COUNTY REPORT

Weights Division Helps To Protect the Public

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THE PRIMARY responsibility of this department is to guarantee that equity prevails in all commercial transactions involving determination of quangest bargains taxpayers receive for their tax dollar. For less sure through elimination of than 10 cents per person, each resident receives substantial lessness or ignorance of the

Proposition 1-A Costs Revealed

By PHILIP E. WATSON

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Proposition 1-A was created by the legislature in the name of "property tax relief." It was voted in by citizens who thought they were voting for tax relief. They must be processed separately. But the task doesn't end there. in new tax dollars to receive a few dollars back.

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Assessors throughout the state must suddenly expand their operations to include the task of processing the applications of homeowners seeking property tax relief. It is estimated that the statewide cost of administering Proposition 1-A will exceed three million dollars!

Here in Los Angeles County the task of administering Proposition 1-A looms as a mammoth new program for our office. In addition to our ongoing, countywide appraisal program, we are now gearing up to send out

Nursing

PROPOSITION 1-A creates more work and cost by its tax exemption of 15 per cent of business inventories. Although the computer will figure the exemption, it cannot do so until our deputies have verified that inventory is properly and separately reported from supplies and equipment — a separation not required in the past.

Based on the experience of other states that have exempted inventories, we can also anticipate lengthy arguments and widespread litigation over what is and is not inventory. The inventory exemption is worth thousands of dollars — rather thousands of dollars — the track of the track

Nursing Students Get Caps

Forty-three registered nursing students at Los Angeles Harbor

thousands of dolars — rather that 470 — to major retailers and manufacturers, so any legal expenses (which are also deductible against income tax as a business; expense) are well worth it to the taxpayer involved. But the cost of defending these lawsuits will be another.

charge against all property tax

rorty-three registered nursing students at Los Angeles Harbor College have received their caps signifying the completion of their first semester of training. Mrs. Barbara Wright, chairman of the Nursing Division, conducted the ceremony assisted by instructors Ruth Clarke, Margareta Reske, and Ruby Rogers.

Dr. Jerold Turner, assistant medical director of Harbor General Hospital, was the principal speaker.

The students have ahead of them three more semesters of instruction and training at Harbor College, Harbor General Hospital, San Pedro Community Hornital and Kaiser, Hospital SOME HAVE asked if this is a

soz.500 to partly offset applications costs, Los Angeles Country of College, Harbor General Hospital, San Pedro Community Hospital, and Kaiser Hospital before they receive their degrees and take the state licensing examination for registered nurses.

Local students capped were: Virginia Bruce, Lillian Cabus, Rath Davis, and Luetta Pelke, Wilmington; Susan Andrews, Phillip Cowan, Sandra Gonsales, Toni Harris, Ynona Paoli, Shirley Wareing, Torrance; Linda Barry, Carla Letherer, Judy Lovelady, Diane Schroeder, Harbor City, Jean Bristol, Eleanor Kuehn, Carson; and Jamie Grant, Lomita.

New Dean

Appointed

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SOME HAVE asked if this is a beneyear-only increase. No, it is not. Although this is the only time the assessor will have to process applications for two years at once, it is also the only year that he is scheduled to receive any state revenue for this project. Therefore, the estimated costs for 1969-70 still exceed one million dollars.

Seeing these costs, we can only wonder at the total collar loss to the total community. We cannot speculate now on assessed values or on tax rates. Nevertheless, the record shows that increased exemptions are consistently reflected in increased, locally-determined tax rates. And such increased rates will at present hit hardest at the homeowner.

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By College

Robert E. Taving has been named to the position of assistant dean of admissions and guidance at Los Angeles Harbor College, it was announced today will inevitably result in no relief at all.

president.

Tabing replaces William H.

McMasters who retired Feb. 7.

A graduate of Compton High School and the University of Scouthern California, Tabing has been with the Los Angeles school system for 23 years.

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He began his teaching career the taxpayers of California!"
at San Pedro High School where he was baseball, football and basketball coach. He was athletic director at Los Angeles Trade-Technical College for seven years before joining the Harbor faculty as a coach and counselor in 1964.

Dividend Noted Pacific Telephone has announced earnings of \$1.33 for each common share of stock for 1968, compared to \$1.26 in 1967.

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1968 and \$163,465,000 in 1967.

By BURTON W. CHACE
County Supervisor
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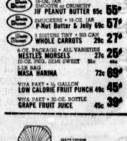


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