

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): Dixie Lee, Oppenheimer

Wichita Eagle

Thursday, May 17, 1894

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5. Article reports a baby left a year ago with Mrs. Inez Oppenheimer, better known as Dixie Lee, of Wichita Street, is to be taken away from her and placed in Children's Home.

Wichita Beacon

Tuesday, February 6, 1900

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5. Judge Dale today denied the injunction asked against vacation of the west half of Wichita st. north of Douglas for a new Missouri Pacific depot. Long article gives his firm ruling (adequate access to Dixie Lee's "rooming house," etc.).

Monday, January 28, 1901

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5. Report of death January 13th in San Francisco of "Dixie Lee," otherwise Mrs. Inez Oppenheimer, one of the characters of Wichita in the frontier days. She married Charles Oppenheimer of this city and was later divorced. She was smart and had business ability and accumulated considerable property, including some \$30,000 worth in Wichita and \$25,000 worth in Kansas City. Her entire property is said to be worth \$150,000. She adopted an infant girl, who survives, as well as her mother and brothers and sisters (in California.) Details.

Thursday, March 14, 1901

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5. Report of the will of Inez Oppenheimer, former early Wichita character known as "Dixie Lee." Largest share of estate to her adopted daughter, Ruth Z. Oppenheimer. Details.