

**It's Over . . . Let's Get Down to Real Work**  
An Editorial by Grover C. Whyte

The bitter recall election has been fought and the decision is a tie, each faction electing one candidate of its choice. While neither group accomplished all they desired, both should now be willing to bury the hatchet in good sportsmanlike manner and work together for the good of the entire community.

In the spirit of democracy, perhaps it is well that the large block of voters who believed in George Powell can still feel they have a champion of their views representing them on the city council.

There has been talk of contesting the legality of Powell holding office through a Supreme Court suit, but The Herald does not agree with this action. While there is much assurance from competent attorneys that such an action could be sustained, (particularly since he was recalled by a majority and re-elected by a minority), for the sake of civic harmony The Herald believes it advisable to drop the bitter controversy.

There is important work ahead for the members of the city council and every other civic minded resident of Torrance. We should be devoting our time and energies to constructive activities and forget the differences of the past.

## Judge Admits Error in Dismissing Case Here

After dismissing charges of indecent exposure filed against two couples arrested in a car parked in Hollywood Riviera on the night of Sept. 9 on the ground that police failed to prove "wilful intent" last Friday, City Judge Shidler admitted a few hours later that "I guess I made a mistake."

His admission followed a telephone conference over the facts in the case with Daniel Beecher, chief criminal deputy district attorney.

Beecher, a former Superior Court judge, told the local magistrate, who has been in office since April 16, that the evidence introduced in the trial by Police Chief John Stroth warranted conviction of the two couples. Shidler dismissed the case without any of the defendants having to take the stand in their defense.

**Consults Law Books**  
The defendants were Mr. and Mrs. Leo R. Boyer, both 21 and residents of Maywood; Boyer's sister, Dorothy, 24, of South Gate and Levi A. Burris, 25, of Los Angeles. They were arrested by officers Adrian Thornberry and Tom Perkin after the officers had observed them in a parked car. The Boyers were in the rear seat while Miss Boyer and Burris were in the front seat of the machine.

Officer Thornberry testified on the stand and when Chief Stroth rested his case, Judge Shidler took a recess to consult his law books. He conferred at length with Stroth and on resuming the bench informed the defendants they were free, the police having failed to produce evidence to show "wilful intent."

After his phone conference with Beecher, Shidler told Stroth that he "guessed I made a mistake in not handing down a conviction."

## Scout Field Day At H.S. Sept. 28

Arrangements are being made by Roy Winters, advancement chairman for a Boy Scout Field Day to be held Sunday, Sept. 28, starting at 1 o'clock at the high school field. Pennant awards for troops winning first, second and third place will be given.

Chairman Winters has also announced the next Court of Honor will be held Friday night, Sept. 26, at 7:30 o'clock in the high school assembly hall.

The Field Day events start with opening ceremonies by the Troop No. 217 and inspection of all Scouts on the high school field. Among the stunts to be staged are first aid, signaling, fire extinguishing, water bottle, string burning, potato races, knot tying, fire by friction and flint and steel, standing broad jump, football passing and 100-yard dash. Closing ceremonies by Lomita troop No. 215 are scheduled for 4:30 p. m.

## Help Wanted

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## Police Holding 22 Auto Rims For Owners

If you've had a tire and rim stolen off your car recently there's a chance that the police can return you the rim at least.

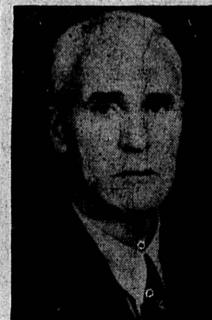
Twenty-two rims have been discovered by the officers here in the past few weeks and owners may claim them by identifying their equipment by color, size, or distinguishing marks.

The latest rim-theft occurred this week at the Torrance Auto Wreckers, 1101 El Prado, where four chrome rims were stolen off a Ford car.

# KAIL ELECTED-POWELL RETURNED

## Navy Gives National Supply Co. 'Go Ahead' Order for Expansion

### DECLINES STATEMENT



GEORGE V. POWELL asks no consideration

Contacted at the high school this morning for a statement on his return to the city council, George V. Powell said: "I have nothing for you fellows."

It was explained to him that The Herald was publishing a post-election statement from Kenneth H. Kail and that this newspaper offered him the same courtesy.

"I ain't asking any consideration from the Torrance Herald," Powell snapped, ending the interview.

## Community Card Party Open to All on Sept. 18

All arrangements for the community-wide card party, to be held next Thursday night, Sept. 18, in the Torrance Civic Auditorium to raise funds for equipping a room in the new addition to Torrance Memorial hospital, are being completed.

Sponsored by the Community Service committee of the Torrance Rotary club, the public card party is the first of two events open to every resident in this vicinity. The second will be the Flower, Art and Hobby show in the Torrance Auditorium on Sept. 25, 26 and 27. Fay Parke is general chairman for both of the events.

The advance ticket sale for the card party indicates that the Auditorium will be comfortably filled with devotees of bridge, pinochle, 500, hearts and other popular games. Admission is 35 cents per person, with all of the proceeds going toward completely equipping the room in the hospital's new addition. Many prizes are being donated by the Torrance merchants.

Headquarters for the Flower, Art and Hobby show have been established at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce building where entry blanks and full information concerning the various divisions, awards and arrangement of displays may be obtained. There is no entry fee and admission will be free every

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## First Day School Enrollments

School	Yesterday	1940	1939	1938	1937	1936	1935
Torrance High	850	827	738	840	751	671	692
Elementary	569	778	864	733	729	625	707
Fern Street	318	290	296	292	307	288	280
Walteria	101	105	125	115	134	142	133
Perry School	135	125	148				
<b>Torrance Total</b>	<b>1,993</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>2,171</b>	<b>1,980</b>	<b>1,921</b>	<b>1,726</b>	<b>1,822</b>
<b>SCHOOLS IN LOMITA</b>							
Narbonne High	1,131	1,050	1,080	1,035	996	949	887
Elementary	443	408	420	425	423	420	414
Orange Street	364	340	345	360	340	355	333
Harbor City	270	270	299	337			
<b>Lomita Totals</b>	<b>2,208</b>	<b>2,068</b>	<b>2,124</b>	<b>2,157</b>	<b>1,759</b>	<b>1,724</b>	<b>1,634</b>
<b>District Total</b>	<b>4,201</b>	<b>4,193</b>	<b>4,295</b>	<b>4,137</b>	<b>3,680</b>	<b>3,450</b>	<b>3,446</b>

## Many Faculty Changes Noted as Term Begins

With probably 100 more to enroll during the next few weeks, the 1941-42 school term got under way here yesterday with 1,993 pupils registering at the five schools in Torrance and another 2,208 answering "Here!" in Lomita and Harbor City institutions. The first day's enrollment was less than last year.

Rotary Governor Due Here Tonight



Carlos G. Stratton

Torrance Rotarians will greet their district governor, Carlos G. Stratton, Huntington Park, Cal., attorney, tonight at a dinner-meeting at the Legion clubhouse. Governor Stratton will be making his official visit to the local club.

A native of Louisville, Ky., Stratton was president of the Huntington Beach club when that city was awarded first place for club service by Rotary International. He is a graduate of Denver Law School and the Denver University who was one time acting Consul of The Netherlands for Colorado and New Mexico. Married, he has two children and is keenly interested in youth activities. He has been an attorney for 16 years.

### HUGE OIL SHIPMENTS

Before the war emergency, tanker ships delivered about 1,250,000 barrels of oil daily to eastern seaboard points.

## Huge New Press And Lathes Will Be Shipped Here

Instructions to proceed with construction of another large plant to increase the company's press and lathe facilities were received today by the National Supply Company from the Navy Department. It was learned that the new equipment, whose cost has not been revealed, will be used for production of larger ship shafts and other finished forgings for the Navy and Maritime Commission.

According to word from Washington, D. C., the addition to the local plant at Carson st., and Border ave., will consist principally of a 1,500-ton press with the necessary complement of cranes, manipulators, furnaces and soaking pits. Five of the largest size lathes in use today are also to be installed.

All of the new equipment will be housed in a new building, 750 feet by 155 feet in size, to be erected south of the present forging plant.

Equipment is Ready  
Since installation of a third electric furnace in June, National Supply's ingot capacity has exceeded the capacity of the present 1,200-ton forging plant and thus assures ample material for the new forge. Ingots are now made up to 44 inches in diameter. They weigh approximately 20 tons.

National Supply is one of the earliest producers of electric steel and its ideal product has long been known in all the oil fields of the world. The metallurgical organization is complete with a modern chemical laboratory and testing facilities. These include micro-photographic apparatus and instruments for magnaflex testing of all its steel.

The new press is reported now available and the lathes have been earmarked for the Navy department and shipment to Torrance immediately.

Plant Here Since 1911  
Closely identified with the industrial life of the community since 1911 when it was the Union Tool Company, the plant which rivals the Columbia Steel Company in size and number of men employed, recently occupied a large new office building here.

Approximately 1,500 men are employed at the concern at the present time. Officials contacted this morning said they were unable to "even estimate" the additional employees who will be required to man the new equipment to be installed. The plant is valued at several million dollars and is a unit in a national concern with headquarters in Pittsburgh.

### BOAST MAY BOOMERANG

Nazi boast that they have no inflation troubles. They may change their minds when people change their inflated territories become rebellious.

## Young N.S. Worker Polls Most Votes to Win Council Seat

Kenneth H. Kail, 27-year-old welder at the National Supply Company became a member of the Torrance city council as result of the special election yesterday, winning his place on the municipal board by the only majority of the ballot event. At the same time George V. Powell, who was ousted in the recall

### YOUNGEST COUNCILMAN



KENNETH H. KAIL will use own head

"I sincerely appreciate the support given me by my friends, acquaintances and the many people whom I have yet to meet a r d k n o w," Councilman-elect Kenneth H. Kail said last night. "I want to assure them — and the entire city — that what I said before the election is still applicable today and in the future: That we've had a hectic few months in Torrance and now is the time for municipal harmony and mutual goodwill. "In these critical days of our national life, bickering and dissension in city affairs certainly doesn't help toward national unity. I cannot say very much about what policy I shall follow as a member of the city council but I do intend to use my own head. I made no commitment to any individual or group during the campaign.

"I feel that I've got a stake in the future in Torrance and I want to preserve that investment. By careful consideration of all problems coming before the council I believe I can do just that. I believe the people of Torrance want to be left alone for a while — not to the extent that they will not to become strangers to municipal government but that they want considerate, progressive action based on the sound judgment of their councilmen.

"I hope every citizen and resident will join me in this, my pledge to work for the betterment of our city in a fair, impartial and progressive manner," Kail concluded.

### BOMBS RETURNED

In Russia, the land where the bomb was invented, the Nazis are getting quite a blow-out.

election July 28, was returned to office by a minority of the votes cast for that office, by reason of the three-way split in the vote for the long term. The combined vote of James A. Evans and Bert Allen, both of whom opposed Powell, was greater than Powell's vote.

The complete, but unofficial count from the 16 precincts was:

For short term, expiring in April, 1942:	
KAIL	1,189
John Murray	1,027
For long term, expiring in April, 1944:	
POWELL	1,062
James Evans	997
Bert Allen	151

### Youngest Council Member

After the city council canvassed the results of the election and adds in the absentee voter count on Sept. 16, Kail will be seated immediately and Powell will return to the office from which he was recalled by a vote of 1,093 for his ouster to 990 against. The Torrance municipal board will then return to its five-man status. Mayor Tom McGuire and Councilmen James Hitchcock and Vern Babcock having officiated since the recall election of last July.

After canvassing the vote and swearing in the new members, the council is expected to adjourn until the regular meeting, Sept. 23. There are 15 absentee votes to be counted by the council following canvass of the election returns which, added to the 2,249 ballots cast at the voting polls, brings the total vote on yesterday's election to 2,284, or 50 percent of the registration. A 46 percent vote was cast at the recall election. Counting the absentee ballots, there were 155 more votes cast yesterday than at the recall election.

North Torrance upset  
Biggest upset of the election occurred in North Torrance, which heretofore has been a Powell stronghold. However, yesterday's election Evans polled 65 votes to Powell's 42 in No. 1 precinct, as contrasted with the recall vote, which gave Powell 57 votes to 25 for his recall.

Other precinct changes occurred in No. 4, at 1534 Marcelina and No. 9, 2013 Arlington, both of which Powell carried by slight majorities. Both of these precincts gave majorities for the recall.

Councilman-elect Kail will be the youngest man ever elected to the Torrance city council. He celebrated his 27th birthday on April 25 and is the father of two children, his second daughter arriving this week at Torrance Memorial hospital. He has never before participated in civic affairs in the city but states that he "believes in knowing and letting the people know how their money is being spent and what is going on in the city of Torrance."

He is a member of the C.I.O. Oil Workers' Union who announced.

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## Complete But Unofficial Count by Precincts

Precincts	No. 1 Prairie	No. 2 El Dorado	No. 3 7th & Broadway	No. 4 1524	No. 5 Englewood	No. 6 Annapolis	No. 7 Merrill	No. 8 1724	No. 9 Arlington	No. 10 2201	No. 11 W. C. Carr	No. 12 Walters	No. 13 807	No. 14 Perrin	No. 15 1913	No. 16 Washington	Total
Short Term April 1942																	
Kail	67	87	57	68	74	95	97	94	92	35	52	33	57	136	49	46	1139
Murray	42	43	34	55	32	61	78	90	68	88	64	95	53	75	82	67	1027
Long Term April 1944																	
Allen	5	9	8	8	6	14	15	14	15	2	7	7	8	18	8	7	151
Evans	65	75	48	55	66	80	84	67	66	33	44	27	53	117	41	40	961
Powell	42	48	33	60	35	61	75	106	77	86	66	93	48	80	83	69	1062
Total Vote Cast	114	135	94	129	109	160	177	190	165	127	119	132	118	223	136	121	2249
Recall Total	82	129	97	95	168	184	185	143	116	108	123	118	212	124	107	2091	

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