

Ticklers

By George



Did you sterilize everything like the doctor said? Honey, I've sterilized everything in the house! BUT WHAT'S THE USE HE'LL GROW UP LIKE ANY OTHER BOY...

Test Your Intelligence

- Score 10 points for each correct answer in the first six questions: 1. The distance by air between Berlin and London is: -1018 miles -2000 miles -1452 miles -375 miles

1952-53 Budget Disclosed

(Continued from Page 1) Court fines and forfeitures. Effective January 1, 1953, the city's Municipal Court will be abolished and court matters will be transferred to the Municipal Court in Redondo. Based on experience reported by other cities, who have already transferred their courts, there will be a substantial decrease in revenue to the city.

Council Matters

(Continued from Page 1) exaction of the property, approximately 25 acres, was set for August 5, at 8 p.m. in the council chambers. All protests will be heard at that time, it was announced.

City Pay Hike

A letter requesting pay hikes for city fire- and police-men was heard by the Council. Signed by Frank Tuttle, president of the Firemen's Benefit Association, the letter pointed out that local pay scales are well below that of most Southern California cities.

Dog Licenses

The South Bay Humane Society was awarded the bid for the collection of dog licenses and city pound services. The Society will collect the license taxes and return 10 per cent to the city.

Advertising Bid

The Chamber of Commerce was awarded \$1,250 for advertising for the City of Torrance for the quarter ending June 30.

Edison Property

Final Council action on the request of the Edison Company for a rezoning of their property at 190th and Western Ave. was delayed until after the final Planning Commission hearing on the matter. Councilman Blount, however, voiced a protest against rezoning the site for heavy manufacturing. He stated that the proposed furniture factory to be installed there would require no more than M-1 (light manufacturing). "Nothing could stop a boiler factory from going in there if we zone it M-2," he said.

Street Name Changed

The Council moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission that the name of the Hollywood-Palos Verdes Parkway be changed to Palos Verdes Blvd. The move to have this change made was spearheaded by the Hollywood Riviera Community Association.

Hearing Delayed

Adoption of the assessment diagram for the Seaside Heights District was delayed until July 2, at 8:00. The delay was requested by citizens from that area who are protesting the method of assessing that area for the recently installed sanitary sewer district.

Future Residents

The Council acted favorably on City Manager Stevens' suggestion that lots in all future subdivisions be assessed a sum between \$25 and \$50 for a civic improvement fund. This he said will give new residential areas a fund from which to draw for any necessary civic buildings or improvements.

Department requests have been adjusted to establish a balanced budget. All City services will be maintained or improved under the proposed budget. Department services and activities have been maintained in balance for our growing community.

The major item in the General Fund Budget is salaries. For the coming year over 75% of the operating expenses will be allocated to payrolls. The Budget Estimate contains funds in the Unappropriated Reserve for a 5% general increase in salaries for all employees, as well as some additional adjustments and changes created by new classifications. Approximately \$43,000 will be required for the proposed increase and adjustments. The proposed increase will establish the salary schedules for the City at comparable levels with those of other cities in the vicinity.

To maintain the necessary services to the citizens of the community during the current period of rapid growth, it has been necessary to increase the number of personnel employed by the City. Greatest increases have been in Police, Fire and Building Departments. To indicate that the City has not over extended its personnel, it is interesting to note that, whereas the population of the city has increased 110% during the past four years, the number of employees has increased from 150 in 1948 to 215 at present — an increase of 44%. Service standards have been maintained by increased efficiency through mechanization of operations with modern equipment wherever possible. The proposed budget provides for a moderate increase in personnel for the ensuing year.

To provide the necessary increase for the budget, a tax rate of 98.5c per \$100 will be necessary, based on the estimated assessed valuations. To carry on the increased activities of our library service and to provide for further expansion, a tax rate of 4.5c per \$100 will be required. The tax rate for the Employee Retirement Fund will remain at 12c. The total tax rate will be \$1.15 compared with the \$1.12 carried during the past few years. This minor increase is fully justified in maintaining proper services to our expanding community. An Unappropriated Reserve of \$20,000—\$35,000 will be carried in the budget, an absolute minimum for safe operation. Final values on assessed valuations will not be available until the latter part of August 1952, at which time the tax rates can be officially established.

Yours very truly, Geo. W. Stevens City Manager

ESTIMATED REVENUES and CASH RESERVE for 1952-53 GENERAL FUND PURPOSES

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Cash on Hand, Revenue from Taxes, Total Reserve and Revenues, Less Operating Reserve, Available for Budgets, Operating Budgets, Available for Capital Outlay, 1952-53 ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATE.

Table with 2 columns: Department and Amount. Lists various departments like City Attorney, City Clerk, City Council, City Custodian, City Judge, City Manager, City Treasurer, Departments (Building, Dump, Engineering, Fire, Garage, Health & Sanitation, Painting, Park, Police, Recreation, Street, Street Lighting, Civil Service, Commission, Planning Commission, Recreation, Auditorium, Auditing, Building Repairs, City Hall Expense, County Tax, Election, Insurance, Compensation, Liability, Other, Printing, Miscellaneous, Civil Defense, Chamber of Commerce, Music Fund, Promotion, Bus Operation Fund, Unappropriated Reserve, Total Operating Budget.

ROTHS LOWER PRICES

ROTHS FINE MEATS

Table of meat prices: Government Graded "Good" VEAL ROAST 59c lb., VEAL BREAST 39c lb., Veal Rib CHOPS 69c lb., Boneless VEAL STEW 79c lb., Fresh Ground VEAL 69c lb., Swift's Eastern SPARE RIBS 35c lb., Fresh Dressed FRYING RABBETS 59c lb., ARMOUR'S EASTERN BACON ENDS 15c lb., SEA BASS Fresh Fillet 55c lb., ROCK FISH Fresh Fillet 45c lb.

CONTADINA TOMATOES No. 2 1/2 CAN 15c

VALUES

GOLDEN CREME BREAD White or Wheat LARGE LOAF 21c

Table of grocery items: CITRUS SOAP, LA PALOMA SPAGHETTI, PACIFIC TREET CRACKERS, SUNLAND PITTED MEDIUM OLIVES, Betsy Ross Grape Juice, GLORIETTA TOMATO JUICE, HEART'S DELIGHT PRUNE JUICE, HIGHLAND SYRUP, KARO RED LABEL SYRUP, KINGSFORD CORN STARCH, KITCHEN CHARM WAX PAPER, LIBBY'S CORNED BEEF HASH, LIBBY'S SAUSAGE, LIBBY'S TOMATO, LINIT STARCH, MORRELL'S SNACK, OLD ENGLISH DRI, PORTLAND PUNCH, ROCCA BELLA RIPP, SEA GOLD, SIOUX BEE HONEY, HORMEL SPAM, STAR OLIVE OIL, STARKIST CHUNK, GERBER'S DRY CE.

FINE QUALITY LARGE BOLOGNA 35c lb., FULL CREAM MONTEREY JACK CHEESE 49c lb.

Health & Beauty Aids: Fitch's Wave Set LARGE BOTTLE 10c, Bayer Aspirins BOTTLE OF 100 59c, Phillips Milk of Mag. 26-OUNCE BOTTLE 59c, Campana Balm REGULAR \$1.00 29c, J & J Cotton Balls LARGE BOX 35c, Bobbie Smith RUBBER TIPPED BOBBY PINS 10c

SEAGRAM BLENDED KOZAK Roma Estate OLD TERMINA STRAIGHT SCHMIDT

ROTHS LOWER PRICES

YOUR Best Buys FOR COMFY, OUTDOOR LIVING! BARBECUE SET \$1995, CHAISE LOUNGE \$1850. BURKE'S BARGAIN SPOT Torrance Blvd. & Cravens Ave. — Ph. Torrance 1726

LUMBER AND BUILDING NEEDS WEEK-END SPECIALS!

ALL SIZES WINDOW AND DOOR SCREENS SEE US! 1x4 and 1x6 CLEAR REDWOOD SIDING 5 1/2c Ft. CLOSET SEAT \$398

GUARANTEED WATER HEATER \$39.50 (20 Gallons), VITREOUS CHINA LAVATORY \$9.50

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