

Weather Report

Temperature for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a. m. today — Maximum 79, minimum 43.

Monterey Bay Area — Fair through Tuesday but patches of morning fog near ocean and near Salinas; little temperature change; high both days 68 to 78.

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\$950,000 Water Bond Issue Before Valley Voters Tomorrow

By Norman Indahl

For the fourth time voters in the San Lorenzo Valley county water district will go to the polls tomorrow to vote on a water revenue bond issue.

At stake is a \$950,000 revenue bond issue to purchase the Citizens Utilities company and finance the district's share of constructing a proposed dam on Newell creek in cooperation with the city of Santa Cruz.

Building the Newell creek dam and pipeline is the first major step in carrying out the county's master water plan.

Saratoga civil engineers, Patrick J. Creegan and Elmer D'Angelo, have developed the county's master water plan. They appeared at two public meetings in the San Lorenzo Valley to answer any questions in regards to construction of the dam.

Two previous general obligation and one revenue bond election have been defeated.

The board of directors of the valley water district have adopted the report of engineer John Luthin, which states it is feasible to bring the valley water system under public ownership and operate it without any levy of taxes or expense to the district.

If the valley water district voters approve the measure, \$200,000 will be set aside for the construction of a dam to store at least 500-acre-feet of water.

Two groups have been formed in regards to the bond issue. Supporting the election is the Citizens Committee for Tax-Free Revenue Bonds, with the opposition coming from the Taxpayers' Protective committee.

Clyde Larsen, a director of the water district, said this morning that there does not seem to be as "organized a punch" against the bond program as in the last election.

Officers of the citizens committee are Dr. John Donlevy, chairman; Mrs. Charles Lingsch, vice-chairman; Gaylord Feaga, vice-chairman; Harl Staley, vice-chairman; and Mrs. Gretchen Warner, secretary-treasurer.

Harold G. Hilton of Boulder Creek, former chairman of the board of directors of the valley water district, is serving as spokesman for the opposition.

The opposition claims the district will assume a \$2 million debt for a public owned water system with property as a collateral.

Heavy balloting is expected on the revenue bond proposal, which requires a simple majority vote to pass. Polling places are the old Ben Lomond firehouse and the Boulder Creek firehouse.

The booths will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

"We are very confident and very sure it will be a success," Dr. Donlevy predicted.

County Counsel Ray Scott of Boulder Creek will be on Channel 8 between 6:30 and 7 o'clock tonight to point out the advantages of passing the bond measure.

Richard Castillo Pleads Not Guilty To Assault Charge

Richard Castillo, alleged knife wielding assailant of his next door neighbor, entered a technical plea of "not guilty" in municipal court today.

Judge Charles S. Franich scheduled a preliminary examination for Wednesday and set bail at \$3000 for the accused man. Castillo attacked Eugene Parker, 603 Branciforte drive, on Friday. Parker was taken to Santa Cruz hospital where he was treated for a severed tendon in his right thumb and extreme loss of blood.

Parker told police he heard his sister screaming in the Castillo house and hurried next door. An altercation ensued and Castillo tried to stab Parker in the stomach, according to the wounded man. Parker said he parried the thrust with his hand. He told police he knocked Castillo down and took the knife away from him.

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