

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, June 25, 1915

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3. City commission yesterday received communications from the Rotary Club and the Wichita Club asking them to pass an ordinance regulating jitney buses on the streets of Wichita.

Monday, September 4, 1916

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3. Report of talk by Clyde V. Cessna at the Wichita Club yesterday. Enthusiastic about Wichita.

Monday, March 5, 1917

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5. Meeting of department heads of Jones Motor Car Company at Wichita Club Saturday evening was told that contracts have been let for material for approximately 2500 cars during next twelve months and it is hoped to produce no less than 2000 and possibly 3000 for the next twelve months. There are 125 employes at the factory. Those present at the dinner are listed.

Wednesday, February 16, 1921

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7. Report of formal opening to public of the new Arkansas Valley Interurban passenger station yesterday afternoon. At a dinner at the Wichita Club afterwards, George Theis told a group of about 75 men that the Arkansas Valley Interurban would begin active plans about April or May to extend its line to Salina. Details.

Tuesday, April 12, 1921

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7. Directors of the Orpheum Building and Theater met today with John Ebersson, a Chicago architect who specializes in this type of building, at the Wichita Club, and approved his entirely new set of plans and directed him to complete plans and specifications by June 1, with goal of completing the building by March 1, 1922. Office

section of the building will be 50 by 150 feet, with six storerooms facing Lawrence Avenue. Theater will have Spanish style ornamentation and seating capacity of 1723. Details.

Sunday, November 7, 1937**page**

1. Report of negotiations for sale of the Wichita Club building at 1st and Market for conversion into an office building. Details.

Friday, January 7, 1938**page**

1. The Wichita Club will move from its present quarters at 1st and Market to new quarters on the tenth and 11th floors of the Hotel Lassen in the month of April following remodeling of the new space.

Tuesday, January 25, 1938**page**

6. Building permit issued yesterday for remodeling of tenth and 11th floors of Hotel Lassen as a new home for the Wichita Club. Contract let to Hahner and Foreman Construction Company. General contract amounts to \$89,143 (?). Architects are Overend and Boucher. Details.

Wichita Eagle**Wednesday, May 19, 1915****page**

8. The commerce committee of the Wichita club yesterday guaranteed \$5000 to be used in purchasing a campus for an Indian academy in the Fairmount district.

Thursday, March 11, 1920**page**

5. Directors of the Wichita Club decided yesterday to add another story to the club's building at 1st and Market at cost of \$100,000, to be used for gymnasium and roof garden.

Saturday, March 27, 1920**page**

5. Article says two additional stories are to be added to the Wichita Club building at 1st and Market.

Saturday, April 10, 1920**page**

5. Wichita club is to be remodeled in next 60 days, but it has been found impossible to make the addition of two stories as planned, because the architects say the foundation of the building will not bear the additional weight.

Friday, June 9, 1922**page**

1. Wichita Elks club plans building a six story Elks home on the John Davidson property just north of the Wichita club on North Market street. To cost \$500,000. Work to be started by September.

Sunday, September 23, 1923

Special issue for fall wheat show. Photographs of Forum, Masonic Home, new high school, Red Star mill, Kansas Gas and Electric plant, Kansas Sanitarium, string of boats in river above Murdock, Wichita Club, Barnes Building, etc. and various special articles.

Thursday, November 25, 1937**page**

5. Wichita Club voted yesterday to sell its property at 1st and Market to Farmers and Bankers Insurance Company for \$90,000 and to move the Club quarters to the 10th and 11th floors of Lassen Hotel next April 1.

Tuesday, January 25, 1938**page**

5. The Wichita Club is moving from the building at northeast corner of 1st and Market and has let contract for remodeling of its new quarters on tenth and 11th floors of the Hotel Lassen. Details.

Sunday, October 29, 1939**page**

15. Article gives history of the Wichita club, chartered originally in 1889 as the Coronado club, with rooms then on the fifth floor of the Sedgwick building, which now has only two stories, the three top floors having been removed. Later the club moved to the old Levy home at northwest corner of 1st and Topeka, and later to the second and third floors of the National Bank of Commerce building at southwest corner of Main and Douglas. Just after turn of century the Coronado club changed its name to the Wichita Commercial club, and then in 1912 secured an amended charter with the name of Wichita club. ¶ Photograph of Colonel A. H. Webb, now 88, who was one of the original 25 members of the club.

Friday, March 9, 1962**page**

1. The Wichita Club, now housed on the tenth floor of the Lassen Hotel, is to occupy new quarters on the eighteenth floor of the new Wichita Plaza Building. Occupancy is expected in October 1962. Details.

Monday, April 22, 1963**page**

- 5A. Report of open house held yesterday by Wichita Club in its new quarters atop the

Wichita Plaza building. Details.

Wichita Eagle-Beacon
Sunday, August 31, 1969

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2E. Article about remodeling under way at the Wichita Club, on 18th floor of Wichita Plaza Building. Details. Drawings.

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CHANGES ARE COMING TO OLD ROYALE

The Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, formerly the Wichita Royale, will open two restaurants in what is now part of the Wichita Club and will take over management of the money-losing private club.

The two restaurants will be on the 18th floor while the Wichita Club will remain in the 19th floor of the Kansas State Bank Building, 125 N. Market.

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WICHITA CLUB'S CLOSING MAY BE TEMPORARY
MANAGEMENT GROUP SAYS IT WANTS TO
BOLSTER ITS SAGGING BUSINESS AT DOWNTOWN
GUILD PLAZA.

One of this community's oldest institutions, the Wichita Club, will

shut its doors temporarily Oct. 1 while it searches for a new management team.

The Guild Cos., based in Omaha, has operated the private club and the Guild Plaza Hotel since 1994. Company officials confirmed Monday that the operating agreement with the club would not be renewed.

"We feel it is necessary to focus all of our attentions on the Guild Plaza Hotel at this time," said Mark Guilds, president of the management company.
