

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(s): John P. Davidson**Wichita Beacon****Sunday, June 7, 1925****page**

Magazine

7. Article about Wichita "Invincibles" basketball team of 1893-94 with photograph (showing **John P. Davidson**). Details.

Wichita Eagle**Tuesday, March 3, 1925****page**

5. Article reports **John P. Davidson** re-elected as president of the Sedgwick County Pioneers society. His parents came here in 1870 and he was born here in 1875 in a house on the present site of the Elks club.

Saturday, August 31, 1929**page**

3. Article reports death yesterday of Wichita pioneer lumberman John Davidson at age 89. Photograph and obituary. ¶ Survived by one daughter, Mrs. Harry Pottenger, one son, **John P. Davidson**, and a grandson, John Davidson Pottenger. ¶ Had lived for years at 210 North Market before the land was leased to Elks club for their lodge.

Thursday, September 12, 1929**page**

4. Photograph of remodeled and expanded house at 216 North Market now being torn down. Original part of the house was Henry Schweiter's first home in Wichita and was immediately north of the former home of John Davidson.

Sunday, December 29, 1929**page**

Rotogravure

Photograph of Kiwanis club members, including **John P. Davidson**, president.**Sunday, March 8, 1931**

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2. **John P. Davidson** was re-elected president of the Sedgwick County Pioneer society yesterday. Details.

Sunday, April 9, 1933**page**

5. **John P. Davidson** was re-elected president of the Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County yesterday for the tenth successive term. Photograph. He has been president since 1924.

Monday, March 19, 1934**page**

5. Charles S. Lawrence named president of Sedgwick County Pioneer Society to succeed **John P. Davidson**.

Sunday, March 19, 1939**page**

2. **John P. Davidson** was elected president of the Sedgwick County Pioneer society yesterday at its annual meeting at the Allis Hotel, succeeding Omrah Aley, who has served in that capacity for several years. Photograph. The society's big annual reunion will be held June 3 at the Forum.

Sunday, June 2, 1940**page**

2. Report of annual picnic of the Sedgwick County Pioneer Society at the Forum yesterday. Details. Photos, including **John P. Davidson**, president.

Sunday, June 1, 1941**page**

24. Report of annual reunion yesterday at the Forum of the Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County. Included photographic exhibit of pioneer scenes collected by **John P. Davidson**.

Sunday, June 3, 1945**page**

4. Report of annual picnic yesterday of Pioneer Society of Sedgwick County at the Forum. Details. List of those who attended. Photos. Request for donation of early photos by **John P. Davidson**.

Saturday, May 21, 1949**page**

3. A new board of directors for the Highland Cemetery Association was elected Friday night at the annual meeting of cemetery lot owners, at the city building. Elected were W. Arthur Sternberg, Howard Darling, Mrs. Mabel Criner, **John P. Davidson**, and

Mrs. Gertrude Munn. Officers will be elected at the next meeting. **John P. Davidson**, retiring president, has served on the board since 1935, and discussed the criticism of the cemetery's unkempt condition, explaining that there is insufficient income for proper maintenance. Details.

Sunday, June 4, 1950

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5. Report of annual meeting of the Sedgwick County Pioneer Society yesterday at the Forum. **John P. Davidson** is president. Details and reminiscences.

Wednesday, July 31, 1957

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- 7A. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Agnes Davidson Pottenger, 78, 247 South Clifton, a life-long Wichita resident. Born October 11, 1878 in Wichita, a daughter of Wichita pioneer John Davidson. Graduated from Lewis Academy. Survived by a son, J. D. Pottenger, 285 South Pershing, and a brother, **John P. Davidson**, 3427 East Douglas, and one grandchild. Husband, the late Harry Pottenger, died in 1923. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

Sunday, July 13, 1958

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- 5A. Report of death Friday of Mrs. Della Davidson, 78, of 3427 East Douglas, while on vacation in Colorado Springs, Colorado with her husband, **John P. Davidson**. Born in Cambridge City, Indiana (Miss Della McTaggart) and came to Wichita as a small child with her parents. Her father, George, was half owner of the Kansas News Company stand in Wichita. Married **John P. Davidson** in September 1900. He was then an employee of the Chandler Bank, later to become the First National Bank. He retired several years ago and was then employed as private secretary to the late C. Q. Chandler, founder of the bank chain. He has been a Wichita historian for many years.

Monday, August 17, 1959

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- 5A. Report of death Saturday after a long illness, of **John P. Davidson**, 84, of 3427 East Douglas, prominent native Wichitan and Wichita historian. Born at his family home at 1st and Market June 16, 1875. His father, John Davidson, was one of the first lumbermen here. Was with Wells Fargo Express Company for many years. His wife, the former Della McTaggart, died July 12, 1958. A grand-niece, Mrs. Jack Pottenger, 385 South Pershing, survives. Photo. Burial in Old Mission Mausoleum.