

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 1910 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle

Sunday, January 2, 1910

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- 5A. Beginning this morning the name of the Carey Hotel will be changed and it will be known as the Hotel Eaton. The Eaton Hotel company, with Ben L. Eaton, president, was organized last spring as a holding company for the hotel's real property, and this company yesterday leased the property to the Humphries Hotel company, Samuel G. Humphries, president, to be managed as a public inn for a period of ten years. Lease figures for the ten year period are thought to be \$195,000. Rehabilitation of the hotel will be completed within 30 days at cost of \$100,000, and the Humphries company will spend \$25,000 for new equipment and furnishings for the new rooms. There will be 150 rooms in the new rebuilt hotel.

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10. Fire Station No. 6 at corner of Lawrence and Bailey (sic) was opened yesterday.

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5. Some of the street car motormen have been putting a small oil stove in the front vestibule to keep warm. The men have the stoves at their own expense, but the cost of oil consumed on the coldest days is only six or seven cents. The conductors do not derive as much benefit from the stoves as do the motormen, but the warmth of the midget heater is very welcome to them also for a few moments at the end of the line.

Missouri Pacific yesterday started converting the musty third story of the depot into a suite of up-to-date railroad offices. This will relieve crowded conditions in the rest of the building. The work will be completed within ten days.

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5. Two street cars collided yesterday at 9th and Main due to failure of air brakes on one car. The cars involved were Nos. 176 and 207.

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5. The new steel rails for the relaying of the street car track on Maple street have been received by the company. These will be laid as soon as the weather permits. They are of a standard quality and after the pavement has been laid on Maple street that line will be one of the best in the city.

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6. City commission recently passed ordinance requiring street car company to display signal lights on the cars designating the various lines. These appeared last night on all lines except stock yards-Topeka avenue cars which have a front end side sign and also a distinct style of car running on that line. The lights are easily distinguished several blocks away.
- ¶ The directory of lights is:
- West Side-S. Emporia -- two green lights
 - College Hill -- two white lights
 - Fairmount -- two red lights
 - Cleveland avenue -- one white and one red light
 - Pattie avenue-Waco avenue -- one white and one green light
 - South Main-Riverside -- two blue lights
 - All extra cars -- a red, white, and blue light
 - Stockyards-Topeka avenue -- no lights.

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6. Summary of reports of mayor and city officials for past year.

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5. Plans for expansion of Wichita Vinegar Works company, located at Hydraulic avenue and 1st street.
6. Construction of new Santa Fe freight depot is being pushed and it should be ready for occupancy some time in March. The walls of the heating plant just east of the office part are about half way up.
12. Board of education last night considered plans for the new high school with the architect, William B. Ittner of St. Louis, who is commissioner of that city's public school buildings. Detailed drawings will require two more months.

Friday, January 14, 1910**page**

5. Flood reached a crest last evening and caused the east 50 feet of Central avenue dam to give way. The east approach to the Central avenue bridge was also undermined. Several

other bridges were damaged and there was flooding in north part of city, especially 13th and 18th streets.

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6. Over 100 men working on Carey hotel in order to complete the remodeling by March 1, when a grand opening will be held. When remodeled it will have 150 rooms, 75 of which will have baths.

H. E. Chubbuck, general manager of the McKinley Syndicate Street and Interurban Railway company is in city to confer with W. R. Morrison, local superintendent, on contemplated improvements here next year. ¶ Deciding on plans of the new power house is the principal object of the visit. It will be built on the company's property near 2nd and Riverview streets and will be approximately 140 by 125 feet. The building will cost \$80,000 and the equipment nearly \$350,000. It will have a 4000 h.p. capacity, where the present one has 1200 h.p. capacity. ¶ A new car barn is planned to be built at the same time as the power house.

Wednesday, January 19, 1910**page**

6. Wichita Terminal association will assume charge of its business from the Missouri Pacific on February 1 and plans \$25,000 in track improvements.
10. Central avenue dam was dynamited yesterday after water had gone down some, and this diverted the current back into the center of the stream so that the safety of the bridge and water main is assured.

Sunday, January 23, 1910**page**

- 5A. One of the oldest lumber companies in the city was reorganized yesterday and name changed from W. M. Pond and Company to the Pond and Comley company. Article gives history of company and its owners, etc.

Tuesday, January 25, 1910**page**

12. New Carnegie library at Fairmount college will be dedicated tomorrow. It was built in 1908 and moved into in January 1909. Cost was \$40,000.

Interior of St. Anthony's German Catholic church, at 2nd and Ohio, has recently been re-decorated. This church has at the present time universal recognition as probably the most beautiful and artistic church edifice in the city of Wichita. Whether this may be at all times conceded in regard to its exterior, the interior decorations and furnishings are freely admitted to be without a rival for artistic beauty in this city, if not in the entire middle west. ¶ Photograph of interior and exterior.

Thursday, January 27, 1910**page**

5. Hockaday Motorcycle company will open a wholesale motor supply house for both automobiles and motorcycles.
7. Harry Cottman will build new two story brick block at northwest corner of Douglas and Hillside. Will be 48 by 110 feet. Estimated cost will exceed \$12,000.

Sunday, January 30, 1910**page**

- 5A. On April 1 the motormen and conductors of the street railway company will don new uniforms. They will be single-breasted blue serge with silver buttons having the monogram of the Wichita Street Railway and Light company on them. The caps will be the same as at present, except that there will be gold braids around them. After that date employees will wear on their left sleeves a gold stripe for every five years of service.

Friday, February 4, 1910**page**

1. "\$4,500,000 Merger of Gas and Electric Concerns in Wichita." Charter granted yesterday to Kansas Gas and Electric Company. The three hitherto independent companies which are merged into the new concern are the United Gas company, the Edison Light and Power Company of Wichita, and the Home Light, Heat and Power Company of Pittsburg, Kansas.

Sunday, February 6, 1910**page**

- 6A. Photograph of recent dynamiting of Central avenue dam showing Central avenue bridge (wooden pilings) in background. Article says the dam was practically demolished and will probably be replaced by a new concrete dam the coming season. In the spring election the taxpayers will be asked to vote approximately \$25,000 of bonds for construction of the dam.
- 1C. Map showing wards and precincts of the city following recent passage of ordinance extending the city limits.

Tuesday, February 8, 1910**page**

6. In Wichita the horse is soon to be supplanted by the automobile for hauling fire apparatus. Mayor and Fire Chief yesterday recommended to the commission the purchase of an automobile equipment for the Central station, saying it would save the city \$3021 per year expense.

The circle drive in Riverside park is to be beautified this year.

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5. Old Topeka Avenue Hotel building, built in 1887 for approximately \$33,000, was sold yesterday to Professor Samuels, of this city, for \$30,000. He will turn it into an office building. The building is of brick, three stories, and 50 by 140 feet.

The first street car around the new loop will be run this afternoon. Many years ago cars used to encircle the same block. Until additional cars are received, only the College Hill, Fairmount and Cleveland cars will be run on the loop.

Sunday, February 13, 1910**page**

5. Article reports plan for the grand opening and club house warming at the Riverside club to be held February 25. The club was incorporated in December 1908, the work of construction started in June 1909 and the completed building recently turned over to the trustees and directors. Including furnishings, the cost was about \$30,000.
10. Article about controversy between Cudahy and the new Wichita Terminal association over railroad track improvements in the area.
- 4C. Photograph of interior of Paul Eaton's new store (cigars, candies, soda fountain, etc.).

Tuesday, February 15, 1910**page**

1. Contract for first unit of Orient Stops has been awarded. To cost \$400,000 and employ about 200 men. There are 49 acres in the Orient tract in southwest corner of the city. ¶ First unit of shops will include erecting shop, car shop, planing mill, power house, store house, round house, coal chutes, water tanks, etc. ¶ Construction to start within 30 days and be completed by next November or December.
5. The city commissioners yesterday passed the ordinance which requires all houses to be properly numbered and providing a penalty for failure to comply.

Wednesday, February 16, 1910**page**

5. Article reports Wichita is soon to have the first commercial wireless telegraph in the central part of the U.S. Details. Apparatus now being placed on roof of the Boston Store.

Two story brick building 25 by 100 feet is soon to be built in tenth block of East Douglas on north side, just west of the Huber building. Being built by M. C. Naftzger.

Saturday, February 19, 1910**page**

5. A large number of right-of-way contracts were filed yesterday by the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad company in the recorder of deeds office.

12. Missouri Pacific will inaugurate a new train service from Wichita to McPherson tomorrow. Leave Wichita at 7:00 a.m. and arrive McPherson at 11:10 a.m. Leave McPherson at 1:00 p.m. and arrive Wichita at 5:15 p.m.

Sunday, February 20, 1910**page**

1. Drawing of the interior of Wichita's new auditorium to be built on the old Haymarket square at English and Water streets, where William Griffenstein made his early home. Contract to be awarded soon.

Tuesday, February 22, 1910**page**

1. Article announces additions to be built at Cudahy plant to cost \$300,000. Details.
6. A new theater to cost \$75,000 and have seating capacity of 1600 is to be built here this summer by the Crawford corporation on lots adjoining the present Crawford house on the south.
12. Contracts for brick paving let yesterday to Cleveland-Trinidad Paving Company for:
Washington from Douglas to 2nd street;
Washington from Douglas to Kellogg;
West Douglas from Exposition to Sheridan.
Typical cost: \$1.93 per yard for paving plus 58¢ per yard for excavating.

Board of education will erect a new building at 340 North Water to use as workshop for maintenance of school buildings in the city. To be two stories, 35 by 80 feet.

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12. Article reports decision yesterday to increase the height of the new Schweiter building from eight to ten stories. Will give total of 173 offices for the nine upper stories plus ten store rooms on the ground floor. To be 70 by 130 feet and cost \$275,000. It is hoped to start construction about May 10, with the building ready to occupy in spring of 1911.

Thursday, February 24, 1910**page**

6. Drawing of and article about new Riverside club house to be dedicated today.

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9. Article reporting on grand opening yesterday of Riverside club.

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8. West Side residents are preparing petitions asking for extension of street car line to Orient

via line south on Osage and Campbell avenues from Douglas and then west four blocks on Dayton to Martinson avenue.

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3. Photograph and advertisement for sale of I. N. Hockaday residence on College Hill.
11. An island is rising up in the middle of the Arkansas river just below the Maple street bridge. This is rising between the two sand pumps on opposite sides of the river there, that of Oscar Shirk on the west side of the river, and that of the Jackson-Walker Coal and Material company on the east side.

Tuesday, March 1, 1910**page**

6. The pilot of Rock Island engine No. 1436 pulling a southbound freight train was torn off at the Douglas avenue crossing yesterday when it struck an elevated crossing frog. Pieces of wood from the pilot were hurled in all directions.

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9. Photograph of passenger car in Santa Fe depot (hotel in background?) with delegation going to Kansas City. Shows two tracks.
12. It is reported that the street car company will double track its South Main line to Bayley street, twelve blocks south of Douglas. Steel has been ordered and is expected to arrive late in March. The object is to improve handling of the crowds to the ball park. Several additional switches will be put in between Bayley street and the ball park.

Thursday, March 3, 1910**page**

12. The Wichita Street Railway company will finish the track construction on West Douglas from Seneca to Elizabeth today. The construction gang will then move to Waco avenue, where they will lay the new track from 9th to 13th. ¶ A large shipment of rails to be used in construction of fourteen miles of tracks this year will leave the mill on March 15. These are heavier and more modern than the old ones.

Saturday, March 5, 1910**page**

1. Article reports on banquet meeting last night to start campaign to raise \$200,000 in Wichita for the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway. \$50,000 was subscribed in a few minutes. ¶ Mr. O. A. Boyle reported that right-of-way, poles, and rails have already been contracted for for the stretch from Wichita to Sedgwick. The contract for building the line to Sedgwick is for \$20,000 per mile, which is remarkably low because of level terrain and low grades.

6. The new Santa Fe freight depot, to cost about \$100,000, is under construction and will be completed about May 1. The offices will be in a two story brick building at southeast corner of William and Tremont, with the sheds and docks adjoining this on the south, 450 feet long. ¶ Surveyors have placed the grade and center stakes for the seven permanent tracks to the depot, starting from a lead to the south near Kellogg street. Four new house tracks will be laid on the east side of the depot and three tracks on the west side. Of the latter, one will be the automobile track and the other two team tracks. The depot and tracks will have the capacity to handle 60 cars of merchandise daily. The alley east of the depot, the space between the tracks, and Tremont street will be paved with brick from William south to Kellogg.

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6. Work of grading the line of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad was commenced yesterday morning. Photograph. The grading camp is situated about six miles north of Wichita. Several hundred yards of grade was finished yesterday.
- B1. Photograph of 1st and Topeka avenues (shows Consistory building with peaked corner tower roof) yesterday where 70 car loads of Kansas Editors convention visitors were starting on tour of Wichita.

Wednesday, March 9, 1910**page**

2. Contract awarded by city yesterday for a new automobile fire apparatus, a combination chemical and hose wagon to cost \$5750. Ordered from Webb motor fire apparatus of St. Louis.
5. Article about the new wireless telegraph station now in operation in Wichita, located on roof of Boston store.
6. Article about laying of corner stone of Beacon building yesterday.

Thursday, March 10, 1910**page**

5. First Methodist church will buy 75 foot tract in second block of North Lawrence, just north of the present church building, from Dr. J. G. Dorsey for \$15,000. The track presently owned faces 135 feet on Lawrence, giving a total of 210 feet. Work on the proposed new church building is expected to start about June 1. To cost \$100,000. The old church building will be razed after the new one is completed.

Saturday, March 12, 1910**page**

1. *The Eagle* yesterday contracted with the Goss Printing Press company of Chicago for a new high speed press. Details.

5. Article reports campaign launched last night to raise \$50,000 for the Children's Home.

Sunday, March 13, 1910**page**

5. The Santa Fe Railroad will relay several lines in Kansas this summer with new 90 pound steel. This includes the line from Newton to Arkansas City. The track through Wichita will also be ballasted to a depth of about twelve inches.
12. Drawing of proposed new Wichita Children's Home by C. W. Terry, architect.

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7. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad will widen its grade from Wichita to Altus, Oklahoma, 260 miles, from the present fifteen feet by two feet. Portions of the track will also be ballasted. The widening of the grade began yesterday near the site of the new shops in West Wichita and will take about a year to complete.

Friday, March 18, 1910**page**

5. Two cement street crossings were put in yesterday near the Riverside club house by the city engineering department. The ground and surroundings of the new club are being rapidly improved.
6. Ground will be broken today on the long stretch of paving on South Main from Lewis to Bailey (sic). Most of the steel for double tracking of the car line over this distance has arrived.

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5. Street car accident yesterday at 3rd and Topeka killed a man. He got off car No. 209 going south and failed to see car No. 204 coming from the south and walked in front of it.

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6. The Missouri Pacific railway has started the work of ballasting its Kansas lines, using cinders from the smelters around Iola. Gangs are now working the line from Eldorado to Wichita, 27 miles, and then will commence work on the branch from Kiowa to Wichita, 86 miles.
9. Corner stone of the new Grace Presbyterian church, on Cleveland near Douglas, will be laid Tuesday, March 22.

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5. Petition granted yesterday by city commissioners for paving of South Emporia from William to Bailey (sic) with brick.

The new Walkover shoe store in Barnes building at 305 East Douglas will open its doors Thursday, March 24.

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5. Article reports \$51,618 in pledges was raised in the ten day fund drive for Wichita Children's Home which ended yesterday.
6. City commissioners yesterday opened bids for new auditorium (details).
7. Petition to city commissioners yesterday from residents on Winne street asking to have the name of that street changed to something else. Suggestions have also been made to revive the old name of the Zimmerley (sic) block for the Winne building. ¶ The name of one of Wichita's leading citizens of a former day seems to have fallen sadly into disfavor of late.
8. The old Topeka Avenue hotel, which was recently sold to Professor Samuels, whose office force occupies the upper floors, is to have its lower floor converted into a moving picture theater. George Hammond, of Rocky Ford, Colorado, has taken a five year lease on the lower part of the building, and remodeling will commence soon. The middle partition will be removed, giving a room 50 by 100 feet, a steel ceiling and concrete floor will be put in, and an entirely new front will be built.
12. At the spring election voters will be asked to vote bonds for a \$25,000 dam across the Little river near Central avenue and for a \$40,000 concrete bridge across the Little river on 11th street. Details. "This bridge is located at the extreme north of Riverside boulevard drive."

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3. Wichita was first platted into lots as a town site 40 years ago today. Article gives early history of city. Photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Griffenstein.
5. Contract for the new auditorium and market house was let yesterday to Dieter and Wenzel Construction company of Wichita for \$141,990. Plans for the building are by Richards, McCarty and Bulford of Columbus, Ohio.

Article about rumors the Bell Telephone company has purchased the plant and system of the Wichita Independent Telephone company.

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5. Article reports official announcement yesterday that the Bell Telephone company has

purchased the plant and system of the Wichita Independent Telephone company. ¶ The local Bell company, with the official title of the Missouri and Kansas Telephone company, owns the Bell patents in these two states and has only recently been more strongly affiliated with the American Bell Telephone and Telegraph company. ¶ The Independent company obtained a franchise in the fall of 1901 and opened its exchange in November 1902. ¶ The Bell company will pay \$171,000 for the Independent system and plans to spend a hundred to two hundred thousand dollars in connecting the two systems. The Independent company agrees to retire \$190,000 of its bonds, making the transfer free of encumbrances. ¶ Further details given.

8. Final proceedings completed yesterday in the transfer to the Kansas Gas and Electric company of all of the property of the: Edison Light and Power company; United Gas company; The Gas and Electrical Appliance company of Wichita; The Home Light, Heat and Power company of Pittsburg, Kansas. ¶ Article lists directors of the new company.
9. Contract let for excavation for new Cudahy buildings. Basement for land refinery will be 130 by 70 feet and contain 45 large piers. The box factory will have an even larger basement, containing 99 piers.
24. Photograph of large frame apartment house at 710-714 South Lawrence.

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6. Wichita's galaxy of sand pumps is to have an addition. W. H. Fitch will install one near the Rock Island Railroad bridge across the Arkansas river in South Wichita. The Rock Island will build an 800 foot spur from the railway to the sand pump. Most of this sand will be used for building purposes and shipped to points south of Wichita. ¶ One of the most important industries of Wichita is the sand business. About 400 cars of sand are shipped out of Wichita each month by the railways. Sand pumps are now maintained in the city by the Jackson-Walker Coal and Material company, the Orient Sand and Cement company, the Schwartz Lumber and Coal company, and J. H. Turner. All of the pumps are snowed under with orders.

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5. Work is now under way on the Riverside sewer, which runs east and connects with the large outlet sewer now being arranged for south of the city.
8. Grade work for the Arkansas Valley Interurban is progressing rapidly. On the line from Wichita to Sedgwick it has almost been completed to Valley Center. ¶ The first shipment of ties is expected to arrive tomorrow. The rails have been contracted for and will soon be here. ¶ The company has secured right-of-way through Sedgwick on the first street west of the Santa Fe tracks.

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8. Col. H. W. Lewis has entirely remodeled the old block of the Turner Opera House at Market and 1st and yesterday gave the building its new name, The Anchor Trust Building.

The colored Masons of Wichita will lay the corner stone of their new lodge building next Sunday. It is just north of Pine street on Main and will cost about \$6000.

Friday, April 1, 1910**page**

1. Death notice of James R. Mead, age 74.
5. The Wichita Country club will start improvements this summer on its new 86 acre tract north of Central and east of Hillside on which it will lay out an eighteen hole golf course. \$50,000 will be spent on the grounds and \$40,000 for a club house building. There are now about 300 members, with a long waiting list. This will be expanded to over 400 when the move is made to the new quarters.

Saturday, April 2, 1910**page**

1. Actual work on construction of the shops of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway in West Wichita will begin within three weeks.
6. The Stock Yards company, commission men, and Terminal association will take possession of the new Stock Yards Exchange building today. The building is finished on the inside, but it will require about two weeks to put finishing touches on the outside. ¶ The old Exchange will be moved south of 21st street and will be used for a restaurant until the new hotel is built.

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3. Article describing improvements now being added to the Eaton hotel, which will be completed May 1. Improvements to the building costing \$75,000 are being made by the Eaton Hotel company, the holding company of the building, and interior furnishings are being provided by the Humphreys Hotel company, the operating company. ¶ The front of the building has been "shored," the office floor lowered and placed on a level with the street, a modern glass front added, a mezzanine floor installed, with 25 rooms added. At the main entrance on Douglas avenue is a handsome revolving door. Further details given. ¶ Hotel has 160 rooms and 75 bath rooms. ¶ To "shore" the building, the front of the building was torn out and massive steel beams placed in position.
- D-1. Description of the *Eagle's* huge new press, which is being built by the Goss Printing Press company of Chicago.

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5. Article reports on laying of corner stone of the new colored Masonic Temple on North Main street.

Wednesday, April 6, 1910**page**

1. Wichita voters yesterday passed the \$25,000 bond issue to build a concrete dam across the Little Arkansas river at Central avenue by vote of 898 to 667. ¶ The proposition to issue \$40,000 in bonds to build a concrete bridge across the Little Arkansas river at 11th street was defeated with vote of 736 for and 799 against.
5. The Chamber of Commerce voted last night to recommend that the new auditorium be named the Coliseum. Other names suggested included the Hippodrome, Wigwam, Auditorium, Convention hall, etc.

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5. The frame buildings south of the Crawford Opera house are being moved out to make place for the new theater to be built there.

Work of tearing down the building at corner of Main and Douglas to make room for the new Schweiter building began yesterday. All of the building will be vacated by May 1. ¶ The present building was built in the fall of 1872 and spring of 1873 by Henry Schweiter and first occupied by the old New York store, operated by Sol Cohn, brother-in-law of M. W. Levy, president of the Wichita National bank at the time of the boom.
6. Practically an entire new line of heavy steel was laid along the Fairmount car line several months ago and better cars were substituted for the old cars formerly used. A 20 minute service is now given in place of the old 30 minute service.

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6. Work is starting on plans for the new Central avenue dam. The first work will be raising and widening of the levees on both sides of the river from Central avenue around to the Woodman bridge. There is at present a narrow embankment on the east side of the river and none at all on the west. Levees will be wide enough for drives to be placed on their tops, and it is planned to open Seneca street north to a connection with the drive on the west side of the river. ¶ The dam itself will be at a point up the river some little distance from the bridge, instead of just below that structure, where the old dam was located.
8. Another name suggested for the new auditorium building is "Wichitorium."

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12. Article about new Santa Fe railway freight depot, now under construction. ¶ A heating plant has been constructed in a 30 by 40 foot concrete and brick building just east of the

depot, and this plant will also heat the new passenger station through a pipe laid to the site of the depot at the east end of William street. ¶ It will be about a month before the freight depot is ready for occupancy. The total length of the depot is about 810 feet. The two story office building at the north end is 90 by 40 feet. The warehouse proper extends 450 feet south of the office building, and adjoining it to the south is an open platform 200 feet long, and south of that is the automobile platform, 70 feet long. An awning fourteen feet wide extends the full length of the warehouse on the west side. All of the tracks will be on the east end of the depot, on which there is an eight foot awning. East of the depot is a transfer platform 680 feet long. ¶ The track details have not all been worked out, but there will be four loading and unloading tracks leading to the depot.

Sunday, April 10, 1910**page**

1. Drawing of new Schweiter building, ten stories, to cost \$350,000 and be completed in May 1911.
6. Article about progress in grading the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad line. The Jennings Construction company started work two miles south of Valley Center and is now within five miles of Wichita. They commenced work March 1st and will reach Wichita not later than May 1st. Ten teams are being used, part horses and part mules. Superintendent of the work is Jim Dempsey, who says that never in all his varied experience has he ever seen such easy and inexpensive grading. ¶ One car of standard ties, seven inches by nine inches, and seven feet six inches long, of hard wood, has arrived on the ground. The copper for the equipment is now somewhere on the way between the Eastern mills and Wichita, and the steel rails will be rolled week after next.
10. Article describes the cars ordered for the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad. They are 54 passenger combination baggage, passenger, and smoking cars with electric lights and heated by hot water. In the passenger compartment the woodwork is mahogany and the seats are plush. In the smoking compartment the seats are rattan and the wood is quarter sawed oak. ¶ Photographs of interior and exterior of similar car (shows car of "The Newcastle Line").
24. Photograph of ruins of Otto Weiss alfalfa mill, 13th and Santa Fe avenue, almost completely destroyed by fire Friday morning, April 8. Loss \$40,000.

Wednesday, April 13, 1910**page**

3. Photograph of new electric sign for Shelley Drug company, 118 East Douglas.
5. Plans are completed for the new \$100,000 First Presbyterian church building to be constructed at Lawrence and Elm. Auditorium will seat 1200 people.
7. The Orient railway has received a \$10,000 steam shovel, which will be located in a rock cut at Anthony to prepare rock ballast for the tracks. The tracks will be ballasted from

Wichita to Altus, Oklahoma, 260 miles. Ballasting work will commence at Wichita about April 16. A base of rock twelve inches thick will be placed on top of the dirt grade. On top of the base, ballast ranging in thickness from six to twelve inches will be placed. It will take about a year to complete the ballasting of the track.

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5. Red Star Mill and Elevator company will build a open story frame office and warehouse building extending from the south end of the present office building to 18th street, near Emporia avenue. To be 220 feet long, 40 wide and cost \$8000. The office building part is 50 feet by 40 feet and located at the south end of the warehouse. Building should be completed about June 1.

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9. Charles W. Carey, president of National Bank of Commerce, is now constructing his palatial new home at 1st street and Roosevelt at estimated cost of \$25,000.

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5. The Eberhardt-Hays Music company will rebuild or remodel the three story building at southwest corner of Emporia and Douglas and enlarge its quarters. Drawing.
8. Advertisement with drawing of the new home of the People's Cleaning and Dye Works after May 1st -- three story building at 211 South Lawrence.

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6. Plans and specifications for new high school building adopted by Board of Education last night. Prepared by W. B. Ittner, architect, of St. Louis. Bids to be received by May 16.

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2. Building permit issued yesterday for new First Presbyterian Church at southwest corner of Lawrence and Elm, to be 110 by 165 feet in size and cost \$100,000.
3. Photograph taken yesterday of delegation from Denver in front of train at Santa Fe depot -- shows buildings along west side of Santa Fe avenue and apparently four tracks. Eight passenger cars visible, from Douglas to near end of second block south.
5. Article about proposals for new street lighting system, discussed by city commissioners yesterday. Many details. ¶ Blinker street lights are now furnished by the Welsbach company, whose contract will expire June 30. ¶ The arc light contract is now held by the Wichita Railroad and Light company and will expire in September this year.

The Santa Fe Railroad will spend about \$200,000 this summer improving its tracks and roadbed through Wichita. The old rails will be replaced with 90 pound rails, and the roadbed will be reballasted over the Midland (sic) division, from Newton to Ark City, and also over the lines from Augusta to Winfield and from Mulvane to Wellington.

6. The new Santa Fe freight depot will be completed and ready for use by May 1. The total cost will be about \$275,000, including \$125,000 for the depot proper and tracks, and \$135,000 for the ground they occupy.
7. Laying of brick on Tremont street began yesterday. The excavation is nearly complete as far down as Orme street.
12. The street lighting facilities of the Wichita Railroad and Light company have been sold to the Kansas Gas and Electric company.

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5. Article discussing possible sites for location of proposed new union depot.
12. The Children's Home directors have purchased a tract of about two acres for the proposed new building. The tract includes eighteen lots valued at \$250 per lot, or about \$4500, and is located one block east of Hillside on Rutan and Orchard avenues.

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12. The Wichita Railroad and Light company has had a large gang of men at work on the South Main street car tracks for the past two weeks, and with rapid progress so that a double track now extends from Douglas to Bayley street. However, the old track is still in and will be used in connection with the new one until the new rails have been laid on both.

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1. Active work on the construction of the Orient shops will begin in ten days. The first unit, to be completed this year, will cost about \$450,000. The site consists of 80 acres in West Wichita. The shop buildings will cover about eight acres, and the rest will be occupied by the yards, storage tracks, car repair tracks, coach tracks, and other sidetracks.
5. The J. W. Metz Lumber company has just completed a \$20,000 warehouse building addition to its facilities on North Main street. Building is 50 by 140 feet, adjoining the yards on the north.

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8. Article on history of Munger house with information given by Munger daughters. The log

cabin recently removed to Riverside park, near the zoo, is not the Munger house. ¶ Includes photograph of Munger house restored in 1907 by the Minnich from a faded, yellow picture taken in 1870.

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5. Drawing of new First Presbyterian church.

P. J. Conklin, who is now owner of the former W. C. Woodman home and the enclosed Munger homestead, says that before long he plans to remodel the house, at 901 North Waco, and will then present to the city the real original Munger house, which is now boarded up and enclosed in the home.

6. City commissioners yesterday ordered the opening of Central avenue from the Little Arkansas river to Seneca street. ¶ Considered proposition recently made by Herman Steinbuchel to give to the city a strip of ground 30 feet wide extending along the bank of the Little Arkansas river from the north branch of the Big Arkansas river to Buffum avenue to be used as a driveway, provided the commissioners would throw out of the city a parcel of ground which he owns near the driveway.

Wednesday, April 27, 1910**page**

5. Another long article discussing the Munger house and the log cabin in Riverside park -- the latter claimed by Fred Sowers to have been Wichita's first saloon, operated by John Gifford.

Thursday, April 28, 1910**page**

5. Letter to *Eagle* from William Finn regarding J. R. Mead.
11. City commissioners tentatively awarded contract yesterday to Kansas Gas and Electric for street lighting in Wichita, to burn all night. Details.

Friday, April 29, 1910**page**

10. Another article about the log cabin on Riverside park stating it was the old Hubbard and Matson trading post, located north of Munger house. ¶ Details given.

Sunday, May 1, 1910**page**

5. Fourteen and a half acres of land lying northeast of the Missouri Pacific roundhouse were purchased yesterday by the Rock Island Railway company as a site for its new yards and roundhouse. Cost was \$7275. The track is 300 feet wide and about a mile in length, beginning near 23rd street at the Rock Island and Frisco crossing and extending northeast between the Missouri Pacific and Rock tracks to the northeast corner of section 4,

township 27. The company also owns about 30 lots south of this tract. ¶ On this ground the Rock Island will place improvements costing about \$200,000, including a five stall round house, power plant, water tanks, coal chutes, cinder pits, car repair shops, and tracks. All of the switching of trains will be done in the new yards, thus relieving congestion in the down town yards, which will be used only for making team track deliveries. Construction of the tracks will begin in a few days. ¶ The Rock Island railway will also build a new freight depot and warehouse costing about \$150,000. It will be built on the site of the present freight depot. New team tracks will be constructed south of the freight house this summer.

The Jordan Drug company at corner of St. Francis and Douglas has just installed a \$2500 Becker soda fountain of the modern "iceless" type, which is rapidly displacing the old style fountain. The fixtures are of solid mahogany, and the service of cut glass and silver. Heavy marble slabs support the fountain, and all the trimmings are of silver.

8. Letter to *Eagle* from A. W. Yale saying he came to Wichita in November 1868 and the only house and store here then was that of a Charles Gifford, and that Munger was just then building his house and was boarding at Gifford's.
24. Wichita post office now has 188 employes including 83 railway mail clerks and fifteen substitutes, 42 letter carriers and seven substitutes, 39 post office clerks, and two special delivery messengers. There are also nine rural letter carriers and five custodians. Total of salaries is over \$210,000 a year.

Tuesday, May 3, 1910

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5. Special election to be held today to vote on \$30,000 of bonds to help build the Orient shops, \$30,000 to help build Arkansas Valley Interurban terminals in Wichita, and \$22,500 for a new permanent bridge over the Little Arkansas river at 11th street. The present bridge at 11th street is 20 years old, has been condemned by three city administrations, and is very unsightly.
6. Board of education last night re-elected R. F. Knight as superintendent of schools.

Wednesday, May 4, 1910

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1. Voters yesterday passed bond issue of \$30,000 for Orient Railroad shops by 2184 to 515 and of \$30,000 for Arkansas Valley Interurban by 2113 to 552. The \$22,000 bonds issue for new 11th street bridge was defeated with 1279 for and 1364 against.
5. A new bank organized in Wichita yesterday to be known as the Union Stock Yards National bank. Located in the new Exchange building. Expects to start business May 15. Officers and directors listed.
10. Contracts let yesterday for construction of laterals to the College Hill sewer for about

\$108,000.

The Orient Railroad will today start clearing the ground for building the first building of its new shops and will also start construction of a track near Wheeling avenue on the shop site for the unloading of materials for the shops.

Thursday, May 5, 1910

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1. The difficulties between the Santa Fe Railroad and the Kiowa, Hardtner and Pacific Railway Construction company have been settled, and the later company are now putting in the contested crossing and are laying steel west of the Santa Fe main line at the rate of about one mile per day.
5. Creosoted wood block paving is being laid this week on East 1st street between Main and Market. The blocks are rectangular yellow pine, a little larger than brick, being about ten by four by three inches. They are laid close together in sand and the cracks are filled with tar.

Friday, May 6, 1910

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5. Application filed yesterday for charter for the new Hauser-Garrison Dry Goods company with capital stock of \$150,000. To have temporary quarters at 120-122 North St. Francis.

The roadbed of the Arkansas Valley Interurban is almost completed from Valley Center to Wichita, and at the Valley Center end there are now on sidings 20 cars of steel rails from the Illinois Steel company at Gary, Illinois. Twenty cars of ties are also all either in transit or on the ground. The second car of overhead copper equipment has arrived.

10. A pair of buffalo and two lions will probably soon be added to the zoo in Riverside park.

Sunday, May 8, 1910

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14. Advertisement by Wichita Railroad and Light company says it operates over 30 miles of track at the present time. ¶ Equipment consists of twelve double truck cars; twelve open summer cars; 34 single truck winter cars; four double truck summer trailers. ¶ Four more double truck cars and four more double truck summer trailers will be added during the present summer. ¶ The company is at present paving about twelve miles of streets over which it operates, and at the end of the present season over half of the entire mileage will be paved. ¶ Lines are briefly described -- including Emporia avenue south to Zimmerly, Pattie avenue south to Zimmerly, and Cleveland avenue north to 12th street and Waco avenue north to 18th street.

Tuesday, May 10, 1910

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5. Construction to start today on Carter Memorial home for Children's Service League at

southeast corner of Glenn and Maple streets. To be two stories and 38(?) by 66 feet and cost about \$6000.

8. Paving bonds to be registered today with state auditor in Topeka for \$12,561 for paving Tremont street from William to Orme, and for \$57,608 for paving Waco avenue from 2nd to 13th street.

Wednesday, May 11, 1910

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9. The Santa Fe railway will begin unloading and delivering inbound freight at its new freight depot, corner of Tremont and William street, next Monday morning. ¶ Outbound freight will not be received at the new depot until the paving on Tremont street is completed, which will be about June 1. Until then it will continue to be received at the old freight depot.

Thursday, May 12, 1910

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5. Improvements being carried out by Wichita street railway company. ¶ The work on new tracks on West Side line from Hiram east to Seneca on Maple will start today. The tracks will be torn up and there will be no service for two weeks or more until the work is completed. The new double track will be extended to the entrance of Masonic home, and a new switch will be constructed in front of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal church. Seventy pound rails will be used. ¶ Workmen have now finished laying brick pavement at the intersections of South Main with English and Watermen streets. The rest of the paving will be finished as soon as brick can be secured. The old track has been torn out as far south as Bayley street, and new double tracks put in its place. ¶ Hillside avenue work will begin June 1. New track will be laid for one mile and three new switches installed. ¶ Waco avenue has been finished and opened to traffic for the past two weeks. ¶ Owing to the amount of work to be done by the company this summer it is not probable that the Emporia avenue line will be built. ¶ A new track will be laid on Central avenue from Main street to the park. ¶ Because of the legal battle between the Trinidad paving company and West Douglas property owners, nothing has been definitely decided in regard to the car line from Seneca street to Mt. Carmel.
10. A building site for the Children's home has been selected on the summit of Frisco Heights, west of the new Country Club house and one block east of the Fairmount car line.

Friday, May 13, 1910

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6. A construction train arrived at Valley Center yesterday to be used in building the Arkansas Valley Interurban line from Valley Center to Wichita. ¶ The Jennings Construction company will move its men and teams to the grade work from Valley Center to Sedgwick and right-of-way agents will be busy between Sedgwick and Halstead.

Saturday, May 14, 1910

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9. Frank Garrety and Frank Porter yesterday purchased the Higginson Drug company, 400 East Douglas, for \$25,000 from Harry Higginson. The latter became affiliated with the G. F. Gehring drug store at this address about six years ago. It was then known as Gehring and Higginson, but later Mr. Higginson bought out Mr. Gehring's interest.

Tuesday, May 17, 1910**page**

5. City commissioners yesterday selected the name "Forum" for Wichita's new auditorium.

Wednesday, May 18, 1910**page**

5. Mr. A. G. Jennings, head of the Jennings Construction company arrived in Wichita yesterday to take charge of the steel laying on the first stretch of the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway from Wichita to Valley Center. He hopes to complete the work inside of two weeks. ¶ Yesterday he supervised the setting up of the big new grader which was at once put into service at 24th street. It is the largest made and the most complicated in use in the West, and it requires eighteen horses to handle it.
6. Article quotes the original deed of Linwood Park land to the city in 1887 by Charles S. Aldrich, which says that it can be used solely as a public park, or else will revert to the grantor or his heirs.

Thursday, May 19, 1910**page**

1. Article reports cornerstone of Forum to be laid today.
3. Santa Fe engine No. 1849 yesterday pulled a train of 60 cars totaling 2416 tons from Newton to Kansas City. The average tonnage of a train is less than 1000 tons.
5. Widening of east approach from Waco avenue to Douglas avenue bridge is under way. A triangular strip is being added, seventeen feet wide at Waco avenue and gradually converging to a point at the bridge. The approach will now be 62 feet wide.
9. A ceremony is to be held today inaugurating the first track laying of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company. The mayors of Wichita and Newton will attend. Mayor C. L. Davidson and President W. O. Van Arsdale of the interurban will drive the first silver spikes. The ceremony will be held at 23rd street and North Main.

Friday, May 20, 1910**page**

6. Plans received yesterday by city engineer Bert Wells for the new Central avenue dam from Burns and McDonald of Kansas City. To be built of reinforced concrete and cost about \$22,000. To be 210 feet long, with abutments 25 by 26 feet capped with a railing and forming a promenade. About 55,000 pounds of steel and 465 cubic yards of concrete will

be used. ¶ The dam will be equipped with an automatic splash board or sluice gate, which will automatically drop a distance of three feet in case of floods.

9. Article reports on ceremony yesterday at driving of silver spikes of the first 70 pound rail of the Arkansas Valley Interurban at 23rd street and North Main.

Saturday, May 21, 1910**page**

5. Excavation of the foundation of the power house at the Orient shops has been completed, and concrete work will begin Monday.

Sunday, May 22, 1910**page**

5. Advertisement with drawing of *Wichita Eagle's* new press, which has been shipped May 18 by Goss Printing Press company of Chicago.

Tuesday, May 24, 1910**page**

5. Article reports new switchboards are being installed to permit interconnection of Wichita's two telephone systems.

Wednesday, May 25, 1910**page**

8. Legal publication -- resolution for paving with brick of 2nd street from Main to Wichita street.

Thursday, May 26, 1910**page**

5. Article reports Commissioner Roetzel's plan to change many of the street names in Wichita and to make most of them numbered streets.
12. The *Eagle's* big new press arrived in Wichita yesterday.

Friday, May 27, 1910**page**

1. Article reports on agreement between Santa Fe, Rock island, Frisco and Orient railways to unite in building of a Union Station and use of one elevated track to cross Douglas Avenue. The station is to cover the site now occupied by the Santa Fe depot.

The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company decided yesterday that its terminal in Wichita will be located at the northeast corner of 1st and Water streets.

Article reports that land for a big new power plant has been purchased or taken under option during the past several weeks. Located between 2nd and 3rd streets from Sherman to the river.

Saturday, May 28, 1910**page**

6. Santa Fe engine No. 1015 and Missouri Pacific engine No. 826 were brought to Wichita yesterday from Belle Plaine, where they collided Monday morning.

Sunday, May 29, 1910**page**

- B-1. Photograph of first Douglas avenue bridge (toll) built in 1871.
- D-1. Photographs of new Wichita Buildings, including:
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad freight depot
Commercial Club, at 1st and Market, under construction --\$85,000
Michigan building, 206 East Douglas -- \$60,000
J. H. Butts building, Lawrence and 1st -- \$120,000
Beacon building, under construction -- \$225,000.

Wednesday, June 1, 1910**page**

9. M. C. Jones, proprietor of Keene hotel, has taken long lease on the Preston building now under construction at 250 North Market. Will take possession mid-August or September 1 and operate the San Jose hotel there, with 36 rooms on second and third floors, all with private bath.

Friday, June 3, 1910**page**

5. Article reports that construction work on new street car barn on Waco near 2nd street will start about August 1 and be completed by November 1. To cost \$50,000. ¶ A new feeder system will also installed. ¶ Eight new cars will arrive about July 1. ¶ The old power plant will be discontinued and the Edison company (sic) will furnish the power from its new plant -- a total of about 3,000,000 kilowatts (sic) a year. ¶ The present capacity of the old barns, which will be retained, is 28 cars, and the new one will hold 60. ¶ The company is spending \$400,000 in new tracks and paving this year, and the above additions will increase the total to about \$465,000.
6. The first bucket of concrete was poured yesterday for the new Schweiter building.

Saturday, June 4, 1910**page**

8. Legal publication: Resolution for paving with brick of the alley between Lawrence and Market from 1st to 2nd streets, and of South Emporia from Zimmerly to Harry, and of Erie street from Douglas to Cedar.

Sunday, June 5, 1910**page**

2. S. J. Smalley will open his new hotel, known as the Hotel Acacia, Thursday, June 9, on

the second and third floors of the new Daisy building, 115-117 South Topeka. Contains 42 rooms including seventeen with bath.

19. Wichita has area of 20 square miles, says city engineer Bert Wells.

D-1. Long article about Henry Schweiter by Farmer Doolittle. Photograph.

Wednesday, June 8, 1910

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5. Annual meetings of Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company and the Interurban Construction company were held yesterday. Officers and boards of directors were elected (listed).
7. Celebration to be held today in anticipation of the opening of the new Kiowa, Hardtner and Pacific railway line. The new road will extend about eleven miles from Kiowa to Hardtner and has been leased to the Missouri Pacific railway. About seven miles of it has been completed from the Kiowa end. Trains will run from Kiowa to the end of the line today, and autos will convey visitors from there to the new town of Hardtner, where a new \$6000 depot has been completed.
12. Contract has been let for the new Methodist Episcopal church at Gilbert and Topeka. Ground breaking to be held this evening.

Thursday, June 9, 1910

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1. Nick Steffen, age 48, of Steffen-Bretch ice cream company was killed last night by Santa Fe switch engine at the Douglas avenue crossing. He was for many years proprietor of the Bon Ton Bakery and Candy Kitchen on North Main street, and later with W. H. Bretch organized the Steffen-Bretch Ice and Ice Cream company.
5. The Interurban Construction company has completed four miles of track between Wichita and Valley Center and have now moved north to work on the stretch of land between Sedgwick and Valley Center. ¶ Fences along the right-of-way have been completed along the line from Wichita to Valley Center and the fence gang is now working from Valley Center to Sedgwick.

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3. Passenger trains on all branch lines of the Santa Fe are to be equipped with solid vestibuled steel frame cars in place of the old wooden carriers. The Englewood train running out of Wichita has already been equipped with new steel chair cars.

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2. Legal publication: Resolution to pave with brick the alley between Douglas and William

from Topeka to Lawrence.

Sunday, June 12, 1910**page**

14. The Wichita Wholesale Furniture Company will start at once constructing a new four story brick warehouse and shipping station in the second block on North Water with frontage of 100 feet on Water street and extending back 142 feet to the Missouri Pacific tracks. To cost about \$50,000.

Tuesday, June 14, 1910**page**

5. City commissioners yesterday introduced ordinance requiring all trains or locomotives crossing Douglas avenue to come to a complete stop and be preceded by a flagman.

Wednesday, June 15, 1910**page**

4. Work started yesterday on cement construction of the basement of the new International Harvester company building at 3rd street and Rock Island. The building is to be ready for occupancy by cold weather.
5. Article about brick manufacturing plants in Wichita in earlier days.

Thursday, June 16, 1910**page**

6. Steel laying on the first unit of the Arkansas Valley Interurban from Valley Center to Wichita will reach Sullivan's dam heading southward by Saturday night, and the entire stretch will be completed within ten days.

Friday, June 17, 1910**page**

5. The cornerstone of the new Fairmount Congregational church will be laid next Sunday afternoon. The church was first organized in 1892 and met in the church at the corner of 15th and Tyler, which was later used by the Dunkards. In 1898 they secured the Mayflower church, which was moved from Fairview avenue to the corner of 16th and Fairmount. Last fall that building was torn down and the foundation for the new church was begun.

Saturday, June 18, 1910**page**

14. Legal publication: Resolution for paving with brick of Waco from Douglas to 2nd street, of Hillside from 11th street to 300 feet north of 17th street. ¶ Resolution for paving with asphalt of Riverside avenue from Wiley to Buffum.

Sunday, June 19, 1910**page**

17. Photograph of three story building in first block on North Topeka to be occupied about July 1st by the Jones Auto Exchange.
18. The Otto Weiss Alfalfa Stock Food company at a meeting Wednesday voted to rebuild the plant partially destroyed by fire at 13th and Santa Fe two months ago. Details.
- D-1. Article by Farmer Doolittle about Bishop Hennessy. He arrived in Wichita December 12, 1888. ¶ "When he was made bishop, Father Tihen, then a young priest, was selected to come to Wichita with the new bishop. The people of Wichita do not need to be told that Bishop Hennessy made a wise choice. Father Tihen is not only the most popular priest this city ever had, but he is perhaps the most popular priest in the state."

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6. Article reports laying of corner stone of new Fairmount Congregational church Sunday afternoon, June 19.
8. Assessed valuation of railroads in Kansas in 1910:

Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	\$130,658,000
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific	51,300,000
Kansas City, Mexico & Orient	1,598,000
Missouri Pacific	79,103,000
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	17,959,000
St. Louis-San Francisco	24,338,000
Union Pacific	47,454,000

9. Work is progressing on excavation for the foundation of the new high school building.

City commissioners yesterday awarded contract for paving North Lawrence avenue from 13th street to 21st street with brick. ¶ Petition granted for paving Circle Drive from Cedar street to Kellogg with brick.

The first floor of new J. H. Butts building at Lawrence avenue and 1st street has been completed, and the J. H. Butts Implement company is moving into it this week.

Wednesday, June 22, 1910

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8. Advertisement for sale of the Arkansas Valley Interurban stock states: "The graders are three miles north of Valley Center. The bridge is being built near Sullivan's dam. Only two and a half miles of track yet to lay between Wichita and Valley Center." Photograph of work train.

Thursday, June 23, 1910

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5. Contract let yesterday for chairs for new Forum -- cost about \$10,000.

12. Building permit issued yesterday for round house 90 by 270 feet, with capacity for ten engines, to Orient Railroad company. Cost \$22,000. Also for a stone, brick and steel building 220 by 152 feet to cost \$85,000 and a concrete power house 60 by 73 feet to cost \$11,000.

Friday, June 24, 1910**page**

6. A gang of 35 Mexicans brought in direct from Mexico by the Rock Island railway yesterday began unloading ties and rails for the company's new yards northeast of the city. ¶ Eighteen cars of steel have been stored at Kechi and 42 cars of ties have been stationed on sidings at Haysville. ¶ Work of laying the tracks and erecting the round house, power plant, water tank, coal chutes and cinder pits will be rushed. All told, twelve tracks will be laid. ¶ The improvements will cost about \$200,000.

Saturday, June 25, 1910**page**

5. The George Innes Dry Goods company has taken possession of the building of the former Orpheum theater, 119-123 North Topeka, which has been closed for some time.

Sunday, June 26, 1910**page**

2. The Sedgwick Home is now settled on its new location at corner of 3rd and Wichita streets. The old frame building, an historical house (Griffenstein house) that was moved from the haymarket to make way for the Forum is there a little the worse for its journey from the old site to the new. To its rear has been built a commodious addition, and by its side has been moved a two room house. A high board fence encloses the whole. The Sedgwick Home is less than one year old and its accomplishments have been marvelous. Details.
3. Article by Farmer Doolittle about President Edmund Stanley and his work in developing Friends University. Gives some history of Friends. "When Professor Stanley assumed control, the huge building was not one-fourth completed, but now two-thirds of the rooms and halls are finished."

Wednesday, June 29, 1910**page**

6. Work was begun yesterday on the track of the street railway on the Fairmount line, which is being repaired in connection with the paving of Hillside avenue. The street car company is fixing the track along this street and expects to have it ready to concrete by Friday. Two transfers are now necessary on this line between Douglas avenue and the cemetery.
12. Advertisement soliciting investment in the Arkansas Valley Interurban.

Thursday, June 30, 1910

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5. Article on controversy between Missouri Pacific and street railway company over the crossing on West Douglas avenue. Board of Railway Commissioners have ordered the street railway company to put in a derail device at the crossing (necessitating a stop and throwing of a switch by the motorman before proceeding), so that Missouri Pacific has withdrawn its injunction preventing the street railway company from building its line across the Missouri Pacific tracks.
8. Article saying foundation of new First Presbyterian church at Pine street and Lawrence avenue is far enough to permit laying of the corner stone soon. The corner stone of the first edifice of first Presbyterian church here was laid 34 years ago on July 4, 1876 at 1st street and Lawrence avenue. The old edifice was wrecked last winter to make room for the new J. H. Butts building.

Article saying the city commission a few weeks ago passed an ordinance asking the Santa Fe, Rock Island, and Frisco to lower their grades and to pave their crossings with brick at Douglas avenue, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd streets.

The Wichita Theatre Company was incorporated yesterday with capital stock \$75,000. It plans to build a new theater building just south of the Crawford opera house on South Topeka. The ground has been cleared and construction will commence in a few days. Names of incorporators are listed.

Friday, July 1, 1910**page**

5. A passenger on street car on East Douglas Wednesday evening feared collision with Santa Fe train on East Douglas crossing and ordered other passengers to jump for their lives. Since it was a summer car, a serious stampede was avoided. The engine of the train was about half way between the water tank near First street (sic) when it was first seen approaching, but the engineer brought the train to a stop within about 100 feet of the car and no collision occurred.
6. The Rock Island railway will lower its grades at Douglas avenue, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd streets preparatory to paving the intersections with brick. This announcement will cause great rejoicing among the people of Wichita. Every day teamsters and drivers of vehicles receive terrific jolts when they drive over the rough crossings on these streets.

The Rock Island yesterday completed the surveys for the new yards northeast of the city. The ties and rails have arrived and a gang of 75 Mexicans are unloading sand to fill in the low places in the new yards. Eight tracks, 3700 feet long, will be laid. It is thought they will be completed by about August 10. Work will also be commenced soon on construction of the round house, office buildings, cinder pits and other facilities for the new yards.

State board of railway commissioners yesterday granted the Arkansas Valley Interurban

a permit for a bond issue in the sum of \$2,100,000 for construction of the line.

Saturday, July 2, 1910**page**

5. City commission yesterday awarded the contract for the new concrete dam over the Little Arkansas river near Central avenue to the Freeborn Construction company of Kansas City, Missouri on its bid of \$24,000. Work is to begin within two weeks and be completed in four months.
6. City commission yesterday passed an ordinance requiring that all trains crossing Douglas avenue will be preceded by a flagman, to insure slow speed on the part of trains and reduce the danger of accidents. The railway companies will be compelled to employ additional persons as flagmen, for a train or engine is crossing Douglas avenue nearly every moment in the day.

It is the plan now for the Arkansas Valley Interurban to enter the city at 21st street and there tie on to the Market street tracks of the Wichita Railroad and Light company, and come down into the city over that company's tracks. This will be down Market to 13th street, thence down Main to 1st street, where the Interurban will build its own tracks west to their terminal station at 1st street and Water. The city railway company has already relaid the tracks on the North Main street line with heavy steel rails to be prepared for this extra traffic.

10. Missouri Pacific Railroad has now removed its obstruction switch at corner of Douglas and Millwood avenues preparatory to lowering its grade so that the street railway may cross the Missouri Pacific tracks at that point. Thus all obstacles are removed and there is nothing to prevent Superintendent Morrison from proceeding at once with the long delayed building of the line to Mt. Carmel academy via West Douglas avenue. ¶ A. H. Webb, Missouri Pacific superintendent, said the obstruction switch had been put in last fall between their Kiowa tracks and their Y to prevent the street railway company from crossing their tracks until it agreed to install a derail switch. The street railway company had crossing frogs on the ground then for the Kiowa tracks and the Y, but none for the obstruction track. He says the Missouri Pacific will reduce its grades twelve inches in this part of the city and the city will raise its grade twelve inches, so that the tracks and the streets may be on a level.

Sunday, July 3, 1910**page**

14. The Missouri Pacific railway will begin the operation of train service on the new Kiowa, Hardtner and Pacific railway about July 15. This road, an extension of the Missouri Pacific railway, runs from Kiowa to Hardtner, a distance of about twelve miles.

Wednesday, July 6, 1910**page**

5. Photograph of crowd in Market street outside Eagle building listening to bulletins from the

Jeffries-Johnson fight. Shows corner of post office building and east side of Market street.

Work will begin next week on the tracks of the Pattie avenue street railway line. The tracks will be paved and heavy 73 pound rails will be laid in place of the light rails used at present. The entire length of paving will be a mile and 600 feet.

6. Another advertisement for sale of Arkansas Valley Interurban bonds.
8. An additional bond issue of \$50,000 will be required to complete, heat and equip the new high school building. The original issue of bonds for the building was \$150,000.
10. Mayor Davidson proposes the building of a natatorium, or public swimming and bathing pool in this city. The only available places now are along the Little Arkansas river but the water is muddy and not conducive to bathing. ¶ In the 80s Wichita possessed a natatorium which was well patronized, but in later years it was discontinued. It was located in a brick building in the second block on South Topeka avenue, and is now used as an armory.

Thursday, July 7, 1910

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5. City commission yesterday voted to adopt ordinance of Commissioner H. J. Roetzel changing many street names (article lists the changes in names).
8. A company is being organized to provide taxicab service in Wichita for the first time. These will be used for transportation just as hacks are now used. Taxicabs are now in use in all of the largest cities of the country. Robert B. Campbell is at the head of the company which will introduce this novelty to Wichita.

Friday, July 8, 1910

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5. Article saying pictures of the Johnson-Jeffries fight will not be allowed to be shown in Wichita theaters. The official ban has been stated by Mayor C. L. Davidson and also by Chief of Police Frank Burt. ¶ A host of ministers and citizens have given vent to their opinions concerning the pictures until a strong antagonistic sentiment has been aroused. Many seemed to agree that the pictures display scenes of brutality and bloodshed that are not elevating for the public and especially for young people to see. ¶ "A prize fight is disgraceful and demoralizing and the pictures are even more so because they are seen by women and children" said Mayor Davidson yesterday. "I shall firmly oppose the presentation of the pictures of the fight."

The Missouri Pacific railway has installed a derrick at the corner of Wichita and 2nd streets to be used in loading and unloading heavy merchandise. A stone yard is located at that corner and the derrick will be useful in unloading stone for the plant. The derrick has a lifting capacity of 25 tons and is 60 feet high.

6. Article discussing the proposed changes in street names which is being re-drafted for re-

submission to city commission.

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1. Photograph and drawing of Douglas avenue east of St. Francis showing how train would appear on proposed elevated track.

Article reports American Water Company of Pittsburgh, owner of Wichita Water company, has renewed its offer to sell the Wichita company to the city. Details.

2. Article says members of Linwood club are circulating petitions asking the street railway company to extend the terminal of the Pattie avenue line to the entrance of Linwood park.
3. Article reports that the Santa Fe Railroad is trying to compel the Kiowa, Hardtner and Pacific railway to give up its connection with the Missouri Pacific and sell out to the Santa Fe instead. Santa Fe has been placing many obstacles to keep the new road from crossing the Santa Fe tracks in order to connect with the Missouri Pacific.

6. Photograph of new three story brick building at 2nd and Santa Fe constructed for Winfield Wholesale Grocery Company. Building to be open for business on July 25. It is 92 by 140 feet.

Missouri Pacific Railroad started work on \$5000 worth of improvements to its freight handling facilities in form of a brick driveway extending from the freight house on the west to the team track on the east, 1st street on the south, and 2nd street on the north. Over 1,000,000 vitrified paving bricks, 35 car loads, are being obtained from Coffeyville to pave this area to accommodate the hauling of heavy merchandise to and from the depot.

Rock Island Railroad electricians arrived yesterday to make arrangements for electrical coal chutes at the new yards northeast of the city. Coal will be unloaded from the cars to the chutes and from the chutes to the tenders of the engines by electrical power. ¶ Construction of the tracks in the new yards is progressing rapidly. Two tracks 3700 feet long have been laid. Construction gangs will arrive in a few days to commence work on the buildings.

8. Legal publications providing for paving with brick of
Alley running north and south between Water and Wichita from William to first alley south of Douglas.
Circle Drive from South Park avenue to Kellogg street.

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5. Mayor Davidson will send plans for Douglas avenue viaduct back to chief engineer of Santa Fe in Topeka for certain changes in details of supporting columns between the abutments.

6. Street railway company will add a system of feeders costing about \$30,000, to its facilities this fall. Additional feeder service is necessary to move the cars on days when travel is heavy, such as on baseball or circus days. It is hoped to have the new system in operation by November, at which time the street railway will begin using electrical power furnished by Kansas Gas and Electric.
16. Advertisement soliciting investment in Arkansas Valley Interurban route.

Article about proposed street naming ordinance of Commissioner Roetzel.

Tuesday, July 12, 1910**page**

2. Riverside street car No. 150 was struck by lightning yesterday.
6. City commission yesterday passed revised ordinance on street names deleting Commissioner Roetzel's plan to change to numbers the names of east-west streets south of Douglas. Article lists all street name decisions -- to remain the same or to be changed. ¶ Includes "Riverside avenue except for the portion from Buffum east to Wiley be changed to River boulevard."
10. Robert B. Campbell yesterday let contract to William Pirtle for construction of \$15,000 home in Riverside a block north of old Campbell home on 11th street. Architect is U. G. Charles. Is in restricted district of eight blocks owned by Messrs. Ramsdale, Wright, Jocelyn and Alexander. Dwellings to cost not less than \$4000 with none on less than 75 feet of ground. Streets will be paved and five foot sidewalks put down.

Wednesday, July 13, 1910**page**

2. Second floor of Schweiter building has been completed by the Wurster Construction company. Building to be completed in March.

By September 1st it is expected that pavement on Fairmount car line and torn up tracks will be over with and present inconveniences ended. Yesterday passengers were obliged to walk four blocks to connect.
5. H. E. Chubbuck, vice-president and general manager of Illinois Traction System, arrived in Wichita yesterday to confer with Superintendent W. R. Morrison about proposed improvements in the local street car system. Items being considered are:
 - A \$50,000 street car barn;
 - Extension of the West Douglas avenue line;
 - Extension of the West Pattie avenue line to Linwood park;
 - Looping the two Riverside lines;
 - Purchase of electric power from Kansas Gas and Electric company;
 - Proposed steam line across company's property on North Waco avenue.¶ Superintendent Morrison says company has spent about \$200,000 in improvements in

Wichita this year, much of which has been for paving the street car tracks along streets paved by the city this spring.

Friday, July 15, 1910**page**

6. The Missouri Pacific Railroad is ten miles longer today than yesterday, by virtue of the addition of the Kiowa, Hardtner and Pacific railway, which passes into the control of the Missouri Pacific today. Train service will be installed on the new road this morning. The "Wichita Shopper" will be extended from Kiowa to Hardtner. It is No. 706 and leaves Hardtner at 5:15 a.m. and reaches Wichita at 10:30. Train No. 705 leaves Wichita at 6:15 p.m. and arrives Hardtner at 10:45 p.m.

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8. Progress is being made in filling the bed of Chisholm creek in the southeast part of the city. Filling of creek bed is completed from Hydraulic to Fannie avenue, and about two-thirds filled from there to Ellis to Hunter to Kellogg to Orme. In a few days it will be completely filled to Orme, and will then be filled from Orme to Indianapolis. From Indianapolis it is an open creek south clear to the drainage canal.
9. The remaining shipment of about 600 tons of steel rails for the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway will arrive in Wichita from Chicago next Tuesday.

The Missouri Pacific and Frisco have both recently installed derricks in Wichita for use in loading and unloading heavy merchandise such as structural steel, iron, and stone. ¶ The Frisco derrick is located on the tracks at Murdock avenue, and the Missouri Pacific derrick is located at 2nd street. They have a lifting capacity of 25 tons.

Sunday, July 17, 1910**page**

5. About 25 miles of pavement will be laid in Wichita this year, at a cost of over \$1,000,000. Major portions include:
- 13th street from Hillside to St. Francis -- brick
 - 2nd street from Emporia east to city limits -- Hassam
 - Hillside from Douglas to 9th street -- Bitulithic
 - Seneca street for half a mile
 - West Central from main to Little Arkansas river -- brick
 - 11th street from Waco to Little Arkansas river -- brick
 - South Lawrence from Harry to Kincaid -- Bitulithic
 - Pattie from Douglas to Henry -- asphalt
 - Cleveland from Douglas to 13th street -- Bitulithic
 - Maple from Campbell to Hiram -- asphalt.

New owls and baboons received at Riverside park zoo. Many children are enjoying riding the burro in the zoo.

Wichita Railroad and Light company will begin Tuesday relaying the Pattie avenue line with heavy 75 pound rails. About 144 tons of rails will be required. ¶ About 150 tons of old rails which were taken out of the Fairmount line were hauled to the site of the new power plant on Waco avenue yesterday. Relaying the Fairmount avenue line with heavy rails will be finished by Thursday.

- D-1. Photographs of old and new Douglas avenue bridges.
- D-7. Photograph of Wichita Garage company -- location (?).
- D-8. Advertisement for Hassam compressed concrete pavement -- composed of 85-90% stone, thoroughly bonded with Portland Cement grout.

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

Articles including history of sewers and street paving. ¶ Articles on Wichita Railroad and Light company -- company has 33 miles of track and 70 cars. Daily operates 32 cars carrying half the population of the city. Sixteen of the cars are the pay-as-you-enter type. About 300 men employed, with monthly payroll of \$14,000, including 105 conductors and 105 motormen. About \$300,000 worth of improvements added this year and \$250,000 last year, including thirteen miles of new tracks built and paved. Four new pay-as-you-enter cars and four baseball trailers ordered, to arrive some time in July. A block of ground on west side of Waco between 1st and 2nd as a site for new car barns and shops. ¶ Several of the old antediluvian mule cars are still in the city, including one used for a lunch counter and book stand on St. Francis avenue.

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- 5. Contract let yesterday for new \$575,000 power plant for Kansas Gas and Electric company, to be located on the company's ground between 3rd street and the river, west of Sherman. Plant to be completed by December 1. The huge stack 200 feet high is to be completed by September 1 and the foundation finished by October 1. The present contract is for the foundation and building alone. The steel work and machinery contracts will go to other firms. The total cost will be about \$787,000.

The National Humane alliance of New York City has offered to donate one of its fine granite fountains to Wichita if a suitable place is found for it. ¶ The fountain weighs five tons and is shipped prepaid to a city, which agrees to unload it, find a location for it, and provide for its maintenance. It stands about seven feet high.

City commission yesterday passed street naming ordinance as published last Tuesday with only a few minor changes (listed).

Resolutions passed to pave Dort avenue and Perry avenue, both from Beal to Parker. Also to pave right-of-way of the Wichita Railroad and Light company on North Market from 14th to 21st streets, and on North Main from 9th to 12th streets.

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5. The Otto Weiss Alfalfa Stock Food company will rebuild its plant destroyed by fire last April 8. Details.
10. Article about building site for new Kansas Gas and Electric plant, owned previously by J. W. Burton, who bought it five years ago from Mrs. Sadie Botts, widow of Samie Botts, who was an early settler and secured the land when Wichita property was not as valuable as today. The land formerly was sometimes overflowed by the river, although the original bank of the river has remained unchanged for the past 25 years, three years ago Mr. Burton started filling in the low land, using 20,000 yards of sand for filling and leveling the ground. Five residences built on the ground by Mr. Burton have now been removed to other parts of the city.

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5. The Orient Railroad will receive several consignments of new rolling stock about September 1, including ten 200 type locomotives made by the American Locomotive works, ten cabooses, and several hundred box cars. ¶ The Orient tracks have been ballasted from Wichita 33 miles southwest to Milton and also many miles in Oklahoma. It is planned to ballast the line from Wichita to Altus this year, using crushed red rock from Anthony.
8. Legal publication of Ordinance 3739 on Wichita street names.

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5. The buildings, grounds and much of the machinery of the old Kansas Gas and Electric plant between Douglas and 1st street and fronting on Waco and Wichita will be sold and the plant abandoned when the new power plant is completed.
8. Article reports on laying of corner stone yesterday for the Wichita Manual Training association building at 21st and Topeka. This association was organized by Rev. G. A. King. The National Conference of the Universalist church is giving \$1000 to erect the building and will hold the title, but the local association is then left to manage and run it. Building to cost about \$8000.
12. Article on proposition of Commissioner Roetzel to tax the street cars, with comments

critical of Wichita's street car service.

Wednesday, July 27, 1910**page**

3. The first meeting in the new Fairmount Congregational church building will be on August 6. Meetings will be held in the basement until the \$25,000 building is completed.

Twenty-two of the 24 blinker lights installed under the Graham administration will be taken down, the gas connections plugged, and the posts sold. Only two of the lights are burning and they will be left standing.

5. After August 1, "Market" and "Douglas" will be the names of the Bell and Independent telephone systems. If a subscriber wants 1222 Bell, he must call for 1222 Market. If he wants 1222 Independent, he must call for 1222 Douglas. To the subscribers it will be as if it was all one system.

Thursday, July 28, 1910**page**

5. City commission refused giving permission to Kansas Gas and Electric to build switch track on 2nd street connecting their new power plant with the Missouri Pacific Railroad. ¶ The city government all along has favored extending the steam railroad switch built for the Wichita Railroad and Light company through the middle of the blocks between 1st and 2nd streets. This switch, which is really owned by the street car company, now extends up the Arkansas river nearly to 2nd street, and it would require little work to extend it north to the new power plant. However, the Wichita Railroad and Light company has objected to this, saying that it would decrease the value of its property.

Initial work was started yesterday on the new Central avenue dam. Being built by the Freeborn Construction company of Kansas city, and will cost \$24,000.

The Wichita Water company has decided to install meters all over the city where there are hose connections, to prevent waste. With the drouth, the company has been pumping 9,000,000 gallons a day the past week, compared with a high normal of five million gallons a day. Never pumped more than six million gallons per day before this year. The plant is new and has pumping capacity of eighteen million gallons per day. The company has 26 wells. The Arkansas river is almost dry for first time in thirteen years. Rainfall is thirteen inches below normal.

City engineer Bert Wells is surveying the needed extension of the drainage canal from its present terminus emptying into Chisholm creek about two and a half to three miles to the Arkansas river. Cost estimated about \$40,000.

Friday, July 29, 1910**page**

6. Article discussing need for changing the high grade of the Wichita and Western branch of

the Santa Fe in West Wichita.

14. The city commissioners yesterday authorized two new streets, Moore street from 1st to 2nd street between the Santa Fe and Rock Island tracks, and Riverside boulevard from Central avenue on west bank of Little river around the river and connecting with Buffum avenue. Neither street is open for traffic and will not be for some time.

Saturday, July 30, 1910

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1. The Wichita, McPherson and Gulf Railroad was incorporated in Topeka yesterday with capitalization of two an a half million dollars, for the purpose of extending the Midland Valley Railroad from its present northern terminus at Arkansas City through Wichita to McPherson.

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4. Article about the complex job of consolidating Wichita's two telephone exchanges, which is to be completed by the middle of August.
8. Article about the new Colonial theater in first block on North Market, to be ready for opening by August 15.
19. The Santa Fe railway will occupy the new freight and general office at William and Tremont streets tomorrow morning. The freight house connected with the offices has been in use now for almost two months.

Tuesday, August 2, 1910

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2. Steel crews of the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway are now just above 29th street and before the week is ended they will close the gap and connect up at 23rd street. Over 40 cars of material are being unloaded in Valley Center for the next unit of construction between Valley Center and Sedgwick. Grading is being done on that stretch and is within two miles of Sedgwick.
5. Chief engineer of Missouri and Kansas Telephone company is here to survey possible locations for a new five story telephone exchange building to be built here. ¶ Less than a year ago the handsome new addition to the Market street plant was completed at a cost of \$14,000.
6. Article reports all former heat records for July in past 22 years were broken last month. Details. The Arkansas river was the lowest in history of records. Bed of the river is dry above the mouth of Little Arkansas river for first time since 1897 except for a short time late in July 1901.

Wednesday, August 3, 1910

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5. State tax commission has reduced the assessment on the 122³/₄ acre J. Hudson McKnight tract from \$224,640 to \$213,980.
10. Work on the Orient shops is being pushed ahead rapidly. Already the company has expended \$450,000 on the work.

Thursday, August 4, 1910**page**

2. A new \$14,000 two story brick building will be erected by Charles Lawrence on North Lawrence avenue immediately south of the Butts building. It will be occupied by the Lawrence Photographic Supply company and will be 25 by 140 feet with the front finished in terra cotta. Work will begin about the middle of the month. Architect is C. W. Terry. To be completed about December 1.

Friday, August 5, 1910**page**

2. A celebration was held yesterday to commemorate the completion of paving Maple street on the West Side.
5. Sedgwick county voters to decide in November whether to spend \$20,000 on a new steel and concrete bridge over the Big Arkansas river on 13th street.

County commission has advertised for bids on a sand-clay county highway extending nine miles south of the city limits on Lawrence avenue. The road is to be the finest clay road composed of an amalgamation of sand and gumbo, and will cost approximately \$7000.

Permit was let today for the residence of R. B. Campbell at the corner of Dort and Riverside avenues, in a restricted district. To be two stories with thirteen rooms. Dimensions are 37 by 65 feet. Cost to be \$11,000. ¶ House is to be a brick veneer trimmed with Carthage stone. The foundation, steps and piers for the columns will be of stone. The columns themselves will be of brick. A dark hard brick will be used that will be an innovation to Wichita. Along the entire front will be a twelve foot porch, and on the rear will be a porch 24 by eight feet. There will be balconies on both porches; the rear one may be fitted up for a sleeping room. ¶ The interior will be finished in birch and oak. The floor will be of hardwood. In the parlor will be a fire-place with stone mantles; there will be other fire-places with plain grates. The basement will be divided into several rooms and finished with concrete. W. M. Pirtle is the contractor.

Saturday, August 6, 1910**page**

5. Article about progress on construction of new Forum. A seventeen and a half ton truss of steel for the roof of the stage was raised yesterday. Erection of all the trusses for the roof will take about two months. Brick work is now going on at the east end of the auditorium with the walls now 25 feet high.

The new telephone directory of the Missouri and Kansas Telephone company is being printed. The new one will be in one volume, the old Independent company (Douglas exchange) and Bell company (Market exchange) being combined. There will be about 10,000 names in the new consolidated book.

10. Pouring of concrete has begun at the new Wichita Gas and Electric company (sic) power plant. Concrete for the base of the 200 foot smoke stack is being poured. ¶ Excavations are also under way for the tunnels that will lead water from the river over the turbines. The intake tunnel will be about 600 feet long, eight feet in diameter, and made of concrete.

Miss Hortense Balderson (sic) has returned from a vacation trip to Billings, Colorado.

Sunday, August 7, 1910

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14. For three weeks the Big Arkansas river above the mouth of the Little river has been absolutely dry, but a rise yesterday caused slight resumption of flow.
15. Considerable complaint is being made by residents of North Riverside over tiresome delays in street car service, it requiring from 30 to 40 minutes to reach the heart of the city on the present schedules. Most of the time is spent waiting on switches.
16. Article describing operation of the switches for the many trains in and out of the city from the two story signal tower between East Lincoln and East Morris streets.

Tuesday, August 9, 1910

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1. Chief-of-police Frank S. Burt tendered his resignation to the city commission yesterday, effective August 31.
3. Beginning August 7 the large cars of the Southwestern Interurban railway are operating between Arkansas City and Winfield every two hours, instead of every hour as has been the custom since the road began doing business. This is to cut down the expense of operating the line. The cars leave Arkansas City on the odd hours beginning at 7:00 a.m. and leave Winfield on the even hours.
5. Article about progress on construction of Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad. Work of putting up trolley poles will start today. The crossing of the Frisco tracks at Valley Center is now completed and the line of track will be finished at once through the city of Valley Center. The steel is now all here, 65 car loads, from the Illinois Steel company, Gary, Indiana, unloaded at Valley Center, and ready for track laying. ¶ Grading of the section between Valley Center and Sedgwick will be completed this week, and the laying of steel northward from Valley Center will commence. ¶ The sub-power station for Valley Center, 38 feet square, will be commenced this morning. ¶ The Interurban tracks are now all laid clear down to 21st street and Market, ready to tie on to the city railroad company's lines at that point.

Contract let yesterday for county commission for a new sand-clay road running nine miles south on Lawrence avenue. to Salem township. Low bid was \$5330.

6. Deed was filed yesterday whereby the Wichita Water company for a price of \$7000, deeds to the city a strip of land 60 feet wide from the north shore of the Big Arkansas river across the property of the water company known as Water Works Island to the north line of West Central avenue for the purpose of extending Seneca street. ¶ Also a strip of land 60 feet wide for the purpose of extending West Central avenue, from the Little river bridge to the west line of Seneca extended. ¶ Also when demanded by the city the company shall convey to the city a strip of land 60 feet wide north from Central avenue to the Little Arkansas river, and thence in a northwesterly direction a strip 70 feet wide near the banks of the river as far as the lands of the water company extend, which is to the center of the bayou, for a public street extending Seneca and West Central to Riverside addition. ¶ The company also will lease to the city all that portion of its island lying east of Seneca street extended, for public park purposes.

Wednesday, August 10, 1910

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6. About a mile and a half of the old Chisholm creek bed is now filled above the water mark, so that with one or two exceptions the old creek has no water in it between Murdock avenue and Indianapolis street.

Thursday, August 11, 1910

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5. Stories are now being added to the Schweiter building at the rate of one every five days. Almost five stories are now up.

Saturday, August 13, 1910

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2. Long article giving street car company's views leading to abandonment of plan to build new car barn at Waco avenue south of 2nd street.

Tuesday, August 16, 1910

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6. The Red Star Milling company has purchased additional new machinery to be installed this fall which will double its present capacity of nearly 600 barrels per day to a total of 1200 barrels per day. When the plant was erected only the south half of the building was utilized initially, leaving the remainder available for the present expansion. Elevator holding capacity was increased about a year ago to three times the former capacity.
10. About 10,000 people visited Riverside park Sunday. Ostriches which were put in the park Sunday morning attracted the most attention. Many park visitors walk or go in automobiles. The majority, however, go by street car, either on the Riverside lines or on the North Main cars to Murdock avenue. ¶ On the Riverside cars alone 6526 persons were hauled. Besides the usual three cars which run on this line the street car company

put on nine extras.

Wednesday, August 17, 1910**page**

2. About 700,000 of the total of over 2,000,000 brick have been put in the walls of the new high school building. The walls are at present on an average of six feet above the first floor.
3. Article reporting an annual meeting yesterday of the Hydro-Carbon company (later Coleman company). Less than a year ago the company moved its original site in the second block on North Main to the present new plant in second block on St. Francis avenue. Plant and ground cost \$40,000. Building is two stories, 75 by 140 feet. Equipment cost \$30,000 more.

Thursday, August 18, 1910**page**

2. Fairmount residents are upset because street car company will not give transfer from College Hill line to Fairmount line, thus forcing them to wait downtown for Fairmount car or pay two fares if they transfer at Hillside. The Fairmount cars operate every 20 minutes, whereas College Hill cars are operated every twelve minutes.

Friday, August 19, 1910**page**

2. Article reports opening of the new Colonial theater in first block on North Market yesterday. The new moving picture house will seat 900 people.
6. The new sub-power station at Valley Center for the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad was started yesterday and will be pushed rapidly to completion.

Sunday, August 21, 1910**page**

3. The company will put down a sample block of the new Hassam pavement beginning Tuesday on Morris street between Lawrence and Topeka.
8. Universal telephone service is being given in Wichita to customers of both Missouri and Kansas Telephone company and the former Independent Telephone company starting today.
10. Photograph of Schweiter building under construction -- forms in place for seventh story.

Wednesday, August 24, 1910**page**

5. Tremont street is being paved with brick between William and Orme.
6. W. R. Morrison, superintendent of Wichita Railroad and Light company returned

yesterday from a conference with officials of the McKinley Syndicate. ¶ While he was away the street car company and gas company (sic) settled their switch dispute.

Thursday, August 25, 1910**page**

2. Petition is to be presented to city commission asking that the Wichita Railroad and Light company be prevented from moving its loop on the North Riverside line from West 11th street to West 10th street. This move of the loop was proposed by the company in order to escape paying a pavement tax on West 11th street, which is soon to be paved. Another report is that the street car company is planning to move the loop a block north to 12th street, which would allow it to escape the pavement tax.
5. The Kansas Gas and Electric company is constructing a transmission line from its power plant in Wichita to Valley Center to supply electrical power for the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway. Cost of the poles and wires from here to Valley Center will be about \$28,000, and the equipment at both ends will cost about \$20,000 more, making the total expenditure about \$50,000. The line will supply the interurban with power at Valley Center. ¶ Poles and cross-arms supporting the wires, will be strung from here to Valley Center, and the holes have been dug for the poles. The line will be constructed along the right-of-way of the Interurban, and the same poles that support the wires carrying the current will also support the trolley wire. ¶ It is expected that the transmission line will be completed some time in October.

Friday, August 26, 1910**page**

10. Ordinance passed by city commission giving Missouri Pacific Railroad authority to build a switch track across 2nd street along the east bank of the Big Arkansas river and along Sherman avenue to serve the power plant of the Kansas Gas and Electric company on 3rd street.

Two arc lights have been installed at the Rock Island passenger depot. The platform is now almost as light at night as in the daytime.

Saturday, August 27, 1910**page**

6. Work of paving West 11th street has begun. Two blocks of concrete base have been put down to date.

Sunday, August 28, 1910**page**

5. The Missouri Pacific Railroad is to spend about \$500,000 this fall in improvements to the Wichita division. ¶ The line from Wichita to Geneseo, 86 miles, will be ballasted at a cost of about \$150,000. Several miles of the work has been started from the Geneseo end, it will take six or eight months to complete. ¶ About 70 miles of track from Eldorado to Durand will be relaid with heavier 85 pound steel. This work will commence about

September 10. ¶ The Kiowa branch, from Wichita to Kiowa, is to be relaid with 75 pound steel.

The Jacob Dold Packing company is building a two story 60 by 96 feet addition to its cooling department, to be completed by the middle of October.

The street car company will soon have a double track from the corner of Douglas and Main to 21st street. The new oak ties and the heavy iron rails are piled along Market street from the Missouri Pacific tracks to 21st street, and work will be commenced this week. The new line on North Market will be entirely of new material.

Wednesday, August 31, 1910

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1. Chief-of-police Frank S. Burt and banker L. S. Naftzger implicated in scheme to dispose of stolen postage stamps.
8. The new J. H. Butts building at Lawrence avenue and 1st street is now nearly completed. The first four floors are now ready for occupancy and tenants are moving in. There will be 115 rooms on the five upper floors. The elevator will be ready for use in a few days.

Article reports collision of two Missouri Pacific trains in the 25th street yards yesterday morning. Collision involved passenger train No. 403 from Kansas City pulled by engine No. 2731 and a switching train of seven box cars pulled by engine No. 9824.

Thursday, September 1, 1910

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10. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company is making preparations for use of the terminal point in Wichita at the corner of 1st and Water streets. The brick building at that location is being refitted for the uses of the company and will be used as a temporary terminal house and depot until a new station is erected and more permanent arrangements made.

Paving of four blocks of South Washington avenue with brick will be begun soon. Hauling of brick started the first of the week.

Friday, September 2, 1910

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2. Large advertisement for sale of bonds of Arkansas Valley Interurban.
3. The tickets now sold by the street car company have changed their color from the previous brown colored tickets to bright yellow ones. ¶ The reason is that the tickets are printed in half a dozen different colors in large lots of about 10,000 of each color. It is easier to check up if the tickets are divided up in this manner, and if a large amount of tickets should be stolen, the color can be changed, making it easier to detect the use of the stolen tickets.

5. Superintendent Morrison said yesterday that work on the relaying and double-tracking of the North Market street line from 13th street to 21st street will begin next Tuesday. ¶ The work on the concrete bridge on the South Riverside car line will also be started on the same date.

Saturday, September 3, 1910**page**

5. The Cone-Cornell hall, at northwest corner of Lawrence and William, was sold yesterday to E. D. Wood for Mrs. Earle Evans for \$40,000 by Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cone and Mr. and Mrs. George W. Cornell. Building has frontage of 50 feet on Lawrence and extends back to the alley. At present the Schollenberger Brothers automobile business occupies the ground floor, the A. G. McCormick printing establishment is on second floor, and the upper floor is occupied by the Hartman dancing school.
9. About 40 duplicate telephones are being removed daily since the consolidation of the two telephone companies into one. A total of 670 requests have been made for removal of duplicate phones.

Sunday, September 4, 1910**page**

14. Photograph of home of John W. Adams, attorney, at 1120 North Lawrence.

Tuesday, September 6, 1910**page**

1. L. S. Naftzger (photograph) retired yesterday after eighteen years as president of Fourth National Bank and was replaced by Ben F. McLean.

Wednesday, September 7, 1910**page**

2. Annual report of superintendent of schools to Board of Education given last night (details). ¶ Contracts were awarded for construction of a new ward school building at Grove and 3rd streets for \$25,864. ¶ Grade school teacher assignments listed -- includes two teachers at Riverside, Gertrude Houseworth fifth, sixth, and seventh grades and principal, and Mabel Kemp, first, second, third and fourth grades.

Friday, September 9, 1910**page**

5. Work will commence today on the laying of steel on the stretch of the Arkansas Valley Interurban from Valley Center to Sedgwick. The graders have completed their work on that division. The sub-power plant at Valley Center will also be completed this week.

Saturday, September 10, 1910**page**

5. The bronze fountain presented to the city of Wichita by ex-mayor Finlay Ross and which has stood in North Riverside park for years, has been taken down and stored away. One

of the water pipes in the statue broke and it cannot be repaired, as there is no way of getting the pipe out to mend it. ¶ This statue was the one a park keeper thought needed painting, so he smeared yellow and red paint over the bronze make it "look pettier." So much joking was done at his expense that the unartistic keeper decided to remove the paint, which he did with a knife.

Monday, September 12, 1910**page**

1. Mayor Davidson appoints James H. McPherson as new chief of police and the "Callahan Dump" and cottage of bank robber John Callahan in second block on North Mosley was raided. Photographs.

Tuesday, September 13, 1910**page**

1. "City Hall Reform in Full Swing" -- headline.
Article reports secret bedroom in basement of City Hall (drawing).
5. Article reports progress on construction of Forum. The iron work is nearly completed and the last of the big trusses for the roof have been erected. Two hundred and fifty tons of a total of 267 tons of iron is now up. About 60% of the brick work is finished and the walks on the sides are 20 to 25 feet high.
6. The concrete frame of the Schweiter building is now nearly finished. The forms for the attic columns went up yesterday. On July 4th the flag was on the top of the forms for the first floor columns. ¶ Brick work at the base started in earnest yesterday.

School enrollment on first day yesterday at Wichita public schools totaled 7093 in 690 at the high school and 80 at Riverside.

Wednesday, September 14, 1910**page**

10. Another article about the hidden room in City Hall.

Thursday, September 15, 1910**page**

2. Article about raid on a hidden room at Eaton hotel with confiscation of beer and whiskey, etc.
8. Legal publication of resolution for paving Sycamore street from north line of Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway company to Burton avenue with brick block.

Legal publication of resolution for paving East Gilbert street from Emporia to Washington with brick block.

Friday, September 16, 1910

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2. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company has taken out a building permit for a one-story repair and waiting room to cost about \$1200.
6. The new church edifice of College Hill Congregational church at corner of Clifton avenue and 1st street is completed, and the auditorium will be used for services for the first time Sunday, September 18. The church group has used the basement of the structure for services for several months past.

Saturday, September 17, 1910**page**

6. Two opium dens were raided by police last night -- in a rooming house at 118 South Lawrence and in a brick building at 1723 East Douglas formerly known as the Lenox sanitarium. Details.

Sunday, September 18, 1910**page**

4. Work has been resumed on the Wichita Wholesale Furniture company building. The second floor joists are now being laid.

Tuesday, September 20, 1910**page**

6. Article about progress on construction of Orient shops. The machine shops are nearly finished, as is the first unit of the round house, consisting of ten stalls. ¶ Completion is expected in February 1911. The shops will consist of ten buildings. The largest and main structure, the locomotive and repair shop, will be 152 feet wide and 225 feet long and have a crane capable of lifting twelve tons from one part of the structure to the other. This is the first unit, and when all the units of this building are completed, it will be about 600 feet long and 152 feet wide. ¶ The power plant will be 60 by 72 feet and contain three Sterling boilers, each with 184 h.p. capacity. On this building will be two steel smokestacks 100 feet high. The store house is 50 by 85 feet.

Wednesday, September 21, 1910**page**

5. Contract for Wichita's new Children's Home awarded yesterday for approximately \$39,000. To be three stories, of brick, 86 by 81 feet. The site is a large tract 200 by 140 feet between Highland avenue on the south, Orchard on the north, Bryant on the east, and Addison on the west.
6. The Marple moving picture theater, 421 East Douglas, has changed hands.
10. Since last week, Wichita's taxicabs have been on the streets. Operated by the Wichita Taxicab and Auto Baggage company, 231 South Topeka. This is an innovation in Kansas, Wichita having the only taxicabs in the state. The cabs are equipped with taximeters which show the patrons what their rides are costing them.

Grading will start today on the new sand-clay experimental road being built by the county commissioners on the half mile of West 13th street west of the Big Arkansas river bridge. This half mile has had the reputation of being the worst road in the county. To cost \$750.

Thursday, September 22, 1910**page**

1. Several small photographs of Orient shops under construction.
2. "Riverside Has Its Boosting Club Organized." Motto is: "Anything and Everything for the General Good of Riverside."
2. About 50 of the best citizens of aristocratic Riverside met last evening in mass meeting at the Riverside club to formulate a civic organization and booster propaganda for that residence section of the city. ¶ For a first called meeting, and before organic formation, such an attendance presages a civic dynamic force destined for great usefulness for the residents and that picturesque section of Wichita. The organization was partially perfected, but the selection of a permanent name and legal title was deferred until the next meeting. ¶ The officers of the organization are Robert B. Campbell, president; Dr. E. M. Palmer, secretary and treasurer. Its unofficial motto is: "Anything and Everything for the General Good of Riverside." The boundary line of the section it is desired to benefit that section between 13th street and Murdock avenue west of Waco, including all of Central and North Riverside. ¶ Some of the improvements proposed include better street car service, more concrete walks, more street pavements, digging the unsightly islands and hummocks out of the river, widening the already beautiful but too narrow drives, widening the approaches to the 11th street bridge, etc.
5. Mayor orders probe of City hall hidden room.
7. On account of repairs being made on the street car bridge in the park near Woodman bridge, car service to Riverside is very unsatisfactory and it may require 45 minutes to over an hour to make the trip down town from either end of the Riverside car lines.

Saturday, September 24, 1910**page**

8. The Chamber of Commerce last evening raised \$1600 for expenses incurred in moving from its present quarters on Market street to the tenth floor of the Beacon block.

Sunday, September 25, 1910**page**

1. Photograph showing a completed stretch of Arkansas Valley Interurban track just above Sullivan's dam. The poles are 30 feet high, very straight, and set 110 feet apart. They are partly equipped now with the usual hangers and brackets and when fully fitted out will carry the high tension wire, the feeder wire, and two telephone wires for train despatching. The poles are set eight inches in the ground. ¶ Some day this week the first palatial car will be shipped from the factory at Newark, Ohio. It will be of the standard Pullman color, lettered in gold on both sides, with the official and legal company symbol, "A.V.I. Route."

¶ The interior will be a dull finish with plush upholstered seats in the passenger compartment, leather folding emergency seats in the baggage compartment, and handsome appointments for the smoking end. It is a standard interurban type car, seating 50 people.

The steel rails on the Arkansas Valley Interurban are all laid within one and a half miles of Sedgwick City. ¶ Yesterday a crew strung six miles of heavy copper feeder wire, double the size of the trolley wire used in the city railway service, and known as 00004.

Friday, September 30, 1910

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6. The concrete work on the new Kansas Gas and Electric power plant will be completed tonight. The 28 foot square block of concrete at the base of the stack has been finished for some time. The work now is on the walls, which reach the height of the second engine floor. From there up they are of brick. The east wall is to be entirely of brick from the ground up, allowing for a future addition if needed. The brick work will commence at once. ¶ The iron work on the 212 foot smoke stack is just begun. ¶ The sheet pile is all driven for the intake tunnel, which will be five feet high, five feet wide, and 340 feet long. It will have an eleven inch footing and a circular top. ¶ Work on the discharge tunnel is barely begun.

Saturday, October 1, 1910

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8. The first car for the Arkansas Valley Interurban railway was shipped yesterday from the factory at Newark, Ohio and will arrive in about ten days. It will be carried on its own wheels and will be attached to a regular train. It will be unloaded at Valley Center. ¶ President O. A. Boyle said yesterday that a small repair shop, accommodating two cars, will be constructed on the company's ground, at the corner of 1st and Water streets.
9. Another advertisement for sale of Arkansas Valley Interurban bonds.

Sunday, October 2, 1910

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1. Photograph of new Kansas Gas and Electric power house under construction.
3. Photograph of house for sale at 520 North Lawrence.
15. Corner stone of new International Order of Odd Fellows lodge on South St. Francis, immediately south of the Eaton hotel, is to be laid today. To be three story brick and stone building 50 by 140 feet and cost \$60,000.

Tuesday, October 4, 1910

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5. Contract let yesterday for paving East 2nd street for over two miles from Washington avenue east to city limits with Hassam. Cost of \$1.69½ per square yard -- total of \$85,000. ¶ Other contracts let for brick paving, include

Right of way of street car tracks on Central avenue -- \$2.49 per yard;
Wiley avenue from Park to Riverside avenue -- \$1.99 per yard;
Maple street from Hillside to Circle Drive -- \$2.00 per yard;
Second street from Emporia to Rock Island -- \$1.97 per yard;
Erie street from Douglas to Cedar -- \$1.99 per yard.

Wednesday, October 5, 1910**page**

2. The work of paving West 11th street is moving along rather slowly. That part of the street from Waco west to the Little river is practically impassable.
6. The Ponca Tent and Awning company have outgrown their present quarters at Douglas and Seneca and will erect a building at 115-119 North Osage. To be one story, brick, 75 by 100 feet, cost \$7000, and be completed by December 1st. ¶ The company was organized in Ponca city in February 1905 and moved to Wichita in 1908.
10. Ground breaking ceremony for new Children's Home to be held today. To have 46 rooms.

Thursday, October 6, 1910**page**

5. The Carnival shows during Jubilee week will be located on 1st street from Main to Water and on Water from 1st to 2nd. The matter was settled when O. A. Boyle, general manager of the Arkansas Valley Interurban company, granted permission to use the interurban grounds and depot during the week.

Friday, October 7, 1910**page**

1. Kansas population figures March 1, 1910 by state board of agriculture include Kansas City -- 91,300, Wichita -- 54,133, and Topeka -- 45,143.
5. Contract to be let Tuesday by Bolte brothers for new two story brick building south of the Arnold automobile garage on South Lawrence. To be 40 by 140 feet and cost about \$15,000.
12. A man on bicycle was struck by Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 403 from Kansas City, pulled by passenger locomotive No. 2732, at 17th street yesterday.

Sunday, October 9, 1910**page**

6. Superintendent Morrison of Wichita Street Railway system announces that the track connecting the city lines with the Arkansas Valley Interurban will be completed by Saturday. The connecting point is located at 21st and Market streets. This will be a temporary affair, however, and the permanent track will be laid by the first of November. Work will begin Tuesday morning.

15. The federal census reports population of 52,450 in Wichita, an increase of 27,779 or 112% over 24,671 in 1900. Topeka's population is 43,684 compared with 33,608 in 1900.
17. The Orient Railroad is to build a seven stall brick round house at Altus, Oklahoma for \$14,000. Other round houses are at Fairview and San Angelo and the ten stall one being built here.

Tuesday, October 11, 1910**page**

9. Rock Island freight train, engine No. 1464, and Missouri Pacific Engine No. 9604 collided yesterday near 21st street.

Brick work on the Schweiter building is rising at the rate of two stories a week and has now reached the fifth floor. Thirty bricklayers and 95 laborers are at work on the building. ¶ Gray terra cotta is built up on the first two stories. The exterior brick is gray astrakhan shipped in from Columbus, Ohio.

Thursday, October 13, 1910**page**

9. Residents of Riverside named a committee to find out what can be done toward building a bridge across the Little river at Bitting avenue.

Friday, October 14, 1910**page**

1. Death notice of former Gov. W. E. Stanley, age 65. Died suddenly yesterday morning at home after becoming ill Monday morning. Survived by wife, Emma, two sons, Harry W. and William Eugene, Jr., and one daughter, Miss Harriet Stanley, a teacher in the city high school.

Saturday, October 15, 1910**page**

12. The brick work and the roof of R. C. Campbell's residence in Riverside is now completed. ¶ The white facing stone for the new Crawford theater is now being put up. ¶ Brick pavement laying in the alley between Market and Lawrence in the second block south of Douglas began yesterday.

Beginning this morning the North Riverside car line service will be discontinued for a few days because of repairs in progress on that line. Work will start tomorrow on laying of heavy steel there.

Sunday, October 16, 1910**page**

10. Advertisement with photograph of interior of Colonial theater, 117 North Market.
16. All that is holding up operation on the new interurban line between Wichita and Valley

Center is the arrival of the cars, which are on the way. The trolley and track have been connected at 21st street with the street car tracks. With the completion of the sub-station at Valley Center, everything is in readiness. The sub-station has just been completed and the machinery installed.

22. All available cars are to be pressed into service by the street railway company during the fall jubilee week to handle the crowds. Double-headers will operate on all lines and all the trailers are to be brought out.

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8. Two electric cars will leave the corner of Main and Douglas at 8:30 this morning bound for Valley Center with officials of the Arkansas Valley Interurban, city officials, Wichita businessmen, and members of the press. ¶ These cars are being loaned to the Interurban company by the Wichita Railroad and Light company to test out the line. ¶ This will not be the first trip made over the line, as over a month ago a locomotive went to Valley Center and return to test out the condition of the track. ¶ The new Arkansas Valley Interurban cars will probably be here next week.
11. School board last night voted to name the new ward school at Grove and 3rd streets the Lowell school, in honor of James Russell Lowell, the poet and author.

Wednesday, October 19, 1910

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1. Report of investigation of hidden room at City Hall.
6. The trial trip from Main and Douglas over the Arkansas Valley Interurban yesterday using city street cars was satisfactory in every way. The car made 22 miles an hour over most of the way and took the curves at that speed. Faster time was made on the Interurban tracks than on the street car rails, as the former roadbed is in better condition. It required about 35 minutes of actual running time for the cars to reach Valley Center.

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7. The Rock Island Railroad will install electric coal chutes with a capacity of 250 tons in its new yards at 25th street. This compares with a capacity of only 50 tons in its present chutes. The chutes will cost about \$20,000.

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6. Work on the new high school building is now for the most part on the second story. Eighty men are on the job including 20 brick layers. At the entrance the seventeen foot arch is being erected. It is of a white composition stone which can hardly be distinguished from natural stone.

9. A new Missouri Pacific passenger engine was received yesterday from Kansas City, the first of a shipment of four. It is engine No. 7702 and is a ten wheeled consolidated (sic) locomotive weighing 100 tons. The cylinders are eighteen by 22 inches. The engine will pull passenger trains Nos. 409 and 410 between Wichita and Ft. Scott. Engine No. 7703 will arrive in a few days and the other two will be forwarded soon. ¶ These are the next to the largest passenger locomotives used on the Missouri Pacific system. ¶ A series of freight engines of the same type will be brought to Wichita to pull freight trains. The drive wheels are smaller than those of the passenger engines and the freight engines have a greater pulling power.

Saturday, October 22, 1910**page**

9. The brick work on the Schweiter building has reached the seventh floor. The stone arch over the entrance of the high school building was completed yesterday. ¶ The foundation of the Grace Methodist (sic) church is laid. ¶ The walls of the Lawrence block, south of the Butts building, have reached the second floor. ¶ Brick pavement is being laid in the alley between Main and Market in the second block south of Douglas.
12. J. Hudson McKnight files suit for injunction in protest against paving assessment against his 1195 foot frontage of land on Douglas avenue.

Tuesday, October 25, 1910**page**

7. The YWCA will hold a house warming tonight in its new quarters at 113 North Market, which were formerly occupied by the Chamber of Commerce.
8. Over 300,000 passengers were carried by the Wichita street railway during the carnival week last week despite the bad weather. Thursday was the busiest day with over 50,000 passengers.

Wednesday, October 26, 1910**page**

5. City commission asking street car company to explain their plans for an extension on West Douglas.

Thursday, October 27, 1910**page**

5. The Frisco Railroad is rebuilding and strengthening the bridges over its entire system so that heavier engines may be used. Repairing of the bridges has been completed from St. Louis to Beaumont, Kansas, and workmen are now strengthening the bridges from Beaumont to Wichita. ¶ Several Mallet compound engines have been purchased for use on the Frisco system.
7. Grace Presbyterian church at 124 Cleveland is to be dedicated November 13. Cost is \$30,000.

Friday, October 28, 1910**page**

10. If the slow work is continued on repairing the North Riverside car line, patrons of that district expect to get service by the latter part of next month.

Saturday, October 29, 1910**page**

9. Contracts let yesterday for heating, lighting, and stage decorations for the new Forum. Details. Includes the Ben Hur chariot race painted asbestos curtain 35 by 63 feet for \$885. ¶ Total cost of Forum will be about \$170,000.
14. W. R. Morrison, Superintendent of Wichita Railroad and Light company, reported to Riverside club that there is a prospect that the street car line on Franklin avenue will be extended to the club house in the near future.

Tuesday, November 1, 1910**page**

Pennsylvania Station in New York opens November 27, 1910.

Possibly the biggest Halloween undertaking was that of a crowd of boys in the northern part of the city, who attempted to demoralize street car traffic on the Stock Yards car line. They overturned the Park Place waiting station at 13th and Market streets and in so doing were careful to see that it fell directly across the car track. Needless to say, traffic was blocked for some time. Finally an officer with the aid of about fourteen men, managed to shove it off the track.

8. Letter to editor suggesting that sandbars and islands in Little Arkansas River be removed with a dredge boat "such as was used to excavate the drainage canal" and the material obtained be used to build up bank on each side and placing of drives on both sides of river along its entire length in the city.

Wednesday, November 2, 1910**page**

9. John Graham, ex-mayor, says he sees no reason why street car company refuses to give residents of North Riverside street car service. The company has its line repaired from Franklin avenue north across the river, and the only excuse it has for not running cars to Tenth street is not catalogued.

The Missouri Pacific passenger depot and the platform and tracks from Douglas avenue nearly to First street will be lighted by electricity. The depot will also be lighted on the interior by electric lights. Electricity will supplant gas in lighting the facilities of the Missouri Pacific company here.

Thursday, November 3, 1910**page**

8. About one half of the concrete work on the Central avenue dam has been completed. Superintendent Worthington says the dam will be completed by December 15th. The dam is being constructed by the Freeborn Construction company. Of the 99 concrete piling, 72 have been completed and practically all the sheet piling has been driven.

Friday, November 4, 1910**page**

5. Article on proposed track elevation starting "Definite positive action in the matter of elevating the railroad tracks must be taken by the Santa Fe and other railways at once, or the city of Wichita will proceed to take drastic action to compel the railways to elevate their tracks," said Mayor C. L. Davidson yesterday. "This proposition has been delayed too long now."
11. Street Car Building West.
West Douglas Avenue Line to Nearing Elizabeth street.
Work on the West Side street car track has been progressing rapidly since Tuesday. Work was begun on Douglas avenue at the end of the pavement, and in three days the track has been laid about two and a half blocks. The work is now between Martinson and Elizabeth avenues.
14. Preparations have been made by official of the Midland Valley Railroad company to start two preliminary parties of engineers at work at once in connection with the proposed extension of the line into this city from Arkansas City.

In anticipation of commencing regular traffic on the Arkansas Valley Interurban line, every effort is being made by the company's officials to complete the rate and time schedule. With the completion of these the first of next week everything will be in readiness for operating the line between here and Valley Center, which is the limit so far of construction. ¶ The new car which arrived some time ago was unloaded at Valley Center. The second car, ordered about the same time as the first, was shipped from the factory yesterday.

Saturday, November 5, 1910**page**

12. Long article about delays in resuming service on street car line to North Riverside. No car service for three weeks -- all Riverside cars are using the west line on Franklin avenue. This blamed by W. R. Morrison, of Wichita Railroad and Light Company, on delays by paving company in completing pavement. ¶ West Douglas avenue line will probably be in operation some time before first of the year. ¶ No other extensions will be started this fall. ¶ There is talk of an extension on South Emporia, but nothing will be done here or elsewhere before spring. There is a large amount of work to be done on the Stock Yards line and on 21st Street ¶ Work is well under way on installing the new feeder system from the new power house, an improvement which will cost \$25,000. The added power is thought to be sufficient to pull cars no matter how bad storms may become this winter. ¶ Some of the eastern officials of the lines will be in the city shortly and it is thought something will then be done on the new car barn proposal.

Sunday, November 6, 1910**page**

5. The tract of land between the Santa Fe railway and the Rock Island Railway tracks south of Kellogg street to the junction of the two roads near Lincoln street has been bought by Santa Fe at cost between \$80,000 and \$100,000. This gives the two railroads practically all the land between their tracks south of the Lehmann-Higginson Wholesale Grocery building to the junction of their tracks several blocks south.
6. Article about street car accident on tenth block of North Main street -- in section under construction, loose tie forced up through floor of car on Stock Yards line with damage and injury to a few passengers.
7. Kansas Gas and Electric will erect a sub-station near the new power house to provide power to the Interurban line. This will be erected if the new power house is not finished in time to be available for this purpose. ¶ The company has a station at Valley Center and the station here will be used in keeping up the voltage.
17. Article sayings "Kaffir-corn is coming crop of southwest uplands." Kaffir-corn crop in Butler Company this year worth \$1,000,000. Kaffir-corn price formerly lower than corn, but now situation is reversed. It is used a great deal as chicken feed, also in breakfast food and in some of the best flour.
24. Article on Bell Telephone company growth here. Twenty years ago had four operators. Now there is force of 350 people, of which 185 are operators. About 9000 subscribers.

Wednesday, November 9, 1910**page**

7. Man struck by Waco avenue street car at 9th Street

Saturday, November 12, 1910**page**

5. Cornerstone for the new \$120,000 church of First Presbyterian Church at southwest corner of Lawrence avenue and Elm street to be laid Sunday (November 13).

All of piling for concrete dam across the Little Arkansas river at Central avenue have been driven and about half of the concrete work is in position. The company thinks dam will be completed and ready for inspection by the city December 15th. There are 99 concrete bearing piling and 420 sheet piling in this dam. The sheet piling consists of 160 lineal feet of 20 foot steel piling, 50 lineal feet of 28 foot steel piling, and 210 feet of twelve foot Wakefield oak piling. ¶ Workmen are now putting in the concrete superstructure on the dam.

Sunday, November 13, 1910**page**

2. Inauguration of passenger service on the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railroad is awaiting

the completion of the cement work on the North Main street double tracking of the city railway company. ¶ President O. A. Boyle said yesterday it was quite possible cars would be running by next Saturday. When started the service will be a car every two hours each way. ¶ Yesterday the track laying to Sedgwick City was finished, but it is not all graded up or surfaced and setting trolley poles and putting in overhead equipment is to follow.

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5. Rock Island Railroad installing a telephone system connecting its freight depot with its new yard and roundhouse in the northern part of the city. Roundhouse, coal chutes, water service, and other facilities expected to be completed and ready for service December 1st. ¶ The new yards and tracks are completed and in use. There are six tracks, each 4200 feet long with a capacity of 600 cars. Eighty-five pound steel has been used.

Exterior work on the Schweiter building is nearly completed. Article describes the exterior facing.

Santa Fe depot to be heated by steam heat from heating plant at the new freight depot corner of William and Tremont streets. Steam heat will also be furnished the coaches which make up the Wichita and Western and Englewood trains, and all lay over coaches and sleeping cars.

Thursday, November 17, 1910

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12. The Arkansas Valley Interurban is to commence operating cars at 2 o'clock next Saturday afternoon. ¶ The cement work on the double tracking on North Main street was completed yesterday. Pullman passenger car No. 2 was unloaded at Valley Center early yesterday afternoon. It differs from the first one in that it has no baggage compartment, but is all passenger, with a capacity of 50 people.

Friday, November 18, 1910

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5. Officers of Illinois Steel company, a lateral of the U.S. Steel corporation, in the city yesterday. A year ago Mr. O. A. Boyle negotiated with them for the contract of supplying steel for his road, and already the steel mills at Gary, Indiana have delivered to the Interurban company 1,760 tons of steel rails and rail joints, costing approximately \$65,000.
6. Article about two suits against street car company for personal injuries. One occurred on a Riverside car on September 24, 1910 -- "when car stopped at Main and Douglas he went to the rear platform and started to get off" etc.

Saturday, November 19, 1910

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6. Article -- "Regular Service on Interurban to be Started Today" ¶ First regular scheduled

passenger car to leave at 2:00 p.m. ¶ At 9:00 a.m. a special car will run to Valley Center, returning about noon, for officers of the road and a few invited guests. ¶ All cars will leave the intersection of William and South Main streets until the tracking is completed to the depot at the corner of Water and First streets. Cars will run every two hours. ¶ Cars will stop to take on or discharge passengers on the city line at Main and 1st, 2nd, Central, Murdock, and 11th and at Market and 15th, 18th, and 21st and Main. Destination must be north of 21st and Main, and none picked up south of that point southbound. ¶ Fare to Valley Center 25 cents. To Sullivan's dam 10 cents.

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11. Wichita's highest structure, the stack of the Kansas Gas and Electric company's power house, is now nearing completion. The stack is 212 feet high and fifteen feet three inches in diameter. ¶ The steel work on the building was completed Wednesday and the brick work on the exterior is rapidly being pushed up. ¶ The tunnels which bring water from the river to cool the turbines are entirely completed. The combined length of the intake and discharge tunnels is 700 feet. The inner diameter is eight feet. The outer walls are three and a half feet through and the base is two feet thick.
18. Walls of the new high school building are nearly completed and corner stone will be laid next Wednesday.
19. Report on inauguration of Arkansas Valley Interurban service yesterday. The first car in morning was pulled from Valley Center to Sedgwick by a Frisco steam engine, No. 2699. ¶ First car out on regular service (at 2:00 p.m.) carried 54 passengers. ¶ Cars will leave the intersection of William and South Main street at the City hall until the tracking is completed into the depot at Water and First streets. No tickets will be sold until the station is in use, cash fares only being taken.

Article about riprapping bank of Little Arkansas river at the intersection of Thirteenth street and Riverside avenue.

Tuesday, November 22, 1910

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1. Fire Sunday morning destroyed the main sales and horse barn of the Wichita and Southwestern Fair association, causing the death of 42 valuable racing horses. Photograph on page 12. ¶ The nearest fire plug was at the entrance to Wonderland park, fully a block away.
9. Work started yesterday on the mausoleum for J. R. Mead family. Being built of granite from Barre, Vermont, in Maple Grove cemetery.

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5. Bert Wells, city engineer, is preparing plans and specifications for an electric sand pump

and boat to be used for pumping sand out of the channel for the Little Arkansas river north of the new Central avenue dam. Part of the sand removed will be sold and much of it will be used in construction dykes along the banks of the Little river. A dyke will be constructed on the west bank of the river for the proposed driveway connecting Central and Buffum avenues.

The Interurban Railroad will run both cars on an early schedule service today from 10:00 a.m. and then throughout the day until 10:00 p.m. to permit all who have the holiday to make the scenic trip to Valley Center if they desire. Everything is now down to routine and with no delays or hitches anywhere.

8. The corner stone for the new high school building was laid yesterday. It is a cube of Carthage stone two and a half feet in dimensions and bears the inscription, "Wichita High School, 1910-11." Gives list of articles placed in a box in the corner stone.

Nearly all of the concrete for the new dam at Central avenue will have been poured by Saturday evening. Then the only concrete to be poured will be that which will form the balustrades. The plans call for 96 balustrades, which will take about 20 days to construct. The steel flash board wickets for the dam will be installed next week, and it is hoped to have the dam finished by December 15.

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5. Within two weeks a Wichita company will be furnishing pasteurized milk to the trade of the Southwest. The Southwestern Creamery company announced yesterday that it had purchased necessary machinery and that the plant will be in operation within two weeks.
6. There were 1091 passengers hauled on the Interurban on Thanksgiving day. At 10:00 a.m. the schedule of service was changed to hourly and all the cars were filled all day. On one trip the smaller car No. 2 made the run from North Main street to Valley Center in 20 minutes.

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5. The Hauser-Garrison Wholesale Dry Goods company, incorporated less than a year ago, and now at 120-122 North St. Francis, will soon move to the commodious block on the Santa Fe tracks and Douglas avenue, at present occupied by the International Harvester company. This building was constructed about eight years ago by the McCormick Harvester company before the general trust merger. About two years later it became known as the International Harvester building and occupied by the southwestern agents of the combine. They have now completed a new building about one block north and will move about January 1, at which time the Hauser-Garrison firm will move into the building, which they recently purchased for \$45,000. ¶ The young concern was only chartered on March 11 last.

Tuesday, November 29, 1910**page**

6. Article about passage of ordinance requiring railroads to maintain about 150 tungsten lights and sixteen arc lights at their principal street crossings in the city.

Article about construction of mausoleum for James R. Mead in Maple Grove cemetery. Two side stones set yesterday -- of Barre, Vermont granite weighting six tons each.

Wednesday, November 30, 1910**page**

5. Quit claim deeds of abutting property owners are now in city clerk's office, so it will be possible to complete action on the recently created Commerce street between Santa Fe and Tremont street and extending from William street to Kellogg. Property owners on east side gave up ten feet and Santa Fe Railroad gave up ten feet on west side adjoining their new freight depot, making a street width of 40 feet (when added to the 20 feet of the alley).

Thursday, December 1, 1910**page**

5. Bert C. Wells, city engineer, proposes to use hoisting engine and sand pump of Freeborn Construction company to clear channel and strengthen channel of Little Arkansas river when it soon is available after completion of the concrete dam.

Friday, December 2, 1910**page**

5. A new street lighting system went into effect last night with about 1000 Tungsten lights, furnished by Kansas Gas and Electric, on the street corners. Yesterday was the last day the city assumed any liability to the Welsbach Lighting company for the blinker lights it has been furnishing the city.
9. South Main street car No. 179 left the tracks at Bailey (sic) street last evening, tying up through traffic on the Riverside-South Main line for a time.
12. The work of laying 85 pound steel rails along the Missouri Pacific railway from Wichita to Yates Center has been completed.

The new Kansas Gas and Electric power plant is nearing completion and engineers will turn the steam into the boilers at the plant some time this week in order to test the new machinery.

Saturday, December 3, 1910**page**

5. A Missouri Pacific freight engine ran away at 5:40 yesterday morning and was upset in turn-table pit at 25th street yards. Twelve engines in the round house were tied up until 5:00 p.m. yesterday. It was necessary to send to Newton to get a steam derrick of the

Santa Fe railway to pull the derailed engine out of the pit. A sufficient number of engines to move all passengers and local freight trains had been run out of the round house before the accident, so there was no delay to passengers or local freight trains. The engine was freight locomotive No. 2622.

The last brick in the pavement on 13th street between Hillside and St. Francis was laid yesterday.

9. Article saying Arkansas Valley Interurban may run to Halstead and miss Newton if latter city does not subscribe \$100,000 bonds in time. ¶ The poles for the trolley cable are now set into Sedgwick from Valley Center and the brackets and cross arms are set to the poles to within two miles of Sedgwick.

Sunday, December 4, 1910

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5. Article reporting Commissioner Means comparing and defending the new street lighting in comparison with the old Welsbach streets lights.

Commissioner Roetzel inquires from contracting companies regarding reasons for delays in street paving. ¶ Nolan and Draper company have contract for paving 11th street west from Waco to Little river. ¶ McIntyre and Tees will begin work Monday on Roosevelt avenue and Circle Drive. ¶ Stuckey company is awaiting paving brick to complete North Lawrence avenue. ¶ Cleveland-Trinidad company was held up for months on West Douglas by street railway, and now await arrival of one million brick to start work paving west from Seneca. ¶ G. W. McKee says street car company is delaying him on West Central avenue brick paving, as they want to change rails and double their tracks on this street before the paving is started.

18. The Lawrence block, adjoining the Butts building at corner of Lawrence avenue and 1st street, is nearing completion. Building being erected by Charles Lawrence, is 25 by 140 feet, two stories, and cost \$13,000. Will be ready for occupancy about first of the year.
24. North Riverside street car line is being operated at present as a stub service from Franklin and Nims where cars turn to West Riverside. Wichita Railroad and Light Company is keeping a record of the number of passengers being carried on both lines to find out which is the best money maker. The North Riverside stub service is generally provided with Car No. 100, which belongs to a period of street car operations of a decade ago. Its seats are two in number. They are along either side.

Tuesday, December 6, 1910

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1. Article about attempt to hold up Arkansas Valley Interurban big green car No. 1 at 24th and Arkansas.
3. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad company has sent a notice to its officials

throughout the system that the company does not care to have continued in its employ those persons who are persistent users of cigarettes.

9. City Commission yesterday authorized city engineer, Bert Wells, to buy and equip an electric sand boat to dredge the channel of the Little Arkansas river and to construct dikes and levees along the banks of that stream. Total cost of the boat will not exceed \$900. It will be about thirteen feet wide and 20 feet long and can travel between the pier for the bridges. It will also be used to construct a driveway on the west bank of the river from Central to Buffum, forming a continuation of Seneca street.

Wednesday, December 7, 1910

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5. Within three days electricity from Wichita's new \$750,000 power house will be furnished to some consumers. A steady fire has been maintained in the boilers at the new plant during the past week to dry out the foundations. The old plant will continue in use until all connections to the new plant have been made.

Mayor Davidson urges city to buy natural park of ten acres on bank of big Arkansas river south of Wichita, Water and Main streets and lying south of the old fair grounds (site of Herman Hill park).

7. The Riverside Improvement league will meet this evening at the quarters for the Riverside club. There are many matters to come up before the body, paramount among which are the improvement of street car service, better distribution of lights in the Riverside district. One of the most important matters to come up before the meeting will be the construction of a bridge over Little river from the district known as North Riverside across the river on Bitting avenue to the district known as Woodland. This is to be used as a joint traffic way for the street car service, pedestrians and wagon traffic. The proposition is to make this bridge of extra width and an improved thoroughfare for this neglected district.
12. Concrete dam across Little Arkansas river near Central avenue is about completed, except for installing the wickets and pouring the concrete for the railing. The sixteen steel wickets are now being placed on the dam. They are ten feet long and three feet high. The forms for the hand railing are in position, and the work of pouring concrete for the railing at the west end of the dam will probably begin today.

Thursday, December 8, 1910

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1. Article reporting on progress on plans for track elevation and new union station. Santa Fe tracks are to be elevated for one and a half miles through Wichita and a new union station to be built near site of present Santa Fe passenger station. Improvements to cost one and a half million dollars. ¶ Seventeen deeds filed at court house yesterday transferring property between the Santa Fe and Rock Island tracks near Orme street to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway for total of \$46,000. This property is east of the Santa Fe round house and runs south to the junction of the Santa Fe and Rock Island and

is situated in Hodson and Staucher's addition to the city. ¶ For several months the Santa Fe has been purchasing ground north of its crossing with the Rock Island to the Lehmann-Higginson Wholesale Grocery company, which is situated directly east of the present Santa Fe passenger station. The Santa Fe is said to have acquired all the ground in this part of the city between the two roads and will use it for yards and transfer facilities with other roads.

Friday, December 9, 1910**page**

5. City engineering department is making surveys for extension of drainage canal from Zimmerly street south to the Big Arkansas river. Cost of excavating the canal this additional two and a half miles distance will be about \$40,000. The present three and a half mile long canal from 21st street to Zimmerly cost about \$41,000. The canal now empties into Chisholm creek at Zimmerly street. ¶ Article describes planned course and width of the canal extension. There will be two bridges over the canal south of Zimmerly -- a concrete bridge at Harry street to be built by the city, and a wooden or steel bridge at Franklin road to be built by the county. The canal will follow the channel of Chisholm creek under the Santa Fe bridge making a new bridge unnecessary at that point.

Saturday, December 10, 1910**page**

5. Rock Island engine No. 668 and Frisco engine No. 2663 collided south of Murdock avenue yesterday.
11. Fred Tidmus, who makes a business of building sand boats of all sorts, will commence work Monday on a sand boat to be used in dredging the Little Arkansas river above the new central avenue dam. Mr. Tidmus recently built the sand boat used by O. A. Shirk in filling west of the river at Lewis street.

Sunday, December 11, 1910**page**

1. Photographs of train collision between Rock Island and Frisco in Wichita south of Murdock avenue on Friday afternoon.
5. Article about boulder to be brought from New Hampshire to mark grave of Nathan I. Morrison, late president of Fairmount college, in Maple Grove cemetery.
21. Article saying new Orient shops in Wichita to be completed within two or three months. On completion, the shops at Fairview, Oklahoma will be moved to Wichita, which will be the location of the main engine, car and repair shops of the road and will employ 300 to 400 men.

Tuesday, December 13, 1910**page**

5. Article about controversy between city and Welsbach Street Lighting company, which has

about 400 lamp posts in the city and as yet has made no effort to remove them, although notice to this effect has been given by the city.

Wednesday, December 14, 1910**page**

5. Article about sale of some stock in Wichita and Southwestern Fair association to George Theis, Jr. and rumor that Midland Valley Railroad is considering purchasing the Fair Grounds for terminal facilities.
7. Wichita Country club members last night decided to proceed with new \$50,000 club house to be built on 8th street near Vassar beginning about March 1, 1911.

Thursday, December 15, 1910**page**

5. Article about possible delay in completion of Mt. Carmel street car line because of a three inch difference in grade of paved street and the Missouri Pacific tracks where the line will cross them. The excavating gang is within two blocks of the end of the line and the poles have been set. If agreement is reached, cars could be running on the new line Christmas morning.

Friday, December 16, 1910**page**

5. Report to city commission of investigation into "secret room" in basement of City Hall.
8. The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company will run its first car over the new tracks to Sedgwick, nineteen miles north of Wichita, this evening with a party of officials on a trial trip. ¶ Saturday morning at 6 o'clock the company will begin its regular service to that town. Cars will leave Wichita every two hours during the day.

Saturday, December 17, 1910**page**

7. Article reporting first Arkansas Valley Interurban trip to Sedgwick yesterday afternoon at 4:30, carrying officials and arriving Sedgwick at 5:30. The car left Sedgwick at 6:15 p.m. on the return trip and arrived in Wichita one hour later.

Sunday, December 18, 1910**page**

6. Article reporting the city's sand boat should be completed early this week and will be called "The City of Wichita." City engineer, Bert C. Wells, says "as soon as it is completed, we will christen it by breaking an empty beer bottle over the prow of the boat, when it will be launched on the turbulent and foaming waters of the Little Arkansas river. The boat will be launched amid appropriate ceremonies, which will no doubt be attended by a large audience. The christening ceremonies will be unique, as this perhaps is the first boat which was ever christened with the assistance of an empty beer bottle." ¶ Article goes on to describe the boat in detail.

Tuesday, December 20, 1910**page**

5. Article on further testimony regarding "secret room" in basement of City Hall.
12. The heating plant of the Schweiter building is completed and is now in operation. The passenger elevator will be running within a week. The brick and terra cotta work on the exterior is finished. The roof of gravel and tar is now being put on. The plate glass for the window has arrived. Work on the interior is continuing.

It has been decided to raise the grade of the paving on West Douglas avenue to the level of the grade of the Missouri Pacific tracks. The thickness of the concrete base will be increased for a short distance on each side of the track. This will allow early completion of the new Mt. Carmel car line.

Wednesday, December 21, 1910**page**

5. Further testimony on the "secret room" investigation.

Four 50 foot steel columns supporting massive steel girders have risen above the walls of the new cathedral at Lawrence and Central avenues. The girders weight seven tons each, and upon them will be built the 150 foot dome. Within the building are ten granite columns, weighing six tons each, which will support the iron work that supports the roof. The walls of the superstructure are complete except for the elaborate front, where the big columns, four feet in diameter, are on the ground ready to be put in place when the work is ready for them. The superstructure is of white Bedford stone.
7. R. B. Campbell will build a new garage back of his residence on Riverside. Inside and outside, it will be like his house. The contract has been let to Ayres and Fredericks. U. G. Charles drew the plans. The dimensions will be 25 by 25.

Saturday, December 24, 1910**page**

8. The Interurban will soon become a real railway system. It has ordered some time tables which will be distributed just as soon as they are off the press.

Sunday, December 25, 1910**page**

5. Article reporting rumor that Arkansas Valley Interurban will change routing into the city so as to come in through Woodland addition, cross Little Arkansas river at Bitting and then join North Riverside line of Wichita street railway. Report denied by the company. There is no bridge at Bitting now, and closest car line for Woodland residents is North Waco line at 13th street.
6. The Missouri Pacific crossing at the intersection of the wye with the street car tracks on the West Side near Millwood avenue was put in yesterday, and the only thing which is

delaying the running of street cars on the Mt. Carmel line to Athenian avenue is the delay of the street car company to install its overhead wires.

15. Advertisement-- photograph of house for sale by O. S. Shirk at 520 North Lawrence avenue.

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6. Corner-stone of Grace Methodist Episcopal (sic) church at Topeka and Gilbert was laid Sunday. To cost \$45,000.
10. Officials of Orient railway are now planning to move into the new shops of the road in West Wichita, February 15. Most of the large buildings are completed and heavy machinery is being installed. Three smoke stacks, more than 100 feet high, and four feet in diameter, have been placed in position on the power house. The coal chutes have a capacity of 75 tons. The division round house and shops at Fairview, Oklahoma will be moved to Wichita.

Wednesday, December 28, 1910

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8. The new snow sweeper of the street car company has been put in shape for active use. It was tried on the Waco line Saturday and threw dust and dirt from the street into the lawns.

If Wichita has a couple of dry days this week the new Mt. Carmel car line will be opened New Year's day. It will take two dry days to string the wire on the line and to complete the work at the crossing with the Missouri Pacific tracks.

9. Article describing facilities and equipment of the new Orient shops -- including ten stall brick roundhouse. A housewarming party will be held there New Year's eve.

The new Arkansas Valley Interurban time card is being distributed and lists stops along the line at Wichita, 21st street, Arkansas avenue, Glenray, Sullivan's dam, Interurban Place, Grove, Goodrich, Valley Center, Burton, County Line, and Sedgwick. The first car leaves Wichita at 6:00 a.m. and arrives in Sedgwick at 6:55. The last car leaves Wichita at 11:00 p.m. and returning leaves Sedgwick at 11:53. The Sunday schedule is the same except for the first and last cars, which leave Wichita at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. and Sedgwick at 9:00 a.m. and 10:53 p.m. respectively.

Thursday, December 29, 1910

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5. The sluice gates for the new concrete dam in the Little Arkansas river, near Central avenue have arrived and will be placed in position today. There are two of these gates, which are made at Topeka. They are three feet wide and eight feet long. One will be at the east end of the dam and the other at the west end. When the gates are installed the new dam will be completed. When the dam is full the water at the dam will be eight feet deep, six feet

at Murdock avenue, and between two and three feet deep at 11th street, nearly two miles up the river from the dam. Contract for the dam was let July 27 to Freeborn Engineering and Construction company at cost of \$24,000.

10. Article and obituary on death yesterday of A. Bancroft Noyes, age 84, Wichita's oldest merchant, who moved here from Atchison in 1892. A daughter is Mrs. S. B. Amidon.

Friday, December 30, 1910**page**

1. Article saying Midland Valley Railroad will be built into Wichita from Arkansas City, according to officials of Wichita, McPherson and Gulf Railroad, if bonds are voted for financial aid. Sedgwick County is asked to buy \$2000 worth of stock for each mile of road built and operated in the county, and the city of Wichita is to be asked to vote \$30,000 in bonds to assist in buying right-of-way through the city and building terminal facilities here.
5. A petition is being circulated to pave the new Commerce street in the wholesale district between Tremont street and Santa Fe avenue, with vitrified brick between William street and Kellogg street.