

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 1980 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle

Thursday, January 3, 1980

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- 1E. Wichita Fire Chief Floyd Hobbs announced plans to retire May 10, or before that if a new chief is appointed sooner. Age 58, he has been chief since 1975 and has been a Wichita firefighter for nearly 33 years. Details. Photo.
- 3E. Photo showing a two story frame house with four porch columns, in 1300 block of North Market.

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- 1C. Photo showing Santa Fe Railway freight docks south of Douglas on St. Francis being demolished. Only framework of building remains. The building now is owned by Urban Renewal Agency.

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- 5B. Wichita's Davis Manufacturing Company, which was bought out by the J. I. Case Company 12 years ago changed its name effective yesterday to the J. I. Case Light Equipment Division. It employs about 800 people in Wichita, mainly at a 24,000 square foot plant at Hoover and 31st Street South. Details.

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- 16A. Report of death of Roy Gilman Groe, 79, of 1607 Hood, retired North High School director of physical education, yesterday. Survived by wife, Stella K. and two daughters, Mrs. Joanne Hartenstein, of Wichita, and Mrs. Karen Cooper, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Burial in Resthaven Gardens of Memory.

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- 3F. Feature article about historic preservation in Wichita and recent demolition of the Johnston

and Larimer Dry Goods building, which was designed by architects Proudfoot and Bird. Details. Drawing.

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- 7B. Gates Learjet delivered 107 business jets in calendar 1979, breaking a previous company record of 105 in 1977. Details.
- 3C. Article about return of former Wichita bus Number 271 from Springfield, Missouri by the Wichita chapter of National Railway Historical Society, together with a charter run yesterday of one of Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority's new General Motors Company buses. The old propane powered buses operated in Wichita from 1954 until 1960 before being sold to Springfield. The new General Motors Company buses will go into service in the next two weeks. Photo of old Twin Coach Number 271 and new General Motors Company Number 8069.

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- 5C. Report of plan of Hardesty Company, of Tulsa, to build a 384 unit apartment complex near Tyler Road and Central, to be called Northwest Territory. Cost will be \$8.4 million. First units expected to open this summer. Architects are Van Fossen and Brase, Architects and Engineers, of Tulsa. Other Hardesty Company projects in Wichita include Quail Meadows, 9100 East Harry. Riverpark Plaza, 584 units, built in 1976-78, at Central and Waco. Fox Run, 336 units, built in 1978 at 1157 South Webb. Sundance, 496 units, opened last fall at 1945 North Rock Road.

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- 2B. Table of general aviation deliveries:
- | | 1979 | 1978 |
|---------------|------|------|
| Beech | 1508 | 1367 |
| Cessna | 8400 | 8770 |
| Gates Learjet | 107 | 102 |
| Piper | 5255 | 5276 |
| Gulfstream | 400 | 933 |
| American | | |
| Mooney | 439 | |
- Article with details.

- 1E. Report of death yesterday in Colorado Springs of Carl A. Bell, Sr., co-owner of Carl Bell Markets and Carl Bell Wholesale Meat Company, at age 84. Had lived with daughter,

Judy, in Colorado Springs past three years. He first went to work in what is now Carl Bell's Grocery at 13th and St. Francis in 1914. The store was then owned by Dunn Mercantile Company. When he returned to the store after World War I he became a department manager. The store was bought by a chain about that time. Bell sold his house for \$12,500, borrowed another \$7,500 and went into business for himself across the street. Not long afterward he bought the building housing his competitor and raised the rent from \$40 to \$90 a month. The competitor moved out and Bell moved in in 1931. The second Bell store opened at 7728 East Central in 1969. He also had a farm about two miles north of Adams, Kansas in Kingman County. Survivors are sons, Carl, Jr., Fred and Jack, of Wichita, daughter, Judy, Colorado Springs, and brothers George, of Wichita and Guy, of Schulte, and a sister, Josephine Bybee, of Hutchinson. Photo. Burial in White Chapel Cemetery.

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- 2A. Photo of Clyde Tombaugh, 74, professor at New Mexico State University, astronomer who discovered the planet Pluto, taken while visiting Chicago's Adler Planetarium yesterday.

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- 1C. Wichita Board of Education voted yesterday to build a new \$1.7 million data processing center on six acres of land near Emerson Open Alternative School, 450 North Waco. Details.
- 5C. A record 1.3 million airline passengers went through Mid-Continent Airport in 1979, the third straight year with over one million passengers.

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- 1C. Photo of interior of St. Mary's Cathedral.
- The Harter Company was selected yesterday to embark on a two year, ten million dollar effort to build apartments, restaurants, a hotel, and offices at Wichita's Union Station urban renewal project. Details.
- 5C. Ritchie Enterprises has purchased 501 acres in northeast Wichita from Comotara Properties, between 21st and 29th Streets and Rock Road and Webb Road, for development of an 18 hole golf course and adjacent residential properties, to be known as Pebble Creek. Details.
- 8C. Photo showing demolition of deck of the old Kellogg overpass adjacent to the new one carrying traffic.
- 6D. Report of death yesterday of James A. Lewis, 73, owner of Steel Lewis Hardware and

Supply, a 95 year old firm which he inherited on his father's death. Born in Wichita in 1906. Survived by his widow, Emma R., four daughters, Mary D. Lewis, St. Paul, Minnesota, Jane Kucharo, Corinne Potvin, and Barbara Breckenridge, of Wichita, a son, J. Arch Lewis, and a brother, John J. Lewis, Des Moines, Iowa, and 16 grandchildren. Biography. Photo. Burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Final shutdown of the bankrupt Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad will begin next week. The plan by the Kansas City Terminal Company, the firm operating the Rock Island under an emergency directed service order by the Interstate Commerce Commission since September 26, is to end all service on the Rock Island by 11:59 p.m. February 29. However the commuter line in Chicago will continue beyond that date. Details.

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17A. The Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority is going to show "The Bus," a new Metropolitan Transit Authority bus, in Derby today to advertise a proposed bus service from Derby to Wichita. The proposed service runs north on Buckner in Derby to 63rd Street South, west to Oliver, north past Boeing, then east on Pawnee, where it would turn around in front of Cessna Aircraft Company and take K-15 back to Derby. Passengers could connect with the South Broadway bus route anywhere on Pawnee to travel on to Wichita. Two buses would provide service every 30 minutes during peak hours (5:40 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. and 3:40 p.m. to 7:10 p.m.). Between those times hourly service would be provided. Fare would be 40 cents and increased to 50 cents April 7. Details.

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Ad for Star Lumber Company giving history of Wichita Lumber Yards and photos of Star Lumber Company stores.

17J. Metropolitan Transit Authority ad for "The Bus" with photo of General Motors bus Number 8072. Says five new minibuses built in Wichita will be added to fleet in early spring and lists some planned improvements in service this spring.

Tuesday, January 29, 1980

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12A. Report of death yesterday of Vivian Frances Garber, 77, 217 South Pinecrest, retired secretary-treasurer of Rich Sign Company. Survived by daughters Mrs. Betty Osborn and Mrs. Marilyn Robinson, and sister, Margie Umbarger, all of Wichita. Wichita Park Cemetery (was a patient).

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23B. Boulevard Mall, and Fox Twin theaters have been sold by Los Angeles based Mann Theaters to Dickinson Operating Company, Mission, Kansas. Name of Fox Twin will

revert to the Fox Garvey. It was dubbed the Fox Twin when the auditorium was divided for two screens during remodeling two years ago. Details.

Friday, February 1, 1980**page**

1D. The Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday decided to end government subsidized service on the Rock Island Railroad on March 2, so service on the line will shut down at that time. Details.

The Fairland Cafe, 116 South Broadway, will close Saturday, February 9. The building has been purchased by oilman Donald Slawson, and restaurant owner Chuck Mar will retire. Under one name or another it has served Chinese and American food for 80 years. In 1919 Mar's father moved to Wichita from Canton, China by way of Seattle. He worked at the Holly Cafe on West Douglas until he and partners bought the cafe on South Broadway. At first it was called the King Fong, then the Mandarin. Thirty years later it became the Fairland. Mar joined his father in 1935 after coming from China and has been there ever since. Photo of rear entrance of cafe.

Sunday, February 3, 1980**page**

1B. Article about plans of Olive Ann Beech, 76, to step down as head of Beech Aircraft Corporation when management of the company is taken over by Raytheon Company, of Massachusetts. Details.

Thursday, February 7, 1980**page**

1. Beech Aircraft Corporation stockholders yesterday approved the company's merger with Raytheon Company as did also the stockholders of Raytheon. Beech will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Raytheon.

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1C. Fairland Cafe, 116 South Broadway, was closed one day early by death yesterday of its owner, Chuck Mar, 60, of heart attack. Survived by wife, Fong, son Jim and daughter Dixie McCarty of Wichita and daughter Marie Batier, of Burrton. Burial in Resthaven Cemetery. Photo.

4C. Drawing of planned renovated Hinkel Building, at Main and Douglas. To be renovated by developer Sam Hardage and opened next fall.

5C. Announcement made yesterday that a new David's department store will anchor the 160,000 square foot Crossroads shopping center at Central and Ridge Road. Construction to start in March with opening scheduled for August. The rest of the shopping center will be completed in mid-1981 at a cost of about five million dollars. The David's store will be 62,000 square feet. Shopping center is on 16 acre tract. Architect is Tom Jacob.

Developer is Phil Ruffin. Details.

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- 1C. President Jimmy Carter has nominated Wichita lawyer Patrick F. Kelly, 50, to fill a vacancy as judge of the United States District Court in Wichita created when Judge Wesley E. Brown, 73, assumed senior status. Kelly is native Wichitan. Details.

Saturday, February 16, 1980**page**

- 17A. Table of general aviation shipments of aircraft by company and type in January.

Sunday, February 17, 1980**page**

- 1E. Report of death Friday of Henry V. Gott, 86, prominent Wichita attorney, from injuries in a tour bus accident in Mexico. His wife, Helen L. Gott, 79, was killed instantly in the same accident. Born on farm near Xenia, Kansas. Attended University of Kansas. Law degree from Yale University. Had practiced law in Wichita since 1926. Survived by two sons, Ronald M. Gott, attorney in Wichita, and Dr. Vincent L. Gott, Baltimore, Maryland. Photo. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

Thursday, February 21, 1980**page**

- 3C. Widening of 21st Street from two to four lanes between Maize and Ridge Roads is scheduled for this year. Details.

Saturday, February 23, 1980**page**

1. Gates Learjet yesterday announced plans to expand in Wichita with a 154,000 square foot customer service center and offices at Mid-Continent Airport. Company's order backlog is over \$800 million. Present production rate of nine a month is to be increased to 13 a month over the next year. Company has 2800 employes here. Details.

Thursday, February 28, 1980**page**

1. Wichita oilman George Angle has acquired controlling interest in the Kansas State Bank and Trust Company. Three weeks ago he bought the KSB&T-Vickers Building from the bank. Angle, 57, is an independent oil and gas man operating under Frontier Oil Company and Red Tiger Drilling Company. On February 1st Angle purchased the Vickers-KSB&T Building, 125 North Market, for an estimated \$17 million. Stock in the bank was sold to Angle by bank chairman Kenneth Johnson, 65, and Dallas real estate developer Walter Ahlschlager, Jr., 64. Details.

Friday, February 29, 1980**page**

1. Wichita's Urban Renewal Agency is probably doomed as an independent city agency. It would be dissolved and its functions divided among four departments in the city government according to a proposal to be presented to the City Commission by City Manager Gene Denton.

- 9D. Six of the 26 new General Motors Company buses bought by Wichita's Metropolitan Transit Authority are out of order with engine or transmission problems according to Metropolitan Transit Authority director Elmer Karstensen. All repair work is being performed under the manufacturer's warranty. Details.

Saturday, March 1, 1980**page**

- 17A. Twin Lakes Shopping Center, 21st and Amidon, has been sold by Ritchie Enterprises to an unidentified investor group from California it was announced yesterday. Selling price was not revealed. The adjacent Twin Lakes Apartments were sold in December to another California investment group. Twin Lakes opened in 1965 and in 1970 was expanded to its present size. Details. Aerial photo.

Tuesday, March 4, 1980**page**

- 5B. The Wichita Airport Authority yesterday approved nearly six million dollars in new construction including Gates Learjet's expansion project. The latter is a 154,000 square foot customer service center and offices. The Federal Aviation Administration will build a \$528,000 one-story flight service station for weather and flight planning services on the west side of Airport Road south of the United States Postal Service facility. Since 1966 the Federal Aviation Administration station has shared a building with the National Weather Service. Details.

Wednesday, March 5, 1980**page**

1. City Commission yesterday took first step toward placing the Urban Renewal Agency under control of the city manager instead of its present autonomous status. Details.

Friday, March 7, 1980**page**

- 15A. Report of death Wednesday of William Kirk Enoch, 93, long time leader in the Disciples of Christ church. Biography. Survived by wife, Breta, and three sons, Donald K., former Wichita mayor, Norman, a retired Air Force major, and David, a judge on Denver's appeals court. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

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1. Aerial photo of Towne West (under construction) and surrounding area. Article with details.

Tuesday, March 11, 1980**page**

- 11A. Today KAKE-TV is becoming the property of Chronicle Broadcasting Company of San Francisco and KAKE Radio will be turned over to its new owner, Misco Broadcasting Company of Wichita. The \$26 million TV station purchase was announced March 30, 1979 pending Federal Communications Commission approval. In October Misco agreed to purchase the radio station from the Chronicle for \$2.3 million. Details.
- 8B. Report of death Saturday of Mrs. Gladys J. (Walter) Ives, 83, of Farmington, New Mexico, former Mt. Hope resident. Survived by sons Richard, of Farmington, New Mexico, Edwin, of Ridgecrest, California, daughter, Mrs. Elmer Harris of Denver, Colorado, brother, Edwin Jewell, of Coats, Kansas, sisters, Mrs. Mary Barr and Miss Gertrude Jewell, both of Wichita. Burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Wednesday, March 12, 1980**page**

- 1C. Aerial photo showing relocation of two mile stretch of Kansas Turnpike under construction north of El Dorado Lake. Details.
- Monsignor Daniel Kucera, 56, auxiliary bishop since 1977 of the diocese of Joliet, Illinois, has been appointed bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Salina to replace Bishop Cyril Vogel, who died last October. Biography. Photo.
- 5C. Table of general aviation shipments of aircrafts by company and type in February and year-to-date.

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- 18A. Report of death Wednesday of Mrs. Lulu E. (Chester) Bashford, 89, of Las Vegas, former Wichitan. Survived by son, Robert, of Las Vegas, Nevada. Burial in White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

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- 8B. Report of death Sunday of Jessie Perry Stratford, of El Dorado, long time Butler County historian. Born in Florence, Kansas, and moved to El Dorado in 1901. Married Oscar E. Stratford in Wichita on June 30, 1913. Husband died in 1937. Further biography. Survived by a daughter, Mrs. Mercedes Covert, of El Dorado, and a sister, Mrs. M. J. Long of Clay Center.

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- 4B. The Arnholz Coffee Company building at 920 East 1st erected in 1949 has been sold to Alford Electric Company. Sam Arnholz will move to 220 North Mosley. Details.

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- 5C. Construction is under way on the new \$500,000 Kansas Cardiac Clinic at 1144 North St. Francis. To be completed June 1. Contractor is Marshall Erdman and Associates, Madison, Wisconsin. Drawing.

Sunday, March 30, 1980**page**

- 6B. List of polling places in Wichita and Sedgwick County. Ours is Ward VII, Precinct 13. (Editor's note: Dr. Tihen lived at 1227 North River Boulevard.)

Tuesday, April 1, 1980**page**

- 5B. Scholfield Brothers' has purchased the Wichita Chrysler-Plymouth property at 1226 East Douglas and will use it for used car sales. Owner Vic Scholfield is also building a new Honda showroom at his facilities on East Kellogg. Details.

Wednesday, April 2, 1980**page**

1. Report of results of elections yesterday. City's share of intangibles tax repealed by Wichita voters 33,317 to 21,763. Details.

Monday, April 7, 1980**page**

- 14A. Memorial service to be held in Wichita for Bruce Moore, 74, sculptor and former Kansan, who died January 24.

Tuesday, April 8, 1980**page**

- 5C. Wichita's Metropolitan Transit Authority inaugurated new routes and fares yesterday. Regular passengers now pay 50 cents for a one-way trip plus five cents for transfers. The student fare is 25 cents. Senior citizens and handicapped persons pay 20 cents plus five cents for a transfer. The old West 2nd route is now the Northwest route. New West 2nd and West Maple routes are described. Four crosstown were also inaugurated, and 15 minute schedules were inaugurated on North Broadway, East Central, College Hill, and South Broadway routes. Details.

Wednesday, April 9, 1980**page**

1. MBPXL Corporation yesterday announced plans to close its Excel Division cattle slaughter plant in Wichita on April 18. The work will be moved to the company's new plant in Dodge City. Details.
- 1C. City Commission yesterday elected Bob Knight, 38, as Wichita's 69th mayor. Details.

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5C. Table of general aviation shipments of aircraft by company and type in March and year-to-date. Mooney Aircraft 34 in March and 97 year-to-date.

Year-to-date:	Beech	354
	Cessna	1950
	Gates Learjet	26
	Piper	901

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1C. City Manager Gene Denton says chances are very good that the city will get federal funds to purchase the airpark at 3512 North Webb Road, which will become the second city-owned airport — Comotara Airpark. It will be renamed Jabara Airport. The Federal Aviation Administration has allocated \$1,907,490 to the project, representing 90 percent of the purchase cost plus some improvements. Details.

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1B. Article about the Floinn Cafe, 2305 East Central, one of the few survivors of about 2200 portable diners made in Wichita by the Valentine Manufacturing Company in the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s and sold all over the country. Several models were made according to Boyde Kyle, one of the founders of Valentine, Inc. The most popular model was the ten stool Little Chef restaurant, which retailed for \$3300. The Floinn Cafe is a slightly smaller eight stool unit. A larger Double Deluxe model had stool and booth seating for 30. Further details. Photo of Floinn Cafe.

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1C. Law signed in Topeka yesterday requiring license plates issued after 1981 to be coated with a reflectorized material. Details.

Tuesday, April 22, 1980**page**

5B. Article with details of proposed 1981 budget of the Wichita Airport Authority. March passenger traffic fell nine and one-half percent from March 1979 to 115,000, owing to the recession.

1C. The Metropolitan Transit Authority's budget estimates for 1981 will require a 58 percent increase in Wichita taxpayer payments to maintain city bus service at its present level, including the expanded number of routes and buses in operation. The local subsidy is \$943,595 this year according to director Elmer Karstensen. The Metropolitan Transit Authority proposes to ask the city for \$1,492,146 next year. The Metropolitan Transit

Authority has a fleet of 69 buses but has not added mechanics since it had 48. Details.

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1. Report of a serious racial riot in northeast Wichita near 21st and Grove last evening. Details. Photos.

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- 4A. Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe ad announcing proposal to abandon the line from Schulte to Rago in the Englewood District. Small map.

Friday, May 2, 1980**page**

1. Photo showing derailment of Missouri Pacific Railroad grain hopper car yesterday on the Arkansas River Missouri Pacific bridge in downtown Wichita. Total of nine cars were derailed.
- 8C. Centennial celebration of St. Joseph Catholic Church at Ost, commonly known as St. Joe, will be held tomorrow. The town had a peak of 150 residents in 1888, but now has only six families. The present brick church was dedicated in 1914. The elementary school now serves about 100 students.

Saturday, May 3, 1980**page**

- 3E. Article says City of Oxford has received a \$8,000 low interest loan from the Department of Energy to determine whether the historic Oxford mill can once again produce electricity. It will be the second feasibility study of the project. Kansas Gas and Electric concluded last November that a power project at the mill was commercially impractical. Kansas Gas and Electric's study was made purely from the standpoint of using new equipment with two \$250,000 turbines. The new study will consider possible use of the existing 90 kilowatt turbine installed in the 1930s and which last ran in 1973. The Kansas Gas and Electric study looked at turbines of at least 500 kilowatts. The 90 kilowatt turbine could supply the power needs of about 50 small homes. The old Oxford mill is located on a millrace, a channel diverted from the Arkansas River, about two miles north of Oxford. The city has an option to buy the millrace and powerblock but not the mill.

Sunday, May 4, 1980**page**

- 1E. Report of celebration yesterday of the 100 year anniversary of St. Joseph Catholic Church at Ost (St. Joe), in southeast corner of Reno County. The parish and village officially named Ost, though state maps label it St. Joe, were started in 1879 with the settlement of 13 families, mostly of German, Polish, and Irish descent. The name Ost came from postal officials misspelling the family name Ast. Present resident Julius Ast lives across the street from the church and is a descendant of the initial settlers. Photo.

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- 1C. Report of installation yesterday of Bishop Daniel W. Kucera, new bishop of the Salina Catholic Diocese. Age 57. Biography. Photo.

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- 1C. Photo of workman with scaffolding on face of Union Station, which is being renovated. The renovation is expected to be completed in about three months.

Saturday, May 10, 1980**page**

1. Frank Carney announced his resignation as president and CEO of Pizza Hut. He also is leaving the Board of Directors of Pepsi Co, which acquired Pizza Hut for \$320 million in stock in November 1977. He said his resignation was partly due to a business decision by Pepsi Co management. Details.
- 5D. Report of death Thursday of Mrs. Mabel A. (Charles N.) Johnson, 95, of 405 South Bluff. Survived by sons Charles Jr., Arlington, Virginia, James A., Overland Park, Kansas, Dale M., Lawrence, Kansas, and daughter Allison Strattan, of Wichita. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

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- 6A. Table lists all the parochial schools in Wichita. Details.

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- 1B. Article about walking tour of historic houses in 1200 block of Bitting to be held this weekend. Details. Two of the owners are Judy and Butch Ritter and Barbara and Dean Bradley. Photo.

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- 4B. Feature article about intercity bus service. Details. Photo of front of Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma Lines bus Number M754 with Wichita, Kansas destination sign.

Tuesday, May 20, 1980**page**

- 1B. Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Railroad has negotiated a contract with the bankrupt Rock Island Railroad to lease tracks and resume service from St. Joseph, Missouri through Kansas to Ft. Worth, Texas, through Herington and Wichita. Details.
- 4B. Table of general aviation shipments by company in April and year-to-date.

Thursday, May 22, 1980**page**

- 1E. Article reports Mexican and Indochinese movies are now being shown at the 51 year old Nomar Theater, 2143 North Market. Details.
- 3E. The United States Senate has confirmed the appointment of Wichita lawyer Patrick Kelly to a United States District Court seat in Wichita. To be sworn in June 6. Age 50. Details.
- Sedgwick County commission yesterday approved an amended lease that gives the First National Black Historical Society of Kansas the right to use the old Calvary Baptist Church, 601 North Water, as a historical museum.

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- 3C. The Metropolitan Transit Authority got the first of five "mini-buses" built by Wichita's Chance Manufacturing Company, for testing, on Thursday. When all of the 25 foot, 25 passenger diesel buses are delivered by mid-June, they'll begin working the cross-town routes plying Pawnee, West, 21st and Hillside streets. They are expected to average about eight miles per gallon, about twice the mileage of their big brothers. All are equipped with wheelchair lifts. Photo of bus Number 8076.

Saturday, May 24, 1980**page**

- 1C. Federal funds have been formally allocated by the Federal Aviation Administration to the City of Wichita for purchase of Comotara Airpark, which will be renamed Colonel James Jabara Airport. The airport will become publicly owned around June 1. Details.

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- 3C. Article about Metropolitan Transit Authority's discussion of transportation for handicapped at City Commission meeting yesterday. Details.

Thursday, May 29, 1980**page**

- 1C. Trans Central Airlines will begin serving Mid Continent Airport on Monday with flights between Wichita, Oklahoma City, and Dallas Love Field, using 19 passenger Swearingen Metro planes purchased from Southern Airways, which has merged with North Central Airlines to become Republic Airlines. Details.

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- 5C. Harter Inc. yesterday announced its sale of Harter Place at Topeka and Douglas to Wichita aircraft broker Gary Morgan, effective at end of June. Harter Inc. has also agreed to sell the 131 unit Shepherd of the Hills Inn at Kellogg and Broadway to Wichita real estate broker Charles Sutherland. Details.

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- 5B. The old Wheeler Hotel, 618 East Douglas, is being converted into apartments at a cost of more than \$250,000. Ten apartments will be built on the upper two floors, while the first floor is remodeled for commercial use. Architect is Roger Bender. Scheduled for completion in mid-July. Drawing.
- 3C. Opening of the new five story 170 room Hilton hotel at Mid-Continent Airport will be around July 1, 1981. Ground breaking is scheduled for June 18. Details.

The Federal Aviation Administration will break ground Friday for its new two million dollar, 110 foot, air traffic control tower at Mid-Continent Airport.

Wednesday, June 4, 1980**page**

- 4A. The Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Railroad Company will soon start service on the old Rock Island line from Herington through Wichita to Texas. Details.
- 16A. Kansas Gas and Electric has arranged to purchase the two story building at northeast corner of 1st and Main, adjacent on the west to its downtown headquarters, now owned by Investment Management Inc. Details.

Thursday, June 5, 1980**page**

1. James E. Sparr, 33, was appointed yesterday as Wichita's new fire chief, succeeding Floyd Powell. Details.

Sunday, June 8, 1980**page**

- 14A. Report of death Saturday of Marion Elizabeth Ferguson (R. Potter) Hill of 207 North Pinecrest. Survived by husband, daughters Sara I. Hill of Kansas City, Missouri and Mrs. Lora Beth Howard, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a brother, John I. Ferguson, of Bismarck, North Dakota. Cremation.

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- 5C. Table of general aviation shipments of aircraft by company and type in May and year-to-date.

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- 1C. The Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Railroad yesterday began sending hundreds of hopper cars along the former Rock Island tracks running north and south between Texas and Topeka. Details.

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- 3C. Chance Manufacturing Company yesterday tested its bus that pulls a second trailer bus which increases the total capacity to 55 passengers during rush hour. Company plans to market it early in 1981. Photo shows trailer and pulling Metropolitan Transit Authority bus Number 8079 (photo by Dave Williams).

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- 14A. Report of death Tuesday of Esther M. Casford, 83, retired Internal Revenue Service employe. Survived by nephew, Kenneth R. Casford, Jr., of Whittier, California. Burial in Union Cemetery, Winfield, Kansas.

Friday, June 20, 1980**page**

1. The 92 year old Wichita Union Stock Yards yesterday announced plans to close in six weeks. Last November the stockyards stopped cattle trading. Troy Smith is secretary-treasurer of the company. Details.

Tuesday, June 24, 1980**page**

- 7B. Report of death yesterday of Ida Ellen Derby, 5051 East Lincoln, widow of A. L. Derby, who founded the Derby Oil Company and who died in 1956. Some biography. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

Friday, June 27, 1980**page**

1. Vickers Energy Corporation was put up for sale yesterday by its parent conglomerate, Esmark Inc. Swift and Company acquired Vickers in 1968 and then assumed the new Esmark name in 1972. Details.

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- 5C. Announcement of planned \$45,000 "face-lift" of the two story Amvets Value Center building at northwest corner of Douglas and St. Francis, to be done next month. Architect is Craig Mann. Drawing.

(Editor's note: Dr. Tihen's files did not include notes for the period June 29 to October 31, 1980.)

Saturday, November 1, 1980**page**

- 11A. The new \$5.8 million Wichita State University Health Sciences Building was dedicated Friday during formal opening ceremonies. Construction was started in 1977 and was to have been completed a year ago, but there have been several delays. Architects were Thomas, Harris, Ash and Mason. Details. Photo.

- 1D. Work could begin near the first of the year on re-development of Wichita's Union Station complex, which has been vacant for several years. Details.

Sunday, November 2, 1980

Special Election Section: Former district attorney Keith Sanborn, Democrat, 58, and Paul Buchanan, 49, Republican, are running for District Court judgeship in Division Three which is being vacated by retiring judge B. Mack Bryant, 71, after more than 25 years on the bench.

Monday, November 3, 1980**page**

- 4B. Construction of an internal road system and larger parking lots at Wichita Mid-Continent Airport are on schedule.

Tuesday, November 4, 1980**page**

- 5B. Wichita Airport Authority yesterday agreed to seek \$12 million in general obligation bonds to finance airport improvements. Details.

Wednesday, November 5, 1980**page**

1. Report of results of election yesterday. Reagan defeats Carter.
- 14AA. In Division Three of District Court, Keith Sanborn defeated Paul Buchanan by 43,398 to 30,951.
- 1C. City Commission yesterday approved discontinuance by Metropolitan Transit Authority of two L-shaped crosstown bus routes and the Westlink shuttle bus to save the bus system about \$116,000 next year. The two L-shaped routes form a rectangle along Hillside, 21st, West, and Pawnee Streets (one from Pawnee and West along Pawnee and Hillside Streets, the other from same intersections along West and 21st Streets). The Westlink shuttle bus run being discontinued is the last run of the day, leaving Westlink Shopping Center at 6:45 p.m. These runs will end December 1. Details.

City Commission yesterday approved the Harter redevelopment proposal for Union Station. Details.

Article about proposal of Trailways Bus Company to Kansas Corporation Commission to eliminate a number of their Kansas bus routes. Details.

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1. Report of death yesterday of Floyd Amsden, 67, former Wichita mayor and president of Amsden Lumber Company for more than 40 years. The business was begun by his grandfather, F. A. Amsden, in 1885. He was on City Commission from 1949 to 1953 and mayor in 1951-52. Born in Wichita May 25, 1913. Married the former Barbara Hunt of

Wichita in 1939. Survived by her, two sons, Matthew, of Wichita, and Timothy, of Westwood, a daughter, Ann Martin, of Wichita, and three brothers, Henry, Ed, and Tom, all of Wichita. Further biography. Photo. Private interment.

- 23A. After three years of construction, the interchange of K-96 and I-235 northwest of Wichita was opened to traffic Wednesday. Work on it started in October 1977 and cost nine and one-half million dollars.

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1. Cessna Aircraft Company has announced a \$36 million capital expansion program including a new manufacturing facility and assembly plant for the Citation III jet at the Wallace Division at Mid-Continent Airport, which will cost \$19 million. About two million dollars in expansion and renovation will be spent at the Pawnee plant, where the company will build its new six place Crusader light twin. About 300 Crusaders are planned in the 15 months starting in June. Eight and one-half million dollars will be spent for machine tooling and assembly equipment at the Fluid Power Division in Hutchinson. Further details. Company now has 16,000 employees including more than 14,000 in Kansas.

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- 3Z. Feature article on renovation of Riverside Cottage, 901 Spaulding, which was recently bought by John Kindel. It was built in 1888 and was designed by architects Willis Proudfoot and George Bird. Since World War II it has been divided into four apartments. The house was built for Thomas Fitch, a partner in the Riverside Land Company with his brother-in-law, J. O. Davidson. Details. Photo.

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- 1C. The financially troubled Defenders Townhouse has been sold to Wichita businessman Terry Scanlon, who reportedly plans to convert it into offices. Remaining residents can stay through March. Details.
- 3Z. Feature article about Willard "Bill" Stockwell, chief planner in the Metropolitan Area Planning Department's Advance Plans Division. He is 44 and lives at 2625 Manhattan. Born in Nebraska and raised on a ranch in Wyoming. Came to Wichita and took present job in 1970. Transportation planning is his specialty. Details.
- 8Z. David's, Inc. has opened its fifth Wichita store in the Crossroads Shopping Center at Central and Ridge Road.

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- 1B. Walker's Department Store, 123 North Main, will close January 31. The building was

bought last year by First National Bank, which will use it for expansion. The store was founded in 1887 by David W. Walker. He died in 1929 and his sons, David, Jr. and Insley, formally renamed it Walker Brothers. David survived his brother, and when he died in 1970 control went to his widow, Eileen, who sold it in 1978 to a partnership formed by Farris Farha, Don Ablah, and George Farha. Details. Photo.

- 5B. Table of general aviation shipments of aircraft in October and year-to-date by company.
- 3Z. Feature article on demise of the "shanty town" Sheridan Park neighborhood in southwest Wichita, bounded by Pawnee, 27th South, Meridian, and Custer. The 80 acres of farmland was subdivided in 1909 into 20 by 100 foot lots, and for three dollars customers could get a lot thrown in with a subscription to the Farm Journal. The area was then known as Orienta Park. The area was two miles from the city limits, streets were never paved, and a shanty town was built. In late 1950s and early 1960s city annexed the land.

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1. Park City and Bel Aire improvement districts were granted the right of incorporation as cities yesterday by the Sedgwick County Commission over the objections of the City of Wichita. Details.
- 13A. Report of death of Eugene C. Sager, 85, of 1531 Julianne, retired postal clerk. Survived by wife, Lena P., a son, Eugene C., Jr., of Hays, Kansas, and a daughter, Mrs. Jeraldine Taylor of Wichita.

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- 5C. The Frisco Railway merged into the giant Burlington Northern after a federal court yesterday denied Katy Railroad and other interviews claims that the deal would be harmful competitively. (Editor's note: "Katy" is another name for the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad.)
- L. S. Industries held an open house yesterday at its new 24,000 square foot building at 710 East 17th Street. The company, formerly Little Swede, manufacturers blasting and degreasing equipment used in cleaning and rebuilding of auto parts. The company moved in June from 114 North Emporia. Details. Photo.
- 8C. Wichita State University's Life Sciences Building will be named the R. Dee Hubbard Hall in recognition of the Wichita businessman's contribution to the university. Details.
- 10Z. "Neighbors" feature article on problems of Wichita's Metropolitan Transit Authority, which operates "The Bus." Regular fare was increased in October from 50 cents to 60 cents. Ridership from January through October was 3,023,726, up 261,116 (nine and one-half percent) from same period in 1979. System has 74 buses. Photo of bus 6709 (East

Kellogg) and on page 12, of 8056. Details.

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- 9A. Report of death Sunday of Elizabeth Innes Galland, 98, of Prairie Homestead Health Center, daughter of Wichita pioneers Colonel William Innes, from Southerland, Scotland, and Sue Hart Innes, of Iowa City, Iowa. Colonel Innes came to Wichita in 1878 and was co-owner of Innes and Ross dry goods store on North Main. He lost the store in the crash of the 1890s. The daughter attended Chicago University and was married to Dr. William Galland. They lived in the Chicago area. Later she returned to Wichita and worked at Kansas Gas and Electric Company. She was a patron of the Wichita Symphony and Art Museum. She moved to Prairie Homestead at age 92. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.
- 3Z. "Neighbors" feature article on changes in businesses on West Douglas east of Seneca. Details.

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- 6Z. "Neighbors" feature article on renovation into offices of the former Beachy home, 3751 East Douglas, which also was the Wichita Historical Museum. The 1909 home was purchased last year by real estate broker Ray Trimble, 38, and Dick Matthes, owner of Medicomp Systems, Inc. computer firm for "more than \$100,000." They have since spent about \$165,000 on renovation and Trimble has become sole owner of the property. Details.

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- 2C. Column by Don Granger about the scholarly paper on Wichita's Lucetta S. Carter prepared by attorney-historian Hal Ross for presentation at a meeting of the Wichita Bibliophiles. Details.

(Editor's note: Dr. Tihen's files did not include notes for the period December 1-31, 1980.)