12, 1940
page 5.
The new $70,000 chapel of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic church will be occupied for the first time by the congregation Thursday night. It seats 640. The chapel previously used in the school building will be remodeled.

Wednesday, August 14, 1940
page 5.
The old library building at University of Wichita has been remodeled as a journalism-art building, to be ready for its new use this fall.

Friday, August 16, 1940
page 14.
Photo of Western Auto store at Broadway and English.

Sunday, August 18, 1940
page 18.
Approval was given yesterday for a $248,314 Work Projects Administration grant to continue grading and paving of the new east-west runway, already started on a $40,000
Work Projects Administration project this spring. The new grant will allow completion of about 2100 feet of paving with a width of 100 feet.

Tuesday, August 20, 1940

Transcontinental & Western Air yesterday announced placing of an order for 111 1200 horse power Wright Cyclone engines, of which 30 will be used on the 15 new 24 passenger DC-3s recently ordered and the other 81 will be used to replace the present 1100 horse power Cyclones on the line’s DC-3 fleet and as spares. Delivery is to start in September and will be completed in January. The extra power will increase the payload on the present fleet some 800 pounds.

Thursday, August 22, 1940

Pan-American’s stratoclipper Comet yesterday made a trial flight on the new direct route across the hump of Brazil to Rio de Janeiro. Regular passenger ships will start flying the route two weeks hence.

It was announced yesterday in Washington that $3,000,000 to $3,500,000 will be spent on an immediate expansion of the Stearman division of the Boeing Airplane company at Wichita. Last week more than 1100 were on the Stearman payroll, the highest in history.

Saturday, August 24, 1940

Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Mary Bitting, 84, widow of the late Charles W. Bitting. Survived by one son, Lewis, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles K. Foote, 400 South Belmont, and Mrs. T. M. Thomas, 105 North Broadview, and four grandsons (none in Wichita).

Sunday, August 25, 1940

Report of death yesterday of Newton Garst, 85, 834 North Market, founder of Garst Brothers Wichita laundry. Came to Wichita in 1885 and with his brother, Thomas, established the Garst Brothers laundry at east end of Douglas avenue bridge, on south side of Douglas. It was later moved to 117 West 1st, and then to the new Garst Laundry at 215 West Murdock. Photo.

The Gridley Motor Company, Pontiac distributor, has recently moved into the building at 300-02 South Main. It had been at 303 South Market since its organization in 1923. Photo.

The Missouri-Central Type Foundry at 701-09 East Murdock is celebrating its 31st anniversary. It was founded in Marshall, Missouri in July 1909 and moved to Wichita in August 1914. Details.
Tuesday, August 27, 1940
2. Miss Rea Woodman, pioneer Wichita resident, will reign as pioneer queen at the 67th annual four county Old Settlers’ reunion and picnic Thursday at Mulvane and will ride on a decorated float in the parade that day. She arrived here with her parents and two brothers in a caravan of five covered wagons on November 10, 1870.

5. Wichita’s new soft water system is to be dedicated September 29. Built at cost of $2,500,000 as a Public Works Administration project. The supply of soft water is to be turned into the mains of the Wichita Water Company on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Details.

Thursday, August 29, 1940
5. Beech Aircraft yesterday received a $4,847,217 contract for 150 training planes and 20 transport planes, all of a similar twin-motor type, for the United States Army.

The Beech Aircraft company’s single-motor biplanes are already being constructed in the building south of the main plant on East Kellogg, formerly known as the Yellow Air Cab building, and the East Central plant is being devoted solely to building twin-motor planes. Plans have been prepared for additions to the Beech plant, and construction will start immediately.

Friday, August 30, 1940
5. Continental Airlines’ new 14 passenger Lockheed Lodestar plane made its first proving flight to Wichita yesterday in preparation for regular operation beginning in a week or ten days. It is one of two already delivered to the company. A third is expected within a few days. At present the company operates six and ten passenger Lockheeds over the route. The six passenger planes will be replaced by the Lodestars, but the ten passenger planes will be retained.


Saturday, August 31, 1940
3. Article says Wichita is being considered as a site for the Culver Aircraft Company, now operating at Columbus, Ohio, according to Knight K. Culver, Jr., president. They have a serious shortage of space at their present factory. The company manufactures the Culver Cadet, a light commercial plane, with a list price of $2395. Al Mooney, former Wichita airplane builder, is chief engineer for the Culver plant.

5. Cudahy Packing Company has recently added 125 men (to about 700 total) to its Wichita work force and will build an addition to its plant at cost of approximately $250,000. Plans are for a 100 percent increase in sheep and lamb kills and for 50 percent increase in cattle,
calf and hog kills. Wichita’s plant killed and processed approximately 425,000 head of livestock in 1939, and the expanded capacity will approach 750,000.

7. Twenty-five new Checker cabs will go into service in Wichita at midnight tonight.

Sunday, September 1, 1940

5. The new soft water is to be turned into the mains of the Wichita Water Company at 3:00 p.m. today. Details.

The Stearman Aircraft division of Boeing Airplane Company is producing a new training plane every three hours during two eight hour shifts, or nearly six planes every day.

10. Photo of one of the 25 new Checker cabs which will offer metered taxi service in Wichita starting today.

13. Article about city’s new soft water system, with photo of filtration plant.

Drawing of new $14,200 aeronautics building to be constructed at University of Wichita.

Monday, September 2, 1940

5. Report of inauguration of soft water system in Wichita yesterday.

Wednesday, September 4, 1940

5. School bond issue of $512,000 is to be placed on the ballot November. Includes funds for a new Franklin school and Irving school and an addition to Harry Street school.

Friday, September 6, 1940

14. Work started on the new control tower on top of the airport administration building. To be completed in a few weeks at cost of about $7000.

Sunday, September 8, 1940

5. Continental Air Lines will inaugurate its new Lockheed Lodestar 14 passenger plane on the Denver to Wichita run this afternoon, and hereafter this equipment will be used exclusively on the Wichita run, replacing the previous six and ten passenger Lockheed planes. Continental has received three of the new Lodestars and will also operate the route from Denver to El Paso with them. Four similar planes have also been ordered and are to be delivered shortly.

9. The new $75,000 Blessed Sacrament church is to be dedicated today. Details.
Wednesday, September 11, 1940

5. Building permit issued yesterday for an addition to Mount St. Mary’s convent, 3700 East Lincoln, a north wing to be built at estimated cost of $45,000. A south wing is also being added to the building, but since it is not inside the city limits, it was not necessary to obtain a building permit for the south wing. Ground was broken recently for the four story structure.

Thursday, September 12, 1940

3. Cessna yesterday announced a $9,550,590 order from the Royal Canadian Air Force and will start immediate expansion to double the present plant size.

Friday, September 13, 1940

5. August traffic on Transcontinental & Western Air set an all time record of 18,197,789 revenue passenger miles, up 77.8 percent from August a year ago.

Sunday, September 15, 1940

1. Culver Aircraft Company yesterday closed a contract for purchase of the Bridgeport plant in North Wichita and will move their airplane factory here from Columbus, Ohio about October 1. Entire plant and airport, about 43 acres, is included. Price was around $100,000.

16. New schedules and bus route changes on East Kellogg and College Hill lines become effective tomorrow. Details.

Tuesday, September 17, 1940

5. Another $7,000,000 order for Stearman planes announced. Article give summary of orders at Wichita aircraft plants, totaling about $40 million.

6. Board of education yesterday set salaries for Wichita teachers and supervisors, totaling approximately $1,280,000 for about 600 individuals for the school term which started yesterday.

12. Ground level photo of Stearman aircraft plant.

Wednesday, September 18, 1940

1. Beech Aircraft Company yesterday received $13,115,138 order from War Department for training planes, increasing the backlog of orders at Wichita aircraft plants to about $53 million. Photo of Beech plant on page 3.
Thursday, September 19, 1940

2. Ad for Continental “Super-Lodestar” planes with photo of one with Number NC25634.


Friday, September 20, 1940

3. Photo of new $40,000 office building nearing completion at the Cessna plant on East Franklin. Also shows foundations for a new factory unit.

Saturday, September 21, 1940

3. Photo of the old Yellow Air Cab hangar on East Kellogg, vacant many times in recent years and used only occasionally for part time activities, which has now been converted into Factory Number 2 by the Beech Aircraft Corporation.

9. Transcontinental & Western Air has abolished its Albuquerque division as of yesterday and placed the Wichita and Amarillo stations under the Kansas City office for operating purposes. Albuquerque and Winslow were placed under the Los Angeles division.

Sunday, September 22, 1940

6. Aerial photos of Wichita aircraft plants and municipal airport taken last week.

25. Dedication of the new Trinity Lutheran church at Erie and Orme is to be held today.

Tuesday, September 24, 1940

5. Wheat price reached a new high for the year of 63 cents per bushel in Wichita yesterday.

Wednesday, September 25, 1940

3. Photo of scaffolding covering the front of Wichita Union station, which is being modernized. Details.

Saturday, September 28, 1940

3. Work is being pushed on a $400,000 building project at the Beech Aircraft plant, which includes 86,000 square foot assembly building, a 73,000 square foot fabrication building, and a 24,000 square foot addition to office and engineering building. Photo.

Sunday, September 29, 1940


1. Ground to be broken tomorrow for a $545,000 expansion of the Stearman plant, which will be made by taking out the west wall of the present factory and extending the floor space to the west along the entire length of the plant, making the main plant approximately 420 feet long north to south and 350 feet deep, east and west.

2. Photo of new plant construction at Cessna.

5. La Junta, Colorado will become a regular stop on the Continental Wichita to Denver run about October 15 after airport work there is completed. Stops are already made at Garden City.

2-A-8-A. Articles about Wichita’s new soft water system, which is being dedicated today. Photos.

**Monday, September 30, 1940**

2. Santa Fe ad with drawing of boxcar showing map on side with “Santa Fe All The Way” slogan.

**Wednesday, October 2, 1940**

6. Ward and precinct map of Wichita. We are in 2nd Ward, Precinct 11. Shows city limits. (Editor’s note: Dr. Tihen lived at 1227 North River Boulevard in the Riverside area of Wichita.)

**Thursday, October 3, 1940**

7. Photo of remodeled Conoco stations at 2nd and Broadway and at Central and Hillside.

**Sunday, October 6, 1940**

3. Bob Six, president of Continental Air Lines, announced yesterday the purchase of three more Lockheed Lodestar planes for Continental. They will be flushed riveted, the first transports of any airlines to have this finish, it is said. Otherwise they will not differ materially from the three standard Lodestars which were delivered about a month ago and which are now in use. Delivery of the three additional planes is scheduled for December and January.

5. Article about probable further expansion of Wichita airplane plants. Details. Mentions plans for a new Boeing plant costing around $3,500,000, discussed before the city commission recently. Says the first group of Culver workmen being brought from Columbus, Ohio, are due to arrive this week. A total of 160 employees or family members are moving from Columbus to Wichita. Photos of construction on Stearman and Cessna plants.
The $15,000 aeronautics building at Wichita University is under construction and completion expected within three weeks.

15. Article about walnut used in home of Dr. G. S. Klassen, dentist, at Hillsboro.

16. Article about movie “Wings over Wichita,” with air views of Wichita, taken from plane flown by Vern Carstens, of Beech Aircraft company. Film takes 14 minutes. Film was done by L. H. Caldwell, principal of Gardiner school.

**Tuesday, October 8, 1940**

5. Article reports visit to Wichita yesterday of James L. “Bunny” Mead, Chicago manufacturer, and son of J. R. Mead. Photo.

**Wednesday, October 9, 1940**

7. Dan L. Hammond has purchased an interest in the Gordon Funeral Home, 3219 East Douglas, from Verne L. Gordon. The firm will be known as the Gordon-Hammond mortuary. The Gordon mortuary was established four and one-half years ago.

**Thursday, October 10, 1940**

5. Consumption of water in Wichita in September was 303,755,000 gallons, an average of 10,300,000 gallons daily. This was down from 363,000,000 gallons in September 1939 owing to rain and cool weather.

Work on the main addition to the present Stearman factory started yesterday. It will increase available manufacturing space from around 200,000 square feet to more than 300,000 and should be finished by the end of the year. Details.

**Friday, October 11, 1940**

5. Article reports developments on plans for a huge new Boeing factory at Wichita. Details.

**Saturday, October 12, 1940**

2. The Arkansas Valley Railway will celebrate the installation of its new diesel-electric service with a special dedication Sunday, October 20. A special train, diesel powered will leave the Wichita terminal at 12:30 p.m. for Hutchinson and return, with a group of civic leaders from Wichita. ¶ This week the railway company has been conduction experimental runs with two new 44 ton diesel-electric locomotives. The Arkansas Valley Railway, Inc., purchased the defunct Arkansas Valley Interurban and has been operating the old electric powered equipment. Murray M. Salzberg is vice-president and general manager.

5. Article about application for Wichita-Tulsa air mail run.
Photo of construction on Stearman plant addition.

**Sunday, October 13, 1940**

2. Braniff carried 83,225 passengers in first nine months of 1940 total of 26,445,675 passengers miles, compared with 43,708 passengers and 13,894,136 passenger miles in first nine months of 1939. Passenger revenue in same months was $1,211,606 in 1940 and $630,797 in 1939.

7. Photo of construction on new final assembly building at Cessna.

24. Photos of Wichita packing plants and horse and mule market.

30. Cudahy Packing Company will celebrate its 50th anniversary Tuesday. Article gives history of the company. Was founded in Omaha.

**Monday, October 14, 1940**

3. Photo of Rorabaugh-Buck store.

**Wednesday, October 16, 1940**

1. Boeing Airplane Company yesterday announced plans to double the floor space of its plants in Seattle and Wichita. Includes construction of a new 330 by 1000 foot plant in Wichita employing 4000-4500 men. Details and drawing. The company has an option on 120 acres south of the Stearman plant. Entire expansion is due for completion in 140 days.

7. Building permit issued yesterday for one story $7000 commercial building at 145-47 North Emporia with 50 foot frontage and 100 foot depth, to replace an old three story brick building, which will be torn down.

**Thursday, October 17, 1940**

1. Beech Aircraft has been allotted $1,615,508 to enlarge its present factory facilities. Details.

3. Grace Presbyterian Church, 124 Cleveland, is discussing sale of its building to Mathewson Church of Christ, 1st and Mathewson.

5. Contract for construction of new Boeing plant Number 2 at Wichita was signed yesterday with Austin Company, Cleveland, Ohio.
Building permit issued yesterday for new nurses’ home at St. Francis Hospital, to cost $130,000. The five story structure will have 80 rooms, with frontage of 88 feet, and depth of 115 feet. Ground was broken a week or so ago.

Transcontinental & Western Air this week inaugurated service over the former lines of Marquette Air Lines between St. Louis and Cincinnati.

Friday, October 18, 1940

1. Kansas’ new National Guard air squadron was awarded to Wichita by the state military council yesterday. Fifteen observation-type planes will be assigned to a hangar built by Work Projects Administration at cost of $500,000. Details.

5. The Bridgeport Machine Company has taken a five year lease on the entire fifth floor of the York Rite building for its new central offices. ¶ The company has discontinued manufacturing and is now engaged exclusively in buying and selling oil field supplies, with branch offices in eight states. ¶ The company sold outright its manufacturing plant in North Wichita to the Culver Airplane Company, which took over the buildings October 1. Details.

Saturday, October 19, 1940

5. Article about reports yesterday by aviation leaders on growth of the aircraft industry in Wichita. Details. ¶ A year ago 1461 were employed in factories here having 355,000 square feet of floor space. ¶ Now there are 3782 employees and 685,000 square feet of floor space. ¶ By mid-January there are to be 8750 employed and 1,562,000 square feet of floor space.

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16. Photo of chartered Santa Fe Trailways buses (ACF).

Tuesday, October 22, 1940

5. Ground broken yesterday for the new $3,400,000 Stearman factory Number 2 south of the present Stearman plant. Railroad workers have also arrived to start construction of a spur on the Santa Fe Railroad from the present station at Clonnell, southwest of the old Stearman factory, to the site of factory Number 2. The spur will be about a mile long.
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page
9. Photo of Cessna’s new assembly building, which is nearing completion.

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5. Article summarizes progress on expansion of Wichita aircraft plants. Details.

14. Photo of construction site for new Stearman plant Number 2 and of new railroad spur to the plant.

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page
2. Photo of Branstetter Jewelers, 134 North Broadway, with a new clock installed on its sign.

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6. Photo of new monoplane Stearman trainer. Dim aerial photo of Stearman factory.

8. Photos of Mrs. Hortense Gibson and Mrs. Mary Archer.

9. Photo of new aeronautics building at University of Wichita.

16. Ad with photo of stone residence at corner of 10th and Broadway, owned by G. H. Waggoner.

23. Report of schedule changes to be made November 15 by Continental Air Lines between Wichita and Denver.

30. Election on Tuesday will include $512,500 school bond question. Money to be used to replace Irving, Franklin, Kellogg, and old Harry Street schools. ¶ Franklin school replaced a one room frame building in 1886, with additions built in 1901, 1905, and 1911. ¶ Irving was first occupied in January 1888, with need so urgent that two rooms were occupied before building was complete. ¶ Kellogg was started in fall of 1889 and occupied the following spring. ¶ Old Harry Street was built in 1890 and named for Harry Hill, early Wichita resident and circus owner.

37. A new theater, the Roxie (sic), will be opened about November 25 in first block on West Douglas on south side of street by Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Conrad. Details. To seat 450, with admission prices of 10 cents and 15 cents.

Monday, November 4, 1940
page
3. Aerial photo of new Stearman plant site.
Tuesday, November 5, 1940

13. City commission yesterday changed the name of Fannie street to Greenwood drive after a petition was presented asking for the name to be changed.

Thursday, November 7, 1940

5. In the election Tuesday Wichita voters passed a $512,000 bond issue for new school buildings by 27,267 to 11,585 and a $53,000 bond issue for a new fire station near Kellogg and Oliver by 27,625 to 13,315.

Sunday, November 10, 1940

5. Several carloads of material arrived at the Culver plant in North Wichita the past week from the old plant at Columbus, Ohio, it being almost the last of the material to be moved here.

23. Wichitan Wilbur A. Weston has hobby of recording all his local bus rides. Article records one on bus Number 802.

Tuesday, November 12, 1940


Sunday, November 17, 1940

6. On Friday the Jacob Dold Packing company at 21st and Broadway was purchased by Jake Burkhardt and Morris Sigman, Denver packing executives. The plant was shut down 60 days ago but will be re-opened after repairs and adjustments. About 275 were on the payroll when the plant shut down. Photo.

10. Article about expansion of Beech plant. Details and photos, including plant Number 2. When completed, floor space will be 550,000 square feet compared with original area of 125,000 square feet.

11. Article about Stearman expansion, with aerial photo.

13. Articles about Culver and Swallow companies, with aerial photo of Culver plant.

14. Article about Cessna expansion, with aerial photo.

Sunday, November 24, 1940

10. Article reports a landmark of West Wichita is being razed, the Sidney D. Long house, 545 Everett, across the street from the Friends University campus. Photo. The house was
originally built to house a professor at Garfield University, and Professor Pinkerton was first to live in it. After Garfield University closed, J. C. Dunn, chinaware merchant, bought the house in 1893 and lived there 25 years. In 1918 it was sold to Sidney D. Long, business and circulation manager of the Eagle, who died in 1936. His widow the lived there until two weeks ago when she sold it and went to live with a daughter in Seattle. Details.

**Tuesday, November 26, 1940**

3. City commission yesterday passed resolution to prohibit right hand turns at Broadway and Douglas.

**Thursday, November 28, 1940**

5. Photo of administration building at municipal airport with the new control tower, which is now completed and in use.

**Sunday, December 1, 1940**

6. Photo of new Stearman plant Number 2 under construction.

10. Photo from interior of new airport control tower.

11. The extension of the West Riverside bus line to 18th and Woodland, which was begun October 28, 1940 for a 90 day trial period, will be discontinued if patronage does not show a sharp rise, according to A. J. Cleary, vice-president and general manager of the Wichita Transportation company. ¶ The extension is from 15th and Garland east to Woodland, thence north on Woodland to 18th, and return. Details.

**Tuesday, December 3, 1940**

5. Board of education yesterday approved plans for new schools to be built with $52,000 bond issue, and bids are to be opened December 30. Architects are: Kellogg -- Overend and Boucher, Irving -- Lorentz Schmidt, and Franklin -- Forsblom and Parks.

**Saturday, December 7, 1940**

2. Photo of banquet inside Forum.

**Sunday, December 8, 1940**

14. Drawing of planned new Wichita University football stadium.
6-B. Howard V. Wheeler is president of board of directors of Wichita Transportation Company. Other directors are Harry H. Heimple and Robert C. Foulston. A. J. Cleary is vice president and general manager.

1C-10C. Special section on 1941 automobiles.

Sunday, December 15, 1940
page 5. Article reports Fire Chief H. H. McCall will retire February 1, 1941 on pension. He is age 70 and has been with the Wichita fire department since February 1, 1890.

Tuesday, December 17, 1940
page 7. City commission yesterday let contract for a new modern elevator for the city hall for $14,750.

Thursday, December 19, 1940
page 3. Night photo of Douglas avenue from Broadview hotel, showing Christmas lights.

Saturday, December 21, 1940
page 5. Civil Aeronautics Board yesterday recommended that the air mail route between Wichita and Tulsa be awarded to Continental Air Lines.

Sunday, December 22, 1940

Wednesday, December 25, 1940
page 6. The annual Amidon Christmas diner will be served today under auspices of Salvation Army at Wolf’s Cafeteria.

Friday, December 27, 1940
page 5. Cessna has started deliveries of new twin-engined AT-8 training planes for the United States Army.

Sunday, December 29, 1940
page 3. Santa Fe Railways will build an additional railroad car erection building at its West Wichita shops. To be of steel construction, 450 feet long and 44 feet wide, with two erection tracks and capacity for 15 cars. Construction to start about February 1st. The shops are now producing five refrigerator cars a week and employ more than 330 men.
9. New Roxy theater in first block on West Douglas will open today.

Tuesday, December 31, 1940

City commission yesterday authorized purchase of a new aerial fire truck from the Peter Pirsch company for $19,725, to replace an old ladder truck almost 30 years old.

City commission yesterday authorized Yellow and Wichita Cab companies to increase their fleets from 45 to 50 cabs. The Checker Cab company will continue to operate 25 high class cabs on meters. The other two companies are of the low fare variety, operating on a zone rate.