

Fight Brewing on Money For Recreation Projects

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"Where's the money coming from?" is always a good question in governmental, as well as in private circles. Competition for the available cash between rival government programs is seldom fierce, though a current case in point proves it certainly can be. The struggle this time is over financing of recreational development around new reservoirs in the state water project. The Assembly Interim Committee on Water recently held a two-day session on the problem, and it was obvious some fireworks may be expected at our 1965 session.

parking program, and the special program for development of new recreational areas around reservoirs which are created by new dams.

In 1961 a law was enacted which requires the purchase of land around all new reservoirs needed to "enhance" the wild-life, fish, and recreational resources of each, and the full development of facilities for use of these resources to be finished by the time each reservoir is filled and in operation. While the act called for appropriations of money for such purposes, it did not specifically provide any funds.

charging of recreational or allied costs against the buyers of water or power from the project. Supporters of the 1961 law contemplated that funds needed for recreational development would come from additional appropriations from the state's general fund, but the Committee was informed that is not exactly the way things are being worked out.

Funds for this reservoir development are largely being drawn from appropriations for improvements of existing beaches and parks, plus smaller amounts from the small craft harbor and wild-life conservation funds. It is strongly maintained that as a result, the development of recreational lands already in

the state system is endangered. The Resources Administrator has said that the financing of reservoir development and that of other beaches and parks has been on a "collision course" since the 1961 law was passed.

AN ASSEMBLY bill was introduced in our 1964 special session which would have increased the appropriation of tidelands oil revenues to the state water fund from \$11 million per year to \$16 million. While its author did not specifically propose to earmark the extra \$5 million for recreation, it was his theory that the additional money could be used for such purposes. The bill passed the Assembly with flying colors, but

in the Senate amendments to it were offered which the author could not accept, so the bill was dropped.

It was apparent that some basic policy decisions will need to be made to resolve the current difficulties on this matter. The Water Committee made quite clear that the Legislature would strongly influence such decisions. The various possible lines of action were reviewed—cutting back reservoir development, reducing improvement of existing land, or finding additional revenues.

It was indicated that the state administration might favor some loosening of the present requirement that recreational developments be completed by the time the re-

servoirs are filled. On this point also, it was indicated that the Committee would favor continued legislative control of the conditions for meeting recreational needs.

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Theater Bus Trip Planned

Tickets can still be purchased for the Torrance Recreation Department "theater bus trip," to a Greek Theater performance of Henry Mancini and the New Christy Minstrels tomorrow. The bus will leave City Hall at 7 p.m.

Tickets can be secured for section B at \$5, which includes bus transportation and insurance. For further information call FA 8-5310, Ext. 263.

Former Counselor Becomes Principal

Joseph M. Meler, a former counselor for the Torrance schools, has been named principal for a Coachella Valley school. Meler will take over his new assignment in September.

Meler, vice principal at Needles High School for the past two years, will become principal of the Eagle Mountain High School. Prior to the assignment at Needles, Meler served as head counselor at South High and at Torrance High.

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