

Voters May Decide Use of Taxes for Rapid Transit

Southern California Rapid Transit District directors today reiterated their pledge to submit to the voters any proposal for the use of local tax funds to build Rapid Transit.

The RTD Board, at a special meeting, reaffirmed to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors the District's intention to proceed with an election following completion of the planning and design work required by the District Act before a Rapid Transit funding measure can be placed on the ballot.

RTD directors acted following Supervisor Warren M. Dorn's declaration that one-time funds for finalizing the required work should be approved by the supervisors only if the use of local public monies for construction is submitted to a vote of the people.

At the same meeting the RTD directors formally requested the supervisors to include in their 1966-67 county budget the one-time ap-

propriation authorized by the Legislature to complete the planning and design phase for the first segment of the countywide Rapid Transit system.

Assembly Bill 39, approved by the Legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown, authorizes the supervisors to levy a \$3.9 million tax to complete the preliminary work required under the RTD Act.

Placement in the county budget of the \$3.9 million is a technical requirement and will not affect county financing programs since the money is funded from a separate source.

Rapid Transit District Pres-

ident Harry A. Faulk said "the District has always favored a direct decision by the voters on the use of county taxpayers monies to build Rapid Transit."

"This provision was included in the Act under which the District operates and was part of the Rapid Transit enabling legislation sponsored by the Assembly Transportation and Commerce Committee."

"We commended the supervisors for serving the best interests of the taxpayers in demanding a decision by the people on the use of their tax funds for long-term Rapid Transit construction."

Pit Barbeque to Raise Funds for Retarded Kids

Tickets are on sale now at the Lomita City Hall or Chamber of Commerce offices, 25332 Narbonne Avenue, for the pit-barbecue beef dinner to be served during the

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Members of the Harbor Foundation, annual sponsors of this type of dinner as a fund-raising project for their organization, will prepare the food and receive the profits from the sale of tickets to aid them in their present fund-raising drive.

The Foundation, a non-profit group, with headquarters in San Pedro, provides a daily training program to meet the individual needs of 44 retarded children in the Lomita, Torrance, Harbor City, Rolling Hills, Palos Verdes and San Pedro areas.

Paul S. Peeler, 22, whose father, Lloyd J. Peeler, lives at 21733 Main St., was promoted to Army specialist four May 18 in Germany.

He attended Banning High School and was employed by Lakewood Trailers, Gardena, before entering the Army.

His mother, Mrs. Mamie L. Peeler, lives at 4339 Rosecrans Ave., Hawthorne.



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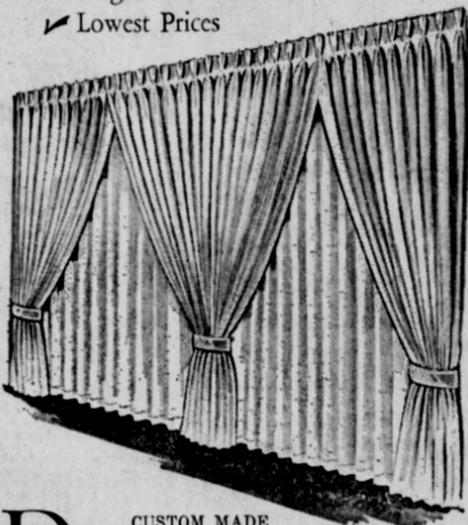
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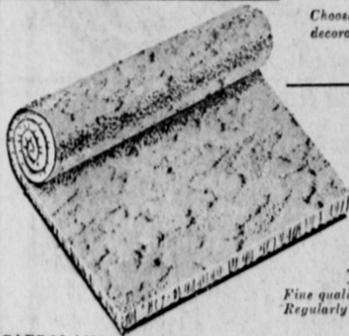
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