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Biography

NAME L. E. TIMBERLAKE

Occupation COUNCILMAN

Address 10210 S. HOBART BLVD

Birth (Date and Place) MAY 3 - 1896 - BASINGSTOKE - ENGLAND.

FATHER F. TIMBERLAKE

Birth (Date and Place) ENGLAND

If Deceased, When

MOTHER - EMILY -

Birth (Date and Place) ENGLAND

If Deceased, When JAN 1940

IF MARRIED, TO WHOM CYNTHIA WYATT MITCHELL

Birth of Same (Date and Place) ~~EMILY~~ - DEC 29 - 1910. ATLANTA GA

If Deceased, When ~~JAN 1930~~ -

When Married MAY 7 - 1933

CHILDREN (Married Names of Daughters)

MRS BETTY STREBE } BY FORMER MARRIAGE

MRS BEVERLY WATSON }

CYNTHIA LYNN

CAROLE ANN.



# ANCESTORS OF DISTINCTION OR LOCAL INTEREST

(Please include names of local interest as "forty-niners," or any one connected with the affairs or development of the state or city, as officials, professional men, merchants, etc.)

EDUCATION (Schools, Colleges, Degrees, Etc.)

HIGH SCHOOL -

UNIV OF SO CAL - 1 YR - INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING.

CLUBS, LEARNED SOCIETIES, ETC.

KIWANIS - L.A. BREAKFAST CLUB.

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION METHODIST -

POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS DEMOCRAT

RESIDENCE IN CALIFORNIA SINCE 1920 - 1923  
SINCE 1932

# SKETCH

(Please make this as full as possible, giving business affiliations, positions of honor or trust with dates if possible.)

APR 1916 - JUN 1920 - R.R. AGENT - CANADIAN NATL RY  
JUN 1920 - FEB 1922 - PASS AGENT - UNION PAC RY  
FEB 1922 - JUN 1923 - ACCOUNTANT - BINGHAM AND GARFIELD RY  
JUN 1923 - SEP 1923 - " - UNION PAC RY  
SEP 1923 - AUG 1927 - CHIEF CLERK - NEVADA NORTHERN RY  
AUG 1927 - APR 1932 - GEN AUDITOR ILL TERM RY SYSTEM  
APR 1932 - PRESENT - VICE PRES. SOU CALIF TOURIST BUREAU

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NAME **L. E. TIMBERLAKE**

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CITY:

**COUNCILMAN.**

**JULY 1-1945**

COUNTY:

STATE

FEDERAL:

CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

**VICE PRES. SOUTHSIDE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**DIRECTOR. GEO WASHINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.**

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. HARBOR DISTRICT CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE**

**DIRECTOR. SOUTHWEST Y.M.C.A.**

**BUSINESS OR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**PORTRAIT:**

**ATTACHED OR ENCLOSED IN ENVELOPE:**

**PORTRAITS APPEARING ELSEWHERE (DATES)**

**ANECDOTES AND PERSONAL IMPRESSIONS:**

**SOURCES OF INFORMATION:**

**BOOKS:**

**NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS:**

**PERSONAL INTERVIEW:**

**INTERVIEWED BY:**

**DATE OF INTERVIEW**



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## Biography

NAME Donald Calvin Tillman

Occupation Commissioner of Public Works  
City of Los Angeles

Address 14333 Greenleaf Street, Sherman Oaks,  
California

Birth (Date and Place) Los Angeles, California

August 1, 1924

FATHER Peter J. Tillman

Birth (Date and Place) Dec. 8, 1899 - Paterson, N.J.

If Deceased, When

MOTHER Edith Booth Tillman

Birth (Date and Place) Feb. 13, 1905 - Los Angeles, Calif.

If Deceased, When

IF MARRIED, TO WHOM Doris Last Tillman

Birth of Same (Date and Place) Nov. 29, 1925; Clifton, N.J.

If Deceased, When

When Married September 7, 1946

CHILDREN (Married Names of Daughters)

Donald C. Tillman, Jr.

**TITLES OF BOOKS, ARTICLES, MUSIC, OR OTHER  
CREATIVE WORK**

(In the case of printed matter, please give date and publisher; of periodical publications also name of magazine and date.)

An article on "Jade Diving"

~~February 1960~~ Issue of "Skin Diver Magazine"

12/1959

**REVIEWS, CRITICISMS, AND OTHER BIOGRAPHICAL  
NOTICES**

(Please note printed matter concerning yourself or your work. We would appreciate any such material you may send, clippings, reviews, portrait.)

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## EDUCATION (Schools, Colleges, Degrees, Etc.)

B.S. & M.S. Civil Engineering -

California Institute of Technology

## CLUBS, LEARNED SOCIETIES, ETC.

- Reserve Officers Association;
- American Society of Civil Engineers;
- Institute of Traffic Engineers;
- American Public Works Association;
- City & County Engineers Association;

## RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION

Methodist

## POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS

Republican

## RESIDENCE IN CALIFORNIA SINCE

# SKETCH

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Donald Calvin Tillman has pursued a career in public works engineering with avocations in the Naval Reserve and teaching profession.

After service in the U.S. Navy during World War II Mr. Tillman accepted employment with private engineers as a surveyor and designer, and highway construction as a job engineer.

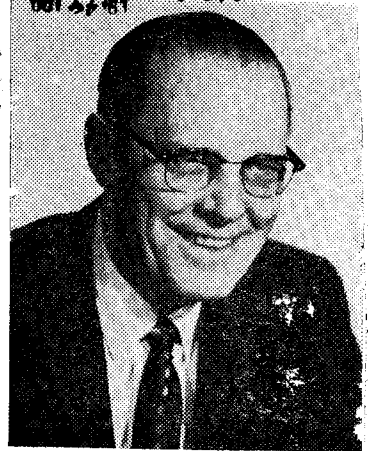
In 1947 he was employed by the City of Los Angeles in the design of freeways for a number of years and then for a short period in the Bureau of Sanitation, where he worked on such projects as incinerator and refuse disposal sites. Since 1952 he has held increasingly responsible positions in the District Office of the West San Fernando Valley where there is an abundance of public work on subdivision design and construction. His last position was that of Assistant District Engineer of the West Valley District Office of the Bureau of Engineering.

On July 1, 1960 Mr. Tillman was appointed as Commissioner of Public Works of the City of Los Angeles.

# L. E. Timberlake Sixth District

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Councilman L. E. Timberlake, Sixth District, has behind him a background including executive positions with railroads and public utility corporations that stands him in good stead as a City Councilman.

First elected to the Council in 1945, Timberlake has been re-elected each time since then in the primaries, a sure sign of satisfaction within his district.

A member for many years of St. Mark's Methodist Church and of Southwest YMCA, the Councilman has served on both the church and Y boards.

Timberlake also belongs to the Los Angeles Breakfast Club, Executive Club, Southside Chamber of Commerce, and Crenshaw Chamber of Commerce.

He heads the Council Industry and Transportation Committee which has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the Harbor Department, Public Utilities and Transportation, Airports Department, trade fairs and matters regarding privately owned public utilities.

Timberlake is member of the Council's Charter and Administrative Code and Governmental Efficiency committees, and president of the Board of Referred Powers.

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**BIOGRAPHY OF COUNCILMAN L. E. TIMBERLAKE, SIXTH DISTRICT**

Councilman Timberlake first came to Los Angeles in 1920. Prior to coming to Los Angeles he was employed with Canadian railroads in the operating department and as railroad agent. His railroad experience embraced positions in the passenger and operating departments of the Union Pacific Railroad, and he served in the accounting departments of the Kennecott Copper Company railroad properties in Utah and Nevada. He was also general auditor for the railroad properties of the Illinois Power and Light, a subsidiary of North American Company which formed part of the Samuel Insul public utility empire in the Middle West.

He returned to Los Angeles and purchased half interest in the Southern California Tourist Bureau, and subsequently acquired complete ownership. He built this company to the largest independent travel bureau in California, operating not only a general agency business but also organizing and operating their tours to all parts of the world, with particular emphasis on Alaska, Hawaii, and Mexico. In the latter field he was a pioneer in organized tours; operated special pullman trains, and also chartered steamships to Acapulco and Manzanillo.

He sold his travel bureau business several years after being elected to the City Council in 1945.

He was active in community and civic affairs for some years before becoming a candidate for the City Council. He was for several years vice-president of his local Chamber of Commerce.

He has been a member for many years of St. Marks Methodist Church and the Southwest Y M C A, and has served on the board of

each of these organizations. He is a past member of the Board of the Los Angeles Breakfast Club and the Southside Chamber of Commerce, and is also an honorary member of the Southwest Kiwanis Club, Executive Club, and Crenshaw Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Sunnyside Lodge F. and A.M., Majestic Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Los Angeles Consistory, and Al Malaikah Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.

He was first elected to the Los Angeles City Council in 1945, and has been re-elected since then in each primary election. On July 1, 1963, he was elected President of the Los Angeles City Council, and re-elected again July 1, 1965.

He is Chairman of the Industry and Transportation Committee, a member of the Charter and Administrative Code Committee and Traffic Committee, and President of the Board of Referred Powers of the City Council.

The Industry and Transportation Committee has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the Harbor Department, the Department of Public Utilities and Transportation, Department of Airports, trade fairs and all matters relating to privately owned public utilities.

The Charter and Administrative Code Committee has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the office of the City Clerk, elections, Charter amendments, and preparation of Administrative Code and amendments thereto.

The Traffic Committee has jurisdiction over traffic regulations and related matter. It is responsible for the location, installation

and maintenance of all signs, signals, parking meters and other traffic control devices.

The Board of Referred Powers is provided for in the Charter. Councilman Timberlake, as its president, acts as chairman of any board when an officer of the city or any member of such board is disqualified from acting because of interest, as is also provided in the Charter. This Board is vested with the same power to act upon any matter referred to it as is conferred by the Charter or any other law upon the board or officer from which the matter or transaction is referred because of disqualifying interest.