

City in touch with benefactors

The city engineer's staff is in touch with the various benefactors who are donating to the veterans' memorial flagpole for Highland Park, according to George Bean, chairman of the Veterans Memorial Foundation.

Bean said last Monday that Basil Ung, one of the city engineers, is in touch by phone with Coast Iron and Steel Com-

pany of Santa Fe Springs, which is donating the flagpole.

According to Bean, the city engineer is providing specifications for the 100-foot high steel pipe which will have a 16-inch diameter for the first 40 feet, a ten-inch diameter for the next 40 feet and a six-inch diameter for the last 20 feet.

The pipe as furnished by Coast Iron and Steel will be galvanized free of charge by Western Galvanizing Company of Santa Fe Springs, said Bean.

FREE LABOR

He said the operating engineers union will furnish free labor for digging the foundation hole in the triangular island at the intersection of North Figueroa Street and York Blvd.

ReBar Denieering Corporation of the city of Commerce will furnish steel for the base, said Bean, and the Los Angeles Building Trade Council will provide carpenters for the concrete formwork, iron-workers for the steel work in the base and concrete finishers.

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The one part of the veterans memorial not yet guaranteed is the concrete for the base. Bean said he has not yet received work from the city engineer as to how many cubic yards will be needed, but he is optimistic about getting a donation.

He said Norton Electric Company of North Broadway will furnish the light fixtures to floodlight the flagpole.

An American flag measuring 20 by 30 feet which flew over Arlington Cemetery last Veterans Day has been donated to top the flagpole.

FUNDRAISER

Bean said the veterans group is planning a fundraising "Sweethearts Dance" to be held after the first of the year, to cover incidental expenses. He promised to have the time, place, admission cost and band ready for announcement within a week.

Bean said he doubted that work could begin until after the first of the year. A phone call to Basil Ung's office found him in conference, but one of his aides said Robert Sidertsen is working on the project. A Sidertsen aide said Bill Holland was working on the design, but was taking Monday off.

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pected to be finished in three to four weeks. The flag will be permanently raised as soon as the lighting is completed.

The Veterans Memorial Foundation has also scheduled memorial services at 11 a.m. on November 11. John Feliz, representing the American Legion Department of California, will be the featured speaker. A Gold Star mother will lay a wreath on the monument.

Snyder has worked with local veterans for the last two years in making arrangements for the construction of the monument. He is a former captain in the United States Marine Corps, a past Commander of the 17th District of the American Legion, and now serves by appointment of the National Commander as a member of the National Law and Order Committee of the Legion.



TREE RELOCATED — A crane lifts a tall pine tree from the ground at the Veterans Memorial site at York Blvd. and North Figueroa St. where final work on the memorial is now underway. The tree was taken to Garvanza Park at Meridian St. and Ave. 62 for replanting. The final phase of work on the veterans memorial is expected to take approximately one month.

Final work on vets' memorial underway

Construction on the final phase of the Veterans Memorial monument at York Blvd. and North Figueroa St. began last Friday.

The work involves broadening and beautification of the traffic island by the J. W. Nicks Construction Company and installation of lighting for the permanent illumination of the flag by electrical con-

tractor Jack Saiz.

The monument, which pays tribute to United States veterans who died while serving in the armed services, will feature a 20 by 30 foot American flag flown 24 hours a day from a 100-foot flagpole. The flag will be illuminated at night.

The work started Friday will complete construction of the monument, and is ex-

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Honor guard stands by

An honor guard from the Sons of the American Legion stand by as the 20 foot by 30 foot American flag is put up the 100-foot Veterans Memorial flagpole at York and Figueroa last Monday. The flag was later taken down while work proceeds on the traffic island.

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