

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

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Subject(s): Lightner

Wichita Eagle

Saturday, February 6, 1954

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- 5A. A 96 unit motel with swimming pool is to be built in the 7300 and 7400 blocks on East Kellogg, west of the 54 Drive-In theater, by Robert and Eugene Lightner. It is to be franchised by the Holiday Inn of America Hotel Corporation, of Memphis, Tennessee. Cost estimated at \$500,000. Work is to start within two weeks and be completed in six months. Details.

Friday, August 24, 1962

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1. Announcement of plans to build a new 200 unit Holiday Inn in the 900 block of North Broadway at cost of \$1 million. Being built by Robert S. and Eugene Lightner, local investors. Site clearance is under way. The three and a half acre plot extends 450 feet north from 9th Street between Broadway and Topeka. The first phase including the main building and 127 units, is to be completed by late spring. Architect is Dick Brabham. Contractor is Vollmer Construction Company. Details. Drawing.

Thursday, April 2, 1964

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- 6C. Report of death yesterday of Harry Van Arsdale, 79, of 144 South Brookside. Born at Burrton, Kansas September 29, 1884 and had lived in the Wichita area 50 years. Was president of van Arsdale and Osborne Brokerage Company. Survived by widow, Maude, a son, William O., 12630 East Lynne, a daughter, Mrs. Jacquelyn Lightner, Colorado Springs, and five grandchildren. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Wednesday, March 29, 1967

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- 12C. Report of death yesterday of Ralph E. Lightner, 83, Hillcrest Apartments, owner of the Lightner Insurance Agency, 219 North Market. ¶ Born at Canton, Kansas and came here in 1900 from Norwich, Kansas. ¶ Survived by three sons, Ralph S., Robert S., and Eugene, and two sisters, Mrs. James Moore and Mrs. Elsie Keller, all of Wichita. Further obituary. Photo. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

Wichita Eagle-Beacon
Tuesday, June 13, 1978

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7C. Report of death of Maude G. (Mrs. J. Harry) Van Arsdale, 93, of 4001 East Douglas. Survived by son, W. O., and daughter, Jacquelyn Lightner, both of Wichita, and three sisters (named — all of Hutchinson). Burial at Maple Grove Cemetery.