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## Subject(s): Kansas Milling Company

### WICHITA BEACON 1907

Friday, March 22, 1907

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5. Article reports the production of Wichita's four flour mills during the past year totaled 433,000 barrels or 84,886,000 pounds, making approximately 1200 car loads of flour. A barrel of flour is worth approximately \$2.80, so the flour made in Wichita in 1906 was worth \$1,212,400. Production by mill was:
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|----------------|---|-----------------|
| Watson mill    | - | 230,000 barrels |
| Red Star mill  | - | 83,000 barrels  |
| Imperial mills | - | 60,000 barrels  |
| Howard mills   | - | 60,000 barrels  |
- The **Kansas Milling Company** has just begun work. It has a daily capacity of 1500 barrels. Added to the 1975 barrel capacity of the other four mills, this gives a total capacity of 3475 barrels per day.

### WICHITA BEACON 1908

Thursday, August 6, 1908

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6. **Kansas Milling Company's** 25 car flour train for export to Glasgow and London left yesterday over Missouri Pacific for New Orleans. It was photographed by L. G. Whittier, commercial photographer.

### WICHITA BEACON 1910

Saturday, October 15, 1910

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- Section E -- "The New Wichita"
- E-2. Photograph of the **Kansas Milling Company**.

### WICHITA BEACON 1916

Saturday, September 30, 1916

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Special Section for the Fall Exposition.

2. Photograph of **Kansas Milling Company**.

### **WICHITA BEACON 1920**

**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.

### **WICHITA BEACON 1921**

**Sunday, March 13, 1921**

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- B-4. Long article about **Kansas Milling Company**, with drawing.

### **WICHITA BEACON 1924**

**Saturday, March 15, 1924**

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2. Photograph of the **Kansas Milling Company**.

### **WICHITA BEACON 1925**

**Sunday, March 22, 1925**

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- B-1. The Adeline Apartments, at corner of 13th and Emporia, were sold yesterday to David S. Jackman, treasurer of the **Kansas Milling Company**, by Thomas C. Naylor, who built them two years ago.

### **WICHITA BEACON 1933**

**Monday, October 23, 1933**

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7. Report of death yesterday of Charles Moore Jackman, widely known Kansas flour miller and president of the **Kansas Milling Company**, at age 71. Obituary. Came to Kansas in 1885 and to Wichita in 1906. Survived by wife, two sons and two daughters (named). Photograph.

### **WICHITA BEACON 1941**

**Wednesday, January 29, 1941**

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1. D. S. Jackman, manager of the **Kansas Milling Company**, announced plans to start construction immediately on new elevators to increase the capacity of the company's elevator at 13th and Santa Fe by 700,000 bushels, giving a total capacity of 2,200,000 bushels. The addition will be complete in time to handle part of the 1941 wheat and will cost \$100,000. Contractors are Chambers and Bolton, of Hutchinson. ¶ Total

capacity of Wichita's elevators at time of last harvest was 12,845,000 bushels, and this will be increased to 14,295,000 bushels for the 1941 harvest.

## **WICHITA EAGLE 1906**

**Wednesday, August 8, 1906**

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5. Article about progress of construction on the mill and elevator of the **Kansas Milling Company** on the Santa Fe tracks at 12th street, commonly called the Lassen mill.

**Thursday, November 1, 1906**

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5. The big elevator and mill building of the **Kansas Milling Company** at 12th and Santa Fe will soon be ready for the machinery.

## **EAGLE 1910**

**Sunday, July 17, 1910**

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- D-8. Special "Advancement Number" of *Eagle* with articles and photographs. Photographs include foundation of First Presbyterian church;  
Young Brothers Wholesale Hat company -- 116-118 South Emporia;  
Wichita Casket Company;  
Eaton Hotel -- exterior and main lobby;  
Wichita Hospital;  
Eagle building;  
**Kansas Milling Company**;  
Massey Iron Company -- 3rd and Santa Fe -- open August 15;  
Interior of Elite theater;  
Butts Building (under construction);  
Fountain and street railway bridge in Riverside park;  
Consistory;  
YMCA;  
McKnight farm and new drainage canal;  
Old Webster school -- torn down last March to clear site for new \$113,000 high school;  
New Commercial Club building (drawing.)

## **EAGLE 1914**

**Thursday, January 29, 1914**

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8. Advertisement with photograph of the **Kansas Milling Company** buildings.

**Saturday, April 17, 1915**

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2. O. W. Lilljestrand of the **Kansas Milling Company** yesterday purchased a bungalow recently erected at 825 Faulkner by the California Bungalow company. The house has six rooms and was sold for \$3000.

**EAGLE 1916****Sunday, October 1, 1916****page**

12. Advertisement announces opening Monday of Thurston Garment Company at 108 North Main.

Expo Edition -- Special edition for International Wheat Show.

Photographs include:

2. Leroy Hotel, completed during the year
6. & 7. Leading attorneys
8. City officials
9. Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods company (drawing), 702-06 East Douglas
10. Webster School
11. West Side Presbyterian church (drawing)
13. Entrance to exposition
- Fourth National Bank building (completed last spring)
- View from Butts building (shows west side of first block North Market)
15. **Kansas Milling Company**

**EAGLE 1919****Saturday, January 4, 1919****page**

5. Article reporting death of Henry Lassen at 12:45 a.m. Friday, January 3 at age 57 -- presumably heart attack. Born in Germany. Was president of **Kansas Milling Company**, of the Wichita Terminal Elevator Company, and of the Lassen Hotel Building company.

**EAGLE 1920****Sunday, January 25, 1920****page**

5. Contract let for seven story mill addition for the **Kansas Milling Company** at 13th and Santa Fe streets. To cost about \$300,000 and have capacity of 1500 barrels daily.

**Saturday, September 23, 1922****page**

5. The Acacia hotel has been sold by Mrs. E. J. Ohmer, recent owner, to W. H. Gains, a Wichita hotel man.

**EAGLE 1922****Sunday, September 24, 1922****page**

12. Article on history of the Rorabaugh stores.
- Special section and articles on fiftieth anniversary of the *Eagle*
2. Photograph of boats in Little river in advertisement.  
Article on history of Petrie Clothing company, 112 West Douglas.
3. Advertisement by Lassen announcing completion of addition of 100 rooms.
7. Photograph of pump building at Water Works.
9. Photograph of Derby Oil company buildings.
10. Photograph of K-T Oil Corporation refinery in Wichita (Kansas-Texas Petroleum Company). J. T. Nuttle is general manager.
11. Article on history of fire department. Says Fire Station No. 7 at corner of Franklin and Porter in Riverside has just been completed.
12. Photograph of Union National Bank building (formerly Barnes building).
15. History of Wichita's early flour mills with photograph of old City Roller Mills and railroad crossing gate.  
Photograph of **Kansas Milling Company**.

**EAGLE 1925****Sunday, March 22, 1925****page**

5. David S. Jackman of **Kansas Milling Company** yesterday purchased the Adeline Apartments, 13th and Emporia, from Thomas C. Naylor, builder of the apartments, for \$160,000. There are 30 apartments with annual revenue of \$16,000.

**EAGLE 1927****Tuesday, March 8, 1927****page**

5. Building permit issued yesterday to **Kansas Milling Company** to construct eight more grain storage tanks at cost of \$34,000. About ten days ago the same firm took out a permit for twelve new grain storage tanks, to cost \$50,000, making total of 20 new tanks.

**EAGLE 1933****Monday, October 23, 1933****page**

1. Article reports death of Charles M. Jackman, president of **Kansas Milling Company**, yesterday at age 71. Obituary.

**EAGLE 1941****Monday, January 13, 1941****page**

5. Construction will start today on a 750,000 bushel terminal elevator north of 25th Street and beside the Missouri Pacific track for the Farmers Cooperative Commission. Ground has been purchased across the tracks west from the Missouri Pacific roundhouse. To be completed by June 15. ¶ This will be the seventh major storage unit for wheat in Wichita. Others are the Pillsbury elevator, Wichita Terminal elevator, Public Terminal elevator, Red Star flour mills, Wichita Flour mill, and **Kansas Milling Company**.

**Saturday, February 15, 1941****page**

5. **Kansas Milling Company**, 715 East 13th, will increase the storage capacity at its mills by 565,000 bushels by the addition of ten new bins 112 feet high to the 36 storage bins already on the site. Building permit issued yesterday -- cost is \$50,000.

**EAGLE 1951****Wednesday, January 17, 1951****page**

5. Long article reports David Jackman and son David, Jr. and others ousted from voting trust positions on board of **Kansas Milling Company** by the District Court as result of petition of other stockholders of the company. Details.

**Wednesday, January 24, 1951****page**

2. New officers and directors elected yesterday by the **Kansas Milling Company** following recent lawsuit and shakeup in company. Details.

**EAGLE 1959****Sunday, May 31, 1959****Magazine****page**

6. Feature article on the Ross-Zimmerman Milling Company. The former **Kansas Milling Company**, 715 East 13th, changed hands recently and came under control of the Ross-Zimmerman interests. Leading figures in the latter group are Paul Ross, Hillcrest Apartments, and his brother, G. Murray Ross, of Newton. Properties they control are listed. ¶ Father of the Ross brothers was George B. Ross, a central Kansas farmer, who was instrumental in establishing the Kansas State Fair at Hutchinson and became the first president of the fair. ¶ The Ross Brothers went into business together for the first time (i.e., Paul and G. Murray) in 1917 when they formed the Ross Feed Company in Wichita. In 1918 they joined the Zimmerman family in buying the Whitewater, Kansas Flour Mill. Two years later the Ross-Zimmerman combination bought a flour mill at Ottawa, Kansas, which had been run by the Midland Flour

Milling Company of Kansas City. The Ottawa plant was run as the Ross Milling Company until a few years ago when it was sold to an Ottawa cooperative. In 1936 the Ross Brothers bought a flour mill in Newton, and in 1944 they purchased the Wichita Terminal Elevator. In 1946 they took over the Hunter Milling Company in Wellington. ¶ Other members of the family have joined the two older brothers in the firm, including a younger brother, Carl Ross, who operated the mill at Ottawa until it was sold, and now is vice-president of the Wichita Terminal Elevator. ¶ Further details. Photos.

### Friday, November 6, 1959

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- 12A. "Wichita Silhouettes" -- biography of Paul Ross, vice-president of **Kansas Milling Company** and secretary of Ross Industries. Born at Alden, Kansas on April 18, 1893. Graduated from Alden High School in 1910. Moved to Whitewater in 1918 and lived there 30 years. Married his first wife while teaching school in Casselton, North Dakota in 1917. She died in 1935 and he was remarried in Wichita in 1942 to Leah Dean Kirkpatrick. In 1948 they moved to Wichita from Whitewater, and they reside in Hillcrest Apartments. He has one son, Paul R. Ross, associated with him in business, and one daughter, Mrs. Lorraine Ross Thiessen, of Hutchinson, Kansas. Photo.

### THE WICHITA EAGLE AND THE BEACON

### Sunday, December 4, 1966

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- 13B. Feature article about **Kansas Milling Company**, 715 East 13th, founded in 1906 by Henry Lassen and C. M. Jackman, and purchased in 1959 by Ross Industries, headed by Carl Ross. Hal Ross is treasurer. Other Ross divisions are Hunter Milling Company in Wellington and American Flours Company in Newton. **Kansas Milling Company** is largest flour mill in Kansas and seventh largest in United States. Details.

### THE WICHITA EAGLE AND THE BEACON

### Tuesday, February 1, 1972

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- 4C. Report of death yesterday of Carl Ross, 72, of 2 Hampton Road, retired vice-president and general manager of **Kansas Milling Company**. Born in Alden, Kansas and moved to Wichita in 1951 from Ottawa, Kansas. His father and three older brothers founded Ross Milling Company in Ottawa in 1919. He remained active in the family business until his retirement in 1968. He and brothers bought the company in Wichita in 1959 and also owned milling companies in Wellington and Newton, Kansas. Survived by widow, Margaret, a son, Hal, Wichita, a brother, G. M. Ross, Newton, and a sister Mrs. Steve Vincent, Downers Grove, Illinois. Photo. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.

### THE WICHITA EAGLE AND THE BEACON

### Thursday, February 26, 1976

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- 8D. Report of death Tuesday of David S. Jackman, 85, of Jane, Missouri, retired general manager of **Kansas Milling Company** and former Wichitan. Graduated from Fairmount College. Survived by his widow, Wanda, and three sons, David S., Jr., Leon, Kansas, Charles M., of Paris, and John L., of Towanda, Kansas. Entombment in Mission Chapel Mausoleum.