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 1974 WICHITA EAGLE-BEACON

Wichita Eagle-Beacon
Tuesday, January 1, 1974
page 3A. Wesley Medical Center’s new one day in-and-out surgery unit will open this week. Details.

Thursday, January 3, 1974
page 1. Photo looking south from Lincoln Street bridge shows clear view of Santa Fe Railroad bridge.

Sunday, January 6, 1974
page 1D-9D. Chronology of major events in Wichita in 1973:
January 1: Civic Playhouse closed its doors permanently.
January 12: Broadview Hotel closed.
January 16: Securities and Exchange Commission asked appointment of a receiver for Clinton Oil Company.
January 21: Seventy-fifth anniversary of Friends University.
March 1: Wichita Eagle and Beacon majority stockholders announced sales of the newspaper to Ridder Publications.
March 18: Hutchinson convention center, the Key to America Inn, formerly the Baker Hotel, was closed by bankruptcy action.
March 23: Final design for the Kellogg Mall (i.e., Towne East Square) was approved by Metropolitan Area Planning Commission.
April 4: Wichita elected its first woman city commissioner, Mrs. Connie Peters.
April 4: City commission gave final approval to the proposed Kellogg Mall Shopping Center.
May 2: Cessna Aircraft Corporation started construction of a $650,000 addition.
June 12: The park board changed the name of Wichita Municipal Airport to Wichita Mid-Continent Airport.
June 15: William Inge, playwright, buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery.
July 1: Sacred Heart College of Wichita changed its name to Kansas Newman College.
July 13: Ground broken for new $35 million shopping center at Kellogg and Rock Road.
August 14: Wichita Police Department hired its first black women police officers.
August 25: Broadview Hotel purchased for remodeling by a small group of businessmen.
September 12: City commission approved 2.75 million dollars in revenue bonds for renovation of Broadview Hotel.
September 15: Wichita State University set record enrollment of 14,500, up 1350 from 1972.
November 3: Jack P. DeBoer Associates Inc. sold Comotara to a subsidiary of a Pennsylvania real estate firm for 17 million dollars.
December 19: City commission approved six million dollars in revenue bonds to Wesley Medical Center for construction of a two level ambulatory care facility and a parking garage.
December 23: Board of Trustees voted to close College of Emporia.

Monday, January 7, 1974
page 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority services won’t expand much in 1974, director Pat McGinnis said, but he expects passenger totals to continue rising. As to funds, a halfmill levy, which brings in about $290,000 a year, is at the statutory limit. To increase it would mean going through the state Legislature. Figures for first 11 months of 1973 show that 1,715,813 persons rode Wichita buses. During the same period in 1972 the number was 1,595,975.

Sunday, January 13, 1974
page 1C. Feature article about College of Emporia, which is closing after 91 years. Details. Photos.

Wednesday, January 16, 1974
page 1. Four members of the Otero family found murdered in their home at 803 North Edgemoor. Details.

5D. Report of death yesterday of Ivan Darrel Umbarger, 75, of 807 North Erie. Survived by widow, Virginia V., and two sisters, Miss Margie Umbarger and Mrs. Vivian Garber, both of Wichita. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

Friday, January 18, 1974
page 14C. Ridership on city buses increased by 121,422 passengers, or 7.1 percent, over the 1972 total, perhaps partly due to the energy shortage. The 12 month passenger total in 1973 was 1,835,439 compared to 1,714,017 in 1972. An application for an additional ten buses for Wichita will be sent to the Urban Mass Transit Administration next week. An 80 percent federal grant of about $420,000 will be sought.
Monday, January 21, 1974
page 1. A 75 foot section of the westbound lane of the 2nd Street Bridge collapsed into the Arkansas River about 8:45 a.m. yesterday. The collapse was blamed on large ice floes in the river. The collapse endangered a large number of telephone lines carried on the bridge. Details. Photos.

Tuesday, January 22, 1974
page 7A. Article about options for relocation of telephone lines carried over 2nd Street Bridge. Details.

Friday, January 25, 1974
page 5A. Photo of brick pavement torn up on 12th Street between Market and Main streets, just north of Horace Mann school.

Sunday, January 27, 1974
page 2A. Photo of workmen erecting steel towers yesterday for temporary suspension bridge to carry a 310 foot pipe with telephone cables previously carried over the 2nd Street Bridge.

6A. Photo of new Minor Surgery Center at Murdock and Lorraine, which is to open February 18. Article with details.

13A. Photo of Santa Fe depot at Goddard, which was bought by the Goddard Lions Club and is to be moved to Lions Park in Goddard. Cost of moving and refurbishing the depot is estimated at $6000.

5C. Construction has started on a new 48 unit Scotsman 8 budget motel at 6125 West Kellogg. Scheduled for completion about June 1.

Tuesday, January 29, 1974
page 1. A 30 million dollar bond issue to finance school construction, additions and remodeling was recommended yesterday by Dr. Alvin Morris, Wichita superintendent of schools. Details.
2A. Senior citizens wishing to take advantage of the half-fare price being offered by the Metropolitan Transit Authority may have their pictures taken for identification cards at specified hours.

Wednesday, January 30, 1974

1. Photo of completed temporary suspension bridge over Arkansas River erected to carry telephone cables previously located on the collapsed 2nd Street Bridge. Towers are 50 feet high. Article with details.

Sunday, February 3, 1974

1. Photo of old pile Seneca Street bridge taken by Gerald H. Wood, 77, after it was destroyed by ice floe 30 years ago. Article with details.

15A. Photo of new City Administrative Center building under construction. Concrete shell for elevator shafts is up most of its height.

4F. Report of retirement Thursday of Fred Kimball as executive vice-president of Kansas Gas and Electric. Details.

Wednesday, February 6, 1974

12B. Photo of McKnight Art Center at Wichita State University under construction. To be completed about August 1.

Saturday, February 9, 1974

13A. Construction of a 4.8 mile extension of the four lane road from Maize to West Street will begin about April 15 and should be completed by next spring. Details.

Monday, February 11, 1974

4B. Article gives Coleman Company financial report

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Wednesday, February 13, 1974

1. Photo shows workmen removing ties from old Midland Valley Railroad, now owned by Missouri Pacific Railroad, between Pawnee and 31st Street South. The track was no
longer being used by the Missouri Pacific and was sold to Big River Nursery, of Wichita. The nursery bought about 4200 ties from about a mile of track. They will be sold for landscaping purposes.

**Sunday, February 17, 1974**

**page 2D.** Feature article about plans of St. Francis Hospital to build a new 22 million dollar tower building at south end of present hospital building. Drawing. The hospital is currently engaged in a $70,000 project to remodel the emergency room entrance on Emporia.

The Wichita State University Branch of the University of Kansas Medical School opened its doors January 2 to its first class, numbering 15 third and fourth year students. The number of students will increase to 120 by 1977. They will receive two years of clinical training in Wichita.

**3D.** Photo of herpetarium building under construction at Sedgwick County zoo.

**4D.** Photo of new branch office of Kansas State Bank and Trust Company at 4820 East Douglas being remodeled from a former clothing store.

**7D.** Photo of the new five story addition to the Holiday Inn East, 7411 East Kellogg, which was completed in September 1973.

**11D.** Photo of Towne East Shopping Center under construction. Center is scheduled to open in February 1975.

**4E.** The Minor Surgery Center of Wichita, at 810 North Lorraine, will open tomorrow. Details.

**Monday, February 18, 1974**

**page 5A.** Construction has begun on the new MacArthur Road bridge across the Arkansas River just west of K-15. Photo.

**Thursday, February 21, 1974**

**page 7B.** Full page ad announcing opening today of Kansas State Bank and Trust Company’s new branch office at 4820 East Douglas. Drawing.

**Friday, February 22, 1974**

**page 12C.** Report of death yesterday of John E. Cero, 62, of 6414 East 11th, third generation candy maker and owner of Cero’s Candy Shoppe, 2919 East Kellogg. The Cero firm was founded in 1884 by “Candy Pete” Cero, a Greek sailor who jumped ship in New Orleans and came overland to Wichita. In 1902 Cero brought his nephew, Edward John Cero, to
Wichita from Greece to take over the business. John E. Cero was the son of Edward. Survivors include his widow, Ethel, three sons, Edward, Dean, and Larry Cero, all of Wichita, and a sister, Mrs. Marine Andrews, of Tracy, California. Photo. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

Sunday, February 24, 1974
page 11D. Construction of a new building for Manor House Furniture is well under way at 8100 West Kellogg. To be ready for occupancy in April. Architects are Robson, Kuhnel and Spangenberg. Details. Drawing.

Monday, February 25, 1974
page 1. Article about progress on construction of Wichita’s new 10.8 million dollar City Administrative Center. Building was started January 3, 1973. Details. Photo.

Tuesday, February 26, 1974

Saturday, March 2, 1974
page 1. The price of First Class postage increases today by two cents to ten cents. Details.

Sunday, March 3, 1974
page 5E. Byron Stout, Jr. last week sold his Pontiac dealership at 5800 West Kellogg to Jerry Dahlinger, of Winfield, Kansas. Stout will continue to operate his Stout-Jeep dealership at 129-136 (?) Pattie.

Thursday, March 7, 1974
page 7A. Four of Jack P. DeBoer’s Wichita apartment complexes have been sold to General Investment Development, of Boston, Massachusetts. They are Eastborough Arms, Barclay Square, Kingborough Arms, and Rockborough.

Friday, March 8, 1974

Sunday, March 10, 1974
page
2A. Aerial photo of downtown Wichita from southwest, to show proposed location of new Art Museum south of the public library.

1B. The new Marcus Center for Continuing Education at Wichita State University is to be dedicated today. Cost $450,000 and is named for Samuel H. Marcus. Details. Drawing.

6C. Interstate Electronics Supply Corporation will move into their new building at 1330 East 1st by April 10. Architect is Willis Chambers. Drawing.

Tuesday, March 12, 1974
page 1.
Eagle and Beacon editorial opposing location of a new Art Museum on the Century II parking lot south of the library. Details.

Wednesday, March 13, 1974
page 15D.
Old fire station No. 1 at 3rd and Water is about to be razed, having been replaced by a new one at Main and Murdock.

Friday, March 15, 1974
page 1.
Wichita Mid-Continent Airport has been declared an official United States Port of Entry under the St. Louis, Missouri, Customs District. Details.

Sunday, March 17, 1974
page 1.
Ground was broken yesterday for the new seven million dollar Wichita Hilton Inn at Kellogg and Rock Road. Architects are Robson, Kuhnel and Spangenberg. To be opened in spring of 1975. Details.

Saturday, March 30, 1974
page 18C.
Biographical article about Richard Volk, 37, new president of Clinton Oil Company. Details.

Sunday, March 31, 1974
page 19A.
The new Life Sciences Building at Wichita State University is to be dedicated next weekend. Formal opening will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday. Cost 4.4 million dollars and was opened for classes this past fall while construction finishing work continued. Details. Photo.

Wednesday, April 3, 1974
page
1. City Commission yesterday voted to rescind its resolution to build a new Art Museum on the Century II parking lot site. Details.

5A. Photo showing demolition of the old 2nd Street bridge over the Arkansas River under way. Part of the bridge collapsed on January 20 from pressure of an ice mass in the river. The bridge will be replaced using $600,000 in emergency funds.

16A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority has published a Braille edition of the city bus schedule. Details.

Saturday, April 6, 1974
page 6B. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Kenneth (CeCile L.) Pringle, 79, of 1102 North Ridgewood. Survived by a son, Kenneth Jr., Wichita, and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Alice Morozzo and Mrs. Helen M. Partybok, both of Wichita, and a brother, Bud Davis, Lawrence, Kansas. Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

Sunday, April 7, 1974
page 1. Remodeling of the Broadview Hotel is progressing slowly but surely. The familiar corner entrance at Waco and Douglas has been closed, and a new canopied entrance on a half circle drive is planned on the south side opening onto Douglas. The lobby and restaurant areas are also being remodeled. Details.

Wednesday, April 10, 1974
page 18D. City Commission yesterday elected Garry Porter mayor of Wichita. Details.

Thursday, April 11, 1974
page 5A. Bids were opened Friday for construction of a parking garage at the new city administrative center. Low bidder was Coonrod and Walz Construction Company with a $1,459,000 base bid. To be presented to City Commission on April 23. Details.

Friday, April 12, 1974
page 5A. The old alligator pit in Riverside Park is being partly filled in by Park Department to form a prairie dog town with dens burrowed in the center of three foot mounds. Photo.

Saturday, April 13, 1974
page 1. Air Midwest yesterday received an order from the Civil Aeronautics Board authorizing approximately $132,000 annually in subsidy for air service to Hutchinson, Great Bend, and Dodge City, Kansas. The subsidy payments will be retroacting to August 1, when the petition for same was filed. Details.
Wednesday, April 17, 1974

1. City Commission yesterday authorized issuance of two million dollars in urban renewal general obligation bonds to build an Indian center at the confluence of the two Arkansas rivers. The city will construct the building and then lease it to Mid-America All-Indian Center Inc. for operation. Details.

Friday, April 19, 1974

8A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved a change in the Riverside-South Main bus route, which now goes west on Central and then north on Nims. It will now make a loop around Stackman Drive to take it past the Wichita Art Museum, and then cut back to Nims on Murdock.

Saturday, April 20, 1974

20D. Report of a fire yesterday morning which caused extensive damage to the renovated building at 412 East Douglas which was to house Dr. Redbird’s Medicinal Inn restaurant. Damage estimated at more than $150,000. Photo with fire engine and hoses.

Sunday, April 21, 1974

1D. Feature article about the 1955 Udall tornado and reconstruction of town since then. Photos.

5D. Cassell Transfer and Storage, 118 North Mead, the Wichita agent for Mayflower Van Lines for 41 years, has been purchased by Troy R. Barton, a former employe.

Thursday, April 25, 1974

9A. Sedgwick County Commission yesterday approved the purchase of a 240 acre site for the proposed Kansas Coliseum. The three 80 acre tracts in the site are expected to cost the county more than $200,000, or approximately $700 per acre plus interest and other costs. Architects for the proposed 7.1 million dollar project are Thomas, Harris, Ash and Mason. Details.

Saturday, April 27, 1974

8A. An order of tokens to be used in the Senior Citizens half-price bus fare program finally has been received by the Metropolitan Transit Authority. The tokens went on sale Friday in quantities of ten for $1.50. Metropolitan Transit Authority issued identification cards must be presented when purchasing tokens. Because of the lack of tokens for two months since the program went into effect, Metropolitan Transit Authority has allowed persons with Senior Citizens ID cards to ride buses for 15 cents each. This will be phased out,
and beginning May 13 senior citizens will be required to use tokens to take advantage of the reduced fare.

**Monday, April 29, 1974**

**page 5A.** City Commission is seeking a permanent name for the new city building at Central and Main. Suggestions from the public are invited. Details. Drawing.

**Tuesday, April 30, 1974**


**11C.** Lincoln Street Dam, deflated for several months, may not be repaired before the Wichitennial River Festival. Details.

**Wednesday, May 1, 1974**

**page 10C.** City Commission yesterday approved the final plat for expansion of Wesley Medical Center, marking an agreement with residents of the Sleepy Hollow neighborhood. Major provisions include:

- Widening and improvement of Murdock and Vassar around the hospital to a 40 foot width.
- Holyoke to be terminated in a cul-de-sac on the north side of Murdock.
- Edgemont and Elm to be terminated in cul-de-sac at Vassar.
- Vassar will be constructed through the Sleepy Hollow park area to Central, with a bridge over the park. Details.

**Friday, May 3, 1974**

**page 2A.** The S. H. Kress and Company store in downtown Wichita is holding a sale prior to closing its operation this month.

**Saturday, May 4, 1974**

**page 20D.** Sedgwick County Commission yesterday completed purchase of the 240 acre site of the proposed Kansas Coliseum at a cost of $176,484. Details.

**Sunday, May 5, 1974**

**page 1.** Effective today the single copy price of the Sunday Eagle and Beacon will be increased five cents from 30 to 35 cents. The daily paper will remain the same at ten cents.

**3E.** Photo of boarded up depot in Lorraine, Kansas.
Saturday, May 11, 1974


Sunday, May 12, 1974

4A. Salvation Army yesterday celebrated its 88th year in Wichita. The organization held its first open air meeting in Wichita on May 12, 1886. Details.

16A. Report of dedication yesterday of Wichita’s new Fire Station No. 1, at Main and Murdock, in honor of Fire Chief Thomas A. McGaughey, who died November 21, 1968 while fighting a fire at the Yingling Chevrolet Agency, 300 South Topeka. The new fire station cost $618,000. Details.

Wednesday, May 22, 1974

1. Lear Jet Corporation delivered a record number of 75 airplanes in its fiscal year ended April 30. The firm’s Wichita operation employs 1700 persons. In fiscal year 1973 the number of deliveries totaled 43. Details.

Saturday, May 25, 1974


Sunday, May 26, 1974

5A. Photo of high rise apartment building for elderly under construction at 7th and Greenway. Seven story building is expected to open about October. Cost 1.9 million dollars.

1C. Several feature articles about Jesse Chisholm and his history in Wichita area.

Wednesday, May 29, 1974

7B. City Commission yesterday voted to officially name the new administrative center under construction at Main and Central “Wichita City Hall.” Details.

Saturday, June 1, 1974

page
Continental Airlines and Western Airlines will today begin operating an interchange flight between Wichita and Anchorage, Alaska. The flight, using a Boeing 727-200 plane, will be operated by Continental Airlines from New Orleans through Houston, Tulsa, Wichita and Denver to Seattle, and by a Western Airlines crew from Seattle to Anchorage. Details.

Article about “Antique Plus” store recently established in a former grocery at 2130 North Market. Space on the interior is divided into 30 individual shops. Developer is M. F. Shamahorn. Details. Photos.

Report of death Saturday of Dr. Perry D. Patterson, 53, of 3717 East Murdock. Survived by his widow, Dr. O’Ruth Sisk, three sons and one daughter (named), and his mother, Mrs. Burlie Patterson, Chanute, Kansas. White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

Report of dedication yesterday of National Cash Register Company’s new Wichita Accounting Computer Division, which has been in operation since January 15th at 37th Street North and Rock Road. Details.

Proposed Wichita school district budget for 1974-75 totals 63.9 million dollars. Details. Preliminary Sedgwick County budget for 1975 is 23.1 million dollars.

Report of death yesterday of Edward L. Larcher, 49, of 6310 Marjorie Lane, of a heart attack. Was partner in Larcher’s Food Market. Survived by his widow, Norma, four sons (named), all at home, a daughter, Mrs. Kathy Callshan, Wichita, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Larcher, Wichita, a brother Joseph, Wichita, and a sister, Mrs. Barbara Carlson, Kansas City, Missouri. Photo. Burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Feature article about construction projects in Wichita.
Thirty-five million dollar Towne East Square -- to open next year.
Twenty million dollar Fourth Financial Center -- to open late this summer.
Davis Manufacturing Company nearing completion of a 240,000 square foot facility at 31st Street South and Hoover Road.
Safeway Company is building a 13 million dollar meat processing plant at Sheridan and Pawnee.
Recent dedication of eight million dollar facility by NCR Company at 3718 North Rock Road.
Plans for 9.7 million dollar expansion of Vulcan Materials Company chemical plant.
Plans by Western Electric Company to build a five million dollar warehouse facility near Goddard.
Construction of seven million dollar, 300 room Hilton Inn at Kellogg and Rock Road.
Near completion of East Pike office building east of Kansas Turnpike on Kellogg.
Construction of 4.4 million dollar apartment-condominium complex, Cherry Creek Hills, at 2200 South Rock Road.
Announcement by David’s department store of a 52,000 square foot store in Parklane Shopping Center.
Construction of 10.8 million dollar city hall.
Erection of new six million dollar public school service center.
Construction of ten million dollar regional post office building.
A number of others. Details. Photos -- including one of city hall, showing framework only, up to about eighth floor.

Monday, June 10, 1974
page 5A. Aerial photo showing buildings along West Kellogg between Hoover Road and Tyler Road.

Wednesday, June 12, 1974
page 7A. Beginning June 15 Trans World Airlines will add a non-stop flight from Wichita to Los Angeles. Details.

Thursday, June 13, 1974
page 1. Article about Frank Pollock, Jr., 60, president of the Northwestern Oklahoma Railroad, a 12 mile line on old Katy track at Woodward, Oklahoma. Details. Photo.

Friday, June 14, 1974
page 3A. Board of Education yesterday agreed to sell the Martinson School property to Karl Solomon, Wichita. Price for the building and land is $32,500. The building at 249 North Athenian, was closed as a school last year and is now occupied by Wichita Youth Corps. and Operation Clothesline.

Saturday, June 15, 1974
page 1. Boeing employment in Wichita climbed over the 9000 mark this week for first time in 4 and one-half years.
Cessna has 9200 on the payroll.
Beech has 5109 employes in Wichita.
Gates Learjet Corporation has 1700 employes.

Sunday, June 16, 1974
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11B. The normal Metropolitan Transit Authority bus passenger load on an average weekday is 6974, with average revenue per weekday of $1878.

Monday, June 17, 1974
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Sunday, June 23, 1974
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Tuesday, June 25, 1974
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Monday, July 1, 1974
page
1. Feature article reporting progress in development of the new Sedgwick County zoo. Details. Aerial photo on page 12A.

Wednesday, July 3, 1974
page
1. City Commission yesterday voted against location of a new Wichita Art Museum on the Century II parking lot site. Details.

Sunday, July 7, 1974
page
1B. Feature article about playwright William Inge, who is having Little Theater Building at University of Kansas dedicated to him Friday.

Monday, July 8, 1974
page

Thursday, July 11, 1974
page
1. Agreement in principle to merge was announced yesterday by Ridder Publications Inc., owner of the Wichita Eagle and Beacon, and Knight Newspapers Inc. Details. The Eagle and Beacon were purchased by Ridder in April 1973.

16A. Article about Forrest Robinson, Republican candidate for governor. Photo.

Saturday, July 13, 1974
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7A. Official 1974 census figures reported by county assessor:

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Tuesday, July 16, 1974
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Wednesday, July 17, 1974
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1. City Commission yesterday voted to annex the Callahan-Westport additions. It was the first annexation by Wichita of a developed area in several years. Details. The additions are located west of Tyler Road and south of Maple and consist of 800 residents.
Tuesday, July 23, 1974
page 1.

Clinton Oil Company has agreed to settle for two and one-half million dollars plus other considerations, class action damage suits pending against it in United States District Court. Details.

5A.
The former Martinson public school, sold recently by the Board of Education, will be used this fall by the independent Christian Challenge School. Details.

Sunday, July 28, 1974
page 5E.

Photo shows manager moving into the new Riverbend Apartments, 21st and Meridian. Project has 216 units.

Construction is under way on the Chisholm Trail State Bank, at Broadway and 61st Street North. To be completed by end of this year at cost of $250,000.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield will open new offices Monday at 2620 East Central. Details.

Tuesday, July 30, 1974
page 2A.

Board of Education yesterday approved a 74.6 million dollar budget to finance 1974-75 school operations. This is an increase of about $700,000 from 1973-74. Details.

Wednesday, July 31, 1974
page 1.

City Commission yesterday approved a 60.7 million dollar budget for 1975. This includes slightly over 43 million dollars in tax funds plus 17.8 million dollars in revenue from self-supporting utilities, including water, sewer, refuse collection, and Mid-Continent Airport. The increase in tax-supported funds, is 4.9 million dollars over the 1974 spending of 38.1 million dollars. Article discusses in detail the Metropolitan Transit Authority’s request for funding. Ridership is up 15.7 percent over last year. During May there were 20,000 more riders than during same month last year. Details.

Thursday, August 1, 1974
page 15A.

The 18 year old Ben Robinson Buick Company has been sold by Ben Robinson and Adrian Monnat to two long-time employes, Walt Lesline and Jay Shrum, and effective today, will be known as Robinson-Lesline Inc. Details.

Monday, August 5, 1974
page 7C.

Official publication of list of polling places in Wichita and Sedgwick County. We are in Ward V, Pct. 13.
Wednesday, August 7, 1974

Friday, August 9, 1974
page 1. President Nixon resigned last night. Details.

Sunday, August 11, 1974
page 5A. Article about new design for official key to the City of Wichita. Details. The previous key was designed in 1962. Photo.

Wednesday, August 14, 1974
page 1. City commission yesterday approved the first step toward creating a planetarium in Wichita, to be located in the Municipal Court Building, 220 South Main (former city library). Details.

Thursday, August 15, 1974
page 1. The Metropolitan Transit Authority may have to reduce its special school bus services when schools reopen soon. Last year the Metropolitan Transit Authority provided transportation to students living no more than two and one-half miles from school. The school board provides busing for students living two and one-half miles or farther from school. The district has under contract 206 buses with 66 passenger capacity and 44 carryall vans. The Metropolitan Transit Authority lost over $17,000 on its special school services last year. Details. Mrs. Helene Little is Metropolitan Transit Authority board chairman. Paul McGinnis executive director.

Friday, August 16, 1974
page 5A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday voted to cease operations on its special school service. This does away with ten special school bus routes for nine schools (schools named). The special service routed caused a net loss of $17,630 last year. Details.

Photo of the 94 year old Holcomb, Kansas depot, which has been purchased by Charles Anstaett and is being moved to his family ranch north of Garden City, where it will be restored with all the original contents. Anstaett has also purchased and moved to the ranch the 86 year old Deerfield depot.

Sunday, August 18, 1974
page
5A. Report of dedication yesterday of the Wichita Water Department’s new five and one-half million dollar Robert H. Hess Pumping Station. The new station has a capacity of 170 million gallons per day, which should meet demands until almost the year 2000. The station is located at 1700 West Sim Park Drive and is named for the director of the city water department, who retired last year. Details. Photo.

4C. Lincoln Heights Village Shopping Center, at Douglas and Oliver, which opened in 1949, is observing its 25th anniversary this week. The property was part of 80 acres (Douglas to Kellogg and Crestway to Oliver) purchased for $110,000 in 1927 by Walter Morris and Son. Photo as it appeared in 1949.

Jack Shirk, manager of Macy’s here since 1968, has been named vice-president and store manager. He first came here in 1961 as general manager of the Innes Company, which had become a Macy’s store.

6E. Ad with photo of large two story frame house at 1221 Riverside, being offered for sale for $36,900.

**Tuesday, August 20, 1974**

5A. Men are working two ten hour shifts daily on the new four lane K-96 highway between Maize and the West Street-45th Street North intersection. Grading is about 30 percent complete. Aerial photo of Maize interchange.

**Wednesday, August 21, 1974**

1. A proposed city-county emergency medical service was given approval yesterday by city commission. Details.

**Thursday, August 22, 1974**

5A. The city plans to file suit against the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company to recover damages from failure of the Lincoln Street Dam. The inflatable dam has been deflated most of the time since October, when it was determined there was a tear in the east section of the double-section dam, making it beyond repair. Details.

**Saturday, August 24, 1974**

24C. Report of population of Kansas cities and counties in 1974, by the state Department of Agriculture. Population of Sedgwick County is 335,641 and of Wichita is 261,851.

**Sunday, August 25, 1974**

9B. Notice of 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. David V. MacNaughton, retired Wichita school teachers (both). MacNaughton and Helen Reeves were married August
28, 1924 in Houston and have lived in Wichita for 43 years. They have three sons, Drs. Robert and Ralph, both of Kansas City, and David, of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Photos. (He was my printing teacher at Horace Mann).

1C. The Broadview Hotel has been re-opened for some business since June, and the $4.75 million project to purchase, renovate and add to it is moving steadily ahead. The initial restoration will be completed this fall, giving 311 guest rooms, a renovated River Club, and a new supper club. The hotel has been closed in January 1973 by its owner, Tri-State Hotel Company, headed by R. C. McCormick. In September it was purchased by Executive Manor Inc., headed by Sam Cohen, of Topeka. Furnishings and fixtures were removed in November, after which refurbishing began. A feature of the remodeled lobby is a large foyer mirror from the old Kansas governor’s mansion in Topeka. Details. Photos including one of the new entrance and canopy on Douglas Avenue.

Tuesday, August 27, 1974

1. Report of death yesterday of Charles A. Lindbergh at age 72. Article mentions several visits of Lindbergh to Wichita, including one on February 3, 1929 when he picked up a Travel Air 6000 to fly to Mexico City.

Sunday, September 1, 1974

1. The new Fourth National Bank Building is to open to the public on Tuesday, September 3. Details. Photo of interior of atrium.

1B. Feature article about R. Buckminster Fuller’s Dymaxion Homes. Details. Photos.

Wednesday, September 4, 1974

1. Report of efforts to save the old Murdock House at corner of Murdock and St. Francis, built originally in 1874 by Marsh M. Murdock, and later enlarged until 1885. Murdock family lived there until 1914. Plan is to move the original part of the home to Cow Town. Details. Photo.

Friday, September 6, 1974


Sunday, September 8, 1974

1C. Feature article about proposed design of the new-All-America Indian Center. Architects are Schaefer, Schirmer and Associates. Details. Drawings.
Friday, September 13, 1974
page 5A. The Mid-Town Citizens Association yesterday completed the purchase of the historic 1874 Marshall Murdock home at Murdock and St. Francis. The original core section of the house is to be transported to Cow Town and renovated. Details. Photo.

15A. Article by Marie McDonald reporting on a tour through the old Murdock house. Additions to the original house probably made along with repairs after a fire in the 1880s. Only four of the Murdocks’ eight children lived to adulthood: Kate (Mrs. Bion Hull) who died in 1893; Pearl Jane (Mrs. Paul Eaton) who died in 1945; Victor, who died in 1946; and Marcellus, who died in 1970. Details.

Sunday, September 15, 1974
page 1B. Feature article about the Silverdale, Kansas stone quarries, which were purchased by Harold J. Born, of Wichita, in 1961. He is now using three quarries on leased land, but has the makings of several others on his own land. Silverdale stone has been used in 36 states, but mostly in Kansas and its bordering states. Most of it is shipped by truck. Details. Photos.

Wednesday, September 18, 1974
page 16A. Article about plans to build a condominium medical arts office building and a four story parking garage north of Wesley Medical Center across Pine Street. Office building to be six stories, with total area of about 128,000 square feet. Work on both is to begin later this month. Garage will be completed in four to five months and the offices in early 1976. Details.

Friday, September 20, 1974
page 1B. Report of death yesterday of Randle W. Womer, 68, of 120 Lynwood, realtor and developer of several additions (named) and the Boulevard Plaza Shopping Center. Born in Agra, Kansas and grew up in Osage City, Kansas. After attending University of Kansas he entered business with his father, J. W. Womer, and they came to Wichita in 1938. Survived by his widow, Joyce H., a daughter, Mrs. Caroline Rupe, Wichita, two step-sons (named), and a sister, Mrs. Marion Greer, Wichita. Photo. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

Sunday, September 22, 1974
page 5D. Feature article about the old Esquire Club at 33rd and North Broadway, built after a fire destroyed an earlier structure in 1938. Details. It was opened in the early 1940s, and is to be re-opened the week of October 2nd as Bill’s Le Gourmet. Details.

Tuesday, September 24, 1974

Thursday, September 26, 1974
1. Report of retirement of Betty Simpson, 74, a clerk at Wichita Union Station for 56 years, since 1918. Details. Photo.

Friday, September 27, 1974
2A. Wichita Urban Renewal Agency yesterday approved a resolution designating the old Murdock House as historically significant and agreeing to negotiate for financing the moving and relocation cost of moving the old house to Cow Town. It is estimated that it will cost about $7000 for necessary demolition and utility work, moving the house, and constructing a new foundation for it at the Cow Town site. Details.

Friday, October 4, 1974
5A. Article tells about three Wichita buses being painted with a “total concept” advertising scheme. The first is painted to resemble a loaf of Rainbo bread and operated on the East Kellogg-Friends University route. It will be joined later in the month by two other buses advertising for the same company and advertising their Hillbilly and Roman Meal breads. This is the first week on the street for the bread bus, which was planned by Dave Fishback, president of Mobile Ads, Inc., which handles the Metropolitan Transit Authority accounts. The normal contract for such a bus is for one year at $300 per month plus cost of the initial paint job. Photo — bus number not visible.

Saturday, October 5, 1974
1. Photo of concrete paving being laid on George Washington Boulevard at Lincoln.

Article about 30 million dollar school bond issue to be voted on in the November election. Three new schools are proposed — a high school in northwest Wichita, an elementary school in Planeview to replace Rogers and MacArthur schools, and a new building to replace College Hill Elementary. Other improvements included. Details.

Tuesday, October 8, 1974
5A. Enrollment in Wichita public schools totals 53,301, a decline of 2291 from the 55,592 at the same time last year. Details.

Wednesday, October 9, 1974
Financial report of Beech Aircraft Corporation for the fiscal year ending September 30. Total sales set a record of over 240 million dollars, up from $204,661,874 last year. Net earnings are expected to exceed 12 million dollars compared with $10,022,584 last year.

State Highway Department yesterday issued work orders for the first phase of the final segment of I-35 West in Wichita. Work will begin immediately on grading of the final stretch between English and Stafford streets. The work includes relocation of sewers, water lines and utility lines, and may take up to three years. The road is now open from 39th Street North to 9th Street, and from Pawnee to Stafford. Twin viaducts from 18th Street North to English are expected to be finished in late 1975.

City Commission yesterday approved reconstruction of Main Street from Douglas north to Elm. Details.

Feature article about the new Fourth Financial Center building. Details. Photos. Special Section includes pages 1E-16E.

Board of Park Commission yesterday gave tentative approval to over 12 million dollars in improvements for Mid-Continent Airport including extension of a runway and taxiway, addition of roads, a terminal building addition, and new hangars, 75 percent of which will be financed by the federal government.

Article about Metropolitan Transit Authority’s shortage of tokens used for the senior citizens reduced fare project. Details.

Relics from the Murdock House will be auctioned at 1:00 p.m. Saturday at the Murdock House, St. Francis and Murdock. Details.

Article about the Reuter Organ Company, of Lawrence, whose first organ was installed in a Mattoon, Illinois church in 1917. The company’s 60 employees build an average of 35 organs a year. Details.
6A. Report of death yesterday of heart attack of Archbishop Co-adjutor Leo C. Byrnes, of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of St. Paul-Minneapolis, at age 66. A native of St. Louis, he was co-adjutor of the Wichita Diocese under Bishop Mark Carroll from 1961 to 1963, when he succeeded Carroll as Bishop and was named apostolic administrator. He served as Bishop here until 1967 when he was promoted to Archbishop in St. Paul. Further biography.

Wednesday, October 23, 1974

2A. Photo of demolition under way (about half completed) on the Coronado Hotel, William and Main. Interior dismantling started during the summer. Being razed by K. L. Bradburn Company. Site owned by Perpetual Building and Loan which will use it for customer parking.

20A. Health Planning Council of South Central Kansas yesterday agreed to 31 million dollars in development projects for St. Francis Hospital including a 26.6 million dollar eight story tower building, 3.7 million dollar energy center, etc. Details.

Monday, October 28, 1974

1. Feature article about the Wichita Branch Genealogical Library at the L. D. S. Church at 7011 East 13th. Details.

5A. Feature article about the historic Wey Mansion, 1751 Park Place, which was opened yesterday for public viewing. Details. Photos.

Thursday, October 31, 1974

1. Plans for a new intercontinental business jet to be known as Citation III were announced today by Cessna Aircraft Company. Deliveries will begin some time in 1978. Details.

Wednesday, November 6, 1974

1. Report of results of election yesterday. Wichita’s 30 million dollar school bond issue was approved by approximately 39,961 to 25,733. Details.

Saturday, November 9, 1974

20C. Aerial photo of Wesley Medical Center area showing excavation of the block just north of the hospital, which will be the site of a new medical arts tower and a 1000 car parking garage. Parking garage will be completed in about six months and the medical office tower in about a year. Cost of project is 11 million dollars.

Sunday, November 10, 1974


Feature article on the Canal Route. Full page with details, map drawings. Aerial photos of route on page 6C and 7C.

**Wednesday, November 13, 1974**

James C. De Long, manager of Wichita Mid-Continent Airport since December 1971, has resigned to become assistant manager of Houston Intercontinental Airport and will be succeeded November 20 by Bailis F. Bell, assistant manager since December 1972.

**Friday, November 15, 1974**

Pizza Hut, Inc. yesterday announced plans to build a ten million dollar corporate headquarters in east Wichita on south side of Douglas just west of Webb Road. Groundbreaking probably in June or July. Details.

Air Midwest yesterday announced plans to inaugurate non-stop service between Wichita and Liberal on December 16. Details.

**Sunday, November 17, 1974**


Article about possible alternatives to use of tokens to identify senior citizens riding on Metropolitan Transit Authority buses. Details.

**Thursday, November 21, 1974**

The Metropolitan Transit Authority will consider today the creation of a fare-free zone for city bus riders in the downtown area. Details.

Sedgwick County Commission yesterday approved purchase of ten ambulances for the emergency medical service at a cost of $235,940. Details. Photo.

**Friday, November 22, 1974**

Article reports that Litwin Corporation plans to lease the Beacon Building. Details.

Long article about Metropolitan Transit Authority meeting yesterday at which proposals for 1975-79 Wichita Transit Development Program were released. The plan was developed for Metropolitan Transit Authority and Metropolitan Area Planning Commission by transportation consultants Barton-Aschman Associates, Inc., of Chicago.
and Langston-Kitch Associates, of Wichita, at cost of $95,000. Total cost of proposed
program is estimated at 2.6-2.9 million dollars over the next five years. Peak hour
headways would be reduced from 30 minutes to 15 minutes and off-peak headways from
60 to 30 minutes, with an improved route network. The improved service would require
70 buses for city-wide service, four for downtown shuttle, and seven as spares, a total of
81 buses. The Metropolitan Transit Authority now has 54 buses, of which 46 are less than
eight years old. This means that 35 new buses would be required at a cost estimated at
1.6 to 1.8 million dollars. Further details of report and proposals.

5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved establishment of a fare-free zone in
downtown Wichita for a six month trial period. Boundaries of the zone are Central, Santa
Fe Railroad tracks, Kellogg, and east side of Arkansas River and Greenway Boulevard.
Details.

5D. Article about proposed marketing campaign to sell the city bus service to Wichita
residents. Details.

Sunday, November 24, 1974
page
4B. The building at southeast corner of Topeka and English, built in 1969 for Yingling
Chevrolet Company, has been sold and will be remodeled and become a graphic arts
center, with occupancy by April. Details. Photo.

5B. Aerial photo showing progress in development of Comotara. Article with details.

Monday, December 2, 1974
page
5A. Photo showing erection of Christmas decorations in lobby of downtown post office.

Tuesday, December 3, 1974
page
5A. Photo showing construction of new foundation in Cow Town for the Murdock House.
The house was in the process of being dismantled last week for its move to Cow Town.

Monday, December 9, 1974
page
16A. Report of death Saturday of Mrs. Jennie May (Grover C.) Dotzour, 84, of 1915 Porter,
retired teacher and wife of former principal of North High School. Survivors include her
widower, a daughter, Mrs. Frances M. Golding, Richland, Washington, and a son, G.
Gordon, of Wichita. Burial in Resthaven Gardens Cemetery.

Friday, December 13, 1974
page
11C. Report of death yesterday of Dr. Charles K. Weir, 73, orthopedic surgeon, of 1459 Willow
Road. Obituary.
Sunday, December 15, 1974

1. Article about plans for Heritage Square park located just east of old City Hall. Details. Drawing.

1B. Feature article on re-opening of the historic Warkenten house in Newton. Details. Photos.

8B. Feature article about the opening today of the new McKnight Art Center at Wichita State University. Details.


Monday, December 16, 1974


Friday, December 20, 1974

18A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday approved a change in the outer loop bus route, effective February 15. The revised route would eliminate the run along West from Kellogg to Harry, along Harry from West to Meridian, and along Meridian from Harry to Pawnee. The buses on the outer loop will now turn around at Kellogg and West and Pawnee and Meridian. The buses will then have six more minutes to complete the remainder of the route, on which they have continually been falling behind with the present route. Details. The Metropolitan Transit Authority also elected Helene Little to continue as chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Saturday, December 21, 1974

20D. Report of fire Friday evening at the Kreonite North Plant, 400 East 18th (former Red Star Mill). Details. Photo (fire and smoke on eighth floor).

Tuesday, December 24, 1974

1. George Vollmer, acting director of the Wichita Art Museum, has applied for the position of permanent museum director. He has been acting director since March 1973. Details.
Wednesday, December 25, 1974

20C. Photo of nearly empty interior of Wichita Bus Terminal on Christmas Eve.

Saturday, December 28, 1974


Sunday, December 29, 1974

1B. Feature article about Jones Motor Car Company, which built automobiles in Wichita from 1915 to 1920. Article reports recent discovery of set of 25 stereopticon slide photos taken inside of the Jones factory. Copies of the photos have been obtained by Wichita Historical Museum and Wichita Public Library. Originals belong to James H. Thomas, former Wichita State University graduate assistant, and now working on doctorate at Oklahoma State University. He discovered them while rooming at house on South Yale where J. J. Jones’ widow had once lived. His landlady, a step-daughter of Mrs. Jones, was preparing to throw them away when he rescued them. Mrs. Frederick Knodle, daughter of J. J. Jones, had not been aware of the photos. Details and further biography of Jones. Photos.