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**Subject(s): Dieter and Wenzel, contractors**

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5. A. W. Stover, secretary-treasurer of the Kansas Steam Laundry company, is beginning the erection of an apartment house at 9th and Market, 38 by 115 feet, two stories, with six room apartments. To be of pressed brick trimmed in Carthage stone and cost \$18,000. Architect is Fred C. McCune. Contract let to Dieter and Wenzel Construction company.

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**Friday, October 15, 1909**

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12. Contract for building the new Commercial Club building at 1st and Market was let yesterday to Dieter and Wenzel for \$62,000. To be completed by September 1, 1910. Details.

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**Friday, March 25, 1910**

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5. Contract for the new auditorium and market house was let yesterday to Dieter and Wenzel Construction company of Wichita for \$141,990. Plans for the building are by Richards, McCarty and Bulford of Columbus, Ohio.

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6. Contract for new Kansas Gas and Electric power plant has been let to the Dieter and Wenzel Construction company. To be 110 by 170 feet and 50 feet high with 200 foot smokestack fifteen feet in diameter. Missouri Pacific will build a spur track on 2nd street to deliver materials, etc. Other details. Says the transmission line for the Arkansas Valley Interurban will cost \$43,000.

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**Thursday, December 22, 1910**

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6. Dieter and Wenzel, contractor, will begin pouring the cement for the floor for the Forum tomorrow. Details.

**WICHITA EAGLE****Sunday, January 22, 1911****page**

1. Photograph of interior of new Forum. Article describes it. Cost \$150,000 plus about \$20,000 for furnishings, making total \$170,000. Building is 260 feet long by 160 feet wide. Height from floor of stage to dome is 80 feet. Stage opening is 60 feet wide. ¶ Forum was designed by Richards, McCarty and Bulford, architects of Columbus, Ohio, and constructed by the Dieter-Wenzel Construction company. Construction of the building was commenced last March and cornerstone laid by Mayor Davidson May 19.

**WICHITA BEACON****Friday, September 8, 1911****page**

3. City commission yesterday let contract for concrete arch bridge across drainage canal at Harry street to Dieter and Wenzel Construction company for \$3087.

**WICHITA BEACON****Thursday, July 25, 1912****page**

1. Contract was let yesterday to the Dieter and Wenzel Construction Company, of Wichita, for building Wichita's new union station. To cost approximately \$300,000. Details.

**WICHITA EAGLE****Friday, July 26, 1912****page**

12. Contract for new union station for approximately \$280,000 awarded to Dieter and Wenzel, a Wichita contracting firm. Work on the excavation will start next Tuesday. ¶ Article describes details and has drawing of the planned new station.

**WICHITA BEACON****Friday, May 17, 1918****page**

12. Contract has been let to Dieter and Wenzel for remodeling some interior rooms of the City Building including the council chamber. Details.

