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multi-district center of its kind in the nation, to begin next September, according to Wilbur Lorbeer, planning director. Lorbeer is working on preliminary plans for the center under a \$92,000 federal grant awarded the Torrance schools last summer.

Torrance trustees reaffirmed their approval of the document Monday after they were assured any appointee to the board which will govern the center can be removed by the board at any time.

Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts had expressed concern that provisions of the agreement would grant an indirect tax authority to persons not elected by the people of the districts involved. She asked that an amendment be prepared to specifically require all members of the center's board be elected members of the individual school boards.

LORBEER said several districts had asked that they be permitted to appoint any resident of their community to center board. Trustees generally fear they will not have sufficient time to devote to the board in addition to their other duties, he explained.

The Torrance board also agreed to eliminate a provision of the agreement which was inserted to give each of the seven individual boards the right to change the center's annual budget. Other sections of the agreement prohibit individual boards from making changes in the budget, Lorbeer said.

In addition to the three district which have approved the joint powers agreement, the center will include the Centinela Valley Union High School District and the Culver City, El Segundo, and Inglewood Unified School Districts. The four districts are expected to act on the joint powers agreement within the next few weeks.

THE CENTER'S operations will be controlled by a board made up of one representative from each of the seven districts. Its operation will be financed through federal grants and a local tax to be levied by the seven individual school districts. Maximum rate for taxes is 10 cents for yearly operation and 5 cents for construction of facilities.

Lorbeer said the center will not duplicate courses now offered by high schools and colleges in the area, but will seek to prepare students for jobs through a concentrated program developed with the aid of local industrial, labor, and business leaders.

INITIAL offerings will be in the area of data processing and other computer-related fields, he said. Students will attend the center for a three to four-hour period each day and return to their individual high schools for such academic courses as English, history, and government.

The multi-district plan was adopted because none of the seven school districts can finance such a center individually, Lorbeer explained. Through the joint powers agreement, he said, each district will share expenses for operation of the center and enjoy the full benefits of a wide-ranging program of occupational training.

Actual formation of the center board is expected in mid-November when representatives of the seven school districts will meet to formally sign the agreement.

Club Will Meet

An auction will highlight next Monday's meeting of the Torrance Stamp Club. The session will be held at the Scott Park Community Building, 23410 Catskill Ave., Wilmington, at 7:30 p.m.

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under way at 8 a.m. at a Mobil service station located at Torrance and Hawthorne boulevards.

Emphasis will be on getting the most mileage out of a gallon of gas, while following safe driving procedures, according to Dr. Bruce Magner, school curriculum consultant.

"THE SAFETY economy run focuses attention of the entire community on safe driving," Dr. Magner said, "but more specifically, it focuses attention of all high school students on such important considerations as car safety and safe driving. The economy run serves as a laboratory testing ground for our classroom lessons on safe and skillful driving. Student attention is focused on such things as vehicle check, insurance, safety belts, and driving tips."

Following the safety run, miles-per-gallon winners will receive plaques and trophies at a luncheon to be held at the Elks Club. The school with the highest team score will receive a grand sweepstakes trophy.

...Mayor

(Continued from Page A-1) date political animosities are certainly not the answer," Mrs. W. E. Radcliff, president of the League, has said. "Charter changes should never be used as political tools," she said.

The proposal, which will appear as Amendment Z on the Nov. 8 ballot, was represented by Councilman David K. Lyman who won the support of Sciarrotta, J. A. Beasley, and George Vico to put it on the ballot. Voicing opposition were Mayor Albert Isen and Councilmen Ted Olson and Ken Miller.

OBITUARIES

James Swann

Funeral services for James Carl Swann, 35, a Torrance area resident for 25 years, have been scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary in Torrance with interment following at Green Hills Memorial Park.

Mr. Swann died here Monday. He had attended Woodrow Wilson High and St. Anthony High in Long Beach. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Nora Swann of Lakewood; sisters, Mrs. Joanne Rossic of Lomita, Mrs. DeLores Duda, Noreen Scoville, Betty Hanes, and June Jones, all of Long Beach; brothers Jack of Torrance and George of El Segundo.

John Hamlin

Funeral services for John Joseph Hamlin, who died Saturday, were scheduled today at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be in Belle Plaine, Kan.

Mr. Hamlin, who made his home at 3115 Merrill Drive, was born in Nebraska Aug. 15, 1904. He had worked as a civilian employe for the U. S. Air Force for 23 years.

Surviving Mr. Hamlin are his widow, Mary; two sons, Greg of Kansas and William B. of Seattle, Wash.; two daughters, Mary of Torrance and Judy Ferrell of Salt Lake City, Utah, and six grandchildren.

Frances Smith

Requiem mass for Frances Marie Smith, 1545 W. 215th St., was celebrated this morning at the Church of the Nativity. Rosary was recited last night at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel.

Mrs. Smith, who was born Sept. 20, 1885, in Delaware, died Monday.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary Sanders, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

David Miller

Funeral services for David Allen Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller of 22040 S. Denker Avenue, were conducted yesterday at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Elmer Thy of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Los Alamitos, officiating.

He was born May 31, 1956, and died last Saturday.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a sister, Rose Ann; two brothers, Michael and Gregory, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Land of Pennsylvania and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Miller of Redondo Beach.

Burial was in Green Hills Memorial Park.

Edith Abbott

Funeral services for Mrs. Edith Christine Abbott, 78, who died Sunday, Oct. 16, in a Gardena hospital, were scheduled for 2 p.m. this afternoon at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel with interment to follow in Pacific Crest Cemetery.

Mrs. Abbott was a native of Massachusetts and had lived here for 30 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Lillian Guselian of Rolling Hills, and a son, Ward Crabbe, Culver City. Also surviving are three grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Ross Loria

Funeral services for Ross Loria, 415 E. Carson St., were conducted yesterday at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. William H. Doty of Avalon Village Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Mr. Loria, a native Californian, was born in Los Angeles, Aug. 23, 1910. He died last Friday.

He is survived by two sons,

Joe of Torrance and James of Reseda, and two sisters, Eva Griggs of Colusa and Rosie Ridge of San Pedro.

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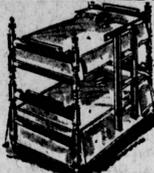
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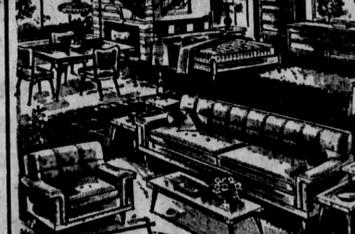
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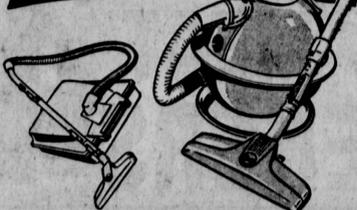
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