

# City Council Race Has Wide Selection



**Victor E. Benstead**

Victor E. Benstead Jr. has lived in Torrance since 1921.

"If elected I will serve my city for an additional four years, and represent all of our people—the home owner, industry, and the businessman—with impartiality," he said.

"As a city councilman since 1952, my first thought has been to represent the home owners of the city in their many problems."

During eight years on the council, Benstead has served as chairman of the police and fire commission, and is a member of the council's parks and recreation committee.

"For six years, I have served as chairman of the police and fire commission on the council, and have become very aware of the extreme need for more police and fire protection," he said.

The need for additional fire stations, especially in the west section of the city, was cited by Benstead.

He and his wife live at 1621 Beech Ave., their home for many years. They have two daughters, both born here and two grandchildren, also born here.

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**Nickolas O. Drale**

Nickolas O. Drale, member of the council since 1948 and mayor one year, is seeking his fourth term.

Drale is aware of the many problems of the city and realizes importance of sound, economical planning.

"My 12 years on the Torrance city council is my platform," he said.

"In the many problems which arise daily, our planning must combine business and industry with residential growth in the proper proportions for the city's best hope of a prosperous future."

"I have always contended that a councilman's first responsibility is to the public and I've always insisted on public participation on matters pertaining to the city's growth and development."

Drale was employed at the Columbia-Geneva Division of U.S. Steel here and its predecessor, the Columbia Steel Co., for 20 years before opening his own real estate offices five years ago.

Drale and his wife, Frances, live in North Torrance.

His son, Stephen, is a student at North High, and his daughter Pat attends Carr School. Another son, Michael, is employed at Ryan Aeronautical Co. here.

Drale, a member of a pioneer Torrance family, has lived here since he was a young man.



**Robert B. Jahn**

"Having served four years on the City Council, I feel I have gained experience in the entire program of city government to give the citizens the most and best service," said Councilman Robert B. Jahn.

His home is 240 Via La Circola in the Hollywood Riviera.

He has been a leader in that community many years and was an officer in the Hollywood Riviera Homeowners Association. Jahn is a native of Illinois and has been in Los Angeles since 1942. In World War II he was an air force engineer gunner on B-17 bombers in England and Europe.

Jahn took engineering at Pepperdine College and SC night school, later joining the Los Angeles County's building and safety department as an inspector, studying law at night.

He moved to Torrance in 1951 and the following year organized his own general-contracting business.

He has been post commander, district commander, and on several national commissions of the American Legion, is a member of the Redondo Beach Lodge of the Elks, and a member of the Torrance Lions Club.

During his term as a councilman, he has served on the airport committee, transportation, sanitation, traffic, and police and fire committees.



**Paul R. Albright**

Paul R. Albright Jr. 23313 Pennsylvania Ave. employed by an oil company 14 years as a roustabout, well puller, and pumper, is seeking election to "speed up needs of a city of more than 100,000 which I now feel the present administration is failing to do."

A resident of Torrance for nine years, Albright has been active in civic affairs, including Boy Scouts, Civil Defense, Torrance Masonic Lodge, Lomita Eastern Star, and the Wilmington Royal Arch Masons.

While attending St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, he was a Sunday-school teacher and sang in the choir.

"There is a lack of concern of city employees—the bringing in of outsiders for city positions that belong to employees who live in the city where their taxes are paid," he said.

Seniority rights of the city bus drivers should be restored, he also said.

### Pool Pact Signed

The Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Commission has approved license agreements under which Harbor Park Pool, Wilmington, will be used for swimming classes and other activities by Harbor College and Banning Adult School.



**John J. Barton**

Attorney John J. Barton is seeking election on a platform calling for study of narcotics and creation of a police commission to handle problems between police and city officials.

To deal with narcotics, a local citizens' committee should gather data, hear experts, and then disseminate the information, he said.

Citing recommendations of the California Senate interim committee and reports of the Board of Corrections for California, Barton said the entire problem should be studied at the community level. Committees should be set up to gather together and distribute for public information the various reports that have been made, he said.

Barton has been active with the Intercity Highway Committee as a Torrance representative, helped organize the Pacific Unitarian Church, has been active in Toastmasters, Walteria Businessmen's Club, Newton School PTA, South Torrance Democratic Club, and other groups.

He lives at 17822 Bailey Drive with his wife, Joan, and four children. He is a past president of the Torrance High School Teachers Club, and a lay reader in the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

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**Garth Belknap**

An explosive population trend is the No. 1 problem facing Torrance Garth Belknap, high-school teacher, is contending.

"The people of Torrance have been fighting this problem 15 years, and the results have not been encouraging," he said.

For Torrance, the next 15 years will be the critical period, he feels. Fifteen years from now, Torrance can be a beautiful, well-planned, efficient city—a city with spacious parks, wide streets, fine libraries, well-equipped playgrounds, and a magnificent civic center, Belknap declared.

"Or, 15 years from now, Torrance can be a crude, congested community; a city that may go down in history as one that went from farm area to slum in one generation."

Belknap teaches U.S. history and government at Torrance High School. He holds a master's degree from USC.

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**Jeff W. Bell**

Jeff W. Bell, resident of Torrance for 21 years, is asking better park and recreation programs in his campaign.

"The program for recreation has not kept pace and must be brought up to date," he said. The city's favorable tax rate must be maintained, he said.

Bell is employed in the Long Beach Naval Shipyards. He has been a member of Local 285 of the Boilermakers Union for 20 years and is a member of Rolling Hills Masonic lodge, has been secretary and vice president of the North Torrance Little League, and was organizer and president for the past two years of the North Torrance Babe Ruth League.

He also is a member of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association, First Baptist Church of Torrance, and assisted in organizing the Torrance Youth Baseball Council.

He and his wife, Jane, live at 3719 W. 187th St. One son, Richard, is stationed at Fort Monroe, Va., with the army; Jeffrey is a sophomore at North High School, and Dennis is a second grade student at the Edison Elementary School.



**Henry Carreiro**

Henry R. Carreiro, 25, Long Beach State College senior, who plans to continue his studies at the USC School of Law, is seeking election to the council.

"I will lead efforts toward establishment of councilman districts in Torrance, to establish local control over tax assessments, and lend the support and prestige of office to the Citizens Committee for Better Schools sponsored originally by the Torrance Young Democrats," he said.

"My youth is my ally. I have no vested interest other than honest service to the city and continued support of citizens in future elections for higher office."

"I will expose corruption or unethical favor where I find it without fear of reprisals from any interests who obviously profit and enjoy the current status quo in Torrance."

He was graduated from El Camino College in 1957 and will complete his work at Long Beach State College in August.

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### Seven Students from North High Play in Concert

Tschaikowsky and Beethoven as well as compositions by George Gershwin and Rogers and Hammerstein filled the air at the recent concert of the All-Southern California High School District Band and Orchestra.

Twelve schools participated in the program at George Green Auditorium, Inglewood.

Seven boys and three girls represented North High: Steve Andrews, trombone; Ted Bluechel, percussion; Kathy Compton, flute; Dana Dumm, clarinet; Glenn Eden, trumpet; Roger Kahl, euphonium; Glen Keohane, trumpet; Frank McCafferty, alto sax; Kathy Mitchell, bass clarinet; and Paul Rizzo, tenor sax.

Other schools represented were Aviation, Hawthorne, Inglewood, Lennox, Leuzinger, Mira Costa, Morningside, South High, Redondo Beach, Santa Monica, Washington, and Westchester.

### Torrance High Class of 1940 Seeks Ten Alumni

Students who were graduated from Torrance High School with the summer class of 1940 are planning a class reunion in the latter part of June.

Margaret Pinkham Preder, chairman of the event, has announced that alumni of the group have been unable to locate Marie Coldiron, Victor Cowan, Wayne Denny, Kiyako Hasegawa, Adabarr Marsh, Hoyt Moore, Elizabeth Stern, Evelyn Saeda, Edward West, and Tetsuo Yasunaga.

Persons knowing their whereabouts are being requested to contact Mrs. Preder at DA 6-2174 or Ellen De Passe Tuttle at FA 8-5577.

### Richard J. Dietz to Attend Parley

Richard J. Dietz of 23131 Doris Way, on the staff at Space Technology Laboratories and a member of the UCSB Alumni Board of Directors, will take part in the Professional Progress Conference in Industrial Arts tomorrow at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

The conference is sponsored by the university to teaching in industrial arts. Santa Barbara campus alumni now teaching in industrial arts are invited to return to the campus each year for the exchange of ideas, techniques, projects, and experiments. More than 100 are expected to attend, according to Dr. Lynne C. Monroe, professor of industrial arts and conference coordinator.

### Polynesian Restaurant Hosts City's Socialites

Seen enjoying tropical cuisine at the Polynesian Restaurant in Torrance were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Olson, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Skinner, Miss Linda Soriano, Miss Jeanne Shulter and Mr. and Mrs. George J. Heaton.

### Children Hear Talk on Police by Officer Hartel

Members of three kindergarten classes at Steele Elementary School, Torrance, got the inside story on how a policeman can

help them last week from traffic Officer Don Hartel.

The youngsters quizzed him on various aspects of his work and

inspected his squad car.

Taking part were the classes of Geraldine Skelton, Lora Denton, and Georgianna Postolo.

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# Victor E. BENSTEAD, Jr.

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