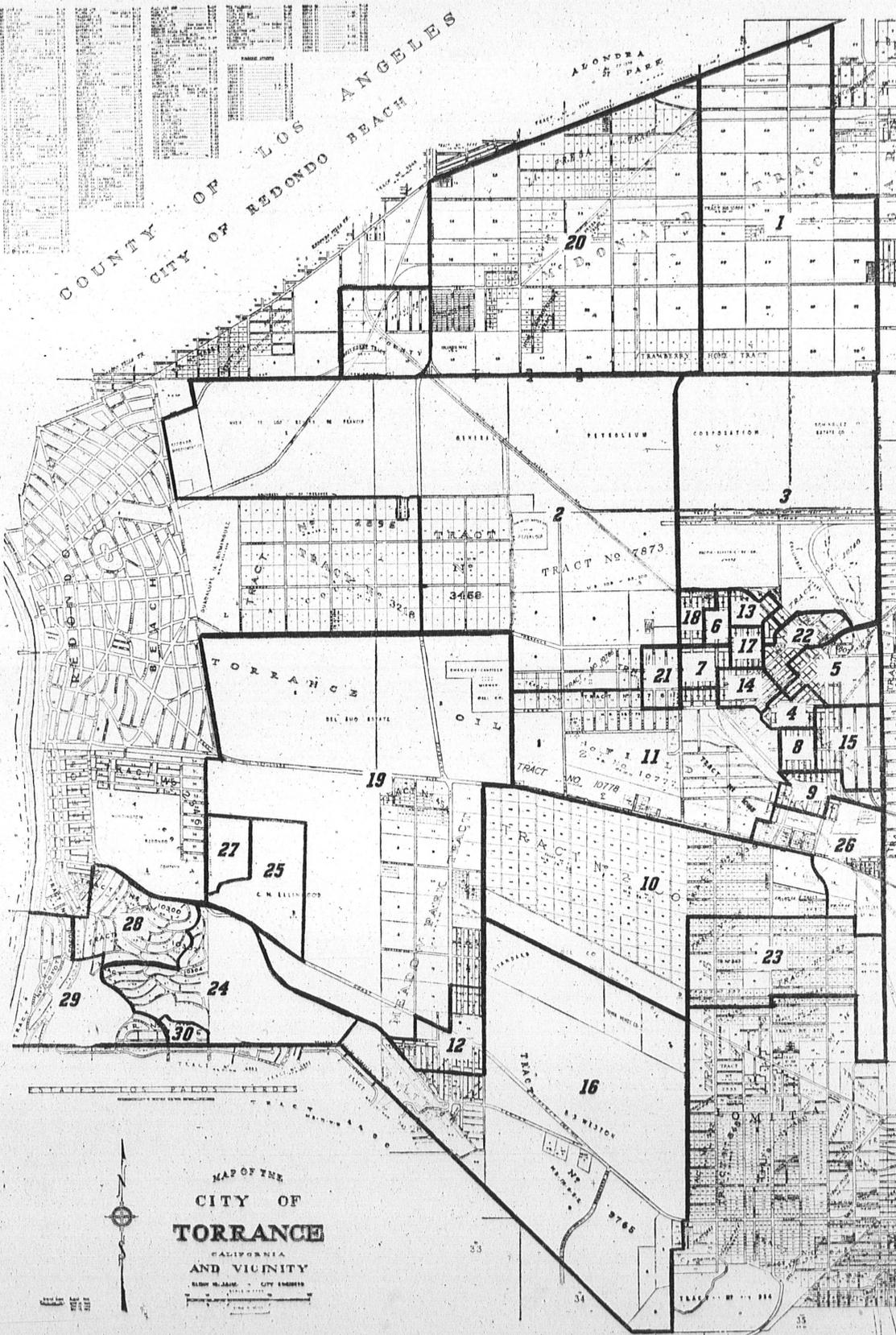


# Survey Finds Central Torrance Has 42% of Voters



MAP OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CALIFORNIA AND VICINITY  
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**AID TO VOTERS** . . . Voters numbering 8640, the largest registration in the history of Torrance, will be eligible to cast ballots at the April 11, Municipal elections. Reproduced above is the latest precinct map of the City of Torrance

showing the boundaries of the city's 30 precincts. Polling places are now under consideration by city officials. Locations of the various balloting places are slated to be announced next week.

**State Income Aid Here Today Only**  
A California State Income Director today, one day only, to vision representative will be at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce to help local residents with the filing of state income tax forms.

**North Torrance 'Y' Night Attracts 100**  
More than 100 children and their parents attended the regular February meeting of North Torrance "Family Y" Night sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. at the Higgins Brick Yard patio.

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## SOUTH TORRANCE HAS 28 PER CENT OF VOTE

A slide rule and an adding machine came up with the answer this week to the pre-election question:

"Where is the power of the vote in Torrance?"

Using registration figures as of February 15, a bit of adding and dividing revealed that 3610 voters live in the 13 precincts commonly described as Central Torrance.

Residents in those precincts comprise 42 per cent of the city's eligible voters.

According to City Clerk A. H. Bartlett, 8640 persons were registered to vote as of the February closing date.

North Torrance with its two precincts (No. 1 and No. 20) can control approximately seven per cent of the ballot box with its 644 voters.

Equally as strong is Seaside Ranchos and Seaside Heights (No. 26 and No. 27) with 648 voters representing approximately seven per cent of the city's ballot markers.

The Seaside's southern neighbors in Hollywood Riviera loom as the strongest of the outlying districts with 12 per cent of the voters. Hollywood Riviera with its four precincts (No. 24, No. 28, No. 29 and No. 30) have 1078 registered voters.

The two precincts encompassing Walteria (No. 12 and No. 16) nose in just ahead of Seaside and North Torrance with eight per cent of the city's electorate. They have registered 685 voters.

Throwing their weight together, the residents of Hollywood Riviera, Seaside Ranchos, Seaside Heights and Walteria could control 28 per cent of the vote.

Comparing the number of homes in the Kettler Knolls district with the per cent of registered voters a rather "poor" registration is indicated. Only five per cent of the city's voters live in the Kettler Knolls precinct (No. 26).

They have registered 394 persons.

When the registration in all the aforementioned precincts are added together it is found that they represent 82 per cent of all the voters in the city. The remaining 18 per cent is scattered in sparsely populated six other precincts.

Printed below are the registration figures for the entire 30 precincts in the City of Torrance.

Torrance City	Registration
1 North Torrance	644
2 North of Carson	275
3 Central	275
4 Central	275
5 Central	275
6 Central	194
7 Central	203
8 Central	211
9 Central	202
10 Walteria	685
11 So. of Carson	284
12 Walteria	204
13 Central	288
14 Central	291
15 Central	313
16 Walteria	351
17 Central	308
18 Central	248
19 Do. Ann. Estates	168
20 North Torrance	386
21 Central	322
22 Central	259
23 Southeast	271
24 Hollywood Riviera	242
25 Seaside Heights	277
26 Kettler Knolls	394
27 Seaside Ranchos	299
28 Hollywood Riviera	283
29 Hollywood Riviera	290
30 Hollywood Riviera	283
Total	8640

## Goodyear Plant On Vermont May Reopen

A possibility that the Goodyear synthetic rubber plant at 190th street and Vermont avenue may be reopened was voiced this week in a report from a Los Angeles Times correspondent in Washington.

The inference was drawn from a statement by Senator Lyndon B. Johnson (Dem.) of Texas, chairman of the synthetic rubber subcommittee of the Senate Armed Forces Committee. Johnson reportedly said he was considering an amendment to the new synthetic rubber bill which would direct the stockpiling of 200,000 long tons of rubber annually. The rubber would be produced at two standby plants in the Los Angeles area and one in Port Neches, Texas.

No positive identification of the local plants was made, but Johnson reportedly stated the potential capacity of the plants to be used here was 75,000 long tons annually. The two Copolymer plants operated by Goodyear which includes the one on Vermont avenue, have a combined capacity of that amount.

## Odd Assortment Stolen From Car at High School

A cigaret lighter, a gear-shift knob and a pair of brown, three-finger gloves were stolen from his car parked at the high school recently, Tommy Bray, 1019 Arlington avenue, told police.

## Wages, Salaries Claim Most of Bus Line Income

Wages and salaries claimed \$69,226.59 of the total bus department revenue of \$109,232.08 for the last six months of 1949, an audit of the lines revealed Tuesday night.

The audit showed a loss of \$14,968.54 for the six months ending December 31, 1949.

Commenting on the loss, Logan R. Cotton and Bruce Brown, city auditors, stated:

"In our opinion, this is a serious situation and may result in the impairment of not only the financial condition of the bus department but may even extend to the General Fund."

City Manager George Stevens, in attempting to decrease the daily losses of the city bus department, recommended to the Council Tuesday night that the line now serving Hollywood Riviera and Seaside Ranchos be discontinued.

"As silly as it might sound, it would actually be cheaper to send a taxi cab to serve the people now riding our lines in those areas," he said.

He told the council that the 10 daily trips to those areas average one rider. He said that the average number of riders in a day's time is 27. They pay fares totaling \$2.70, whereas the cost of one trip is \$25.

Stevens asked the run be terminated at Walteria.

Councilman Bob L. Haggard and A. L. Jackson voted "yes" on his recommendation. Councilmen George C. Powell and Nick Drake voted against Stevens' recommendation. The voting result in a hung verdict, since Mayor J. Hugh Sherwin is in the east and could not attend the meeting.

Councilman Drake made a motion that the city manager present to the Council at the next regular meeting a profit and loss statement on the Long Beach-Hawthorne and Harbor Hills lines.

A request for service for residents living near Hawthorne boulevard in West Torrance was deferred pending further financial reports by the city auditors.

## CHURCH GROUP SETS BREAKFAST

The monthly breakfast for members of the Ladies Council of First Christian Church will be held at 9:30, March 7 in the church social hall.

Mrs. C. B. King, chairman of Evangelism, will conduct the program. Breakfast arrangements will be completed by the young matrons of the church, who have provided for a nursery for pre-school age children.

during the six-month period were listed as follows:

Advertising	\$ 90.60
Gas and oil	15,720.64
Insurance	5,283.08
Maint. Exp. Gen.	27.21
Maint. Exp. bus and truck	11,648.91
Misc. supplies and Exp.	279.77
Office Print. and Exp.	1,001.84
Telephone	278.40
Tires and tubes	3,729.73
Commissions	2,313.15
Terminal rent	780.00
Terminal expense	112.47
Garage expense	1,123.60
Manager's car expense	210.00
Special audits	112.50
Cartage Tax	76.97
Non-operating expense	692.82

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