

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

Friday, March 12, 1926

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4. Report of death this morning of prominent Wichita lumber dealer, **Alexander C. Houston**, age 67. Survived by wife, five sons, Joseph B., Guy R., Max A., Ted B., and George M., all of Wichita, and one daughter, Mrs. Gilbert H. Trith, of Emporia. Photo.

Wichita Eagle

Tuesday, January 28, 1913

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14. N. F. Niederlander home at 629 North Lawrence sold yesterday by its present owner, **A. C. Houston**, to J. R. Van Horn, rancher from Protection, Kansas.

Friday, May 17, 1918

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5. Fine new homes in College Hill district have increased assessed value of real estate from Hydraulic avenue east to city limits to \$7,359,00, an increase of \$2,118,000 since 1916 and \$1,654,000 since 1917. ¶ Article lists several prominent homes built since March 23, 1917 including Henry J. Allen home at 249 North Roosevelt worth \$40,000. Skaer home at Douglas and Volutsia worth \$30,000, **A. C. Houston home at 315 Circle Drive worth \$25,000**, Deering Marshall home at 2nd and Belmont worth \$45,000, and the John L. Powell home at 131 Circle Drive worth \$20,000.

Saturday, December 16, 1939

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1. Article reports death of Sam J. Houston, 74, pioneer Wichita lumberman, at his home, 1111 North Broadway. Photograph and obituary.

Sunday, August 27, 1950

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- 10B. The historic Houston residence at 629 North Broadway, just south of the Byrd-Snodgrass Funeral Home, has been purchased by the funeral home and is to be wrecked to allow for further expansion of the funeral home. Details. Photo. More recently it

has been the offices of the Kansas State Chiropractic college, and was bought from the college, which will vacate it about October 1.

Sunday, June 8, 1952

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5. The recently remodeled Byrd-Snodgrass Funeral Home, 633 North Broadway, will be open to the public today. The three story north building was originally built by the Treckle family as a show place of early Wichita, and the south building, now joined to the one on the north by a long hallway, was originally built as a home by the Houston family. Drawing. Photos on page 11.

Friday, October 30, 1959

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- 3A. Photo of an old Wichita landmark, the old Houston home built in late 1800s by lumberman **A. C. Houston**, and now a part of Byrd-Snodgrass Funeral Home, 633 North Broadway (further in article it says the home was built by Niederlander and remodeled in 1906 by A. C. Houston). The old building is to be razed by the funeral home starting Monday.

Saturday, January 27, 1962

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- 2A. Report of will of **Helen Houston**, daughter of a pioneer Wichita lumberman , who died last Saturday at her home, 1111 North Broadway, at age 67. Survived by a brother, John Houston, Laguna Beach, California, and a sister, Mrs. Pauline Houston Bird, 18 Lakeside Boulevard, Wichita (wife of Richard E. Bird).

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Thursday, September 1, 1966

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1. Report of death yesterday in Florida, of Max A. Houston, 65, of 11 Hampton Road, Eastborough, president of **A. C. Houston** Lumber Company. Survived by widow, Alice, three sons, George C., Wichita, Robert A. and William H., of the home, a daughter, Mrs. Katharine Knorr, Sacramento, California, and a sister, Mrs. Ethel Walker, Prairie Village, Kansas. Photo. Entombment at Old Mission Mausoleum.

Monday, May 3, 1971

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- 2B. Interview with early Wichita resident, John S. Schermerhorn, 90, who retired recently after 35 years at A. C. Houston Lumber Company. Came to Wichita at age six to live with his grandfather, J. K. Sawyer. Biography. Photo.