

Keeper of the Plains

A 44-foot sculpture of an Indian stands at the junction of the Arkansas and Little Arkansas rivers in Wichita. Created by a well known Indian artist, Blackbear Bosin, Wichita, the statue is made of Corten steel. The first major effort of Wichita residents to celebrate the American Bicentennial, it is also the first project in Kansas to receive special recognition by the National Bicen-

THE BICENTENNIAL IN KANSAS Across Kansas communities are planning local celebrations of the American Revolution Bicentennial. Types of observances will vary—some will be single events and pageants; historical landmarks will be restored; community parks, museums and libraries will be established or enlarged. There will be concerts, movies, radio and TV shows. Some of the events will be keyed to the early Kansas trails and points of interest shown on the map below.

The first white men in Kansas were Coronado and his men in 1541 looking for the fabled golden city of Quivira. How could they know that one day this land would grow golden grain to help feed the world and that black gold would flow from its oil wells? A Kaw encampment and an old Indian village are points of interest near the route Coronado is believed to have used.

In 1806 Captain Zebulon Pike's route west crossed Kansas Entering north of Fort Scott he traveled northwest

until he reached a Pawnee village northwest of Belleville. He counseled with Indians there, then headed south and west to the Dodge City area, then west into Colorado. Other points of interest on this route are an ancient Indian cemetery near present day Salina, and Pawnee Rock. Beginning in 1821 the Santa Fe Trail was in use for 50 years and Kansas was a transportation artery in western migration. The trail began at Franklin, Mo. and continued west through Council Grove to the Arkansas river near Great Bend then southwest through Pawnee Rock, Larned and Dodge City. There were some cutoffs used that are also shown on the map. The Oregon Trail was in that are also shown on the map. The Oregon Trail was in use about the same time across northeastern Kansas. It branched from the Santa Fe Trail near Gardner and continued through what are now Lawrence, Topeka, St. Marys, and Louisville, then north to Alcove Springs, Marysville

camping spot for the Donner Party that met disaster later in the mountains.

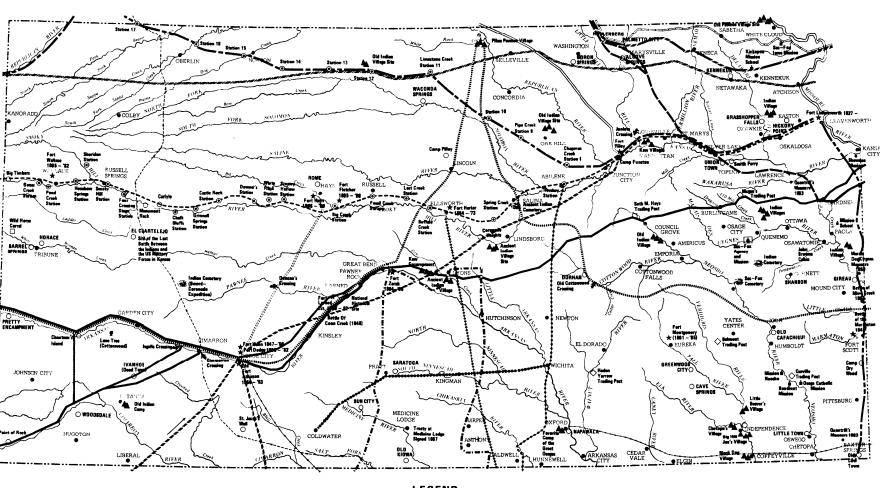
Army posts were established to protect travelers on the main trails and each post, in turn, established other routes. More trails followed to the west and the north and northwest. Each played a part in the development of Kansas and the nation.

Then in the late 1800's the early trails were replaced by the railroads and an embryo road system as the principal the railroads and an embryo road system as the principal transportation routes. Some of the old trails are near today's modern Kansas highways and the Department of Transportation along with the State Historical Society has

In Bicentennial observances, some of these early trails will be recognized for the roles they played in the develop-

erected 75 historical markers that note events and land





Capt. Zebulon Pike's Route 1806 Oregon Trail 1830-1870 Oregon Trail 1830-1870

Smoky Hill or Butterfield Overland Dispatch 1859-1870

Cattle Trail to Dodge City 1875-1885

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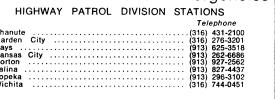
======= Fort Dodge to Fort Hayes Route 1867-C. 1880 Pony Express Trail 1860-1861
Leavenworth-Pike's Peak Express 1859-1860 Cannon Ball State Coach Road 1876-C. 1889 «—×—× Black Dog's Hunting Route

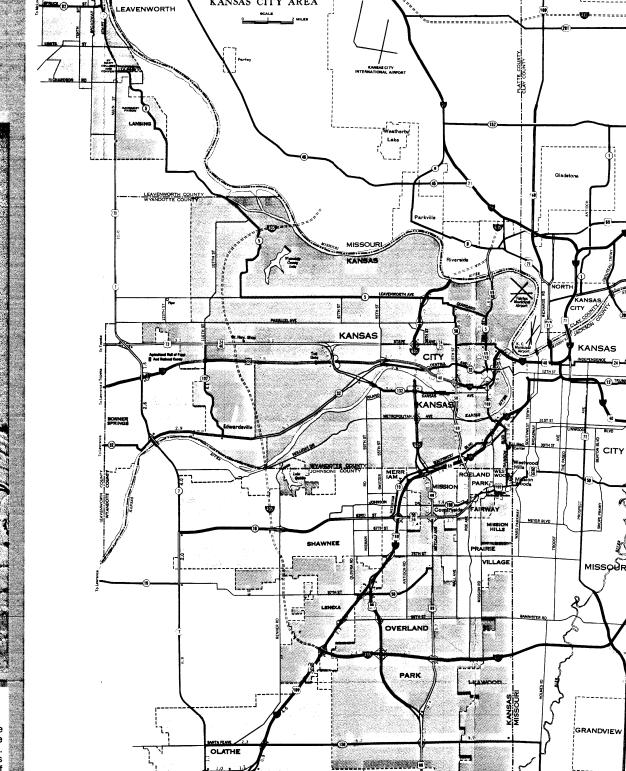
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Council Grove *
Kanopolis—SW of Salina
Lovewell—NE of Mankato
Marion—NW of Marion *
Melvern—S of Lyndon Milford—NW of Junction City Mushroom Rock—E of Ellsworth Pomona—NE of Lyndon Perry—NE of Topeka Tuttle Creek—N of Manhattan

LAKES LAKES
Atchison—NW of Atchison
Brown—E of Hiawatha
Douglas—NE of Baldwin
Geary—S of Junction City
Jewell—SW of Mankato
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Tonganoxie
Nebo—SE of Holton
Nempha—SF of Senera

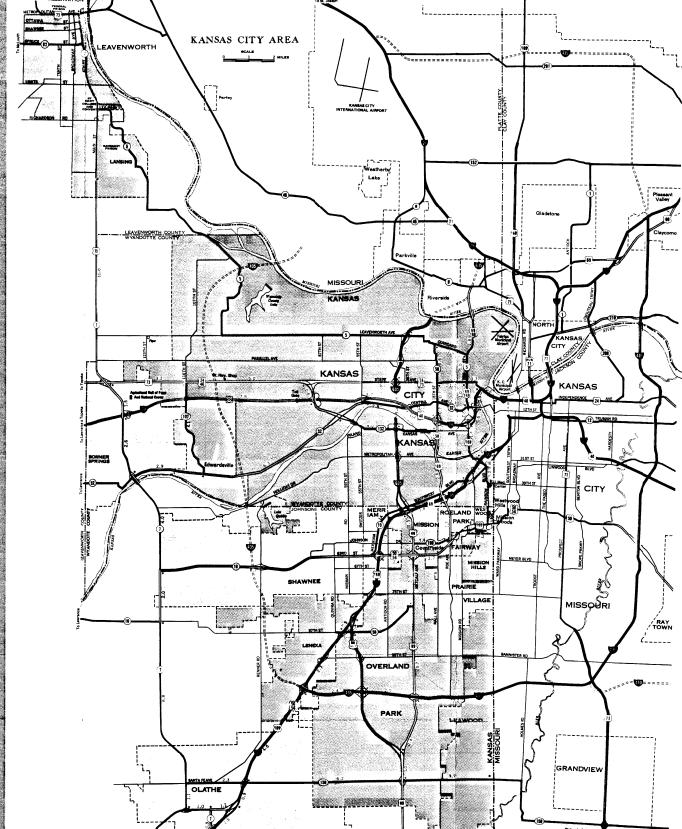
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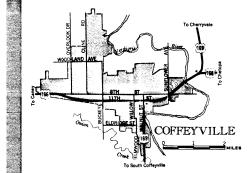


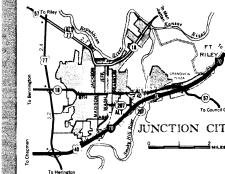


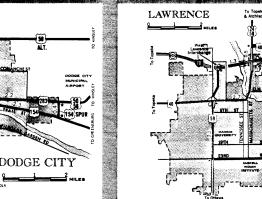
Monarch of the Plains

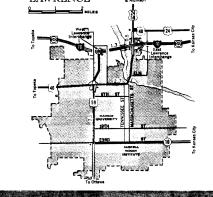
Persons driving down U. S.-183 Alternate southwest of Hays see the Monarch of the Plains at the entrance of old Fort Hays. This large buffalo was carved a few years ago by Peter Felten, Jr., Hays and is of native limestone. The statue is a memorial to the millions of buffalo that were the Indian's "cattle herds". They grazed the prairies and furnished food, clothing and other materials for the first Kansas residents.

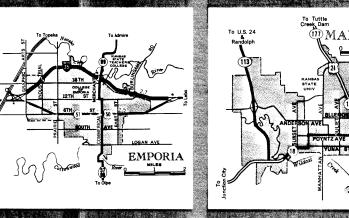


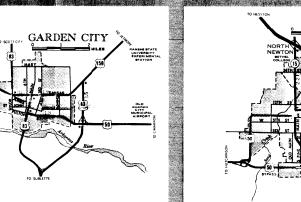


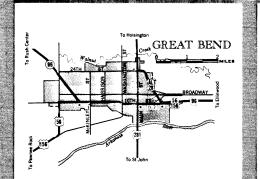




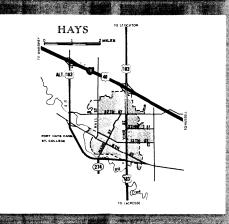


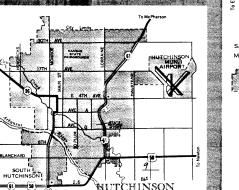


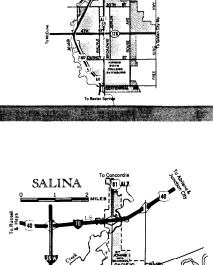


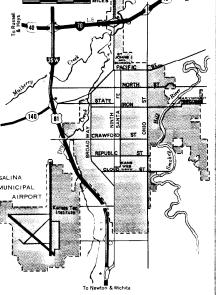






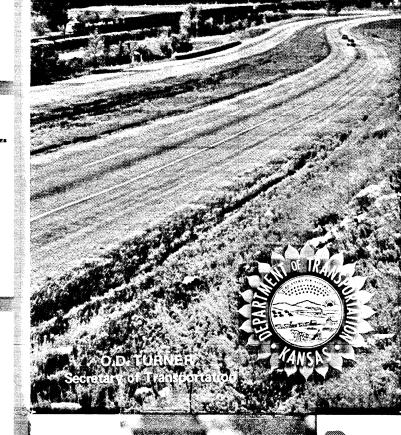


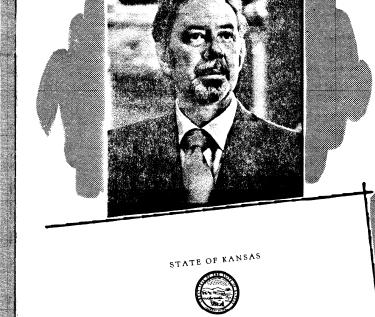






1975-76 Official Highway Map







Very sincerely,







Highway speed limits are posted on all highways at the state borders; at highway junctions; at urban limits; and at the terminals of reduced speed zones.

Kansas enforces the 55 mph national speed limit first, because it is the law and second, because it has helped a great deal to reduce the number of fatalities that result from motor vehicle

the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices as

and traffic control signals.

The Kansas Department of Transportation uses

adopted by all states for all its signing, delineation,

Enforcing the traffic laws of Kansas are the 400 troopers of the Kansas Highway Patrol. Cooperating with them in rural areas are the sheriff patrols and in the cities are the local police depart-

"Service, Courtesy, and Protection" are the watchwords as law enforcement officers make every effort to protect the public from those few drivers who display little regard for the safety of

Kansas A. M. Radio Stations

Town Call
Letters
Abilene KABI
Arkansas City KSOK
Atchison KARE
Chanute KKOY
Coffeyville KGGF
Colby KXXX
Concordia KNCK
Dodge City KGDD
Dodge City KGDD
El Dorado KOYY
Emporia KVOE
Fort Scott KMDO
Garden City KUPK
Goodland KLOE
Great Bend KVBG
Hutchinson KWBW
Larned KALN
Junction City KJCK
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Wichita 24-Hour Weather Stations State Parks, Lakes, Reservoirs NORTHWEST

Barber—N of Medicine Lodge
Cheyenne Bottoms—NE of
Great Bend
Clark—SW of Kingsdown
Ford—Hain Lake W of
Spearville
Hamilton—NW of Syracuse
Kearny—E of Lakin
Kiowa—NW of Greensburg SOUTHEAST PARKS AND RESERVOIRS Cheney—N of Cheney Crawford—N of Girard Elk City—NW of

Independence
Fall River—SE of Eureka
John Redmond—N of

LAKES
Bourbon—E of Elsmore
Butler—NW of Latham
Chase—W of Cottonwood Falls
Cowley—E of Arkansas City
Crawford—N of Pitteburg
Kingman—W of Kingman
Lyon—NW of Reading
McPherson—W of Canton
Montgomery—SE of
Independence
Neosho—NE of Parsons
Osage—S of Carbondale
Strip Pits—Bourbon, Cherokee, Crawford and Linn
Counties
Wilson—S of Yates Center
Woodson—E of Toronto Nebo—SE of Holton
Nemaha—SE of Seneca
Ottawa—NE of Bennington
Pottawatomie No. 1—N of
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