West Basin Officials Seek Crystal Ball

ater demands for the years 60, 1970, and 1980. The Metropolitan Water Disct, of which West Basin is member, has requested the timates by Dec. 10th for use considering policies regarding ture annexation to Metropolius.

future annexation to Metropolitan.

According to district spokesman Carl Fossette the present West Basin total demand is 34,000 acre feet ammually.

What has West Basin officials in a quandary is the fact that the safe local supply must be estimated and subtracted from the total demand and the resulting figure projected 30 years into the future.

An additional imponderable is the impending court decision as to the "safe yield" of the West Basin.

SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER VOTE MACHINES

Board of Supervisors has called for demonstrations of voting machines to be used in future elections.

Offices of the supervisors have received a barrage of calls from precinct workers telling of the hardships and complications arising from the present cumbersome method of voting.

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Phone Rates Due for Hike

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from \$4 to \$5 with an increase of five message units being granted.

Smith also stated that long distance cells to more distant points would remain about the same as present rates but the charges for cells to near distant points such as Huntington Beach would increase slightly.

"The rate application was made necessary by the problem of rising costs—both labor and materials," Smith said. "Rate increases thus far obtained by packic Telephone a mount to about 16 per cent on California intraestate operations and have proved inadequate. The new application, if granted, will igcrease the revenues of the company about 14 per cest."

Smith saided, "The increase in the prices of almost everything we must buy in order to render telephone service has spiraled. Inclusive, off the rate increase now being applied for, the average price of telephone service will have gone up less than half the 75 per cent rise in the cost of living index."

Pacific Telephone no employs 56,000 people in California or one out of every 74 workers.

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'Mail Early' Postmaster's Plea to Public

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Postmaster C. Earl Connor today appealed to local residents to plan to mail all Christmas greeting cards and gift packages "just as early in December as possible."

"If you postpone mailing to the last minute this year," the postmaster warned, "you risk disappointing your friends. Your holding messages and gifts may, be caught in the rush and porthaps not delivered until after Christmas."

All packages should be mailed before Dec. 10 to assigne delivery before Christmas. Day, he said. Christmas Day, he said. Christmas cards for out-of-Stotes delivery also should be mailed by Dec. 16 and enests for local addresses should be in the collection.

Enlistments in National Guard Open

Enlistments in the California National Guard have been re-opened for men 17-21 years of age, according to First Sgt. Azael Garcia, who is now on ac-tive duty with the local Guard battalloa.

tive duty with the local Guard battalion.

Sgt Garcia stated that many vacancies now exist in the ranks of Company. A of the 578th Engineering (Combat)

Battalion wheh conducts drills every Tuesday night at the Torrance City Park. Recruits are payed at the rate of \$2.50 per drill lasts about two hours, Sergeant Garcia said.

The National Guard offices are open from 8 am. to 4 pm., daily and any interested 17-21 year-old male may obtain enlistment information by calling at the City Park, Garcia said.

COUNTY ASKS STATE AID FOR BELHART BRIDGE

Cemetery Plan New Well to New Class in Up to State Replace One Painting of

action by the Planning Commis-sion."

"All that would have been necessary for Senness to have accomplished the things set forth in his petition was to have organized a corporation in compliance with Section 8252 of the Health and Safety Code of California and to have acquired the property neces-sary for his cemetery by dedi-cation for cemetery purposes exclusively."

Answering another portion of the Mayor's request for an opin-

Smith continued:

"The City cannot legally impose a tax on land used for cemetery purposes, or in the opinion of this office, exact a license fee for operation of a cemetery,

"This matter and the entire question of cemeteries—especially private cemeteries—is set forth and covered by the Health and Safety Code of the State, Division 8, Part 3, Chantons 1

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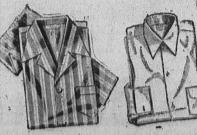
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