

Old BL School Election Voted By Rec Leaders

The Ben Lomond recreation district has voted to hold an election asking approval of the district's residents to purchase the old Ben Lomond school property.

This action was taken recently even though the property is in the process of being sold to a Mormon church group, for \$32,500.

Their "ace in the hole," according to Gerald Shapro, president of the district, is an opinion to be read tonight at the Valley school board meeting, discussing a possible technicality in the process of selling the property which might force the board to rebid the property. William Card, county counsel, who rendered the opinion, would not reveal this morning on how he advised the trustees.

Mrs. Alice Wilder, recreation district secretary, said if the deal is considered illegal, we will have a chance to hold an election before the property is rebid. If it is deemed legal, then we will probably file a suit of eminent domain against the successful bidders.

"We want it understood," she said, "that we have nothing against the church. This school property has been a matter of long standing between the school district and the recreation district."

She said the recreation district has wanted to acquire the property for many years, but the school district would only lease it to us. "Then we never had a chance to discuss the sale with the board, when they decided to sell it," she said.

The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 o'clock in the Valley high school library.

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