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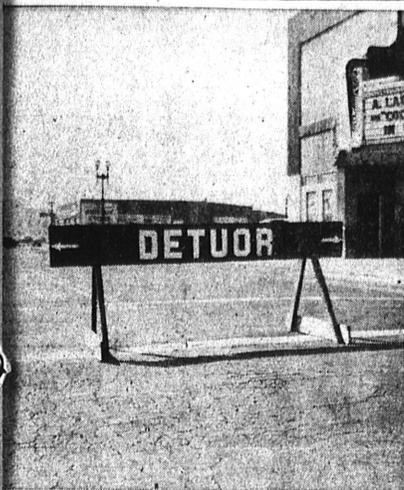
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(Herald Photo)
TRAFFIC STOPPER . . . Traffic was slowed to a walk for several reasons at Gramercy and Cravens the other morning when this sign was placed in the middle of the street. One of the reasons was the sign itself. (If you miss it, ask any fourth grader how to spell detour.)

Hahn To Renew Road Bond Bid

The traffic and roads situation in the great southwest and bay areas of Los Angeles County can not be solved for many years unless additional road improvement money is made available, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn declared yesterday as he announced that he would re-new his motion to have a county-wide bond issue of \$150 million dollars placed on the November ballot.

Supervisor Hahn stated that he had been greatly encouraged by the support which forward-looking citizens and public officials had responded to his proposal.

"I am sure that the people who have to drive these dangerous, narrow, overcrowded roads every day going to their jobs and returning to their homes realize the need for improvement of such roads as Crenshaw Blvd., Inglewood Ave., Anza Ave., Rosecrans Ave., Western Ave., Compton Blvd., Manhattan Beach Blvd., and all the other secondary highways and streets of major importance serving the industrial and aircraft production centers in the vicinity of the International Airport and also the roads leading to the beach cities," Supervisor Hahn declared.

Safety Stressed
The possibility of saving many lives through better roads alone makes the proposed \$150 million road improvement bond issue worthwhile, Hahn said.

He pointed out that a total of 873 persons were killed throughout Los Angeles County last year in traffic accidents, 567 occurring in cities, and 306 in unincorporated areas.

Already 533 persons have been killed in traffic this

year, Supervisor Hahn revealed. Of these 367 deaths occurred in cities and 166 in unincorporated county areas.

"The proposed bond issue would make it possible to greatly increase traffic safety by improving the roads and conditions," he said.

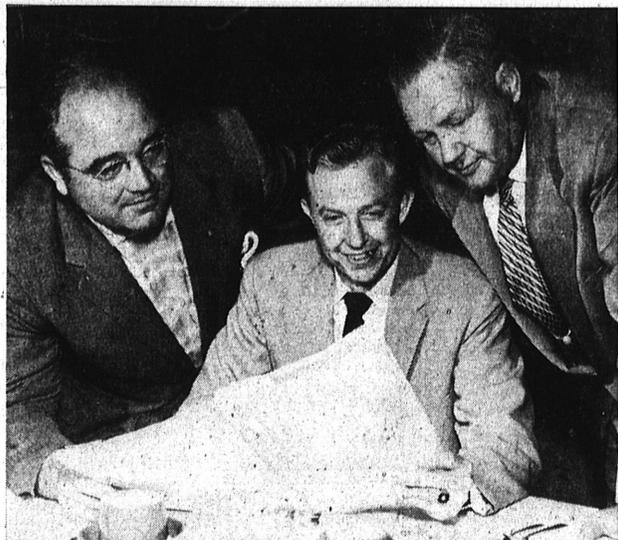
Need Other Funds
He pointed out that it is impossible to improve fully these roads now with the money being received out of state gas tax funds except for stretches at a time.

There's little hope that these important feeder roads will ever be improved out of federal money, since the multi-billion dollar roads bill recently passed will only provide four and a half million dollars during the next 13 years for improvement of these roads, the Supervisor pointed out.

If the bond issue goes on the ballot, and is approved by the voters, these major roads, so vital to the continued growth and development of Southern California can be improved within a few years.

"I believe that the people are entitled to safe, modern roads," Supervisor Hahn emphasized.

He stated that it is his firm conviction that the people should be allowed to vote on whether they want these roads improved now, or if they are willing to wait 30 or 40 years.



STUDYING HIGHWAY NEEDS . . . Members of the South Bay Cities Highway Committee study plans for major road developments proposed for the \$150,000,000 bond issue before it was killed by Supervisors Tuesday. Left to right are Councilman Nick Draie, Torrance representative; Ed Rae, retiring committee chairman; and Wilburn Baker, new chairman of the group.

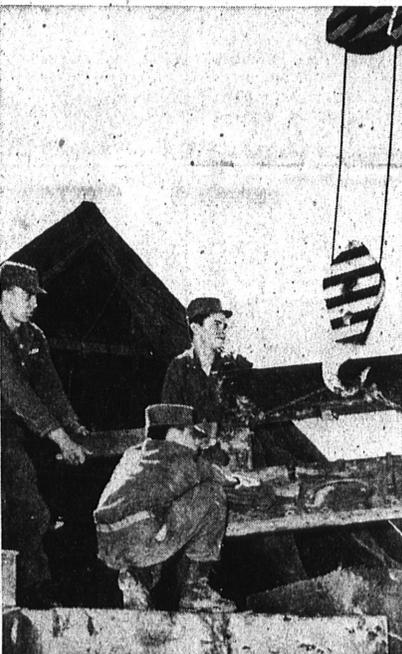
Moose Aid Health Plans

In excess of five million dollars was raised by the Loyal Order of Moose fraternity for various health projects, and more than a million boys and girls participated last year in Moose-sponsored activities designed to make them better citizens, according to a survey just completed, Daniel Desmond, Torrance Moose lodge governor, announced this week.

Numerous health programs such as the Red Cross, March of Dimes, tuberculosis, cancer, muscular dystrophy and similar causes benefited from the money raised by the Moose organization of one-and-one-quarter million members.

Youth activities sponsored by the Moose lodges include Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boys' Clubs, 4-H Clubs, Sea Scouts, Brownie and Cub Scouts, Boys' and Girls' State, Easter Egg Hunts, Christmas parties, baseball schools, Little Leagues, Pony Leagues, Babe Ruth Leagues, bicycle safety clubs, and many others.

"We of the Torrance lodge," according to Desmond, "hope that by our efforts we have contributed toward civic advancement, and the betterment of our youth programs."



FIELD REPAIRS . . . Front armor plate is replaced on an M-7 self-propelled howitzer by (left to right) Pvt. Ray Westerman, 2221 W. 165th St.; Pvt. Ray Papp, 3319 W. 187th St., and Pvt. Pat Padilla, 3407 W. 187th St., in the field during the 40th Armored Division's 15-day summer training at Camp Roberts.

LOCAL GUARD UNIT RETURNS AFTER ROBERTS ENCAMPMENT

The 176 officers and men of Torrance's 40th Armored Ordinance Battalion completed their 15-day summer field training session at Camp Roberts on Friday and were returned to their home stations, with 6700 other members of Southern California's 40th Armored Division.

While on duty at Camp Roberts the local unit was given the mission of maintaining 1000 trucks, Jeeps, tanks, and other vehicles necessary to the functioning of the 40th. They also handled the difficult repair chores for some 7000 rifles, hundreds of other small weapons, and scores of huge self-propelled 105 and 155-mm Howitzers.

Retrievers Used
The ordinance battalion, with companies in the Burbank, Ontario, and Los Angeles Hope St. armories, operated from permanent shops at Camp Roberts, and from mobile field vans on the firing ranges of nearby Hunter Liggett Military Reservation.

Huge tank "retrievers" were utilized to haul some of the tanks back to Camp Roberts for major repairs.

According to Lt. Col. George M. Gary, battalion commander, most of the division's tracked vehicles, including tanks, self-propelled artillery pieces, and armored personnel carriers, were repaired by his unit during the 15 day training period.

On the trip home, by con-

voy from Pasa Robles to Southern California, the local unit was ready to handle emergency repairs needed by any of the 850 Army vehicles used in the transfer.

Maj. Gen. Homer O. Eaton Jr., division commander, announced that weekly training sessions in the 40th's 50 home-town armories would resume immediately, with many units slated to meet tomorrow evening.

Extensive Park Site Program Sent to Council

A recommendation to the Council that the city enter appraisals and condemnation proceedings on a total of more than 100 acres of park sites in Torrance was voted by members of the Parks and Recreation Commission last Wednesday night following two public hearings on the matter.

Total cost of the park program would probably be around \$8,000,000, according to figures of Recreation Director Harry Van Bellehem submitted to the commission.

Sites Near Schools
One-acre park sites are recommended adjacent to six north Torrance schools — El Nido, Perry, Edison, Evelyn Carr, North Torrance Elementary, and Arlington.

Five-acre sites are recommended for the Crenshaw School, 186th and Prairie, 182nd and Arlington, near South High School, 229th and Madison, and 230th and Hawthorne.

A new Walteria park of approximately 13 acres near Newton St. on Madison Ave. also was recommended in addition to the 55 acres previously recommended for addition to the civic center site.

Costs Estimated
Cost of the land acquisition was estimated at \$10,000 an acre for the 109 acres recommended by the commission.

An average cost of \$50,000 per acre to develop brings the total cost to approximately \$7 million, the commission report outlined.

In addition to the park sites recommended for acquisition by the city, Director Van Bellehem has suggested that the city seek to develop some of the other sites it possesses.

City Urged To Emphasize Registration

A suggestion that the period of Aug. 30 through Sept. 13 be set aside as "Torrance Registration Week" has been made to city by Paul D. Loranger, Torrance auto dealer and former president of the Chamber of Commerce.

In a letter to the City Council, and to the HERALD, Loranger said it is unfortunately true that many Americans lose their privilege of voting because they fail to register.

Authorized registrars should be in prominent places throughout Torrance every day until the registration deadline, Sept. 13, Loranger wrote. He suggested that deputy registrars be stationed at banks, in markets, and on street corners to spur registration.

He pointed out that only about 26,000 of the city's potential 45,000 registered voters are presently registered.

His suggestions will be considered by the Council Tuesday.

New City Pool Ready to Go; Opens at 9 A.M.

Torrance's long awaited municipal swimming pool will be opened to the public tomorrow morning, according to E. S. "Red" Moon, Recreation Dept. official.

Located at the corner of Madrona and Torrance Blvd., just west of the new civic center, the pool will be open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 5:30 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Hours of operation on Saturday are the same as week days, excluding the evening session. On Sunday the pool will be open from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

During peak hours of operation six life guards will be on duty, under the direction of Cliff Graybehl, temporary pool manager, and Art Sues, senior life guard. Due to the late opening date no swimming classes will be organized this year.

Manager Graybehl reports that no towels or swim suits will be provided by the pool management, those items to be furnished by the swimmers.

It was also announced that reservations for private swimming groups were being taken by the Recreation Department.

Admission to the pool is: children 12 years and younger, 20 cents; juniors 13 through 18 years, 25 cents; and adults 50 cents.

YMCA BOYS LEAVE FOR CAMP TRIP

The last group of Torrance campers leave for Camp Round Meadow next Tuesday. This is the largest camp in YMCA history, and brings the total Torrance YMCA campers to over 500 boys, some going to Round Meadow, and others to High Sierra Caravan and Day Camp.

Some 160 boys and 30 leaders will board buses at the local YMCA at 7:30 a.m., leaving to spend eight days at the camp located in the San Bernardino Mountains at an elevation of 7200 feet.

Campers will participate in such activities as horseback riding, swimming, archery, riflery, handicrafts, hiking and exploring. These trips are planned for boys from the age of eight through 16 years. Several fathers will also be in attendance as leaders, and will be enjoying the same activities as their sons.

BURDICK ON DESTROYER

Midshipman Neil M. Burdick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil M. Burdick of 1407 Cota Ave., is included among 1000 midshipmen representing 52 colleges and universities embarked on 14 ships of the Atlantic Fleet in the summer's third training cruise.

Burdick is aboard the destroyer USS Bristol, and will visit Panama and Cuba before returning to the U.S. Aug. 24.

A student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the local midshipman will get actual "on the job" training in gunnery, navigation and engineering to prepare him for duties he will perform as a Navy Ensign after graduation from college.

Scholarship Granted

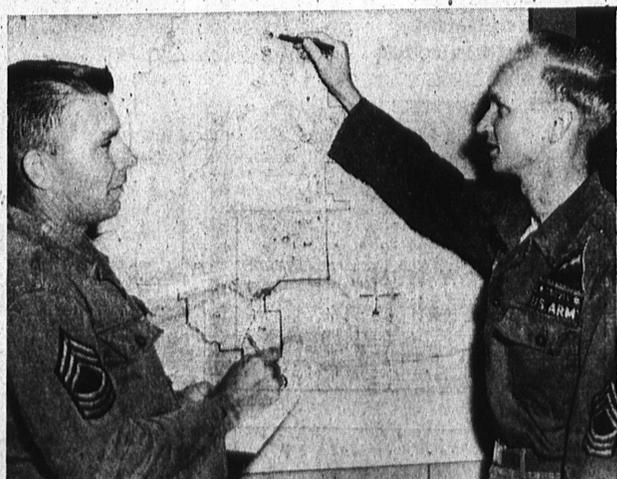
Dr. A. C. Monniger, Maryland Moose Assn. director, announced that David Ellis Wendell, grand-nephew of Torrance Moose lodge secretary, James A. Evans, and recent graduate of Moosheart High School, has been awarded a scholarship to the University of Maryland.

Temperatures

	Min.	Max.
Monday	56	75
Tuesday	54	77
Wednesday	54	79
Thursday	56	84
Friday	56	84



AN ALL-NIGHT JOB . . . Two fire companies under Capt. Milton Langum battled more than 12 hours to subdue a stubborn fire in north Torrance Friday night and early yesterday. Two boxcars used to store baled excelsior and packing cartons burned. Loss at the fire was estimated to be about \$10,000. The cars had to be unloaded as water would not penetrate into the bales, firemen said.



CHECK COORDINATES . . . M/Sgt. Ted Stafford (left) 21409 Anza, and M/Sgt. Avon Shakespeare (right), Kingsburg, plot field activities on the 160th Armored Infantry Battalion training map during summer field training at Camp Roberts.