## **Quandt Water System Appraised At** \$75,000; \$20,000 Refused

Answering the offer of the City Council of \$20,000 for the enday night told the council that the plant is worth neares \$75,000 and indicated that they will trust

To be paid to the judgment of the courts.

At a meeting of the council

Aug. 6, the offer of \$20,000 was\*
made with the understanding
that if it is refused condemnation proceedings will be instijuted.

The Quandt plant had been appraised at \$44,000 by Taylor and Taylor, water engineers, and Quandt is said to have been willing to accept that

price.
Dick Ludolph, Hawthorne, and Floyd E. Pendell, El Monte, attorneys for Quandt, said that even since the appraisal of Taylor and Taylor of 1945, the value of the plant has increased considerably.
Ludolph pointed out that pumps appraised at, \$495 now are costing \$1800; engines appraised at \$1,100 are selling for \$2,500. He said that the pipe alone was appraised at \$20,000, as of 1945, and that was a a "top of the ground" price. He declared that the cost of diging trenches, laying the pipe, filling and paving of \$46 57,000 feet of pipe in the system is conservatively worth 25 cents a foot, and that within 40 days new OPA regulations will push the value of the system to \$75,000.
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the value of the system to \$75,000.

Pendell said that the \$20,000 offer of the city for the plant is "ridiculous," and asked that the City Council meet with Quandt on "middle ground."

The council failed to take action on the matter Monday, mint, bit proceeds to danket the offer for sale of \$150,000 in bonds previously offered for sale with bids to be opened on August 27. The bonds were withdrawn due to the fact that the Quandt purchase had not been completed.

The bonds were voted last year to provide a water system for the Southwestern section of Torrance, including Walteria, with the understanding that the Quandt system would be purchased.

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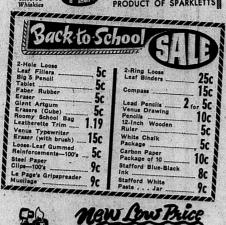
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