People rushing to vote has come in each year between 4 and 7 P.M. but will not be held by 120 candidates. Site will be selected for the area by five women of American River Junior College Board. Pleasant Grove - Beece School Districts have scheduled tax increase measures for voting.

Shepherd's office said the deadline for applying for five voting absentee ballots has passed.

Elections in doubt about location of their polling places are requested to call the office of their district superintendent.

May 17, 1955

Site For River College Campus is Approved

Trustees of the new American River Junior College last night approved a 140 acre campus site at Winding Way and Oak and Myrtle Avenues and the $425,000 contract with Superintendent William J. Priest for the purchase of the property.

The site has been approved by the board earlier and condemnation proceedings were started but were stopped after some objections were raised. Priest then made a survey of the four possible sites and reported to the board last night their original selection was the best of the four.

Known as the American River Junior College Site, the area, known as the Cameron Site, comprises 92 acres owned by Robert L. Cameron, North Sacramento automobile dealer, and parcels owned by Mrs. Ayres, Kissinger, Harry H. Herzig and Ray Parks.

The school will attempt to operate on a deficit basis of interest and not have to charge tuition in order to keep the tuition fees paid for the land, Witter indicated, however, it will be the same as in 1954.

Other Sites

Other sites which were considered are at Winding Way and Manzanita Avenue, Madison and Manzanita Avenues and Coyle and Manzanita Avenues.

The selected Cameron site is by far the best,” Priest told the board, “it has good topography, is easily accessible and utility facilities are available.”

District’s Financial Status is Critical

Witter told the board that the district’s financial situation is critical.

He said that in preparing the budget for the coming year, George Rice, assistant superintendent in charge of business, has had to pare all expenditures to keep within the $307,233 in anticipated income.

He explained even further cuts will be necessary if an unanticipated reserve is to be created and he believes that is essential to handle unforeseen expenses, especially during the first year of operation for the new school.

Despite the fact we have no money,” commented Witter, “we will be operating above the standards of the present school.

The new school is expected to open Technical College which will begin at the conclusion of the present term. The new school will operate on the Grand campus until the plant is constructed on the Cameron site.

Three Instructors Are Employed

The trustees approved the employment of Ronald B. Fazier, a former member of the college board, to be the new head of the school. Fazier has been employed by the university for the past two years.

Witter also announced that he would employ a new head of the school.

May 18, 1955