

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.

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Wichita Beacon

Tuesday, February 18, 1919

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5. Ed Forsblom, architect, has plans about ready for a bridge over 9th Street at St. Francis hospital to connect the heating plant and laundry with the hospital building. A 36 by 36 foot three story addition to the hospital will also be built. Total cost about \$13,000.

Tuesday, November 11, 1919

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10. The foundation is being prepared for the new Christian Service League building at southeast corner of Maple and Glenn. To be two story brick, 44 by 60 feet, and cost about \$20,000. Ed Forsblom is architect.

Tuesday, January 6, 1920

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1. The Kansas Milling Company will build another mill in Wichita this year just east of the present mill between 12th and 13th streets, which will more than double its milling capacity. New mill to be 42 by 110 feet and six stories. Details.
2. A new heating plant and recreation room building for the Mentholatum Company is to be built at once. To be 36 by 48 feet, two stories, brick, and cost \$20,000 to \$25,000. The architect is Ed Forsblom. Details.

Wednesday, September 14, 1921

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6. Article says contract has been let to build "Sunflower City," proposed motion picture studio of the Sunflower Motion Pictures Corporation of Wichita. To be located on 30 acres opposite Fennel's Grove on Arkansas Avenue. Details.
7. Work started today moving machinery to the site of the proposed new hotel at Waco and Douglas, begin built by the Siedhoff Construction Company. Architect is Ed Forsblom. The new hotel may be named the "Broadview." Details.

Wednesday, March 1, 1922**page**

2. Plans for the new Schnoor Building in sixth block on East Douglas will be submitted to contractors first of next week by architect Ed Forsblom. It will occupy the site of the old Jake Eckert building on the north side of Douglas adjoining the Santa Fe tracks. To be 42½ by 138 feet, three stories, brick, and cost about \$60,000.

Sunday, August 26, 1923**page**

- B-1. Photograph of temporary tabernacle in second block on North Waco where Gipsy Smith evangelical meetings will be held.
- C-4. Article about new home of the Western Glass Company, 243-45-47 North Water, with details and photograph. Building is 75 by 140 feet. Ed Forsblom was architect.

Friday, May 15, 1925**page**

Special section
Special Section on opening of new Elks Clubhouse. Articles with details.
Photographs. Architect: Ed Forsblom. Contractors: George Siedhoff. Cost \$500,000.

Thursday, March 8, 1928**page**

6. Board of Regents of Wichita University yesterday let contract for drawing of plans: for new science hall to Schmidt, Boucher, and Overend; for addition to Henrion Gymnasium to Glen Thomas; and for the new heating plant to Ed Forsblom. Details.

Tuesday, April 17, 1928**page**

1. Report of unofficial visit of Charles Lindbergh to Wichita yesterday afternoon in his new Ryan brougham monoplane. Landed at Swallow field. Spent the night at the Broadview Hotel and departed for St. Louis at 1:00 p.m. today. Details.
8. Board of education yesterday accepted plans for addition to Riverside School drawn by Schmidt, Boucher and Overend, and for additions to Martinson and Allison Schools drawn by Ed Forsblom.

Friday, February 22, 1929**page**

12. In-flight photograph of Central Air Lines Travel Air plane shortly after leaving Wichita for Tulsa.

The Pillsbury Flour Mills Company yesterday purchased a tract of ground on which to

build a two and a half million bushel elevator. The tract was purchased from the Wichita Union Stockyards Company and lies a short distance south of 21st Street along the west side of the Missouri Pacific tracks. It contains about eight acres and is triangular in shape. Contract has already been let for construction of the elevator.

22. Drawing of the new Knoll Aircraft Company factory and office building, now under construction by the Siedhoff Construction Company. To be 150 by 250 feet and two stories and mezzanine. Cost will be \$100,000. Architect is Ed Forsblom.

Wednesday, March 27, 1929

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10. The Supreme Propeller Company will build a new plant at the southwest corner of Lincoln and Frisco (sic), at cost of \$35,000, it was announced yesterday after a meeting of directors. The new plant will have a capacity of 50 propellers a day compared with present output of twelve to fifteen a day at the present plant, 1017 South Santa Fe. Ed Forsblom is the architect. Details.

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5. Contract has been let to the Henrion Improvement Company to build the new Cessna plant at a cost of about \$110,000. It will be just across the road west of the Braley School of Flying. Ed Forsblom is architect.

Tuesday, April 2, 1929

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14. Article about the new Supreme Propeller Company building to be built at Lincoln and Washington by the George Siedhoff Construction Company. Drawing (indistinct). To be 70 by 312 feet and cost about \$50,000. Architect is Ed. Forsblom. Details.

Friday, September 20, 1929

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36. Board of regents of Wichita University have authorized construction of a new \$250,000 building to replace the destroyed Fairmount Hall. Ed Forsblom to draw plans.

Friday, January 10, 1930

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2. Contracts let yesterday by Board of Regents for new administration building at University of Wichita to Blaser-Vollmer Construction Company. General contract was \$187,730. Architect is Ed Forsblom. Details.

Thursday, March 6, 1930

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18. Drawing of new fire station to be built at Lewis and Topeka at cost of \$75,000. To be two stories, 81 by 100 feet, of dark brick trimmed with Bedford stone. Architect is Ed

Forsblom. Details.

Tuesday, January 6, 1931

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18. School board yesterday authorized construction of a new intermediate school on College Hill, to cost \$276,000, with Ed Forsblom, architect, and several additions to other schools (listed).

Thursday, November 9, 1939

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Special Section pages 1 through 8 on new Wichita University Library

1. Formal dedication of the Wichita University library is to be held this evening. Articles with details. Photograph. Architect is Ed Forsblom. Follow up report November 10 on page 27. The new building is named in honor of Rev. Nathan J. Morrison, who was the first president of Fairmount College.

Sunday, February 18, 1940

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- B-9. Ed Forsblom, in Wichita since 1905, and Wendell Parks, here since 1920, have formed a partnership known as Forsblom and Parks architects, with offices in the Beacon Building. Biographies. Photos.

Sunday, February 18, 1940

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- B-9. Ed Forsblom, in Wichita since 1905, and Wendell **Parks**, here since 1920, have formed a partnership known as Forsblom and **Parks** architects, with offices in the Beacon Building. Biographies. Photos.

Tuesday, December 2, 1941

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18. Watkins, Inc., now located at 710 East 1st Street, has announced that it will start work immediately on construction of a new \$250,000 plant on an eight and one-half acre site at Sycamore and 2nd Street. Details. Drawing. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**.

Wichita Eagle

Friday, July 21, 1922

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7. Ed Forsblom has been selected as architect to design the new Elks home, to be erected on the site of the old John Davidson property on North Market, north of the Wichita club. Details.

Friday, October 27, 1922

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7. Ed Forsblom, Wichita architect, appointed yesterday to design the new Elks home in second block on North Market.

Thursday, March 8, 1928

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5. Board of Regents of University of Wichita yesterday selected as architects to draw plans: Schmidt, Boucher and Overend to draw plans for new \$150,000 science building; Glenn Thomas to draw plans for new gymnasium building with east end to serve as first unit of a stadium, at cost of \$100,000; and Ed Forsblom to draw plans for new \$50,000 heating plant. Sketches of a plan for landscaping the campus are expected to reach here this week from a Denver landscape firm.

Tuesday, April 3, 1928

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13. Board of education yesterday ordered architects plans drawn by Schmidt, Boucher and Overend for addition to Riverside school, and by Ed Forsblom for additions to Allison and Martinson schools.

Tuesday, April 17, 1928

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5. Plans for four room addition with auditorium for Riverside school were accepted by Board of Education yesterday as submitted by Schmidt, Boucher and Overend, architects. ¶ Plans by Ed Forsblom for three room addition at northwest corner of Allison school and four room to Martinson school were also accepted.

Friday, October 4, 1929

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5. Preliminary plans for new building to replace Fairmount Hall were presented to University of Wichita board of regents last night by architect Ed Forsblom. Details.

Sunday, June 1, 1930

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9. A new synagogue costing approximately \$50,000 is to be erected at corner of English and Kansas to replace the old one at Lewis and Topeka, recently sold to the city as site for a new fire station, which was built in 1917. Ed Forsblom is architect.

Tuesday, April 7, 1931**page**

1. Drawing of new intermediate school to be erected at 3rd and Oliver this year. Ed Forsblom is architect.

Wednesday, November 9, 1938**page**

2. Contract was let last week for Wichita University's new library for approximately \$111,000, and ground breaking will be held today. Ed Forsblom is architect.

Sunday, March 12, 1939**page**

7. Drawing of new library building for Wichita University, now under construction. Ed Forsblom, architect.

Tuesday, December 3, 1940**page**

5. Board of education yesterday approved plans for new schools to be built with \$52,000 bond issue, and bids are to be opened December 30. Architects are: Kellogg -- Overend and Boucher, Irving -- Lorentz Schmidt, and Franklin -- Forsblom and **Parks**.

Tuesday, December 2, 1941**page**

3. Watkins, Inc. yesterday announced plans to construct a new \$250,000 plant at Sycamore and West 2nd. To have some 250,000 square feet under roof and to occupy eight and one-half acres. Drawing and details. To be completed January 1943. Forsblom and **Parks**, architects.

Friday, September 27, 1946**page**

5. Building permit issued to the O. A. Sutton Corporation, 1812 West 2nd Street, for a new warehouse to be built at their West Side plant at estimated cost of \$35,000. Erection has already began. In addition to the warehouse, a new railroad siding will be built from the Missouri Pacific Railroad tracks which cross West 2nd Street nearby, with a loading dock fronting on the siding. ¶ The new building will be 91 by 197 feet. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. The Sutton Company, which builds the Vornado fan, now employs about 250 production workers, and has a backlog of about 20 million dollars in orders. Details.

Wednesday, November 26, 1947**page**

8. Building permit issued yesterday for a new \$100,000 factory building for the Forster Manufacturing Company to be constructed at 425 South McLean. Work will start at once and it will be completed in the spring and about double the amount of floor space

for the company's plant, with number of employes increased from 30 to 50. The present plant is at 463 North Seneca. The new structure will be one story, of brick, 262 by 152 feet. Forsblom and **Parks** are the architects. ¶ The company was founded in 1928 by the late Thomas E. Forster and manufactures flour milling machinery.

Tuesday, March 2, 1948

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5. Contract let yesterday by board of education for a six room addition to Gardiner elementary school, at cost of \$135,766. Forsblom and **Parks** are architects. Details.

Sunday, July 10, 1949

Special Section announcing the formal opening of Lincoln Heights Village shopping center at Douglas and Oliver tomorrow. Articles with details and photos. ¶ In 1927 Walter Morris and Son bought the 80 acres which constitutes Lincoln Heights from the millionaire St. Louis investment family, the Knights, for \$110,000. (The Knights are said to have financed the Lindbergh flight -- perhaps partly with this \$110,000). ¶ The 80 acres were not then known as Lincoln Heights. They got the name from Walter Morris, an ardent disciple of Abraham Lincoln. The area, from Douglas to Kellogg and from Crestway to Oliver was named the Lincoln Heights addition. ¶ Walter Morris, now 90, came to Wichita from Washington Court House, Ohio, 60 years ago. He arrived during the real estate "boom" and stayed through the "bust." Photo of Walter and Will Morris. ¶ Architects -- Ed Forsblom and Wendell B. **Parks**.

Tuesday, August 8, 1950

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2. Work will begin in a few days on a new brick Coca Cola plant at southwest corner of Harry and George Washington Boulevard, it was announced yesterday. To cost over \$500,000. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. Details. Drawing.

Saturday, December 29, 1951

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3. Work has begun on the second addition to St. Francis Hospital and plans are being made for the final phase of their building program. The communicating section between the St. Francis and Emporia Street wings has been razed, and a seven story building designed by architects Forsblom and **Parks** will replace it. When funds are available, the third phase will replace the old St. Francis Avenue wing with a new building. The first of the new buildings, the maternity wing, was completed in 1947. Drawing.

Wednesday, May 6, 1953

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- 2A. Drawing of proposed new University of Wichita fine arts center. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. Details.

Friday, July 30, 1954**page**

- 3A. Article about plans for a new Southeast High School to be built at Lincoln and Edgemoor from proceeds of a \$3,490,000 bond issue. Bids for construction will be taken next winter. To have capacity of about 1500 students. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. Details. Drawing.

Friday, January 21, 1955**page**

- 5A. Detailed plans for the proposed \$1 one-half million addition to Wesley Hospital were released yesterday. It is a "T" shaped building facing North Hillside in front of the present building. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. Details. Drawing.

Tuesday, April 24, 1956**page**

- 5A. Workmen yesterday began demolition of the old southeast wing of St. Francis Hospital, starting another phase in a program which will culminate in replacement of the hospital's St. Francis Avenue side. It will take more than three years to complete the \$4 million program. Demolition of the southeast portion will take some 30 days. Work on the northeast portion is not scheduled until construction is completed in the southeast portion. When the entire St. Francis Avenue building is replaced, the hospital capacity will be increased to over 100 bassinets and 700 beds, from the present capacity of 535 beds and 65 bassinets. The new fully air conditioned building will be 387 feet long and nine stories, including penthouse and ground floor. Forsblom and **Parks** are the architects.

Sunday, January 20, 1957**page**

- 1E. Announcement made yesterday of plans of General Electric Supply Company, a division of General Electric Company, to build a modern office and warehouse building at Indianapolis and Mosley, beginning around March 1. Land for the building site was purchased from the Frisco Railroad. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. Details.

Tuesday, April 16, 1957**page**

- 5A. Board of Education yesterday approved final plans and specifications for the new South High School. Architects are Forsblom and **Parks**. Estimated cost \$3,554,000 compared with actual cost of \$2,993,838 for Southeast High School.

Sunday, May 17, 1959**page**

- 18C. Photo of four story medical office building at 959 North Emporia under construction. Framework is completed. Scheduled for completion in December. Forsblom and **Parks** are architects.

Sunday, January 3, 1960

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- 5A. Several Wichita physicians moved over the weekend into their new office building at 959 North Emporia, across the street from St. Francis Hospital. Construction was begun in September 1958 and was completed about a week ago. Architects were Forsblom and **Parks**.