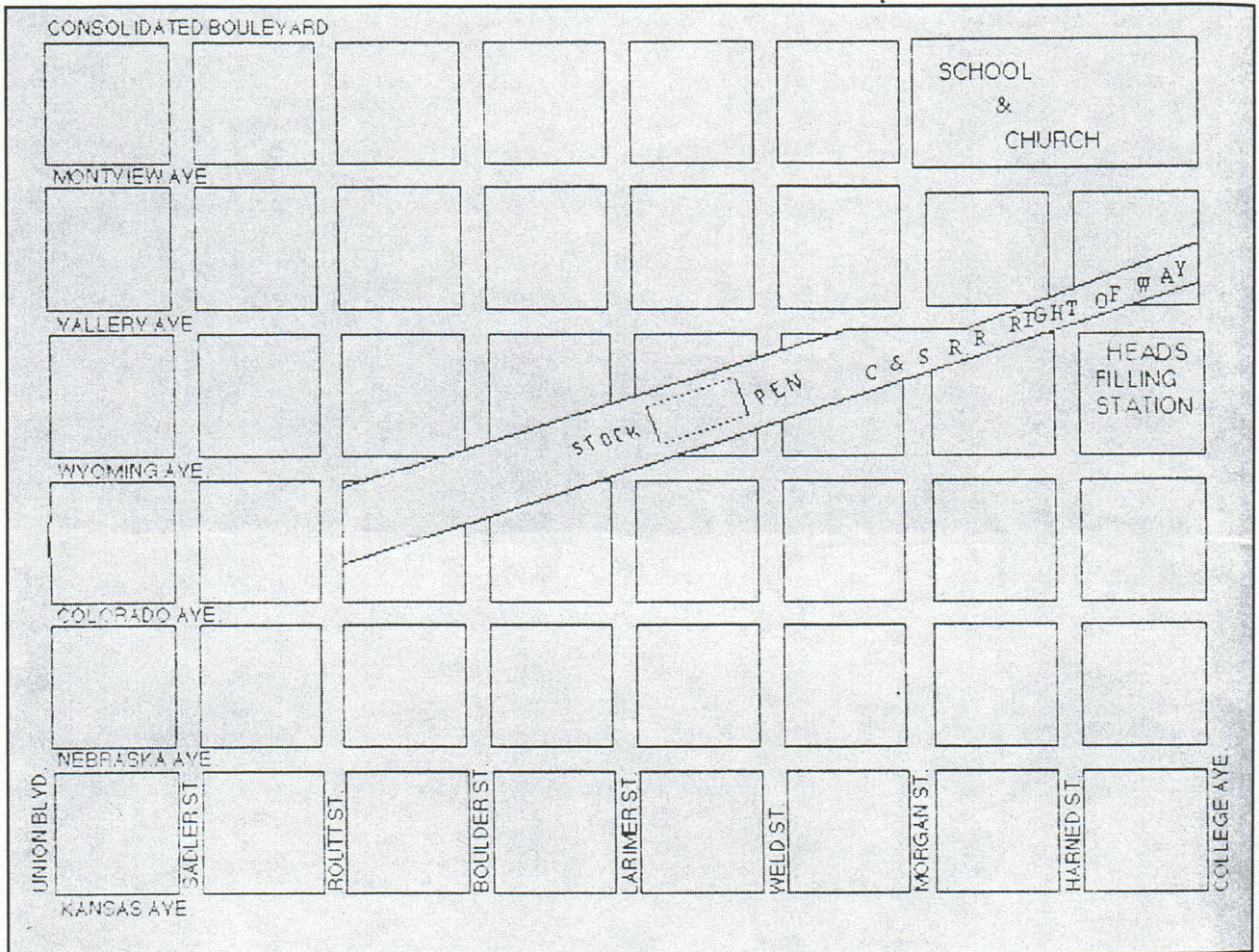


# Waverly Planned Development — 1903



A large community was planned but never became a reality.

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Waverly was laid out in 1903 by F. C. Grable and promoted by Sherman Grable, who were early Larimer County land developers and business men. A clerk in the post office suggested the name "Waverly" to the postal department - a name taken from Sir Walter Scott's novels.

## Waverly

In 1903 the Colorado and Southern Railroad Company extended its line of track to Wellington, then more tracks were laid to the town of Waverly which is north of Fort Collins and 5 miles northwest of Wellington.

The town was laid out by F. C. Grable and promoted by Sherman Grable. According to *Larimer County Names and Places* edited by Mary Hagen the name was suggested by a post office clerk in honor of Sir Walter Scott's "Waverly" novels.

Years ago the town was incorporated, had its mayor, board

of trustees, clerk and fire department. Thousands of fruit trees grew well in that area. Before high school consolidation, the Waverly Basketball Team won state competitions.

Today the Waverly Elementary school is the only building for public use. The stores are gone, the gasoline station, and the village is sleeping. There are beautiful horse acreages and farms, but not a town as such. The mail is delivered from the Fort Collins post office and the rural carrier from Wellington has a route. Recently a fire station was built south of Waverly.

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