

In This Deal, It's No Bluff:

Three of a Kind Can Buy the Pot

EDITORIAL

On Tuesday next people of Torrance will have to decide whether they want a government of the people, by the people, and for the people—or a government run by a corporation.

It is as simple as this:

If the 11,000 voters of this community elect the three-man TUT ticket to the Torrance City Council on April 8 they will be passing their right to be represented in the government of this city to a corporation. This corporation was formed under the laws of California in 1952—an election year—and has as one of its articles of incorporation the sponsorship and fostering of candidates for public office.

When the purpose of this organization, commonly referred to as the "TUTs," was discovered, the Torrance Herald was approached and asked:

"Why doesn't the Herald do something about it?"

We are. We are warning the voters by the only means at our disposal—this editorial.

We can not go out and vote for you. We can only give you the facts and our recommendations based on those facts.

Only one word describes the method of winning votes the three "TUT" candidates have thrown at the electorate of Torrance—BRAZEN. They haven't HINTED you vote for all three of their candidates. They have DEMANDED it!

"It's one for all, and all for three," has been their campaign slogan.

"To get control of the City Council, we need to elect three men. We need three of the five votes on the council. Unless you vote for all three of us there is hardly any sense of voting for any one of us." This too has been an oft-repeated statement at meetings of the TUT group.

They have refused to allow the press to ask questions because the reporter didn't live in Hollywood Riviera, Seaside Ranchos, or Seaside Heights.

One of their candidates, Nick Drale, who is seeking re-election and whom the TUTs present as always having an ear for a plea, was the only member of the present City Council to turn a deaf ear on the plea of the PTA and the Torrance Council of Churches. They wanted a "NO" vote on a residential gambling issue. Drale, not once, but twice, ignored them and voted "YES"—a YES vote for gambling in Torrance.

Another TUT candidate, Al Isen, has consistently been represented by his supporters as an attorney and a small business man, but never once as the co-owner of two liquor stores.

Are they ashamed of it?

And Vic Benstead, the third TUT candidate, asks for your vote on the grounds that he is an admirer of Drale.

If the voters of this community want a man who believes in pinball machines and punchboards so strongly that he will vote twice for them, if they want a liquor store owner, and a third man who offers his vote to the other two if they will help him get elected, then the vote the people want to throw away is on the TUT ticket.

But if not, if the people want better government than the TUT ticket promises to give, then the Herald earnestly urges the voters to vote for three, ANY THREE of the other five candidates running.

Now then, since the voters of Torrance are obliged to choose three of eight candidates running and since many of the residents of Torrance are new to our community and do not know any of the eight men running for office, the Herald feels it would be neglecting its community responsibility if it did not offer some recommendations.

The three men the Herald recommends you vote for are:

Ed KARLOW, present member of the city council;

Mervin SCHWAB, past president of the Torrance Council of Churches; and

Jack WHITE, president of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association, (home owners group).

Mr. Jack White is new in politics. This can be refreshing. He has no long lines of political fences which he must keep in constant repair by granting a favor here and there.

As a member of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assoc., of which he is the current president, White has shown ambition and an unselfish desire to do something for his community. He has a stake in this town. He has three children he wants to raise here. He doesn't

want to raise them among Keno halls, or poker palaces, or to learn to add on five-to-25-cent punch boards.

He is North Torrance's answer to Councilman Nick Drale, who has disappointed the entire city and especially his own area of North Torrance, where he voted to allow a 100-head goat farm. Drale reasoned that only billy goats smell, not nanny goats, and since this ranch was to be stocked with 100 nanny goats and only two billy goats, there should be little objection to a goat farm in North Torrance. It is this kind of reasoning and voting which the residents of North Torrance hope to replace in electing Jack White to the City Council.

Councilman Ed Karlow, seeking his first full term on the council, exemplifies the average "Mr. Torrance Resident" of today. He is youngish (35), married, and raising a child, which this fall will enter our schools. Since he was appointed to the City Council to fill a vacancy more than a year ago, he has justified the faith of those who endorsed his appointment.

As a guardian of all public entitlements, the voters of this community can put in Mr. Karlow the same trust and faith as they would in their minister, their banker, or their doctor. Mr. Karlow is presently the assistant division credit manager of the National Supply Company—handling large sums of money.

Were his integrity, his honesty, or his ability to make sound judgments challengeable by his superiors, he would not have the responsible position he now holds.

During his 18 months on the Council, Mr. Karlow has proven he can stand on his convictions.

No one can defend a city dump. Dumps just simply are not desirable—anywhere. Yet Mr. Karlow, in face of strong political pressures and frequent blasts in another newspaper, showed courage in defending the interests of the city at large by refusing to fill the dump by hauling in dirt at a cost of thousands and thousands of dollars to the other residents of the city.

Not good politics, but good government.

If you believe that a church is an asset to a community, then so can you believe that Mervin Schwab is good for the City of Torrance.

He lives by a Christian code of ethics by which most of us only hope to live. His integrity is unchallengeable; his honesty beyond reproach. He agreed to run for Council upon the urging of his friends, who pointed out to him the threat of gambling which comes to life every two years—at election time. Gardena gamblers would like to buy their way into Torrance. They will never be able to buy their way in through Mervin Schwab.

Whenever decisions are to be made, the people of this city of 31,890 persons can depend that Schwab's verdict will have had careful, unbiased consideration and will be given without fear.

It has been said that every man has his price. We feel that the price has yet to be conceived that will turn Schwab's head or win his vote. When Schwab puts out his hand—it is to shake that of another man.

With all due respect to Mr. Haggard, who has served this city as mayor for the past two years, the Herald reporters, editors, and publisher feel that they can not justify recommending a vote for Mr. Haggard.

There is no personal motive involved. We, the reporters, editors, and the publisher, are in accord that real estate men should not be councilmen. Mr. Haggard is in the real estate business.

We believe the best interests of the city are not served when a councilman is called upon to represent the city as a buyer of land or property while simultaneously acting as an agent of the seller.

It is further questionable whether a real estate agent, ANY real estate agent, can use unbiased judgment when voting for the approval or disapproval of tract maps and other matters pertaining to new home subdivisions. This situation is not personal to Mr. Haggard, but would arise if any real estate salesman, agent, or broker were to become a city councilman.

As for Mr. Downing, he is an affable chap. Likeable, and friendly, but too many promises and too much politeness have caused us to challenge his ability to be a good councilman.

It is our sincere hope that on election day next Tuesday the voters of this city will go to the polls and remember these names when they cast their ballots:

- Edwin S. Karlow, Incumbent | X
- Marvin M. Schwab, Foreman | X
- Jack White, Engineer | X

Respectfully submitted by the Reporters, Editors, and Publisher of the TORRANCE HERALD.

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\$2,000,000 Proposal for Local Storm Drains Handed to County

Board Postpones Placing Issue on November Ballot

Torrance is slated to receive a total of \$1,180,000 in flood control work from the county, according to an interim report from the County Flood Control engineer accepted Tuesday by the Board of Supervisors.

Engineer Harold E. Hedger presented a proposal totaling \$1,180,000 to the supervisors, but the Board delayed decision on putting the issue on the November ballot.

Hopes Fade For Averting Steel Walkout

Hopes of averting the nationwide steel strike next Tuesday without government seizure of the mills appeared dim yesterday as a top industry negotiator said the industry could not sign a new contract with the CIO United Steelworkers with out the promise of offsetting price increases.

Making the statement was John A. Stevens, United States Steel Corporation vice-president. Stevens, whose firm is the parent company for Torrance's Columbia Steel Co., said that industry representatives would meet again this morning with the union to start negotiating.

A statement issued last week by CIO President Philip Murray has been received by members of Local 144 here.

Text of the statement, which was issued just before Stabilizer Charles E. Wilson resigned, follows:

"Following is the full text of a statement I issued from my Washington, D. C. office in answer to Chas. E. Wilson: At the request of the President of the United States, the United Steelworkers of America on four separate occasions during the last three months have postponed a strike in steel.

"During the same period, also at the request of the President, both the union and the industry have spent weeks presenting their case to the Wage Stabilization Board—the only duly constituted authority to hear disputes of this character.

"Last Thursday, pursuant to its mandate from the President, the Wage Stabilization Board issued its recommendations to the President and the parties for a fair and equitable settlement of the dispute. The recommendations of the Board, reached after three months of hearings and a study, were expressly found by the Board to be not unworkable.

"At the request of the President, and at the direction of the Wage Stabilization Board,

"I would like to inform you that I am a POW of the Chinese Volunteers. I am in good health and being well cared for."

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I appreciate it very much if you would do this favor for me.

Sincerely yours, DANIEL ARELLANO

Four veterans of the Torrance Police Department will take written and oral examinations tomorrow to see who will be named to the recently created post of assistant chief of police for the city.

Taking the examinations will be Captains Willard Haslam and Ernie Ashton, and Sergeants Percy Bennett and G. S. "Bill" Evans.

The assistant chief's post was created by City Council action early last month upon the recommendation of City Manager George Stevens. Also created were two battalion chief posts for the Torrance Fire Department. Examinations to fill these jobs will be held at a later date.

Voters Warned Of Last-Minute Smeared Tactics

Last-minute personal attacks, which are being carried out in mud-slinging against candidates for public office have no place in the American way of doing business.

Voters of Torrance should be very cautious about accepting as truth any attempts to smear the personal reputation of any of the eight candidates seeking election to the City Council.

The Torrance Herald will not be a party to any such attacks, and members of the Herald staff will not indulge in personal attacks against candidates.

Attacking the type of administration which candidates propose to put into effect if elected is quite American, and the Herald has and will continue to be outspoken on those matters.

Study the issues carefully, select your candidate, and VOTE. You won't have a gripe if you don't vote.

Ministers Back Candidacy of Mervin Schwab

The ministers of seven local churches announced yesterday their endorsement of Mervin Schwab as a candidate for the City Council.

Backing Schwab, a former president of the Torrance Council of Churches, are:

Rev. Clarence E. Miller, First Methodist Church.

Rev. Arthur E. Bello, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

Rev. Paul Wenske, First Lutheran Church.

Rev. Cecil J. England, First Christian Church.

Rev. J. Miles Northrup, First Baptist Church.

Rev. Homer H. Miller, Central Church Evangelical Brethren.

Rev. Edwin Bowling, Welteria Community Methodist Church.

The support of the local clergy came in the form of an advertisement urging the voters of Torrance to vote for Schwab at the election next Tuesday, April 8.

Schwab, a general foreman at the American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp., has been active in church and youth work in Torrance since he came to the city at the time his company started erecting the local plant five years ago.

Death Claims Henry Allen, PE Veteran

Death yesterday afternoon claimed the life of 76-year-old Henry John Allen, of 2284 Sierra St., a retired Pacific Electric employee who had lived in this area for more than 35 years.

Services for Allen will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Stone and Myers chapel, with members of the Golden State Masonic Lodge officiating. Rev. C. J. England, of the First Christian Church, will assist in the service.

Allen leaves his widow, Nellie, of the home address; a son, Benjamin Allen, of 26917 Buckskin Lane, Rolling Hills; and a sister, Mrs. Anna Cooke of South Devon, England. Allen was a native of London, Eng.

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Pfc. Arellano Seeks Aid in Getting Mail

By REID BUNDY

Pfc. Daniel Arellano, held prisoner by the Chinese Peoples Army in North Korea, has written to the Torrance Herald seeking help in getting his address published so he can get some mail.

In a letter received here yesterday afternoon, Arellano said he was a POW of the Chinese Volunteers. "I am in good health," he wrote, "and being well cared for."

Arellano, a former Torrance High School student, has been held by the Reds since last fall.

Relatives and friends may write him at the following address: Pfc. Daniel Arellano, RA 1935876 c/o Chinese People Committee for World Peace, Peking, China, POW Camp No. 1.

Text of Pfc. Daniel Arellano's letter follows: Editor of Torrance Herald Torrance, Calif. Dear Sir:

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Bowling League Official to Face Judge Tomorrow

Carl Pagac, secretary-treasurer of a number of Torrance bowling leagues who confessed to police last week that he had spent approximately \$4700 in league funds, is due to appear in Superior Court in Long Beach tomorrow.

Pagac was released last Friday on a writ of habeas corpus and posted \$1000 bail.

Although he confessed to spending the money for doctor bills, furniture and on other items, the charges may not be pressed against the bowling official if the funds are returned to the leagues. Pagac was arrested and booked in the San Pedro jail on suspicion of grand theft—money, a felony, and on a charge of filing a false report, a misdemeanor.

Pagac complained to Harbor Division detectives that his home at 3336 W. 218th St. had been burglarized. He told Det. Lt. Ralph Weyant, commander of the Harbor Division detectives and Dr. Ardath Thornberry that when he returned from Seattle last Thursday he discovered his screens had been cut and \$4700 of the league's funds which he had hidden in a thermos bottle had been stolen.

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Present Council 'Unfriendly' to Labor---Tidwell

Members of the San Pedro Retail Clerks Union were urged this week by Haskell Tidwell, secretary, to support the TUT ticket at the City Council election on April 8.

In a letter addressed to the members, Tidwell, of 25124 Broadwell Ave., Harbor City, charged that the four members of the present City Council have been unfriendly to organized labor.

"Each time the clerks have to picket an unfair employer in Torrance, Bob Haggard delights in crossing our picket line," the letter stated.

The letter claimed that Nick Drale and Vic Benstead, both TUT candidates, as members of the Steelworkers Union, "have been friends" of the clerks union

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