

## County Bonds, Charter Amendment Before Voters At Aug. 6 Election

Torrance voters who are in the midst of a whirlwind campaign in behalf of a City Charter which will provide for local control of the schools and a seven-proposition bond issue, both of which will be voted upon Aug. 20, will pause Aug. 6 to make known decisions on the county bond issue program and charter amendment.

There are seven propositions on the county issue, each for necessary improvements, it is explained. One charter amendment is provided to increase the salaries of the supervisors.

The measures to be submitted to the voters on Aug. 6 are:

**Proposition No. 1. County Courthouse and Office Building.**—Nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000.00) for the purpose of the construction, furnishing and equipping of a County Courthouse and Office Building in the Civic Center in the City of Los Angeles, and the improving of the grounds thereof?

**Proposition No. 2. County Jail.**—Five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) for the purpose of the construction, furnishing and equipping of a maximum security county jail adjacent to the honor farm at Castaic, together with the necessary buildings accessory thereto, and the improving of the grounds thereof?

**Proposition No. 3. Juvenile Detention Home.**—Two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for the purpose of the acquisition and construction of a Juvenile Detention Home Center, to house the Juvenile Detention Home, the Juvenile Court and a branch office of the probation officer, and other related matters, together with the necessary buildings accessory thereto, including the acquisition and improvement of the necessary land and the acquisition of all necessary furniture, furnishings and equipment (the estimated cost of said Juvenile Detention Home Center being four million dollars (\$4,000,000.00) and the State of California being expected to contribute approximately one-half of the building construction cost of the Juvenile Detention Home)?

**Proposition No. 4. Greater Beach Parks.**—Eight million two hundred thousand dollars (\$8,200,000.00) for the purpose of the acquisition and improvement of the necessary lands, and the construction, furnishing and equipping of the necessary buildings and improvements, and the restoration, construction, development and protection of the adjacent related beach areas, for two greater beach parks, as follows:

(a) A greater beach park in the City of Long Beach, including the construction, furnishing and equipping of buildings, other recreational facilities and parking areas at an estimated cost of \$2,200,000.00; and the restoration, construction, development and protection of adjacent related beach areas at an estimated cost of \$500,000.00 (total Long Beach, \$2,700,000.00).

(b) A greater beach park adjoining Santa Monica Bay, including the acquisition of land at an estimated cost of \$1,000,000.00; the construction, furnishing and equipping of buildings, other recreational facilities and parking areas at an estimated cost of \$2,200,000.00; and the restoration, construction, development and protection of adjacent related beach areas at an estimated cost of \$2,300,000.00; (total Santa Monica Bay park \$5,500,000.00)?

**Proposition No. 5. County Museum Buildings.**—Three million dollars (\$3,000,000.00) to be expended in the amounts and for the purposes, respectively, as follows: (a) in the sum of two million six hundred thousand dollars (\$2,600,000.00) for the enlargement of, and the construction, furnishing and equipping of additions to, the Los Angeles County Museum Exposition park, and the improvement of the grounds incidental thereto; and (b) in the sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) for the construction, furnishing and equipping of a science museum at Hancock park for the display of La Brea fossil exhibits, together with the necessary construction and installations to restore the prehistoric

landscape of the grounds of said park?

**Proposition No. 6. Los Angeles County Art Institute** (formerly known as Otis Art Institute)—One million two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (1,275,000.00) for the purpose of the construction, furnishing and equipping of a new building for housing the Los Angeles County Art Institute (formerly known as the Otis Art Institute) and public exhibition galleries, located on Wilshire boulevard, in the City of Los Angeles, and the improving of the grounds thereof?

**Proposition No. 7. Refuse Incinerators.**—Six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00), for the purpose of the acquisition and construction at strategic locations in the metropolitan area south of Angeles National Forest of a system of revenue producing refuse incinerators, including the acquisition of all lands, equipment, apparatus and other property necessary therefor, for the disposal of rubbish and other refuse, the disposal of which in open dumps constitutes a public nuisance, and the burning of which in open fires constitutes a serious smoke and fumes nuisance, such incinerators to dispose of rubbish and other refuse arising either in unincorporated county territory or in the incorporated cities of said county and a reasonable charge to be made therefor?

**Proposed County Charter Amendment No. 1.**—Shall Section 4 of Article II of the Charter of the County of Los Angeles be amended to fix the compensation of members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, including incumbent members, at the sum of \$10,000 per year?

## New Columbia Mill Under Way At Pittsburg

Construction of Columbia Steel Company's new \$25,000,000 cold reduction steel sheet and tinsplate mill at Pittsburg, California, is proceeding on schedule, William A. Ross, president of this West Coast subsidiary of United States Steel Corporation, announced today.

Already, preliminary grading has been completed and the pouring of concrete foundations is scheduled to start within the next few days. Work also is progressing on the laying of 80,000 lineal feet of pipe, ranging from 36-inch sewers to 1-inch gas and air lines.

On adjacent New York Slough, the construction of deepwater docks for ocean vessels and barges is under way. Similarly the laying of 40,000 feet of railroad trackage has begun.

Actual erection of buildings is expected to start in September. When completed next year the new mill, which will be located in the center of Columbia's present 400-acre plant, will be capable of producing approximately 600,000 tons of steel sheets and tinsplate. This will mark the first time cold reduced sheets and tinsplate have been manufactured on the Pacific Coast.

Orders for some 27,000,000 pounds of machinery have been placed. This equipment includes one 66-inch, 5-stand, 4-high cold reduction mill; two 2-stand tinsplate tempering mills; one single-stand sheet tempering mill; two continuous electrolytic cleaning lines; three tinsplate shearing lines; a tinsplate side trimming and reshearing line; tinsplate and sheet coil annealing equipment; sheet shearing and processing equipment for sheet and drum stock; continuous pickling lines; fourteen hot-dip tinning units; one continuous electrolytic tinning line and auxiliary equipment; a sheet galvanizing line and twenty-one utility cranes.

In order to expedite construction, a complete floor of the Financial Center building in Oakland has been leased to house the company's engineering staff, which is in charge of Paul F. Kohlhaas, vice president of engineering for Columbia Steel.

## Lack Of Street Signs In North Torrance Hit

If you were a stranger and were directed to the intersection of 182nd st. and Crenshaw blvd., North Torrance, chances are you wouldn't be able to find the intersection. So said a motorist, stranger to the community, who tried to do that one thing.

He told local officials that there are no sign posts to indicate either Crenshaw or 182nd st., and that this is the case in other intersections of North Torrance.

The city engineer's office will be asked to remedy the situation, it was said.

## Army Again Asks Dogs For K-9 Training, Use

The Army needs dogs and will pay from \$75.00 to \$150.00 for compact, working type male German Shepherds, according to Col. F. W. Koester, officer in charge of the Western Remount Area Dog Procurement Program. These dogs are to replace losses and "returnees" from the volunteer war time loaned dogs that comprised the famous K-9 Corps.

Similar to the requirements of a good soldier, a modern Army dog must be sound in mind and body, Col. Koester stated. To assure uniformity, maintain performance standards and simplify administering the Army dog, only those of German Shepherd breeding are acceptable. The specifications call for male dogs of sturdy, compact working type, revealing power, intelligence, endurance and energy. Good bone along with a well proportioned and balanced body are prime requisites. A desirable dog must be deep chested with well sprung ribs. He must travel well and have strong, muscular feet with hard, well cushioned pads. His jaws should be straight and even with good teeth and healthy gums. Eyes should be clear and bright showing good vigor and temperament. His condition must be good, reflecting "easy keeping" characteristics. The acceptable age is between 12 months and 2 1/2 years. He may weigh from 60 to 90 pounds with height ranging from 22 to 28 inches.

Owners having dogs that meet Army requirements are urged to bring them either to the Coliseum, State Exposition Park, 3911 S. Figueroa, Los Angeles, Friday August 2, or to the Rose Bowl Stadium, Pasadena, August 3. The inspections will be conducted between the hours of 9:30 and 6 p.m. Payment for the dogs will be made by government voucher. All dogs purchased will be subject to a final "heart worm" inspection at government expense before acceptance by the Army.

## Veterans Enter Arts and Crafts In L. A. Exhibit

More than 1,000 Southern California World War II veterans studying under the GI Bill will enter their art and crafts in an exhibit at the Los Angeles County Museum, August 3 to September 9.

Sponsored by the California Art club in cooperation with the Veterans Administration and the museum, the exhibition will include portraits, oils, photography, cartoons, sculpturing, ceramics, costume design, industrial design and allied arts and crafts.

In announcing the showing, Edward Withers, president of the art club said the show is intended to focus public attention on the vast amount of artistic talent developed by veterans under Veterans Administration supervision.

"These veterans," said Withers, "deserve attention. The California Art club, representing the leading professional artists in Southern California, hopes to provide this recognition."

Withers said judges for the show will be chosen from outstanding leaders in each field entered.

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