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.

TIHEN NOTES FROM 1901 WICHITA BEACON

Wichita Beacon Tuesday, January 1, 1901 page

5. The passenger train from Kansas City was the first one to run into the new Missouri Pacific depot on Douglas avenue at 7:10 this morning. ¶ The first tickets sold at the new depot was to Mr. A. Goldstandt, of the Goldstandt-Powell Hat company, who purchased a ticket to Kiowa from the ticket agent, E. E. Bleckley.

Wednesday, January 2, 1901 page

5. Commodore S. L. Nelson reviews the progress of the street railway in the past year. ¶ Says the old company, in 1899, carried 318,791 fares, or an average of 900 a day. In 1900 the new company collected 804,747 fares, or an average of 2,205 as day, although it was not until March 8 that the first new rails were laid and March 22 when the first new cars were put on. Details ("Street Railway").

Friday, January 4, 1901 page

- 5. The Firebaugh block was sold yesterday to Mr. C. W. Brown, Wichita capitalist who owns the bank at Augusta, for \$17,000.
- 6. The partnership of the Baltimore Hotel has been dissolved. The hotel was owned by McVeign and Keen, but the later sold his interest to Mr. John McVeign, who will be the sole proprietor.

Saturday, January 5, 1901 page

5. Article lists large number of new houses being built in Wichita. Also Cone and Cornell are building two story brick business laundry building across from the post office for \$30,000. Details.

The waterworks company intend to plant a large number of shade and ornamental trees on Lane's island next spring and to make its grounds as inviting as Riverside park. The

company now owns nearly all of the island, over 60 acres of land. The brush has been removed and a large sand hill in the center of the island has been removed. In addition to the grounds, pumphouse, and other improvements, the company owns a fine two story residence for the head engineer and last fall they erected a neat barn on the property.

8. The Buckridge pump factory at the corner of Central and Wichita will soon begin work.

Monday, January 7, 1901 page

5. Report of annual meeting of Wichita hospital. Details.

Tuesday, January 8, 1901 page

5. Report of school board meeting yesterday. At the spring election voters will be asked to approve a \$25,000 bond issue to erect the new Ingalls school house. Details.

Wednesday, January 9, 1901 page

5. Report of 1,900 federal census showed Wichita population of 24,671 and Sedgwick County of 44,037. ¶ Sedgwick County population:

1870	1,095
1880	18,75 3
1890	43,62 6
1900	44,03 7

The Fairmount car was using its snowploughs today.

Mr. G. Gehring has purchased 50 acres of land two miles south and two miles east of Main and Douglas for \$30 per acre.

Thursday, January 10, 1901 page

5. The Rock Island restaurant will be opened Monday.

Friday, January 11, 1901 page

5. W. J. Babb has purchased 40 acres of land adjoining Fairmount from B. E. Kies.

An account of bad weather the work of repairing the arch at the Oak street entrance of Riverside park has been delayed.

Tuesday, January 15, 1901 page

5. Bishop John L. Hennessey has become the owner of the Garibaldi home on College Hill and it will be made the bishop's home. Price was \$9,000.

The dining hall in the Rock Island depot was opened yesterday and served 36 persons the first day. There are four waiters for whom rooms are furnished on the second floor of the station. ¶ About two years ago there was a private dining hall in the Rock Island depot, but it was abolished.

Mrs. Carrie Nation was released from jail on bond today. Details.

6. City council yesterday granted petition for opening 1st street through the old Hydraulic mill property.

Wednesday, January 16, 1901 page

5. Mrs. James Garibaldi has purchased the home on College Hill built two years ago by Samuel Sergeant.

Architect Dumont has completed the plans for the stage at the Toler opera house. The stage depth will be 44 feet and there will be eight dressing rooms on each side. The orchestra pit will be in front of the stage, and a box on each side.

The Toler stock farm has been sold to some eastern stock men.

Thursday, January 17, 1901 page

6. The Missouri and Kansas Telephone company has extended its line to Guthrie, Oklahoma Territory.

Friday, January 18, 1901 page

5. Missouri Pacific yard engine 209 will be brought from the Ft. Scott shops today where it has been rebuilt Engine 858 which has been doing the switch work will go to the shops.

Saturday, January 19, 1901 page

5. W. R. Watson, of New Jersey, proposed to erect in Wichita a flouring mill of 1,000 barrels per day capacity. He looked over the ground today and considers the railroad crossing at 18th street the proper location. He now owns a large flouring mill at Jersey City and is an old friend of J. E. Howard of the Union Mills in Wichita. Details.

8. The McCormick Harvester company plans to build a four story brick building 75 by 140 feet, on the company's lots east of the Santa Fe tracks on Douglas avenue, starting in May. Details.

Monday, January 21, 1901 page

5. A circle street is being made in Riverside park west of the Griffenstein bridge. ¶ First street will be opened from Hydraulic across Chisholm creek.

Wednesday, January 23, 1901 page

5. Pattie avenue has been opened from Kellogg to Lincoln.

Thursday, January 24, 1901 page

5. A. S. Parks has owned an automobile for about one year. He says they are a nice thing just like a bicycle in good weather. When the roads are muddy they are no good.

Friday, January 25, 1901 page

5. The Keene Syndicate, which some time ago had an ardent desire to get out of Wichita, is not now offering such bargains, having found out that Wichita is making rapid strides forward. It therefore wants more money for its property now. ¶ Coler Sim is local agent. The Keene Syndicate is still one of the largest property holders in the city as well as one of the largest taxpayers in the county.

Monday, January 28, 1901 page

5. Report of death January 13th in San Francisco of "Dixie Lee," otherwise Mrs. Inez Oppenheimer, one of the characters of Wichita in the frontier days. She married Charles Oppenheimer of this city and was later divorced. She was smart and had business ability and accumulated considerable property, including some \$30,000 worth in Wichita and \$25,000 worth in Kansas City. Her entire property is said to be worth \$150,000. She adopted an infant girl, who survives, as well as her mother and brothers and sisters (in California). Details.

Tuesday, January 29, 1901 page

5. Article says the Levy home on northeast corner of Topeka and 1st, occupied by the Commercial club, has been sold to Shannon Nave, of Attica, Indiana, for \$7,750, by Mr. N. F. Frazier, of Eldorado, into whose possession the property came as one of the assets of the old Wichita National Bank, of which Mr. Levy was president. The property has frontage of 75 feet and the home was erected at cost of \$19,000. An offer of \$6,000 for it by Mr. John A. Mahen eight months ago was declined.

6. Commodore Nelson says the street railway company has bought material to replace five miles of old rails this year with new ones 60 feet long and weighing 55 pounds to the yard. If packing house business increases with the opening of the new packing house, they will build the belt line on Market from 12th to 14th streets. ¶ The company also intends to put on more cars next summer and give a better service.

Thursday, January 31, 1901 page

- 6. The old Missouri Pacific passenger depot at 2nd street is being moved one-half block east today. It will be used by the railroad as a supply house.
- 8. The Golf club has leased an 80 acre tract of land on College Hill on which is a cottage which will be used as a club house. The property is owned by a Michigan man, and the club has leased it for one year. Work will begin at once on making the golf links, and as soon as they are completed the Fairmount links will be abandoned. The cottage is two blocks south of the street car loop on the hill.

Friday, February 1, 1901 page

5. The Wichita Golf club now has 45 members and will soon occupy their new property on College Hill. The property consists of the Proudfoot place of two acres and a house, and 80 acres adjoining. The Proudfoot property was leased from Mrs. E. M. Dodd through the agency of C. W. McCoy for \$180 per year. The 80 acre tract was leased for \$125 per year, making the total yearly rental of the grounds amount to \$305.

The grain elevator situated between the Santa Fe and Rock Island tracks three blocks south of the depot, owned by the Wichita Elevator company, was burned to the ground early this morning. Details. ¶ This building was recently erected and was finished last June at a cost of about \$20,000. Had capacity of 30,000 barrels.

6. The Missouri Pacific is considering two plans for its freight depot in Wichita. One is the erection of a substantial structure of stone or brick. The other is the enlargement of the present frame building on 1st street. If the latter plan is adopted, the old 12th street station will be moved down and added to the north end of the present freight depot, leaving a platform space of about 40 feet between the two buildings.

Saturday, February 2, 1901 page

5. The two story brick building on southwest corner of Main and Douglas was purchased yesterday by the National Bank of Commerce, which has occupied the lower floor since it opened on January 23, 1899. Cost was \$15,000. The building was erected for office purposes many years ago. The upper floor is occupied by H. H. Dewey's fire insurance office, Stewart and Burns real estate, and Mr. Horner Caldwell, insurance. The purchase was made through the Stewart and Burns real estate office.

Missouri Pacific engine 941 has come back from the shops after being overhauled.

Tuesday, February 5, 1901 page

5. Article says the *Chicago Tribune* published article with cuts in 1899 about the dilapidated condition of the Wichita street railway which Commodore Nelson has framed and hanging in his office.

Report of school board meeting yesterday. Details.

Article says the Cudahy Packing plant is nearly ready to start work. Details.

Thursday, February 7, 1901 page

5. Greenfield Brothers, formerly of Ft. Scott, are now making arrangements to open a clothing store in the building formerly occupied by The Famous.

Missouri Pacific engine Number 887 went to the Eldorado shops for cleaning last night.

Friday, February 8, 1901 page

5. Missouri Pacific engine Number 936 went to Ft. Scott last night for overhauling.

The new Missouri Pacific furniture cars are 50 feet long. The old ones are 40 feet.

6. The new paint factory which will occupy the old Union Mills on East Oak street will be called the Oilex Paint company.

Saturday, February 9, 1901 page

8. Note reports recent marriage of Miss Stacy Niederlander, daughter of Mr. N. F. Niederlander, a former Wichita real estate dealer, to Mr. Thomas Cooper of St. Louis.

Monday, February 11, 1901 page

- 5. The Hockaday Hardware company has purchased the six lots facing on Rock Island avenue and south of Mahan Supply company and plan to build a three story structure on the property in the spring. The Hockaday company came to Wichita from Oklahoma two years ago and have outgrown their present building at 3rd and Santa Fe.
- 6. The January directory of the telephone company will be delivered in a short time. It contains about 100 new names in the Wichita exchange, and the phones at Hutchinson, Arkansas City, and Kansas City.

Tuesday, February 12, 1901

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- 5. The Wichita Country Golf club is laying off its new grounds today on College Hill. A competent civil engineer is doing the work. Newt Garst, Al Musselman and Ben Richey are superintending the work. The grounds have been moved from Fairmount to College Hill so as to be more quickly reached by the electric cars.
- 6. Souvenir buttons have arrived for the New Fashioned Fair being given for the benefit of the Fairmount endowment fund. They are of white celluloid with a picture of Fairmount college on the face. Three thousand have been secured and the price is ten cents.
 - J. R. Mead today purchased from William A. Haynes the second half of the Smith-Skinner building on North Market street for \$8,000. He bought the first half a year ago and has invested \$60,000 in Wichita business property in the past two years. With his son, James Mead, of Chicago, he has purchased 29 business houses in Wichita. His son has the Mead Cycle Company in Chicago and is putting the profits of his Chicago house into Wichita property.

Saturday, February 16, 1901 page

5. Wichita has 800 telephones in use. The number has doubled in the last two years.

Monday, February 18, 1901 page

5. Work has commenced on the new golf links on College Hill and in a short time the ground will be in a condition for play.

Wednesday, February 20, 1901 page

1. Judge Dale rendered decision today that Carrie Nation and her associates must stand trial for their saloon smashing episodes. Details.

Thursday, February 21, 1901 page

5. The new Cudahy packing plant will open for business next Tuesday.

Tuesday, February 26, 1901 page

- 5. Work has started on Fred Aley's new two story brick building at 244 North Main. The old frame structure is being removed.
- 6. The John Cudahy Packing company began operations today in the old plant of the Whittaker Packing company. Details.

Thursday, February 28, 1901 page

5. Mrs. Carrie Nation's story of her visit to Wichita as published in last Tuesday's *Peoria Journal*. Details.

Saturday, March 2, 1901

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6. The Fairmount Golf club has been revived, which flourished as a club with some 20 members four years ago. So far as known it was the first golf club in Kansas. The intention is to keep the links used formerly by the Country club in good condition for the benefit of those who cannot afford the expense of joining the country club.

Monday, March 4, 1901

page

5. List of improvements and appropriations for the street railway company this year as reported to Commodore Nelson today. Details.

Tuesday, March 5, 1901 page

5. Interview with Commodore Nelson, who voices his optimism about Wichita's future and advised Edward Woodman, of Portland, Maine, to hold on to his Wichita street railway bonds.

Report of school board meeting yesterday with long discussion of bids for new Ingalls school building. No action.

Thursday, March 7, 1901 page

- 1. Judge D. M. Dale today overruled Carrie Nation's petition for a change of venue for trial of her case. Long article with details (see March 5, page 6, regarding her motion for change of venue).
- 5. The Greenfield Brothers will open their new store in the building formerly occupied by The Famous on Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, March 8, 1901 page

- 5. C. K. Newhall and E. E. Abell, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, who recently purchased the Toler stock farm, arrived in Wichita this morning. Details.
- 6. Long report of trial of Carrie Nation in Judge Dale's court today. Details.

Greenfield Brothers' new store at 112 East Douglas opened today.

Monday, March 11, 1901

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1. Jury in Carrie Nation's trial was unable to reach a verdict—with vote of seven to five for

conviction—so it ended in a mistrial. Details.

6. Dr. M. W. Cave on Saturday purchased the beautiful home of C. P. Fullington at 1011 North Market for \$6,500. Mr. Fullington will move to Belvedere, Kansas in the near future.

Tuesday, March 12, 1901 page

- 5. Article describes new addition to the Dold Packing house. Details.
 - H. G. Toler, proprietor of the Toler opera house, has ordered 500 new opera seats for his popular theater. The stage is to be dropped four feet and widened to 40 by 60 feet. Work will be commenced in a short time.
- 6. Jacob Stites was buried today in Highland cemetery after the funeral at his home northwest of Wichita. He was 81 years old.

Thursday, March 14, 1901 page

5. Report of the will of Inez Oppenheimer, former early Wichita character known as "Dixie Lee." Largest share of estate to her adopted daughter, Ruth Z. Oppenheimer. Details.

Monday, March 18, 1901 page

5. William McNaughten and R. K. Isenberg Saturday purchased from Reese and Company seven acres in Riverside fronting on the Little river and known as the Griffenstein reserve for \$1,200 and intend erecting residences there in the near future.

Tuesday, March 19, 1901 page

6. The John Cudahy company killed 810 hogs yesterday and expected to kill an average of 800 per day. Details.

Wednesday, March 20, 1901 page

5. The Rock Island depot is to be fitted with steam heat.

Article discusses progress with A. E. Stilwell's plans for the Orient Railroad. Says surveyors are working between Wichita and Emporia locating the line. Details.

Saturday, March 23, 1901 page

5. The first of the new rails for the street car company arrived this morning. They are 60 feet long and are loaded on two flat cars. Eight more such loads are to arrive before the company can make its contemplated improvements. ¶ There were also ten more new

motors received last night, and when placed under cars the company will have twenty cars with full equipment ready to run on any of the tracks. These new motors are far superior to some of the old motors now in use.

The new ice plant now being erected on the Rock Island tracks by Southward and Company is assuming immense proportions. The plant is expected to be operating in two weeks.

Improvements are still going on at the New Toler. Details.

Tuesday, March 26, 1901 page

5. Report of city council meeting yesterday. Highland cemetery association asked for an appropriation of \$500 for the present year and it was voted to give them \$200.

Wednesday, March 27, 1901 page

- 5. Papers filed giving the city possession of five lots north of the Hamilton hotel to be used for park purposes at no cost except rebating of the taxes due from the county.
- 6. The Street Car company received five more double cars of steel rails this morning and two more are expected in a day or two.

Friday, March 29, 1901 page

8. Report of death recently at Craig, Arizona of Wichita pioneer Eli P. Waterman (died on March 22). Details.

Monday, April 1, 1901 page

5. Report of death Saturday night of old settler Nerius (sic) Baldwin at his home, 1229 North Lawrence. Has lived in Wichita past twenty years having come here from Park City, Kansas. Survived by wife, two sons, Frederick, of Wichita, and Charles, of Sioux City, Iowa, and one daughter, Mrs. Mosceline Coffman, of Baltimore, Maryland.

Commodore Nelson returned to Wichita last night from Ohio, but laying of new street railway will be delayed because of the snow storm. Present indications are that the Market street loop will not be built. The Missouri Pacific is willing to give the street railway right-of-way on the east side of their track but wish in return to have the 12th street street railway crossing permanently abandoned, as it crosses the northern boundary of their switch yards where trains are made up. ¶ The street car company has stated that it will at some future time abandon the 12th street crossing, but it does not desire to abandon the Fairview line at present. The street car people believe that Waco avenue will ultimately demand a street car service and that that line could be run in connection with the Fairview line and do away with the 12th street crossing. ¶ The company expects to complete the

tracks in about 40 days, with about 35 men employed at first. Says the bulk of the Wichita street railway bonds are held by Commodore Nelson and Messrs. Woodman, McKinley, and Duncan.

Wednesday, April 3, 1901

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1. Report of city election yesterday. B. F. McLean elected mayor. Details.

Thursday, April 4, 1901

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Commodore Nelson expects to have men at work next Monday laying the heavy rails. ¶ A ten minute service was put on the North Main and Stockyards line yesterday. ¶ Article lists comment about the Wichita street car service before the present company took over.

Friday, April 5, 1901

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- 5. Sam Amidon has purchased a half interest in the Firebaugh block, on North Market, from C. W. Brown for \$8,500.
- 6. A strong wind this morning caused damage in several places and blew the north half of the Missouri Pacific 12th street depot off its foundation.

The Wichita Railroad and Light Company has filed suit in district court for \$260 damages against James S. Campbell, et. al., arising out of their injunction suit of July 10, 1900 regarding tearing up of the old 15th street Fairmount line. Details.

Saturday, April 6, 1901

page 8. W. R. Mo

W. R. Morrison with his wife arrived here yesterday and will start Monday to put down the new street car rails. He was here last summer and superintended the building of the new track, and his many friends are glad to see him again.

Report of school board meeting yesterday.

Monday, April 8, 1901

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5. Two street car company men from Ohio arrived here yesterday to touch up and revarnish the new street cars so they will look brand new.

Tuesday, April 9, 1901 page

5. Report to city council of accomplishments by Mayor Ross on his leaving office. Details. New committees appointed by Mayor McLean.

Monday, April 15, 1901

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5. Henry Schweiter has let contracts for some improvements to his building at northeast corner of Main and Douglas, including a new roof which will be raised several feet higher than the old one. A new hall and stairway are also to be erected.

Wednesday, April 17, 1901

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- 1. Long article about planned enlargement of the Dold Packing plant. Details.
- 6. Excavation started today for the Hockaday Hardware Company's new wholesale house, located just south of the Rock Island passenger depot on the east side of the tracks. To be three stories.

Friday, April 19, 1901 page

- 2. Article about the annual report required to be filed with the Kansas secretary of state by all corporations doing business for profit in the state except banking, insurance, and railroad corporations. Details.
- 8. Long article with history of Masonic bodies in Wichita.

Saturday, April 20, 1901

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8. E. M. Duncan, banker and capitalist of Eureka Springs, Arkansas, expects to build a street railway there in the near future and is in Wichita today figuring with the Wichita Street Railway company for the purchase of some street car rails.

Monday, April 22, 1901

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- 5. The Central avenue dam in the city park gave way last evening as a result of undermining by the recent high water. Details.
- 6. Summer cars made their first appearance on the street car lines yesterday.

The change on the Frisco line by means of which Wichita is made a division point, went into effect yesterday. All train crews excepting engineers will stop over here.

The Wichita Gas company, Superintendent C. O. Beker, today received plans from Architect F. F. Parsons for the new addition to be erected to the company's plant. It will be 48 by 60 and 30 feet in height, and will be a retort house. Building will cost \$6,000 and its equipment \$7,000 more. Work will start at once.

Tuesday, April 23, 1901

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5. Report of city council meeting yesterday. Mayor's salary raised from \$1,000 to \$2,000

a year. Details.

Thursday, April 25, 1901 page

- 5. The new Warehouse for the McCormick Harvester Company is to be completed by October 15. It will be just east of the Santa Fe depot and will front 65 feet on Douglas avenue on Lots 2, 4, and 6, Mead's addition, and will be 137 feet deep, brick with stone trimmings, three stories high, and cost \$37,000. Details.
- 6. Work has commenced on the East Douglas avenue street car line and the old rails are rapidly being displaced by new ones.

Friday, April 26, 1901 page

- 5. A new Golf club has been organized with about 20 members. It is called the Braeburn Golf club and will use the old Fairmount lines. It is hoped to have a nine hole course ready in two weeks. Officers listed—president is Dr. S. S. Kingsbury of Fairmount college.
- 6. Article about the new Oilex Paint company which will occupy the three story brick building on East Murdock avenue known as the old Union Mill. Details.

Monday, April 29, 1901 page

6. The Wichita Street Railway company received a carload of machinery yesterday including a new 180 kilowatt generator, which will be used for lighting purposes and will do the work heretofore done by two smaller generators.

Wednesday, May 1, 1901

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5. Charles Cleinheim, of Kansas City, yesterday purchased from M. Harrod the old George Strong property on Fairmount for \$4,500. The residence was erected by George Strong, a number of years ago, he being one of the original promoters of Fairmount addition. Mr. Cleinheim and family will move here from Kansas City.

Thursday, May 2, 1901 page

6. Work on the Steinbuchel land in the city park will be commenced in a few days and the stumps of old trees will be removed from the river bed. At the time Central avenue dam was built this land was flooded and caused considerable controversy.

Saturday, May 4, 1901

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5. Article describes repairs and improvements being made at Hose House Number 1 on North Market street. Details.

8. A spray fountain is being placed in the center of the swan lake which has recently been completed at Riverside park (i.e., South Riverside). In it are 11 swans, donated by Charles Payne, and 40 ducks and geese of all varieties.

Monday, May 6, 1901 page

5. Building permit issued today to the E. K. Nevling Grain Company for a \$28,000 elevator south of 18th street in Carey Avenue addition. Work was commenced May 1 and it is to be completed by August 1.

City council today postponed work on the Steinbuchel land in Riverside park. Details.

Tuesday, May 7, 1901 page

5. Report of board of education meeting yesterday at which Professor R. F. Knight, of Kansas City, was elected superintendent of schools, replacing Professor F. R. Dyer. Details. ¶ Professor J. N. Allen submitted resignation as principal of the high school because of low salary of \$1,200 a year.

Wednesday, May 8, 1901 page

6. Fred Bissantz yesterday purchased the brick building at 306 East Douglas now occupied by himself as a bakery, from the Knight Investment Company of St. Louis for \$13,500.

Thursday, May 9, 1901 page

1. The *Beacon* today adds two inches to the length of its columns to make it a full sized newspaper. Article gives some history of the *Beacon*'s progress.

Saturday, May 11, 1901 page

6. Report of marriage Wednesday of Mr. Fred B. Isely and Miss Mary Nickerson at the bride's parents' home in Clearwater. Mr. Isely is a brother of Professor W. H. Isely, of Fairmount College and graduated from Fairmount in the class of '99. Mrs. Isely graduated from Fairmount in the class of 1900. Mr. Isely's brother, Charles, was best man.

Notice was received yesterday that Wichita has been granted a sub-station by the post-office department to be located on the West Side, probably at corner of Seneca and Douglas. Sub-Station A will be the title of the new branch.

Tuesday, May 14, 1901 page

5. City council yesterday decided to re-open and equip Hose House Number 3 at 13th and St. Francis.

Friday, May 17, 1901 page

6. Long article about construction plans of the Kansas City, Mexico, and Orient Railroad. First division from Kansas City to Wichita to be built by Union Construction Company Second division from Wichita 135 miles southwest through Kansas and Oklahoma to Cimarron river to be built by Kansas City and Oklahoma Construction Company. Grading on this started in June last year from Cimarron river north and is now completed to Anthony and laying of rails is expected to start in 30 days. Third division from Cimarron river to Red river in Oklahoma to be built by Delaware Construction company, and fourth division of 1,100 miles from Red river to Port Stilwell to be built by International Construction company. Details ("Work Land Out").

Wednesday, May 22, 1901 page

- 5. The Wichita Commercial Club will issue a new prospectus booklet describing Wichita's features, in a few days. It is already at the printer's.
- 6. The \$3,000 new 180 kilowatt generator purchased by the Street Railway company will be turned on for the first time tonight. It has capacity to furnish light for 225 lamps. There are at present 181 lights on the circuit. The new generator furnishes alternating current and will be used exclusively for lighting purposes.

Commencement exercises of Wichita High School to be held this evening at Toler auditorium. Class is the largest ever, with 58 graduates including 14 boys. Last year there were 47, with 21 boys and 26 girls. Details.

Monday, May 27, 1901 page

5. Board of education let contracts for additions to the Park, Franklin, and high school buildings. Details.

Wednesday, May 29, 1901 page

- 5. The pavilion in Maple Grove cemetery which was built by the Women's Relief Corps at a cost of \$500, will be dedicated tomorrow to the surviving veterans of the civil war.
- 6. City officials yesterday decided to purchase the tract of land in Riverside park known as the Steinbuchel land, for the offered price of \$1,200.

Saturday, June 1, 1901 page

5. Long article with details describing Wichita's two golf clubs, the Country Club and the Braeburn Golf Club ("Golf is the Fad in Wichita Today"). Lists of members, etc.

Tuesday, June 4, 1901

page

- 1. City council yesterday granted Commodore S. L. Nelson a franchise for the manufacture of gas and the maintenance of a gas plant and laying of mains, etc., for a period of 20 years. Details.
- 5. Report of school board meeting yesterday, including final report of retiring superintendent of schools, Frank R. Dyer. Details. ¶ Says during the past six years a two room addition was made to the high school using material from the Levy street school, which was abandoned in 1895, and the Fairmount building was moved to its present site.
- 6. Board of education yesterday accepted resignation of high school principal Allen, who would not accept salary of \$1,200, and appointment. Professor Frank Dunkin to replace him. Details.

Thursday, June 6, 1901 page

5. Report of commencement exercises of Lewis academy today at First Presbyterian church. Sixteen graduates.

Friday, June 7, 1901 page

6. Work has commenced on the elevators of the Imperial mills, which will have a capacity of 50,000 barrels.

Rock Island officials have received a large 20 foot sign bearing the words "Rock Island Route" in large gilt letters. The sign will be placed on the north side of the building.

Monday, June 10, 1901 page

2. Long article about progress of the First Presbyterian church in Wichita from the depression days of five years ago. Details.

Tuesday, June 11, 1901 page

6. Excavation for the foundation of the new Christian Scientist church is being made on the recently purchased property at corner of Lawrence and 2nd. The old Episcopal church, south of the Uloba hotel, will be moved to the lot as soon as the foundation walls are finished. The church will be remodeled and ready for service by July 1.

The Wichita Street Railway company began resurfacing the track at Main and 10th streets yesterday. It is their intention to begin resurfacing the Topeka avenue tracks as soon as the Main street tracks are finished.

H. G. Toler and son will hold their closing sale of stock at the fair grounds next Friday. It is Mr. Toler's intention to devote his entire time hereafter to making the Auditorium a

first class amusement hall.

Wednesday, June 12, 1901

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- 5. Report of graduating exercises of Wichita Hospital Training School for nurses last night at the Plymouth Congregational church. Seven graduates.
- 6. The Carey hotel is receiving a fresh coat of red paint.

Thursday, June 13, 1901 page

\$8,000. ¶ Two new curves will be added at the corner of Main and Douglas. One will connect the East Douglas avenue line with the South Main street line, and another will permit cars on South Main street to turn directly west on Douglas avenue. The other intersections at the corner will also be replaced by new rails, and the stone pavement between the tracks at Topeka and Douglas will be torn up and relaid at corner of Main and Douglas. ¶ Work started yesterday on the new switch on Topeka avenue between Central and Elm. A similar switch will be placed on Douglas avenue at the corner of Seneca, after which four cars will be used on the line giving a 15 minute service, instead of three cars as at present, giving a 20 minute service. ¶ Supt. Williams announces that the Riverside Park cars will run through to the cemeteries hereafter on Sundays, with a 20 minute schedule.

Friday, June 14, 1901 page

6. The Missouri Pacific is placing a fine brick sidewalk in front of the depot, replacing the old cinder walk.

Saturday, June 15, 1901 page

- 8. The Lewelling building on East Douglas avenue, in which the Yucca Manufacturing company is located, has been purchased by the president of the company, A. A. Hyde, for \$4,500.
- 13. Article with history of Wichita fire department. Details ("Wichita Firemen").

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- 5. A three story addition is being built at All Hallows academy.
- 6. The street car company has commenced work on the new track intersections at Main and Douglas and the corner presents a torn up appearance today.

Work started today on the erection of the new addition to the Rock Island freight depot.

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5. Article about Missouri Pacific plans says some time ago an order was issued to have the old passenger depot at 12th street moved to a point near the present passenger depot and to be used as a freight house, but an order countermanding the previous order was received, and decision awaits the arrival of General Manager Harding from St. Louis next week. The Missouri Pacific also needs larger round house facilities in Wichita.

Long article giving history of the Rescue Home at 1021 Tremont avenue. The home was incorporated on October 29, 1894 and first located in the brick building at 1103 North St. Francis, now the Martha Washington Home. In November 1898 the trustees purchased the old Wichita Hospital property at 1021 Tremont and moved there. Details ("A Worthy Work").

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5. Article about Country Club says it has been proposed to limit the membership. A fireworks display will be given the evening of July 4th at cost of \$300 with seats at east side of club house. Photographs are to be taken of the club house and scenic points on the links and forwarded to Harper's magazine for publication.

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4. Work on the street railway track intersections at corner of Main and Douglas will be completed today, although repairing of the pavement will not be finished until later. Cars are now running through on all of the lines.

Henry Steinbuchel is planning to build a three story brick building on North Main street, north of 1st street, on the lots now occupied by Palmer's Racket Store, Husey's Cigar store, and Peters' saloon.

Honorable Frank Dale, of Guthrie, Oklahoma Territory, is in the city visiting his brother, Judge D. M. Dale.

- 5. Despite the hot weather the past week, both the Country club and the Braeburn Golf club have improved their links. ¶ Although comparatively a new organization, the Braeburn club has made wonderful strides and has a present membership between 40 and 45. Originally the links comprised but six holes, but they have now been increased to nine. Details.
- 13. Twenty years ago in Wichita: J. O. Davidson built a residence at northeast corner of Topeka and 3rd (now the site of the Episcopal church).

Ten years ago in Wichita: Men were at work preparing to pave Central avenue between Main and Market streets.

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5. Work started today on tearing up the stone curbing along the old street car tracks at corner of Douglas and Topeka.

The new sub post office for the West Side has been fitted up in Riley's drug store.

Frank O. Davidson arrived today from Chicago for a visit with his brother, J. O. Davidson.

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5. Long article about remodeling and improvements to be carried out this summer at the Toler Auditorium for its reopening August 15. Details.

The Wichita police are being equipped today with electric night lamps, which are an innovation in this part of the country. ¶ They are also receiving new gold plated stars engraved with the words "Wichita Police" on the face.

6. Work started today on the new addition to the Kansas Steam Laundry.

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- 5. The brick work is about completed on the first story of the Ingalls school building.
- 8. The new superintendent of the city schools, Professor R. F. Knight, arrived here from Kansas City this morning and will assume his new duties next Monday.
- 10. Article gives interview with William Mathewson about his opinion of the government treaties with the Indians. He feels the Indians were cheated, etc. Details ("Cheated Indians").
- 13. Twenty years ago in Wichita: The Santa Fe changed the name of the El Paso station south of Wichita to Derby.

Monday, July 1, 1901 page

- 5. The Missouri Pacific's next major improvement in Wichita will be a large new freight depot, according to visiting general manager Russell Harding. Details.
- 6. A 15 minute service was inaugurated on the Topeka avenue car line this morning. The new switches have been completed. One is at corner of Topeka and Central and the other is at corner of Douglas and Seneca.

The matching money needed was reached today allowing Fairmount college to obtain its \$100,000 endowment including the conditional \$25,000 offered by Dr. D. K. Pearsons,

of Chicago. Approximately \$45,000 has been raised in the eastern states and \$30,000 in the Wichita area. Details.

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5. Report of board of education meeting discussing critical letter written by former Superintendent Dyer and high school principal J. N. Allen, who were not rehired. Details.

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4. Long article lists many houses now under construction in Wichita. Over \$75,000 worth. Includes 14 room house for Howard Case at 1153 North Lawrence. Details ("\$75,000 Being Expended").

Long article gives history of Emporia Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, which was organized in January 1886. Details.

- 5. Work will commence on the Central avenue dam next Monday.
- 10. Long article gives details on costs and budget of running the city of Wichita.
- 13. Long article discussing the Deaconess Home, at 457 St. Francis avenue (at Central), which property was purchased for \$2,000 and moved into on September 1, 1899. The home was originally organized in Wichita in summer of 1898. Details.

Monday, July 8, 1901 page

5. Article reports probably future extension of Stock Yards street railway line from 21st and Lawrence north on Lawrence to a point directly between the two packing houses and then east, ending a short distance from the exchange building. No definite time set yet for building it.

Tuesday, July 9, 1901 page

5. E. W. Wiggins has just completed a new map of the city, which is the most complete yet issued. It shows all public buildings, points of interest, street railway lines, section corners, section centers, steam railroads, parks, cemeteries, city limit lines, business blocks, waterways, etc.

The deed conveying the Hacker-Jackson block at corner of Douglas and Tremont to J. Shannon Nave, of Fountain County, Indiana, was filed in the register of deeds office today. William A. Haynes and wife are the granters. Consideration was \$20,000.

Wednesday, July 10, 1901 page

5. Article gives revised street car schedules now in operation: ¶ Cars for Topeka avenue and West Side leave Main and Douglas on the hour and then every 15 minutes. ¶ The North Main street cars leave Main and Douglas on the hour and then every ten minute, with 20 minutes required to take the trip to the packing house. ¶ The South Main street cars leave Main and Douglas on the hour and than every 20 minutes, with 20 minute required for the run. ¶ The College Hill and Riverside cars leave Main and Douglas on the hour and then every 30 minutes, and require 15 minutes for the run to each terminal.

Report of a move in the city council to buy the water plant. Details.

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5. Wichita's street railway lines are in the hands of a financial organization known as the McKinley syndicate, which continually grows in importance. W. B. McKinley, of Illinois, is president, and associated with him are men of solid financial standing such as Governor J. F. Hill, of Maine, and other eastern capitalists. The company is building new lines in Danville, Illinois and extending from Ft. Wayne, Indiana. A new company has been formed with W. B. McKinley, president, S. L. Nelson, vice-president and manager, and W. B. McComber, of New Hampshire, as treasurer. Details.

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13. Long article describing Wichita's hospitals. Says a large addition is to be built on the west side of St. Francis hospital next fall. Details ("Wichita Is Proud").

Tuesday, July 16, 1901 page

- 1. Report of fire which destroyed the Dold packing plant beginning about 5:00 a.m. today. Details. Drawings.
- 5. Report of city council meeting yesterday.

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6. It will be two weeks yet before the Central avenue dam is completed.

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- 5. Wichita pioneer, R. H. Roys, who came here 25 years ago, will leave tomorrow with his family to make his home in Chicago. Details.
- 13. Article giving history of the West Side Presbyterian church, at Texas and Dodge, organized in April 1886 as a mission of the First Presbyterian church. ¶ Also gives history of the United Presbyterian church, at 1st and Ohio, organized in December 1887. Details.

Tuesday, July 23, 1901 page

5. Work has begun on the enclosure for the zoo in Central Riverside park and by Sunday two deer will have been placed therein. The elk which have been given to the park commissioners will not be here for some time yet.

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2. Long article reports talk given by President A. E. Stillwell of Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad, to Boston capitalists telling them about the railroad. Details ("Stilwell Talks").

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5. The enclosure for the zoo in Riverside park has been completed. It is made of high wire netting fence.

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8. Article about a golf tournament between the Wichita Country Golf club and the Braeburn Golf club, to be held Monday and Tuesday. Details.

The Wichita Water company are making improvements at their plant on Fairmount. A new eight inch well, 36 feet in depth, was sunk the other day.

If the apparatus which has been ordered arrives by then, Hose house Number 3 will be opened August 1.

13. Article gives history of the Oak street Presbyterian church, at Murdock and Cherry streets, organized as a mission of the First Presbyterian church in the boom days, and organized as an independent church October 2, 1887. Details.

Thursday, August 1, 1901 page

6. The additions to Park and Franklin schools and the high school will be ready for use when school opens in September, but the new Ingalls school will not be completed in time owing to failing of the scaffolding Tuesday.

Friday, August 2, 1901

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5. Report of fire at 9:00 p.m. yesterday which destroyed the Occidental livery stable at 211 North Main, killing eight horses. Details.

Saturday, August 3, 1901

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3. A. E. Stilwell will sail for London on August 14 and will be abroad two months on business connected with the Orient Railroad.

Monday, August 5, 1901 page

5. Report of death yesterday of J. D. McEwen, wholesale fruit and produce dealer, of typhoid fever, at age 40. Born in LeRoy, New York, and came to Wichita about 12 years ago. Business now located at 319-321 East Douglas. Survived by wife and two sons, Harold, nine, and John Donald, aged four.

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6. Report of city council meeting yesterday.

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- 5. The new Cone-Cornell block at corner of Market and William has been completed to the second floor and it is expected to have it under cover by the end of this week.
- 6. Scarcity of heavy lumber has delayed the Central avenue dam, but it is now expected that it will be completed by the middle of next week.

Friday, August 9, 1901 page

5. The Santa Fe has changed its trade mark from the small dark blue rectangle with the words "Santa Fe Route" in the corner, to a new symbol consisting of a Greek cross within a circle and a square, and the words "Santa Fe" placed on the transverse bar, cut white on a sold blue ground.

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1. The Dold Packing House is to be rebuilt. Details.

Tuesday, August 13, 1901 page

5. William Crow, aged 73, one of the proprietors of the West Side elevator, was struck and injured by a street car at 1:00 p.m. today at West Douglas and Osage. He is hard of hearing and did not hear the gong rung by the motorman, J. W. Penlay. Abe Crow, the son of the injured man, is an employee of the street car company (August 15, page 6—report that Mr. Crow died Wednesday).

Wednesday, August 14, 1901

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6. The street car accident of Tuesday has revived the talk of putting fenders on the cars.

The roof is being placed on the addition to the high school.

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6. The last pile was driven yesterday in Central avenue dam and carpenters have commenced laying the flooring. It is estimated the total cost of the dam will be about \$1,500.

Friday, August 16, 1901

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5. A very large mortgage instrument was filed by the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad with the register of deeds yesterday. Details.

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4. The dam in the Little river is nearly completed.

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5. Obituary of William Crow. In Wichita since 1883. First wife died in 1882. Survived by second wife and by four sons and one daughter from his first marriage. Details.

Report of dedication yesterday of the church of Christ, Scientist, at corner of 2nd and Lawrence, which was purchased and remodeled at cost of \$3,965. Details.

6. Contract let Saturday for an addition to the Hamilton hotel, four stories, 40 by 70 feet, to cost about \$24,000. Details.

The telephone company is putting out new books today to its subscribers.

Tuesday, August 20, 1901 page

5. City council yesterday passes resolution to call special election to vote \$50,000 bonds for rebuilding the Dold plant. Details.

City council yesterday decided to have the public improvements committee find some way of improving the appearance of the arch on Oak street at the entrance to Riverside park. Details.

Wednesday, August 21, 1901 page

5. The new building of the Hockaday Hardware Company being erected south of Douglas avenue between the Rock Island and Frisco tracks, will be completed about September 1. Details.

Thursday, August 22, 1901

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6. The Central avenue dam has been completed.

Mr. N. Steffen has purchased 75 feet of ground on northeast corner of Emporia and Pine streets from the Keene syndicate for \$1,600 and will build a residence for \$4,500.

Friday, August 23, 1901

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- 5. September 17 set as date for special election to vote on \$50,000 of bonds to purchase ten acres of land along Chisholm creek for park purposes. Details.
- 6. Since the dam has been finished, the Little river has risen and there are now 20 to 30 boats on it every evening.

Saturday, August 24, 1901

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6. The improvements being made on the interior of the Toler auditorium will be completed September 1.

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8. The Braeburn Golf club is holding a tournament all this week. Details.

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6. The new apparatus for engine house Number 3 has been delayed and will not arrive before next month, so re-opening of the house has been delayed. Since the city has promised fire protection for the new Dold packing plant, the hose house on 13th street is to be moved to 18th street.

Building of the new bridge across Chisholm creek on 1st street began today. C. H. Sawyer has the contract and the work is to be finished in thirty days.

Friday, August 30, 1901

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- 1. Article about possible routes of the Orient Railroad through Wichita. Details.
- 8. The Santa Fe is negotiating with the Canadian owners of the Kansas Southwestern road, which runs from Arkansas City to Anthony, and will probably secure possession by October 1.

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4. The foundation is being laid for the new McCormick building.

Tuesday, September 3, 1901 page

5. Report of school board meeting yesterday. Boundaries of the individual school districts given. A committee from Burton district said there were 21 students living there and asked that a school be opened there.

Wednesday, September 4, 1901

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5. Report of city council meeting yesterday.

Thursday, September 5, 1901

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6. The Wichita Railroad and Light company has arranged the number of motormen for the month of December. Number 1 was given to J. H Gire, the man who first came into the office wearing his new uniform.

Friday, September 6, 1901

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- 1. President McKinley shot. Details.
- 6. Dr. J. G. Dorsey returned today from Braymer, Missouri, where he attended the funeral of his father, Dennis B. Dorsey.
- 8. The Missouri Pacific has two wrecked engines in its yards this morning, Number 16, wrecked at Elmer last week, and Number 868 with crown sheet burned out.

Saturday, September 7, 1901

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- 5. Article lists individual assignments of teachers for coming year.
- 9 &10. Ads and articles about all of Wichita's educational institutions, including "Albertus Magnus University." Details.

Monday, September 9, 1901

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6. Report of city council meeting yesterday.

Schools opened today. Report of enrollment in individual schools. Largest is Park with 442 and smallest Fairmount with 22. High school has 342.

Tuesday, September 10, 1901

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- 5. Report of plans for forthcoming street fair and carnival.
- 6. The canning factory will be sold September 21 and the proceeds used to pay the debts of

the company.

Thursday, September 12, 1901

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6. Ringling Brothers' circus will exhibit in Mathewson's pasture at corner of 3rd and Mathewson on October 1.

Saturday, September 14, 1901

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- 1. Report of death of President McKinley. Details.
- 10. Map of plans for new Dold Packing plant.

Monday, September 16, 1901

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6. Work on the wooden bridge being built over Chisholm creek at 1st street is delayed because lumber for the floor has not arrived. The piling is driven and 1st street is being graded by the street department. When the bridge is completed, 1st street will be open to the hill.

Tuesday, September 17, 1901 page

6. Scott Winne has ordered two locomobiles from the American Locomobile Company, of Bridgeport, Connecticut. They are expected to arrive in the next two weeks.

Wednesday, September 18, 1901 page

6. The \$50,000 bond proposition to buy a city park carried in the election yesterday by 1681 for to 464 against.

Thursday, September 19, 1901 page

5. Work of extending the city water main north to the packing houses will begin at once. A new hose house will be built, probably at 18th and Lawrence. The apparatus for the 13th street hose house will arrive before the end of the month, and the house will be opened October 1.

Friday, September 20, 1901 page

5. As street car 117 was going on the switch on North Topeka between Central and Elm, the wheels of the car turned on to the left track instead of the right, and the rear wheels were thrown off the rails. One of them sank out of sight in the mud. ¶ Car 119 was attached to the north end of the derailed car, and with the aid of the motor of the latter succeeded in pulling it out of the mud. Car 111 was then coupled to the south end and the north car was uncoupled. The power was turned on in car 111 and the derailed car, they were

started south, and the car was pulled back on the track.

8. Frisco engine 174 has been under repair and is now ready for use.

Missouri Pacific engine six has been overhauled and will run on passenger trains 19 and 20 between Wichita and Coffeyville.

Saturday, September 21, 1901 page

5. The Wichita watch factory is being torn down and the stone will be used for construction of a fine Catholic church at St. Marks. ¶ It was built in 1887-88 at a cost of about \$25,000 by the Wichita Watch company, in which a number of citizens of this city held stock. Further details.

The Wichita Canning factory was sold from the court house steps this morning for \$2,500. Details.

13. "20 Years Ago In Wichita": Morris Kohn sold his residence property on North Topeka to Mr. Skinner of the Kansas state bank. He went to New York to live and Cash Henderson was left here as resident manager of his business, the New York store.

Monday, September 23, 1901 page

7. A horse was struck and killed by an electric street car last evening at corner of 13th and Topeka. Electric car in charge of Motorneer Garfield Jones.

Tuesday, September 24, 1901 page

8. Frisco engine 97 has returned from Springfield, Missouri, where it was overhauled.

Wednesday, September 25, 1901 page

8. The St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church are planning to build a \$20-25,000 brick church on the site of their present frame church at corner of 13th and Lawrence. The church was organized about 1887 and the first church building was located at the corner of 13th and Water. In 1889 the building was moved to the present site. Details.

Thursday, September 26, 1901 page

5. The Oak street arch at the entrance to Riverside park will be covered with brick. This was decided yesterday at a meeting of the park commissioners, and the contract was let to J. M. Campbell, a local contractor for \$500. Work will be commenced at once and completed before cold weather. ¶ The arch in its present condition is an unsightly object to have at the entrance to the city's pleasure grounds, and the news that the matter of its deposition has been settled will be received with joy.

Friday, September 27, 1901

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6. The 1st street bridge across Chisholm creek has been completed.

Saturday, September 28, 1901 page

- 13. Program for Carnival Week, which starts Monday, September 30. Details.
- 15. Long article about the Hockaday Wholesale Hardware company and their new building, which was opened yesterday at 205-07-09-11-13-15-17-19 Rock Island avenue. Drawing.

Monday, September 30, 1901 page

7. Nine year old boy run over and lost leg when trying to jump on train pulled by Missouri Pacific switch engine Number 209 in yards near 9th street yesterday afternoon. Details.

Tuesday, October 1, 1901 page

- 1. The Missouri Pacific Railroad will build a large new freight depot in Wichita on site of present depot at 1st and Wichita. To be 400 feet long and 35 feet wide and occupy the entire block between 1st and 2nd streets. Estimated cost is \$20,000. Foundation to be of stone from Eldorado and building of brick from Iola. Details.
- 6. Manager Williams of the Wichita Street Railway announced that he will run cars every 30 minutes to Fairmount during carnival week. Passengers will take College Hill cars at Main and Douglas, changing at Jersey and Douglas to the Fairmount car.

The electric fountain which was in the midway last year is there again this year.

8. The Wichita and Western has imported six Union pacific passenger coaches for handling its patrons during carnival week.

Wednesday, October 2, 1901

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6. Work has commenced on the addition to the Santa Fe freight house.

Thursday, October 3, 1901 page

6. The Wichita Railroad and Light company has notified the city that the circuit for lighting the city building is completed and ready for use. The building heretofore has been lighted by the Wichita Gas, Electric Light and Power company.

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5. During the carnival and fair last week the street railway company carried an average of

15,000 passengers daily, which is 11,000 more than the regular daily traffic. All the cars owned by the company were put in service and 30 extra men in addition to the regular force were required to handle the crowds. Superintendent Williams says the Riverside line carried the largest number of people, but all of the lines were well patronized. The traffic was heavier last week than at any previous street fair.

6. Article gives estimated attendance at the street fair last week and the number coming on the various railroads. Details.

Tuesday, October 8, 1901 page

5. At city council meeting yesterday, Fire Marshal Walden reported the arrival of the new hose wagon for station Number 3, and the house was ordered opened at once. The firemen for the new house were appointed last night—all of them are colored. The question of moving the location of hose house Number 3 to 18th and Lawrence was referred to the fire and water commission and Chief Walden.

Report of school board meeting yesterday. Details.

6. Article reports incorporation by county commissioners yesterday of Andale as a city of the third class. Details.

Wednesday, October 9, 1901 page

5. The plans for the new Braeburn club house are practically completed and work on construction will commence in several days. It will be erected at the corner of 16th and Fairmount avenues and will contain three large rooms, one for ladies, one for gentlemen, and a reception room. There will also be a 60 feet porch. The club has a five year lease on the grounds.

The ex-confederate association has located the unmarked graves of several exconfederates who are buried in Highland cemetery. Action will be taken toward providing some marker for the graves. Details.

6. Contract for the new Missouri Pacific freight depot has been let to Brandt and Gribi, of Wichita, for \$16,500. To be completed by February 1, 1902.

Thursday, October 10, 1901 page

- 1. F. G. Smyth and Sons plan to build a large new implement warehouse just north of the new McCormick warehouse at Douglas and Santa Fe. Details.
- 6. Hose House Number 3, at 13th and St. Francis, was opened today after being closed for several years. Details.

The contract for carrying the mail between the main post office and the sub-station on the West Side has been let to B. F. Smith (father of Edgar B. Smith??).

Friday, October 11, 1901 page

5. Article discusses Santa Fe's proposed addition to its freight house and some associated changes in the passenger depot. Details ("Remodel Depot").

The 2nd street bridge over Arkansas river had been declared unsafe by the street commissioner and closed to traffic, but people simply moved the barricades and continued to cross the bridge, so the commissioner has now taken several sections from the bridge so that no one can use it.

Saturday, October 12, 1901 page

5. C. L. Davidson today purchased the three story brick block at 128 North Main for \$16,000. It is 25 by 110 feet and the first floor is occupied by the Dockum and Higginson drug store. The property formerly belonged to Mrs. Mary Carpenter, who now resides in New York.

Monday, October 14, 1901 page

1. Report of visit of President George J. Gould, of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, to Wichita yesterday. Details.

Tuesday, October 15, 1901 page

- 5. Within two weeks the Wichita Water company will commence work on extension of the Lawrence avenue mains to the packing houses. In addition the old wooden mains on Lawrence between Douglas and 13th street will be removed and replaced with cast iron mains. The company will spend \$50,000 in improvements before next spring.
- 8. It is reported that the Santa Fe plans to sell 26 engines, about twenty years old, to a Chicago company for scrapping.

Thursday, October 17, 1901 page

5. Article describes the plans drawn by architect Elbert Dumont for the Catholic church to be built at St. Mark's out of the stone of the old watch factory. To be 56 by 126 feet overall, with auditorium 48 by 80 feet with seating capacity for about 800 people. The tower will be 110 feet high. Details. Says the congregation at St. Marks is composed of about 125 families.

Friday, October 18, 1901 page

- 5. The Missouri and Kansas Telephone company will erect a new three story brick office building in Wichita within the next six months. To be 50 by 120 feet. Location not yet decided.
- 6. The Frisco uptown office is having new signs painted on their windows which will read "Frisco System" instead of "Frisco Line."

Saturday, October 19, 1901 page

- 1. Article from *Kansas City Times* saying Arthur E. Stilwell will have to fight the financial men associated with other railroads to carry out his project of building the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient. Mr. Stilwell is now in London. Details.
- 5. Building permit issued to the Van Zandt Implement company for their \$12,000 building on North Water street.

James L. Mead with wife and two little sons, James and Bud, have returned to their home in Chicago after spending a week with his father, J. R. Mead, 433 Wabash.

Monday, October 21, 1901 page

5. Work started this morning on remodeling the arch at the Murdock avenue entrance to Riverside park, and will be completed in two or three weeks. ¶ The arch which is built of wood, will be veneered with brick, while the arches proper and the turrets will be covered with cement. The cement will be red and marked off in the shape of brick, so the entire arch will then look as through it were built of that material. Every seventh course of brick will be laid so as to form tooth work.

Tuesday, October 22, 1901 page

5. Report of city council meeting yesterday. A twenty year telephone franchise was granted to Frank L. Brown. Details.

Thursday, October 24, 1901 page

- 5. It is evident the street railway company expects Wichita to grow rapidly, or why did they order those new cars?
- 6. Officers of the street railway company including general manager Nelson have been visiting in Wichita. ¶ A new car barn 125 by 50 feet will be built adjoining the present barn at a cost of about \$4,000. It will be of brick. ¶ The eight new cars which will be purchased will be an improvement over the cars used at present. They will be at least 18 feet in length whereas the old cars are but 16, and will seat four more people. Two open summer cars, two closed cars, and four trailers will be bought. Two of the cars will not be exactly closed or open but may be operated as either, to suit the weather. They are

known as combination cars and are provided with a means of raising or lowering the sides of the cars. ¶ There is talk of the street railway company building a pleasure park seven or eight miles from the center of the city.

Friday, October 25, 1901 page

- 6. Cash Henderson yesterday sold his large dry goods establishment to Rorabaugh and Company, who own large stores at Emporia and Hutchinson. Long article with details.
- 8. The Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway has arranged to buy the St. Louis, Kansas and Southwestern road from John Penman, who bought it at a foreclosure sale three years ago. A charter was issued today to the new company, the Kansas Southwestern Railway Company, with headquarters at Topeka and capital of \$362,000. The road runs from Arkansas City to Anthony, and organization of the new company is preliminary to its transfer to the Santa Fe.

Saturday, October 26, 1901 page

- 4. An automobile race or parade is suggested. Residents of Wichita now own about ten of these machines.
- 5. A. Sullivan has offered for sale the 40 acre tract of land owned by him five miles north of the city to the Wichita Railroad and Light company as a site for the pleasure resort the street railway expects to establish. This is the location of "Sullivan's Dam" and is naturally fitted for a park.

The old Imboden mill at southwest corner of Douglas and Santa Fe was sold this morning by N. F. Frazier for \$19,000. Identity of the purchaser is not known.

8. Work was commenced today on erection of the new Braeburn club house.

Monday, October 28, 1901 page

- 5. The Catholics of the Wichita diocese are now definitely planning to build a cathedral on the church property on Central avenue between Lawrence and Topeka. Details.
- 6. Street Commissioner Allen will ask the city council at its next meeting to widen the bridge over the Arkansas river (sic) on Central avenue, which is owned by the Wichita Water company. The bridge was built by the water company and is 12 feet wide. The company offers to pay one-half the cost of widening the bridge if the city will pay the rest. At present the bridge is too narrow for wagons to pass each other. ¶ Mr. Allen will also ask the council to open a road on the south side of the Arkansas river from Seneca street to Exposition avenue so the farmers who come to the city from the northwest will not be compelled to travel several blocks out of their way to reach the water company bridge as they are at present.

Article with details of the Santa Fe Railway's purchase of the Kansas and Southwestern line between Arkansas City and Anthony.

Wednesday, October 30, 1901 page

6. Street Commissioner E. T. Allen will recommend to the city council Monday that the center of Market street be paved from Douglas avenue north to Elm street. This is where the old street car line was taken out and is an eyesore. The difficulty that has stood in the way of paving it in the past was over who should pay for the work. The old street car company is defunct, so there is no longer any question but what the city must pay for it, and the sooner the better.

The Western Furniture Manufacturing Company today completed its new buildings at corner of Santa Fe and Lincoln streets and the firm has already commenced business. There are four separate buildings. The company was organized six months ago. Details.

Thursday, October 31, 1901 page

- 1. Article says Wichita people are protesting against proposed location of the Orient Railroad shop at the old Burton Car Works, five miles from the city, in view of city's voting \$30,000 purchase of Orient bonds in aid of the road. Details.
- 8. The new Ingalls school building will be opened Monday.

Monday, November 4, 1901 page

5. The new Ingalls school was formally opened this morning.

The city has purchased 40 feet of ground at corner of 18th street and Topeka as the site for the new fire station which will be built to protect the packing houses and mills in the north end of the city. Cost was\$500.

Tuesday, November 5, 1901 page

5. Henry Schnitzler has bought the old Orient hotel property at corner of Douglas and Water and intends to erect a new building there next year. Details.

Wednesday, November 6, 1901 page

- 5. Report of rumor that Orient shops will be built on 40 acres of land at the head of Oak street just east of Hydraulic avenue. Details.
- 6. Reverend G. A. King, of the Universalist church, has returned from a several days' trip to Towanda. Reverend King and family are at home with Dr. Buckwalter at 1106 Larimer. He is here in the interest of the proposed new church to be built in Wichita soon.

Thursday, November 7, 1901 page

- 6. The Catholic clergy of the Wichita diocese have approved the proposition to build a new cathedral on Central avenue between Lawrence and Topeka at a cost of \$50,000. ¶ It is also said that the Catholics are planning to build a new residence for Reverend J. H. Tihen, rector of the cathedral (sic) and that his present residence on St. Francis avenue, will be used as a residence for the Sisters of Charity (sic).
- 8. The watch factory is rapidly becoming a thing of the past. It is being torn down and the stone removed to St. Mark's where it will be used to build a large Catholic church.

Friday, November 8, 1901 page

5. Superintendent D. T. Mervine, of the Wells Fargo Express Company's office in Kansas City, was in Wichita yesterday and completed arrangements for the company's new office at the Santa Fe depot. It will be erected immediately south of the old one. Work on it will begin at once and it should be completed by Christmas.

Saturday, November 9, 1901 page

- 5. The Moore Brothers, proprietors of the Wichita Stove and Iron Works, are planning additions to their foundries at 1st and Santa Fe to cost about \$10,000. Details.
- 6. J. W. Burton has bought the Missouri Pacific depot at 12th street for \$450 and will move it to the corner of Pattie avenue and Prince street and use it as a stable. It was built in 1888 for a passenger station as the company believed that Wichita was large enough to have two Missouri Pacific depots. It was used for the division office of the railroad until the opening of the present Douglas avenue depot last January.

Tuesday, November 12, 1901 page

5. The jurors of Judge Dale's court, on being discharged from their duties today, presented the judge with a life size portrait of himself as a token of their esteem. Details ("Judge Dale Honored").

Wednesday, November 13, 1901 page

5. The Rock Island is now laying new 80 pound steel rails on its track south of Wichita, replacing the old 60 pounds rails. The improvement is being made from Topeka to Caldwell. The new steel is distributed along the track as far south as Riverdale, 22 miles from Wichita.

Thursday, November 14, 1901 page

6. The brick has been ordered for building the new street car barns and work will commence

immediately upon its arrival.

Friday, November 15, 1901

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5. Long article about progress with plans for the Mexican portion of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient, contracts for steel rails let to a Belgian firm, etc. Details ("Work On the Orient").

Saturday, November 16, 1901 page

6. The street commissioner has repaired the bridge over Chisholm creek at 19th street, parallel to the Midland tracks, which was closed over a year ago as being unsafe. ¶ The county commissioners have repaired the bridge over Chisholm creek on 21st street.

Tuesday, November 19, 1901 page

5. City council yesterday instructed city attorney to prepare an ordinance bringing Ackerman's island into the city limits. Details.

Wednesday, November 20, 1901 page

5. Contract has been awarded to the American Fire Engine Company of Cincinnati and Seneca Falls, New York, for the new fire engine for use in the new fire station at 18th and Topeka. To be delivered about the middle of March. Details.

The old Missouri Pacific freight depot is at last being removed, and work began on it yesterday.

Thursday, November 21, 1901 page

1. Article records complaints because Orient Railroad has not told the location of its shops in Wichita in one year after voting of \$110,000 in county and city bond aid as was specified at time of election one year ago. Details.

Saturday, November 23, 1901 page

10. "Twenty Years Ago in Wichita": D. M. Dale and bride came home to Wichita and made their home at the Douglas Avenue hotel.

Thursday, November 28, 1901 page

5. Willit S. Brown has purchased from Stewart and Burns 44 feet of ground immediately south of the Kos Harris building in first block of South Main for \$7,000. The lots are now occupied by several small frame buildings. Mr. Brown will tear those down in the spring and build a \$15,000, two story brick building.

6. Superintendent L. F. Williams of the Street Railway company presented each of the employees of the company with a turkey at the close of work last evening.

The old Woodman home, 901 Waco avenue, was partially destroyed by fire yesterday evening. It is owned by P. J. Conklin and was the first house in Wichita to be used as a hotel.

Friday, November 29, 1901 page

6. Annual report of the Wichita Rescue Home. Details.

Monday, December 2, 1901 page

- 5. The members of Plymouth Congregational church yesterday decided to call Rev. Clarence S. Sergeant of Omaha, Nebraska, to the pastorate of the church and to offer him a salary of \$2,000 a year and grant him six weeks vacation during the year. He is 46 years old. Details.
- 6. The Dold Packing company has decided to move its car repair shops from Kansas City to Wichita. Details.

The Oak street arch at the entrance to Riverside park will be completed tomorrow. It has been covered with pressed brick and now presents a handsome appearance.

Tuesday, December 3, 1901 page

- 5. Report of city council meeting yesterday.
- 6. Superintendent Williams of the street railway company received a letter from general manager Nelson this morning saying that two of the four new cars which have been purchased for the system here, will be shipped in about three weeks. They will be placed on the Topeka avenue line.

Wednesday, December 4, 1901 page

- 5. The Buckeridge Pump Company, whose factory is at the corner of Wichita street and Central avenue, is planning expansion of its plant to cost near \$10,000. Details.
- 6. J. W. Burton is planning to build three houses out of the old 12th street Missouri Pacific depot and F. F. Parsons is now making the plans. Two six room houses will be built at the corner of Pattie avenue and Prince street, and a nine room, two story house will be built on Ellis avenue near Hyde park. The six room houses will cost \$1,900 and the nine room house \$3,500.

Thursday, December 5, 1901

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6. The Wichita Scottish Rite consistory has purchased from Whitney Tucker 75 feet of ground fronting on Topeka avenue just north of the Scottish Rite temple for \$3,700 and will build on it a four story addition to the temple on the west half.

N. Steffan has purchased John L. Powell's residence at 924 North Topeka for \$6,500 and will make it his home. Mr. Powell will continue to reside there for the present.

Friday, December 6, 1901 page

6. Report says the new telephone company of Frank L. Brown has 500 of the 600 subscribers it must have before commencing to build its line in Wichita. Details.

Saturday, December 7, 1901 page

6. The old Imboden mill at Douglas and Santa Fe is at last being dismantled. N. F. Frazier, the owner, has shipped a portion of the machinery to Towanda where it will be used in the stone quarry business.

Tuesday, December 10, 1901 page

- 5. City council yesterday approved plans for new hose house at 18th and Topeka drawn by City Engineer Harding. Bids to be advertised for.
- 6. Dr. W. W. Minick is building two houses on North Market between 10th and 11th streets. Each will cost about \$2,600. One will have seven rooms and the other eight. Dr. Minick will live in one of them when it is completed.

Wednesday, December 11, 1901 page

- 5. Meeting last night adopted report of committee appointed to organize a new Chamber of Commerce of Wichita. Details. By-laws printed, also names of charter members.
- 6. W. S. Brown today purchased the northeast corner of Douglas and Mead fronting 100 feet on Douglas Avenue from J. F. Stanley, and Fred D. Aley for \$8,000 and plans to erect there a \$20,000 three story brick building next spring. The site is just across the Rock Island tracks.
- 8. The Rock Island is engaged in laying its new steel rails through the city—men now working as far south as Douglas avenue.

Tuesday, December 17, 1901 page

7. Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Levy arrived in the city this morning to spend the holidays. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hess. Mrs. Hess is a niece of Mrs. Levy. ¶ Mr. Levy

said "This is practically my first visit here since I went to Colorado seven years ago. I did spend an hour here on a trip about a year ago with Russell Harding. ¶ "We moved to Kansas City from Cripple Creek about two months ago because the high altitude did not agree with Mrs. Levy. No, I have no intention of returning to Wichita to live."

Wednesday, December 18, 1901 page

5. Article reports wedding to be held this evening of Fred W. Dold to Miss Lena Cox at home of bride's parents, 529 North Waco. Fred Dold is the next youngest of the five sons of John Jacob Dold. The oldest is John Jacob, Jr., then Albert, Charles, Fred, and Arthur. There are also two sisters. Details.

Friday, December 20, 1901 page

- 5. Meeting yesterday elected officers of the newly organized Wichita Chamber of Commerce. Charles L. Davidson, president. Details.
- 6. President Stilwell of the Orient Railroad states the first rails for the new road will be laid at Anthony, Kansas and thence southwest into Oklahoma. Building will continue from either end of the line as fast as the grade is completed.

Saturday, December 21, 1901 page

- 3. J. W. Burton today bought the home of J. E. Caldwell on College Hill at corner of Douglas and Park avenues for \$7,500. It is a large nine room frame structure and the premises include a tract of land 300 feet square with an orchard on the lots. Mr. Caldwell bought the property five years ago for \$5,000. Mr. Burton will make the house his permanent home.
- 5. Steffen and Bretch yesterday purchased the natural ice and cold storage plant located on Sherman avenue and the Little river from J. S. Campbell for \$1,200. The plant was erected many years ago by Mr. Campbell and Fred Aley, but the latter sold his half interest a short time afterward and since then Mr. Campbell has been the sole owner. The building has not been used during the past three years owing to scarcity of natural ice, but the present cold weather has produced an abundant supply and Messrs. Steffan and Bretch have already begun work cutting and housing the ice. The building has a capacity of 5,000 tons and the new owners expect to store at least 4,000 tons from the present harvest. The property on which the plant is located comprises 120 square feet.
- 6. Cone and Cornell will open their new bath house in the Kansas Steam Laundry building Monday morning. Details.

Article reports possibility that M. W. Levy will again become a citizen of Wichita and engage in business here. Friends say that he is strongly considering such a move and are urging him to move here from Kansas City. Details.

Monday, December 23, 1901 page

6. Superintendent L. O. Williams of the Wichita Railroad and Light company has been promoted to the superintendency of the Ft. Wayne and Southwestern Traction company and will leave for Fort Wayne on December 25. He will be succeeded here by W. R. Morrison, who has been construction superintendent for the Ft. Wayne company. ¶ Mr. Williams has been superintendent of the Wichita system for the past two years. In company with Mr. Morrison he superintended the construction of the line here and has had charge of the numerous improvements that have been made. ¶ Two new cars which were ordered during the visit of the company officials to Wichita last fall, will arrive January 1 and will be put in service on the Topeka line.

Tuesday, December 24, 1901 page

6. Laudatory letter to departing Superintendent L. O. Williams photo from General Manager S. L. Nelson (Photo).

Saturday, December 28, 1901 page

6. Interview with M. W. Levy, who has just been elected secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Details.

Tuesday, December 31, 1901 page

6. General Manager S. L. Nelson, of street railway company is visiting here from Ft. Wayne, Indiana, and discussed possibility of the company locating a park in east part of city. ¶ Says the new cars which were ordered last fall will be shipped not later than January 15 and possibly by January 8.