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DEFATION NOTE . . . Letting the air out of his football so he can pack it away for the duration is Captain Eddle Cole of the 452nd Light Bomb Wing which was ordered to active duty this week. Until very, very recently (Tuesday) he was the varsity football coach at Torrance High School. Now he is wing adjutant for the bomb unit, and will probably be rooting for his Tartars from an overseas outpost. (Herald photo).

\$2,214,422 OK'd for Budgets in 1950-51

Spending of \$2,214,422 of the taxpayers' money received approval this week as city and school budget committees met to set the amount of spending to be done during the coming fiscal year.

At a meeting of the Tax and Budget Committee in the City Hall Monday evening, four lay advisors to the city's Budget Committee "approved" a city budget of \$759,740.

Tuesday evening the Board of Education at a regular meeting approved and formally adopted the proposed budget for the forthcoming school year of \$1,454,682.

The school budget reflects an increase over last year of \$284,849. Increased assessed valuation of the city over a year ago made it possible for the Board to increase the budget to meet demands without hiking the tax rate. The school rate will remain at \$1.65.

Likewise, with the city budget showing an increase of \$97,964 it will be possible for the city officials to "hold the line" on the tax rate—a condition made possible by the increased assessed valuation.

Though Monday's Budget and Tax Committee meeting resulted in "approval" of the 1950-

School Building Plans Approved In Board Action

Architects were ordered to proceed immediately with plans for a ten-classroom addition and cafeteria for Torrance High School by the Board of Education Tuesday night.

In other action, the board voted to continue the Day Care Center as long as the state assists with the financial burden. The action assured continuation of the undertaking until February, when the Legislature will again consider the child care centers as a budget item.

Dr. J. Henrich Hull, superintendent of schools, told the board that three school sites, Ellinwood in Hollywood Riviera, the North Torrance High School and the Madrona Avenue School, were in escrow. Condemnation proceedings for a school near the Kessler Knolls Tract have been started, he reported.

The board rendered what is likely to be the final answer to the question of "what to do with the Fern Avenue Park." They told Daniel, Mann and Johnson, architectural firm, to build a school on the site. The firm was awarded the architect-

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Shoppers Preview New Mart

Shoppers, eager to view the new Roths Supermart, 1321 Post avenue, poured through the doors of the new market Tuesday morning to launch a two-day preview of the store before the Grand Opening this weekend.

Beginning today at 9 a.m. the owners of the new food center will start a three-day Grand Opening sale. The store will remain open until 9 p.m. tonight.

For a complete listing of the many bargains offered by Roths Supermart during the three-day Grand Opening Sale, turn to the Second Section of this issue.

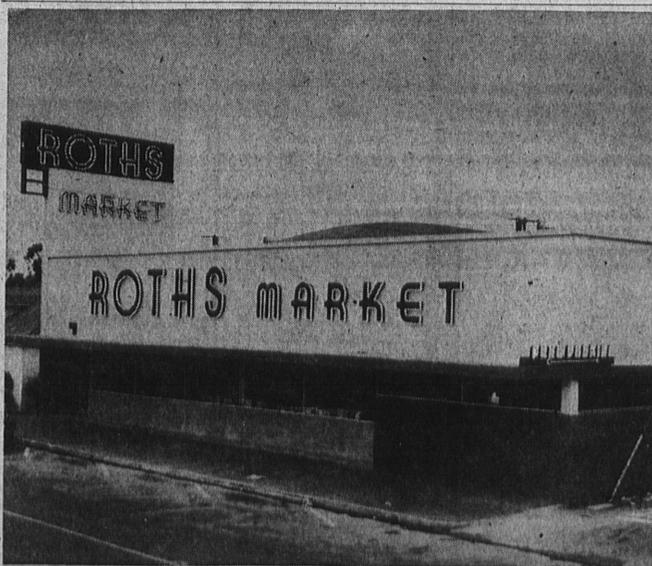
and Friday and Saturday until 10 p.m., according to Ben Roth, owner of the huge super market. **HOURS TOLD**

Sunday the store will open at 9 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. On hand to service the opening weekend shoppers will be nearly 150 local residents, C. J. Bohanon, manager of the market, said yesterday.

During the opening sale, souvenirs will be given to the children while free samples of merchandise will be offered the adults.

Bargain prices destined to please the thrifty-minded shopper will prevail in the meat, poultry, and fish department as well as in the other special de-

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OPEN FOR BUSINESS . . . Newest and largest of the recent additions to Torrance's rapidly expanding business district is the new huge Roths Supermart, 1321 Post avenue. The modern shopping center was opened Tuesday morning for a two-day preview prior to the Grand Opening slated for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. (Herald photo).

30 Guardsmen Ordered To Duty; Recruits Sought

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ALERTED . . . Among the local boys who will be leaving September 1 for duty with the California National Guard's 40th Infantry Division are these youths from Company A of the 578th Combat Engineers stationed at the Torrance City Park. Slinging their rifles are Sgt. Jack T. Mims, 1718 Schilling Court; Cpl. Willard Specht, 1920 Plaza del Amo; Sgt. Leroy Schwenk, 2475 Torrance boulevard and Sgt. John N. Trippe, 2227 Andrea avenue. (Herald photo).



ON THE MOVE . . . Getting their motorized equipment ready to transport the local unit of the National Guard to Camp Cooke on September 1 are these motor pool sergeants from Company A of the 578th Combat Engineers—one of the units ordered to active duty with the Army of the United States. (Herald photo).

Engineers Seek New Recruits

With 30 local men already called to duty with the National Guard, local military leaders launched a drive yesterday for additional men to fill the ranks of the 578th Combat Engineers to full fighting strength.

Though prevented by security regulations from revealing the exact number or names of men called to duty, National Guard leaders at the Torrance Municipal Airport and Torrance City park said that a "considerable number of men from Torrance, the Shoestring Strip, Lomita, and Harbor City were affected by the orders."

UNITS LEAVING

Units activated under the orders issued by Major Gen. Daniel H. Huddleson, commanding general of California's 40th Infantry Division, were the following units of the local 578th Combat Engineers:

Company A—City Park.
Company D—City Park.
Battalion Headquarters—Airport.

Medical Detachment—Airport.
Headquarters and Service Company—Airport.

Backing up General Huddleson's statement that those who join the Guard now will be offered "choice duty and first chance for advancement in rank" was Major Lee Gibbons, adjutant of the 578th Combat Battalion.

NEED SPECIALISTS

He indicated that there was definite need for certain specialists in several choice spots at the moment and that advancement and promotions would probably come quickly for those who enlisted now. Recruiting officers would be on duty 24 hours a day from now until the unit leaves, he said.

Receiving notice of promotions this week were the commanding officer of the Combat Battalion, Major Dallas I. Downs, who was promoted to lieutenant colonel last Monday, and Captain Gibbons who was upped to major on the same promotion list.

DEPARTURE PLANNED

The local unit will leave Torrance in time to be in Camp Cooke near Santa Maria on September 1. Meanwhile the training of the units at the ball park and airport have been intensified to three drill periods a week until the unit leaves for Camp Cooke.

Company D, due to move to Wilmington to the new army there, will proceed with the moving orders in spite of the recent

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Rare Blood Disease Fatal to Girl, 22

Swift-acting and fatal leukemia, a rare blood disease for which there is no known cure, claimed the life of a pretty 22-year-old laboratory technician here Thursday, only nine days after she complained to doctors of feeling ill.

The victim, Miss Ola Lee King, aided in the diagnosis of her disease. As a technician for a group of local doctors she made the blood count which revealed to doctors the presence of the rare malady.

"The ailment is a condition of the blood in which the white corpuscles destroy the red cells.

The victim had been employed in Torrance for the past two years. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. King, 1343 East 76th place, Los Angeles, with whom she lived.

Pierce Brothers, Inglewood mortuary, were in charge of funeral arrangements. The rites were conducted last Saturday and were followed by interment in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

Doll Show Set For Tomorrow At Playgrounds

Some of the largest playground shows of the summer are promised tomorrow when doll shows are held at each playground.

Since anyone may enter the competition, a large turnout is expected to compete for the beautiful ribbons offered.

Awards will be given for the smallest, largest, oldest, prettiest, best dressed, most original, and most novel dolls along with many other categories at each playcenter.

Either commercial or playground made dolls may be entered.

Police Chief Calls Civilian Defense Meet

Police Chief John Stroh has called a meeting of all former members of the Law Enforcement agency of the Civilian Defense corps to be held in the Court Room of the City Hall, Wednesday evening, Aug. 9, beginning at 7:30.

Four Honored By Fellow Jaycees

Certificates of merit for outstanding service to the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce were awarded to four members of the group at the installation of officers party last Friday night.

Honored by their fellow members were outgoing president, Howard J. Percy and Ed Karlow, the incoming president, Dwight Eubank and Velko Milotich.

Installation of officers was conducted by Dick Fitzgerald, vice president of the district.

New officers seated during the ceremonies at the Falos Verdes Country Club were Eubank, first vice president; Harvey Abramson, second vice president; Bert Smith, treasurer; James Morehead, secretary and Marvin Goettsch, sergeant-at-arms.

Installed as members of the board of directors were Bob Almond, Milotich, Charles Schultz Jr. and Bob Peckham.

Karlow announced that one

of the first projects of a community service nature to be undertaken by the recently organized group, would be the sponsorship of the forthcoming chest X-Ray campaign.

Justice Back

Justice of the Peace John Shidler has returned to his bench at the Gardena Justice Court. During his absence of the past six weeks presiding in Santa Monica Municipal Court, the Justice Court office was filled by George Saunders of Hawthorne.

EXAM DATE HOLDS

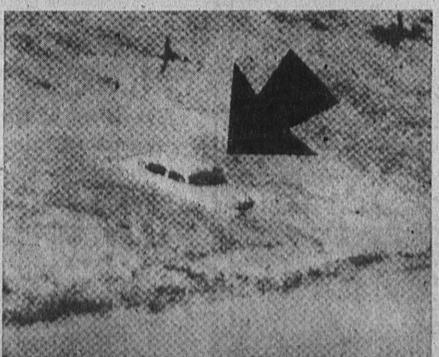
Draft eligibles registered with local draft board 17 will report for pre-induction physical exams on August 25 as previously announced. The recent exam-date change does not affect this board, draft officials said yesterday.

Family of Six Rescued in Flood

Washed into a swirling creek by flood waters overflowing the highway, a family of six Normandie avenue residents was rescued from the top of their inundated auto last Thursday in Meade, Kansas.

Rescued by highway workers and volunteers were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baarsch, 22404 Normandie avenue and their four children Jerry, 12; Robert, 9; Lavonne, 19 and Dorothy, 13.

Baarsch is employed at the Crenshaw plant of the American Standard Corporation. The near-tragedy occurred as the Baarsch auto was being towed across the flooded road by a semi-trailer. The flood waters washed the car off the highway and into the swollen creek waters, according to word received here by Donald Baarsch, 19, a son who lives at



MAROONED . . . This aerial view by Snodgrass and Beesh of Meade, Kansas shows inundated auto (arrow) from which family of six, including four children, was rescued last Thursday.

1409 West 215th street. The Baarschs, intent on spending a vacation in Austin, Minn. and in New York, spent their time in Meade while the auto was dried out and overhauled.

The accident occurred on U.S. Highway 54, adjacent to Crooked Creek, approximately five miles outside of Meade.

After the car left the highway, Baarsch and his family crawled out of the car and onto the top of the vehicle. Highway crews working nearby to keep the highway open, threw the marooned family a rope by which they were finally pulled to safety.

The area, normally bone-dry in summer time, was hit by a flash flood last Thursday following a torrential thunder storm.