

Voters shake up six school boards

Change was the order of the day Tuesday as voters in six Midpeninsula districts with hotly contested school board races turned out incumbents and elected newcomers promising fresh approaches to old problems.

School board veterans seeking re-election were defeated in Palo Alto, Mountain View, Menlo Park, Ravenswood, Los Altos and Fremont districts as voters demonstrated dissatisfaction with the status quo. (See page 3 for the vote in all Midpeninsula districts).

Only in the embattled Sequoia Union High School District of southern San Mateo County, where pre-election prognostications indicated two incumbents were in trouble, were challengers unsuccessful.

Attorney David Fletcher scored a major victory in the Palo Alto Unified School District, sweeping 19 of 21 precincts and winning twice as many votes as his two opponents combined.

Fletcher ousted incumbent Horace Anderson and out-poled a second challenger, Louis Fein, in the race for the single board vacancy. The final returns were Fletcher, 3,637; Anderson, 1,752, and Fein, 1,410.

MOUNTAIN VIEW

In the personnel-troubled Mountain View Elementary School District, voters elected Vern Gillmore to replace incumbent K. Hank Hymans, but retained a second incumbent, Gail Moore, the current board chairman.

Gillmore was the leading vote-getter in the six-way race for two seats, receiving 1,071 votes to runner-up Mrs. Moore's 628.

Challenger Sally McGuire edged out incumbent William Platt, 1,290 to 1,150, in the Menlo Park Elementary District, but voters retained a second incumbent, Dr. Glen Haydon, who led with 1,679 votes.

Ravenswood Elementary District voters in East Palo Alto and eastern Menlo Park turned back the re-election bids of incumbents Leon Shiells and Charlotte Roden, and replaced them with Robert Hoover and Syrtiller Kabat in a race that had civil rights overtones.

Hoover led with 1,165 votes,

followed by Mrs. Kabat, 1,053, Shiells, 970 and Mrs. Roden, 938.

In what was seen as a continuation of a taxpayers' revolt, two economy candidates, H. Rodney Peery and Darrell L. Wallace, were elected to the Los Altos Elementary Board, defeating incumbent Edith Williams and board supporter Richard

Grey as well as three other contenders.

Final returns were Peery, 1,926; Wallace, 1,796; Mrs. Williams, 1,779, and Grey, 1,644. The others trailed far behind.

The election of Wallace and Peery threw into doubt the proposed 30-cent tax increase election in Los Altos on May 16.

In the Fremont Union High School District of Sunnyvale and Cupertino, former Sunnyvale councilman Fred Kerr and incumbent Howard Wyant were elected, with Kerr ousting incumbent Lawrence Didier. The vote was very close in the four-way race: Kerr, 2,974; Wyant,

2,800; Didier, 2,673; and George Moore, 2,329.

In the Sequoia District, incumbents John A. Cost and Helen Kerwin were re-elected as four challengers divided the anti-incumbent vote. Final results were Cost, 9,966; Mrs. Kerwin, 8,075; and the closest challenger, Dorothy I. Gay, 6,898.

Adenauer dies, 91; LBJ to attend rites

By PETER REHAK

BONN, Germany, (AP) — Konrad Adenauer, 91, died in his sleep today, plunging into mourning the nation he built from the ashes of defeat.

A state funeral will be held, and it is expected to draw many of the world's leading statesmen. President Johnson, announcing in Washington he plans to attend, said:

"His dauntless spirit will live on in the Atlantic partnership which he did so much to create."

The funeral will be Tuesday afternoon at the Cologne Cathedral.

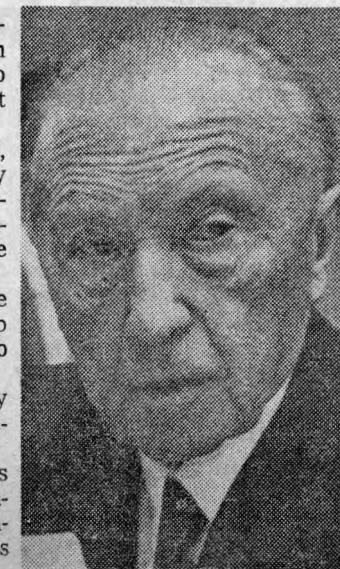
The former chancellor was stricken a week ago with influenza and bronchitis. His condition steadily weakened as complications set in.

FAMILY HOME

The family was at his bedside in the three-story home in Kiroendori, a village near this capital, when he died.

For several days, as the news spread that Adenauer was growing weaker, thousands had visited the village but when the end came there were few people around.

Radio and television stations broadcast solemn music and speeches of praise for the aged statesman. A jarring note came from the official Communist East Germany news agency ADN which said his life work was "against the interests of the German nation." It condemned



KONRAD ADENAUER

him for outlawing the Communist party.

Death came at 1:21 p.m. while the aged statesman was sleeping.

Those in the Villa overlooking the Rhine included his son, Roman Catholic Msgr. Paul Adenauer.

Flags in the capital were lowered to half staff. Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger was the first to express his sorrow.

"He was given to do what is granted to few men: to raise up his fatherland from the deepest degradation and to bring it back

into the community of free peoples," Kiesinger said.

Adenauer was one of the most influential figures of the western world for two decades. He served as chancellor of West Germany from the founding of the Bonn Republic in 1949 until

(See pages 12 and 13 for background on Adenauer's career.)

1963. But he remained active in politics almost to the end as a firm friend of French President Charles de Gaulle.

Johnson and Adenauer had known one another since the early 1950s.

The President told an aide "I want to be there" for the services.

Press Secretary George Christian said details are not yet available on the presidential trip to Germany.

Adenauer and Johnson had exchanged visits during the years. The former chancellor was a guest at the LBJ ranch in the Texas hill country where there are many persons of German origin.

The last time the two men met was in August, 1961, when the late President John F. Kennedy sent Johnson, then vice president, to Berlin during a crisis over access to the city by the autobahn.



DAVID FLETCHER

Palo Alto gives seat to Fletcher

David Fletcher swept Palo Alto Unified School District Trustee Horace Anderson from office Tuesday by more than a 2 to 1 victory margin.

Fletcher's 3,637 vote total outdistanced the combined totals of incumbent Anderson and a second challenger, Louis Fein.

Anderson garnered 1,752 votes and Fein's total was 1,410.

Fletcher carried 19 of 21 precincts, with Fein and Anderson each winning one.

Fletcher, 35, of 890 E. Meadow Drive, termed his election a "vote of confidence in the superintendent, administration and excellent teaching staff we have in Palo Alto."

He had words of praise for

Twin-engine Steel plant bombed