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## **Subject(s): Duo-Bed Corporation**

### **Wichita Eagle**

**Sunday, July 31, 1960**

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1. Duo-Bed Corporation, with headquarters in Los Angeles, has purchased the plant formerly owned by the O. A. Sutton Corporation and used for production of its Vornado fan. The plant site includes a ten acre tract of land. Duo-Bed makes room furnishings for hotels, motels, etc., and was founded in New York in 1949, later moving its offices, factory, and main show room to Los Angeles. Its investment in Wichita will be approximately two million dollars, according to Elliott Fry, founder and president. The plant is expected to open here by early January, with initial employment of approximately 300. Details. Aerial photo of plant.

### **Wichita Eagle**

**Thursday, March 2, 1961**

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- 2B. Limited production has been started by Duo-Bed Corporation at the plant at 1812 West 2nd formerly occupied by O. A. Sutton Corporation. Eighty to ninety workers are employed, and this is expected to increase. Details.

### **Wichita Eagle**

**Thursday, July 25, 1963**

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1. L. E. Frey yesterday filed suit in federal court for \$586,364 damages against Gerald Frankel, who succeeded him as president of the Duo-Bed Corporation, 1812 West 2nd. Details.

### **Wichita Eagle**

**Wednesday, September 22, 1965**

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- 8A. Shelby Williams Industries Inc., of Chicago, has purchased controlling interest in Duo-Bed Corporation, 1812 West 2nd. Details.

### **Wichita Eagle-Beacon**

**Saturday, January 25, 1975**

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1. The Duo-Bed plant, 1825 West 2nd, was purchased Thursday by International Research Fasteners Corporation, Los Angeles, from Coronet Industries, of Dalton, Georgia. The company yesterday laid off 100 employes, leaving 75 employes at the plant. Details.

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**Thursday, March 13, 1975**

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1. Duo-Bed Corporation, which was bought in January by International Fastener Research Corporation, Los Angeles, will cease production by April 1. About 90 employes work in the factory at 1812 West 2nd.