

Council To Name Special Boards For Bond Election

Plattsmouth city councilmen Monday night agreed to name a separate election board to accept ballots for the special park-pool bond election which is to be held in conjunction with the November 6 general election.

City clerk Albert Olson Tuesday said county officials, acting on advice received from state sources, to "use general elections boards to handle the Plattsmouth question."

A multiplicity of duties already confronting general election boards; the fact that handling the park-pool election would require a dual bookkeeping system, were among the reasons listed for the naming of special and separate elections boards for the Plattsmouth bond proposal.

Olson said names of board members who will handle the special election will be announced by his office in the near future.

Voters in the special election will be asked to approve the issuance of \$90,000 in bonds which will be used for the construction of an L-shaped swimming pool 100 feet by 40 feet plus a purification system, bath houses and parking area for approximately 400 cars. The pool will be located on a 10-acre plot adjacent to Oakmont drive and Hillcrest subdivision.

To the west of the pool area is 30 to 40 acres that pool sponsors say will make an ideal city park. Much of the land is heavily wooded and would make an ideal site for a park.

Under terms of the proposed bond issue, no increase will be made in the present 25 mill levy. Funds for retirement of the park-pool bonds would be taken from levies already made for payment of previous issues.

The city at present is paying in advance some issues of general obligation bonds. First payment on park-pool bonds would not be due until 1958 and it is felt by that time present obligations would allow ample funds under the existing mill levy to retire the bonds without a mill levy increase.

Backers of the proposal believe approval of the park-pool plan is an important step in the progress of Plattsmouth and emphasize construction of park and pool will, through its recreational attraction, add to the city's value as home for future industry.

City councilmen were somewhat startled to discover a call for bids for a new Plattsmouth (Continued on Page 6)

New Plymouth To Be Seen On Oct. 30th

Longer, wider and more powerful, the 1957 Plymouth will go on display at the R. V. Bryant Motor Co. in Plattsmouth on Tuesday Oct. 30.

The 1957 Plymouth models are as much as five inches lower than corresponding 1956 models. The wheelbase has been lengthened from 115 inches for all models in 1956 to 118 inches for standard models and 122 inches for suburban station wagons in the 1957 line.

New styling gives the new car an appearance of greater length and, aiding in the impression, are a broad hood, soaring tail fins and forward thrusting headlight canopies.

Plymouth officials say they have accomplished one of the car's most significant changes since the introduction of front wheel suspensions with Torsion-Aire. This change eliminates coil springs which are said to produce a new kind of ride and handling.

All of the 1957 Plymouths have more powerful engines. The standard V-8 for all models except the Plaza in the new Fury 301, the number signifying displacement. The Plaza V-8 retains a displacement of 277 cubic inches but, like the Fury 301, has a new camshaft, carburetion and other innovations.

Other features to be offered include a new integral all-weather air conditioning system which combines heating, cooling, dehumidifying and ventilating in one underhood unit and is available on all V-8 models; padded instrument panel; new safety recessed center steering wheel; new full-view windshields with 45 per cent greater glass area in sedans and 43 per cent greater in hardtops.

As in 1956, Plymouth for 1957 offers four lines of standard automobiles. Belvedere is the top line, Savoy the middle and Plaza the lowest priced. A two-door hardtop is available in the Savoy line and both a two-door and four-door hardtop are available in the Belvedere line.

Suburbans again in 1957 make up a distinct line of cars, in three groups: Deluxe, custom and sport, coming in 12 models.

Clem Woster On Glen Cunningham Program

Former Mayor Clement Woster of this city was one of those appearing on the TV program Tuesday evening from Omaha. The show was interviews with members of the public in support of Glen Cunningham, former Omaha mayor, now Republican candidate for congress from the second district.

THE WEATHER

Compiled for the Plattsmouth Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Plattsmouth Nebraska.

October 22, 23, 24, 1956

	High	Low	Prec.
Monday	70	50	.00
Tuesday	66	42	.00
Wednesday	76	46	.10

Forecast: Cloudy today and tonight with scattered light showers. High in upper 50's. Expected low in mid 30's. Cooler Friday. Sun sets tonight at 5:29. Sun rises tomorrow at 6:47 a.m.

Iowa County To Prosecute Gerald Record

Fremont County Iowa attorney John Thornell has indicated he will file manslaughter charges against former Plattsmouth resident Gerald Record following the fatal shooting of Record's mother, Mrs. Earl Record, Sunday in Sidney, Iowa.

Mrs. Record died Sunday in St. Mary's hospital, Nebraska City, of a bullet wound which Iowa officials say was inflicted by a bullet which Gerald had intended for himself in a suicide attempt.

Gerald Record, 30, Tuesday was sentenced to eight years in the Iowa state prison, Ft. Madison, for accidentally killing his mother, Mrs. Earl Record, while attempting to commit suicide Sunday.

Record entered a plea of guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced by District Judge Vernon Johnson, The farm laborer and former Plattsmouth resident began serving his prison term Wednesday.

Fremont County Coroner Dr. Ralph Lovelady said Record incurred a flesh wound in the shoulder. The bullet which wounded Record continued on, striking his mother in the chest.

Doctor Lovelady said Record borrowed a gun after threatening suicide, went to his parents' home where he apparently made the suicide attempt.

The coroner, in his report, said Record went to his mother's home early Sunday and threatened to kill himself but that his mother thought she had talked him out of the action.

But Doctor Lovelady said Record later borrowed a .22 caliber rifle from Burl Dyke to go squirrel hunting. Dyke had no shells, the coroner said, and Record borrowed ammunition from another neighbor, Rufus Lockett.

Returning to his parents home Record stood on the porch talking to his mother when he pointed the gun at himself and fired. The version released by Fremont County officials alters original press reports which indicated Record had fired at his mother.

Record is being held in Fremont County jail by Sheriff Al Christopher.

George Haith Trial Is Continued Until November 2

Trial date for George T. Haith, 523 Seventh St., Plattsmouth, charged with driving while intoxicated, has been continued until 9 a. m. November 2, by Police Judge J. Howard Graves upon the request of city attorney Harold Lebens.

Haith, who is represented by attorney Francis M. Casey, has posted a \$150 cash appearance bond.

In other police court actions before Judge Graves, Ray Schubert, Tecumseh, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of reckless driving.

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Two Drivers Miss Injury In Crash Of Cars Wednesday

City patrolman Wayne Schneider and John S. Chappell, escaped injury Wednesday morning when their cars collided on First Avenue near South Sixth St.

Investigating city officer Estil Jenkins said Schneider was traveling east on First Ave. when a car driven by Chappell pulled from a parking lot. The cars collided with an unestimated amount of damage done the rear fender of Schneider's vehicle.

Schneider did not own the car he was driving but was trying it out with intentions of considering it for purchase.

Huebner Grand Opening Meets With Success

"A tremendous success," was Al Huebner's description of Saturday's grand opening of his new Phillips 66 service station on Chicago Avenue.

The event, publicized only in the Plattsmouth Journal, drew customers into the station driveway at such a clip Huebner found it necessary to use the services of 14 attendants.

In addition, the rapid influx of business sent the boss scrambling for more bacon when it was determined demand would far outweigh supplies which pre-opening estimates had deemed sufficient.

All told, Huebner's station handed out better than 600 pound packages of bacon to customers who came in and said: "Fill 'er up."

The grand opening was actually a dual celebration for Huebner who, in addition to observing the opening, was also feting his 15th year of business in Plattsmouth.

Construction of the new service station was begun in July and completed two weeks ago. The structure was erected to specifications supplied by the Phillips company's engineering department and is considered one of the country's finest.

Avoca Farmer Injured When Caught In Saw

AVOCA (Special)—Ernest Dieckman, 45, farmer living west of Avoca on the Herman Leefers farm, was taken to the St. Joseph's hospital, Omaha Monday after receiving back and leg injuries when his clothes were entangled in the power take off while combining milo.

The men working with him thought his heel was caught in the machinery.

He suffered no broken bones but large areas of skin was torn off his legs and torso. He was thrown several feet from the machine.

Later in the week neighbors took ten corn pickers, two corn shellers and finished his corn and shelled it.

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Three Youths Being Held By City Police

Three teenagers this morning were in custody of the Plattsmouth city police on hold orders placed against them by officials of Nebraska City and Omaha.

The three, whose ages range from 14 to 17, were picked up early this morning near the A&W root beer stand by police officers Fred Tesch and Lawrence Chappell.

The two lawmen were amazed, upon searching the youths, to find them supplied with what appeared to be enough keys to open the door of every business house and home in Plattsmouth. Actual count turned up 97 keys of varying sizes and description.

The department this morning said all three youths were "keeping mum," and even under questioning had refused to reveal names or addresses. Although several different kinds of identification papers were uncovered, city police were inclined to believe none belonged to any of the jailed lads.

When apprehended at 1:15 by officers the youths were standing on a corner near the root beer stand.

Bicycle Brigade Solicits Funds Omaha School

You should be on the lookout for a "bicycle brigade".

A local woman informs this newspaper that early Sunday evening she answered her door to find a young girl about 12 years of age who told her a long story about her school burning down in west Omaha.

She also stated that she was soliciting funds to help rebuild classrooms as the district did not have the money to replace the structure so the children could get back to their studies.

Accompanied by two or three other young girls, the girl was informed that with taxes being paid here to support the city's own schools, it was out of the question to ask Plattsmouth residents to donate towards building schools in Omaha.

The girl joined the others and rode north out the avenue.

If you are approached by this or any other group soliciting funds for out-of-town charity purposes, you should phone police at once in order that an investigation can be made.

Harold Austin Home Damaged By Fire

The fire department was called Monday evening shortly after 6 o'clock to the Harold Austin residence, 304 Second Avenue. It was found that a skelgas stove had exploded and caused a small flash fire. There was a great deal of smoke in the house as two mattresses were damaged.

Mrs. Austin suffered injury in the fire by having leg burns. Damage to the premises was estimated by Chief Kruntorad at \$150.

Community Census To Get Underway In City On Monday

Injured Man Remains On Critical List

The condition of John Altschaff, injured Saturday night in a street fight, is "critical," and hospital authorities report he probably will remain in that condition for the next 30 days.

Altschaff, a Plattsmouth contractor, is suffering a concussion fractures of the skull and ruptured blood veins in the head. It is reported the injured man, in a coma for several days following the accident, is now conscious at intervals.

He was hurt in an altercation with Carl Morehead, his partner in a contracting business, at Fourth and Main late Saturday night. Apparently the pair were arguing some personal business when Morehead struck Altschaff who fell to the sidewalk. In falling Altschaff struck his head on the concrete.

County attorney James Begley today said he is contemplating no action in the case at present. He said future action depends on the outcome of Altschaff's fight for life in Omaha Veterans Hospital.

Morehead and Altschaff have been partners in their contracting business for a number of years and, according to friends, their relationship has been "better than average." The company engages in the business of earth moving and bulldozing operations.

Altschaff's family is remaining near his bedside at the hospital where he was taken Saturday after the argument.

To Give Recital

LINCOLN—Wendell Friest of Plattsmouth, will give his senior recital, a requirement for graduation from the University of Nebraska department of Music, at 4 p. m., Nov. 23, in the Social Science auditorium.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Friest, he will play a trombone solo.

Earl S. Dapp Joins Journal; Will Fill News Editor Post



Earl S. Dapp

Earl S. Dapp of Alamosa, Colo., joined The Journal staff Monday taking over the position of news editor, a post he filled for the Las Cruces, New Mex., News-Sun for several years before joining the staff of the Alamosa, Colo., San Luis Valley Daily Courier about a year ago.

Mr. Dapp attended Hastings College, Nebr., and Westminster Law College at Denver. Shortly after completing his college training he entered Naval service during War 11 and spent a good deal of time in foreign waters.

Following discharge he joined the staff of the News-Sun at Las Cruces, where he spent several years as general news reporter and as news editor.

Final plans were nearing completion today for the community census which gets underway in Plattsmouth Monday, Oct. 29, and it has been announced eight churches will take part in the census taking.

Chamber of commerce manager Dale Bowman this morning said census takers, so far as possible, have been assigned areas near their own homes in order to put the census taking on a more friendly basis.

Each of the churches taking part has been assigned specific areas of operation and maps of Plattsmouth with individual team areas outlined, will be furnished.

The Chamber of Commerce urges cooperation of every

Region Lions Guests Local Club Tuesday

Nearly 100 Lions Club members and their wives from Region 1 were guests of the Plattsmouth Lions Club here Tuesday evening at a District 38B banquet held in the Lions Auditorium.

Members of the Lions Club from Ashland, Avoca, Bellevue, Millard, Murdock, Omaha, Florence, Papillion, Ralston, Blair, Omaha Country Side, Benson, Glenwood, Ia., as well as Plattsmouth were represented.

Table decorations were in the autumn motif gaily decorated with pastel colored leaves, flowers and centerpieces with duck and goose decoys.

Following a dinner served to over 200 local members and their guests, recognition was given to guests of honor, followed by entertainment furnished by the local club.

Dinner music was rendered by Misses Jeanette Wiess and Mary Ann Ryan. Introduction of guests was by Ford Bates, District Governor of Omaha, with Richard Walters of Council Bluffs acting as master of ceremonies.

Lion Bates gave a brief report.

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Plattsmouth citizen in making the upcoming community census a success.

Some of the questions to be asked residents by census teams include: church membership or preference; employment; organizational affiliation; how many families in the home or apartment; owner or renter; names of members of family; for address; and how many children in the family.

Churches furnishing teams for the project include: Lutheran, Presbyterian, Holy Rosary, Christian, Methodist, St. Luke's, St. John's and St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed.

A total of 55 two-man teams will take part in the all out drive with the Lutheran church furnishing 5 teams, Presbyterian, 10, Holy Rosary, 5, Christian, 6, Methodist, 10, St. Luke's, 4, St. John's, 10, and St. Paul's, 5 teams.

Following are the areas to which each church has been assigned:

Area 1 - North of Main and all East of 4th Street - St. Paul's.

Area 2 - North of Main and all West of 4th and East of 5th - St. Luke's.

Area 3 - North of Main - West of 5th and East of 6th. Including all of Whitman Avenue - Lutheran and St. Luke's.

Area 4 - North of Main - West of 6th and East of 7th - St. John's, Lutheran.

Area 5 - North of Main - West of 7th and East of 8th - Lutheran St. Luke's.

Area 6 - North of Main West of 8th and East of 9th. Including Winters Trailer Court - Christian Church.

Area 7 - North of Main West of 9th and East of 10th - St. Paul's.

Area 8 - North of Main - West of 10th and East of 11th. Including Dieter's Trailer Court - Christian Church.

Area 9 - North of Main - West of 11th - East of 15th Street - Holy Rosary.

Area 10 - All North of Lapidus Timber - all West of 15th Street and East of Railroad tracks and North to Missouri Pacific Track. Holy Rosary.

Area 11 - All area North of Missouri Pacific Tracks and East of Maiden Lane - Methodist Church.

Area 12 - All area North of Railroad tracks and West of South to city limits - Christian Church.

Area 13 - All East of 1st Street - East to Livingston Road (Continued on Page 6)

Church Guild Cans 1200 Jars Of Mincemeat

Although the spelling is different, Plattsmouth and mincemeat are synonymous as far as a good many out of state people are concerned.

The reason, of course, is the national mincemeat selling program conducted annually by St. Mary's Guild of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Plattsmouth.

Working four days with shifts composed of eight ladies each, the guild last Friday completed the task of making the mincemeat. The guild was to assemble again today for the purpose of labeling each jar.

The work of making the mincemeat was done in the home of Miss Barbara Gering, 423 North 6th.

That the name of Plattsmouth is being spread through the sale of the mincemeat is evidenced by the fact it is sent nearly all over the United States. Some of the states represented in the list of purchasers are California, Florida and New York.

Miss Gering Tuesday said she had received an inquiry from a gentleman living in Washington, D. C. asking the availability of and price for a jar of mincemeat.

The mincemeat costs \$1.25 per jar and this year ladies of the guild canned 1,200 jars. Proceeds from the sale go to the parish treasury.

Mayor Bruce Gold Outlines . . .

City Financial Condition

Mayor Bruce Gold this week, following numerous requests from Plattsmouth citizens, submitted an outline of the city's financial status as of this date, together with information relative to rate of payment on indebtedness, interest and mill levies.

In addition, the information given this newspaper with a request that it be published, carries present needs of the city, the necessity of careful management and long range planning.

Mayor Gold's letter follows: October 24, 1956

The bond issue, to be submitted to the voters on November 6, places an obligation on the city government to see that the voters are fully informed on the city's finances.

THE 1956-57 budget calls for an estimated expenditure of \$192,000. Part of this money comes from taxes on special improvement districts, gasoline taxes, licenses, fees etc. The remainder, approximately \$100,000, is raised by a property tax of 25 mills, or \$25.00 per thou-

sand dollars of taxable valuation. DIVISION OF THE mill levy requires that 11.2 mills, or 45 per cent be used to pay off bonds, warrants, and interest on debts previously incurred. The other 55 per cent is used to pay for city operational expenses such as salaries, insurance, police and fire protection, sewer maintenance, road repair, street lighting, park maintenance, library, etc.

THE CITY indebtedness as of November 1, 1956 will consist of approximately \$71,000 in bonds and \$190,000 in warrants. These are municipal I O U S on which we pay 4 per cent interest. Under existing tax levies our bonds will be paid off in 1960. But, our warrants present a different picture. Of the \$190,000 in warrants outstanding, approximately 50 per cent will come from monies due on special assessments, or improvement districts.

The other half, \$95,000, will have to be retired by mill levy. The fiscal budget this year applies about \$12,000 of the mill levy against warrants and interest, but the 4 per cent interest

on the \$190,000 in warrants costs \$7,800 leaving only \$4,400 applied against the warrants. Obviously at the present rate of retirement, it will take some time to payoff these warrants.

THE TAXATION limit of 25 mills, fixed by state law, limits the city's revenue. Increases in costs of labor and materials mean that our revenues won't go as far as formerly. This means we must budget our finances carefully.

CAN OUR TAXES be increased? Yes, our taxes will be approximately 8 per cent higher this year, due to increased school levy. County and state levies can be increased. These have no bearing on the city levy, but are a part of the total property tax bill.

OUR CITY NEEDS a sewage disposal plant, additional sewers and pavement, bridge and culvert repair, fire equipment, road machinery, additional park facilities and a swimming pool. Each new improvement of facility will require funds for operation and care. The few items mentioned total close to one-half

million dollars. Our street department operates out of tin sheds hardly suitable to house cattle. Our police department headquarters is a damp basement jail cell, and we have never seen anyone point with pride to our city hall. Our city buildings are inadequate to house what little equipment we have now.

CITY PLANNING and operating efficiency cannot be accomplished with antiquated equipment and pre-spent revenue. Twelve per cent of our tax levy paid as interest brings nothing except receipts and food credit rating. On the other hand, a little patience, careful management, and freedom from debt can give us a flexible budget to care for orderly and planned expansion and improvement.

We hope the above information will assist the voters to decide the relative importance of a swimming pool to the total city needs at this time.

Sincerely,
Bruce E. Gold
Mayor