

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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Wednesday, February 14, 1883

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3. Mr. John Bear has made a map of the county, for Mr. Rudolph Hatfield, using the impression from the plates of Edwards' township maps. These were accurately trimmed, adjusted, and pasted on a canvas.

Wichita Eagle

Wednesday, April 22, 1885

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4. Hon. Rudolph Hatfield will begin soon an energetic canvass for subscriptions for the Wichita academy. The site for the building has been purchased from Judge Sluss and is situated on the east side of Market between 2nd and 3rd sts. Details. (Later renamed Lewis academy.)

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Friday, January 19, 1906

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5. Mrs. Rodolph Hatfield died at her home, 430 South Seneca, at 7:15 this morning, from throat disease. Born Harriet Almyra Harts in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, March 23, 1855. Married to Mr. Hatfield 29 years ago and moved to Wichita two years later; they lived briefly on the east side but have spent most of their lives at their present residence on the west side. Her husband is a leading lawyer. Survived by five sons and one daughter: Rodolph H., 26, in St. Louis; Merle E., 22, at Wyandotte; Herbert, also 22, freshman at Colorado School of Mines; Paul, sixteen, student at Lewis academy; Rachel, fourteen; and Kenneth, age eight. Further biography.

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Tuesday, May 13, 1924

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2. A. J. Coombs, of the Coombs Mercantile Company has purchased the old Rodolph Hatfield property in the fourth block on South Seneca from Claude Neil as an investment. On the property, which has a 200 foot frontage on South Seneca, is a two

and a half story brick house built by Hatfield in 1887 for \$15,000. Hatfield sold the place to John C. Fisher about 12 years ago.

Wichita Beacon**Monday, September 17, 1928**

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2. Report of visit by Rudolph Hatfield, former Wichita lawyer who left Wichita 15 years ago and is now practicing law in Oakland, California. Built house in 400 block of South Seneca in 1881. Visiting daughter, Mrs. H. A. Tornow, 1744 Park Place.

Wichita Beacon**Monday, April 13, 1942**

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9. Report of death Saturday at Oakland, California of former prominent Wichita lawyer, Rodolph Hatfield, at age 89. Moved to Oakland, California in 1912 after coming to Wichita in 1879 from Trinidad, Colorado. Survived by wife, Alice, four sons and one daughter (named). Obituary.

Wichita Eagle**Monday, April 13, 1942**

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5. Report of death Saturday at his home in Oakland, California, of former pioneer Wichita attorney, Rodolph Hatfield, at age 87. Born October 6, 1854 in Ohio and went with his parents as a child to Lincoln, Illinois. Moved to Trinidad, Colorado in 1878 and then to Wichita in 1879. Remained here until 1912 when he moved to Oakland. Retired from work there four years ago, Survived by his wife Allie, four sons and one daughter, five brothers and two sisters (all named). Further biography.

Sunday, July 14, 1957

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- 4A. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Grace Hatfield Pottorff, 95, a Wichita resident since 1878, at her home, 1548 Garland. Born September 4, 1861 in Hartsburg, Illinois and moved to Wichita in 1878. Survived by six sons and two brothers (named), nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. (Was she related to Rodolph Hatfield??)