

MONORAIL LINE PLAN OUTLINED

*Will Join Sespe Hot Springs
and Fillmore*

*May Later Connect Los An-
geles and Bakersfield*

*Franchise to Metropolis Said
Already Obtained*

VENTURA, May 13.—Announce-
ment of one of the largest projects in
the history of Ventura county was
made today by F. L. Coombs, engi-
neer for the Sespe Development Cor-
poration, who outlines plans for the
construction of a monorail system
from Fillmore to Sespe Hot Springs,
a distance of thirty miles.

Construction of this project, ac-
cording to Coombs, is to begin within
sixty days.

The plan, he said, is for the even-
tual extension of the system over the
mountains to Bakersfield, and, per-
haps, later to Los Angeles, a franchise
having been secured to the metrop-
olis.

Trains, it is said, would travel the
distance from Fillmore to the Hot
Springs in thirty minutes, and in-
asmuch as such a railroad would be
capable of making a speed of 100
miles an hour, the time to Los An-
geles could be cut to forty minutes
from Fillmore, it was stated.

While the project sounded like a
dream when first presented, Coombs
made the statement that the project
is an assured fact. He declared it is
the intention of a holding company
to first construct the monorail sys-
tem from Fillmore to the Sespe
Springs and then organize subsidiary
companies to develop the stone quar-
ries, the resort features and the wa-
ter power there for irrigation and
hydroelectric power.

No financial assistance is to be
asked in Fillmore or in the rest of
the county, Coombs stated, declaring
that the project will open up the
beautiful Sespe mountain regions to
thousands of tourists.

If this project goes through, it will
be the first monorail system in opera-
tion in this country, according to
Coombs. The monorail system, a
German invention, is being operated
successfully in Germany now, he said.