



## Watering hole uncovered

Excavation for Sparklett's Water Company in 1939 brought up something more rare than water. Bones of a prehistoric elephant (about 35,000 years old) were taken from the site at 4500 York Blvd., which is thought to have been a watering hole for animals of the Pleistocene

age. The nine foot elephant, (technically *Mammothus imperator* or "Imperial Mammoth") was removed by paleontologists from Cal Tech and its skeleton articulated for display at the Los Angeles County Museum of Natural Science.