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SV Election Foes To Contest Votes

Newly born Scotts Valley city appears almost certain now to spend the first weeks of its life defending its birthright.

A group of persons headed by William G. Allen insist they will contest the city's April 14 incorporation election in Superior Court next week.

Allen says members of the group, whom he declines to name, are still checking election returns, but they believe over 21 persons voted illegally.

Scotts Valley was incorporated by a 21-vote margin, 344 in favor and 323 votes against cityhood.

Allen charged that many persons, perhaps accidentally, were allowed to vote even though they live outside city boundaries.

Other persons voted who owned homes in the valley, but had no legal residence established, Allen claims.

County Counsel William Card notes a person must have lived in the valley 54 days before he was qualified to vote in the election.

Card also said no formal protests may be filed until supervisors officially announce election results. That action is expected Monday.

Although both opponents and proponents of cityhood had persons at the polls to screen out ineligible voters, Allen said the boundaries are "so confused it would take a surveyor" to un-

tangle the legal questions.

Allen praised the county elections office for doing "an outstanding job" despite the bound-ary difficulties.

Nevertheless, he said, enough illegal votes were cast to allow contest of the election.

Injured By Wild Washing Machine, Woman Sues

A woman who declares she was injured by a run-away washing machine is seeking over \$20,000 through Superior court civil action.

Irma V. Ebert claims that while a resident at Yacht Harbor Manor trailer court at 1190—17th avenue, she was hurt while doing her laundry in facilities provided by the court.

She charges in the suit that on September 20 a washing machine vibrated off its base and struck her. Named defendants are William B. and G. Pauline Limington, Keith L. and Frances E. Williams and William M. and Elizabeth Ann Secor as owners and operators of the court.

Sought are \$20,000 general damages and undetermined amounts for medical and incidental expenses and costs of the court suit.