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## TIHEN NOTES FROM 1951 WICHITA EAGLE

### Wichita Eagle

**Thursday, January 4, 1951**

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5. In the year 1950, the city government of Wichita had receipts and expenditures in excess of \$3,000,000 for the first time. Receipts in the general fund were \$3,487,814 while expenditures were \$3,092,550. Details.

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5. The Seibel Helicopter Company, 5613 North Broadway, has been awarded a contract to supply the army with a test order of helicopters for tactical evaluation, it was announced yesterday. The military designation is the YH-24 helicopter, which is practically identical with the company's Model 5 4A which has been in production for several months. Details. Photo.

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2. The new Caldwell Elementary school at Edgemoor and Grand opened for classes this morning. Photo.

Hilltop Board of Education let contracts yesterday for the new Munger elementary school in Manor. Total cost, approximately \$191,000. To be 14 room school. Details.

2. Drawing of new Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company office and warehouse at Lincoln and Mosley which is to be formally opened Wednesday.

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5. Report of death yesterday of Eli B. Rush, pioneer and long time Wichita grocer, at age 85, at his home at 600 North Waco after a three year illness. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

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5. Births in Wichita (including a small area adjacent to the city proper) reached a new record of 6105 in 1950. Only in 1947 with 6081, the previous record, and in 1950 has the total reached 6000. In 1948 it was 5719 and in 1949 it was 5847.

Construction will start next week on a new Hutchinson branch YMCA building at 1221 Cleveland. To be 72 by 111 feet.

**Tuesday, January 16, 1951****page**

5. Report of death at 5:34 a.m. yesterday of Howard V. Wheeler, 76 year old Wichita investment banker and president of Wheeler-Kelly-Hagney Investment and Trust Company, at his home, 4 Lynwood, Eastborough, of a coronary occlusion. Came to Wichita in 1894 from Interlaken, New York. Wheeler-Kelly-Hagney Company formed in 1916. Survived by wife, Clay, a son, Winston S. Wheeler, 11 Hillcrest, and two grandchildren. He has been president of the Wichita Transportation Company since its formation. Photo December 17 on page 5 with article saying he was born at Interlaken, New York September, 1874. Buried in Old Mission Mausoleum.

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5. Long article reports David Jackman and son David, Jr. and others ousted from voting trust positions on board of Kansas Milling Company by the District Court as result of petition of other stockholders of the company. Details.
3. Report of death Monday at Yonkers, New York of Charles B. Driscoll, noted author and newspaper columnist and former Wichitan, at age 65. Short obituary. To be buried in Wichita at Calvary Cemetery.

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4. Article about Carrie Nation's attack on the Carey House bar in Wichita 50 years ago on January 21, 1901. Reviews history of the episode. Photos of bar after the attack. Details.

**Wednesday, January 24, 1951****page**

2. New officers and directors elected yesterday by the Kansas Milling Company following recent lawsuit and shakeup in company. Details.

**Thursday, January 25, 1951****page**

12. Employment in the aircraft industry in Wichita has increased from 12,750 in January a year ago to 21,950 now. Details.

**Friday, January 26, 1951**

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1. The House armed services committee in Washington yesterday approved an approximation of \$37,529,000 for an Air Force base in Wichita. Long article with details.

**Saturday, January 27, 1951****page**

2. Ad with photo of Wichita Gospel Center building at First and Grove.
4. Cessna Aircraft Company sold 1134 light commercial airplanes in 1950, worth more than \$6,970,000.
5. Article gives details of the will of Howard V. Wheeler.

**Tuesday, January 30, 1951****page**

3. Report of visit to Wichita today of early day Wichita pilot, Opie Swope, now an airline pilot, Captain Swope, flying for Mid-Continent Airlines on the Kansas City to Minneapolis run. He was a former barnstorming pilot in this area for Travel Air and Swallow. Is the son of a Wichita radiologist, Dr. O. W. Swope, and has flown between 11,000 and 13,000 hours, and was a pilot for TWA after his last flying and barnstorming days. Photo. (Editor's note: Upon checking the microfilm, Beech Aircraft and "Travelair" were the companies listed in the article.)

**Wednesday, January 31, 1951****page**

1. Article and further details about the proposed \$37,500,000 air base for Wichita, which is to be a B-47 base. It will be on and adjacent to the Wichita municipal airport, which will be greatly expanded. The runways would be expanded to 12,000 feet with 1000 foot over-runs. Details.
5. Report of death yesterday of Dr. John Gurley Missildine, prominent Wichita physician. Born at Oxford, Kansas. Came to Wichita in 1920 from Parsons, Kansas. Survived by two daughters, Emily and Katherine, at home, and two sons, John G., Jr., of Hutchinson, and Harry E., of Spokane, Washington. Photo.

**Friday, February 2, 1951****page**

4. The new Hydraulic Avenue bridge across the Arkansas river southeast of Wichita will be officially opened to the public today.

**Saturday, February 3, 1951****page**

1. A 150 acre tract of land just south of the city limits on Hydraulic avenue has been sold to Midland Industrial Properties, Inc., a group of Wichita investors, for approximately \$150,000 and will be developed as a new area for warehousing and distribution. Details. Aerial photo.

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5. Aerial photo of Wichita municipal airport.

**Friday, February 9, 1951****page**

1. Article about further negotiations relating to proposed new Wichita air force base. Details.

**Saturday, February 10, 1951****page**

1. Article about the spur track now being built from the Frisco Railroad at 17<sup>th</sup> Street south 1½ miles to the Beech Aircraft plant. Details. Photo. Expected to be ready for operation during the first week of March.

**Sunday, February 11, 1951****page****Special section**

3. Report of sale the past week of the three story brick "Noble Block," 50 by 135 feet, on the northeast corner of Topeka and Douglas, by Mary E. and Joseph Noble, trustees of the Noble estate, to a group of local investors. Photo.

Report of sale the past week of the "Firebaugh Building," 150-52-54 North Market, by the Goebel estate and a group of local investors. Photo.

4. Larcher's food market is moving into its new building at 2929 East Central, the third store location it has occupied in 29 years. Photos of all three Larcher stores.

Special Section giving annual report of city of Wichita for 1950.

Articles with details. 670 acres or 1.04 square miles were added to the city's area in 1950, bringing it up to 28 square miles. From 1945 to 1950 annexation totaled 2,285 acres, or 3.57 square miles. City employment is nearly 1200. Water consumption increased six percent to 8,464,700,000 gallons with a peak day use of 37,100,000 gallons.

**Monday, February 12, 1951****page**

3. Report of dedication of the Church of God at 9<sup>th</sup> and Mathewson yesterday. Details.

**Friday, February 16, 1951****page**

5. Twenty-seven buses of the Wichita Transfer Company are operating on the money saving liquid propane gas fuel, according to John Ebinger, vice-president and general manager of the company. Each gallon of the fuel costs only two thirds as much as regular gasoline and the miles per gallon remain constant. Not all of the city buses can be converted, but before long he said as many as 84 buses will be operating on the propane liquid gas. This type of fuel was introduced here when two buses operating on it were purchased last May.

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5. Boeing-Wichita will need 3500 new employees within the next 90 days. The total employment called for is 21,500 by June 1. Subcontracts for the B-47 production have also been let to a total of \$46,000,000 among 23 Wichita firms alone. Subcontractors listed -- includes Swallow Airplane Company. Details.

**Sunday, February 18, 1951****page**

5. Beech Aircraft Corporation has made a \$10,000,000 loan agreement with a group of banks to finance the parts and materials needed for its current backlog of \$100,000,000 in orders. Beech now has a total of more than 5000 employes at the two Wichita factories and at the Herington, Kansas air force base. Details.
10. The old Fire Station Number 4 at 112 South Seneca is now being used as a training school for bricklayers. Details.

**Wednesday, February 21, 1951****page**

1. Announcement in Washington yesterday confirms that Wichita will sell the municipal airport for use by the air force as the new B-47 bomber training center, and the city will build a new civil airport at a site yet to be selected. Details.

**Saturday, February 24, 1951****page**

5. Kansas Gas and Electric on Wednesday announced another \$7,500,000 project at Oatville, where it will add a second unit to the big power station project already started there.

It is believed that Wichita's new municipal airport will be located west and slightly south of the city.

**Sunday, February 25, 1951****page**

5. Wichita's city directory has been printed and now is being delivered to subscribers. 105,680 names are listed, an increase of 3992 over the 1949 edition.

**Wednesday, February 28, 1951****page**

5. Plans have been completed for the new Kellogg overpass, and work is expected to start in May or June. Details.

**Thursday, March 1, 1951****page**

5. Report of death yesterday of Frank Benjamin Mellor, 84, father of Mrs. Walter H. Beech, president of the Beech Aircraft Corporation. Born January 23, 1867 at Marietta, Ohio.

Married Susannah Miller there on July 17, 1888, and the couple came to Kansas 50 years ago, living at Waverly and Paola before coming to Wichita in 1917. Retired from his work as a carpenter in 1923 and then owned and operated a restaurant until 1932. Then worked at the Beech Aircraft corporation until retirement in 1942. Mrs. Mellor died in 1939. Survived by three other daughters in addition to Mrs. Beech, Mrs. Lee Beckett, 2324 Random Road, Mrs. C. E. Weiser, Oyster Bay, New York, and Mrs. R. J. Probst, Route 3 with whom he made his home, and by five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Photo.

**Friday, March 2, 1951****page**

20. Continental Air Lines yesterday announced the purchase of seven additional Convair-liners to be added to the five already owned by the company. They will cost \$4,300,000. Delivery is to begin in September 1952. In addition to the five Model 240 Convairs, Continental is operating ten Douglas DC-3 21 passenger transports on its routes.

**Tuesday, March 6, 1951****page**

2. A temporary footbridge will be built when razing of the old 13<sup>th</sup> Street bridge across the Big Arkansas river begins next month. A new four lane bridge is to be built by Universal Bridge Company of Kansas City at cost of \$209,000, to be completed next fall. Details.

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5. The Coleman Company is building a \$350,000 addition to its North Wichita plant, to be finished about June 1. It will be 180 feet wide and 300 feet long and be used in production of component parts for aircraft. Two other buildings are nearing completion at the north plant. One will be used for steel storage. All three buildings were designed by architect Benjamin S. Bowers. The north plant property was bought in April 1947.
11. Carleton School, at 428 South Broadway, is undergoing extensive remodeling to better serve its present administrative purposes. Details.

**Sunday, March 11, 1951****page**

5. Final plans for the new West High School are ready for presentation to the board of education. Details.
13. Photo of two new miniature steam engines to be used at the Joyland Hillside and Central amusement parks when they open next Saturday. They were built to scale by the Ottaway Amusement Company of Wichita.

**Tuesday, March 13, 1951****page**

2. KAKE Broadcasting Company, Inc. filed an application yesterday with the FCC for a

Wichita television broadcasting station. Details.

5. Board of education yesterday approved bids of \$933,957 for construction of the new Mead intermediate school at Skinner and Estelle, subject to voter approval of the school bond election April 3 necessary to complete its financing. Details.
5. Report of sale of the three story building at 209-11 North Broadway by Mary Gerson, of Wichita, to Arthur Seeligson, Jr., of San Antonio, wealthy Texas oil man. It is 50 by 140 feet and was erected 25 years ago by Charles Higginson and leased initially to the Buick agency here. Details.
6. Article with summary of Continental Air Lines annual report for 1950. Total revenues were \$6,221,892.53, with net income of \$191,246.88.

#### **Thursday, March 15, 1951**

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1. Construction started Tuesday on the huge 2,000,000 gallon water tower tank being built on the edge of the Wichita University campus by the Chicago Bridge and Iron Company for the Wichita Water Company. To be completed by June 1. Details.
5. Excavation started Tuesday at the site of the new county hospital at Kansas and 9<sup>th</sup> Streets. Architects are Overend and Boucher. Details.

#### **Tuesday, March 20, 1951**

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11. John E. Ebinger, general manager of Wichita Transportation Company, returned yesterday from a two week tour to observe bus operations in St. Louis, Little Rock, Shreveport, and New Orleans. Details.

#### **Thursday, March 22, 1951**

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5. Photo of partially completed (supports only) 2,000,000 gallon water tank under construction near University of Wichita.

#### **Friday, March 23, 1951**

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2. Don R. Kuntz, formerly of St. Louis, has joined the Wichita Transportation Corporation as assistant general manager, it was announced yesterday by John E. Ebinger, general manager of the company. Except for three years as a navy pilot in World War II, he has lived in St. Louis all his life. He has worked for five years with the St. Louis Public Service Company in the transit industry. He is married and has a 2½ year old daughter. The family is residing at 555 South Bleckley.

#### **Thursday, March 29, 1951**

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23. Article about lost articles found on city buses. Details.

**Sunday, April 1, 1951****page**

5. Article gives details of plans for transfer of municipal airport to control of the air force this summer with phasing out of all civilian operations except scheduled airlines. Details.

**Tuesday, April 3, 1951****page**

11. List of Wichita school teachers for year 1951-1952 given by individual school.

**Wednesday, April 4, 1951****page**

1. Report of results of city election yesterday. Keeler, Darnell and Salome elected to city commission. \$5,276,000 school bond issue was passed by a four to one margin. Details.

**Monday, April 9, 1951****page**

4. The three story brick building at 115-117 South St. Francis has been purchased by Mary Gerson, Wichita investor, from Edgar Bissantz, of Carmel, California. Building is 50 by 140 feet and was built about 35 years ago by the IOOF lodge. For the past 15 years, it has been occupied by the Macaroni Manufacturers, Inc. Photo.

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7. Petition was filed yesterday in United States District court for declaration of bankruptcy of Weaver Brothers' Nursery, 7722 West Maple, by Benjamin S. Weaver, partner in the concern with his brother, Victor E. Weaver. The partnership has been in operation since 1946. The brother, Victor Weaver, is a captain in the army stationed in California.
- 8 & 9. Ad announces grand opening today of the new Safeway store at 1146 North Broadway. Article on page ten with details.

**Sunday, April 15, 1951****page**

3. The new Hyde Park Dairies, Inc. plant at 943 South McLean Boulevard will be occupied in May. The firm was organized in 1942 and is locally owned. Details. Drawing.

**Monday, April 16, 1951****page**

7. Ten new Wichita Transportation Company buses, representing an investment of \$175,000, went into service this morning. The buses were brought to Wichita by local drivers from the Twin Coach factory at Kent, Ohio and arrived Friday night. All are powered by propane gas. Photo showing Numbers 260, 261, 262, 263 and apparently in sequence to 269.



**Tuesday, April 17, 1951****page**

10. City commission will probably consider today an application by Checker and Vets Cab companies for authorization to increase their number of permitted cabs by ten from the present 72 to 82. They are now using 71 of their 72 allotted cabs. Yellow Cab Company is using 46 of its allotment of 73 cabs, while S & S Cab company is using its full quota of eight cabs. This makes a total present city allocation of 153 cabs, of which 125 are being used.

**Wednesday, April 18, 1951****page**

5. Work is ahead of schedule on the 2,000,000 gallon elevated water storage tank being erected east of the University of Wichita. It is expected that it will be completed before the first of June. Details.
- 2A. The second of Safeway's three new supermarkets is being opened today, at 1818 South Hillside. The first one is already open at 1146 North Broadway and the third is to be opened soon at 1525 South Broadway. Details.

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3. The two three story Hollywood apartment buildings at 209-219 North Emporia were sold yesterday by the Hiram Imboden estate to Charles W. Corsaut and George W. Hyle, Wichita businessmen. There are 28 apartments in the two buildings, which were constructed in the late 1920s. Photo.

**Monday, April 23, 1951****page**

1. Safeway's new supermarket at 1818 South Hillside, which just opened last Wednesday, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. Details.

**Tuesday, April 24, 1951****page**

5. Board of education yesterday let contracts for construction of two new elementary schools, the Marsh M. Murdock school at Edgemoor and Murdock for \$204,000, and the Skinner school at 21<sup>st</sup> and Hydraulic for \$122,335. Details.

**Sunday, April 29, 1951****page**

10. Lorenz Schmidt, Wichita architect, has been elected to a fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. Biography. Born in Clyde, Kansas in 1884. Went to Kansas State College at Emporia and then to University of Illinois, receiving degree of Bachelor of Science in architecture in 1913. Photo.

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21. Photo of the nearly 2,000,000 gallon water tower and tank being built by the Chicago Bridge and Iron Company for the Wichita Water Company just off the campus of the University of Wichita.

**Thursday, May 10, 1951****page**

22. Article describing activity at the Union Station during the nighttime hours. Details.

**Saturday, May 12, 1951****page**

4. Automatic crossing gates have been installed by the Wichita Union Terminal Railway Company at the Central Avenue crossing and went into service yesterday. Cost was \$16,000. The crossing watchman will be kept on for about a week until motorists become familiar with the new service. Photo.

**Monday, May 14, 1951****page**

2. The first DC-3 to be operated by Central Air Lines loaded at Wichita municipal airport shortly before 5 p.m. yesterday on a pre-inaugural flight. Regular flights with the DC-3s will begin tomorrow. They will replace the Bonanzas previously used. Details.
5. Report of death late Saturday night of Wichita pioneer, Miss Hannah Rea Woodman, age 81, of 341 South Elizabeth, following an illness of five months. Born in Jacksonville, Illinois, February 10, 1870 and came to Wichita as a baby in a covered wagon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Clayton Woodman. Long biography. Returned to Wichita in 1927 after an absence of about 30 years in the East. No immediate survivors, but a cousin, Mrs. J. O. Davidson, resides in the Hillcrest, and nephews Clayton Olds and Harold Olds live in Buffalo, New York. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Grant Woodman, lives in Jacksonville, Illinois. Photo.

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5. Board of education yesterday let contracts for construction of the new Allen elementary school at Mt. Vernon and Elpyco for \$191,111. Contracts also let for five room addition to Longfellow elementary school. Details.

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2. Rorabaugh and Millsap photography studio, previously located at 122½ East Douglas, has been moved into larger offices at 3105 East Central. Herschel Rorabaugh and Gary Millsap are partners in the studio and are taking over the location formerly occupied by the Don Forbes studio.
4. Report of funeral of Miss H. Rea Woodman. Burial at Maple Grove cemetery. Details.

5. Sheldon Coleman, 49, for the last 11 years executive vice-president and general manager of the Coleman Company, yesterday was elected president of the firm at the board of directors meeting, succeeding his father, who will be 81 next week and who will continue as chairman of the board. Details.

**Thursday, May 17, 1951****page**

- 5., 25. Calvary Methodist Church, originally established as the German Methodist Episcopal Church, is observing its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this week. Photo. Plans for a new church building were started in 1904 and eventually achieved. The old building was sold and still is being used as a church building on Riverview Avenue.

**Friday, May 18, 1951****page**

1. Report of extensive flooding of Little Arkansas river in north end last night, comparable to the floods of 1944 and 1945. Involves Woodland area between 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Streets and between Salina and Waco. North of Wichita, the Little River was three miles wide at Sedgwick. Details.
5. William T. Crosswhite is retiring as principal at Allison Intermediate school after 47 years of service in education. He has taught 30 years in Wichita, the first 20 years at Horace Mann and the last ten years at Allison.
11. Report of death of Dr. Allen A. Olson, 52, of 9 Douglas in Eastborough, Tuesday, following an operation for brain tumor in Rochester, Minnesota.

**Saturday, May 19, 1951****page**

1. No further rain, and the Wichita flood is subsiding. One area affected by the flood was that between 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Streets from Forest to Jackson. Two large pumps near the Wiley Bridge in North Riverside Park were pumping water back into the river from the park over near Park Villa. Details.
4. Report of 90<sup>th</sup> birthday yesterday of Wichita pioneer, Mrs. Henrietta Emma Heller, 1424 North Green, widow of the late William Heller. Came to the United States with parents from Germany at age two. Settled in Geary County. Worked as seamstress in Junction City for 20 years before marrying William Heller, early day butcher and moving to Wichita 40 years ago. Husband died 17 years ago. Had no children of her own. Photo.

**Monday, May 21, 1951****page**

1. Captain James Jabara, of Wichita, shot down his fifth and sixth Russian Built Mig 15s yesterday to become America's first jet ace. Details. Age is 27. Photo.

**Saturday, May 26, 1951****page**

4. Report of 50 year reunion being held by 1901 graduating class of Wichita High School. Twenty-six members and two instructors here, including people from all over the country. Names listed (included Marcellus Murdock). Photo.

**Sunday, May 27, 1951****page**

7. The new two story University of Wichita building for the college of business administration and industry, located on Yale Avenue in front of the engineering and ROTC facilities, which was placed in use at the beginning of the spring semester, will be open to public inspection next Sunday, June 3. Details.

**Thursday, May 31, 1951****page**

2. Article describes in detail the screening and training required of new bus drivers by the Wichita Transportation Company.

**Friday, June 1, 1951****page**

5. Wichita's municipal airport officially became the property of the United States Air Force at midnight Thursday on a federal court order, "declaration of taking." A down payment of \$3,000,000 was made by the government on the acquisition. Details.

**Friday, June 8, 1951****page**

1. Parade and public welcome to be held today in honor of return of Wichita's jet ace, Captain James Jabara. Details. Report June 9<sup>th</sup> on page one.
3. A drive-up book return was installed yesterday by the city library. Photo.

**Saturday, June 9, 1951****page**

9. Condemnation of land for Wichita's new airport is expected to be completed before the end of this month. Details.

**Tuesday, June 12, 1951****page**

5. Report of death Sunday night of J. Arch Butts, Sr., 72, at his home, 290 South Pershing. Born at Leon, Kansas and moved to Wichita from Augusta in 1905. Established the Buick agency here in 1907.

**Wednesday, June 13, 1951****page**

5. County assessors census completed yesterday, showed Wichita's population to be 201,246

and Sedgwick county 256,109. The latter is an increase of 14,656 over last year.

**Sunday, June 17, 1951****page****Special section**

13. Drawing of new million dollar county hospital now under construction. To be completed by mid-1952. Overend and Boucher are architects.

Special Section commemorating 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of First National Bank in Wichita. Articles and details. Photos.

**Sunday, June 24, 1951****page**

5. Report of death yesterday of Dr. Charles Vincent Priddle, 70, of 1509 Woodrow, a retired minister of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Born July 14, 1880 in England, came to United States in 1884 and to Wichita in 1923. Survived by wife, Dora and four sons (named), including two in Wichita, Clyde W., 1609 Coolidge, and Glen H., of 223 North Hydraulic.
- 12B. The new super-liner "United States" was launched yesterday at Newport News, Virginia.  
  
Details.

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3. Article discussing opposition of Chamber of Commerce to further one-way streets in downtown Wichita. Details.

**Friday, June 29, 1951****page**

5. Pacific Intermountain Express, a large western truck line, has purchased 90,000 square feet of land at the northwest corner of Lincoln and McLean as a site for a new terminal, it was announced yesterday. A 12 door terminal will be built on the site. Total cost of land and terminal will be in excess of \$100,000. Details.

**Saturday, June 30, 1951****page**

5. Cessna Aircraft Company has received \$6,000,000 in additional orders from Lockheed for subcontract work. Cessna will build and assemble the empennage and aft fuselage sections of the Lockheed F-94 and T-33 planes, which are being built in Lockheed's Burbank, California plant. The completed assemblies will be shipped to Burbank. The new Lockheed work will be done in Cessna's Prospect plant southwest of Wichita, which is now reactivated and in production.

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4. The Innes store in Wichita will inaugurate the new "Charge-Plate" charging system tomorrow, the first of its kind in Wichita. Details.
7. Nearly 3½ square miles have been added to the city area this year, and Wichita proper now has a total area of 31.1 square miles. Details.

**Monday, July 2, 1951****page**

2. Article about the new Wichita University wind tunnel. Details and photo.

**Tuesday, July 3, 1951****page**

1. Article about flood in west Wichita from the Big Slough. Photo of Douglas Avenue under water at Hoover in Hoover Orchard area. Details.
5. Article about visit of bishop-elect John B. Franz of the newly created Catholic diocese of Dodge City, established by Pope Pius XII at request of Bishop Carroll because of the very large size of the Wichita diocese. The new Dodge City diocese will include twenty-eight counties in southwest Kansas.

**Thursday, July 5, 1951****page**

1. Report of death yesterday of Walter Morris, dean of Wichita realtors, at age 91. Born in Sabine, Ohio March 14, 1860. Married Ada King of Washington Courthouse, Ohio and they came to Wichita together in 1888. His real estate firm developed several additions in Wichita including 80 acre Roosevelt Field, 18 acre Sleepy Hollow, 45 acre Crown Heights, and 73 acre Lincoln Heights. He has continued to reside at his home at 1155 North River Boulevard. His wife died in 1916. Survived by three daughters, Mrs. Clara Lint, East Northfield, Massachusetts, Harriet Morris, 1155 North River Boulevard and Mrs. Max Noble, 5 Peach Tree Lane, Eastborough, and one son, William L. Morris, 136 South Pershing and seven grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. Further biography. Photo.
5. City commission studied the conflicting objectives of the Wichita Transportation Company and the Suburban Transportation Company at an informal meeting this week. Suburban is asking for an extension of its franchise, which expires in 1955, and recently has applied for a renewal of the war time route which operated from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street south on Seneca to Harry, east to George Washington Boulevard, and southeast to Boeing. H. C. Bevelhymer, manager, said. The firm is also asking for a ten cent fare in the Boeing-Planeview district. Its present fare is 16¢ cents with tokens or 20 cents cash fare. Details.

**Friday, July 6, 1951****page**

5. Article about Henry Ware Allen, blind Wichita writer who is celebrating his 90th birthday today. Biography and photo.

Contracts let yesterday for new educational building for Plymouth Congregational Church at First and Clifton, to adjoin the church on the north and cost \$235,000. Details.

**Tuesday, July 10, 1951****page**

5. Article with detail of Wichita public schools budget for 1951-52.
8. Property at northeast corner of Second and Topeka, 100 by 140 feet, now occupied by a parking lot, was sold yesterday by Mrs. Regina Olson, widow of the late Dr. Allen Olson, to W. J. Bryden, president of the Victory Life Insurance Company of Topeka, and a building is to be erected there soon for occupancy by the Kansas State Employment Service, whose offices are now located at 218 South Topeka.

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3. Construction of a railroad crossing across Oliver in the vicinity of the Boeing plants to serve the new air base was approved yesterday by the board of county commissioners.

**Saturday, July 14, 1951****page**

1. Article about high water in Little Arkansas river, which threatens flooding.
5. Photo of high water at Griffenstein Bridge.

**Sunday, July 15, 1951****page****Special section**

3. Contracts have been let the past week by Boeing-Wichita for three projects related to the B-47 program. On Thursday a contract was signed for a \$4,559,330 hangar, which will house 12 B-47s or planes of similar size. It will be built by the Manhattan Construction Company of Muskogee, Oklahoma. Yesterday contracts were signed with the Peter Kiewit Sons' Company for a B-47 parking ramp, to cost \$2,062,223 and for a parking lot, to cost \$67,074. The parking ramp will be in front of Boeing Plant II and will be 3200 feet long, 400 feet wide, and 17 inches thick, and is to be completed in November. The parking lot on Boeing property adjacent to Plant II will be asphalt paved and will accommodate 900 to 1000 cars. It is to be done in August.
  9. The newest J. S. Dillon supermarket in Wichita, at 13<sup>th</sup> and Waco, will be opened to the public tomorrow evening for inspection and will be open for business Tuesday morning. Details.
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**Monday, July 16, 1951****page**

5. Report of dedication yesterday of the new Walter H. Beech memorial wind tunnel at the University of Wichita. Talk given by Dwane L. Wallace, president of Cessna Aircraft Company. Details.

**Friday, July 20, 1951****page**

10. Extension of several bus lines in East Wichita beginning Sunday morning was announced yesterday by John E. Ebinger, vice-president and general manager of the Wichita Transportation Company. Article gives specific details.

**Saturday, July 21, 1951****page**

3. Wichita Transportation Company ad and map showing new bus route extensions (effective tomorrow). Photo.

**Sunday, July 22, 1951****page**

5. Announcement of a plat submitted yesterday to the city planning department for a development of 1100 single family units on a 260 acre tract southeast of the city just west of Highway K-15, a mile south of MacArthur Road, and running west to the Big Arkansas River. Project to be developed by the Oaklawn Development Corporation and will cost about \$11,000,000. Details. Map.

**Monday, July 23, 1951****page**

2. Report of ground breaking ceremonies yesterday for the new Plymouth Congregational Church educational building. To be completed by next June. Architects Art E. Leaper and E. E. Gilbert. Details. Drawing.

Ray           The Alton H. Smith Realty Company has been sold to S. T. and R. E. Ray, owners of the  
October      Realty Company, by Ruth A. Cooper, owner of the Alton H. Smith Company since  
1940, when she purchased it from the Smith estate.

**Tuesday, July 24, 1951****page**

5. Contracts let yesterday by board of education for construction of the new West High School at cost of \$2,660,767. Construction is to start immediately. Details.

July           Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Frances Price, 35, wife of Dick Price, of Dick Price  
Motors. Survived by husband, three sons, one sister and two brothers. Report of funeral  
26, on page eight. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.



**Wednesday, August 1, 1951****page**

5. Report of first flight yesterday afternoon of new Cessna Model 308 all-metal liaison plane. Flown by test pilot Bill Thompson. Details. Photo.

**Friday, August 3, 1951****page**

5. Tom Curry, 51, night foreman at the Wichita Transportation Company garage at 10<sup>th</sup> and Fairview, was seriously burned Thursday night when propane gas exploded in a bus he was servicing. Details.

**Tuesday, August 7, 1951****page**

5. Wichita Water Company yesterday was pumping at a new record rate of 64,760,000 gallons per day. Previous record rate was 58,400,000 gallons per day on June 15, 1950, and on that date the total 24 hour water use was 37,100,000 gallons. Yesterday's total use has not yet been determined. Water use in Wichita averaged 10,000,000 gallons per day the year around at the beginning of World War II. Now it is 23,000,000 gallons per day.

**Tuesday, August 14, 1951****page**

5. A historic city landmark, the first city jail, a frame structure erected in 1871 and now standing at 12<sup>th</sup> and Main, was sold yesterday by the board of education to Historic Wichita, Inc. and will be restored and preserved. The building was damaged by fire in 1935, but the outer walls, built from Kansas cottonwood two-by-fours are still intact. Building is 16 by 18 feet. Initially, an old vacant building in the third block on North Main was used to hold prisoners, but in April 1871, the city council passed a resolution forming a committee to study the site and cost of a new jail or calaboose. The building was erected during the summer of 1871 and first payment was made from money raised by collection of poll taxes and dog taxes. Article indicates it was in first block on North Market. The building now is serving as a store room for junk placed there by a second hand furniture dealer who occupies the premises. The site was purchased several months ago to be used as a playground for Horace Mann school. Further details and photo of entrance.

**Wednesday, August 15, 1951****page**

5. Suburban Rest sanitarium at 4720 North Arkansas has been sold by Mr. and Mrs. Verner O. Asp to a new firm, Evergreens, Inc., incorporated on August 1 with capital of \$150,000, and president Dr. Robert F. Freeman of Nortonville, Kansas. It will continue to be used for the rest care and rehabilitation of elderly persons. The property includes a four story building and several other structures together with more than 40 acres of land.

**Thursday, August 16, 1951**

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5. The Rawdon T-1, two-place light plane which is produced by Rawdon Brothers Aircraft, Inc. on East Central, is the subject of a feature article in the current issue of Flying aviation magazine. The firm is owned by Herb and Gene Rawdon.

**Friday, August 17, 1951****page**

5. Report of death Tuesday at home of her daughter, Mrs. Vernon C. Kenney, in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, of Mrs. Gertrude A. Stice ,78, daughter of a prominent Wichita pioneer family. She was born March 21, 1873 near the site of Mount Carmel Academy and was the daughter of H. L. Jackson, pioneer civil engineer, builder, and one-time city engineer whose name was chosen for Jackson Street in Riverside. Taught school at Riverside and Park schools. Quit teaching to marry William Hartford Stice, local businessman who died about a year ago. Further biography. Burial at Highland Cemetery.

**Sunday, August 19, 1951****page**

5. An injunction suit was filed in district court yesterday by Suburban Transportation Company against the Wichita Transportation Company charging violation of the city franchise ordinance. E. H. Toombs and H. C. Bevelhymer, operators of Suburban Transportation charges that Wichita Transportation Company is operating buses over routes to the airport and Boeing for which it has no franchise and ask that it be enjoined from continuing this. Details.

**Monday, August 20, 1951****page**

5. Twenty-nine former motormen and conductors of the Wichita streetcar systems gathered in Minisa Park yesterday afternoon for their annual picnic. The senior veteran of the group was Merle Crow, who was hired in 1902. Photo with names of those attending. (Includes C. R. Lewis.)

**Tuesday, August 21, 1951****page**

5. Article about proposed rerouting of Wichita Transportation Company's South Washington service to serve the Pawnee Ranch area. Details. To be discussed by city commission.

**Friday, August 24, 1951****page**

5. The first train at the Wichita air force base crossed on the nearly completed spur track this week. Photo shows work train pushed by Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe steam engine Number 3188.

**Saturday, August 25, 1951****page**

5. Report of laying of cornerstone yesterday for the new L'Overture school at 15<sup>th</sup> and Ohio.

Ceremonies were conducted by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Kansas. Details.

**Sunday, August 26, 1951****page**

9. Photos of ten new school buildings in Wichita.
13. Aerial photo of University of Wichita campus.

**Monday, August 27, 1951****page**

5. Photo of center part of Lowell school at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Grove, whose chimney was struck by lightning Saturday night.

**Friday, August 31, 1951****page**

5. Short article says September issue of Fortune magazine has article about the B-47 project at Boeing-Wichita.

**Sunday, September 2, 1951****page**

1. Rock Island Rocket struck a heavy truck at grade crossing ten miles east of Newton yesterday afternoon and was derailed. Details. Photos. (Locomotive Number 625 lying on side.)

Two B-47s on test flights crashed yesterday after mid-air collision five miles northeast of Wichita. Details.

7. Agreement of Wichita Transportation Company to establish zone fares for eight bus routes extending outside the city limits will be presented to city commission Tuesday. Six of the eight extensions have previously been approved by the city commission. The two new ones, the Joyland route and the Boeing route, will be presented at the Tuesday meeting. A five cent zone fare applies on extensions of four lines: North Waco, Stock Yards, College Hill-Eastborough, and West Douglas. In other words passengers on these lines pay the usual ten cents on boarding the bus in the city and then an additional five cents to ride outside the city limits (or vice versa), for a total of 15 cents. On four other routes: Beech, Cessna, and Boeing routes, the zone fare would be an additional ten cents, making a total from within the city limits of 20 cents. Details.

**Monday, September 3, 1951****page**

4. An all time attendance record for patronage at the municipal swimming pool in Riverside Park was set yesterday when attendance for the year reached 104,136.

**Wednesday, September 5, 1951****page**

5. The city traffic commission yesterday recommended that Market and Topeka be converted to one-way streets between Harry and 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Topeka would carry northbound traffic and Market southbound. Details.

**Thursday, September 6, 1951****page**

5. School board yesterday let contracts for an eight room addition to the Arkansas Avenue school, district 120, at 33<sup>rd</sup> and Arkansas, for \$87,605. Work will begin immediately. General contractor is Dondlinger and Sons.

**Tuesday, September 11, 1951****page**

5. Report of death Sunday of George Cox, 87, of 404 South Seneca, former vice-president of the Cox and Blodgett dry goods company. Born at Donnellson, Illinois, August 4, 1864. Came to Wichita in 1903 from Hennessey, Oklahoma. Survived by a daughter and two sons (named).

**Wednesday, September 12, 1951****page**

7. Laying of concrete for the new parking ramp across from Boeing Plant II at the Wichita air base started yesterday.

**Sunday, September 16, 1951****page**

10. Map showing proposed runway layout for the new municipal airport. Also drawing of floor plan of proposed terminal building. Details.

**Saturday, September 22, 1951****page**

1. The first night game in the history of Veterans' Field at University of Wichita will be played this evening. Details.

**Sunday, September 30, 1951****page**

13. Several articles about the new Hyde Park Dairy plant at 943 South McLean, which opened two months ago and now is in full operation. Details. Photos.

**Tuesday, October 2, 1951****page**

3. Board of education yesterday let contracts for construction of the new Charles Curtis Intermediate school at total cost of approximately \$1,060,000. Details.
5. Garfield's Women's Wear, located in the KFH Building, has been sold to Chasnoff-Wichita, Inc., a subsidiary of Chasnoff's, Inc. of Kansas City, by Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Leichter, owners of Garfield's for some time. Details.

**Wednesday, October 3, 1951****page**

5. The historic Munger house was formally accepted for restoration by directors of Historic Wichita, Inc. at a meeting last night. The house, first erected in 1868 and now located on Back Bay Boulevard, was offered to Historic Wichita at the Friday meeting of the Eunice Sterling chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which acquired it in 1942. The acceptance of the house Tuesday night followed action by the Wichita city commission Tuesday morning in accepting a 99 year lease on 25 acres of land south of Sim Park from the Wichita Water Company by Historic Wichita as a location to restore historic buildings of the community. The city will sub-lease the tract to Historic Wichita, Inc. Details.

**Saturday, October 6, 1951****page**

5. The deed for the historic Munger house was presented to Historic Wichita, Inc. yesterday afternoon by officials of the Eunice Sterling chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Article gives some history. House was originally built in 1868-69 by D. S. Munger, who was born in New York state in 1812 and came to Wichita from Topeka. The Munger family moved in early in 1869. In 1873-74 Commodore W. C. Woodman purchased the house, and in the early 1900s it passed into the hands of Dr. Dalton H. Fuller. In the 1920s it was moved from its original site at 901 North Waco to Back Bay Boulevard to make room for an apartment house. In 1942 it was sold by the Fuller family to Mrs. Robert Foulston, who in turn sold it to the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1944. Further details.

**Sunday, October 14, 1951****page**

4. A new book of sonnets by Kunigunde Duncan, the maiden name of Wichitan Mrs. Bliss Isely, has been published by the Bruce Humphries Company of Boston and was released here September 20. It is her fourth book (the others are named) published since 1934, and she has also written for many magazines. Photo. Husband is director of public relations for Wichita Chamber of Commerce.

**Friday, October 19, 1951****page**

5. Report of the consecration service for the new Wesley hospital chapel yesterday afternoon. Cost \$71,000 and was donated by the Women's board of Wesley hospital. Exterior is Silverdale stone and roof is of slate. Architect was Lorenz Schmidt. Details.

**Saturday, October 20, 1951****page**

2. Article says proposal will be made to city commission next week for alterations in Wichita Transportation Company's South Emporia and Airport-Boeing routes and for discontinuing the Joyland bus route. Details.

**Sunday, October 21, 1951****page**

- 1A. Mosaic aerial photo of whole city.
- 1A-16A. Special Section on Wichita economic progress and developments, with articles and photos.
- 4A. Aerial photo of stock yards area.
- 5A. Article summarizing aircraft industry in Wichita. Boeing employment is 24,000, Beech 8000, and Cessna 3600 in Wichita. Seibel Helicopter the last few weeks has test flown a new model, the S-B4. Mooney Aircraft builds a light plane the Mooney "Mite," and Rawdon Brothers Aircraft also has a light plane. Details.
- 6A. Aerial photo of downtown from northwest.
- 12A. Ad with aerial photo of Derby Oil Company refinery.

**Monday, October 22, 1951****page**

5. Report of laying the cornerstone yesterday afternoon for the new sanctuary of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic church at 3800 East Douglas with Bishop Mark Carroll presiding. Building was begun last August and will cost approximately \$500,000. 158 feet long by 74 feet wide. Exterior of dark brick and Bedford stone. Details. Photo.

**Friday, October 26, 1951****page**

5. Report of death yesterday in local care home of Asa A. Sayles, 75, life-long resident of Wichita and member of one of Wichita's earliest pioneer families. Born in Wichita May 3, 1876, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Myron A. Sayles, who came to Wichita about 1868. His grandmother, Amy Sayles, was elected as the first superintendent of public instruction in Sedgwick County. He entered the paint contracting business and was widely known as an interior decorator. His business was located at 600 North St. Francis for many years. He married Elise Shubert Welling here in September, 1911 and retired in 1939. Survivors include his wife of New York City, two sons, Myron Sayles of 3100 Jackson, with whom he lived, and John Sayles, of Cleveland, Ohio, two daughters, Misses Olive and Helen Sayles, both of New York, and one sister, Miss Mary B. Sayles, of Salem, Oregon. Burial to be in Highland Cemetery. Photo.
5. Excavation for the new West High School building started yesterday. Glen H. Thomas is architect. Photo.

**Sunday, October 28, 1951****page**

8. A replica of the Statue of Liberty, donated by the Wichita Bar Association, is to be

dedicated Sunday afternoon at the west end of the East High School campus. Details. Follow-up October 29 on page 7.

Open house will be held this afternoon at the new 14 room Dunbar elementary school. Construction began in July 1950 and was completed this year. Details. Follow-up article October 29 on page 9.

### **Tuesday, October 30, 1951**

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5. Beech Aircraft Corporation reported total sales for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1951 in excess of \$32,000,000 compared with \$16,532,900 the previous fiscal year. The company's backlog is in excess of \$180,000,000. Details.

### **Wednesday, October 31, 1951**

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5. Report of death last night of Herbert K. Lindsley, 77, founder and former president of the Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company, at his home, 120 South Pershing, of a heart attack. Born in Muncie, Indiana June 21, 1874. Came to Sterling, Kansas 1892-96 as agent of the Pacific Express Company. Then went into the broom corn business and came to Wichita, where he was president of the America Warehouse Company for a number of years. Then founded the Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company in May, 1911 and was president until 1947 when he retired. Wife died in January this year (the former Jessie McHahon Piper, of Clinton, Missouri). Survived by two sons, Herbert P. Lindsley, 230 North Terrace, and Robert K. Lindsley, 321 North Roosevelt, and seven grandchildren. Burial in Old Mission mausoleum. Photo.

### **Monday, November 12, 1951**

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2. Report of dedication ceremonies and open house yesterday at the recently completed Mathewson intermediate school at 1847 North Chautauqua, built at a cost of nearly \$1,000,000. Details.
5. Report of ceremony yesterday unveiling Walter H. Beech memorial on the grounds of the Beech Aircraft Corporation, with address by Lieutenant General James H. Doolittle. Details. Photo.

### **Wednesday, November 14, 1951**

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5. Walter H. Beech estate appraisal shows value of \$1,454,583. Details.

### **Sunday, November 25, 1951**

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4. Another article about Wichita's first jail, now a storage house in a junk yard at 12<sup>th</sup> and Main, which is to be moved to Sim Park in a few weeks and restored by Historic Wichita Inc.. Article says it was built in 1874 and records a name carved in the walls in February

1875. Photo.

### **Monday, November 26, 1951**

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3. Report of dedication yesterday of the new Church of the Magdalen at Kellogg and Woodlawn by Bishop Mark K. Carroll. Details.
5. Report of consecration and open house yesterday for the recently completed church of the Wichita branch of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at 1650 South Water. Details. Photo.
9. Report of dedication yesterday of the new Lorraine Mennonite Church, 316 Gilbert. Details.

### **Sunday, December 2, 1951**

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1. Headquarters of the 5000 members of the National Flying Farmers of America was transferred yesterday to Wichita from Stillwater, Oklahoma. Details.
5. Report of death yesterday of Ferd E. Evans, 85, of 3615 East Lewis, retired druggist and resident of Wichita for 64 years. Born at Vinton, Iowa August 10, 1866. Came to Kansas with his family in 1872 and moved to Wichita in 1887. Retired in 1945. Survived by wife, Laura Morris Evans, a daughter, Jane, of the home and a son, Ferd E., Jr., of 1015 Christine Road. Further biography. Photo. Burial in Highland Cemetery.
25. The new Boulevard Plaza shopping center will open Wednesday. Built by Womer Investment Company of W. J. Womer and his son, Randle. Located at George Washington Boulevard and Lincoln. Details.

### **Tuesday, December 4, 1951**

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5. Board of education yesterday let contracts for a twelve room addition to John Marshall intermediate school at total cost of approximately \$220,000. Construction is to begin immediately. Architects were also assigned to draw plans for three new elementary schools.

### **Wednesday, December 5, 1951**

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#### **Special section**

1A-16A.

Special Section announcing grand opening of new Boulevard Plaza shopping center this evening. Articles with details. Photos. Follow-up article December 6 on page 13.

### **Friday, December 7, 1951**

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9. The first of TWA's 40 new Martin 4-0-4 airliners has been delivered and was demonstrated in Wichita yesterday after it brought a group of Kansas Citians here to inspect the Wichita air force base and Boeing plant.

**Monday, December 10, 1951****page**

5. Report of death yesterday of H. H. McCall, retired Wichita fire chief at age 84. Born October 6, 1867 in New York state and came to Wichita from there shortly before he joined the fire department on February 1, 1890. Appointed chief in 1927, and served in that position until retirement on February 1, 1941. Married Lena Knoblauch, of Wichita, in January 1903. Survived by wife and one son (named). Photo.

Report of fire yesterday morning which considerably damaged the neighborhood business building in 1600 block of Briggs which houses Howard Mitchell drug store, barber shop, restaurant, etc. Details. Photo. Says the building is owned by Robert Webb, 302 North Ridgewood.

**Friday, December 14, 1951****page**

5. Report of annual meeting of stockholders of Beech Aircraft Corporation yesterday. Total sales for fiscal year ending September 30, 1951 were \$32,797,829 compared with \$16,454,342 the previous year. Net profit was \$735,484 compared with \$588,848 the previous year. Total of commercial sales in fiscal 1951 was \$13,514,121 including \$3,777,108 sold abroad. The company's backlog is now approximately \$185,000,000 of which \$152,000,000 is military business and \$33,000,000 is commercial business. Further details.

**Thursday, December 20, 1951****page**

1. Report of death yesterday of Senator Arthur Capper in Topeka at age 86. Served 30 years as senator before retirement in January 1949. Biography. Photo.
5. Kansas state highway commission yesterday accepted bid of \$1,013,870 by Swenson Construction Company of Kansas City for construction of the new Kellogg Street overpass. To be six lane structure 2073 feet long. Fifty-six foot roadway will be flanked by sidewalks four feet wide. Details.

**Friday, December 21, 1951****page**

5. Contracts totaling approximately \$1,700,000 for the first phase of construction of Wichita's new airport were let by the board of park commissioners yesterday. Includes earthwork, storm and sanitary sewers, and pavement of the first runway and parking strips. Details.

**Sunday, December 23, 1951**

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5. Mrs. Frances Adair was awarded over \$900,000 yesterday in a divorce from Ed Adair, Wichita oilman. Adair was given the couple's home, former residence of the late Senator Henry J. Allen, 253 North Roosevelt. Mrs. Adair plans to move to Dallas. The couple were married here in July 1933 and have no children. Details.
10. The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's building at Douglas and Oliver is to be enlarged, with addition of a partial second floor. Contracts have been let and work will start immediately. To cost \$142,000. Details. Drawing.
13. Mr. and Mrs. Gifford M. Booth, Sr. will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on December 25. They were married at Joplin, Missouri December 25, 1901. She was the former Harriet M. Kier. They spent their honeymoon in Wichita then settled here. Have lived at 151 South Hydraulic for 44 years. Have 4 daughters and 1 son (all named), 12 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren. Further biography. Photo.

**Thursday, December 27, 1951****page**

5. Transfer of management of the municipal art museum from the city's park board to Wichita University fine arts department for a period of five years was approved yesterday by District Court Judge Howard Kline, effective January 1. The city will pay the university \$15,000 annually, and Judge Kline will retain jurisdiction to hear any controversy that might arise.

**Saturday, December 29, 1951****page**

3. Work has begun on the second addition to St. Francis Hospital and plans are being made for the final phase of their building program. The communicating section between the St. Francis and Emporia Street wings has been razed, and a seven story building designed by architects Forsblom and Parks will replace it. When funds are available, the third phase will replace the old St. Francis Avenue wing with a new building. The first of the new buildings, the maternity wing, was completed in 1947. Drawing.

**Sunday, December 30, 1951****page**

1. The Innes department store has been sold to Younker Brothers, Inc., of Des Moines, Iowa, it was announced yesterday. Younkers will obtain possession on February 1, 1952 and has signed a long term lease on the buildings presently occupied and which are owned by the Woods Building Company. The store will continue to operate under the Innes name. Jack Zavatsky, of the Younker Brothers firm, will manage the Wichita store. Details.

First photo released of new eight engine Boeing XB-52 jet bomber.

**Monday, December 31, 1951**

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1. Report of death Saturday of Mrs. Henry J. Allen, widow of the late Senator Henry J. Allen, at her home in the Hillcrest apartments. Had been ill for several years. Burial to be in Maple Grove cemetery.