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Margaret Fordice Treasurer; Council Pay Raise Loses

J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr. and Albert L. Jackson were elected by the voters of Torrance, Tuesday to two vacancies on the City Council of Torrance, created by the expiration of the terms of James E. Hitchcock and N. H. Cucci, who were not candidates.

Albert H. Bartlett was returned to the office of City Clerk by the record vote of 1401.

Margaret Fordice was elected City Treasurer by a wide majority, succeeding Mrs. Harriett Leech, who was not a candidate.

The voters turned down, by a three to two vote, the proposal to increase the monthly pay of councilmen from $50 to $100.

Following is the total vote for all candidates, complete but unofficial at press time last night:

CITY COUNCIL

J. Hugh Sherfey	1,197
Albert L. Jackson	728
Cecil W. Smith	670
Paul Findley	580
James J. O'Toole	509
James W. Barker	366
Wm. J. B. Hughes	264
Joel Hagberg	137
Alvan K. Hill	43

CITY CLERK.

Albert H. Bartlett	1,401
Floyd B. Boyle	670
Carl E. Marstellar	236

CITY TREASURER

Margaret Fordice	1,071
Tom F. McGuire	654
Bessie D. Slonecker	312
Vivian C. Callihan	286

PROPOSITION NO. 1

Yes	840
No	1,224

A total of 2,414 votes were cast in the election, except for the absentee ballots which numbered about 25, the vote cast representing approximately 46 per cent of the voting strength of the city.

Even as the people of Gardena were voting to keep the public card rooms, evidencing the strangle-hold of gambling interests on that community, Torrance residents were rallying to the support of the two men who were most forceful in their opposition to public card rooms in Torrance.

The card room issue was injected into the campaign by the activities of "big time" gamblers who were seeking an entry to this city through the support of certain candidates to office.

The issue was brought to light by Councilman-elect Jackson on March 28, when he called for expressions of other candidates as to their stand on the issue of public card rooms in Torrance.

Councilman-elect Sherfey was the first to respond with his emphatic declaration of opposition to public card rooms. Several other candidates followed with their statements of opposition, but the result of the election of the attitude of Torrance is taken as definite proof voters on the subject of public card rooms.

While the result of the vote was being tallied at the City Hall, throngs crowded the of-

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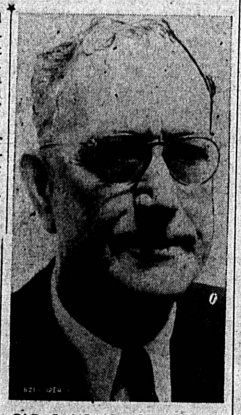


OLD CAMPAIGNER . . . Loved, trusted and respected by the people of Torrance is Albert H. Bartlett, reelected city clerk for his sixth term at the election Tuesday. Aside from the first year after incorporation of Torrance, he is the only city clerk Torrance has ever had. Bartlett polled 1401 votes Tuesday, the largest he ever has received.

Reelection Of Tolson As Mayor Is Anticipated

Torrance City Council will meet to reorganize on Monday night, when Councilmen-elect J. Hugh Sherfey and Albert L. Jackson will be sworn into office and seated.

City Clerk Albert H. Bartlett and City Treasurer-elect Margaret Fordice also will begin terms at that time.

It is anticipated that William H. Tolson will be selected again as Mayor of Torrance. He was elected Mayor at the reorganization two years ago, and had previously served as Mayor of the city from 1937 to 1940.

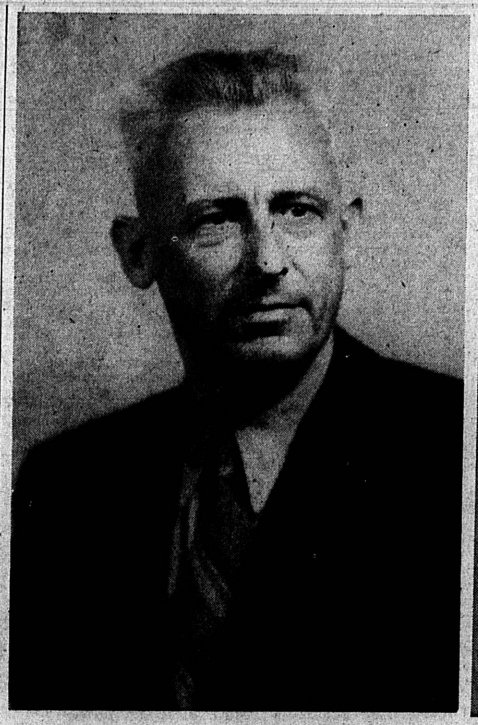
"I am very happy with the outcome of the election," Mayor Tolson told the Torrance Herald yesterday, "and I feel that the City of Torrance is on the verge of an era of real progress.

"There were many other good candidates running, but everybody cannot win."

The new term of City Clerk Bartlett is his sixth.

INDIANA PICNIC!

R. B. Miller, president of Indiana State Society, calls the Hoosiers to an all-day reunion, Sunday, April 14, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles. The speaker of the day will be Mertice Tayor — his topic — "Back Home in Indiana."



CHOSEN BY THE PEOPLE . . . Albert L. Jackson, plant manager at International Derrick & Equipment Co. Torrance works, was elected to the City Council Tuesday by a big majority over nearest opponents. Jackson and J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr., will take seats vacated by J. E. Hitchcock and N. H. Cucci. They were not candidates for reelection.

NEW COUNCILMAN . . . Polling 1197 votes out of a total of 2414 cast in the Torrance general city election Tuesday, J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr., of the firm of Stone & Myers, and member of the City Planning Commission, was elected to the City Council. He will take office at the next regular meeting, as will Albert L. Jackson, also elected Tuesday.

Gardena To Keep Games

Gardena will keep its public card rooms, the voters decided Tuesday, when 1522 electors went to the polls to oppose the initiative petition to remove the public gambling halls and 1097 voters asked that they be closed.

The card room issue was brought before the voters by a group of Gardena residents, with the support of ministers of various churches, and it was decided that for at least two years the open draw poker halls will remain in the neighboring city.

Elected to the City Council of Gardena were the following: James L. Rush, incumbent mayor, 1315 votes; Adam W. Bolton, incumbent, 1112 votes and James F. O'Haver, 939 votes, all for long term; A. L. Platky, 913 votes, for short term.

Defeated were the Rev. S. Martin Eldsath, who received 913 votes for the long term and Lew Guild, former owner and publisher of the Gardena Valley News, 845 votes, short term.

Earl Powers was the only councilman not required to seek re-election at this time.

Two tax propositions, their effect contingent upon the result of the card room vote, were defeated.

Transaction Completed To Provide Veterans' Building Here By July 1

A new veterans building will be located at the corner of Cabrillo and Gramercy avenues by July 1, as a result of a transaction completed during the past week by Commander C. Earl Conner, of Torrance Post No. 3251, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and his board.

The group completed the purchase of the 60x90 foot ship training building constructed at a cost of nearly $100,000 by the Maritime Commission at California Shipbuilding Corporation, about two years ago.

With a total floor space of 16,600 square feet, the structure is being moved to Torrance and will be on the foundations by July 1, Commander Conner said.

The lower floor will be used for commercial purposes and the upper floor for a veterans meeting hall, with a trophy room, club room and boys club.

The building is of heavy construction, with steel girders, and it will be a credit to the community when refinished on the property of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Seller was the I. H. Olson and Co.

Commander Conner is urging all persons who signed pledges to the VFW building fund to please pay them up as soon as possible.

When the veterans purchased the old earthquake-damaged garage at Cabrillo and Gramercy avenues, the money-raising fund was staged and thousands of dollars pledged to provide the money to build the veterans hall. However, with the material situation the way it is, the post officers decided to seek other means to provide the building, and the structure at Calship was bought to fill the need.

AT COUNCIL MEETING

Mrs. John R. Garner and Mrs. J. J. Millard attended a Lomita-San Pedro P. T. A. Council meeting held Monday morning in Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce building.

Red Cross Fund Drive Here At 45 Per Cent Mark

Torrance has subscribed only 45 percent of its quota for the annual American Red Cross fund drive, according to E. L. Sanders, area representative for the Los Angeles chapter.

As of Tuesday, a total of $6835 had been subscribed to the fund out of the quota of $15,000.

In Lomita, the percentage subscribed as of Tuesday was 43, or a total of $1728 out of a quota of $4000.

The annual American Red Cross fund campaign end tomorrow and captains are urged to bring their material to branch headquarters in Lomita and Torrance.

65,000 POPULATION FOR TORRANCE IN FIVE YEARS SEEN BY HOME DEVELOPERS

Torrance will be built solid with homes within five years, due to its favorable location, its water supply and access to sanitary sewers.

So stated representatives of large building interests who have constructed thousands of homes in San Fernando valley during recent years, and who are forced by conditions in that valley to seek land elsewhere to carry on their projects.

During a two-hour conference in the office of the Torrance Herald, the representatives said that tracts of lands for housing, large and small, where the water and sewage facilities are favorable are being sought.

He said that Torrance presents the ideal situation.

"Due to the heavy construction in San Fernando valley in recent years, the sewage load has become so heavy as to raise the ground water level from its former 20 or so feet to about four feet beneath the surface. This is causing not only a health menace, but a flood menace, and builders are being forced to shy from that area.

Torrance, with its access to the Metropolitan Water district supply and with its tie-in with County Sanitation District No. 5, will see the construction of more than 10,000 homes in next few years, it was said, and its population will approach 65,000 persons.

Called into the conference, William H. Stanger, manager of the Torrance water department, told the representative of the home development group of the plans for serving all of Torrance with an adequate supply, and outlined the method by which Stanger proposes that Southwest Torrance will be served. Stanger has suggested that a pipeline from the Torrance Municipal Improvement District No. 1 plant to Madrona ave. and Sepulveda blvd. be constructed, and that the new water district in Southwest Torrance pick up this line and use it both as a transmission and feeder line to provide either local or metropolitan supply to the several thousand acres in Southwest Torrance.

He likewise outlined the North Torrance water proposals, and pointed out that service there will be easier due to the fact that the Metropolitan line now runs to 190th st. and Crenshaw blvd.

NEW TREASURER . . . Margaret Fordice, popular Torrance business woman, is the new city treasurer of Torrance, receiving 1071 votes Tuesday. She will take the office held for two terms by Mrs. Harriett Leech, who was not a candidate

Mrs. Fordice In Expression Of Appreciation

Margaret Fordice, newly elected city treasurer of Torrance, was felicitated by hundreds of her friends Tuesday night and yesterday as a steady stream of well-wishers visited her home and place of business.

"I wish to thank each and every one for voting," Mrs. Fordice said. "That is your duty to your City of Torrance.

"I wish to extend extra thanks to each and every one who voted and electioneered for me. I wish all to know that I am broad-minded, understanding and tolerant, and will endeavor to fulfill my position of office in that manner."

Torrance Gets A 50-Gallon Dump Of Road Oil

The intersection of El Prado and Cabrillo avenues came in for an uncontracted spreading of road oil yesterday when an auto driven by Mrs. Iva Edith Salm, 1824 W. 182nd st., plowed into a tanker truck and trailer knocking the drain spout from the tanker to spill an unestimated amount of road oil ontb the streets.

Driver of the tanker, John F. O'Rourke, Long Beach, intimated that the Salm car struck the front wheels of his truck as he attempted to pass through on Cabrillo ave. and from there it cartwheeled around to strike the rear portion of the trailer. The late model heavy car driven by Mrs. Salm did a series of dizzy maneuvers after striking the spilled oil, witnesses said. Considerable damage was done to the car.

Fines, Fees Total $3130

From March 1, to and including March 31, 1946, the City Court of the City of Torrance received $3,130.50 net from fines and fees. Of this sum $1,385 are general fund monies, while $1,741.50 came from vehicle violations and thus are road fund monies.

General fund monies were collected from the following cases: Drunkenness, $635.00; parking, $274.00; boulevard stop, $169.00; 349 C. O., $12.00 and miscellaneous criminal violations, $295.00.

Road fund monies were derived from the following: Speeding, $666.50; drunk driving, $810.00 and miscellaneous traffic violations, $265.00.

Appearing below is the number of criminal and traffic cases actually handled and the disposition thereof:

Violation	Total	Guilty
Drunkenness	25	24
Drunk Driving	13	10
Speeding	83	80
Boulevard Stop	29	29
Parking	155	150
349 C. O.	4	4
Misc. Traffic	155	73
Misc. Criminal	12	11
Certif. to Juveniles	2	
	478	381

Youthful Indians Toy With Death In Arrow Shoot

Torrance youngsters playing Indian with deadly arrows barely missed an engineer on the Santa Fe railroad here last week, according to local police. They missed their probable target and buried an arrow in a freight car.

The engineer of the locomotive told police several would-be Indians pulled their bows far and true in his general direction, striking the freight car, and only because of the train's movement did he miss the sting of the arrows.

The Torrance police took over at this point, declaring the would-be Indians were in for a scalping if they dare draw bow in like manner again.

Appreciation To Voters Voiced By James W. Barker

James W. Barker, secretary of the Moose lodge in Torrance, and unsuccessful candidate for City Council in Tuesday's election, yesterday sent his congratulations to Councilmen-elect J. Hugh Sherfey and Albert L. Jackson, and thanked the voters of the city for their support of his candidacy.

"I would like to have seen a heavier vote cast," Barker said, "but I would like to thank the people who cast their ballots in favor of my candidacy for this support. The election is over, so let's get together for the progress of Torrance."

RECENT GUEST

Dan K. Ramsey, of Erie, Pa., recently returned from the E. T. O., has received his honorable discharge. He has been entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard P. Raymond, of 1743 Gramercy and also at the John Hoffman home, here.

Torrance Weather Record

Official U. S. Weather Bureau

TEMPERATURE

April	Maximum	Minimum	Set Maximum
3	68	49	61
4	70	45	62
5	66	39	60
6	67	51	58
7	63	51	60
8	63	46	59
9	70	43	62

PRECIPITATION

April	Storm	Total (Year)
6	.01	
7	.03	5.39

ANALYSIS OF TOTAL VOTE CAST IN TORRANCE

PRECINCT.	18062 Prairie Ave.	2563 El Dorado St.	716 Border Ave.	1723 Andreo Ave.	1322 Engracia Ave.	2305 Torrance blvd.	1317 Beech Ave.	1804 Arlington Ave.	2417 Andreo Ave.	23720 Narbonne Ave.	2717 W. Carson Ave.	25504 Ocean Ave.	908 Cota Ave.	1417 Cota Ave.	1918 Cabrillo Ave.	24404 Hawthorne blvd.	1307 Portola Ave.	
CANDIDATE.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Total
CITY COUNCIL—																		
J. Hugh Sherfey, Jr.	83	49	35	102	79	80	112	117	56	32	72	44	52	137	57	23	67	1,197
Albert L. Jackson	21	29	29	44	62	61	76	60	35	27	48	10	29	110	24	21	42	728
Cecil W. Smith	8	100	13	36	20	33	36	29	43	55	45	51	21	36	38	29	33	626
Paul Findley	72	29	12	46	21	29	29	66	31	12	41	32	34	34	37	17	38	580
James J. O'Toole	16	67	39	24	30	30	44	29	14	21	35	31	21	16	35	25	32	509
James W. Barker	6	39	11	27	20	16	8	27	24	20	18	37	13	19	36	25	20	366
William J. B. Hughes	3	25	14	10	9	28	18	12	19	4	7	27	12	18	16	18	24	264
Joel Hagberg	8	5	2	2	3	12	6	17	3	10	6	30	1	2	5	19	6	137
Alvan K. Hill	1	1	3	3	2	3	5	6	4	1	5	1	1	2	1	0	4	43
CITY CLERK—																		
Albert H. Bartlett	90	115	45	97	82	85	88	98	87	53	71	90	60	117	79	67	74	1,401
Floyd B. Boyle	19	51	31	46	29	38	67	64	29	33	55	49	21	39	35	22	44	670
Carl E. Marsteller	2	16	5	13	15	26	22	19	11	6	14	1	15	33	17	2	19	236
CITY TREASURER—																		
Margaret Fordice	5	72	44	79	86	77	99	99	57	36	61	16	53	121	73	8	85	1,071
Tom F. McGuire	75	41	17	60	36	37	44	55	52	22	28	31	27	37	37	26	29	654
Bessie D. Slonecker	14	21	9	6	1	14	19	12	12	16	28	76	7	9	8	46	14	312
Vivian C. Callihan	17	43	10	12	8	21	13	15	10	21	23	22	11	20	13	15	12	286
PROPOSITION NO. 1—																		
No	41	73	43	94	75	87	97	100	75	45	85	43	46	120	77	36	87	1,224
Yes	45	88	23	46	39	51	68	66	46	38	43	76	35	56	40	45	40	840

Total Vote Cast 2,414

Percentage of Registered Vote 46%