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## TIHEN NOTES FROM 1967 WICHITA EAGLE

### Wichita Eagle

**Sunday, January 1, 1967**

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- 14A. Stratford House Apartments, 13th and McLean, will open in 1967.
- 6B. An additional 20 buses leased to Metropolitan Transit Authority will raise school bus runs to their previous level starting January 3, Metropolitan Transit Authority manager Frank Neal announced yesterday. Neal said the 20 buses are 1960, 66 passenger vehicles leased from Tinnen Bus's Sales, of Plattsburg, Missouri. Neal said the company is transporting about 7000 passengers a day. He believes the additional buses will raise the average to about 10,000. About 2000 students and 1000 other passengers will be serviced by the new runs.
- 1D. Aerial photo of Century II under construction.
- 4D. Articles on Wichita aircraft plant activities in past year.
- 6D. Air passengers embarked at Wichita from October 1965 to October 1966 totaled 399,594, up 21 percent from 330,065 the years before.
- 12D. Photos of newly completed buildings, including Wichita Public Library, new YWCA Building, new Garvey Building (on Missouri Pacific depot site), and new Innes Parking Garage. Also rebuilt Sutton Place Building.
- 14D. Calendar of major events in Wichita in 1966. On June 3 city served formal notice on Bernard Calkins that his contract to run the buses had been canceled because of violations of its terms. On June 7 Wichita voters approved the City Commission's resolution to allow municipal ownership of the bus system. On June 15 American Transit Corporation, of St. Louis, offered to run the new city-owned bus system.
- July 26: The City commission approved naming a five member Transit Authority with broad power to operate a bus system.
- July 29: Drivers and mechanics of the city bus system threatened to strike.
- August 20: The nation's longest airline strike ended after 43 days.

August 23: Wichita's new Transit Authority held its first official meeting to select a bus garage site.

September 11: Bus drivers and garage employees rejected a wage proposal by Wichita Transit, Inc., and voted to strike.

September 23: The city's bus workers went on strike.

November 2: Bus strike talks were resumed after a deadlock starting September 30.

November 4: An ultimatum issued by Metropolitan Transit Authority ordered end of the bus strike by November 8.

November 9: City Commission voted to cancel Wichita Transit's contract to run the bus system as a result of the failure to settle the strike.

November 18: Wichita's bus contract with American Transit Corporation, of St. Louis, was canceled.

December 3: The Metropolitan Transit Authority signed an agreement to lease buses for municipal operation here, beginning December 5. Union officials approved terms to end the strike.

December 5: Bus service started, on a limited basis, with no fared collected.

December 6: The Metropolitan Transit Authority sought emergency funds to keep the buses rolling.

26D. List of apartment complexes under construction or completed in the last two years.

### **Sunday, January 8, 1967**

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1D. Grand opening of the new Terrace Gardens Skilled Nursing Center, 1301 North West, will be held January 22. Details. Photos.

### **Monday, January 9, 1967**

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1. The Allis Hotel will be sold January 16, it was announced yesterday by Edwin Boss, president of Boss Hotel Company, owner of the hotel for the past 12 years. The building is being sold to the Equitable Life Assurance Company, of New York. Two and a half years of financial loss and increasing competition from an expanding number of motels was given as reason for the sale.

### **Tuesday, January 10, 1967**

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5B. Record of yearly amount of snowfall in Wichita from 1930 through 1966. Eleven years in this time had 20 inches or more. Maximum was 35.6 inches in 1960. Fifteen years had less than ten inches -- minimum 4.4 in 1936.

### **Friday, January 13, 1967**

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1. Report of death last evening of Martin N. Perry, 43, of 2242 Westport, managing editor of the Wichita Beacon. Survived by widow, Mary Elizabeth, a daughter, Norma, 20, and

a son, Stephen, both students at Kansas State University. Biography. Photo. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

**Sunday, January 15, 1967****page**

- 1D. Announcement of plans to build a new Marine Lakes Shopping Center near 21st and Amidon. Details. Drawings.

**Tuesday, January 17, 1967****page**

1. The Sheraton Corporation of America worked out an agreement with the Equitable Life Assurance Society to operate the Allis Hotel for an undetermined period of time. Joseph Knott, former manager of the Sheraton Jefferson in St. Louis was appointed general manager of the Allis. Edwin Boss, president of the Boss Hotel Company, owner of the Allis the past 12 years, announced a week ago that he was letting the hotel to the insurance company to be known as the Allis Hotel, Inc., which will be the legal owner of the Allis. Details.

**Wednesday, January 18, 1967****page**

1. United Automotive Distributors, Inc. of Wichita was bought yesterday by Beech Aircraft Corporation. Details.
- 5A. Final application for a \$1.4 million federal transportation grant to help finance a new Wichita transit system is ready for Metropolitan Transit Authority action Wednesday, Nelson Hall, Metropolitan Transit Authority executive assistant, said yesterday. City officials have agreed to sell the Metropolitan Transit Authority slightly more than three acres of land south of the City Prison Farm on McLean Boulevard. The property has an appraised value of \$30,000. Total site improvements, including the garage, lighting, fencing, and landscaping, is expected to cost \$300,000. Total cost of the buses -- 32, 45 passenger for mass transit and 46, 35 passenger buses for school and charter work, -- are expected to cost \$1.7 million. Local shares of the project cost -- \$705,172 -- is to be financed by a maximum half mill property tax levy approved by the city voters in a special election last summer. Also on the Metropolitan Transit Authority agenda Wednesday is a proposal to purchase the 40 Dallas Transit Company buses its it leasing. The coaches, averaging 12 to 13 years old, are for sale at \$2000 per bus and are being leased for \$200 per bus per month.

**Thursday, January 19, 1967****page**

- 5A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday voted to purchase the 40 buses they are now leasing from the Dallas Transit Company. Metropolitan Transit Authority Chairman Fred Aley and Walt Keeler, the Metropolitan Transit Authority's newest member, will go to Dallas to negotiate with officials of the city operated Dallas Transit Company.

**Friday, January 20, 1967****page**

- 5A. Photo shows cranes lifting the second of many steel arches into place to form the roof of the new Civic Cultural Center auditorium yesterday. The arches will be placed at the rate of one or two a day and will support the domed roof of the structure.

**Sunday, January 22, 1967****page**

- 3D. The first of two Mr. Steak restaurants is to be built at 4722 West Kellogg at cost of approximately \$80,000. Details.

Construction is to begin in March on East Kellogg at Mission Road for the first unit of Big Boy restaurants in Wichita. Details.

- 1F. Feature article on Carry A. Nation. Details. Photos.

**Monday, January 23, 1967****page**

- 5A. First public showing of the Jones Six automobile owned by the Wichita Historical Association Museum, 3751 East Douglas, will be held at the Kansas Day open house Sunday afternoon according to Norris V. Rohrer, museum director. The 1914 automobile, manufactured in Wichita, is one of five known by museum officials to be in existence. Acquisition came through several months of search and negotiation with Bud Redmond, a Derby contractor. Although Redmond had several offers for his car, described as "beautifully restored," the contractor agreed to sell it to the Wichita Museum to keep it in the city. Photo.

- 5C. Report of open house and dedication yesterday of the new Terrace Gardens Nursing Center, 1315 North West. The 98 bed facility, situated on seven acres, cost \$550,000. Details.

**Tuesday, January 24, 1967****page**

- 5A. Board of Park Commissioners yesterday increased airport limousine rates by 40 cents from \$1.60 to \$2.00 from the airport to downtown effective February 1. The park board is still deciding whether to sign a new contract with Best Cabs Inc., whose five year contract expired December 31, or give it to another firm. Details.

1. Board of Park Commissioners yesterday approved plans for a new west Wichita municipal golf course, to be located on 180 acres southwest of Harry and Tyler Road, adjacent to Wichita Municipal Airport. Details.

- 6B. Report of death yesterday of Miss E. Emily Casford, 71, of 654 North Old Manor, a Wichita resident 52 years. Born at Tecumseh, Nebraska and had been an employe at

Wheeler, Kelly, and Hagny Insurance Company 45 years. Survivors include her sister, Miss Esther Casford, Wichita. Photo. Burial in Winfield, Kansas.

**Thursday, January 26, 1967****page**

- 5A. Drawing of layout of proposed new west side municipal golf course. Project to cost \$600,000.

**Sunday, January 29, 1967****page**

- 5A. Wichita's newest school building, Coleman Junior High School at 1544 North Gouverneur Road, will be dedicated at 2 p.m. Sunday. The \$1.8 million school opened last fall. Architects were McVay, Peddie, Schmidt and Allen. Details. Follow up article January 30 on page 5A.

**Thursday, February 2, 1967****page**

1. The Schweiter Building sold yesterday to Graham-Michaelis Drilling Company, owned by Wichita oil men William L. Graham and W. A. Michaelis, Jr. It was sold by heirs of Henry Schweiter, who died in 1925, and who founded the Schweiter Building Corporation. Sale price not revealed. Photo.

**Friday, February 3, 1967****page**

- 11A. Report of death yesterday of Merle K. Bennett, 251 North Bluff, operator of Bennett Music Company until 1953. Born at Hutchinson, Kansas. Later joined J. O. Adams to form Adams-Bennett Music Company, which later became the Bennett Music Company. Survived by widow, Gertrude, and two daughters, Mrs. Edwin R. Clarke and Mrs. Darrell L. Deck, of Wichita. Photo. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.

**Sunday, February 5, 1967****page**

- 1C. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has acquired two 30 by 140 foot lots south of its present location at 154 North Broadway, to be used for expansion, district manager John Oxler announced. This gives the telephone company all the space between the corner of 1st and Broadway and the J. C. Penney Company store. The Jackson-Walker building at 142 North Broadway was built in 1911 to house a coal and building material company owned by L. C. Jackson and George F. Walker that originated in Wichita in 1903. The origins of the other building are obscure, but probably built about same time.

First floor of the two story brick building at 600 North Main is being remodeled for offices for Charles F. McAfee, architect.

- 1F. Feature article about Mike Coup and the Wichita Theater Organ Enthusiasts group. Details. Photos.

**Tuesday, February 7, 1967****page**

1. Board of Education approved a \$1,152,000 addition to Southeast High School. Details.

**Sunday, February 12, 1967****page**

- 5B. The new K Mart store at 8600 East Kellogg will open March 2. Under construction for more than ten months at cost of around \$1 million. Details.

**Tuesday, February 14, 1967****page**

1. Photo of Century II auditorium building under construction. Only framework for building and at least part of roof is visible. Article with details.

Article about proposed \$2.5-3 million improvement program at Wichita Municipal Airport. Details.

**Wednesday, February 15, 1967****page**

- 5A. A. Price Woodard, prominent Wichita attorney, yesterday announced his candidacy for the City Commission.
- 8B. West-Central Airlines, Lincoln, Nebraska, will begin commuter service today between Wichita, Topeka, Lincoln, and Omaha, using ten passenger, twin-engine, DeHavilland Dove planes. Two round-trip flights daily are planned. Details.

**Friday, February 17, 1967****page**

1. Boeing-Wichita yesterday announced signing of a five year lease with the United States Air Force permitting continued use of Plant II for commercial as well as military production. The agreement is retroactive to January 1, 1966 and contains two additional five year options to renew the lease. Boeing-Wichita has been engaged in some commercial work for its Seattle parent plant since 1959. Details.

**Monday, February 20, 1967****page**

- 2C. Report of death Saturday of Morris Smith, 71, of 832 North Crestway, owner and operator of Rembrandt Studio. Born in Russia. Came to United States in 1910, and to Wichita in 1936 from St. Paul, Minnesota. Retired in 1951. Survived by widow, Gertrude, two brothers and one sister (named -- none in Wichita). Photo. Burial in Temple Emanu-El Cemetery.

**Wednesday, February 22, 1967****page**

- 5A. Report of discussion by City Commission yesterday of city's transit problems. Report that the new municipally operated mass transit system might lose \$256,000 more in 1967 than the \$138,000 in tax money already allocated. Fred W. Aley, chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, explained that at the present time monthly expenditures for the bus system include \$13,000 for equipment and bus garage rental and \$10,000 for equipment maintenance.

#### **Thursday, February 23, 1967**

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- 5A. Razing of the Koch Building, five stories, at 321 West Douglas, moved a step closer this week. Details.

The original home of Henry's, Inc., a two story building at 422 East Douglas, is being razed, and the site will be used for a parking lot. Last occupant was Stein's Clothing before fire over four years ago. Photo. Razing complete this week.

Metropolitan Transit Authority made arrangements this week for viewing in Wichita of a miniature bus manufactured by a firm in Ohio, Frank Neal, general manager, said yesterday. The buses seat 19 and can accommodate 15 standing, and could be used to provide service to the airport. Details.

#### **Saturday, February 25, 1967**

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1. Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday leased ten miniature buses from an Ohio firm to replace a number of "clunkers" causing a strain on the Metropolitan Transit Authority purse strings. Fred Aley, Metropolitan Transit Authority chairman, said the agreement was signed with Flexible Company, Loudonville, Ohio, and the small buses will be in operation before next weekend. Known as "Flexettes," the mini-buses can seat 19 passengers and accommodate 15 standing riders. The Metropolitan Transit Authority will pay \$150 per month for each bus with an option to purchase at any time. The lease price can be applied against the purchase price. Nelson Hall, executive director of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, said the ten buses would be air-conditioned. Purchase price of the air-conditioned buses is \$12,500. Without air-conditioning they are \$10,000. The "Flexettes" will replace ten of the system's 17 year old buses. Buses retired would be the worst of the fleet. Metropolitan Transit Authority currently is operating 65 regular-sized buses leased from either Dallas Transit Company, Dallas, Texas, or Wichita Transit Inc., the city's former bus operator. One of the new Flexettes made trial runs on several bus routes Thursday and Friday to obtain passenger reaction. They will be tried on different routes to see where they can best be utilized. Delivery method to be determined -- manufacturer will deliver them for \$280 per bus. Photo on page 3A.

#### **Sunday, February 26, 1967**

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1. The Wichita State University Board of Trustees yesterday offered to buy 150 acres of Crestview Country Club property for \$1,550,000. Details. Aerial photo on page 2A.

- 9A. Full page ad announcing opening of K-Mart at 8600 East Kellogg on Thursday, March 2.
- 20C. Earth being removed from the site of the new First National Bank parking garage at 116 West Douglas, designed by Woodman-Van Doren architectural firm, is being used for fill on the grounds of the new Osteopathic Hospital, 2622 West Central.

**Monday, February 27, 1967****page**

- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority chairman Fred D. Aley is scheduled to appear before the city commission Tuesday to discuss the bus system's financial condition. [Editor's note: Upon checking the City Directory and microfilm, the correct name is Fred W. Aley.]
- 6B. Report of death Saturday in Colorado Springs of G. Wayne Pendergast, 60, of 733 Lake Shore, co-owner of Mueller Florist Company. In Wichita 38 years. Obituary. Photo.

**Tuesday, February 28, 1967****page**

- 5A. Report of discussion yesterday by Board of Park Commission of Wichita's airport limousine service. Details. The recently leased Flexette mini-buses might be used for the airport service. The ten new buses, however, are not to begin arriving in Wichita until the middle or latter part of the week. Four of them left Ohio Monday for Wichita.
- 7A. Photo of the \$450,000 air cargo building under construction at Wichita Municipal Airport. Building is expected to be completed in early June.
1. Kenneth Kitchen was named acting executive director of Wichita Urban Renewal Agency, succeeding Robert C. Des Marteau.

**Wednesday, March 1, 1967****page**

- 5A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday signed a temporary agreement allowing Airport Limousine Service to operate limousine service at Wichita Municipal Airport. Best Cabs Company, former operator of the airport limousine service, was to stop operation at the airport at midnight Tuesday. Earlier in the day Metropolitan Transit Authority chairman Fred Aley appeared before city commission and asked for financial assistance in operating the city's bus system. He said the system would operate at a loss during 1967 but contended the over-all loss could be reduced if the city would buy buses it is presently renting. Buying all of Metropolitan Transit Authority's rented equipment at a cost of \$115,000 would save an estimated \$13,000 per month in rental, maintenance, and insurance costs. On February 13 city commissioners were told the 1967 projected loss for the system was about \$256,000 over a \$138,000 tax levy budget set aside for the operation.

**Thursday, March 2, 1967****page**



- 1B. The new K-Mart at 8600 East Kellogg is to open today. Details.

**Sunday, March 5, 1967****page**

- 1B. Feature article about Wichita's new Public Library, which will open March 13. Details. Photos. (Photo on page 4B shows vertical framework but no roof of new Civic Center auditorium in background).
- 7B. Article about plans for a 125 unit motor inn to be built just east of the new K-Mart store at 8600 East Kellogg. Details.

**Tuesday, March 7, 1967****page**

- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority plans to present to city commission methods for purchasing buses currently leased by Metropolitan Transit Authority, according to Nelson Hall, executive director of Metropolitan Transit Authority. The Metropolitan Transit Authority will suggest issuance of \$150,000 in revenue bonds, \$115,000 for the purchase of rented buses and \$25,000 to be put into an emergency account. The Metropolitan Transit Authority has applied for a \$2.1 million federal grant to finance two-thirds of the cost of purchasing land and constructing a new bus garage and office facility, plus purchase of 78 new city-owned buses. Wichita's share of the federal grant is a little over \$700,000. Details.

**Wednesday, March 8, 1967****page**

1. City Commission yesterday adopted a resolution allowing the Metropolitan Transit Authority to ask the State Board of Tax Appeals approval for \$250,000 in no-fund warrants to offset projected losses for the year. A total of \$115,000 of the emergency money will be used to purchase 63 buses presently being leased from the Dallas Transit System, Tinnen Company, and Flexette Company. The Metropolitan Transit Authority currently is leasing 44 buses from Dallas, ten from Tinnen, and nine from Flexette. Presuming it receives the emergency funds from the state, allowing purchase of the buses, the Metropolitan Transit Authority forecast it would receive a total of \$667,673 by the end of the year through passenger revenues, advertising and subsidies already granted by a quarter mill levy. Budget expenses in 1967 would equal the \$667,673 figure, according to Nelson Hall, Metropolitan Transit Authority executive secretary.

**Thursday, March 9, 1967****page**

- 5A. Report of Metropolitan Transit Authority meeting requesting Park Board money for airport limousine service. Authorized discussion with Dallas Transit re-purchase of 44 buses being leased from then. Details.
- 7D. Article summarizing City Report for year 1966.  
Population essentially unchanged: 1966 -- 280,013

1965 -- 280,007

Sedgwick County population: 1966 -- 332,122  
1965 -- 328,463

Building permits: 1966 -- about \$55 million  
1965 -- about \$50 million

Wichita land area: 1966 -- 82.88 square miles  
1965 -- 81.5 square miles

Other details.

12F. Madonna High School, which opened in September at 340 North Tyler Road with 630 girls and 33 teachers, will be dedicated Sunday, March 19, by Bishop Leo Byrne. Details.

### **Friday, March 10, 1967**

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1. Wichita's B-47 memorial airplane, which was flown into Wichita on December 7, 1965, was towed yesterday after 455 days on the Municipal Airport ramp, to its permanent site along U. S. 54 Highway a mile northwest of the airport. Details. Photo.

### **Monday, March 13, 1967**

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1. Wichita's new \$2.6 million City Library will be opened at 4:30 p.m. today. Details.

### **Wednesday, March 15, 1967**

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5A. Report of threat of suit by former bus operator, Wichita Transit Inc., and its parent company, American Transit Inc., for payment of \$12,310.89 alleged to be owed by the city and/or Metropolitan Transit Authority. Details. Says city paid \$3200 of the debt yesterday, representing purchase price for five buses plus rental fees. Still refund owing are \$4,103.85 in subsidy money and a fuel tax refund for month of September 1966, plus \$5000 in rental fees for use of ten Wichita Transit buses from January to May this year. Details.

### **Thursday, March 16, 1967**

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5A. Article about letter from Jaycees to Sedgwick County Commission recommending that the old courthouse be torn down and the site converted to a parking lot. Commissioner Elmer Peters agreed with the recommendation and Commissioner Floyd Schroeder opposed it. Commissioner Tom Scott is out of town. Details.

The Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday dicussed the possibility of cutting down bus service during the approaching slack summer months. Details.

**Friday, March 17, 1967****page**

- 2A. Article about plans of Wichita hospitals for expansion. Details.
- 5A. Wichita's Metropolitan Transit Authority tried unsuccessfully yesterday to resolve an alleged \$9485.89 debt to Wichita Transit Inc. Details.

**Saturday, March 18, 1967****page**

- 7A. Wichita Transit Inc., the city's former bus operator, was asked yesterday to put in writing a counter-offer it made to settle an alleged debt owed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority. Robert Bonesteel, regional manager for American Transit Inc., Wichita Transit's parent company, said he would be willing to settle for \$7747.44 on an alleged debt of \$9485.89. Details.
- 14A. Refurbishing of the Allis Hotel is under way, according to Joseph C. Knott, director of the hotel for the Sheraton Corporation of America. Details. Edwin Boss, president of Boss Hotel Company, owner of the Allis for 12 years, sold the 289 room Allis to The Equitable Life Assurance Society on January 16. The Equitable worked out an agreement with Sheraton a week later.

**Sunday, March 19, 1967****page**

- 1E. Photo of new Civic Center auditorium under construction. Shows steel framework of sides of building and roof up, but no enclosure of building.

**Monday, March 20, 1967****page**

- 4C. Metropolitan Transit Authority this week will submit to the city commission a proposal to buy 44 buses leased from the Dallas Municipal Transit system since December. The proposed agreement will allow the March lease payment to be applied to the purchase price, as well as all ensuing lease money until the Metropolitan Transit Authority receives \$117,000 in no-fund warrants from the state, which might require three months. Metropolitan Transit Authority has been paying \$9000 a month in lease payments with an option to buy. One of the buses, destroyed in a recent fire, will be covered and paid off by insurance. At \$2000 per bus purchase price, minus the March lease payment of \$9000, the balance left for Metropolitan Transit Authority is \$79,000 (including insurance recovery for the burned bus). Repair and maintenance costs will be reduced by the purchase because some of the buses can be cannibalized to keep the others running. Metropolitan Transit Authority also has leased ten Flexette miniature buses for \$12,500, which can be applied to the purchase price when the city is ready to buy.

**Thursday, March 23, 1967****page**

- 2A. Retired grocer Earl E. Rush, 60, was appointed yesterday as temporary Sedgwick County Commissioner replacing Floyd Schroeder, who was suspended from office by the Kansas Supreme Court. Rush's grandparents and father settled near Bentley in the 1880s, coming originally from Tennessee. In 1892 they opened their first grocery store at Waco and Elm.
- 9D. Another article about negotiations by Metropolitan Transit Authority re-payment of claimed debt to Wichita Transit Inc. Details. To be placed on Metropolitan Transit Authority meeting agenda next week.

**Friday, March 24, 1967****page**

- 5A. Article about delay in razing the old Riverside Boathouse, which is still standing. It is being leased by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fogle pending razing by Urban Renewal. Details. Photo.

**Saturday, March 25, 1967****page**

- 5A. Trans World Airlines tomorrow becomes the first airline to serve Wichita with all jet aircraft. Flight 396, the last of the company's piston engined Constellations to land here, left yesterday at 2:10 p.m. with 28 passengers for Kansas City and points east. It will be replaced Sunday by Flight 508 a Douglas DC-9 twin jet, leaving Wichita at 2:35 p.m. for New York City's La Guardia Airport, with stops at Kansas City, St. Louis, Indianapolis, and Cleveland. Crew of the historic last Constellation flight Friday was Captain Al Wingate, First Officer Cliff Putnam, and Flight Engineer Ken Juergens, all of Kansas City. The company was the first to initiate jet service to Wichita in October 1964. Photo of Friday Constellation.

**Sunday, March 26, 1967****page**

- 8F. Feature article about the original Sunflower Windows from the old City Library, which are to be installed in the walls of the Daughters of the American Revolution Chapel in Washington, D. C. Details. Photos.

**Monday, March 27, 1967****page**

- 3B. Article about visit to Wichita last week of one of the only two Stearman Model B Aires built by Glenn A. Stearman in 1942 at Coffeyville, Kansas, where Stearman had his plant during the early war years. Details. Photo.

**Wednesday, March 29, 1967****page**

- 12C. Report of death yesterday of Ralph E. Lightner, 83, Hillcrest Apartments, owner of the Lightner Insurance Agency, 219 North Market. Born at Canton, Kansas and came here in 1900 from Norwich, Kansas. Survived by three sons, Ralph S., Robert S., and Eugene,

and two sisters, Mrs. James Moore and Mrs. Elsie Keller, all of Wichita. Further obituary. Photo. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

Suit has been filed in Sedgwick County District Court asking for mortgage foreclosure on the Schimmel Inn, 8401 East Kellogg, alleging default on mortgage payments. Details. Motel was built in 1960.

**Thursday, March 30, 1967****page**

- 5A. Tentative agreement was reached this week between the Metropolitan Transit Authority and the city's former bus company over an alleged \$9485 debt by the transit authority. The tentative agreement was based on a compromise between the Metropolitan Transit Authority and Wichita Transit. Details not revealed, pending signing of the agreement.

**Friday, March 31, 1967****page**

- 14A. Construction has begun on a \$150,000 shipping and receiving building at the Beech Aircraft Corporation plant, 9709 East Central. The 18000 square foot structure is at the east end of the Plant I manufacturing complex.
- 18A. The J. S. Dillon and Son Bakery, 509 South Washington, will close its doors permanently at the end of the workday today. Production will be moved to the new Dillon Bakery at Hutchinson. The Wichita Dillon Bakery was opened in 1940 in the supermarket at Kellogg and Hydraulic and was moved to the present location in October 1951. Photo.

**Sunday, April 2, 1967****page**

- 5A. Announcement of retirement of Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Lawrence Wilbur, on July 31 after 36 years in the Wichita Public Schools. Graduated from East High School in 1924. Further biography. Photo.
- 16A. List of Wichita polling places.
- 1E. Drawing of proposed Air Capital Arena, planned to be built at Pawnee and Meridian (never built).

**Tuesday, April 4, 1967****page**

- 11A. Article about interview with four children of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hathaway who lived in the former Greiffenstein house on South Water about 1900. Details. Photo of house.

**Wednesday, April 5, 1967****page**

1. Report of results of city election yesterday.

**Sunday, April 9, 1967****page**

- 5A. Announcement made yesterday by J. W. Buck that the Buck's, Inc. store has been sold to principal owners of David's Inc. A close-out sale of merchandise will start next week. Store was originally opened by A. O. Rorabaugh on March 20, 1902 at 119 North Main. J. W. Buck's father, W. B. Buck, was a co-owner of the store. Store expanded to include the Ferrell Building and the Stewart Burns Building, giving them all space between 117 and 125 North Main. Walter Buck died in 1914. Store moved to present location in 1931. Further details and history.

**Monday, April 10, 1967****page**

- 1C. Report of maiden flight of Boeing 737 at Seattle yesterday.

**Tuesday, April 11, 1967****page**

1. Announcement yesterday that Gates Rubber Company, Denver, has purchased controlling interest in Lear Jet Industries, Inc. Details.

**Wednesday, April 12, 1967****page**

- 5A. Clarence Vollmer was elected mayor by city commission yesterday. Details.

**Sunday, April 16, 1967****page**

- 1B. Feature article on Walter Beech and Beech Aircraft on 35th anniversary of Beech Aircraft this week. In the 35 years since Beech moved into the depression-closed Cessna Aircraft Company factory on East Pawnee to start his company it has produced 25,885 planes and sold total volume of \$2,705,344,761. Born on farm near Pulaski, Tennessee January 30, 1891 and had designed and built his own glider by age 14. Made his first solo flight in a Curtiss pusher biplane in Minnesota ten years later. Served as an Army flight instructor during World War I. Then toured the country in an OX5 powered surplus Jennie. In 1923 he staked his Jennie in the Swallow Airplane Company's pasture at 29th and Hillside and joined the young firm as "design, test, and demonstration pilot and the only salesman they had." In less than two years he became general manager of Swallow. In 1925 he left Swallow and joined Clyde Cessna and Lloyd Stearman to form Travel Air Manufacturing Company. Olive Ann Mellor, the future Mrs. Beech, was hired the same year as the new firm's secretary. The company reportedly built and sold 19 Travel Airs the first year and 46 the next. In 1927 Stearman left the company to start his own venture on the West Coast, and in April 1927 Cessna left to form his own company. The big year for Travel Air was 1929 when the company produced 547 airplanes and at one time were coming off the line at a rate of 25 per week. Further fame came from the Model R "Mystery S" racers. Further details -- sale of Travel Air to Curtiss-Wright, etc., return to Wichita in spring of 1932, and first flight of Model 17 "Staggerwing" on November 4, 1932, and first flight of Model 18 on January 15, 1937. Photos.

- 1G. The YWCA is scheduled to move into its new building at 350 North Market on May 1. Cost is \$800,000. Details and photos.

Article about \$1.5 million remodeling planned for Seneca Square Shopping Center. Details.

The eight story, 107 apartment Hotel Commodore was bought by a group of Wichitans this past week and will undergo extensive renovations. Agreement made with Wichita's Local Housing Authority to place about 40 of the apartments at the disposal of the housing authority to provide downtown apartments for Wichita's low income elderly. Now owner is L. E. Gardner, Inc., 3902 East 13th, James L. Gardner, former Wichita mayor, president. The apartment was purchased from Roy A. Vanier of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and purchase was completed Friday. Purchase price not revealed. Gardner and his brother-in-law, Forrest Weirick, are principal stockholders in a new corporation being formed to run the hotel. New corporation is to be known as Commodore, Inc. and will be a subsidiary of Gardner, Inc. Commodore was constructed in 1929 by Patrick Hurley, former United States Secretary of War, who had been paid \$1 million by Harry Sinclair for obtaining oil concessions in Mexico. He also built the Ambassador Hotel in Tulsa from the same blueprints. Hurley sold both hotels in 1948 to Joe Meyer, of Tulsa. Meyer sold them about a year later to Vanier, a former Texan from Fort Worth. Vanier is now in his middle 70s and is liquidating a number of his holdings. Further details. Photos.

- 8G. Bids opened last week for expansion of Campus Activities Center at Wichita State University. Low bid for general contract was \$1,551,000. Details. Drawing.

#### **Thursday, April 20, 1967**

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- 1F. Full page ad announcing opening today of the new K-Mart store at 4200 West Kellogg.

#### **Saturday, April 22, 1967**

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- 14A. Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority, receiving and spending public funds for over six months, is still operating without official by-laws. The Metropolitan Transit Authority officially came into existence October 13, 1966. The five man Metropolitan Transit Authority board, now shy one member, has three lawyers, Fred W. Aley, chairman, Glenn J. Shanahan, and Charles D. Anderson, and one banker, Edward V. Geary. Walt Keeler resigned his Metropolitan Transit Authority board seat after being elected to City Commission. Nelson E. Hall was hired officially as Metropolitan Transit Authority's executive secretary, on February 3, after acting as temporary secretary from its creation. Attorney Douglas E. Shay was hired earlier this year to be the Metropolitan Transit Authority's legal counsel. Metropolitan Transit Authority Tuesday is scheduled to appear before City Commission to ask approval of spending \$94,185 to settle an outstanding debt to American Transit Corporation and to purchase 44 buses from the Dallas Public Transit System. Details. This will exhaust a good portion of the \$118,875 in no-fund warrants granted the Metropolitan Transit Authority last week. The buses involved are reportedly

from ten to 15 years old. The school buses presently under lease to the Metropolitan Transit Authority belong to the Tinnen Bus Company of Missouri and are being purchased for a total of \$11,700.

**Sunday, April 23, 1967****page**

- 4A. Charles C. Gates, Jr. has been elected president of Lear Jet Industries, Inc., replacing William P. Lear, Sr. Gates is president of Gates Rubber Company, Devner, which earlier this month purchased controlling interest in the financially troubled executive jet company. Details.
- 1C. The \$2 million Western Heights Shopping Center at corner of West Central and Ridge Road is scheduled to open in late October. Grading is under way at the site and construction is to begin in several weeks. Details.
- Detailed article about additions planned for Southeast High School. Drawings.
- 2C. Article about new car wash facility to be built at 1725 East Douglas by the operator of Mr. Magic Car Wash at 241 North Minneapolis. The present facility was opened in late 1948 and is in the way of the I-35 Canal Route. The new building will replace a brick fourplex apartment, the Park Monument Company, 1707 East Douglas, which has gone out of business, the Bethel Motor Company used car operation, and a Standford Service Station. Opening is planned between July 1 and September 1. Operator of the firm is Paul E. Sutoris, 1425 Stratford. Details. Drawing.

**Wednesday, April 26, 1967****page**

- 9A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday asked City Commission to find a way to solve the authority's financial dilemma. The Metropolitan Transit Authority's revised -- revised budget for the balance of 1967 revealed it would be about \$4400 in the hole by the end of April and about \$43000 by year's end, even taking into consideration \$118,874 in emergency no-fund warrants recently granted by the state and the City Commission. Total receipts for the balance of the year were estimated at \$553,445 and disbursements at \$596,564. Details. The City Commission authorized the Metropolitan Transit Authority to go ahead with purchase of the 44 buses being leased from Dallas.

**Friday, April 28, 1967****page**

- 5A. The Metropolitan Transit Authority announced a "service adjustment" beginning May 28 that will alter schedules of 11 of the 15 routes operated in Wichita. The adjustment calls for buses once an hour instead of every 30 minutes between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Routes unaffected by the change are College Hill, East Central, North Waco, and East 17th. Buses on the street during the non-peak hours will be cut from 26 to 17, which will provide an estimated savings of \$5000 per month. Details. Passenger revenues now are about \$40,000 per month, which is about equal to Wichita Transit revenues prior to last



fall's bus driver strike. The new scheduling probably will last through the summer and could remain until new buses are in operation.

6A. Photo shows steel framework in place for Civic Center Auditorium roof.

### **Sunday, April 30, 1967**

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5A. Article about new book, "I'll Trade You An Elk," by Charles A. Goodrum, son of former Wichita recreational director, Bernie Goodrum, describing the years when his father was managing the Riverside Park Zoo. Goodrum is son-in-law of Harrie S. Mueller, 1505 Park Place. The new book is published by Frank and Wagnalls. Details. Photo.

1D. Article about plans for Canal Route with details and discussion of delays. It is hoped the route will now be finished in 1974. Details about clearing of some businesses to provide the necessary right-of-way, etc.

### **Monday, May 1, 1967**

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2C. Report of article about "Garver's Fancy Flying Circus" in current issue of Popular Aviation magazine, written by James R. Greenwood, 1311 Cloverdale Drive, Wichita, who is 90 percent finished writing a book on "The Barnstormers" a history of barnstorming. Details.

5C. Report of death yesterday of Harry Rohrer Horner, 85, 115 South Rutan, retired owner of Horner Printing Company. Born at Rutland, Illinois and moved to Wichita in 1909. Survived by widow, Mary, and two sons, Richard and John, both of Wichita.

### **Tuesday, May 2, 1967**

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7B. The YWCA will move today and tomorrow from 140 North Topeka to its new \$800,000 facility at 350 North Market, where it will open the first of next week.

### **Wednesday, May 3, 1967**

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1. Cessna Aircraft Company yesterday delivered the first of 39 A-37A twin jet attack aircraft designed for close air support of ground forces. The A-37A is a combat modification of the T-37 jet trainer, of which Cessna has produced about 1000. Details. Photo.

5A. Report of retirement on June 15 of J. K. Dirks, principal of Gardiner Elementary School, after 23 years as Gardier principal. Came to Wichita in 1937 and taught at Horace Mann two years, John Marshall two and a half years, and North High School one semester. Was principal at Stanley Elementary two years before taking the job at Gardiner in 1944. Further biography. Photo.

### **Thursday, May 4, 1967**

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1. Beech Aircraft Corporation yesterday announced plans for production of the Model 99 commuter airliner beginning in April 1968. Fifty-one orders have been received for the new model. Price will range from \$350,000 to \$400,000 each. Details.

**Friday, May 5, 1967****page**

- 16A. Full page Continental Airlines ad announcing that it has been awarded new routes to Houston, New Orleans, Portland, and Seattle beginning June 13.

**Sunday, May 7, 1967****page**

- 17A. Grand opening and dedication of the Augusta Municipal Airport is scheduled for noon today.
- 1B. Cleanup of Wichita's North Industrial Park project, approximately 150 acres littered with junk and a few dilapidated buildings, will start Thursday. The land is bounded by 25th Street on the north, Broadway on the west, 29th on the north, and the Missouri Pacific Railroad on the east. Extensive details. Aerial photo on page 4B, looking north from 21st.
- 1G. Construction began last week on the first of two buildings for the All Saints Parish School, 3313 Grand. The 14,575 square foot structure will house a principal's office, recreation room, and classrooms. A second building, connected with the first by a walkway, will be built on the basement structure of the present building, after school closes for the summer. The 11,530 square foot building will house a multipurpose room (to be used as a gymnasium), a kitchen, meeting room, and equipment rooms. Hanney Sanders and Associates are architects. Details.  
  
Details of remodeling at Union National Bank. Bank has also acquired property with 200 foot frontage at Main and Central for future expansion.
- 10G. Two A frame Mr. Swiss Sandwich Shops are currently being constructed at 2946 South Hydraulic and 2145 North Arkansas. Details. Photo.

**Tuesday, May 9, 1967****page**

- 5A. Park board commission yesterday voted unanimously against changing the name of Wichita Municipal Airport to "Jabara Airport." Details.

A delegation of city commissioners and Metropolitan Transit Authority officials will go to Washington, D. C. to try and jog loose a pending \$1.4 million federal grant. The application was submitted January 1 and represents two-thirds of a \$2,115,000 package for new buses and garage and office facilities. The remaining third, \$705,172, would come from city funds. The Metropolitan Transit Authority recently received about \$118,000 in

no-fund emergency warrants to stave off bankruptcy. The city is using a number of small Flexette buses. Representatives of Minibus Inc., Pico Rivers, California, have been in Wichita showing local officials their buses.

- 7A. Continental Airlines yesterday announced new schedules beginning June 13, which will include non-stop segments between Wichita and Portland, Oregon and between Wichita and Houston. Details. The new flights will be operated with Boeing 720Bs.

### **Thursday, May 11, 1967**

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1. Reported resignation yesterday of Nelson E. Hall, 26, executive secretary of Metropolitan Transit Authority, supposedly for political reasons. He has worked for the Metropolitan Transit Authority since it was officially formed last October. Details. Photo.

Long article about the proposed merger of Frontier and Central airlines. Details.

### **Friday, May 12, 1967**

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- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority plans a special meeting to discuss the resignation of Nelson E. Hall. Details.

Construction started this week on the \$1.2 million expansion of Wichita State University's Campus Activities Center.

### **Saturday, May 13, 1967**

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1. Another article about Metropolitan Transit Authority dissension over resignation of Nelson E. Hall. Details.

### **Sunday, May 14, 1967**

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- 5A. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company will start demolition this week of two buildings at 138 and 142 North Broadway in preparation for expansion of its building, probably including a new 12 story building. The company has purchased all the property between its present building and the J. C. Penney store. Details.

Metropolitan Transit Authority is calling special meeting Monday morning. Details.

- 8G. The Le Roy Hotel, 147 North Topeka, has been torn down by the Arkansas Building and Wrecking Company, 3801 West Pawnee. John McEwen, of McEwen Investment Company, 700 East Central, says the property will be used as a parking lot with prospects for its sale.

A \$50,000 remodeling of the Dobbs House restaurant at Municipal Airport is to be completed in 83 days. Details.

Construction has started on a 10,000 square foot addition to the Buckley Industries warehouse, 1600 East Murdock.

**Tuesday, May 16, 1967****page**

1. Report of emergency meeting of Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday precipitated by last week's resignation of Metropolitan Transit Authority executive secretary Nelson E. Hall. Long discussion of Metropolitan Transit Authority's financial problems and lack of by-laws. Meeting planned for May 24 to reorganize and elect officers. Details.

Turner Ford Inc., 1226 East Douglas, yesterday announced plans to construct a large new building at 7310 East Kellogg. The firm will move from its present location when the building is finished, expected to be by October 1. Details. Drawing on page 9A. Also it was announced yesterday that Merle Yost Chrysler-Plymouth Inc., now at 235 South Topeka, has leased the Turner property on East Douglas and will move there after it is vacated by Turner Ford. Details.

**Wednesday, May 17, 1967****page**

1. City commission yesterday accepted a recommendation from City Manager Russell McClure to establish a task force to rescue the Metropolitan Transit Authority from its financial morass. McClure immediately appointed Public Works Director Ralph Wulz to head the task force, which is to report to the City Commission with recommendations by May 29. The Metropolitan Transit Authority will find itself bankrupt after its contractual agreement to purchase 45 presently leased buses from Dallas, which it is committed to do by June 15. Details.

**Thursday, May 18, 1967****page**

- 10A. Photo showing interior of convention hall at Century II under construction. Roof framework all in place.

**Friday, May 19, 1967****page**

- 5A. The Wichita Public Building Commission yesterday announced its intent to aid Wichita State University's expansion plans by purchasing Crestview Country Club through issuance of up to \$1,650,000 in revenue bonds. The property will then be leased to the university. Details in long article.

Relocation of Wichita's recently expanded Municipal Court from the City Building to new quarters in the old City Library building will probably be completed by June 1. Details.

- 15A. A judgement of \$407,118 has been ordered against the Schimmel Inn Motel, 8401 East Kellogg, in a mortgage foreclosure lawsuit in Sedgwick County District Court brought by the Equitable Life Insurance Company of Iowa against the motel's owner, Motel Investors

Inc. The suit alleged that the motel company was almost \$1700 in default on mortgage payments. The Schimmel hotel interests acquired control of Motel Investors before the motel was built in 1960. Details.

- 16A. Nine member of the Wichita High School class of 1907 met in a 60 year reunion yesterday at Innes Tea Room. There were originally 69 graduates in the class. Those attending were:

Mrs. John W. Gibson (Hortense Balderston), 907 Nims  
Miss Mary Haymaker, 1610 North Holyoke  
Mrs. V. A. Mueller (Ema Everett), 324 North Volutsia  
Mrs. Will Dyer (Inez Green), 1411 South Waco  
Mrs. Bessie Dietrich (Bessie Hellar), 3315 Oakland  
Mrs. Herbert Jessup (Iva Newton), Rose Hill  
Mrs. Wilbur Warne (Fern Rutherford), 908 North Dellrose  
Mrs. Cliffie Enfield (Cliffie Steele), Hays, Kansas  
Alvin Wetmore, Kansas City, Kansas

- 6B. Report of death yesterday of Arthur E. Aofderhar, 79, of 1333 North River Boulevard, retired superintendent of finance at the post office here for 37 years. Born in Indiana and came to Wichita in 1914. Survived by widow, Mary, and a son, David, Bellevue, Washington. Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.

### **Saturday, May 20, 1967**

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1. Production of the Cessna Model 150 will be shifted from the company's Wichita commercial division to the Strother Field plant near Arkansas City, it was announced yesterday. Cessna has under construction a \$1.1 million, 83,000 square foot, assembly plant on the field, with completion expected in July. The company hopes to move into the new plant during August. Details.
- 14A. Photo of the north addition to McKinley Hall on Wichita State University campus, under construction (framework up). Completion is scheduled for September 1. The addition is similar to the building's south addition, built in 1964 for \$580,000.

### **Sunday, May 21, 1967**

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- 10A. Ad announcing last six days of Buck's quitting business sale.

### **Monday, May 22, 1967**

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1. Report of destruction fire early Sunday morning at Clark Products, Company, 134 North Rock Island. Details. Photo.

### **Wednesday, May 24, 1967**

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- 5A. Members of the near-bankrupt Metropolitan Transit Authority are expected to elect officers today. Details.

**Thursday, May 25, 1967****page**

1. Fred W. Aley resigned yesterday as chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, and the members elected Glenn J. Shanahan as the new chairman. Further matters were discussed. Because of recent action by the Board of Education to double its present fleet of school buses (46 buses) to about 100 beginning in the fall, the Metropolitan Transit Authority's deficit for 1967 will be larger than previously anticipated. The Metropolitan Transit Authority announced recently that it would be approximately \$43,000 in the hole at year's end. With the school board's action, the deficit will jump to about \$60,000. A reduced summer schedule will begin Monday, with time between buses being increased from 30 minutes to one hour on all but four lines. Routes not affected are College Hill, East Central, Waco and East 17th. The hourly basis on the other lines will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Further details of the meeting reported.
- 5A. Buck's, Inc. will close its doors to the public in several days. David's, Inc. has bought the remaining merchandise and lease time but has no plans for use of the building.

**Saturday, May 27, 1967****page**

1. The city's "Transit Task Force" yesterday recommended that the Metropolitan Transit Authority should make certain changes or be abolished and its functions placed directly under control of the city manager. Long article with details. Recommendations included initiation of a five cent transfer charge plus a five cent zone fare charge.
- 14A. The Schimmel Inn Motel, 8401 East Kellogg, has been ordered sold at a sheriff's sale in a mortgage foreclosure suit. Sale scheduled for 10 a.m. June 23 at front door of Sedgwick County Courthouse.

**Sunday, May 28, 1967****page**

- 2A. The former Wichita Hospital, 1102 West Douglas, has been leased by the Sisters of St. Joseph to the Wichita Area Community Action Program for \$30,000 per year. Use of the building was phased out in 1961 when the rehabilitation center then using it was moved to St. Joseph Hospital. Details.

**Thursday, June 1, 1967****page**

1. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday reluctantly agreed to a City Commission order to begin charging for bus transfers and to put an extra charge on passengers riding buses outside a three mile radius of the core area. The additional charges will become effective July 1. To be tacked on to the present 25 cent bus fare will be a five cent charge for each transfer plus an additional five cent "zone charge" for persons riding outside a

three mile ring with its center at Broadway and Douglas. Metropolitan Transit Authority general manager Frank Neal said about 1400 transfers are issued daily. Long article with further details of Transit Task Force recommendations.

- 5A. Nine persons were injured Wednesday after a broadside collision at Franklin and Faulkner that overturned an Metropolitan Transit Authority minibus operating on the Riverside line. The minibus was going east on Franklin when it was struck by a car going south on Faulkner. Details. Photo shows front end on the bus, which is lying on its right side. Bus No. 101.

### **Sunday, June 4, 1967**

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4A. Table of Kansas college enrollments including:

University of Kansas	1967 -- 16900	1966 -- 15763
Kansas State University	11920	11285
Wichita State University	11500	11061
Friends University	980	871
Sacred Heart College	625	543

- 1D. Building permit issued to Wichita Union Stockyards Company to wreck some old horse and mule barns which have not been used for some time. The area will possibly be used for additional parking.

### **Monday, June 5, 1967**

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- 7C. Report of death yesterday of Miss Bessie Goodyear, 80, of 3501 West MacArthur, retired teacher in Wichita schools for 50 years. Lifelong resident of Wichita. Retired in 1957. Further obituary.

### **Tuesday, June 6, 1967**

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1. Unofficial totals released yesterday by County Assessor Charles Cox showed Wichita population of 280,107, up 11,250 from the official 1966 population of 268,857. A final census report must be submitted to the Kansas Board of Agriculture by July 15. The Sedgwick County population for 1967 is 345,323, an increase of 13201 from 332,122 in 1966. Table on page 3A lists population of other towns and townships in Sedgwick County for 1966 and 1967.

### **Wednesday, June 7, 1967**

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- 5A. Edward V. Geary yesterday resigned his position on the Metropolitan Transit Authority board over a difference in philosophy with the city administration over whether Wichita's bus system should be privately or publicly operated. A new charter ordinance adopted Tuesday by the City Commission was said to have been written so that a private operator would not be interested in taking over the city's bus system. Details.

**Saturday, June 10, 1967****page**

- 5B. Wichita telephone directories are now being delivered to 280,000 Southwestern Bell subscribers. New areas of no-toll service from Wichita are Sedgwick, Whitewater, Benton, Augusta, Rose Hill, Mulvane, Peck, and Goddard. Photo of new City Library on cover was made by Les Broadstreet.

**Sunday, June 11, 1967****page**

- 6G. Land has been cleared on west side of 300 block of North Hillside to make way for a new Medical Arts Building. The doctors are being moved from 132 North Minnesota because of condemnation of that location for the Canal Route. New 10,700 square foot building described. Architect is B. J. Kingdon. Drawing.

**Monday, June 12, 1967****page**

- 3B. As of June 1, Cessna Aircraft Company had delivered 73,907 new aircraft during its 40 year history, surpassing Piper Aircraft Corporation's 73,268. Piper held the lead in annual production until 1953 when the two companies began to fluctuate back and forth on a year to year basis. Cessna took the lead and has held it continuously since 1956. In 1966 Cessna led the industry for the 11th straight year, delivering 7888 aircraft, 50.1 percent of all general aviation aircraft delivered in the United States. Piper in 1966 delivered 4437, or 28.2 percent. List shows total number of each Cessna model produced since World War II. Commercial production prior to 1947 totaled 377 aircraft. Military production between 1940 and 1966 totaled 10239. Cessna employment on June 1 was 8052. Another 1095 units produced by the company, included helicopters, are classified as miscellaneous production.

**Thursday, June 15, 1967****page**

- 5A. Article about 32nd anniversary of Fire Chief T. A. McGaughey's service with Wichita Fire Department, which will be observed Saturday. Biography. Photo.
- 11A. Open house held yesterday at the new Cargo Building at Municipal Airport. Cost \$425,000. Architect Roy Calvin. To be occupied next week. Details. Photo.

**Tuesday, June 20, 1967****page**

- 1B. Report of death yesterday of Washington F. Lilleston, 84, of 439 North Belmont, well known Wichita lawyer. Born at Paris, Kentucky and came here in 1910 from Parsons, Kansas. Survived by widow, Georgia, and a daughter, Mrs. Fred E. Boggs, Winfield, Kansas. Further biography. Photo. Entombment in Old Mission Mausoleum.

**Wednesday, June 21, 1967****page**



- 5A. Detailed article about the final three day public auction of Buck's, Inc. fixtures and equipment starting tomorrow.

**Thursday, June 22, 1967****page**

- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday voted to increase headway time on bus routes from 30 minutes to one hour and to increase the fare five cents for riders who pass a three mile limit from Broadway and Douglas. An additional five cent charge will also be made for each transfer. Frank Neal, Metropolitan Transit Authority general manager, indicated the increase would provide \$71 additional per day. His study indicated that 1426 persons ride the bus beyond the three mile limit. Eleven routes switched to the one hour headway a month ago. The headway increase to one hour on the remaining six lines will be effective July 1.

**Sunday, June 25, 1967****page**

- 12A. Production operations at Cessna Aircraft Company's new \$1.1 million plant at Strother Field, north of Arkansas City, are scheduled to begin about July 15. Construction was started last January.
- 1C. Plans announced for remodeling of the long vacant W. T. Grant Building at Market and Douglas, owned by the E. H. Adair estate. It will be renamed the Adair Building. Drawing. To start this summer and be finished by fall.
- Plans for construction of a manufacturing plant and office complex for Koch Engineering Company, Inc., were announced last week. To be located at 4111 East 37th North. Plant to be completed November 1, 1967 and office on November 15. Drawing. Article gives details of company history.
- 2C. Construction started last week on new church for Christ the King Catholic parish at 4305 West Maple. Architects are Hanney, Sanders and Associates. To be completed in February 1968.

**Tuesday, June 27, 1967****page**

1. Word received yesterday that Wichita's request for \$701,000 in federal funds for its shaky bus service has been approved. An equal amount is to come from the city. The original grant request was for \$1.4 million for 78 new diesel buses. It was revised in May, cutting the number of buses to be bought to 32, after the Board of Education contracted for services of an additional 48 buses. The buses to be purchased are 45 passenger diesel units costing approximately \$33,000 a piece. The Metropolitan Transit Authority will also have 44 buses purchased at \$2000 each from the Dallas Transit Authority, and ten Flexette "mini-buses" on a lease-purchase arrangement. Approximately \$366,000 of the \$1.4 million program will be spent to construct the new bus garage.

**Thursday, June 29, 1967****page**

- 6A. The Schimmel Inn Motel, 8401 East Kellogg, was sold at a sheriff's sale yesterday for \$420,000 cash to satisfy a mortgage foreclosure judgement. Purchaser was Hanover House, Inc., of Tulsa, whose chief owner is Sam Cohen, of Topeka. Details.

**Friday, June 30, 1967****page**

- 5A. Old Sedgwick County Courthouse to have remodeling for new uses. Details.

**Saturday, July 1, 1967****page**

- 5A. Article about increased bus fares and reduced frequency of service going into effect today on the city's 15 bus lines. Details.
- 6B. The second unit of Kansas Gas and Electric's Gordon Evans generating plant near Colwich went into commercial operation yesterday. Capacity about 320,000 K. W. Details.

**Sunday, July 2, 1967****page**

- 5A. Wichita's new fire station No. 19 at MacArthur Road and Exchange Place went into service yesterday. Details. Photo of engine.

**Thursday, July 6, 1967****page**

- 5A. Article about offer of the Wichita Theater Organ, Inc. group to bring the famous Wurlitzer pipe organ from the New York Paramount Theater to Wichita for installation in the new Civic Center. It would cost \$40,000 to purchase the organ. Details. Photo.

**Saturday, July 8, 1967****page**

1. The Sheraton Corporation of America has purchased the Allis Hotel after operating it six months and deciding the hotel has a good future. The price was undisclosed. A \$400,000 "second stage" refurbishing of the structure will now be initiated. Details.

**Sunday, July 9, 1967****page**

- 11A. Feature article on renovation of the old Clapp carriage house at 205 West 18th Street by the new owners, Marian and Bob Teall. It was built in 1916 to replace a carriage house destroyed by fire. Details. Photos.
- 12A. Article about L. W. Clapp. Says his block between 17th and 18th Streets was re-platted in 1913, an alley closed, and a curving unpaved street (Wellington Place) built to connect 17th and 18th Streets.

**Wednesday, July 12, 1967****page**

1. Sedgwick County commissioners yesterday approved sale of \$3.65 million in bonds to Northern Trust Company, of Chicago to finance construction of a new metropolitan zoo. Details.

**Thursday, July 13, 1967****page**

- 8B. Article about correspondence between Wichita Historical Museum director, Norris V. Rohrer, and Ernest Schneider, director of the Gross-Geran Historical Museum (Germany). The latter town was the birthplace of William Greiffenstein, who left Germany in about 1848. Details.

**Sunday, July 16, 1967****page**

- 5A. Business is continuing at Wichita's venerable Riverside Boathouse, although it is scheduled to be torn down this fall to make way for development of the 44 acre Park Plaza urban renewal project. Manager of the boathouse is Harold Fogle. Details. Photo.

**Thursday, July 20, 1967****page**

- 5A. Report of Metropolitan Transit Authority meeting yesterday. Frank Neal, general manager of the bus operation, reported its financial position as of the end of June. The bus operation was not expected to require more money than has already been allocated for the balance of the year. For the first six months of the year the bus operation suffered a \$94,494 deficit. Total revenues for June including \$8710 in fuel tax refunds from the city, amounted to \$43,529.92. Expenses were \$44,660.13.

**Sunday, July 30, 1967****page**

- 5A. Photo shows excavation for the \$2 million addition to the Campus Activities Center at Wichita State University. Work began in early May. To be completed for fall semester 1968.
- 11A. Southwestern Bell's new touch-tone telephones will be available to Wichita customers in the PARKview and ROCKwell exchange areas Monday.

**Monday, July 31, 1967****page**

- 7B. Report of death yesterday of Robert B. Dockum, 56, of 30 Stratford, Eastborough, president of Dockum Drugs. A lifetime resident of Wichita.. Graduated from Wichita High School and University of Kansas School of Pharmacy. His father, Harry Dockum, founded the Dockum Drug chain in 1900 with a store at 128 North Main. Father died in 1941. The chain was bought from Robert Dockum by Adams Drug Company, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, in 1961, when he retired. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Burton

Schmidt, Wichita, and Mrs. John Trombold, La Jolla, California, and a sister, Mrs. Ruth Dockum Boggs, Houston, Texas. Further biography. Photo.

### **Thursday, August 3, 1967**

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1. William H. Braum, of Emporia, owner of the chain of 60 Peter Pan Ice Cream stores, announced yesterday that the organization is being sold to Steffen Dairy Foods Company, Inc., of Wichita. Plans are for the Wichita corporation to take over September 1. The Peter Pan chain was founded by H. H. Braum, father of the current owner, who now lives in Colorado Springs. Details.  
  
The Katz Drug Company, of Kansas City, announced yesterday the acquisition of Crank Drug Company stores in three states, including four stores in Wichita. Details.
- 2A. Civil Aeronautics Board examiner yesterday recommended approval of the proposed merger of Central Air Lines and Frontier Air Lines. Details.
- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority cancelled its regular meeting yesterday, since several members were out of town. Frank Neal, general manager, has reported that the Metropolitan Transit Authority is continuing to process applications for the newly created position of Metropolitan Transit Authority executive director. The executive director will replace Neal in overseeing operation of the city's mass transit system. Neal has agreed to remain with the Metropolitan Transit Authority until his replacement is named but hopes to turn the operation over to a new man by September 1.
- 11A. Bishop Leo C. Byrne, apostolic administrator of the Wichita Catholic Diocese, yesterday was named coadjutor archbishop of the St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minnesota, archdiocese. Article with details and interview with Bishop Byrne. He is 59 years old and a native of St. coadjutor bishop to Bishop Mark K. Carroll. When Bishop Carroll retired in 1963 named his successor. The Wichita diocese has a Catholic population of 85,000.

### **Sunday, August 6, 1967**

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- 5A. Formal opening of the Cessna Activities Center, 2744 George Washington Boulevard, will be held this afternoon. Cost \$300,000.
- 1C. Contracts for a \$650,000 service building for Wesley Medical Center will be let this fall and will mark the start of a ten year, \$20 million expansion program. Plans are near completion for a 175 bed extended care unit to be built simultaneously with the service building, at estimated cost of \$2.5 million. Details. Drawing.
- 2C. Photo of new offices and manufacturing plant of Koch Engineering Company under construction at 4111 East 47th North. Completion date is November 15.

**Thursday, August 10, 1967****page**

1. Long article about proposal for an American Indian Center in Wichita. Details.

**Friday, August 11, 1967****page**

- 7C. Report of death Wednesday of Leo H. Kopplin, 82, of 1317 Lewellen, son of the operator of the old City Hotel at 130 North Market, where he was born on 1885. Was musician. Married in 1907. Survived by wife, Mary, a son, Leo, of Denver, and a daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Whitney, Wichita. Photo.

**Saturday, August 12, 1967****page**

- 8A. Bernard Calkins, former owner of Wichita Rapid Transit Lines, yesterday announced the sale of his remaining interest in the Houston Rapid Transit system to National City Lines, Tampa, Florida. Friday's sale, involving some 62 buses operating on Suburban Houston routes, amounted to \$1,128,000 and completes transfer of all Rapid Transit Houston routes to the Tampa firm. National purchased the downtown routes a little more than a year ago for \$7.7 million, Calkins said. The sale reduces his bus line holdings to the San Mateo-Burlingame, California, Rapid Transit Lines, he said.

**Sunday, August 13, 1967****page**

- 1C. Construction started last week on a \$1 million plus apartment complex, Chaumont, at 7707 East Central. Details.
- 1E. Feature article about Crestview Country Club's new golf course, with map. Details. Construction on the new course has already started.

**Tuesday, August 15, 1967****page**

1. Holiday Inn of America yesterday signed agreement to consider building a 16 to 21 story motel in the 4.4 acre Civic Center North urban renewal area. Details.
- 5A. A. H. Williams, of Moline, Illinois, visited Wichita yesterday and displayed his copy of the 1878 Wichita City Directory and Immigrant's Guide. The book was originally the property of his grandfather, D. X. Williams, and was given to him by his father. D. X. Williams was one of Wichita's first residents and married Melissa Munger, daughter of D. S. Munger. Photo.

**Thursday, August 17, 1967****page**

- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday named Wichita architects Roy E. Calvin and Associates to design its new bus garage facility, and Sam L. Mobley to supervise construction. It is to be built on a three acre site south of the city prison farm.

**Friday, August 18, 1967****page**

- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority to meet today to study adoption of a \$1 a month increase in fares for students riding city buses to and from school this fall. Details.

**Saturday, August 19, 1967****page**

1. Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company yesterday announced agreement with Garvey, Inc. to build a ten story office building at Douglas and Water. Details. Drawing. (Note -- plans later changed, and the Olive W. Garvey Building built on this site).

Sedgwick County Zoological Society Inc. yesterday signed a contract with the Sedgwick County commissioners to operate the yet-to-be-built Sedgwick County Zoo. Details.

- 6A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday voted to adopt the \$1 per month fare increase for students riding buses, as mentioned above on August 18. Details.

**Sunday, August 20, 1967****page****Special section**

- 1C. Two houses are being wrecked at 2922 East Douglas to provide site for new building for the Kurdian Travel Agency and Kurdian Gallery. Construction to start about September 15 and be completed early in 1968. Details. Drawing.

1E, 20E. Special section about Kansas colleges and universities, with details, photos, etc.

**Tuesday, August 22, 1967****page**

- 2A. Fred W. Aley yesterday resigned his position on the five member Metropolitan Transit Authority board, in order to spend more time on his private practice, etc., effective immediately. Details. Photo.

**Saturday, August 26, 1967****page**

1. Federal Aviation Administration yesterday announced approval of a federal matching grant of \$1,280,000 in 1968 for a proposed \$5.5 million improvement program at Wichita Municipal Airport including building of a new northeast-southwest runway west of the terminal building. Details of total program included in article.

- 3A. Friends University yesterday announced plans for constructing a student union building this fall. To cost \$25,000 and be 60 by 80 feet. To be located just north of the men's dormitory. Details.

**Tuesday, August 29, 1967****page**

- 5A. Board of Education yesterday accepted contracts for remodeling and expansion of Southeast High School at cost of approximately \$1,212,039. Details.

Park Board yesterday let contract for construction of a community center building in Edgemoor Park at cost of \$230,000. Work to begin soon and be completed by April 1968. Details.

- 9A. Announcement of termination of proposed Air Capital Coliseum project at Pawnee and Meridian, announced about a year ago. Details.

### **Wednesday, August 30, 1967**

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- 8A. Report of death Monday of Dr. N. C. Siebert, 53, of 1109 Paige. Survived by wife, Barbara, a son and two daughters (named). Burial at Marion, Kansas, cemetery.

### **Thursday, August 31, 1967**

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1. Report of first flight yesterday of a restored Travel Air 2000 biplane, from Rawdon Field. Owner-restorer is Max Walton. The test pilot was Dave Blanton. The plane was built by Travel Air in 1927. Details. Photo.
- 8B. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Happie L. Lauchland, 87, of 3022 Oakland, widow of retired farmer Andrew D. Lauchland, who died in 1949. Born in Galesburg, Kansas and came to Wichita in 1924 from Nash, Oklahoma. Survived by a son and three daughters (named). Burial in Wichita Park Cemetery.
- 4C. Long article detailing school bus routes. Contractor is Bruce Jones and Sons, Inc., which operated 54 buses last year. This year Jones will have 96 buses and transport approximately 7500 students daily, nearly twice the number carried last year. Details. Photo.

### **Saturday, September 2, 1967**

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1. Frontier and Central Airlines yesterday received final approval of their proposed merger from the Civil Aeronautics Board in Washington, D. C. Frontier will be the surviving carrier. Details.

### **Sunday, September 3, 1967**

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- 6B. Announcement of plans to build the River View four story apartment building at 1401 West River Boulevard on site of the old residence completed for S. S. Noble in 1888. Construction to start in late September and be completed in one year. Architects are Cameron Fairchild and Associates, of Houston, Texas. To have 15 apartments. Single bedroom apartment with lease for \$375 monthly and two bedroom units will be \$555 and \$595 monthly. Details. Drawing.

The old S. S. Noble home, occupied until recently by his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Ewan, is to be razed to make way for the new River View apartments. Details. Photo.

Announcement of plans for building the S. G. Riviera garden apartment complex at 705-715 Stackman Drive. To have 48 units. Robert A. Aylward is owner and developer. Site was the home of Frederick P. Stackman who owned 130 acres of the surrounding land and reared his family there in a house, razed last spring, which he built in the 1870s. Architects are Feagins and Kirsch. Details. Construction to start about September 15 with first units ready for occupancy by April 1. Rents will range from \$225 to \$350 a month. Drawing.

Remodeling underway on ground floor of the Brown Building, 105 South Broadway, to prepare for a new tenant of the L-shaped space, Eldon's Shoes, owned by Eldon D. Ewing. Store will front on both Douglas and Broadway and will be opened about September 15.

### **Monday, September 4, 1967**

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1. Photo shows small animal cages in Central Riverside Park with rain water adjacent.

### **Tuesday, September 5, 1967**

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1. Joseph W. Arnn of St. Louis, former president of Springfield, Illinois, Transportation Company, is expected to be named first executive director of Wichita's Metropolitan Transit Authority. Frank Neal, present general manager of the bus operation, has agreed to remain with the Metropolitan Transit Authority until March 1 to aid the new executive director. He left retirement last winter to assist the Metropolitan Transit Authority in taking over the city's bus operation from Wichita Transit Corporation. Arnn presently is director of public relations and safety for American Transit Corporation, parent company of the former Wichita Transit Corporation. He has been connected with American Transit for two years. He spent 25 years with the Akron, Ohio, Transportation Company, serving five years as superintendent. He became general manager of Springfield Transportation Company in 1957, worked up to the presidency and was elected a vice-presidency in the firm's parent company, United Transit Company. He is 59 years old. Neal said the Metropolitan Transit Authority is selecting colors for the 32 new 45 passenger, air conditioned buses it is purchasing. A number of the older buses are also being reconditioned. Photo of Arnn.

### **Wednesday, September 6, 1967**

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- 5A. Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday confirmed the hiring of Joseph W. Arnn, 59, as executive director, effective September 25. Details. See above.

### **Sunday, September 10, 1967**

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10A. Report  
dairyman. Survived by two sons, Frank E. and Joseph A., both of Wichita, and six

9B. Announ  
south of Parklane Towers and east of Parklane Shopping Center. Construction started last

Construction is about half completed on new building at 4700 East Central for Oliver

Merle Yost Chrysler-Plymouth, Inc., will be in new quarters after October 15th. Two  
joining buildings at 1220 and 1226 East Douglas are being remodeled for the firm.  
Work  
Byron Stout Pontiac, Inc.

Article  
acre estate, and moved into last winter by Wichita mayor, William D. Tarrant. Details.

**Tuesday, September 12, 1967**

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Free parking at Wichita Municipal Airport ended yesterday. Automatic gate controls and  
hour attendants went into operation. Capacity of the lot has been increased about 30  
percent to  
\$2.00 per day in the "short-term" lot and 25 cents for first hour and 10 cents each

8A. Fifteen member lay advisory board formed at St. Francis Hospital. Details.

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9B. about need for improvements at nearly 50 percent of Wichita's 289 railroad  
crossings. Details.

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1. a State University's fall enrollment yesterday reached a record total of 11,347.  
Details.

Pioneer Homecoming of early-day Mount Hope residents will be October 7 and 8 at

1C. Photo of new Wichita public library.

- 2C. The former B. Davis Clothing Store building at 416 East Douglas is being converted into a tavern. Work will be completed about October 1.

**Thursday, September 21, 1967****page**

- 2A. The 1968 Kansas license tags will be black with gold letters. So far 170,000 tags have been sold in Sedgwick County in 1967, compared to a total last year of 168,000, setting a new record.

**Friday, September 22, 1967****page**

- 2A. The ocean liner "Queen Mary" arrived in New York on her 50th and last Atlantic round trip. She will sail today on her last voyage from New York to Southampton. Photo. Another photo of her sailing from New York in September 23 Eagle on page 10A.

**Sunday, September 24, 1967****page**

- 1C. Building permit issued for remodeling of the exterior of the Adair Building, 201-203 East Douglas, formerly the W. T. Grant Company store, at estimated cost of \$80,000.

Hexagon shaped Edgemoor Park Community Center building was started for the park board last week. To cost \$226,000 and be completed in early April. Architects are Calvin, Perkins, and Jones, P.A.

**Monday, September 25, 1967****page**

- 2B. Article about proposed merger of Alon Inc., of McPherson, Kansas, builder of the A-2-A Aircoupe aircraft, and Mooney Aircraft Inc., of Kerrville, Texas. Details.
- 2C. Report of dedication yesterday of the new building of the First Evangelical Free Church, 1825 North Woodlawn. Details.

**Thursday, September 28, 1967****page**

1. Report of death yesterday afternoon of Steven Calkins, two year old adopted son of Bernard Calkins, 940 Back Bay Boulevard, former owner of Rapid Transit Lines, Inc., from drowning in a fish pond in a neighbor's back yard, at the residence of O. F. Sullivan, 936 Back Bay Boulevard, long time theater owner and former Wichita mayor.

Cessna Aircraft Company yesterday announced an \$11 million contract to build 70 additional A-37B twinjet attack aircraft for the Air Force, making a total of 166 A-37s ordered by the Air Force, of which at least 25 are now being evaluated in South Vietnam.

- 5A. Resignation of Mark K. Carroll as bishop of Wichita, originally submitted in February 1963, was accepted yesterday by Pope Paul VI for reasons of advanced age and poor

health. He is 70 and was appointed former coadjutor bishop of Wichita diocese is also leaving, having been installed

### Friday, September 29, 1967

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First large railroad car for hauling Boeing 747 jetliner assemblies to Seattle arrived in this week. The special cars are 60 feet long, 19 feet high, and built by St. Paul Foundry and Manufacturing Company, St. Paul, Minnesota. Details. Photo.

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10A.

director of the new Sedgwick County zoo on Monday.

Details. Photo.

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1.

Post Office Department plans to eliminate railway post office cars from 162 passenger trains to the railroads of more than \$17.1 million annually. Details.

10B.

of population figures for Kansas cities and counties in 1967 as released by the State Board of Agriculture.

	_____	<u>Wichita</u>
1967		281,110
1964		

1D.

Work Edgemoor. Wendell B. Parks and Sons are architects. Details.

### Tuesday, October 3, 1967

5A.

Frontier Airlines route system this week. The airline is increasing its fleet of 22 53-passenger 580s to 38 of these planes and also recently placed a \$75 million order with Boeing in the Frontier fleet. Details.

### Wednesday, October 4, 1967

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Southwestern expansion program that will more than double the company's floor space in downtown building at 154 North Broadway, and five stories will be added to the company's present

seven story addition, which was completed in 1957. Details. Drawing. Photo of present building.

**Thursday, October 5, 1967****page**

1. The Santa Fe Railway announced yesterday that it will seek Interstate Commerce Commission approval to discontinue 27 passenger and mail trains, leaving only four major passenger trains in service. Wichita would lose four trains from this proposal:
  - No. 11, The Kansas Cityan
  - No. 12, The Chicagoan
  - No. 3, between Kansas City and Gallup, New Mexico
  - No. 4, between Gallup and Kansas CityDetails.

**Friday, October 6, 1967****page**

- 4C. Santa Fe Railway ad explaining company's decision to drastically reduce passenger service. Details.

**Sunday, October 8, 1967****page**

- 10F. Announcement made this week of plans to build a new twin movie theater at the Twin Lakes Shopping Center by Commonwealth Theaters, Inc. One theater will seat 650 and the other 350. They will be the first new indoor theaters to be built in Wichita since the early 1950s -- i.e., since 1952, when the Sunset, at Harry and Lulu, was opened. Other major movie houses in Wichita and their opening dates, are:
  - Crest -- January 1950
  - Tower -- July 15, 1948. Closed July 14, 1957
  - Boulevard -- February 1945
  - Uptown -- 1928
  - Orpheum -- September 4, 1922
  - Miller -- May 1, 1922Completion planned for early 1968. Details.

**Thursday, October 12, 1967****page**

1. United Fund campaign goal is \$2,315,244.

**Friday, October 13, 1967****page**

- 7C. Report of death Wednesday of Miss Elsa M. Haury, 78, of 213 South Oliver, retired voice professor at Friends University. Born in Kansas City, Kansas and came to Friends in 1934 from Newton, where she had been associated with Bethel College. Retired in 1966. Survived by two sisters, Miss Sue H. Haury, Wichita, and Mrs. Helen Boynton, Rochester, New York. Further biography. Photo. Burial at Greenwood Cemetery, Newton, Kansas.

**Sunday, October 15, 1967**

- 14A. New trademark -- an oval with flaring contrails running through the center, which replaces the which has served the airline since 1944. The paint scheme features stripes of trademark in black on the tail.

**Tuesday, October 17, 1967**

1. Report Schools Lawrence Shepoiser by Deputy Superintendent Alvin Morris, spanning the period school year 1957-58, the last with Dr. Wade Fowler as superintendent, to the 1966-67 miles to the present 152 square miles. Enrollment has risen from 55,000 in 1957 to about in 1966. Number of schools has risen from 94 to 113. The general operating budget the combined federal and state aid was \$3,503,206. In 1966-67 this had risen to

Wichita's Osteopathic Hospital yesterday announced plans for an addition estimated to \$600,000, adding 40 beds to the 60 bed facility that opened less than two years ago.

It Wheatcroft Architects and Engineering, 254 Laura. Details. Drawing. Official opening the present building was April 3, 1966. The land was purchased in 1959 but construction did not begin until December 1964.

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1. Airlines terminated its service to the Kansas cities of Wichita and Salina following Lincoln based commuter airline. The line had been operating the bi-state route with twin-deHavilland Doves and single-engined Piper Cherokee Sixes since mid-February. The engined planes. Details.

- 3A. World Airlines yesterday announced orders for 37 additional Boeing jetliners at cost of fourteen 707s, nine 727-200s, and four 727-100s. Trans World Airlines also ordered two Boeing Supersonic Transports, raising the company's total order to 12. Deliveries are scheduled from 1968 through 1972.

The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday agreed to let its new executive director, W. Arnn, increase bus service for Christmas shoppers and discontinue the five cent zone

to be coupled with a like amount from the city to purchase a new fleet of buses and build new garage facilities. A total of \$1,060,419 of the anticipated money will finance purchase of 32 new air-conditioned buses from General Motors Corporation. The balance will be used for construction of the new bus garage. General Motors has indicated five of the new buses could be delivered by the first week in December. Details about changes in schedules.

- 6C. Report of death yesterday of Mrs. May J. Van Arsdale, 83, of 1457 North Vassar, daughter of G. W. C. Jones, probate judge in the early 1900s, and widow of W. O. Van Arsdale, insurance broker here in the 1920s. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Louise Bartlebaugh, Forty Fort, Pennsylvania, and a brother, Sidney Y. Jones, of Glendale, California. Burial at Maple Grove Cemetery.

### **Saturday, October 21, 1967**

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- 11A. State Board of Regents has approved preliminary plans for a \$1,202,375 four story addition to Wichita State University's Neff Hall, which was completed in 1951 and houses the College of Business Administration. Details. Drawing page 8A. (October 22).

### **Sunday, October 22, 1967**

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- 5A. Photo of new Civic Center Auditorium under construction. It is approximately two-thirds done, with roof now on. Construction began in the summer of 1965.
- 1G. The large three story mansion in 1300 block of North Broadway is to be torn down. It was built in 1880 by Charles L. Davidson, Wichita's first mayor under the commission form of government in 1909 and 1910, and has had only three owners. Davidson, a native of New York, came to Wichita as a young boy in 1872 and was an active business man in Wichita for many years. In 1925 the house was purchased by a physician Dr. Howard G. Norton, and in 1943 it was sold to Ralph Helt, a Wichita manufacturer. A few years ago he remodeled it into an apartment house, keeping the downstairs portion for the Helt family. He and his wife built and moved to a new home last year. Now the house stands empty. Further details. Photo.

Normandy Square Apartments, 3603 West 13th, will open for its first tenants on November 18. Final completion of the 12 building, 276 apartment development will be in mid 1968. Cost \$3 million. Details.

### **Monday, October 23, 1967**

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- 10A. Ad for the Sheraton-Allis Hotel, formerly the Hotel Allis.

### **Tuesday, October 24, 1967**

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Kansas Gas and Electric yesterday announced plans to add a five story wing to its present building at 1st and Market. The new portion of the building will cost over \$1 million and is present building was completed in 1954. Details.

### **Wednesday, October 25, 1967**

- 5A. The taxes annually 1968 through 1977 to retire \$705,000 in mass transit revenue bonds. Funds the bond issue will be combined with an anticipated \$701,000 federal grant to purchase paid .276 mill, or \$126,000 in taxes, to support the transit operation. This figure was during 1966 when the mass transit system was run by a private company. During levy 0.5 of a mill as authorized by voters at a 1966 election for support of a transit system. additional .261 of a mill will be levied next year to pay off about \$120,000 in emergency operation last winter.
- 6A. W. Arn, executive director of Metropolitan Transit Authority, urged Chamber of Commerce elimination of the five cent zone fare now charged above the basic 25 cent fare when a

### **Thursday, October 26, 1967**

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Report of death yesterday of Mrs. Betty L. Heggy, 41, 921 North Peterson. Survived by

### **Saturday, October 28, 1967**

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Article about OX-5 Club dinner yesterday honoring former Wichita pilot Monty Barnes. came to Wichita in 1928 as pilot for Travel Air until 1929. Then became pilot for Central Kansas City, and in first two years of World War II worked for Fairchild Aerial Survey in

### **Tuesday, October 31, 1967**

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Article about deterioration of Park Villa shelter building in North Riverside Park says it be closed Wednesday pending a study of restoring or replacing the 55 year old structure. Details. Photos.

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1. Report of death yesterday of George M. Brown, 55, president of KARD-TV and board chairman of Wichita Ice and Cold Storage Company, following a heart attack at his home, 140 South Crestway. Born in Wichita. Graduated from University of Kansas in 1934 and married the former Mary Margaret Mandry in 1936. Further biography. Photo. Survived by widow, Mary M., three sons, George Riney, Lawrence, Kansas, John Hays, Boulder, Colorado, and Thomas William, of the home, and three daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Lynn Culver, Hong Kong, Mrs. Rebecca Ann Vaughan, Kansas City, and Mrs. Sally Margaret Crank, Wichita, his mother, Mrs. George M. Brown, Sr., and a brother, Charles L., Wichita. Entombment in Highland Mausoleum.

**Wednesday, November 8, 1967****page**

- 5A. Article relates history of Wichita's early schools in 1870s and 80s. Details.

**Thursday, November 9, 1967****page**

1. Report of death yesterday, at her home, of Miss Grace Wilkie, 83, professor at Fairmount College and University of Wichita for over 40 years. Graduated from Wichita High School in 1902. Became professor of home economics at Fairmount College in 1912 and was dean of women at Fairmount from 1921 to 1926, and then at the University of Wichita until retirement in 1953. Resided at 4230 East English. Further biography. Survived by a sister, Miss Phrone Wilkie, of the home. Photo. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery.

**Friday, November 10, 1967****page**

- 5A. Lengthy article reviewing poor finances of Metropolitan Transit Authority and need for \$7000 to 17,000 in additional funds to finish the year. A revised budget for November and December is being prepared by Metropolitan Transit Authority, to correct errors made in a revision a month ago. As of September 30, the profit and loss statement showed the transit system with a net operating loss of \$127,287.03 up to that point. From January 1, 1967 through September 30, the transit system received \$111,551.73 from the .276 mill levy, \$118,874 in emergency funds from the state, which have to be repaid next year, plus \$11,835.25 from fuel tax refunds. Through the first nine months of the year the Metropolitan Transit Authority received a total of \$632,102.67 in tax support and fare box receipts, and spent \$624,313.28.
- 2B. Article reviews history of pioneer nursing in Wichita. Details.
- 3C. Report of death yesterday of Frank L. Christopher, 80, of 1135 North Pinecrest, president of George C. Christopher and Son, Inc. Born at Chase, Kansas, and moved here with family in 1900. Entered iron and steel business in 1902 with his father, George C. Christopher, and they formed present company in 1907. Survived by widow, Birdie M., a brother and a sister (named), of Wichita. Photo. Burial in Maple Grove.

**Sunday, November 12, 1967**



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- 1C. Marina Lakes development at 21st and Amidon began last week with building permit issued for a Texaco service station at 2005 West 21st.

**Monday, November 13, 1967****page**

- 5A. Report of dedication ceremonies yesterday for the new YWCA building, 350 North Market. Details. The Wichita YWCA was founded on November 9, 1906.

**Tuesday, November 14, 1967****page**

- 1B. Another article about Metropolitan Transit Authority's budget problems -- it is facing a projected deficit of \$13,068 by year's end. Details. To be presented to City Commission Tuesday.

**Wednesday, November 15, 1967****page**

1. City Commission yesterday refused to provide more money this year for the financially hard-pressed Metropolitan Transit Authority. Details.

**Saturday, November 18, 1967****page**

1. Metropolitan Transit Authority officials announced yesterday that local banks had agreed to lend the authority money to break even this year and to increase service for the Christmas season. The five cent zone fare will be abolished Monday and buses will run more often and later starting Thursday. The Metropolitan Transit Authority will sell \$15,000 to \$20,000 in temporary notes to erase a projected deficit at year's end. Details. Effective the first of the year Metropolitan Transit Authority will expand its bus lines to run buses directly to Wichita's three largest aircraft companies, Boeing, Cessna, and Beech. Details.

Expansion of Veterans Field on the Wichita State University campus was recommended yesterday by a stadium subcommittee. The field, opened in 1946, currently has a bleacher supported seating capacity of 16,000. Details.

**Sunday, November 19, 1967****page**

1. The British government yesterday devalued the pound from \$2.80 to \$2.40. Details.
- 14A. Report of death Friday of Fred C. Koch, 67, Wichita industrialist, while on a hunting trip at Bear River, near Ogden, Utah, with R. C. McCormick, owner of the Broadview Hotel, of an apparent heart attack. Born September 23, 1900 in Quanch, Texas. Graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1922. Established his own firm, Koch Engineering Company, in 1941. Married wife, Mary, in 1932. Resides at 8500 East 13th. Also survived by four sons, Charles, 1400 North Woodlawn, William, working on

doctorate in chemical engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, David, a chemical engineer in New York, and Frederick, a dramatic teacher in New York City. Further biography. Photo. Cremation.

- 1C. Wooden windows on three sides of the First National Bank building are being replaced by "devac" double hung windows. The job will take about 60 days.

First phase of the Central Heights Shopping Center at 7305 East Central was started last week. Details.

#### **Thursday, November 23, 1967**

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- 5C. Report of death yesterday in Anthony, Kansas, of Everett McCormick, 72, lifetime Mount Hope resident. Survived by widow, Mildred, a daughter, Mrs. Maxine Underwood, Wellington, Kansas, a brother, Hersel, Eckert, Colorado, and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Woolsey, Lakewood, California, and Mrs. Marcy Johnson, Woodward, Iowa.

#### **Saturday, November 25, 1967**

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1. Will of Fred C. Koch filed in Probate Court yesterday. Details. Most left to Fred C. Koch Foundation.

#### **Sunday, November 26, 1967**

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- 5A. Photo of new extended care wing of St. Joseph Hospital under construction. Framework largely completed but no exterior walls. Work was begun last summer and occupancy is expected next summer.

The Metropolitan Transit Authority started its special holiday bus schedule Saturday. Details.

- 2D. Executive Inn, 8401 East Kellogg, known as Schimmel Inn before change in ownership this summer, is undergoing extensive remodeling. Details.

- 1F. Feature article on Dr. John Rydford, dean emeritus at Wichita State University, and his new book on Kansas place names which is to be published in March.

#### **Friday, December 1, 1967**

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1. Only a small number of riders have used the week old evening bus hours from 7:15 to 9:15 which went into effect November 24. Details. This was done along with elimination of the five cent zone fare on November 20. The first five of Wichita's new buses are expected to be on the streets by December 18. The new buses are red and white.

- 4D. The new Boeing 727-200 jetliner was certified Thursday by the Federal Aviation Administration.
- 5D. Borden's Hyde Park Dairy, 943 South McLean was sold yesterday to a corporation including one of the owners of the operation before Borden acquired it in 1961. The sale compiled with a 1964 Federal Trade Commission order requiring Borden to sell the firm. The new corporation reverts to the former name of Hyde Park Dairies Inc. Details.

**Sunday, December 3, 1967****page**

1. The first three of Wichita's new fleet of buses are expected to arrive here Monday, followed by six more on Tuesday. Joseph W. Arnn, Metropolitan Transit Authority executive director, said these first nine buses would be incorporated into the city's present fleet either December 9 or December 11.

**Tuesday, December 5, 1967****page**

- 5A. The Associated Master Barbers of Wichita yesterday announced a 25 cent increase in the price of a regular haircut, from \$2.00 to \$2.25, effective today. Details.

**Wednesday, December 6, 1967****page**

- 1D, 16D. Special Sweetbriar Shopping Center advertising section -- pages 1D-16D.

**Thursday, December 7, 1967****page**

1. The Metropolitan Transit Authority yesterday said it plans a crackdown on private bus lines operating in the city without a franchise including the Bruce W. Jones and Sons Bus Company, which signed a three year contract in September to provide school bus service for the Wichita Board of Education, reportedly for about \$450,000 per year. Jones has a fleet of about 100 school buses and was given a franchise by the City Commission last year prior to formation of the Metropolitan Transit Authority. However the franchise expired in October and has not been renewed. The Metropolitan Transit Authority has a fleet of about 44 buses. There is also the Fisher Bus Service, a three bus operation owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Fisher, 6353 Randall, which provides transportation for three parochial schools in northwest Wichita, and which received a one year extension of its franchise yesterday. Wichita's bus franchise ordinance was passed in 1965 and carries a \$10 per bus fee per year. When Jones received his three year contract in September from Board of Education, he expanded his fleet from about 54 buses to 100 plus.

Appointment announced yesterday of Most Reverend David M. Maloney, 55, Colorado Springs, Colorado, as the new bishop of the Wichita Catholic Diocese. He has been serving as auxiliary bishop of the Denver, Colorado archdiocese, and as pastor of the Church of the Divine Redeemer in Colorado Springs. He succeeds Bishop Leo C. Byrne

who was appointed coadjutor of the St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minnesota archdiocese. Born at Littleton, Colorado. Ordained to priesthood in Rome in 1936. Appointed auxiliary bishop of Denver in 1960 and transferred to Colorado Springs last August. Further biography. Photo.

**Friday, December 8, 1967****page**

1. Metropolitan Transit Authority announced yesterday that it is planning to extend bus service to Wichita's three largest aircraft plants beginning February 1, 1968. There has been no city bus service to the Boeing plant since 1955 and none to Beech and Cessna since the end of World War II. Boeing presently employs about 18,000 workers, Beech approximately 8500 and Cessna's Pawnee plant nearly 5000. Details.
  
- 8B. Boeing's new Model 737 twin-jet visited Wichita for the first time yesterday flying non-stop from Los Angeles on an airplane route proving flight test. The plane that stopped here had Lufthansa German Airlines painted on it and will be delivered to that airline this month. Details.

**Sunday, December 10, 1967****page**

- 23E. Contract awarded for third building of Wichita Area Vocational Technical School on East High School campus. Two other buildings are now under construction. Details. Drawing.

Ramada Inn, 8300 East Kellogg, is to be expanded with 51 room addition, and a second Ramada Inn on West Kellogg will be started within 90 days. Details.

**Monday, December 11, 1967****page**

- 2C. Article about Beaumont, Kansas hotel and adjacent air strip. Details. Photo. Hotel is owned by C. J. Squier.

**Friday, December 15, 1967****page**

1. A cross-shaped 27 story hotel is the apparent final form of a structure that began tentatively as a 16 or 18 story hotel to be north across Douglas from the Civic Cultural Center Auditorium. The building will be built northeast of the Garvey Building and northwest of a proposed building for the Farmers and Bankers Life Insurance Company offices. The three structures are on the 4.4 acre Civic Center north urban renewal project. Garvey Center Inc. is developer of the area. Garvey Center president, Robert A. Page, made the announcement yesterday. The expected 15 to 18 month period required for completion of the hotel could perhaps start next April. Further details.
  
- 14A. Frontier Airline passenger boardings at its 12 Kansas terminals declined 87 in November from the total in November 1966, from 6570 to 6483. Boardings at Wichita were 296 in

November 1966, and 337 in November 1967. Total listed by individual cities. Largest was 1540 at Manhattan. Frontier was merged with Central Airlines in October to form the nation's fourth largest airline in terms of route miles.

**Saturday, December 16, 1967****page**

- 14A. Report of luncheon meeting of city officials and news media yesterday at Broadview Hotel to show off one of the new Metropolitan Transit Authority buses, of which 32 are being purchased. Photo showing bus No. 2967.

**Wednesday, December 20, 1967****page**

1. Contracts totaling \$3,152,589 were let yesterday by Wesley Medical Center for the first phase of a ten year, \$20 million expansion program. The first phase includes a Y shaped, six level, extended care unit directly north of the present maternity building, and the shell structure of a new power plant building. Work on the extended care unit is to start in January 1968 and be completed January 2, 1969. The energy center will be started in March, with completion next winter. Details. Drawing.
- 13A. Bids were received yesterday for construction of 2.61 miles of I-35 West, the canal route, from 17th and Cleveland north to the I-235 interchange. Low bid was \$2,134,475. Details.

**Tuesday, December 26, 1967****page**

1. The facilities of the Midwest Medical Research Foundation, 3241 Victor Place, have been offered to the Wichita State University Endowment Association as a location for graduate and faculty research. Negotiations began last July. It would involve cancelling of a \$100,000 note on the property and renaming of the facility as the Olive W. Garvey Laboratory for Advanced Research. The structure was built in 1962. Details. Photo.

**Thursday, December 28, 1967****page**

- 5A. School bus operator Bruce W. Jones will bow to pressure from the Wichita Metropolitan Transit Authority and seek city franchise licenses for his fleet of 104 buses. Details.

**Sunday, December 31, 1967****page**

Special Section D giving highlights of 1967.

- 1D. Article about downtown building projects. The \$2.6 million library opened this year. Eby Company indicates the \$12.6 million auditorium will be completed by September. Under construction is the \$2 million, five story parking garage and drive-in bank for First National Bank. Twenty-seven story Holiday Inn is to be built in the Garvey Center. Remodeling is under way at the Sheraton-Allis Hotel. Further details. Aerial photo shows

exterior of Century II complete, only the R. H. Garvey building constructed in Garvey Center (photo on page 20D). Further details.

14D,15D. Chronology of major events in Wichita in 1967:

January 12: Martin N. Perry, 43, managing editor of the Wichita Beacon, died of a heart attack.

January 29: "Chaingang" of 600 Junior and Senior High School students moved 20,000 books to the new Public Library.

February 1: Schweiter Building was sold to a firm of Wichita oil men.

February 16: Boeing-Wichita signed a five year contract with the United States Air Force permitting continued use of Plant II for commercial as well as government production.

February 20: It was reported that Wichita's municipally operated bus system was facing bankruptcy.

February 24: Ten "Mini-buses" were leased by the Metropolitan Transit Authority to cut operating costs.

March 1: Headquarters for Lear Jet Corporation were returned to Wichita from California.

March 13: Ribbon-cutting ceremony opened new Public Library.

March 24: Trans World Airlines became the first airline to serve Wichita with all-jet aircraft.

April 3: Corner stone laid for new YWCA building.

April 8: Buck's department store announced it was quitting business.

April 10: Controlling interest in Lear Jet Industries sold to Gates Rubber Company, of Denver.

April 27: Metropolitan Transit Authority reduced service on 15 bus lines for the summer months.

May 10: Federal approval of the merger of Frontier and Central Airlines.

May 16: City Commission moved to save Metropolitan Transit Authority from bankruptcy.

May 18: Wichita Public Building Authority approved issuance of \$1,650,000 in revenue bonds to buy the Crestview Country Club property for Wichita State University.

June 5: County assessor reported Wichita population of 280,107, up 11,250, and Sedgwick County 332,122, up 13,201.

June 27: Zoological Society given contract to operate the new Sedgwick County Zoo.

July 1: The Metropolitan Transit Authority ordered longer waits and higher fares for Wichita bus patrons.

July 7: The Sheraton Corporation of America bought the Allis Hotel from the Boss Hotel Company and started a \$400,000 refurbishing job.

July 30: Racial disorder in 13th and Hillside area.

August 9: Bonds sold by county to finance \$3.65 million zoo.

August 25: Federal Aviation Administration granted \$1,280,000 in matching funds for Municipal Airport improvements in 1968.

September 1: Merger of Frontier and Central Airlines given final approval by Civil Aeronautics Board.

September 16: Wichita State University enrollment of 11,347 set a new record.

September 27: Bishop Mark Carrol resigned as head of Catholic Diocese.

October 3: Southwestern Bell Telephone Company announced plans to more than double its floor space in downtown Wichita.

October 23: Kansas Gas and Electric announced plans to add five story wing to its building.

November 12: Dedication ceremony for new YWCA building.

November 16: Police Chief Eugene M. Pond resigned.

December 6: David M. Maloney, 55, auxiliary bishop of Denver diocese named bishop of Wichita Catholic Diocese.

December 14: Plans announced for 27 story hotel across Douglas north of Civic Center.

December 19: Wesley Hospital let contracts for first phase of expansion.