

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.

Subject(s): Wendell Parks**Wichita Eagle****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

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- 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**.

Wednesday, September 21, 1960**page**

- 1B. The Civic Theater, 725 West Douglas, will be closed after tonight's show, for extensive remodeling, which will convert it into a many-purpose building, to be known as Civic Playhouse. The theater opened on October 21, 1936. It is to re-open in late November. Details. Architects for remodeling are Wendell B. **Parks** and Sons.

Sunday, May 20, 1962**page**

- 11A. Photo of Midwest Medical Research Foundation building under construction. Cost \$160,000. To be completed in late August. Wendell **Parks** and Sons are architects. McBride and Dehmer Construction Company are contractors.

Sunday, October 1, 1967**page**

- 1D. Work has started on the \$1,250,000 addition to the Southeast High School, 903 South Edgemoor. Wendell B. **Parks** and Sons are architects. Details.

Wichita Beacon**Sunday, February 18, 1940****page**

- 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**page**

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-Beacon**Sunday, June 12, 1966****page**

- 9E. Western Uniform and Towel Service, Inc. today announced plans to build a \$180,000 addition to expand its facilities at 1707 North Mosley. Work is to be completed by September 1. Architects are Wendell B. **Parks** and Sons. Details. Drawing.

Sunday, April 21, 1968

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4G. Building permit issued to Spear's Restaurant for a new building at 1930 South Oliver. To be finished about September 1st. Architect is Wendell **Parks** and Sons.