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## Columbian P-T.A. Asks Valley View Connecting Walk

The question of how Valley View addition to Platts-mouth could get a connecting sidewalk on Chicago Avenue brought a few hot words but mostly a spirit of co-operation at a meeting of the Platts-mouth City council Monday night.

This was likely the largest item of the meeting for a council which lost its last experienced councilman with the resignation of D. L. Grove, whose letter stating this was read, accepted and placed on file. His post was taken by Douglas Wotier leaving councilmen all freshmen. (See separate story in today's Journal)

### Councilman



Mr. Grove handed in his resignation last week, the second councilman in a month to do so. Howard Hirz resigned in September, both saying they needed more time for the business. Mr. Grove had been elected president of the council at a previous meeting. Both Hirz and Grove were experienced councilmen.

Valley View residents, who said they were alarmed at the danger of the children walking to school along Chicago Avenue, which carries the heavy traffic of Highway 73-75-34, were at the council meeting in force to ask the council to do something about it. But property owners along the strip from Louisville road to the Valley View turn, were also present. One plan submitted by Engineer Robert Mann of Platts-mouth would tile the ditch along the west side of the highway where it runs too close to the road to build a walk. This appeared costly. A second plan was put forth by Raymond Smock, for his father, Jack Smock, who owns abutting property. The use of concrete tile to cross the ditch was offered by Mr. Smock along with an easement on his property on the west side of the ditch so that the walkway could be brought south to cross where the ditch swings west, making room the remainder of the walk on the east side. A bridge would connect them. The council voted to have an engineer draw up plans and specifications in line with Mr. Smock's plans.

## Gapen Services Set Saturday Murray Church

Funeral services for Lloyd Gapen, once a prominent farmer in the Murray vicinity, will be held at the Murray Christian church at 10 a. m. Saturday.

Mr. Gapen, who was 85, died at the home of his son at Benkelman, Neb. Tuesday, Oct. 11. He had been ill for four months. Rev. Robert E. Larson will conduct the Saturday rites. Burial will be in Horning cemetery.

Mr. Gapen was born on Oct. 13, 1869, at Platts-mouth, the son of Joshua, and Maria Eikenberry Gapen. He was married in 1891 at Murray to Catherine Young, who preceded him in death in July, 1952.

Mr. Gapen and his family moved to western Nebraska in 1919. He was a retired farmer. He is survived by one son, Oliver Gapen of Benkelman, A daughter, Villa Mar, died in 1955.

Sattler Funeral Home at Platts-mouth is in charge of arrangements.

## Police Court

Guy Long, 402 South Eighth, Platts-mouth, \$3 and \$4 costs, failing to yield right of way to pedestrian at corner of Main and Fifth.

Walter Heil, 920 Second Avenue, Platts-mouth, failing to stop at school stop sign, \$3 and \$4 costs.

W. Earl Dyer, 128 North Sixth, Platts-mouth, \$10 and \$4 costs, speeding.

John Selwyn, Achia, Wyo., forfeited \$25 bond, speeding.

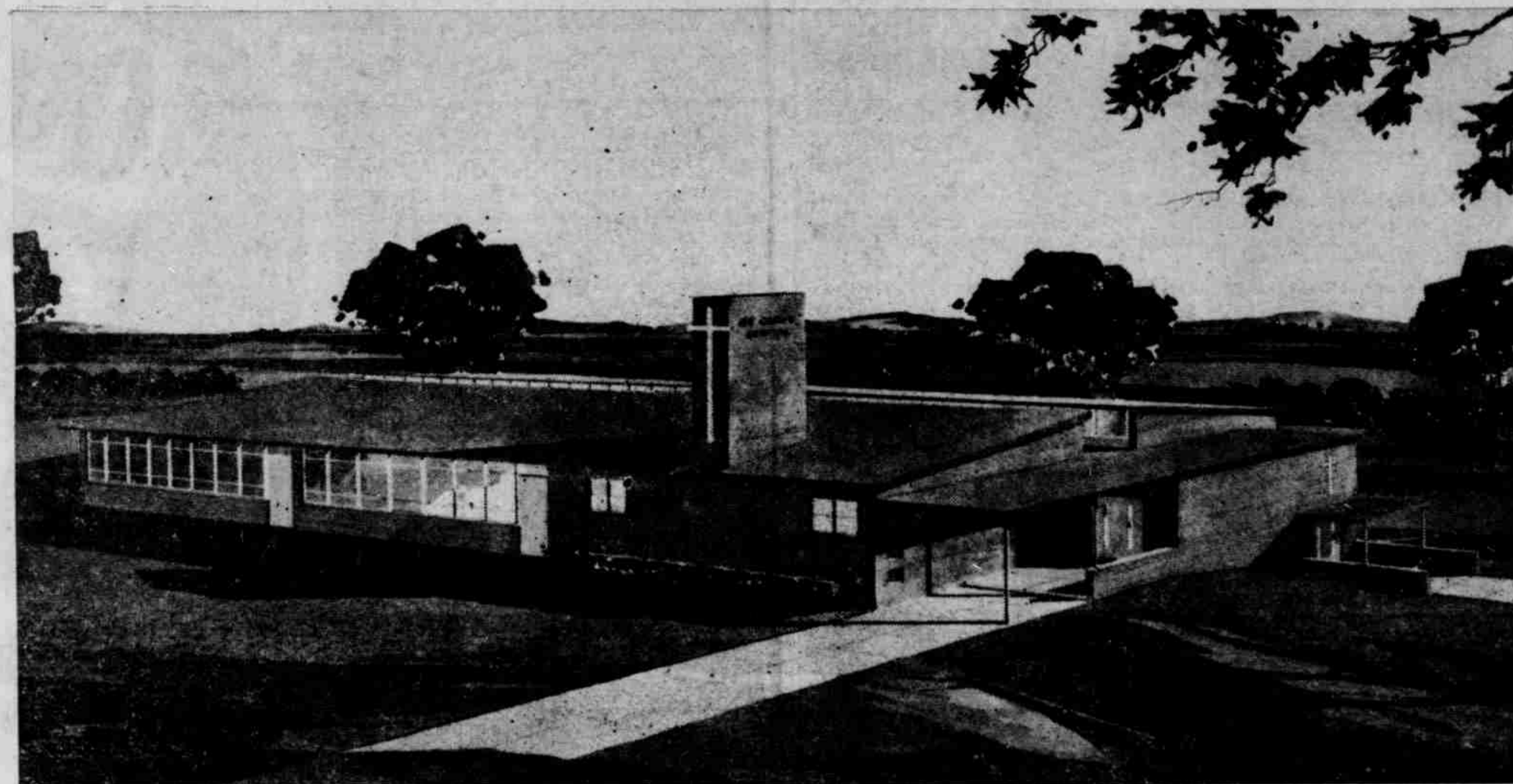
Richard B. Smith, Waterbury, Neb., forfeited \$10 bond, speeding.

**THE WEATHER**  
Compiled for the Platts-mouth Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Platts-mouth, Nebraska.

Date	H	F	Pre.
Monday	78	48	
Tuesday	83	54	
Wednesday	82	52	
Thursday	82	52	

Forecast: Today (Thursday) sunny, cool and dry, high 70, to-night fair and cool, low about 40.

## St. John's Future Grade School



"This school is built for children," Charles Ingalls, architect, told the Platts-mouth Lions Club Tuesday night in explaining the proposed St. John's grade school for which bids will be opened Oct. 20. Scaled to size for children, the new building will be 112 feet long, fronting on Fifth street; 60 feet wide, one side along Avenue C. It will provide 28 square feet of space for each child with five class rooms, a principal's office, clinic and workroom and a 40x100 hall downstairs. It will be built of masonry with

concrete floors. As shown in the architect's drawing, there will be one step up under porch at the entrance on Fifth. There will be 66 feet of book shelves. Each classroom will contain a sink, drink bubbler and a library corner. Glass walls from two feet, eight inches up from the bottom and a two feet, 10-inch overhang will give double light source for classrooms. The building will be of masonry and steel, concrete floors and wood frame above classrooms. It is expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

## Nobody Is Injured In Two-Truck Crash

No injuries were reported in a two-truck accident which occurred at 4 p.m. Wednesday three miles north of Platts-mouth on Highway 73-75. Cass County Sheriff Tom Solomon, who investigated the accident, said that a truck driven by Howard Lee Hesson, 26, of Dallas, Tex., stopped on a curve to allow a car in front of his truck to make a left turn. A truck, loaded with eight tons of rock, overtaking the halted vehicle, rammed its rear when the driver, Charles D. Brewer of Bellevue, was unable to stop his machine in time. Damage was to the rock truck, estimated at \$150.

## Roy R. Baker Rites

Time and hour of funeral rites for Roy Richard Baker, 37, formerly of Platts-mouth, who died at Beatrice, have not been set. The body was being returned to Platts-mouth today (Thursday). Notice of the funeral may be had by calling Sattler Funeral Home, 3123. No other details were available today.

## Shop Avenue Gets Asphalt Bath



Councilman William Highfield, Platts-mouth street commissioner, is shown here checking the penetration of asphaltic oil poured on Lincoln avenue. The Northern Iowa Asphalt company put a penetrating coat on the dirt part of Shop avenue all the way to the Consumers Public Power District Substation this week. Left side of this picture shows road after sand coat was applied. This is the first treatment of three over a three year period which will be applied to this and many other blocks of Platts-mouth streets. The oiling is low-cost and is said to be durable.—Journal Photo.

## I. James Hall Rites Friday At Platts-mouth

Funeral services for I. James Hall, 71, will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Caldwell-Linder Funeral Home in Platts-mouth. Burial will be in Oak Hill cemetery.

Mr. Hall died Wednesday at his Platts-mouth home.

Isaac James Hall was born Oct. 7, 1884, at Platts-mouth, son of Dr. Joseph Hall and Jessie Wiles Hall. After graduation from Platts-mouth high school in 1901, he was employed by the Burlington at Platts-mouth and Havelock in the supply and operating department. Later he was in the employ of the Wash-bash as storekeeper at Moberly, Mo., then transferred to the auditing department at St. Louis. He then went with the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad at Pittsburg, Pa., and Canton, Ohio, in the store-keeping department.

Mr. Hall retired from railroad work and was in the farming and livestock business near Murray for about 20 years. In recent years he had lived in Platts-mouth, giving generously of his time to community service. For ten years he was superintendent of the Agricultural Hall for the Korn Karnival. He served for a time as clerk for Local Draft Board No. 1, and for many years was a member of the Cass county Canvassing Board for verifying the election returns.

Mr. Hall was a member of the Christian Church at Platts-mouth, having joined in his youth. He was also an active member of the Platts-mouth Eagles lodge having served as secretary and on the board of directors.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. M. M. Soule, Evanston, Ill.; two nieces, two uncles, Luke L. Wiles, Platts-mouth and I. R. L. Wiles, Manchester, Mo., and a number of cousins.

Visiting hours will be held from 4-6 and 7-9 Thursday afternoon and evening at the Funeral Home.

## Scanton Rites Held

Funeral services for Daniel Scanton, father of Bart and Leo Scanton of Platts-mouth, were held at Manila, Iowa, Wednesday. Mr. Scanton died on Oct. 9.

## Court House

A partition suit has been filed in district court by Mabel Dall and others against Ernest Mann and others asking the division of 80 acres of land near Manley. County court:

Joseph Chladek, no address given, \$10 and \$4 costs, overweight truck.

Martin J. Robinson, Bloomington, Neb., \$25 and \$4 costs, speeding at night.

Earl James Goff, \$11 and \$4 costs, speeding.

Steve Curtis, Rutland, Ill., \$16 and \$4 costs, speeding.

Clyde Leonard Bryant, Council Bluffs, Iowa, \$11 and \$4 costs, speeding.

Cecil Wayne Chapman, Omaha, \$11 and \$4 costs, speeding.

Arrests were by members of the Nebraska Safety Patrol and state deputies.

## Farm Air Tour Is Next Tuesday

**WEEPING WATER**—An air tour for Cass count farmers will be held Tuesday, Oct. 18, at the Weeping Water airport. This is sponsored by the Cass soil conservation district with the cooperation of implement dealers in the county and the Soil Conservation Service.

Land-owners and operators and their families are invited to take a free ride to get a bird's-eye view of their farms. Many of those who rode on the tour last year said that no other way can compare with flying to get a good look at one's farm. Planes will be available from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Minors must be accompanied by a parent.

## Gilmore Rites Wednesday at Murray Church

Funeral services for Dr. George H. Gilmore, 89, long time physician and amateur archeologist, were held at the United Presbyterian church in Murray Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Roy P. Morris conducted the rites. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery at Platts-mouth with graveside services by the Platts-mouth Masonic lodge.

Dr. Gilmore died at his home in Murray last Sunday after an illness of several months.

Music for the services was by Mr. Dale Wohlforth, vocal soloist, and Mrs. Olin Morris, organist.

Casket bearers were Olin Morris, James Comstock, Edward Wehrlein, Edward Howard, Charles Boedecker and James R. Franks.

Dr. Gilmore was born in Cass county at Mount Pleasant, Nebraska Territory, on Aug. 20, 1866, the son of John Gilmore and Nancy Helen Massie. He was educated at Peru State Teachers and Rush Medical College, and practiced medicine in Murray for over 60 years. He was also an amateur archeologist, who made many important finds along the Missouri river and in the Cass county area.

He was a past president of the Masonic lodge, having received his 50-year pin in 1948; the Knights Templar; past commander of American Legion Post No. 157; member of the Cass County Medical Society; Society of American Archeologists; past president of the Cass County Historical Society and a member of Nebraska Sons and Daughters, enlisted in the U. S. Army in World War I where he later commanded a medical unit and emerged as captain. He was a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

His only immediate survivors are his son, Dr. John E. Gilmore of Santa Monica, Calif., who was here for the funeral, and a granddaughter, Jo Anne Gilmore.

A son and daughter preceded him in death. His wife, the former Elizabeth Walker, to whom he was married on Oct. 30, 1901, at Murray, preceded him in death on Nov. 14, 1951.

The Cub Scouts of Den 5 and Mrs. Delores Hansen and Mrs. Velma Kief enjoyed a wiener roast on the river banks of the Missouri, Tuesday evening after school.

## Gary Hild Is Candidate for Rotary Plum

Gary Hild, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hild and a student at the Nebraska University of Agriculture has been selected as Platts-mouth Rotary Club's candidate for a Rotary Student Fellowship, it was announced at Tuesday's meeting by President Steve Davis.

While Hild's selection as a candidate in no way assures him of this opportunity as he will be competing against several others from this district, it does honor his high character, ability and scholastic records. If awarded the honor, Hild would have an opportunity to spend a year in a foreign country of his choice for study at Rotary expense.

Other reports included an unanimous vote to cooperate in the drive by making solicitation in designated areas as a special assist to Mrs. L. A. Amato, local chairman. It was also announced a "new" piano should be in place by next meeting, replacing one that has seen service for about 25 years—also better days.

Guests were Emil Wurl, former member now residing at North Platte, and Junior Rotarians, Verne Kaffeberger, senior, and Bob Beaven, junior.

## Power District Puts Question To High Court

Consumers Public Power District has filed notice of the District's intent to appeal a question to the State Supreme court of Consumers' right to construct power plants in eastern Nebraska.

The filing took place after District Judge Emerson Koler overruled both Consumers' and the Nebraska Public Power Systems' motions for a new trial in Platte county District Court.

Pointing out that Consumers views eastern Nebraska's power situation as critical, C. P. P. D.'s General Manager, R. L. Schacht said, "We still believe it is our duty to provide adequate power for our customers at the lowest possible cost." He also noted that carrying the case to the Supreme Court need not delay essential work agreed to by the Consumers' Board of Directors as being necessary to meet power needs of the immediate future.

Consumers has already agreed to support a short-range emergency program consisting of a \$6,400,000 transmission program proposed by the Nebraska Public Power System. Consumers has also agreed to the construction of a large steam generating station, such as suggested by the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, providing the construction and operation could be assured on an economically feasible basis.

In carrying the case to the Supreme Court, Consumers is taking steps to seek a reversal of the decision of the District Court, which would bar Consumers from building a power plant to serve the expanding power requirements of its 100,000 eastern Nebraska customers.

Clifford Sutton underwent surgery Monday at Veterans hospital Omaha. He is in Ward 7 W.

## Construction Bids Opening Oct. 20 St. John's School

Bids for construction on St. John's Parish School building in Platts-mouth, a project which may involve \$100,000, will be opened on Oct. 20. Starting date will be as soon as possible after contracts are signed.

This was explained to the Platts-mouth Lions Club at a meeting Tuesday night here by Rev. Raphael Chonta, assistant pastor of the parish in charge of the project, and Charles Ingalls, architect.

## Boy Scout Fund Drive to Open Here Oct. 25

Boy Scouts fund drive in Platts-mouth will jump off on Oct. 25. Mrs. Louis Amato, drive chairman has announced.

Mrs. Amato has sought the help of all Platts-mouth organizations and has the promise of several.

Representatives of co-operating will meet with the chairman at Mack's Kitchen at 8 p.m. next Tuesday to lay campaign plans.

In outlining her campaign, Mrs. Amato appealed as follows: The Boy Scouts of America are ready and eager partners in every community effort to build boys into men of character and train them for their citizenship responsibilities. Scouting is a program in which boys, from eight years old upward can learn how to do things for themselves and for other people. It is a program that develops physical fitness, skill, self-reliance, courage, and high ideals of service to God and country.

These things are accomplished in partnership with the home, the school, the church, and other institutions which accept responsibility for the proper guidance and education of the boys and young men of the community.

Boy Scouts in this area have made steady progress in membership and in the training of adult leaders. In order to further expand this vitally important program, Platts-mouth will conduct its annual budget campaign Oct. 25. Every citizen is invited to assist the Boy Scouts of America as they strive for their financial objective.

Rev. Chonta told the Lions that the present enrollment of 114 at St. John's school is now crowded into three rooms and that, though they might need four rooms at present, the new building will contain five class rooms in preparation for any future influx. Presently three teaching sisters at the school have an average of 38 students each, considered an overload.

The school site is at the corner of Avenue C and Fifth street, just northeast of St. John's church.

Rev. Chonta, in his talk, said that church schools are not alien to the United States and pointed to the first great universities, Yale, Harvard, Princeton, which were founded by protestant bodies.

He quoted the Most Reverend Bishop Kucera, who broke ground for the school here this summer, that Catholics have no difficulties with public schools. "They have a definite purpose in American life, and Catholics without fail support these schools with the payment of their taxes, but because Catholics believe that their children must be raised for eternity, they are willing to impose an extra burden upon themselves to support a system that makes for adequate soul growth. Catholics want their children to know that faith is not truth alone, but life."

Rev. Chonta points out that the church school here reduces the public school crowding problem.

Later in his talk Rev. Chonta said, "Personally, I want to state that St. John's Parish is going to be proud of this new building of culture. We also know that you civic minded people of Platts-mouth are also going to rejoice with us over this excellent addition to the community. The Lion's Club is interested in these projects. We believe that you know of financial difficulties. St. John's people are doing a wonderful thing in supporting two school systems. History cannot point to a more broad-minded action. When we build this new building with a large debt being added, we believe you will not only respect us for it, but that you will help us with this project."

Charles Ingalls, the architect for the school, outlined the details of the school to the Lions.

## Fall Breaks Wrist

Ronnie Richards, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Richards of Platts-mouth has his arm in a sling today after he fell at school and broke his wrist. He was treated at St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha and has returned home. He is a fourth grader at Central school.

## Tye Acreage Sold

Sale of the Herb and Katie Tye improved 40 acres just west of Platts-mouth to John and Helen Altschaffl has been announced by Steve Davis, local realtor. The Altschaffls will take possession on or before Nov. 15.

## Council Names Jim McMillian President Succeeding Grove

Jim McMillian, Platts-mouth insurance agent, was elected president of the Platts-mouth city council Monday night. He succeeds D. L. Grove who resigned.

Mr. McMillian is the third council president since the body organized last May following the spring election. Howard Hirz then the senior council member, resigned his council post and the presidency in September. Mr. Grove was named president on Sept. 27 but also stepped out of the council when his resignation was approved Monday night. Both gave business reasons for resigning.



Jim McMillian

The council also approved Mr. Grove's successor as councilman. He is Douglas Wotier, an Allied Chemical plant employee.

Besides talking to Valley View residents about a sidewalk, the council Monday night also:

1. Declared O. W. and Clark Finney low bidders on a sanitary sewer for the Highland addition to Platts-mouth. The Finney bid was \$2,061.25. Engineer's estimate was \$2,420. The only other bidder, Anchor Construction company, placed a bid of \$2,271.08.

2. Accepted street improvement districts petition for asphaltic oil on Tenth avenue, Avenue D to Avenue G; 14th street. Main street to second avenue; Avenue F from 10th to 11th, and turned them over to the city attorney for checking.

3. Allowed a curb cut on Clinton street for Robert Slavicek; allowed W. A. Swatek to break the curb on Main street to enlarge his driveway; approved a sanitary sewer excavation across Ninth street for Marion Taylor

4. Accepted Clifford Dasher as a volunteer fireman and placed his name on the records.

5. Set up a \$25 petty cash fund for the police station.

6. Approved new street lights for Avenue A, east of Third; Avenue C and 10th street; Avenue C and Maiden Lane.

7. Placed on file a police magistrate's report on 27 arrests amounting to \$297 in fines and costs for a two-week period. Filed a parking meter receipts report for two weeks, amounting to \$467.