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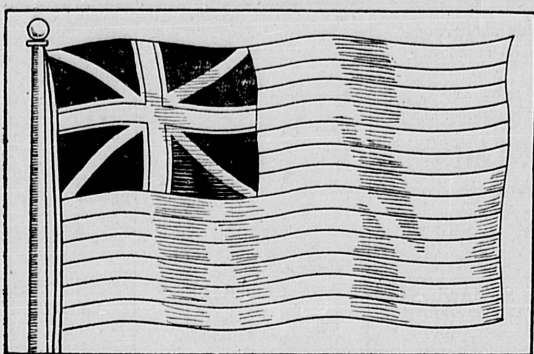
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P.T.A. Council Plans District Conferences

The first meeting of the Gateway P.T.A. Council for the season was conducted at Torrance city park last week by Mrs. W. J. Schroeder, president.

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Private Leslie Foster Describes First Weeks Of Army Life in Texas

How one of The Herald's 24 active and alumni staff members who are now in the armed services is making out as a rookie deep in the heart of Texas was told this week in a letter received by this newspaper's staff from Private Leslie C. Foster. He left his job as circulation manager (with considerable commercial sign painting business on the side) Aug. 5 when he was in-

ducted in the Army. Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton F. Foster of 911 Cotuit ave., is stationed for schooling at Sheppard Field, Texas, where he is in the 417 Technical School Squadron. Describing his experiences of becoming indoctrinated he writes:

"At Ft. MacArthur (where I was inducted) they give you an I. Q. test which is nothing more than a test to see if you've got all your marbles. Then if you pass that with a high enough score, you are entitled to take a mathematics test. Then if you pass that (which any moron can) you are entitled to apply for different schools. I didn't like any of the mechanical schools so they asked me in for an interview or something and asked me if I would like to get in the aeronautics and glider mechanics.

"Texas Falls to Impress
"I said that I didn't care much for that so they put me in the aeronautics and glider mechanics' school. We got up at 4 o'clock in the morning and got out of school at 2 p. m. Then we drill and have calisthenics until 5 p. m. Then if we have any strength left we wash and study our homework until about 8 p. m. Then we go to bed.

"In other words, they really are going to keep us so busy we won't have much time to worry about getting homesick. I'm glad I'm in this glider school because that is a very new thing and it can advance a man very rapidly. Don't misunderstand me, I don't FLY these gliders. We merely keep them in the best possible condition. In order to do this we have to learn all about a glider and all the workings of it. We'll probably spend two months at the school here and then go to school for two more months at a special advance training center in Columbus, Ohio, Lincoln, Neb., or some place in Illinois.

"This is quite a good sized camp and no fooling—75,000 to 90,000 men here at all times, either coming in or going out. The first days we got here at Sheppard Field I could have kicked the whole state of Texas into the Grand Canyon. It was so hot and the humidity was at such a point that you just dripped with perspiration. Then they made us get out in that boiling heat and drill, drill, drill, and then go out in the wheat fields for 'recreation.'

"A 'Brain' From Torrance
"Recreation, bah! I'd gladly stuff papers at The Herald 14 hours a day! We had 'games' where you'd race up and around a pole about 50 yards away with some big lug on your back. Then you sat him down and he plays like he's dead and you've got to pick him up and carry him back.

"I got hold of some guy that weighed about 170 pounds and he felt like he weighed 270. It's all in a day's work though, and it sure toughens a guy up in a hurry, no fooling. The only thing I don't like to see is the older men out here going through those strenuous exercises. They're good men, sure, and good mechanics, but gee, I don't see why they try to maim the poor fellows putting them through the mill like that. Most of them are in a school like I am now so they won't hit all that tough drill.

"The non-commissioned officers in charge are mostly very reasonable fellows and if you do what you are told you'll get along with them fine. I met up with a very nice fellow up here from Torrance and he's an extremely intelligent fellow and a regular guy. His name is Eugene Hakanson. He used to be assistant superintendent at the National Supply. He's only 27 years old but he's really a brain. We're in the same room together and I get a kick out of him.

"Booster for California
"There's quite a few of the

Three More Homes Scheduled for Tract Adjoining City Park

Priorities for the construction of three additional houses in the Park Knoll Tract on Arlington ave., adjoining Torrance city park, were secured this week by Katz & Pine, subdividers and builders of the tract. Ground has already been broken for a three-bedroom house and two two-bedroom houses on Cabrillo, the builders state. This will be the last three-bedroom house permitted under government regulations, it was announced.

"We are hopeful of securing priorities within a few days for 22 additional houses on Gramercy ave.," Pine stated.

Soil in Kent which hadn't been cultivated since the days of the Romans has been plowed and planted as part of Britain's "Grow for Victory" campaign.

Torrance guys here yet and I keep in contact with them and we go on arguing parties with guys from other states and we haven't lost an argument yet. When we get through with them they all can't wait to get out and live in California. By the way, I'd like to be back there right now myself, but we've got a job to do first.

"I sure miss all of you and wish I could see all of your smiling faces again. There may be some chance of me working my sign painting in here and I'm just playing my cards carefully and taking advantage of every opportunity that comes my way. Well, I must get some sleep now, so write me, will you, and I'll sure appreciate it, no fooling." Private Foster concludes.

Gardena Census Now Said 6,860

The city of Gardena will have a population of 6860 by next Oct. 1, it was estimated in the latest survey made by the county regional planning commission released this week. By the Federal census of April, 1940, Gardena was shown to have a population of 5909 persons.

By Oct. 1, Gardena will have a total of 3165 dwelling units completed, including such defense housing projects as now are building, it was stated in the survey. By the 1940 census there were only 1809 dwelling units.

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