

## State Board Members to Break Ground

Members of the State Board of Education will participate in a groundbreaking ceremony for new buildings at Harbor College when they meet on the Wilmington campus today and Friday.

The groundbreaking will be for a new administration building, first unit in a \$2,464,390 construction program. Other buildings to be constructed with money provided for by a 1960 bond election are a business building, life science building, planetarium, student center and service building.

Roy E. Simpson, State Superintendent of Education, and Dr. Ralph Richardson, president of the Los Angeles City Board of Education will present the event.

The construction contract for the new buildings was awarded to C. V. Holder Inc. and Norman C. Toombs Inc.

The State Board of Education is meeting on the Harbor campus at the invitation of Benjamin N. Scott, board member from Lomita. The public is invited to attend the meetings which will be held in the Women's Gym.

Army Pvt. Edwin L. Ballentine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn M. Ballentine, 18715 Cerise, recently was assigned to the 554th Transportation Platoon at Ft. Story, Va.

Ballentine, a light truck driver in the platoon, entered the Army in November 1961 and completed basic training at Ft. Ord, Calif.

The 23-year-old soldier was graduated from North High School in Torrance in 1956.

His wife, Violet, lives in Newport News, Va.

## Know Your Traffic Laws

When Commander Alan B. Shepard Jr. was thrust into space on the morning of May 5, 1961, to become America's first astronaut, safety was of prime importance. Without exception, every American was most concerned with his venture into space and the safety of Commander Shepard.

What a tragic day it would have been had this venture failed and claimed the life of the astronaut. Had this happened, every American would have suffered a loss on that day.

Why then, do we fail to see and realize that every day of every month brings death to large numbers of people because of traffic accidents? Why don't we concern ourselves with the safety of all drivers on our streets and highways?

THESE QUESTIONS have an answer, but those whose business is concerned with public safety have been unable to supply the answer.

Many attempts have been made by many organizations to promote the most effective means of gaining support and cooperation. Traffic safety is everybody's business and should concern all of us. We must wake up to the fact that needless accidents can be eliminated, deaths on the highways can be reduced, and tragedies which accompany accidents can be averted to a greater extent if each shares the responsibility for doing his part by taking more care in driving.

WHEN COMMANDER Shepard was shot into space, he was required to know certain things pertaining to his rocket. Without this knowledge and training, America's first space probe could have been a failure.

We, as drivers, are required to know certain facts pertaining to the operation of our

motor vehicles, and we must display this knowledge in order to obtain a driver's license. Yet, we fail to follow through by exercising the same caution we did when we first learned how to drive.

WE FAIL TO show the same concern for our fellow drivers we did when we first took to the roadway. Our actions become stereotyped or automatic through consideration of driving as a routine matter, and thus we don't have to give it a great deal of thought.

Today is as good a time as any to start anew. From this day on and every day, let us do our part by making an honest and conscientious effort to become a better driver.

BY OBEYING all traffic laws and using added caution, we can do much to improve our traffic safety record in our city, thus making Torrance a safer place in which to live.

We must remember that we are not immune to accidents and that the effort we exercise could save our own lives. Everyone of us is fully capable of becoming a traffic statistic. Our attitude will have much to do in determining what lies ahead.

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## Selection of Site for College Probably Several Months Away

Purchase of a site for the new four-year college in this area may be delayed until after the first of 1963, although investigation, appraisal, and other work could be carried on in the meantime.

That was a report forwarded this week by A. Alan Post, legislative analyst to the California Legislature, to Assemblyman Charles E. Chapel.

Answering a specific question about site acquisition and the financial timing problems, Post reported that "it would not be conceivably possible to require the bulk of cash for negotiation or condemnation purposes before the first of the year 1963, assuming the most ideal possible conditions with no difficulties thrown in the way of the machinery and procedures by which such acquisitions are made."

FUNDS FOR four such colleges were provided in 1957, Post said, and the first college to call on the funds was Orange, which selected a site in March 1958, nine months after the money was made available.

In speaking before the Chamber of Commerce here recently, Dr. Leo F. Cain, president of the proposed South Bay College, said he was employing a planning staff of 12 people to begin studies on the college's physical plant needs.

DR. CAIN said 400 acres would be needed to provide for a planned full-time load of 20,000 day students.

"As the college will be in the fastest growing area of the Southland, it should become one of the biggest colleges in the state system.

A board of engineers and architects will select possible sites and make a recommendation to the trustees who have final say on the selection, Dr. Cain said.

quarters, but will open in our own facilities," Dr. Cain said. The area to be served by the proposed college produces about 10 per cent of all high school graduates in California, the educator said. He said the college should open its first classes in 1964.

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