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LOOK AT IT GO —Ray Simeral, left, president of the San Fernando Chamber of Commerce, and Norman M. Greene, who made presentation of his new mono-rail system before chamber last week, watch model operate on continuous track. Times phate

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new concept in monorall systems was presented to the Chamber of Commerce last week. Making the presentation together with a demonstra-tion of a scale model was Norman M. Greene, Bur-bank aircraft technical illus-trator and former New York advertising man. Greene, who is seeking to interest city and county of-ficials in his proposed mono-rail system, had these claims to make for his system: Low Fare

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Light-weight, 32 - passenger vehicles would speed al-most noiselessly at 70 m.p.h. over a continuous rail system, making station stops when signaled by passengers.

Unlimited riding privi-leges anywhere in the Los Angeles area at a 25-cent far

Completely automatic op-ation with passenger and eration with passenger and freight trains halting only when necessary. When not necessary, trains would pro-ceed non-stop to their des-tingtion tination.

The system would practi-cally pay for itself by haul-ing freight during off-peak hours. I Makes Claims

Greene said his continu-ous rail system, as yet un-tested, has speed, comfort, convenience and is economical

Key advantage of the pro key advantage of the pro-posed Greene system, he said, is its continuous mono-rail which would allow an unlimited number of cars to proceed without piling up at stations.

stations. He said the rails would be of steel on elevated struc-tures to follow freeways, railroad right of ways and river beds with cars travel-ing noiselessly on rubber tires. ing tires.

ing noiselessly ... Pointing out that a rap-id transit or monorail sys-tem is used at full capac-ity only during four peak hours a day, he declared: "The other hours could be used to haul freight, mail, newspapers, parcels, prod-

newspapers, parcels, prod-uce and bank paper. My sys-tem will make money for the city. With the amount of freight it would haul, we could give free rides."