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.

Subject: Beechwood

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Wichita's two new housing villages have been named Planeview and Beechwood respectively, the defense housing committee was notified today. Planeview will be a complete village, with churches, schools, and community buildings and will have 4382 housing units housing more than 17,000 persons. ¶ Beechwood located southwest of the Beech Aircraft Corporation, will have 500 units and will house more than 2000 persons. ¶ A list of proposed names was submitted about two months ago to the federal public housing authority, and the selections have just been announced. Other names considered included Mac Arthur Heights and Beechville. ¶ Both projects are under construction and work is progressing as rapidly as possible. Units will be opened for occupancy by sections as they are completed rather than awaiting completion of the entire projects. First units will be ready about the first of the year.

Wichita Eagle Sunday, November 29, 1942 page

16. Article about Plainview (sic) and Beechwood defense housing projects now under construction. Plainview to have 4382 units and Beechwood 500 units. Details.

Wichita Eagle Saturday, March 19, 1955 page

5A. The Public Housing Authority in Chicago announced yesterday the names of the successful bidders for 58 temporary buildings at Beechwood Housing Project. The bidders have 120 days to remove the buildings from the 39 acres, after which the land they occupy will go to the city. Details.