

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 1953 WICHITA EAGLE

Wichita Eagle

Thursday, January 1, 1953

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1. The Air Force announced yesterday that it will award a contract to the Cessna Aircraft Company for development of the Cessna Model 318 for service as a twin-jet primary training aircraft. Details.

3. Wichita's stockyards handled 1,145,196 head of livestock during 1952, an increase of 134,523 over 1951. The total included 340,971 cattle, 25,501 calves, 610,594 hogs, 166,130 sheep and lambs. The livestock arrived in 1,237 railway cars and 75,007 trucks and trailers. Details.

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9. Western Lithograph Company announced yesterday that it has purchased a 60,000 square foot site on Northern Avenue in the Midland industrial district and will start construction there on a new \$350,000 lithography and printing plant in July or August. Plans are now being prepared by the architectural firm of Ash and Harrison (sic). Details.

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5. A new cross town bus line started operations this morning as one of several changes in the Wichita Transportation Company's service schedule. It is to be called the Hillside line and does not loop through the downtown area. It runs north only as far as First Street, but bus officials hope to extend it to 21st Street in the future. Other changes in several routes effective today are described.

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5. Building permits issued in Wichita set a record of more than \$30,000,000 in 1951, and this record was broken in 1952 with more than \$31,000,000 issued.

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2. Report of death of Fred C. Stearman, 78, formerly of Wichita, at La Habra, California. He spent much of his life in Kansas and was associated with the United Sash and Door Company until moving to California in the early 1930s. He was the father of the famous aircraft designer, Lloyd Stearman, and of another son, Waverly, who was also an official in the Stearman Company. He is survived by the two sons, both in California, and a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Metzger, also of California.

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4. Article on reconstruction of early church and parsonage at Cow Town of 1872, with details and photos.

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3. Article about rumor that the gift by D. S. and Julia Munger of Courthouse Square to Sedgwick County contained a clause that if the land were ever used for any purpose than a courthouse, its title would revert to the Munger estate. Article says this is false and that it was an outright gift. The land was deeded to the county July 23, 1874 by the Mungers, and the deed was filed on December 26, 1874 as a straight warranty deed. Article gives other history of the courthouse. Before it was built, the county occupied the old National Bank building at First and Main as a courthouse, and this remained county property until November 4, 1905, when it was sold to Sunflower lodge, A. F. and A. M., for \$25,000. Contract for the present courthouse was awarded August 30, 1888, to W. H. Sternberg for \$197,329, but the county commission later decided to have their own man supervise the building, so on January 15, 1889 they hired W. R. McPherson for that job at a salary of five dollars per day. On June 11, 1890 Cochran Brothers were hired to install a lightning rod. Some further details.
7. The name-number telephone system used in metropolitan areas will go into effect in Wichita this spring when two new telephone offices now under construction are completed, and the new system will be in general use throughout Wichita by the end of 1954, the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company announced yesterday. The first to use the new system of two letters followed by five numbers will be the new office now under construction at 3920 Arkansas Avenue, which will be known as the TEmple office and have numbers prefixed by the letters TE. The second will be the WHitehall office, in the building now being erected at 340 North West Street. Other names planned for use here include AMherst, FOrest, HObart, and MUrray. Details.

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5. Article about an exhibition of John Noble's paintings which is to be held at the Riverside Museum in New York City from February 15 to March 8. Details.
24. Photos of progress on the flood control project. Details.

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11. Wichita Transportation Company workers, who are seeking a 25 cent per hour raise, received a counter offer yesterday from John Ebinger, general manager of the company. The amount of the offer was not announced. The employes' union will study the offer. Bus operators now get \$1.39 per hour and mechanics \$1.59 per hour. Details.

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5. Report of death yesterday of Hobert Chalner Brady, 50, well known Wichita realtor. Born in Richland, Iowa June 25, 1902. Attended school at Haviiland, Kansas. Graduated from Friends University in 1925. Married Lillian Cheatum on May 19, 1927. Survived by wife, a son, Bowen H. Brady, 1158 Perry, and a daughter, Mrs. Harold Harvey, Lawrence, Kansas. Long biography. Photo.

Sunday, January 25, 1953**page**

5. Report of death yesterday of Mack Brian Gibson, 79, of 4523 North Main, brother of John Gibson of the former Gibson Harness company now occupied by Harry Shepler. Born April 18, 1873 at Hamilton, Missouri. Had lived in Wichita 42 years. Survived by two sisters, Mrs. Earle Mooney, 822 North Emporia, and Mrs. Luther Inge, Independence, Kansas.

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5. The new Kellogg viaduct will be opened officially at 10 a.m. today. Details. Follow up article January 30, page 5.

Paving of the parking lot at Lawrence stadium got under way yesterday. The parking spaces will be paved with asphalt while the driveways will be paved with concrete.

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7. Central Airlines, operating from Wichita for the last three years, last night boarded its 6000th revenue passenger from this terminal. An average of 291 persons each month leave Wichita in Central Airlines planes. The airline began operating from Wichita September 15, 1949 using four place Beech Bonanzas. In July 1951 the company put into service 24 passenger DC-3s on all routes.

Monday, February 2, 1953**page**

9. The new Jessie L. Clark elementary school will open Wednesday. Has 14 rooms and cost \$200,000. Photo.

Tuesday, February 3, 1953**page**

5. Board of education yesterday voted to submit a \$6,940,000 school bond issue to the voters in the next election, April 7, 1953. Details.

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22. Article gives details of Wichita's new schools with photos including aerial photo of West High School under construction. Total of 73 additional classrooms will be available by next fall. Further new schools and additions are planned. Details.

Friday, February 6, 1953**page**

5. A \$37,000 repair project on the City Building was started Monday. Will include replacement of windows and waterproofing of the structure.

Wednesday, February 11, 1953**page**

10. Article about proposed \$2,500,000 168 bed addition to Wesley hospital. Drawing and map (addition eventually built was not to this design). Details.

Friday, February 13, 1953**page**

17. Article about a letter written by a Timothy Hill in 1870 after a visit to the new town of Wichita. Details. ("Letter Written in 1870 Tells of Wichita's Birth").

Sunday, February 15, 1953**page****Special section**

Special Section with Annual Report of City of Wichita. Articles with details. Photos.

Monday, February 16, 1953**page**

1. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Womer, of Wichita, were aboard the National Airlines that crashed in the Gulf of Mexico Saturday night. He was head of the Womer Investment Companies, which has built more than 500 homes in Wichita. Came to Wichita from Osage City in 1933. All 14 passengers and five crew aboard plane apparently killed. Biography.
3. Ground was broken yesterday for the new \$55,000 Pilgrim Congregational church at 6000 East Harry. Details.

Friday, February 20, 1953**page**

1. Article says Wichita's First television program will be aired at 5 p.m. on April 18 according to the C.W.C. company, which Wednesday received authorization from the

Federal Communications Commission for a UHF television station on channel 16. Hearings on three applications for a Channel 3 station in Wichita will probably be completed tomorrow. Details.

5. Contract for purchase by the city of two new fire trucks was awarded yesterday to the Seagrave Corporation of Columbus, Ohio for \$33,342. The new trucks can pump 750 gallons of water per minute. One will be used in the new fire station at Harry and George Washington. The other is to be used when the fire station at 2nd and Hillside is rebuilt. Delivery will be made within five months. Details.

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5. Report of a dinner last evening at Broadview Hotel honoring pioneer aviator Clyde V. Cessna, founder of the Cessna Aircraft company and now a resident of a farm near Rago, Kansas. He is now 73 years old. Details. Photo.
8. New Salvation Army Citadel at 136 North Emporia is to be dedicated Sunday afternoon. Photo. Report March 2, page 5.

Tuesday, March 3, 1953

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3. Article about successful exhibition of John Noble's paintings at the Riverside museum in New York City. Details.
5. Board of education yesterday let the general contract for the new David L. Payne elementary school for \$214,881. Contract also let for re-lighting of Central Intermediate school. Details.

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2. Article about plan for further development of the Cow Town of 1872, with map of the layout.

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16. Scaffolding for removal of the cornice atop the Schweiter building was begun yesterday by Hahner and Foreman Construction Company. Cost estimated at \$50,000. The terra cotta cornice will be replaced with Bedford stone and when finished, the upper part of the building will be of the same style as the Central building.

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Special section

5. A new 24 inch water pipeline is being laid across the Little Arkansas river in the bed of the

river near the Central Avenue bridge. Photos.

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Special section on forthcoming television in Wichita. Television station KEDD, channel 16, is to open some time in May. Details.

Monday, March 9, 1953

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1. Report of death yesterday of Walter Addison Vincent, 82, retired president of Western Lithograph company. Resided at 1220 South Hillside. Born November 23, 1871 on a farm in St. Charles, Missouri and came here at age 16. Founded Western Lithograph Company and was its president for 52 years. Retired July 1, 1945. Married the late Helen Carpenter Vincent in 1900. Built their home at 1220 South Hillside 15 years ago. Survived by a sister, Miss Roberta Vincent, 1332 North Market, a sister-in-law, and a niece (both named and in Wichita). Further biography. Photo.

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5. The Hartwig Block on the northwest corner of Douglas and St. Francis, is being extensively remodeled by its owner, Harry H. Johnson. It was erected during the boom of the 1880s by Henry R. W. Hartwig, a Wichita saloon keeper, who later operated a brewery at St. Joseph, Missouri. A grocery store was located in the building during the early 1900s, according to Miss Elgia Koontz, 1254 Lewellen, who worked as a cashier at the store, known as the "East Side Rocket." The lower floor of the building is being remodeled for commercial purposes and a 49 by 53 foot addition is being built on the north, facing St. Francis. Seven apartments will be located on the second floor. Architects are Ash and Harrison. Photo and drawing.

Bids to be opened March 17 for new Number 6 fire station at northwest corner of Santa Fe and Levy, which will replace the old Number 6 station at 1300 South Broadway. Details.

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5. The Bus Operators and Employees' Association, Inc., independent union of bus operators here, has threatened to serve a formal strike notice against the Wichita Transportation Company Monday unless its members are granted a blanket wage increase of 11 cents per hour. John Ebinger, vice-president and general manager of the company, said it is unable to meet the demand under present revenue conditions. It would cost the company about \$85,000 per year, which is a great deal more than the profits earned by the company in 1952. Ebinger said the additional \$85,000 could be provided in either of two ways: 1.) Elimination of tokens for adult riders. Currently the flat fare is 15 cents, and three tokens sell for 40 cents, or 13^a cents each. 2.) Elimination of the franchise tax paid to the city, which would provide the company with \$84,000 this year. The company had offered a five cent hourly raise retroactive to February 16, 1953 and a further six cent hourly

increase effective July 1, 1953, contingent upon a fare increase. Details.

- 6C. Photo of scaffolding on north side of Schweiter Building erected for removal of the ornamental cornice, which is to be replaced with smooth stone.

Thursday, March 19, 1953

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1. The threat of a bus strike here ended Wednesday night when members of the Bus Operators and Employes' Association voted to accept a company offer of an 11 cent hourly wage increase. Drivers will get a six cent hourly wage hike retroactive to February 15, and an additional five cent increase effective April 16. The company claims the wage increase will cost about \$80,000 a year and has advanced four proposals to increase the company's revenue by a similar amount. 1.) Eliminate token rate for adult fares. 2.) Increase school fares from five to seven and one half cents and reduce franchise tax from 4% to 2%. 3.) Increase school fares from five to seven and one half cents and adult token rate from 13^a cents to 14 cents. 4.) Increase adult token rate from 13^a cents to 14 cents and reduce franchise tax to 2%.
- 8C. Article about progress at Cow Town of 1872. Photo of square dance in front of restored Munger house. Says preparations for moving the building at 721 North Market to Cow Town are almost completed. It will house an old fashioned drug store on the ground floor and a land office on the second floor.

Sunday, March 22, 1953

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- 3A. A \$1,375,000 expansion program at St. Joseph's Hospital, in progress for two years, will be completed before June 1. A new three story wing will provide an additional 140 beds. As a result of the enlargement the sisters of St. Joseph will close the 119 bed Wichita Hospital at 1102 West Douglas. Architects for the new addition are Magnola and Quick, of St. Louis. Details. Photo.

Wednesday, March 25, 1953

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1. Report of results of city primary election yesterday. Details.

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5. An analysis of Wichita Transportation Company profits was presented to city commission Wednesday night by Ralph Wulz, director of finance and Paul Donaldson, assistant city attorney. The commission was discussing company's proposal for an increase in fares or elimination of the 4% franchise tax. The report was based on figures submitted on March 10 by George Siefkin, attorney for the company. It indicated that the company's net income for 1952 was \$97,631.61, representing a 17% profit on the company's net worth as shown on the balance sheet. Figures submitted by Siefkin showed that the company was formed in 1936 with a total valuation of \$150,000. The company now has an

insurable value on all tangible property of \$1,397,944.54 with net book value after deducting depreciation, of \$857,073.34. The 1952 profit thus represents a return of 13.7% on book value. To be considered further. Further details.

- 2C. It was announced yesterday that the Winne Building, a landmark on Douglas Avenue, will be razed in February 1956 to make way for a modern structure. The building, now occupied by the Self-Service Drug company, has been leased on a long time basis to the Lerner Stores corporation. The term of the lease commences February 1, 1956. Some history of the building given. Photo.

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- 3A. Article and summary of Continental Air Lines annual report for 1952. Total revenues \$10,204,663, up 26% from \$8,120,975 in 1951. Net income was \$590,037, up 54% from \$383,849 in 1951. Continental is disposing of its five Convair 240s as fast as deliveries are made on seven Convair 340s. The company also is buying two Douglas DC-6B aircraft for use on the Houston-West Coast route, which is operated jointly with American Air Lines. By July, when the exchange of Convairs is completed, and the two DC-6s received, it is expected that the line's equipment will consist of the two DC-6s, seven Convair 340s, and ten DC-3s.
5. A large two story frame building almost identical in construction with an early day Wichita land office and drug store building is being moved from its location at 712 North Market to the Cow Town of 1872, where it will be restored to its original appearance. It closely resembles the original land office building which stood at northwest corner of Douglas and Emporia. The method of construction is that known as "Texas framing," in which the two by four wall studs extend from the floor to the eaves. The building was purchased for Historic Wichita, Inc. by the Steffen Dairy Foods Company. John D. McEwen, president of the company, has also located at 1878 model soda fountain, etc., to furnish the first floor of the building. Further details. Photo. It will be the fifth structure in the group of old buildings to be preserved at Cow Town.

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- 2A. Construction of the new home of the National Flying Farmers' Association is scheduled to get underway early in April. Details. Drawing.
- 11A. Article about the first Wesley Hospital, at 1103 North St. Francis, which admitted its first patient October 16, 1912. Tells about the first patient. Details. Photo.

Wednesday, April 1, 1953

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5. Income tax returns of the Wichita Transportation Company for the last ten years were furnished to Ralph Wulz, city director of finance, yesterday, in preparation for a public hearing Thursday evening on the company's request for increased fares. Details.

Thursday, April 2, 1953**page**

5. Another article on the hearing to be held this evening on proposed bus fare increase. Details.

Wichita's new municipal airport was opened for business on a limited scale yesterday without fanfare. Buildings are incomplete and there is as yet no water or telephone service, but the runways are finished. Details.

Friday, April 3, 1953**page**

1. City commission at meeting last night again denied the application of the Wichita Transportation Company for increased revenue. The company plans to file a new application for the increase. Discussion of charge by assistant city attorney that the company keeps two separate sets of books—one for the Internal Revenue Service and one for the city. This was denied by company. Details. It was stated that the recent pay raise for employees would cost the company \$58,470.70 in 1953, less the amount absorbed by income tax deductions, which would leave a net cost of about \$26,000. It was reported that the company since 1936 has paid a total of \$603,750 in cash dividends plus stock dividends worth \$468,750. Executive salaries in 1952 were \$44,000 including \$23,000 to John Ebinger and \$7,800 to Harry Heimple, president of the company.

Saturday, April 4, 1953**page**

1. Long editorial comment on Wichita's bus problem.

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- 12B. Richard W. Holmes has joined the law firm of Holmes, Mitchell and Gamelson. His father, Winn Holmes, is senior member of the firm. Richard is married and has a five month old son, Robert. He graduated from North High School and Washburn Law School. Photo.

Monday, April 6, 1953**page**

5. Article summarizing annual report of the Coleman Company, Inc. Net sales in 1952 were \$40,288,031, up from \$37,068,345 in 1951. Net earnings were \$2,321,333 compared with \$2,626,135 in 1951. Details

Tuesday, April 7, 1953**page**

- 5A. Letters were mailed by the city yesterday to recognized transportation engineers requesting proposals for examination and evaluation of the property of the Wichita Transportation Company. Details.
- 9A. Continental Air Lines yesterday added a daily flight between Wichita and Manhattan.

Details.

Wednesday, April 8, 1953

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- 1A. Report of results of city election yesterday. Claude De Vorss and H. D. Lester elected to city commission. Details.
- 3A. Report of death Saturday of John I. Dotson, former mayor of Wichita in 1941 and 1942. Obituary.

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- 2A. St. Paul's Methodist church, 13th and Broadway, is to build a three story educational building at estimated cost of \$182,000, located just south of the sanctuary. A fund raising campaign for the building is now being conducted. Details. Drawing.
- 3A. Photo showing the two story early day frame building previously at 712 North Market being moved yesterday by two trucks to the Cow Town of 1872.

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5. The park board yesterday let contract for construction of the control tower at the new municipal airport to the Eby Construction Company for \$174,849. Westinghouse Electric corporation will also install a passenger elevator for \$19,518. Details.

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- 3A. Drawing of the new two story engineering building which is under construction at the University of Wichita. Building is to be ready for fall classes. Architect is W. I. Fisher.

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- 3A. Grace Wilkie, dean of women at the University of Wichita and a faculty member for 41 years since coming to Fairmount College in 1912 as head of the home economics department, will retire on July 1. She is a native of Wichita. Biography. Photo.
- 10A. The new Riverside school district 170, at 4300 North Arkansas, will be dedicated Sunday, May 3 although it will not be occupied until next fall. Details. Photo.
- 12C. Construction has been started on a \$100,000 office building for Watkins, Inc., at 711 West 2nd. Details.

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1. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Harry A. Dockum, 67, of Hillcrest Apartments, in

Mobile, Alabama from a heart attack while she was on a vacation trip. She was the widow of the late Harry A. Dockum. Born in Wichita May 4, 1885, and maiden name was Mabel Magill, daughter of late Edward S. Magill. Married Mr. Dockum September 4, 1907. Survived by one son and one daughter (named). Biography.

Wednesday, April 22, 1953**page**

- 4B. Report of ground breaking ceremony yesterday for Wichita's new television station, KEDD, at 37th and Oliver. Photo.

Friday, May 1, 1953**page**

- 10A. Ad announcing that the new TEmple telephone office at 3920 Arkansas Avenue will open May 3.

Saturday, May 2, 1953**page**

5. Article with details of the will of Will Schweiter, son of Wichita pioneer Henry Schweiter.

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- 2A. Drawing of proposed new University of Wichita fine arts center. Architects are Forsblom and Parks. Details.

Saturday, May 9, 1953**page**

- 5A. A Civil Aeronautics Board examiner in Washington, D.C., yesterday recommended approval of the request of Continental Air Lines and United Air Lines to operate interchange flights between Wichita and Tulsa and Seattle and Portland. Details.

Sunday, May 10, 1953**page**

- 4B. Photos showing moving of the alligators at the Central Riverside Park zoo to their summer quarters yesterday. Oldest one has been there since 1919.

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- 4C. The old Kansas Gas and Electric building at 1st and Market is now being razed (i.e., lower two floors of the old Sedgwick block). Photos.

Sunday, May 17, 1953**page**

- 12A. Seventy-four bus drivers of Wichita Transportation Company have been given safe driving awards. Details. John Ebinger, vice-president and general manager said the company currently has a total of 180 drivers. Photo showing nine drivers and John Ebinger.

Tuesday, May 19, 1953**page**

- 5A. Board of education yesterday let contracts for the new Gifford M. Booth elementary school, to be located at Mt. Vernon and Drollinger. The general contract was bid at \$219,995 by the Clarence E. Vollmer Construction Company. Architects are Garrold Griffin and Frank McAleavey. The design is nearly identical with that of the new Jessie L. Clark school. Details.

Thursday, May 21, 1953**page**

- 5A. Report of death yesterday of veteran Wichita police officer and private detective, Joe E. Maness, 63, at his home at 615 South Terrace Drive. Biography. Photo.

Sunday, May 24, 1953**page**

- 5A. Board of education this week broke with tradition and decided to name the new intermediate school at Sheridan and Burton after former superintendent of schools, Dr. L. W. Mayberry, a living person. Details.
- 16B. Announcement made yesterday of plans to build a new \$250,000 sanctuary for the West Side Christian church at Douglas and Glenn, starting about July 1. Details. Architect is Garrold A. Griffin. Drawing.
- 16B. Announcement made yesterday that the farm of the late Benjamin P. McLean is to be developed as an exclusive residential area known as the Benjamin Hills Estates. A total of 138 acres of the 464 acre farm lying east of the Arkansas river and north of 21st Street has been plotted by Mrs. Anna McLean, 2259 Amidon, daughter-in-law of the former owner. Streets are in and lots ranging from ½ acre to one acre in size have been laid out. Sales are to be handled by the H. C. Brady Company and the Russ Prater Company. The late financier purchased the area in 1908 from the Davis family. He left all the native trees on the place. The development has been named for the late Lieutenant Benjamin F. McLean, a paratrooper killed in the Battle of the Bulge in World War II. Further details.

Tuesday, May 26, 1953**page**

- 5A. Board of education yesterday approved contracts for construction of the new William C. Little elementary school at 15th and Minnesota. Low general contract bid was \$184,387. Architects are Benedick and Hines. The building will be a near duplicate of the new Lawrence elementary school. Details.
- 8B. Windows 63 years old were replaced yesterday in the lower floor of the city building as the first step in a program of replacing all the old windows in the building. Details.

Wednesday, May 27, 1953**page**

1. Wichita theater owner and former mayor Odom F. Sullivan, 52, was sentenced yesterday in federal court in Kansas City, Kansas to three years in prison and fined \$13,000 on charges of income tax evasion. Details.
- 3A. The new Boulevard State Bank was incorporated in Topeka yesterday. To be located at 1711 East Kellogg. Details. C. B. Haworth is resident agent.
- 5A. The first of four sets of pedestrian mid-block signal lights in downtown Wichita went into service yesterday afternoon in the first block on North Main. Similar pedestrian lights will be in service in the first blocks of North Market, Broadway, and Topeka within a week.

An old Wichita landmark, the clock in front of Cleon Whitney's jewelry store at 222 East Douglas, is to be restored. Its base was knocked down last December by a city bus.

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- 5A. Wichita's Cow Town of 1872, now under construction, will be opened to the public in September, the directors of Historic Wichita, Inc. decided yesterday. It had been hoped to open it in June, but it will not be ready by then. Details.

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- 3B. Ad says the Palace Theater has been leased by the Sullivan Independent Theatres (sic). Photo of entrance. Sullivan theaters in Wichita include the Palace, Crest, Crawford, Civic, Tower, West, 81 Drive-In, and 54 Drive-In.

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- 10A. Report of dedication yesterday of the new Holy Cross Lutheran church at 9th and Dellrose. Details. Photo.

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- 5A. A. P. Learned, of Kansas City, public transportation expert with the engineering firm of Black and Veatch, will confer with city officials Monday in regard to a survey to be made of the facilities of the Wichita Transportation Company. Details.

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- 6B. The two year old business administration building on the University of Wichita campus has been named in honor of Dr. Frank A. Neff, dean emeritus of the college of business administration and industry. Details. Photo.

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- 2A. The new Riverside Free Methodist church at 1406 West 18th Street was dedicated yesterday afternoon. Details.

Tuesday, June 9, 1953**page**

- 5A. Board of education yesterday let contracts for construction of 62 portable classroom units for \$421,185. Details.
- 9A. Television station KTVH at Hutchinson, yesterday completed its 700 foot broadcasting tower and began installing its transmitter equipment. The station hopes to be on the air by July 1. Details. Another article and photos on June 11, page 8B, with more details.

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- 10B. Report of death yesterday at his home in Mt. Hope of William C. Salome, 82, father of Wichita City commissioner William Salome, Jr. Born in Braunschweig, Germany. June 25, 1870 and came to United States at age 18. Married Agnes Heinrich of Haven, Kansas April 5, 1898 and later moved to Mt. Hope, where he founded the Mt. Hope nursery. Survived by his wife, one son, William Salome, Jr., 1445 North Yale, and two grandchildren (named).

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- 10B. Photo of excavation for new Kansas Gas and Electric building at 1st and Market.
- 14C. Article about new unloading docks at the Wichita Union Stock Yards. Details. Photos.

Monday, June 15, 1953**page**

- 5A. A new all time attendance record of 4716 was set yesterday at Wichita's municipal beach in Riverside park. The previous record of 4100 was set in 1951.
- 1B. Braniff International Airways will celebrate its 25th anniversary June 20. The line began operations June 20, 1928 with a "fleet" of one five passenger Stinson Detroiter flying between Oklahoma City and Tulsa. It started operating into Wichita in June 1934 and today has a fleet of 61 DC3, DC4, DC6, and Super Convair 340 aircraft. In 1952 Braniff carried more than one million passengers.

Thursday, June 18, 1953**page**

- 3A. Report of death yesterday of Miss Johanna Steinbuchel, 99, at her home, 1231 North Waco. Born in Cologne, Germany March 1, 1854. Came to United States at age 23 and settled in the St. Mark community. Moved to Wichita 60 years ago. Survived by a sister-in-law, Mrs. Louise Steinbuchel, 1208 Perry, and several nieces and nephews. Photo.

Sunday, June 21, 1953**page**

- 3A. Drawing of proposed new ten story office building to be erected by Wichita Federal Savings and Loan Association at Waterman and Broadway (was never built). Article with details.

Monday, June 22, 1953**page**

1. Much damage done by tornadic winds in downtown Wichita last night. Details.

Tuesday, June 23, 1953**page**

- 7A. Thirty-three patients were moved yesterday from the old county hospital at Sheridan and Douglas to the new \$1,300,000 county hospital at 9th and Kansas. Details.

Thursday, June 25, 1953**page**

- 3A. Photo of the old Frisco Railroad roundhouse at 810 East Kellogg, which was damaged and had one wall caved in by the windstorm Sunday. The building was abandoned May 12 and is stated to be torn down soon. Repair and service facilities of the railroad have been moved to the new freight yard at 30th and Washington.

An estimated 6000 window panes were knocked out of Wichita schools by Sunday's storm. Photo of Washington school, which lost 355 panes.

- 5A. The first test program broadcast by a commercial television station in Kansas was aired at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday over KTVH, Hutchinson. Details. Regular broadcasts are expected to start July 1.
- 6C. Article about a full reconditioning being made on the 41 year old pipe organ at St. Mary's Cathedral. The organ was donated to the church in 1912 by the Hugo Rosenberger family and was one of the very early electro-pneumatic operated organs. It has four manual keyboards and one pedal keyboard controlling 33 ranks of pipes. Details. Photos.

Saturday, June 27, 1953**page**

- 2A. The new Sedgwick county hospital was formally opened yesterday and will be open to public inspection Sunday. Details.

Sunday, June 28, 1953**page****Special section**

1. The Rock Island Rocket struck a gasoline transport truck at the 37th Street crossing north of Wichita at 1:05 p.m. yesterday, killing the truck driver and the engineer and fireman on the Rock Island train. Details. Photos-engine number not visible.

- 4B. Photo of new Sedgwick County hospital.
- 5B. Photo of the new Dillon supermarket at 1807 East Kellogg, which will open tomorrow morning. It will replace the old store located at corner of George Washington and Kellogg, which will be occupied by a bank in the near future. Article with details.
- 1E-20E.
Special Section on new era of television coming to Wichita. Station KTVH will go on the air beginning at 4:30 p.m Wednesday and KEDD will follow in about two weeks. Many articles, photos, details, etc.

Tuesday, June 30, 1953**page**

- 8A. Photo showing the bridge across the lake on the Mt. Carmel Academy campus.
- 1B. Continental Air Lines will inaugurate non-stop service from Wichita to Denver on July 1. All service through Wichita is flown with the new Super Convair 340 aircraft. Details.

Thursday, July 2, 1953**page**

- 3A. Article about pioneer aviation designer and former Wichitan, Lloyd C. Stearman, now living in Dos Palos, California. For about three years he and his partner William E. Hamel have been working on design of several new types of farm implements. Details.

Friday, July 3, 1953**page**

- 5A. Final plans for the new fire station at 2nd and Hillside to replace old station Number 5 were approved yesterday by City Manager E. N. Smith, and bids will be received on August 4. Architects are Ramey and Himes. Cost estimated at \$90,000. Details.

Photo of the 85 foot steel flagpole on the courthouse lawn. Article says it was erected in 1933 and replaced a 60 foot steel pole previously there.

Sunday, July 5, 1953**page**

- 2A. A 70 bed medical patient section in the new wing at St. Joseph hospital will be opened tomorrow. Other parts of the new three story wing are expected to be finished this month. Details.

Tuesday, July 7, 1953**page**

- 3A. The razing of several buildings adjacent to the Allis hotel was virtually complete Monday. Plans are being prepared for a parking garage to be built on the property.
- 5A. The new fire station to be built at 2nd and Hillside to replace the old Number 5 station, is

to be Wichita's first single story, two engine station. Details.

Wednesday, July 8, 1953**page**

- 5A. Bids opened yesterday on proposed ten story office building for Wichita Federal Savings and Loan association, to be built at Broadway and Waterman. All bids somewhat higher than was anticipated, and no action taken. The matter is to be studied further. Details.

Thursday, July 9, 1953**page**

- 5A. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Blanche Royal Wall, 71, of 1104 North Market, widow of the late Judge Jesse D. Wall, and daughter of Mr. J. P. Royal, one of the first settlers in the Oatville community. Born June 21, 1882. Graduated from Lewis academy. Married Judge Wall October 12, 1909. Survived by one son, Dr. David R. Wall, of Wichita.

Friday, July 10, 1953**page**

1. Article reports negotiations nearly completed for sale of the Union National Bank building at Douglas and Broadway to a Detroit investor for \$1,650,000, which includes the real estate and all improvements. Building was erected by the George Siedhoff Construction Company in eight months, beginning in August 1925, with most offices occupied by April 1, 1926. Grand opening was held May 29, 1926. Details. Photo.
- 8C. Article about the origin of a number of street names in Wichita. Says city commission granted request of residents to change Fannie to Greenwood in 1940 ("City's Streets Are Jumble of Many Honored Names").

Sunday, July 12, 1953**page**

- 3A. Hearing to be held in Topeka on August 4 on City of Wichita's application for 20 new water wells in the Halstead area and construction of a new 60 inch transmission main to serve the new walls. Details. Map of new pipeline location.

Tuesday, July 14, 1953**page**

1. Sale of the Union National Bank building for \$1,650,000 to Ben L. Silberstein, of Detroit, was confirmed yesterday. Details.
- 5A. The Civil Aeronautics Board yesterday approved an equipment interchange between Continental and United Air Lines which will offer the first through-plane service between Wichita and the Pacific Northwest. Details.

Thursday, July 16, 1953**page**

- 5A. The two story frame building moved to Cow Town of 1872 for restoration as a drug store and land office, was wrecked by the recent severe windstorm, and is to be replaced with a one story structure which will house the drug store sponsored by John McEwen and the Steffen Dairy Foods Company. Details.
- 7B. Continental Air Lines observed its 19th anniversary yesterday of its founding on July 15, 1934. Pioneered by Walter T. Varney and Louis H. Mueller, it was originally known as Varney Speed Lines and after obtaining a United States mail contract, began operations between Pueblo and El Paso. Continental Air Lines was adopted as the official company name on July 1, 1937, and Robert F. Six became executive vice-president. Early in 1938 he became president. During the 19 year period the line has flown more than 2,022,869 revenue passengers more than 746,789,508 passenger miles without a fatality.

Friday, July 17, 1953**page**

- 5A. Wichita Hospital temporarily closed its doors late Wednesday night. On July 1 Sister Victoria announced that no more patients would be admitted until after the building's east wing is torn down and the west wing remodeled. The east wing was considered unsafe after the heavy windstorm of June 21.

Sunday, July 19, 1953**page**

- 4A. Open house was held yesterday at Wichita's newest bank, The Wichita State Bank, 721 West Douglas. Details.

Monday, July 20, 1953**page**

- 8A. Announcement of the grand opening tonight of the new Trig Ballroom, 9801 East Kellogg.

Wednesday, July 22, 1953**page**

- 4A. Short article about damage to Cow Town of 1872 in the June 21 storm. Photo of the destroyed two story building that was to have been drug store and land office.

Saturday, July 25, 1953**page**

1. Report of death last night of Louis Levand, 67, publisher of the Wichita Beacon. Born in 1886 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Survived by wife, Irene, three brothers, Max, John, and Leonard, and five nephews. Came to Wichita in 1928. Biography. Photo.

Monday, July 1, 1953**page**

1. Truce signed in Korean war and fighting will end this morning. Details.

Tuesday, July 28, 1953

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- 3A. An 85 car parking lot adjacent to the Allis Hotel in the 200 block on South Broadway will open at 7:30 a.m. today. The concrete area is 75 feet by 140 feet.

Wednesday, July 29, 1953**page**

- 2A. A new shuttle bus system between the 1200 car parking lot near Lawrence stadium and the downtown area is to go into effect August 1 as the first step in solving the parking problem. The bus fare from the parking lot to downtown will be eight cents one way. In the morning and late afternoon rush periods a bus will run every seven minutes; at other times a bus will run every ten minutes.
- 5A. City commission yesterday changed the name of Levy Street to Mt. Vernon. Levy was a street long before Mt. Vernon was thought of, extending from the river east to Hillside, and was named for pioneer Wichita financier, Morris W. Levy, who came here in 1872. When the area east of Hillside was platted, the extension of Levy was called Mt. Vernon. The change in name from Levy to Mt. Vernon largely was the result of agitation and protests by residents east of the canal, city officials said. Biographical sketch of M. W. Levy. ("Name of Levy Street to be Changed to Mt. Vernon").

Thursday, July 30, 1953**page**

- 5A. Bids opened yesterday for construction of the terminal building at Wichita's new municipal airport. Total cost of the building will be approximately \$1,500,000. Contracts not yet let. To be completed in the fall of 1954. Details.

Sunday, August 2, 1953**page**

1. Announcement of plans for new three story building for Sears, Roebuck and Company to be built at Lincoln and George Washington Boulevard. Contract let to Martin K. Eby company. Architects are Overend and Boucher. To be completed August 1, 1954. Details. Drawing.

Tuesday, August 4, 1953**page**

- 5A. New Kansas license tags for 1954 arrived here yesterday. They have black lettering on a white background and are the first new tags issued since 1951, to be fitted over the corners of the 1951 plates having been issued in 1952 and 1953.

Wednesday, August 5, 1953**page**

- 16A. Razing of the old Wichita Hospital building at Seneca and Douglas (the old Mortinson block) is under way (article says it was started July 13). To be completed by September 15. Photo.

Friday, August 7, 1953**page**

- 14A. The First National bank's new drive-in depository, the first of its kind in Wichita, will be formally opened on Monday. Details.

Saturday, August 8, 1953**page**

- 5A. Announcement made yesterday that the Civil Aeronautics Board has authorized Ozark Airlines to establish service between Joplin, Missouri and Wichita via Pittsburg and Chanute. This would also provide direct airline service by Ozark between Wichita and St. Louis. Details.

Sunday, August 9, 1953**page**

- 10A. Photos of new men's and women's residence halls at University of Wichita, which will be ready for use this fall semester. The women's residence, at the end of "sorority row", is named Grace Wilkie hall. The men's residence is at 17th and Yale. Details.

Thursday, August 13, 1953**page**

- 5A. Construction of the new Number 5 station at 2nd and Hillside is to start within 30 days. The contractor is Moreland Construction Company, 140 Laura. Architects are Ramey and Himes. To cost \$79,973.
- 4B. Photos of portable classrooms being built to relieve crowding at several Wichita schools. Details.
- 4D. Wichita's two new 750 gallon per minute fire pumper trucks were shipped from the Columbus, Ohio factory on Tuesday and should arrive here later this week.

Friday, August 14, 1953**page**

- 5A. After six years of court actions, hearings, etc., a wrecking permit was finally issued yesterday for the old Chatfield home at 325 North Rutan, once a show place of the city, but now deteriorated through neglect. Built in the 1880s. Eventually sold by the Chatfield estate to the late Mrs. Marietta Leigh Clark, who converted it to apartments housing as many as 25 people. It was neglected and a tenement atmosphere developed, but Mrs. Clark resisted the condemnation order. Further history. Photo.

Sunday, August 16, 1953**page****Special section**

- 4A. Work started August 10 on razing of the old Number 5 fire station at 2nd and Hillside to make way for building a new fire station at that location. Razing of the old building should be completed this week. Details. Photo.

10B. Drawing of the new Second Church of Christ Scientist, which is now nearing completion at Douglas and Terrace Drive. Architects are Overend and Boucher. Details.

1C-16C.

Special Section on the inauguration of Wichita's new television stations, KEDD, channel 16, which will begin regular programs next Saturday August 22. Seven hundred and eleven foot antenna tower is just west of Hillside and south of 37th Street. Details and photos.

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7A. The new Whitehall telephone exchange at 341 North West Street went into service yesterday morning. Details.

Wednesday, August 19, 1953

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3B. Article about plans to remodel Wolf's cafeteria, 115 South Main, including putting a new front on the building. Details.

Thursday, August 20, 1953

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4C. Pouring of the first floor slab of the new Kansas Gas and Electric building is scheduled to start tomorrow. Details.

Saturday, August 22, 1953

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5A. Construction is under way on a large new half million dollar flight hangar at the Cessna Aircraft Company's plant on East Pawnee. Details.

1B. Work is progressing on the demolition of the east wing of Wichita Hospital and it should be completed by mid-September. Details.

Thursday, August 27, 1953

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5A. Remodeling of the ticket offices at Wichita's Union Station will be completed about September 15. The ticket selling area will be equipped with new furniture, new lighting facilities, and air conditioning. Plans for the remodeling were developed by the Santa Fe engineering department in Topeka. Martha K. Eby is the general contractor.

8A. Twelve airlines are now flying on average of 100 flights across the North Atlantic in each direction each week.

Tuesday, September 1, 1953

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1B. Continental Air Lines ad announcing through service from Wichita to Portland and Seattle

with 50 passengers. DC-6 airliners starting September 15 (via Continental-United Air lines interchange at Denver).

Wednesday, September 2, 1953**page**

- 2A. Article about half-million bushel storage elevator now being erected for Soy-Rich Products, Inc., at 1501 North Mosley. Pouring of concrete for the storage tanks started August 21 and has been continued 24 hours a day. Final phase will be a head house 67 feet high erected on top of the cylindrical storage tanks. To be completed about October 15. Article gives some history of the company's plant in Wichita. Details. Photo.
- 8A. Aerial photo of Lawrence stadium and the adjacent municipal parking lot.
- 9A. Article about the new West High School. Details. Photos.

Sunday, September 6, 1953**page**

- 4A. Wichita Transportation Corporation yesterday announced ten special routes for school children effective September 8. Details.
- 16B. Ozark Airlines inaugurates its new service between St. Lewis and Wichita today, with stops at Joplin, Pittsburg, and Chanute. Details. Reservations are to be handled by Continental Air Lines in Wichita. Follow up article September 7, page 5A. Operated with DC-3.

Tuesday, September 8, 1953**page**

- 5A. Article about letter from Father Emil J. Kapaun, native Kansas priest, who died in a Korean prison camp on May 6, 1951. Letter released by Bishop Carroll. Details.

Thursday, September 10, 1953**page**

- 6A. Building permit obtained yesterday for razing of three houses and three storage garage structures at 404-412 North Market, site of the proposed new YMCA building.

Sunday, September 13, 1953**page**

- 3A. Drawing of new McKesson and Robbins Inc. wholesale drug warehouse, to be built at 800 East Gilbert. Details.
- 5A. Report of death yesterday of Hunter B. Gilkeson, 75, of 102 North Fountain, well known building supply executive and president of Lusco Brick and Stone company. Born November 25, 1877 at Camden, Missouri. Spent early years at Lexington, Missouri. Came here and was salesman for Jackson and Walker Coal company until 1907 when he organized his own business. It formerly was known as the Lumberman's Supply Company

until 1926, when it became known as the Lusco Brick and Stone Company. He married Miss Susie Sweet, member of a pioneer Wichita family, on January 5, 1907. Survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Alan Caldwell, 243 North Yale and a son, Hunter B. Gilkeson Jr., 3446 East Murdock. Photo.

Wednesday, September 16, 1953**page**

- 8A. Santa Fe ad says Santa Fe now has 1524 diesel units in service. From 1943 through 1952 the railroad placed in service a total of 1261 diesel units-better than one every three days for ten years. And they are still coming-222 in 1953.

Thursday, September 17, 1953**page**

- 5A. Photo of control tower at new airport under construction.
- 9A. New Faith Community Church at 2135 West 13th will be dedicated Sunday. Architects Lorenz Schmidt, McVay, and Peddie. Details. Photo.

Sunday, September 20, 1953**page****Special section**

- 1B. Workmen have finished demolition and clearing of the east wing of Wichita Hospital (old Martinson block) and have started work on remodeling the remaining west building. Details.
- 13C. Drawing of a proposed municipal parking garage in 100 block of North Market (never built).
- 6E-7E. Large map of Wichita showing location of new show homes.
- 1F-10F. Special Section commemorating Aviation's Golden Anniversary. Special articles and photos.
- 4F. Aerial photo of original Beech factory.

Friday, September 25, 1953**page**

- 7A. Report of dedication of new headquarters building of the Flying Farmers yesterday afternoon at Wichita's new municipal airport. Details.
- 1B. Photos of new bridges under construction across the "Big Ditch" flood control waterway, including a photo of the Midland Valley railroad bridge.

Sunday, September 27, 1953**page****Magazine**

1. Report of death last evening from heart attack of W. E. (Gene) Stanley, 62, of 3401 East 2nd, well known Wichita attorney, son of former Governor W. E. Stanley, and past-president of the Kansas Bar Association. Born in Wichita in 1891. Survived by wife, the former Margaret Long, daughter of the late Senator Chester I. Long, a daughter Mrs. Margaret Anna Hall, of Denver, a brother, Harry W. Stanley, and a sister, Miss Harriet E. Stanley, both of 820 Shady Way. Photo.

- 10A. Byron Stout, long-time Wichita automobile dealer and holder of the Nash agency for eight years, has purchased the Paul Skimmer Pontiac agency in Wichita and will assume ownership October 1. It will continue to be operated at 300 South Main. Details.

Special Feature Magazine Section on Wichita and the Southwest, with many special articles and photos including historical articles.

Thursday, October 1, 1953**page**

- 5C. Full page ad announcing free bus rides downtown from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. this evening, sponsored by downtown merchants. Photo of Twin Coach Number 252.

Friday, October 2, 1953**page**

- 10A. Ad announcing Wichita's new Hudson dealer, Caliendo Hudson, 1500 East Douglas. Grand opening today.

Saturday, October 3, 1953**page**

- 5A. Construction started Thursday on a new two story engineering and cafeteria building at the Boeing Airplane Company plant here. To cost \$850,000 including equipment. Details.

The first of two huge flight hangars at the Wichita Air Force base is near completion. Photo.

Sunday, October 4, 1953**page**

- 13A. Article about new Caliendo Hudson agency at 1500 East Douglas with photo.

Friday, October 9, 1953**page**

- 5A. Report of death yesterday of Dr. Lawrence Wallace Mayberry, retired Wichita superintendent of schools, at his home, 1014 Shady Way. Born in Salem, Ohio and came to Rice County, Kansas with his parents in 1878. Married Nellie S. Simpson, of McPherson, Kansas in 1901. Came to Wichita as superintendent of schools in 1912.

Retired in 1943. Held many other offices. Survived by his wife and a son, Robert S. Mayberry, 5119 East 1st. Further biography. Photo. Burial to be in Wichita Park cemetery.

Sunday, October 11, 1953**page****Magazine**

- 3A. Report of vandalism in the northwest portion of Highland cemetery discovered yesterday. A number of tombstones and ornamental vases were overturned. Details.
- 7A. Flourescent lights have been installed in the Douglas Avenue underpass and the old lights removed. Work started in August. Details.
- The Bestor G. Brown Masonic lodge, 3755 East Douglas, was dedicated last night. Details.
- 10A. The \$1,000,000 Park Lane shopping center is to start construction soon according to Willard Garvey, president of Builders, Inc. Details.
2. Article about new airport with details and aerial photo plus photo of control tower under construction.
26. Article about historic Chase County courthouse with photo.

Tuesday, October 13, 1953**page**

1. Report that officials of Forum Cafeterias, Inc., of Kansas City, Missouri were in Wichita yesterday to conclude a long term lease on the property at 123 South Market on which to build a new cafeteria building 40 feet by 130 feet with seating capacity of 400. Details.

Wednesday, October 14, 1953**page**

- 5A. Report of city commission action yesterday to permit filling of the abandoned sand pit along west bank of Arkansas river just north of Central Avenue, with a 200 foot right of way along the river to be deeded to the city for restoration of the river bank and completion of McLean Boulevard, along the area. The agreement was made with the Cooper estate. West Side residents have complained that their homes were threatened with flooding through the weakened area. Details.
- 12B. The sixth Fair Shoe store will open tomorrow in the completely remodeled building at northwest corner of Douglas and St. Francis. Details. Photo.

Thursday, October 22, 1953**page**

- 5A. City commission after seven hours of hearings voted yesterday to decide by November 3

on the Wichita Transportation Corporation's application for increased income, to come either from a reduction in the company's franchise tax or an increase in fares. John E. Ebinger, vice-president and general manager, yesterday proposed eliminating tokens (sold at three for 40 cents) to make a flat fare of 15 cents, and increasing the school fare from five cents to ten cents. Further details and discussion of the company's valuation for calculation of return.

Wednesday, October 28, 1953**page**

- 1B. City commission heard further testimony last evening in the bus company's application for a fair increase. Details. No decision.

Thursday, October 29, 1953**page**

- 5A. Article reporting on progress in construction of the new Internal Revenue Service building at southeast corner of Main and Waterman. To be completed about February 1. Details.

Friday, October 30, 1953**page**

- 3A. Two grade school juveniles, a ten year old boy and his eight year old sister, confessed to police yesterday that they had recently tipped over 30 tombstones in Highland cemetery because "we heard it was getting close to Halloween." Details.
- 4A. Article about discussions with Santa Fe Railway officials about restoration of an old depot in Cow Town similar to Wichita's first railway station. Santa Fe officials have located three depots erected in the same period-at Adams, Anness, and Eula (now Crystal Springs). The latter is in good condition and may be moved here. Details. Photos of Eula and Anness depots.
- 10A. Building permit issued for \$131,250 addition to Mathewson intermediate school, 1821 North Chautauqua. Details.

Sunday, November 1, 1953**page****Magazine**

- 11A. City commission is expected to decide Tuesday on the Wichita Transportation Company's request for increased fares or a reduced franchise tax. Consulting engineers Black and Veatch, of Kansas City, Missouri, have appraised the bus company's property for use as a rate base at \$1,346,468. The company's appraisal was given as \$2,400,975. Details.
14. Aerial photo of Wichita University campus. Article with details.

Tuesday, November 3, 1953**page**

1. Report of death yesterday of Bernard Ellsworth Gridley, Sr., 70, 246 North Bluff, pioneer Wichita automobile dealer. Born June 5, 1883 in Hancock County, Illinois. Came to Wichita in 1923. Was Pontiac dealer here from September 1924 until selling out about a year ago to the Skinner Motor Company. Survived by his wife, Jane Innes, one son, Bernard E., Jr., of Topeka, one daughter, Mrs. Lucius G. Tangen, of Taylor Falls, Minnesota, and four grandchildren. Photo.

Sunday, November 8, 1953**page**

- 10A. Sale of controlling interest in W. W. Virtue, Inc., to the J. M. McDonald company, of Hastings, Nebraska, was announced yesterday. The transaction will not be consummated until February 1, after an audit of the year's operations. The Virtue Company was founded in 1932 at Dodge City, Kansas by W. W. Virtue, who is now chairman of the board. Its home office was established in Wichita in 1940. Details.
- 2D. Report of marriage at 3 p.m. Thursday of Judith Ann Tihen and Charles Chese in the Church of the Magdalen. Details. Photo.

Tuesday, November 10, 1953**page**

- 5B. Photo of new \$50,000 bridge under construction over the drainage canal at 21st Street. Scheduled to be completed by December 1. Details.

Wednesday, November 11, 1953**page**

- 5A. Park board commissioners yesterday let contract for wrecking the old county hospital and clearing the site for \$4,400. Details.
- 11B. Ad with aerial photo of estate with greenhouse and large house at Arkansas Avenue and Shelton Street, which is being offered for sale. Two hundred and sixty four foot frontage on Arkansas Avenue.

Friday, November 13, 1953**page**

- 5A. Report of death yesterday of Lester A. Ottaway, 79, of 811 South Crestway, Wichita businessman and one of the founders of Joyland Amusement Company. Born December 18, 1873 near Lawrence, Kansas and came to Wichita from Fort Dodge, Iowa in 1904. Five years later, he organized the Ottaway Alfalfa mill, which he operated until 1921. Married Gladys Woolworth in Wichita May 13, 1911. He operated the L. A. Ottaway Sand Company from 1929 to 1945, when he and two sons organized the Joyland park and Ottaway Amusement Company. The company made small steam locomotives and trains which have become internationally known. Survivors include the widow, three daughters, Mrs. Erma Pepper, Halstead, Kansas, Mrs. Charles Mosher, North Hollywood, California, and Miss Elizabeth Ottaway, at home; seven sons, Harold, 702 South Hillside, Herbert, 2038 South Estelle, Charles, Viola, Kansas, Donald, 663 Eastridge, and Lester A., 1522

South Pinecrest; 27 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Burial to be in Kechi cemetery. Photo.

- 11A. Keith Behymer, 30, former Wichitan, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Behymer, 2057 Payne, is the new mayor of Sedgwick, Kansas. He moved there four years ago and with his brother, Bruce, 32, operates a poultry, egg and feed business. He is married and has three sons, two, three, and four. Photo.
- 4B. The new United States 54 highway west of Wichita was opened to traffic yesterday between the "11 mile corner" and West Street. Photo

Sunday, November 15, 1953

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- 4B. Ad with drawing of proposed new building for Union National Bank at 1st and Main.

Tuesday, November 17, 1953

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1. Announcement made yesterday that valuable business property in the first block on North Broadway, now housing Hart's Cut Rate Drug store, Winters jewelry, the Walk-over Shoe shop, and the Christie Corset shop, has been sold by Constance Harrington Thomas, of Orange, Virginia and Charles Smyth Harrington, of Wayne, Pennsylvania to Kansas City, Missouri interests for between \$350,000 and \$400,000. The two story building, 72 feet by 140 feet, has been owned for years by a pioneer Wichita family. Mrs. Thomas and Harrington are the children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Harrington. Mrs. Jerome Harrington was Connie Smyth, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smyth. Photo of the building which extends north from the alley at the rear of Buck's store, on November 17, page 11A.

Thursday, November 19, 1953

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- 9A. Photo of excavation for the new Forum cafeteria building in first block of South Market. Building to be completed in about six months.
- 8C. Article about construction of a replica of the first school house in Wichita at Cow Town of 1872, using oak logs. Details. Photo.

Friday, November 20, 1953

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- 5A. Building permit issued yesterday for \$3,284,500 addition to the city's water plant, including new filters, a six level, 100 foot chemical building, and new settling basin equipment.

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- 5A. Report of death yesterday of Dr. L. W. Brooks, 77, former Wichita education and principal of Wichita High School and East High School, at his home in Burbank, California. Came to Wichita from Wisconsin in 1919. Born November 27, 1875 in Bloomington, Wisconsin. Was in Wichita 25 years. Elected state superintendent of schools in 1945. Returned and moved to Burbank, California in 1950. Survived by wife, Ethel, three sons (named, none in Wichita), one brother, and one sister (named). Further biography. Photo. Burial to be in Burbank, California.
18. Aerial photo of Friends University campus. Article with history and details. Photo of main building on Magazine page 19.

Sunday, November 29, 1953**page****Special section**

- 1E-4E. Special Section announcing opening tomorrow of the new Boulevard State Bank. Details.
8. Article about the new location of the United States Weather Bureau in Wichita at the new municipal airport. The move to the new building is to be made on Tuesday. Details. Photos. Old location is in administration building of old municipal airport. Follow up December 2, page 6B.

Tuesday, December 1, 1953**page**

- 5A. Building permit issued yesterday for the new Forum cafeteria building at 111 South Market, to cost \$182,000. To be 40 feet by 126 feet and two stories. Heating, air conditioning, and electrical work not included in the contract amount.

Thursday, December 3, 1953**page**

- 5A. Photo of new Kansas Gas and Electric building under construction.
- 2B. Photos of new elementary schools nearing completion. David L. Payne school, Wheeler and Edwards, Gifford M. Booth school, Mt. Vernon and Drollinger, and William C. Little school, 1513 Piatt.

Friday, December 4, 1953**page**

- 8A. New Wichita telephone directories will be delivered next week. Service on AMhurst, FOrest, and Hobart exchanges will start December 13.

Saturday, December 5, 1953**page**

- 2A. Report of brief ceremonies held yesterday for the opening of the newly remodeled ticket office at Union station. Details.

Sunday, December 6, 1953**page****Magazine**

16. Article about Veterans Administration Hospital and Center. With details and aerial photo.

Monday, December 7, 1953**page**

- 5A. Report of death yesterday of Walter Ralph Angle, 63, of 218 Westlink, well known Wichita sportsman and businessman, and a resident of Wichita for 49 years. Born July 29, 1890 in Mercersburg, Pennsylvania and came to Wichita with his parents in 1904 from Illinois. Played Western league baseball for Wichita for several years beginning in 1911. Later entered the real estate business. In 1928 he developed the Westlink Golf course, which he owned and operated for 20 years. He and a small group of sportsmen then organized the Rolling Hills Country Club in 1948 and he sold the Westlink course to the group. Survived by his wife, Dora Mills Angle, two daughters, Mrs. Dale Curbin of 312 South Rutan and Mrs. Nelson Day of 732 South Madison, a son, John, of 832 North Chautauqua, and by two sisters and four brothers (named). Photo.

Tuesday, December 8, 1953**page**

- 5A. Board of education yesterday accepted low bid of \$213,990 for construction of new Jessie Hunter Black elementary school at 10th and High Streets. Details. Article reviews progress on construction of several other new schools.

Saturday, December 12, 1953**page**

- 5A. Board of education yesterday accepted the new two room addition to Chisholm elementary school, 2515 East Osie. Details.

Sunday, December 13, 1953**page****Magazine**

- 9A. Photo of physicians committee which obtained pledges of \$251,6000 from physicians towards Wesley Hospital building fund. Includes Dr. H. N. Tihen.
- 6B. Article about the first kindergarten in Wichita, said to have been started in 1904. Details.
- Continental Air Lines yesterday announced purchase of the routes and certain assets of Pioneer Airlines, of Dallas, Texas. The purchase does not include the nine Martin 202s now owned by Pioneer.
16. Article about North High School. History and details. School was designed for 1500 students. It opened in September 1929 with an enrollment of 800. Enrollment steadily increased to a peak of 2147 in 1952. With opening of West High School, the congestion was relived, and this year there are 1555-710 boys and 845 girls, with a faculty of 75.

Total number of graduates since 1930 is 10,330. Aerial photo.

Monday, December 14, 1953

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5A. Shortly after 1 a.m. yesterday, 50,000 Wichita telephone numbers gained prefixes, when the AMhurst, HObart, and FOrest exchanges were activated by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

Friday, December 18, 1953

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5A. Mount Carmel Academy will be closed at the end of the 1953-54 school year and the land, buildings, and part of the furnishings and equipment will be offered for sale, it has been announced from the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Dubuque, Iowa. The cornerstone of All Hallows academy was laid November 1, 1886 and the first four sisters arrived here July 26, 1887 and opened school in September of that year with an enrollment of 21 pupils. With increasing enrollment the south wing of the present academy was completed in 1902, and at that time the name was changed to Mt. Carmel academy at the request of Bishop Hennessy. The north wing was built in 1908, and St. Joseph's residence hall was erected in 1920-21. Decision to close was made primarily because of a shortage of sisters in schools operated by the order. Further details.

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2A. An early 1954 appeal by the Wichita Transportation Corporation for an increase in fares is expected. John Ebinger, vice-president and general manager, accompanied by George Powers, attorney and Harry Heimple, president of the company, yesterday asked City Manager E. N. Smith to obtain an early hearing date for their report. City commission this fall made a detailed study of the company, set its valuation for rate-making purposes, established allowable expenses, and then granted the company an earning rate of 6% on its investment. At the same time, the commission refused to grant a requested fare increase, saying they wanted to see a report of 1953 earnings first. The company also was expecting to add ten new buses at a net cost of about \$160,000. The request for an early hearing indicates that the company feels its income is falling below the 6% on investment permitted by the city.

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5A. Building permit issued yesterday for razing of the old county hospital and clearing the city park site.

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1. Report of death yesterday of Frank Leslie Dunn, 82, of 4 Park Avenue, Eastborough, owner of Dunn Investment Company and former owner of the Dunn Mercantile Company. Born May 17, 1871 in Lockland, Ohio. Survived by one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sarah

Dunn, 417 North Quintin, one brother, H. J. Dunn, 324 South Terrace Drive, and two granddaughters (named). Came to Wichita in 1879 from Cincinnati, as a boy. Further biography. Was mayor of Wichita in 1922. Photo.

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10. Articles about early aviation history in Wichita. Says it started in 1919 when E. M. (Matty) Laird and Buck Weaver, World War I pilots, arrived in the city.

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- 5A. Park board yesterday approved plans for the proposed new clubhouse at McDonald Park golf course. Architects are Overend and Boucher. Drawing.

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1. Report of death yesterday of Charles G. Yankey, 74, of 219 South Pershing, well known Wichita attorney and businessman. Born February 13, 1879 at Lowell, Wisconsin. Came to Wichita and established his law practice here in 1902. Was actively associated with the Derby Oil Company for many years, was chairman of board of the Eldorado (sic) Refining Company and president of the K. T. Oil Corporation. He was also a pioneer in Wichita aviation, treasurer of the Travel Air Company, a director of Beech Aircraft Company, and during World War II was associated with Walter Beech in the Culver Aircraft Company. More recently he was president of Mooney Aircraft, Inc. Survived by a brother, Paul C. Yankey, 229 North Fountain, and six sisters (named-two unmarried ones live in Wichita). His wife, Edna, died June 30, 1953. Photo. Entombment at Old Mission mausoleum.
- 5A. Firemen of the Number 6 fire station at Broadway and Bayley will move tomorrow to the new Number 6 station at Levy and Santa Fe. Details.

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- 5A. City yesterday purchased a new \$31,816 aerial ladder fire truck from the American La France Company, to be delivered in 180 days and stationed at the new Number 5 fire station. Details.
- 9A. Building permit issued yesterday for the new \$200,500 Cloud elementary school at 2658 Salina.