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 1971 WICHITA EAGLE-BEACON

Wichita Eagle-Beacon
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4B. Report of death yesterday of Kenneth W. Pringle, Sr., 79, 1102 North Ridgewood. Born January 20, 1891 in Harveyville, Kansas. Came to Wichita from Alma, Kansas and was Wichita city attorney from 1931 to 1945. Survived by wife, CeCile L., a son, Kenneth W. Pringle, Jr., of Wichita, and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Alice Morozzo and Mrs. Helen Maxine Parzybok, both of Wichita. Photo. Entombment at Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Sunday, January 3, 1971
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1B, 4B. Calendar of major events in Wichita in 1970:
January 5: Board of education approved plan for integration which included closing of Dunbar and L’Ouverture schools and busing of about 2000 black children to other schools over the city.
January 26: Park Board and Wichita Aeros agreed on terms for Lawrence Stadium leasing in 1971.
February 5: Wichita police put their helicopter into service.
February 27: Death of Rene Gouldner at age 82.
March 10: Death of Marcellus Murdock, 87, from a stroke.
March 11: Death of Fred Hoyt, Friends University museum director, at age 90.
March 23: Kечи approved $1 million in industrial revenue bonds for construction of a new Coleman Company plant at 37th Street North and Hydraulic.
April 2: Death of business leader Frank E. Barr, 79.
April 9: Ground breaking for first apartment unit in Park Plaza Urban Renewal project.
April 17: Wichita Aeros opened American Association’s first baseball season here since 1958.
May 15: Kansas Board of Regents approved a $13.9 million budget for Wichita State University.
June 25: Cudahy Packing Company announced it would close its Wichita plant in December, with loss of 1000 jobs.
June 27: Boeing renewed its lease of Plant II from federal government.
July 6: Replica of Joan of Arc statue arrived as a gift from sister-city of Orleans, France.
July 18: Close of Centennial Year, with dedication of Joan of Arc statue.
August 13: Plans announced for a 174 bed “Medicenter” recuperative care building across the street west from St. Francis Hospital.
October 1: Announcement that the Allis Hotel is closing its doors.
October 2: Crash of Martin 202 plane carrying Wichita State University football team, in Colorado, with 31 killed.
October 15: Wichita public school enrollment is 63,811, down 2922 from last year.
November 1: Wellington Place Baptist Church, 200 West 21st, was ruined by fire.
November 12: Kapaun and Madonna high schools were put up for sale. The the Wichita Catholic Diocesan board of education announced that Mount Carmel and the Bishop Carroll schools would become co-educational.
November 13: Cudahy directors voted not to close the Wichita plant after 1000 employes approved a new union contract.

December 16: Midian Shrine approved construction of a $1 million plus mosque just north of its present site downtown.

December 17: Final federal census figures for 1970:

   Kansas -- 2,249,071 -- up 70,460
   Wichita -- 276,554 -- up 21,856
   Sedgwick County -- 350,694 -- up 7,463.

5B. Construction of Wesley Medical Center’s seven level, $9.7 million tower building, facing Rutan, was started during the year. Due for completion in 1973.

New Medicenter, one block west of St. Francis Hospital, under construction and due to be opened in August.

6B. 1970 construction projects in Wichita included:

Work under way on $2 million Sears store expansion at Twin Lakes Shopping Center.
Completion of $1.2 million renovation and expansion of Seneca Square, at 31st and South Seneca.
New $1 million Pizza Hut headquarters was built at 10225 East Kellogg.
Completion of Resthaven Mortuary, 199th and West Kellogg.
TG & Y Family Center store at Broadway and Kechi Road.
New Safeway Supermarket opened at Douglas and Hillside in December 1970. Twenty-one thousand square feet.
Five hundred thousand dollar building for Central State Bank was started at East Central and Rutan.
[Editor’s note: Upon checking the 1970 Suburban Directory, Resthaven Mortuary is located at 119th and West Kellogg.]

1F. Downtown building in 1970:

Holiday Inn Plaza was all but completed. The hotel was opened in mid-summer with a number of the upper levels not yet completed.

Olive W. Garvey building was opened.
Construction started on final phase of Garvey Center, the five story Page Court office building, named for Robert A. Page, president of Garvey Center, Inc. Kiva Shopping mall at Garvey Center being built. Farm Credit Banks Building under construction and to be completed in 1972. Union National Bank’s Pavilion Bank completed in 1970. Southwestern Bell’s expanded and remodeled building at 1st and Broadway was dedicated.

2F. Article about history of early day Wichita mine sunk to find coal in 1875 by Thomas McCampbell. Details.

10F. Wichita Municipal Airport added a new 7000 square foot runway, 1L-19R, on the west side of the field paralleling the old runway, 1R-19L, in 1970. The old runway will be resurfaced. Work started December 21 on $2,277,913 passenger loading fingers. To be completed February 15, 1972.

**Wednesday, January 6, 1971**

1. Wichita State University and Friends University will each receive $1 million from the estate of Dr. Lewis M. and Selma Miller (he was builder of Princess, Palace and Miller theaters and was a dentist before going into theater business). Details. Dr. Miller died May 31, 1969.


5A. The Hopkins Bus Lines, operating between Wichita, Medicine Lodge and Kiowa, will be able to continue operations as a result of an insurance rate reduction, its operator, Bob Melton, announced yesterday. Details.

Article about Kansas’ new auto license system with staggered dates of renewal, in effect this year. Details.

**Saturday, January 9, 1971**

6B. Ad announcing grand opening this weekend of Byron Street Pontiac, 5800 West Kellogg.

**Tuesday, January 12, 1971**

1. Missouri Pacific Railroad has refused to allow streetcars to operate to the Sedgwick County Zoo along its tracks. Details.
Edward V. Geary was named president of Union National Bank yesterday and Clarence Coleman was elected board vice-chairman. Jack B. Hinkle will remain board chairman.

Friday, January 15, 1971

Katz Drug Company, of Kansas City, parent company of Crank’s Drug Company, which operated five stores in Wichita, has merged with Skaggs Companies, Inc., of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Saturday, January 16, 1971


Sunday, January 17, 1971

Construction has begun on temporary passenger loading gates at Wichita Municipal Airport, to be used while the new permanent passenger concourses are being built. Photo.

Carl Bell Wholesale Meat Company will begin operating tomorrow out of its new building located to the east of the Carl Bell Food Market. Details.

Construction of a 13,000 square foot addition to Sweetbriar Shopping Center, 21st and Amidon, will be completed about May 15th. The addition, located to the south of David’s store, will contain space for at least six business firms.

Monday, January 18, 1971

Detailed article about the Wichita built Allied A2 prototype airplane with V tail, built by six men headed by Harry Ragland, now owner of H & R Parts, Wichita, and who was a test pilot for Culver Aircraft when Allied was incorporated on 1947. The plane first flew April 9, 1948 from Municipal Airport to Wilson Field. The rest of its flights, totaling about 180 hours, were from Wilson Field. The original prototype, NX3153K, now lies disassembled at a hangar in Alva, Oklahoma. Two other prototypes and the jigs were destroyed in a fire. Details. Photo.


Friday, January 22, 1971
5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved a 20 percent increase in ambulance service fees, subject to approval by the Wichita City Commission. Details.

Sunday, January 24, 1971

1C. Feature article about the large collection of photographs taken by early Kansas photographer, Joseph Judd Pennell, from 1888 until his death in 1922. Located in Junction City, his estimated 60,000 pictures, taken with the old glass negatives, were donated in 1951 by his son, Joseph Stanley Pennell, to the Kenneth Spencer Research Library at the University of Kansas. A sister in New York City says Joseph Pennell was born March 9, 1866 in Kings Creek, North Carolina. Details. Photos.

1D. Photo from Holiday Inn of the Kiva Plaza under construction. Official completion of the Holiday Inn Plaza is scheduled for February 20, although the first guests were accommodated in mid-July. The Penthouse Club, on the top floor is scheduled to be completed this week. A focal point in the building is a crystal chandelier, which originally hung in the old Union National Bank at Broadway and Douglas. Details.

6D. Destruction of five old buildings in the 200 block of North Main is underway. The site will be leased to Julius J. Menges for an addition to his parking lot at 230 North Main.

Three Wichita architects, Monty H. Robson, Mel Kuhnel, and Ronald L. Spangenberg, have formed a partnership firm to be known as Robson, Kuhnel, and Spangenberg, Architects, with offices in the Brown Building at 105 South Broadway. Biographies and photos.

Wednesday, January 27, 1971

4C. Report of death of former Wichitan, Francis J. Lauder, 78, a retired machinist, of Mount Jewett, Pennsylvania, who was one of three men who established WHEA, radion station in Wichita, the forerunner of today’s station KFH. He retired and moved to Kane, Pennsylvania in 1967. Survived by two sons, James, Wichita, and Larry, Grave Springs, Missouri.

Thursday, January 28, 1971


Saturday, January 30, 1971

16C. Feature about early jails in Sedgwick County. Original jail was the “calaboose” in 200 block of North Market, later moved to 12th and Market, and since restored and now on
display in Cow Town. This was followed by the first jail on the courthouse square, a two-story brick building at 511 North Market, built in 1874. It was replaced by a large new jail on northwest corner of the square, the contract for which was let on April 27, 1888 for $47,225. Its address was listed as 535 North Market, and it was nearing completion on September 11, 1888, soon after contract for the courthouse was let. Details in long article. Photos.

Sunday, January 31, 1971
page 1D. Photos of buildings under construction:
Farm Credit Banks Building, 1st and Main, framework up to second floor.
Central Church of Christ, being built at 225 North Waco by Cleveland Avenue Church of Christ, and to be ready for use in July.
Medicenters of America recuperative care facility, 923 North Topeka, to be completed in August.
Page Court, 100 block of North Water, framework completed but no exterior facing, and to be ready for use in May.

Tuesday, February 2, 1971
page 5A. Photo of swimming pool and bathhouse under construction at South Linwood Park, Harry and Hydraulic. To be completed by Memorial Day.

Friday, February 5, 1971
page 5A. Wichita’s Midian Shrine Temple voted yesterday to sell land purchased in May for their proposed new temple, and instead they will build the new temple across the street on east side of first block of North Topeka. The land bought previously on west side of Topeka, north of the present mosque, is being sold to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for $360,000, and includes 200 feet of ground. The new site on east side of Topeka, just north of the Southwestern National Bank is being purchased for $245,000. Details.

8B. Report of death Wednesday of Richard Paul Lawless, 62, farmer and lifelong Belle Plaine resident. Survived by his widow, Iva, two sons, Kenneth and Keith, both of Belle Plaine, five brothers, Emmett, Jewell, Cecil, Georgie, and Rinaldo, all of Belle Plaine, and three sisters, Mrs. Hazel Robinson, Cicero, Kansas, Mrs. Carrie Lawrence, Wichita, and Mrs. Luella Siever, Belle Plaine.

Sunday, February 7, 1971
page 1D. Feature article about remodeling of an old Riverside residence at 1121 Pearce, which was bought by Mr. and Mrs. Clay Cox in August 1969. Details. Photos.

Thursday, February 11, 1971
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9C. Trans World Airlines will resume on April 25 its nonstop flight from Wichita to Los Angeles, discontinued in October 1970, using Convair 880 jet aircraft.

Saturday, February 13, 1971

11A. Photo of old wooden pile bridge over the Big Arkansas River at 21st Street, which is being razed prior to building of a new $700,000 bridge, which will be completed in about ten months.

9B. Spring enrollment at Wichita State University is 11,728, compared with 11,386 in 1970 and 10,464 in 1969.

Sunday, February 14, 1971

5A. Ground breaking ceremonies were held yesterday for the new Starkey Developmental Center’s new $250,000 facility at 144 South Young. Drawing.

Monday, February 15, 1971

1. Report of decline of Wichita public school enrollment due to a decline on Wichita employment. Twenty-nine hundred and ninety-five students have withdrawn from Wichita schools since September, including 2042 who have moved from the school district. The system has 34,018 elementary, 15,137 Junior high school, 13,049 Senior high school, and 211 special students -- a total of 62,415, compared with 63,811 last September.

Sunday, February 21, 1971

9B. Foundation was laid past week for the new Northridge Friends Church at 2655 Bullinger. To cost $225,000. Details.

The new IBM office products division building in Rockborough Executive Park, 302 North Rock Road, is nearly completed. Details.

Wichita attorney developer E. L. Malone has started work on an 18 unit apartment complex at 904 North West Street. To be completed by May 1.

14B. Vickers Refining Company is clearing former residences at 348, 352, and 358 South Hillside and 3210 East Lewis, to provide the site for a new service station at 350 South Hillside.

1D, 8D. Special Section about Kansas colleges and Universities. Details. Photos.

Monday, February 22, 1971
Report of heavy snowstorm in Wichita yesterday with nine inches of snow. Details. Photos. City is virtually shut down this morning.

Further reports on one of the heaviest snowstorms in memory. Thirteen inches recorded at Municipal Airport is just short of the 24 hour record of 13.5 inches set March 15-16, 1970. Thirteen inches also fell in a 24 hour period in January 1962 during one of two storms that together totaled 17 inches of snow. The snowiest month ever recorded in Wichita was February 1938 with a total fall of 20.5 inches. Details. Photos.

Aerial photo of heavy snow and many stalled cars on East Kellogg. Further articles reporting on the heavy snow.

Bureau of Census this week reported Sedgwick County’s official 1970 population at 350,964, compared with 343,231 in 1960. Total includes 319,575 white, or 91.1 percent, 27,783 Negroes, and 3336 of other races. In 1960 93.6 percent of the population of Sedgwick County was white. Further details.


Feature article about the Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, by Nyle H. Miller, secretary. Details.

Cinderella Shops, formerly at 331 East Douglas, will move tomorrow to 114 South Broadway, where it will be in the former Bissantz Building, which had two of its three stories removed in a major remodeling during which the front of the building was redone in stucco.

Hall’s Credit Clothing, now at 320 East Douglas, will move across the street into the former Cinderella Shops site after refurbishing of the interior, probably by March 15. It has been at the present location since opening in 1936.
Classes will be held for the first time tomorrow in the new Haven High School building, Haven, Kansas, one block from the old building. Enrollment is 279. Details. Photo.

Friday, March 5, 1971

Report of death Wednesday of Dr. Walter Albert Young, 88, of 522 Hiram, former president of Friends University. Born in Marion, Kentucky and brought to Kansas as a child. Graduated from Friends in 1905 and received master of arts degree from University of Chicago. Taught at Friends for five years and then at a college in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Returned to Friends and served 20 years as a history professor, dean, and president. Was president from 1939 (?) to 1946. Resigned in 1946 and then taught history at Baker University in Baldwin, Kansas. After retirement from Baker he served as pastor of the Methodist Church in Scranton, Kansas. Returned to Wichita in 1960. Survived by widow, Mary, a daughter, Mrs. Martha Mustain, Hutchinson, Kansas, and two brothers (named -- neither in Wichita). Photo. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

Sunday, March 7, 1971

Frontier Airlines this week began an experiment using 15 passenger Beechcraft 99A airliners and De Haviland Twin Otters to determine whether such aircraft are feasible for service to smaller cities. They will replace the larger Convair 580 turboprops now being used to the smaller communities served by Frontier. Details.

Tuesday, March 9, 1971

Clearing of the two block site south of the Sedgwick County Courthouse for erection of a $12.5 million city administrative center is expected to be completed by late summer or early fall.

Wednesday, March 10, 1971

Report of results of city primary election yesterday.

Sunday, March 14, 1971

Feature article about the Dymaxion Homes designed by Buckmenster Fuller. Details. Photos.

E. L. Malone, Wichita attorney-developer, plans to add an additional 18 studio apartments to an apartment complex he is presently building at 804 North West. The second group of apartments will be built just north of the first complex at 808 North West. The 18 units will be in a two story brick veneer structure.
1B. Article about the Great Plains Railroad Museum located in the Union Station. The museum has been in operation since 1955. Details.

Tuesday, March 16, 1971

Wednesday, March 17, 1971
6A. Commerce Plaza, formerly the Schweiter Building, was auctioned yesterday for $415,000 to a Denver attorney, its third sale in four years. Cecil Zeitel bought the building from Sphinx Investment Company, Kansas City, Missouri, which had purchased it in November 1968 and renamed it Commerce Plaza. It had previously been bought from the Schweiter heirs by Graham-Michael’s Drilling Company, Wichita, in February 1967.

Saturday, March 20, 1971

Sunday, March 21, 1971
1. Harry Miller, head coach at North Texas State last season, has been named as the head coach of the Wichita State University basketball team at a salary of $18,500 per year, succeeding Gary Thompson, whose contract was not renewed at end of the 1970-71 season. Details. Photo.

5A. Photo of two story building adjacent to Northern Building, in second block of North Main, housing the Chester Typewriter Service and Ken Steela Business Machines.

5B. Wichita architect Robert D. Eflin has decided to leave the firm of Schaefer, Schirmer and Eflin to complete his graduate work. He has been a partner in the firm since 1960. He is a native of Wichita. Details.

4F. Site clearing started yesterday for a new office of Air Capital Savings and Loan Association and a Kwik Shop at 13th and Woodlawn. To be completed in 60 days.

Monday, March 22, 1971
Tuesday, March 23, 1971

Article about routes the new National Rail Passenger Corporation will operate through Kansas. Details.

Reconstruction and installation of a concrete overlay on the old east runway at Wichita Municipal Airport is to begin May 15, with an October 15 completion date. Fifty percent of the cost will be financed by a $898,774 grant from the Airport and Airway Development Act. A parallel runway, on the west side of the terminal building, has just been completed under the program. Details.

Thursday, March 25, 1971

Eighteen new mercury vapor lamps are being installed in Riverside Park along Stackman Drive, replacing the old incandescent lights. Photo of one of the street light fixtures.

Sunday, March 28, 1971

Article about the new office building of McVay, Schmidt and Allen, architects, at 1133 East 2nd. Details. Photos.

Friday, April 2, 1971


Saturday, April 3, 1971


Sunday, April 4, 1971

Report of ground breaking ceremonies yesterday for the new $12.5 million city Administrative Center at Central between Water and Main. Two months or more of site clearing demolition remains to be done. Details.
Report of ground breaking ceremonies yesterday for the new $1.3 million Midian Shrine mosque at 130 North Topeka, with Mayor A. Price Woodard present. Details.

9B. A new Fair Shoe Store has opened in Indian Hills Shopping Center to replace a downtown store at 135 North Broadway, which will close by the end of April. Lester Landis has been sole owner of the Fair Shoe Stores since 1940. The firm was founded here in 1917.

2F. Construction started last week on a new building for Mears Electric Company, Inc. at 925 East Murdock. The firm was founded in 1919. New building is to be completed in September. Company’s present location is at 604 and 625 North Washington.

The city is continuing to clear land for the proposed I-35 West (Canal Route) in the 1600 block of South Ash, 1900 block of East Harry, and 1900, 2000, and 2200 blocks of East Kellogg.

Wesley Medical Center last week began razing three duplexes and a single family dwelling to provide additional parking space for employes. The buildings are in the 3300 block of East Edgemont and Pine.

Central Wichita, Inc. last week began razing of three former business buildings in 300 block of East Douglas.

Wheeler, Kelly and Hagny Investment Company last week ordered razing of a former parking garage at 324 South Market. The site will be converted into a parking lot.

After 23 years at 724 East Douglas, the House of Lighting has moved to their new building at 833 North West Street. Details.

5F. Report of death yesterday of Vernon E. (Pappy) Reed, 71, of 1401 South Water, at his summer home in Weslaco, Texas. He was former program manager for KFH and KANS radio stations and was Sedgwick County Commissioner from 1956 to 1964. Born in Nebraska and was brought to Wichita in 1901. Worked for KFH from 1929 until 1950, when he joined KANS. Worked there until 1956. While at KFH he started a western musical group called the KFH Ark Valley Boys. Survived by his widow, Lorena, a son, Tommy, Derby, and a daughter, Mrs. James Jones, Wichita. Photo. Burial in Resthaven Cemetery.


Wednesday, April 7, 1971

Friday, April 9, 1971
page 9A. Photo of construction on the 12 foot wide asphalt bicycle path along the east bank of the Arkansas River between Douglas and Lewis. To be completed by mid-summer.

Sunday, April 11, 1971
page 8F. Ad announcing that Belmont Studio, 118½ East Douglas, is going out of business Saturday, April 17, 1971. (Photo studio).

Wednesday, April 14, 1971
page 1. City Commission yesterday elected Jack Greene as mayor of Wichita. Details.

1C. Photo of field and inside of fence at Lawrence Stadium, with downtown Wichita visible in background.

Thursday, April 15, 1971
page 1. At a pre-bid conference of State Highway Commission in Wichita yesterday it was revealed that the I-35 West (Canal Route) expressway through Wichita will be elevated from English to 17th Street on more than 850 concrete pillars. Details.

16A. Sedgwick County Commission yesterday awarded $1.23 million in contracts for the new zoo, to include an entry building, walks, a restaurant, African veldt, a commissary, pump house, and paving. Details.

Saturday, April 17, 1971
page 12A. Richard W. Linn, 43, has been named city engineer, effective May 1, succeeding Bill Smith, who will retire April 30 after 36 years of city service, including position of city engineer since 1953. Director of the department is Ray W. Bruggesman. Details.

1B. An application for $369,000 in federal funds to help the Metropolitan Transit Authority purchase 14 new city buses, shop equipment, and a heavy duty service truck, is to be submitted to the Department of Transportation by the end of April. A public hearing will be held April 23 on a $553,909 two year capital improvement project. The Metropolitan Transit Authority’s share will be approximately $184,000. The Metropolitan Transit Authority urgently needs the 14 new 40-50 passenger buses to replace the 1953 model buses which are still being used during rush hours. Details.

Sunday, April 18, 1971
Utility Contractors will begin construction this week on their new office building at 659 North Main. Architect is Charles F. McAfee. Details. Drawing.

Construction started last week on a new building for the Wichita Urology Group at 851 North Hillside. To be completed by October 1.

A new Town and Country Market is under construction at 1670 North Hillside and should be completed by mid-July.

A general face lifting is currently underway at Import Volkswagen, 520 West Douglas. Architect is Don Staltz. The remodeling will tie the appearance of the company’s two adjacent buildings together. To take 90 days.

Report of death yesterday of Dr. Howard C. Clark, 65, of 543 Tara Lane. Born in Belpre, Kansas and moved to Wichita 41 years ago. Graduated from Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. Survived by his widow, Vera, two sons, Howard C., Jr., Houston, Texas, and Joseph M., Catonsville, Maryland, a daughter, Mrs. Mary Putman, Galveston, Texas, and two brothers and two sisters (named). Photo. Cremation.

Dedication of the new $300,000 Ryan Library at Sacred Heart College will be held Sunday afternoon. Details.

Beech Aircraft Corporation yesterday rolled out the first Wichita-finished Beechcraft Hawker 125 business jet. Details. Photo -- plane number N125BH.

Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved an application for federal assistance to help finance a $554,909 two year capital improvement project to purchase 14 new city buses and other needed equipment. The Metropolitan Transit Authority’s share of the program will be $184,000 and the federal share about $369,000. The authority also approved the proposed 1972 budget of $1,032,987. About $260,000 of this would come from its full one-half mill levy in tax funds. Details.

Reverend Roman S. Galiardi, president of Procopius College, Lisle, Illinois, has been named president of Sacred Heart College to succeed Sister M. Sylvia Gorges, who has resigned effective June 1. He is 41. Details.
1. The first Amtrak train stopped at Wichita at 9 p.m. Saturday, five minutes ahead of schedule. The train of nine coaches, pulled by a Santa Fe engine, was Amtrak No. 16 bound from Houston to Chicago. Technically, the first Amtrak train through Wichita was No. 15 from Chicago to Houston, which arrived at 5:25 a.m. Saturday, although when it left Chicago Friday night it was still the Santa Fe Texas Chief. Details.

1E. Ground breaking ceremonies were held yesterday for the new $500,000 home of the National Bank of Wichita near the corner of Central and West Streets. Architects are Platt Associates.

Monday, May 3, 1971

2B. Interview with early Wichita resident, John S. Schermerhorn, 90, who retired recently after 35 years at A. C. Houston Lumber Company. Came to Wichita at age six to live with his grandfather, J. K. Sawyer. Biography. Photo.

Tuesday, May 4, 1971

1. Article about $13.6 million in school building projects recommended to Board of Education yesterday by the plant facilities commission. Details. Board meeting also heard protests from parents over the closing of five predominantly white elementary schools -- Lowell, Willard, Levy, Brookside, and Eureka.

Sunday, May 9, 1971

1F. The newly remodeled and enlarged Sears, Roebuck and Company store at 1801 West 21st, in Twin Lakes Shopping Center, is nearing completion and is expected to have its formal opening in mid-June. Construction began in the fall of 1970. The original store in Twin Lakes opened in 1965. Architects for the remodeling are Development and Design Associates, of Wichita. Details.

Article with history of the frequent remodelings of the buildings at 110 East 1st, northeast corner of 1st and Main, now owned and occupied by Moberly, West, Jennings and Shaul, Certified Public Accountants. Details.

Thursday, May 13, 1971

13C. Wesley Medical Center will open a six bed short-stay surgical unit Monday in the hospital.

Saturday, May 15, 1971

8D. Feature articles about proposals for use of the old City Hall by the Wichita Historical Museum. Details.
Sunday, May 16, 1971

5B. Majority interest in Hyde Park Dairies Inc., 943 South McLean Boulevard, has been purchased by Wichita grocery executive Phillip G. Ruffin, from E. G. Galvin, president. Galvin became president and majority stockholder in 1967 when he and other investors purchased the company from the Borden Company.

1G. Feature article about sources of most brick used for Wichita building. Most of it comes from six Kansas brick manufacturers. The plants are located at Hoisington, Fredonia, Concordia, Weir, Kanopolis, and Humboldt, Kansas. Details.

Tuesday, May 18, 1971

1. Board of Education yesterday adopted a compromise integration plan designed to end a five year old dispute with the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The plan calls for busing about 2000 black and 1000 white children, razing of Fairmount Elementary School, closing of Dunbar, Little and Isley schools, and integration of L’Ouverture, Mueller and Ingalls. Details.

Sunday, May 23, 1971

1. Article about progress on I-35 West expressway and expected high cost of the “Canal Route” portion through Wichita, a 5.4 mile stretch from 17th Street to the South Interchange in Wichita. The first of two major segments of I-35 West to be opened will be a 19.6 mile sections from Wichita’s 21st Street interchange to K-196 in Harvey County, expected to be open by mid-July of this year. A five mile section in Harvey County is now completed and will be opened to traffic at the same time as the 15.6 miles under construction in Sedgwick and Harvey Counties.

5B. Article about Dr. Redbird’s Medicinal Inn, a beer and sandwich parlor which opened at 124 South Main about five weeks ago. Details. Photos.

1G. Feature article about the new Chaparral High School, located mid-way between Harper and Anthony, Kansas. Details. Photos.

Article about the remodeling and enlargement nearing completion at Twin Lakes Shopping Center. Includes renovation and enlargement of the lower mall. Details.

Tuesday, May 25, 1971

7A. Board of Education yesterday officially named Wichita’s newest public school building Lawrence Wilbur Junior High School after Wichita school administrator Lawrence Wilbur, who died last September. The school is the former Madonna High School building, which was purchased from the Wichita Roman Catholic Diocese for $1 million, and which will be formally accepted by the Wichita school system within a few weeks.
Sunday, May 30, 1971
page 1D. Feature article on construction progress at site of the new Sedgwick County Zoo. Details.

4D. The second phase of Wesley Medical Center’s remodeling and building program has gotten under way, with work started on a new intensive care unit, located on the second floor of the main building. To be completed by September 1. Work on the new $9 million Tower Building is on schedule, with the walls now rising above the ground.

Lustercraft Company, fabricators of plastic products, has contracted for construction of a new building at 1818 South Meridian. To be completed in 90 days. Details.

Monday, May 31, 1971
page 9A. Full page Coleman Company ad relating facts about the strike at Coleman Company plants which has been going on since Thursday. Details.

Sunday, June 6, 1971
page 1F. Grand opening ceremonies for the Kiva, most recently completed phase of the five year, $12 million plus Garvey Center project, are to be held June 14. First building in the center was the R. H. Garvey building completed in April 1966. The Holiday Inn Plaza opened for business in July 1970. The Olive W. Garvey Building was occupied in October 1969. Page Court building was occupied May 1, 1971. The Fox Theater opened in October 1969. All structures in Garvey Center except the Holiday Inn were designed by Platt Associates, Architects, of Wichita. The Holiday Inn was designed by Lundgren and Maurer, Austin, Texas, with Platt Associates as coordinating architects. Details. Photos.

Tuesday, June 8, 1971
page 4B. Work has begun on construction of a multilevel plaza and waterfall on the west bank of the Arkansas River, across from Century II. Details.

Sunday, June 13, 1971
page 11A. Full page ad announcing grand opening ceremonies for Garvey Center tomorrow morning. Drawing.

1F. Article about Sears, Roebuck and Company’s newly remodeled and enlarged store in Twin Lakes Shopping Center. Details. Photos.

Saturday, June 19, 1971
page
1. Photo of old Wichita Binney streetcar No. 255 which after conversion and use as a house, was moved yesterday from near 14th and Santa Fe to the Wichita Historical Museum.

8A. Two page ad announcing Grand Opening of the newly enlarged Sears store at Twin Lakes.


Sunday, June 20, 1971

page 6D. Photo of infield, grandstand, and lights at Lawrence Stadium.

7F. Second phase of Highland Square shopping-office center is under construction at 13th Street and Woodlawn, and is to be completed within 90 days. Architects are Feagins and Kirsch, Wichita. Details.

Accent Frames, 2819 East Central, is having a new 6200 square foot building constructed at 2831 East Central.

Thursday, June 24, 1971

page 5A. Photo of corner of Broadway and Douglas, site of proposed new Fourth National Bank building, cleared except for one or two buildings in 300 block of East Douglas. The bank has purchased the building at 316 East Douglas now occupied by Douglas Optical, which will move to a new location at 122 East Douglas. Details.

8A. Article about Douglass Elementary School, 617 North Water, which opened in 1912 and was closed in 1956, and which is soon to be razed. Article discusses plans for other predominately black schools. Details. Photo of entrance of Douglass.

Saturday, June 26, 1971


Sunday, June 27, 1971

page 1G. Article about the recently completed facility of Central Church of Christ at 225 North Waco. The congregation was formerly known as Cleveland Avenue Church of Christ and was located in first block of North Cleveland. The unusual octagonal shaped new building was designed by Carmichael-Wheatcroft Architects and Engineers. Construction was started last fall. First formal worship service and dedication was held last Sunday. Details. Photos.
Article about a $750,000 renovation project getting under way at the Wichita Veteran’s Administration Center. Includes new ambulance entrance for the hospital. Details. Photo.

2G. A new Swiss Colony Inn is to be opened September 1 in the Garvey Center Kiva. Details. Drawing.

**Wednesday, June 30, 1971**

5A. City Commission yesterday rejected a proposal by Commissioner John Stevens to change the name of Century II to Wichita Century II Civic Center. Details.

14A. The new United States Postal Service officially takes over from the 200 year old Post Office Department tomorrow. Details. The Wichita Post Office began processing mail for 14 nearby communities in April, and mail will be postmarked with the 670 Zip Code of the sectional center, rather than with the name of the individual community. Also the postmark will include only a.m. and p.m., rather than the hour. Details.

**Thursday, July 1, 1971**

1. Thirteen miles of I-35 West from I-235 interchange north to K-196 in Harvey County will be opened to traffic today. The five mile stretch from Newton south to K-196 was opened last winter, and the two mile link from I-235 south to 21st Street in Wichita will be opened in two to three weeks. Contract cost of the 18.4 miles of I-35 West from I-235 north to Newton is $13.4 million. Follow up report July 2 on page 8A.

11A. Contracts have just been signed by New York sculptor James Rosati with Architectural Metal Products and Hahner, Foreman and Harness, contractors, for the fabrication of his Century II sculpture. Details.

**Friday, July 2, 1971**

1. Fourth National Bank and Trust Company announced yesterday that it has retained firms to complete architectural and engineering studies of the site of a proposed major office complex to be built by the bank in downtown Wichita. Details.

5A. Photo of old brick pavement with scars of streetcar tracks on North Market Street, which is being torn out prior to repaving.

8D. Feature article about movie being filmed in Mount Hope. Photo of Traveler Hotel, built about 1911.

**Sunday, July 4, 1971**

Wednesday, July 7, 1971

1. The old 100,000 gallon water tower standing near Beech Aircraft’s administration building is being dismantled preparatory to shipping it to Holcomb, Kansas, seven miles west of Garden City, for re-erection and further use. It was erected in 1929 at the old Travel Air factory but has not been used for the past three or four years, since a water main was installed on Central Avenue. Details. Photo.

Thursday, July 8, 1971

1. Friends University has received a $720,000 federal grant, which will complete the financing of a new $1.4 million mathematics and science building, scheduled for completion early in 1973. Details.

5A. Article about history of first electric lights in Wichita. Photo of streetcar in snow near Main and Douglas in winter of 1893-94.

12A. Article about Jasper Schad, new director of libraries at Wichita State University. He was formerly associate librarian at San Fernando Valley State College, Northridge, California. Photo.

Saturday, July 10, 1971

1. Arthur W. Kincade resigned yesterday as chairman of board of Fourth Financial Corporation, at age 75. He will be succeeded by A. Dwight Button. He will maintain a residence in Wichita and plans to move in September into the Frank Lloyd Wright house at 255 North Roosevelt. The house, which will be completely renovated, was built in 1917 for the late Senator Henry J. Allen and later was purchased by the late E. H. Adair.

Sunday, July 11, 1971

10A. Article says padlock and keys from Wichita’s first city jail are being given to Cowntown by Mrs. Otto Schweiter. History. Photo.

1D. Article reports fourth and final building for Rockborough Executive Park will be started the latter part of the month and should be ready for tenants in February 1972. The first
building in the six acre park was completed in February. Architects are Willis Chambers, Wichita and R. Bruce Widstrom, Omaha, Nebraska. Details. Photos.

Tuesday, July 13, 1971


Wednesday, July 14, 1971

New Wichita telephone directories are being distributed this week.

Saturday, July 17, 1971


Sunday, July 18, 1971

Orr’s Inc. has recently completed remodeling of its newest location, at 506 South Edgemoor. Details.

Thursday, July 22, 1971

Remodeling of Bishop Carroll High School into a co-educational institution is 50 percent complete. It will be completed in time for opening of the 1971-72 school term. Cost $350,000. Details. Work began June 10. Madonna High School and Carroll will merge this fall, with anticipated enrollment of about 100. The Madonna High School building was purchased by the Wichita public schools for $1 million and will open in August as Wilbur Junior High School. Kapaun High School for boys at 633 North Woodlawn is being merged this fall into Mount Carmel Academy at 8506 East Central.

Saturday, July 24, 1971

Feature article on rough railroad crossings in Wichita. Details. Photos.
Sunday, July 25, 1971

1. Catholic Diocese of Wichita yesterday announced sale of Chaplain Kapaun Memorial High School to Wichita attorney Robert Kaplan, for a price in excess of $1.5 million. The property includes 40 acres of land, as well as the building. Details. Photo.

5A. The stretch of I-35 West between the U. S. 254 interchange and 21st Street will be opened this week.

5D. Five stores are scheduled to open Friday in the enlarged lower mall at Twin Lakes Shopping Center. They are located under the Sears store addition. Details.

Wednesday, July 28, 1971

5A. Announcement yesterday that the Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority has received a grant of $369,272 from the Urban Mass Transportation Administration to finance two-thirds of the $553,900 project including purchase of 14 new 44 passenger buses.

Thursday, July 29, 1971

12C. Access to I-35 West at the 21st Street interchange will be opened today. Details.

Sunday, August 1, 1971

1G. Article about Rose Hill depot of Santa Fe Railway, which was purchased by Robert Wells and his wife Kathy and remodeled for use as a “summer home” on their 40 acre site near Benton, Kansas. Says the depot was built between 1887 and 1890. Interest of Wells was aroused when he watched the demolition of the Santa Fe’s Sand Creek depot near Newton about three years ago. Details. Photos.

4G. The new Medicenter facility at 932 North Topeka will open its doors for patients tomorrow morning. Details. Photos.

Monday, August 2, 1971

6B. Article about a converted railroad car now in use as the Green Diamond Dining Room at Covington, Oklahoma, on Oklahoma Highway 74. It has been a landmark for 34 years, and was once the advance publicity car for the 101 Ranch Wild West Show. Details. Photo.

Wednesday, August 4, 1971

1. Photo of steel girders in place for roof of the new $1 million Midian Shrine Temple, under construction in first block of North Topeka.
Thursday, August 5, 1971
page 1. Photo of old biplane on Main Street of Mount Hope for use in movie being filmed there. Details.

Saturday, August 7, 1971
page 8B. Ross Industries, Inc., flour milling and grain storage company, reported sales of $77.9 million in fiscal year ended April 30, 1971, compared with $78.5 million the previous year. Net income after taxes was $2.2 million, or $5.88 per share of common stock, compared with $2.56 million, or $6.85 a share, the year before. During the past year construction of a new headquarters building at 715 East 13th was completed and moved into.

Wednesday, August 11, 1971

Thursday, August 12, 1971
page 5A. Biographical article about long-time Wichita aviator, R. Eugene Lawrence. First soloed in 1927. Details. Photo of Lawrence and his wife, Marguerite.

17A. Public hearing to consider increase in city bus fares will be held today by Metropolitan Transit Authority. Details.

Friday, August 13, 1971
page 5A. Report of above public hearing on city bus fares. The Metropolitan Transit Authority anticipates a deficit of $57,428 by end of the year and needs more money now. The bus system is currently serving some 6500 persons per day, more than 50 percent below capacity. Details. No decisions taken.

7B. Article about possible renaming of Lawrence Stadium to Dumont Stadium. Details.

Saturday, August 14, 1971
page 1. The Radisson Hotel closed its doors to guests Friday night at 11 p.m., citing prohibitive costs and today’s economic conditions. The hotel, originally the Lassen, was purchased by Schimmel Hotels in the 1950s and then by Radisson Management Corporation in 1968.
5A. Article about donation of a trolley motorman’s uniform to the Wichita Historical Museum by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sloan and their son, Bill Sloan. Charles Sloan’s father, Thomas H. Sloan, was a streetcar conductor and motorman in Wichita from 1917 to about 1927. Details. Photo of the old Birney car with boarded up windows owned by the historical museum.

Sunday, August 15, 1971

Article about urban renewal and private projects in area of Murdock and Waco. The Swift & Company Building, formerly Snyder Ice Cream Company, is to be razed. The General Motors Parts Warehouse has been vacated and is being remodeled for the Zelinkoff Company. Paul Brooker Sales International, Inc., has moved into their recently completed office building. Details. Photos.

Karl Solomon, Wichita investor, has purchased the 64 acre tract east of Broadway between Pawnee and the Arkansas River from the heirs of Clark Kinkaid, who acquired it just 100 years ago. The Rock Island Railroad was built through the original form 84 years ago. During World War I Standard Oil Company planned to include it in 1000 acres being assembled by H. V. Wheeler, a local financier as a site for a refinery. The project was later abandoned because of early termination of the war. During World War II it was used as a location for carnivals. Details.

Tuesday, August 17, 1971

Report of death yesterday of Dr. William P. Cellahan, Jr., 53, of 41 Mission Road, pathologist, after a stroke. Born in Wichita. Was head pathologist at St. Francis Hospital for 17 years. Survived by widow, JoAnne Aylward, two sons, William Paul III, Jackson, Wyoming, and Joseph Michael, Wichita, two daughters, Mrs. E. A. Berry, Jr., Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Clark R. Mandigo, Wichita, his father, William P., Sr., and a sister, Mrs. Mauricie Pielsticker, Tulsa. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Saturday, August 21, 1971

Feature article about progress on the new Sedgwick County Zoo. The Children’s Farm portion will be transferred to the county on Wednesday. Details. Interview with director, Ron Blakely. Details. Photos and map.

Sunday, August 22, 1971

Feature article about the Eaton Hotel, which was acquired this summer by Carey House Square, Inc. Built by John B. Carey. Leased in 1895 to Ben Eaton and purchased by him in 1900. Then sold in 1914 to O. S. Shirk. Details. Photos.
3E. A structure at Sweetbriar Shopping Center, 21st and Amidon, formerly occupied by the Pancake House, is being doubled in size to accommodate F. X. Busch Luggage and Leather Goods and the Shoe Room, Inc. Details.

Expansion of the Carl Bell Grocery, 1400 North St. Francis, will increase store space by about a half. Partitions will be removed and the store's entrance will be changed. The door on the west will be closed and the entrance will be on the east side, from the parking lot. Work to be completed about October 15.

Thursday, August 26, 1971

8A. Article about start today of school cross-bussing. Details.

Saturday, August 28, 1971

1. The Radisson Hotel was purchased yesterday by Defenders of the Christian Faith, a Kansas City based interdenominational group, for use as a retirement home. Sale price was “over a half million dollars.” Plans include limited remodeling. It will be known as Defenders Townhouse. Grand opening tentatively set for the middle of November. Details.


Sunday, August 29, 1971

5A. Article about new director of the Wichita Historical Museum, Robert Puckett, who will assume his new position Tuesday replacing Robert Lawrence, director for the past three years. Lawrence will become a teacher at Wichita Collegiate School. Puckett has worked for the Dillon Company in Newton for the past ten years. His family were all from Sedgwick County and Newton, and his grandfather, Howard Puckett, was sheriff of Newton in 1903. Photo.

1F. Construction was started last week on the 150 unit Cantebury Inn at 5700 West Kellogg. Completion is scheduled for July 1972. Architects are Max L. Valentine Associates of Memphis, Tennessee. Cost will be over $2 million. Located on a 16½ acre site. Details. Drawing.

Construction will begin next week on a new facility for the Boulevard State Bank, at George Washington Boulevard north of Lincoln. It will replace the current facilities at Kellogg and George Washington Boulevard about mid-1972. The old location will be displaced by the Canal Route Expressway. To cost $1 million. Architects are Schaefer,
Schirmer and Eflin. Groundbreaking will take place Wednesday. Details. Drawing. Map page 3F.

Thursday, September 2, 1971

1. Bird’s-Eye view photo of Garvey Buildings, Kiva plaza, West Douglas avenue, and Century II from 26th floor of Holiday Inn Plaza. Paving, etc. all completed.

5B. Article about Mrs. Marvel White, first Kansas woman pilot (?), who took flying lessons beginning in September 1926. Soloed on November 6, 1926, her birthday, in a JN-4 Jenny named “The Kansas City Flyer.” Her instructor was Charles Lander. She married another flight instructor, Herb Haley. Joined the OX-5 Club when it was formed in 1957. Last flew as a pilot in 1966. Details. Photo.

Saturday, September 4, 1971

5A. Photo of west bank plaza under construction along Arkansas River, across street from Metropolitan Baptist Church. It is 60 percent complete and should be finished October 1.

Sunday, September 5, 1971

8B. Report of death Friday, of Alexander N. Petroff, 74, founder of the School of Aeronautical Engineering at University of Wichita, at his home in La Jolla, California. Born in Russia. Came to Wichita from Michigan University in 1928 after fleeing Russia during the Bolshevik Revolution, and founded the School at University of Wichita. Later worked for Curtiss-Wright and Cessna. Survived by widow, Genevieve, and two daughters (named -- not in Wichita). Photo.

Tuesday, September 7, 1971

1B. Report of death yesterday of John J. Buscher, Sr., 77, of 1955 North Ridge Road, retired owner of the former Grapevine Inn, Wichita. Born in Andale. Survived by widow, Mary Ann, two sons and three daughters (named -- two daughters in Wichita), and six sisters (named -- one in Wichita). Burial in The Jamesburg Cemetery, Wichita.

Wednesday, September 8, 1971


Friday, September 10, 1971
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page
1. Bids received yesterday for construction of the new Wichita administrative center building totaled about $17.5 million, some $5 million over the $12.5 million authorized for the project. Details.

Saturday, September 11, 1971

page
13A. Work is under way on renovation of the former Radisson Hotel for use as the Defenders Townhouse retirement home. Details.

Sunday, September 12, 1971

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1D. Construction will begin this month on a $2 million phase of Wesley Medical Center’s $21 million building program. A courtyard area bounded by Main, West, and Maternity buildings will be filled in with a two level structure which will provide four new operating rooms, four delivery rooms, six labor rooms, and a recovery room. Details. Construction of the new Tower building is three weeks ahead of schedule and it should be ready for occupancy late in 1972.

6D. Two remodeled and expanded McDonald’s Restaurants, at 1050 North Broadway and 1630 South Hillside, will be “reopened” on Thursday. Details. Photo.

Tuesday, September 14, 1971

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Saturday, September 18, 1971

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1. Article reporting on creation of a University of Kansas Medical Center branch in Wichita, which was approved yesterday by the Kansas Board of Regents. Details.

Sunday, September 19, 1971

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1G. The old Northern Building at northwest corner of 2nd and Main Streets, is to be razed some time this winter in clearing of the site for the city-county-federal building complex. Ownership of the building was transferred to the Wichita Urban Renewal Agency on August 1, and the building is to be vacated by October 31. The original building was built by an Iowa farmer and designed by a Kansas City architect in 1887. L. W. Clapp later acquired the building and built a 25 foot addition to the north in 1909. Details. Photos.
The Wichita Urology Group has moved into its new quarters at 851 North Hillside. Architects were Marshall Erdman Company, Madison, Wisconsin. Details. Photo.

Thursday, September 23, 1971

5A. Official census figures released Wednesday by the Sedgwick County assessor showed the Sedgwick County population in 1971 to be 331,128, a decline of 19,467 from the 350,695 reported in 1970. The population of Wichita is 262,297.

Friday, September 24, 1971

5A. Aerial photo of cabana buildings at rear of Diamond Inn motel, near entrance to Wichita Municipal Airport.

Saturday, September 25, 1971

8D. Article about properties exempt from ad valorem tax. Aerial photos of Friends University, Sacred Heart College, Veterans Hospital and Wichita State University.

Sunday, September 26, 1971

1A. Detailed article about plans for development of Wichita’s North Industrial Park. Map.

5B. Board of directors of Vulcan Materials Company has approved a $1 million modernization and expansion of the company’s Wichita plant. To be started in about two months and completed within nine months.

1F. A four story high steel and plexiglass ceiling is to be built over the sixth floor swimming pool at the Regal Inn. Architects are Robson, Kuhnel, and Spangenberg. Construction is to begin early in October, with completion in December. Details. Drawing.

6F. Alan Appliance, 339 North Main is being relocated to make way for the city county government complex, and has started construction of a new building at 1310 East Central. Completion is scheduled about January 1. Details.

Wednesday, September 29, 1971

7A. The new $500,000 plus home for Central State Bank, at 3433 East Central, will open Wednesday morning. The bank’s move from College Hill Tower, 3333 East Central, was completed Tuesday. Architects are Schaefer, Shirmer and Eflin. Details.

1B. Report of death Monday of Dr. Herman E. Friesen, 78, of 3444 East Pine. Born in Hillsboro, Kansas. Graduated from University of Kansas in 1921. Practiced four years in Sedgwick and six years in Valley Center before moving to Wichita, where he practiced for 39 years. Survived by his widow, Bess, two daughters, Mrs. Sally Molnar, Santa Barbara, California, and Mrs. Carol Sue Higgins, Wichita, two brothers, Peter, Hillsboro,

Sunday, October 3, 1971

1D. The new owner of the Schweiter Building, Cecil Zeitlin, a Denver, Colorado attorney, has abandoned plans for extensive remodeling of the building and will retain its original symmetry insofar as possible. He purchased the building in March from the Sphinx Investment Company, of Kansas City, Missouri. It had formerly been owned by the Graham-Michaelis Drilling Company, which purchased it in 1968. Details. Central air conditioning equipment has been purchased and is at the building awaiting installation.

5D. Work has started on two new Wichita State University buildings, the $4.3 million Life Science complex located directly across from Cessna Stadium on Yale, and the new central power plant, costing $2.1 million and located directly west of the University Water Tower. Architects for both buildings are Safely Associates, Architects and Planners. Details (in article on page 1D). Power plant completion due in October 1972 and Life Science Building in 18 months. Drawings.

6D. Brick’s Men’s Wear, 309 East Douglas, has completed expansion and remodeling of its store and will hold a grand opening on Wednesday. Architects were Schaefer, Schirmer and Eflin. Owners of the store are Ellen Brick and Russ Gordon. The addition extends 75 feet east from the original building. Details. Photo of new facade.

Wednesday, October 6, 1971

5A. School Board voted Monday to start planning for construction of a new plant facilities and supply center to replace the 53 year old building or the East High School campus used for this purpose. The present building at East was built in 1914 from bricks left when the old Washington School was demolished. Details.

Sunday, October 10, 1971

5A. Aerial photo of pens of Wichita Union Stockyards.

5B. Article about Kamen Iron and Metal Company, 616 East Murdock, owned by Sheldon J. Kamen. The firm was founded in 1896 by his grandfather, Samuel Kamen. Details.

4D. Mears Electric Company has moved to its recently completed quarters at 925 East Murdock. The company was founded in Wichita in 1919 and specializes in rebuilding electric motors. LeRoy McDowell is president. Details.

Expansion of River Bend Shopping Center, at West 21st and Somerset, will house two new businesses, Cloth World and Shoearama. Details.
Monday, October 11, 1971

5A. Photo of 21st Street Bridge over Arkansas River, which is under construction and nearing completion.

Thursday, October 14, 1971

2E. Report of death Tuesday of Dr. James Homer Holt, 54, of 456 North Belmont, director of medical education at St. Francis Hospital, after a long illness. Born in Independence, Missouri. Came to Wichita as a child. Graduated from East High School and Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. Attended medical school at Washington University, St. Louis. Survived by his widow, Patricia A., three sons, Teague and Mark, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and James H., Jr., Wichita, a daughter Mrs. Nancy Evans, Minneapolis, his mother, Mrs. William Coppinger, Wichita, and a sister, Mrs. Carlene English, St. John, Kansas. Photo. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Sunday, October 17, 1971

1B. Feature article about Wichita’s Metro High School. Details.

4B. Feature article about Amtrak and its plans.

5B. Grand opening today of the new location of the 75 year old Zelinkoff firm, now located at 300 West Murdock in the building that formerly housed a General Motors warehouse. The building has been extensively refurbished. The firm was founded in Denver in 1896 by S. M. Zelinkoff, father of the present owner, Milton A. Zelinkoff. Moved to Wichita in 1930. The senior Melinkoff died in 1931. The firm had been located at 347 North Main for 37 years before moving to the Murdock Street location, and makes mops, dustcloths, and other maintenance supplies. Details.

Continental Trailways Bus System has reduced the staff of its accounting department in Wichita from approximately 85 to 20 owing to installation of new computers for accounting operations at its Dallas general offices. Details.

1F. Remodeling is under way in the space in College Hill Tower, 3333 East Central, vacated by Central State Bank. A new tenant, Hallmark, Inc., will use the space for a card shop. It will be completed about November 5. Details.

3F. Photo of Wichita’s third Cloth World store which will open Thursday in the River Bend shopping center, 21st and Somerset.

5F. A building at 425 North Hillside vacated by the Wichita Urology Group is being remodeled for the offices of E. N. T. physicians, Dr. Joseph A. Budetti and Dr. Richard J. Cummings, who will move late in December from their present offices in the First National Bank Building.
Wednesday, October 20, 1971
page 9A. Judge Robert T. Stephen ruled in Sedgwick County District Court yesterday that Paula Murdock, widow of the late Marcellus M. Murdock, is to receive one-fifth of his estate. She had sought, but was denied, one-half of the estate. Murdock died March 10, 1970, and his will left the bulk of his estate in a trust to be divided equally among his widow and four of his children. Mrs. Murdock had contested the will on the basis of Kansas law that grants half of estates to surviving spouses.

Thursday, October 21, 1971
page 5A. At its meeting today the Metropolitan Transit Authority will receive a Model Cities proposal to increase the present level of bus transportation to residents of the Model Neighborhood Areas. Details of the proposals are included in the article. The Metropolitan Transit Authority will also approve issuance of $185,000 in bonds to provide local matching funds to purchase 14 new buses.

19A. Construction will begin next summer on a $1.8 million McKnight Faire Arts Center at Wichita State University. One-third of the cost is financed from a $600,000 gift to the university from the estate of Eva H. McKnight. Preliminary plans of architect Charles McAfee were approved at the October 15 meeting of the Kansas Board of Regents. Details. Drawing.

1B. Article describing deterioration in the old Sedgwick County Courthouse building, whose future has not been decided. Details. Photos, including one of the clock mechanism beneath the tower.

8F. Full page ad announcing grand opening today of the new Cloth World store, 1514 West 21st Street.

Friday, October 22, 1971
page 11A. Bids were received yesterday for construction of the new $1 million math-science building at Friends University. Details. Glenn Benedick is the architect. Ground breaking is set for November 10. Construction will begin in late November, with completion expected by February 1973. The building will be named William Penn Hall.

Saturday, October 23, 1971
page 10A. Emory Cox, Wichita director of parks, submitted his resignation yesterday to the Board of Park Commissioners, effective December 31. He is retiring after more than 30 years with the department, including 23 as director. Named to succeed him was H. Jay Setter, deputy director of aviation for the department. Tom Allen will continue as deputy director of parks and recreation. Cox is age 66 and succeeded Alfred MacDonald in January 1949, Setter is 49. Details. Photos.
Sunday, October 24, 1971

1G. Feature article describing the active homebuilding around the perimeter of the new Crestview Country Club. Details. Photos -- including aerial photo on page 5G.

7G. Article about recently completed building at southwest corner of Market and Pine housing offices of Utility Contractors, Inc. The firm was formerly located at 610 North Main and has been in business in Wichita for 21 years. Frank E. Jenkins is president. Architect was Charles McAfee. Details. Photos.

Monday, October 25, 1971

5A. Night photo of old city hall with floodlights.

Tuesday, October 26, 1971

5A. Photo of 2nd Street railroad underpass from east.

8B. Announcement of planned development of southwest corner of Kellogg and Rock Road on site of 54 Drive-In theater. Details.


Wednesday, October 27, 1971


Thursday, October 28, 1971

5A. Aerial photo of new Sedgwick County Courthouse and adjacent parking lot.

Sunday, October 31, 1971

1G. Cornerstone for the new Midian Shrine mosque, 130 North Topeka, will be laid Friday. Photo of the building shows exterior completed. Architect is Glenn Benedick. Completion expected about February 1. Construction was started in April. Midian Shrine has a 62 year history in Wichita. The present mosque, across the street in first block of
North Topeka, was acquired in 1926 and was remodeled with a new “shrine” motif facade. Details.

Photo shows marble panels being applied to tenth floor of new Farm Credit Banks building at 1st and Main. The material is Lees White marble from Massachusetts. The marble facing on American Savings Bank building across the street looks similar, but it was Ozark marble quarried in Missouri. Building will be ready for occupancy September 1. Another photo from above shows buildings at northeast corner of 1st and Main. Details.

4G. Carey House Square, Inc., has started first phase of restoration of the Eaton Hotel, 523 East Douglas, primarily structural work. Wooden beams in the lobby area are replaced with steel.

Thursday, November 4, 1971

1B. If weather permits, the new runway at Wichita Municipal Airport will be finished by the December 4 deadline. The $1.5 million project to overlay the old runway will extend its life by 15 years. A new runway, 1L-19R, was completed last year. The $2.3 million passenger concourse project is on schedule, with deadline for completion of February 15, 1972.

Friday, November 5, 1971

5A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved provision of evening bus service to the downtown area through the Christmas shopping season. It also approved a resolution calling for the city and county to act jointly to provide an efficient and adequate emergency ambulance service at public expense. Details.

Harper’s Wichita Journal and the Daily Record have been sold to William V. Krause, of Peabody, Kansas, by Nancy and Jerry L. Harper. The Harpers have published the Journal since 1966 and the Daily Record since 1967. Details.

Sunday, November 7, 1971

1D. Renovation of the former Radisson Hotel nearing completion, and the building will be opened this week as a Defenders Townhouse, with dedication to be held Saturday morning and open house on Saturday and Sunday. The largest project in the rehabilitation was the installation of a new heating and air conditioning system. Details. Photos.

A cafeteria with the food service area in a “scramble” pattern will be opened by Brown’s, Inc. early next year in the Insurance Building, 212 North Market. Remodeling work will begin the first week in December, with opening tentatively set for March 1. Details. Drawings.
2D. Large ad announcing grand opening of the new quarters of Central State Bank of Wichita, 3433 East Central, with open house today. Photo.

The former Will G. Price Hall, a women’s dormitory at 532 North Broadway, has been remodeled and opened yesterday as the Aristocrat Motor Inn. New owners are Les Oehlert, Stan Wisdon, and Wilbur Easter.

**Tuesday, November 9, 1971**

page 3A. Ground will be broken at 11 a.m. Wednesday for Friends University’s new $1.4 million math-science building, William Penn Hall. Architect is Glenn E. Benedick. Completion is scheduled in February 1973. Details. Drawing.

**Wednesday, November 10, 1971**

page 1. City commission yesterday voted to redesign the proposed new city administrative building and to hold costs of the project within a $14 million lid, excluding parking facilities. Details.

**Friday, November 12, 1971**

page 14A. Wichita’s newest public school, the Lawrence E. Wilbur Junior High School at 340 North Tyler Road, will be dedicated Sunday. The former Madonna High School, it was purchased March 30 from the Wichita Roman Catholic Diocese. Details.

**Saturday, November 13, 1971**

page 6A. Long article reporting that a trial in Sedgwick County District Court over disputed issues in the control of stock left in trust by the late Marcellus M. Murdock ended yesterday with the court ruling in favor of the trust beneficiaries. Plaintiffs were Murdock’s widow, Paula Murdock, his daughter, Janet M. Jennings, and two grandchildren, David Colwell and Vici Colwell McComb. Defendants were First National Bank, Murdock’s son, Marsh Murdock, and a daughter, Victoria Bloom. Complete details.

**Sunday, November 14, 1971**

page 1G. The Rockborough Building, third building in the Rockborough Executive Park, 260 North Rock Road, has been completed and held an open house Thursday. The first building in the complex was the IBM Office Products Division building, and the second was the Jack P. DeBoer Associates Building. Details. Photo.

3G. The historic Hill Building, formerly known as the Getto Building, at southwest corner of 2nd and Main, which survived one of Wichita’s most tragic fires, is to be razed soon. The fire, of February 5, 1923, killed nine persons. Originally a four story building, it was rebuilt as a two story building later in the 1920s. It was originally constructed by Wichita
pioneer Peter Getto in 1887. It was purchased by A. H. Hill, a city lumberman, in 1922. Since then it has changed hands a number of times and is presently owned by a group of Wichita businessmen headed by Henry Helgerson and Emmett Blaes. Most of the space in the building is now empty. Remaining tenants of the 100 foot front building must be out by November 28 and wrecking is to begin the first week of December. The land will probably be leased to a parking lot company.

**Wednesday, November 17, 1971**

1. Article about plans of Gotham Hotels, Ltd., owners of the former Allis Hotel, to pay off some of the hotel's creditors. Details.


**Thursday, November 18, 1971**

1. Plans announced yesterday by Chrysler Realty Corporation for a $20-30 million shopping center development at northwest corner of Kellogg and Rock Road. Details. Aerial photo and drawing.

1C. Report of death yesterday in Dallas, Texas, of Preston Reynolds, Jr., 53, investor and a major stockholder of Kansas State Bank and Trust Company, of Wichita, along with business partner Walter W. Ahlschlager, Jr. At one time they also owned Radio Station KFH, which was purchased from the Wichita Eagle and Beacon Publishing Company in 1963, and which they sold in 1969. They also were developers of the Wichita Plaza Building, now the Vickers-Kansas State Bank and Trust Building. Born in Dallas. Survived by widow, Judy, a son, Preston Reynolds III, a daughter, Jeanna Reynolds, his mother and a sister (named), all of Dallas. He and Ahlschlager purchased controlling interest in the Kansas State Bank of Wichita in June 1962. Less than a year later they bought KFH and the KFH Building, now Sutton Place. Kansas State Bank purchased the Wichita Plaza Building from them in 1966.


**Friday, November 19, 1971**

6A. Britt Brown yesterday was elected president of the Wichita Eagle and Beacon Publishing Company, Inc. Mrs. Marcellus M. Murdock was elected honorary chairman of the board. Directors elected include Ronald K. Badger, Britt Brown, Philip Kassebaum, and Paul R. Kitch, of Wichita, Ward E. Colwell, Brownsville, Texas, Victor Delano, Bethesda, Maryland, and Richard M. Jennings, Newport Beach, California.

Saturday, November 20, 1971

5A. Photo of new passenger concourses under construction at Wichita Municipal Airport, with temporary concourse now in use visible in background (i.e., south of the new concourse).

Sunday, November 21, 1971


The former Goodyear Tire Store at 110 East Waterman has been remodeled and is now Main Place office building. Details. Photo on page 4D.

Open house to be held today at the new building of Starkey Development Center for Retarded, Inc., at 144 South Young. Details. Photo.

5D. Article about new quarters to be built at 31st Street and George Washington Boulevard, for the Naval Reserve Training Center, which now meets in the Rounds and Porter warehouse building at 3rd and Waco. Move to new location to be early in 1972. Architects are Schaefer, Schirmer and Eflin. Details. Drawing.

Monday, November 22, 1971

1. Article giving history of proposals for a new city administrative center to replace the old City Building. Started 50 years ago. Details in long article.

Wichita unemployment in October dropped to seven and two tenths percent the lowest in 18 months since March 1970, when it was six and six tenths percent.

Saturday, November 27, 1971

5A. Night photo of buildings in Garvey Center.

Sunday, November 28, 1971

1F. Article about sketches of four historic Wichita buildings, the City Hall, Carey House, Rock Island Station, and Fire Station No. 4, done by Doran Barham and reproduced on
note stationery for sale by the Wichita Historical Society museum. The original sketches will be framed and donated to the Historical Society. Project sponsored by the Wichita chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Article shows all four sketches.

Construction has started on the first of ten buildings that will make up the Woodbridge apartment complex at 3801 West 13th. First apartments will be available about April 1. The complex borders Normandy Square Apartments, 3603 West 13th. Architects are E. Allen Roth, Shawnee Mission, Kansas. Details.

Article about dredge being used to fill in the old Dolese Brothers sandpit just southwest of the corner of 21st and Amidon. The 800 by 900 foot site will be filled in in about six months and will be the site of a new shopping center with a 104,000 square foot Woolco Department Store as an anchor tenant. Details. Photos.

Photo of new day care center at 11th and Piatt. Article with details.

**Thursday, December 2, 1971**

**page 17A.** Wichita aircraft plant employment at end of November was:

- Boeing -- 5314, up from 4204 in July.
- Gates Learjet -- 850 up from 450 at mid-year.
- Cessna -- 5850, up from 4300 in April.
- Beech -- 4136, up from 4062 in April.

**6B.** Braniff yesterday announced purchase of six new Boeing advanced 727 aircraft, to cost more than $45 million. Two to be delivered in July 1972, two in August 1972, and two tentatively in April 1973. Braniff is also acquiring seven more 727s from other sources -- four from Frontier Airlines, two from Allegheny Airlines, and one from Grant Aviation Leasing Corporation. Details.

**Friday, December 3, 1971**

**page 5A.** Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday passed resolution asking for contribution of $2000 per month from the city and county governments to help cover the cost of emergency ambulance service. Details.

**Saturday, December 4, 1971**

**page 2A.** Photo showing demolition of Edmund Stanley Gymnasium building at Friends University, which was opened in 1919. Site is to be used for the new $1.3 million William Penn Hall for math and science, which is to be completed in February 1973. The new library building was opened in 1970.

**Sunday, December 5, 1971**

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5B. Eleanor International, Inc., a Wichita-based holding company, has purchased the Union National Building from Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Metropolitan purchased the building two years ago. Details. Photo.

1D. Mid-Kansas Federal Savings and Loan Association will break ground Monday for a branch facility at 4000 East Harry. Architects are McVay, Schmidt and Allen. To be completed in April 1972. Details. Drawing on page 5D.

Monday, December 6, 1971


Wednesday, December 8, 1971


Sunday, December 12, 1971

5B. Article about remodeling of old buildings at 520 West Douglas for quarters of Import Volkswagen, Inc. Details. Photo.

Article about development soon to start of Olde English Manor Apartments at 22nd and Woodlawn. First units to be ready for occupancy in late spring of 1972. Will include eight buildings with total of 240 apartment units. Details. Drawing.

Thursday, December 16, 1971

19A. Announcement yesterday of retirement of Conlee Smith, president of Wichita Union Stockyards since 1955, effective February 1. Controlling interest in the company was acquired by Sierra Petroleum Company, W. A. Michaelis, Jr., president, in November 1970. Details.
Friday, December 17, 1971

1. Article reports Kansas will adopt the “international” look traffic signs by the end of 1974. Details.

5A. Article about low patronage of Metropolitan Transit Authority bus services being provided during evening hours for the Christmas shopping season. Buses have been averaging only 1½ passengers per run, between the last regular run at 6:20 p.m., and 9:20 p.m. Total has been 1361 passengers during first 15 days of December, compared with 1804 in same period last year. The Christmas eve bus service was inaugurated in 1969 at the request of downtown merchants. Details. Photo of three buses in lineup -- numbers not visible.

Saturday, December 18, 1971

3A. Site is being closed for the new Fourth National Bank Building. Demolition of the building at 125-29 North Topeka is to be completed by January 1. Wrecking of the old Midian Shrine Temple is to begin Wednesday, with completion by January 15. Clearing of the last remaining building on the north side of Douglas is to begin January 1. The final property to be cleared, now occupied by Clark Jewelers and Self Service Drugs, is to get under way around March 1.


Sunday, December 19, 1971

5B. Jabara Brothers Foods has purchased 21st I. G. A. at 21st and Grove and is planning to expand the store. Details.

Monday, December 20, 1971

2D. Report of death Sunday of Richard M. (Dick) Long, 73, of 1308 Perry, former managing editor of the Wichita Eagle, Evening Eagle, and Beacon, after a long illness. Born in Wichita and first worked for the Eagle as a delivery boy in 1914. In 1921 he joined the staff as a reporter after graduating from Fairmount College. He retired in 1963. He was editor of “Wichita Century,” the city’s 224 page centennial publication. Further biography. Survived by his widow, Ruth Marie, a son, Robert T., at home, a daughter, Elizabeth Anne Long, Wichita, and a sister, Mrs. Walter Gordon, Wichita. Photo. Burial in Resthaven Gardens of Memory.

Wednesday, December 22, 1971
1. Wichita Police Chief Merrell R. Kirkpatrick has announced his retirement effective February 1, 1972. He has been chief since October 1968 and will be 54 on January 11, 1972. Details.

16A. Air Midwest will inaugurate regularly scheduled service to Salina beginning January 3rd, using the Beechcraft 99A jet-prop airliner. Details.

Thursday, December 23, 1971

1. Photo showing ticket counters at Municipal Airport crowded with holiday travelers.

Sunday, December 26, 1971

2A. Photo of Douglas Avenue looking east from first block of West Douglas.

6C. Night photo of Christmas lights on trees in median of East Douglas Avenue.

Tuesday, December 28, 1971

2B. The new passenger concourses at Wichita Municipal Airport may be open by the first of February. Details.

Wednesday, December 29, 1971

2A. The Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday approved the merger of the Gulf, Mobile and Ohio Railroad into the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company.

Thursday, December 30, 1971

1. Russell E. McClure, deputy city manager for urban affairs, will retire from his position February 4, 1972. McClure, 65, will have served the city for 16 years. Details. Photo.

10A. Charles E. Straub, manager of Wichita Municipal Airport since 1941, will retire December 31. His replacement will be James De Long, assistant manager. Details. Photo.

Friday, December 31, 1971

1. Article reports proposal to sell two privately operated residence halls, Wheatshocker Hall and Fairmount Towers, to Wichita State University for more than $6 million. Fairmount Towers is about 60 percent occupied. It opened in 1966 for 650 students. Wheatshocker, seven years old, has a 1000 student capacity before much of the space was converted to apartments two years ago. It is said to be about 80 percent occupied. Details.