



**COMPARE NOTES . . .** Friedoun Pirzadeh, publisher of a Persian newspaper and writer of a Hollywood column discusses a topic of mutual interest—The Movies, with actress Rosemary DeCamp Shidler at the latter's Hollywood Riviera home. The wide-eyed finney creature in the background is a product of hubby, Judge John A. Shidler's handiness with a rod and reel. (Herald photo).

## Persian Writer Here To Gather Material

By Jack O. Baldwin  
Strange are the ways of Persia—but no stranger than those of America.

So claims a recent visitor to Torrance, Friedoun Pirzadeh, 34-year-old publisher of a newspaper in Teheran, Jesse State College where, under partial sponsorship of his government, he is studying journalism and printing techniques to take back to his country.

**HANDY WITH PEN**  
Quite handy with a pen, both in English and Persian the youthful publisher was a recent visitor to Southern California to gather material for articles he sends to his paper about the glamour capital of the world—Hollywood.

While in the locality, Pirzadeh toured the Torrance Herald plant upon invitation of Edwin B. Brown, business manager. Brown's son, Robert, was Pirzadeh's roommate at San Jose State College. In fact, quite by coincidence it developed during the interview for this story that the Persian student is living in the same house and in the same room that the author of this article lived in while attending San Jose 13 years ago.

But back to what our visiting news writer thinks about us, our ways of life, and our women.

**GIRLS ARE PRETTY—BUT!**  
"Your girls are naturally pretty, but that is not what impresses me about them. They are so capable, so well educated, and they can do so many things. In my country after a girl marries she is provided with four servants. She does nothing about the house like you wives do. The servants must do it all."

If any girl has visions of packing for Persia, better forget it! Marriages are arranged by the parents without the bride and groom ever seeing each other. However, an American girl would have the odds in her favor. Persian men are allowed four wives at a time. During their lifetime the maximum allowable is 40 wives. Assuming an otherwise happy marriage, the bride must be content to see her husband only on certain days of the week since the wives live in different houses.

**MARVEL AT AMERICANS**  
"I marvel at the opportunities Americans have. If you have enough money you can buy a new car, or a new house, or go to the best places. In my country the people are divided into three classes. A farmer in the lower group may earn a million dollars, but unless he is in the upper classes he couldn't buy an automobile be-

cause the rules do not permit it."

While on his tour of Torrance and Hollywood, the young publicist was invited to dine with Judge John A. Shidler and his movie actress wife, Rosemary DeCamp. Having had dinner with a movie star would practically make him eligible for his country's highest honor, claims Pirzadeh.

"Our people may not know who is the President of the United States, but three out of five could give you the name of Clark Gable's grandfather."

**LIKE OURS BETTER**  
"Since I have learned to speak English I don't think I will enjoy so much the Persian's way of showing movies. In my country an American picture will be shown for ten minutes. Then the translation is flashed on the screen. You can imagine what happens to Bob Hope when he gets hit with a pie and ten minutes later he says 'Ouch' in Persian."

Reporting and news writing is not new to the visitor from the shores of the Mediterranean. During Anthony Eden's visit to Persia, Pirzadeh covered the diplomat's visit for Radio Tehran—reporting by wire on the hour every hour.

**GREAT CHANCE**  
He says there is great opportunity for American know-how in Persia. Especially is this true in aviation. There is little opportunity, however, for unskilled workers since domestic labor is so cheap. This last might have something to do with the newspaper situation in Persia. Imagine what the front lawns of Torrance homes would look like if our city had as many newspapers as Teheran. There, says Pirzadeh, are no less than 200 newspapers in Teheran, a city of 200,000.

### Dr. Hull to Air Views On Proposition No. 1

Kettler Knolls Civic Association will meet in the VPW hall at 8 tonight at which time Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, will speak on the difference between the Los Angeles School System and the Torrance system and will discuss the implications of Proposition No. 1 on the November ballot.



**KIWANIS LEADERS . . .** All living past presidents of the Torrance Kiwanis Club except one, L. G. Gilmeister, renewed old acquaintances, and posed for their picture at a celebration Monday night at the Virginia Country Club marking a quarter of a century of service to the community. Four of the past presidents have been members of the local service club since its founding in 1925. Those other than Gilmeister missing from the otherwise complete reunion were the three deceased past presidents; Jim Leech, the club's first president; J. R. Jensen (1928); and C. Earl Conner, (1938). Pictured above are: (left to right, front row) L. J. Acree, David Colville, Ernest Murchison, Dean L. Sears, Charles C. Schultz, Edwin B. Brown, Sam Rappaport, James L. Rahl, Gaston J. Areeq, Charles T. Rippey, and Henry Ubricht. (Second row) W. E. Shawyer, H. C. Barrington, R. J. Deinfinger, Dr. A. W. Smith, John H. Stroh, John McCall, Dr. R. F. Bishop, and Dr. Howard A. Wood. (Extreme rear left) Ryan Daggett. Photo by James Giacalone

## Red Cross Head Urges First Aid Study Now!

"When disaster strikes it is too late to start studying first aid," so warned Mrs. Edna Bishop, chairman of the Torrance Chapter of the American Red Cross this week in urging men and women of the community to enroll in the First Aid Course now being offered Thursday evenings at Torrance High School.

### QUALIFIED INSTRUCTOR

The class is taught by Bill Stidham, a lieutenant in the Los Angeles County Lifeguard Service for the past 18 years. A teacher of the approved Red Cross course in First Aid for the last 10 years, Stidham has been bringing his "know-how" to 23 persons currently enrolled in the Red Cross-Adult Education class. There are spots for 32 more to enroll in the class. Those intending to qualify for the Red Cross certificate at the completion of the course must enroll this evening, Stidham said.

The class is open to those 16 years and older. There is no charge.

**IF A-BOMB FALLS**  
"One of the more interesting phases of the class," Stidham pointed out, "is the time devoted to treatment of injuries received during an atomic attack. This new approach to first aid is covered at the end of the course."

The class meets in room 105 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Planned to be started in the near future is a similar nine-week course in First Aid which will be taught for those living in the vicinity of Walteria and South Torrance.



**FIRST AIDERS . . .** With supervision from Lifeguard Bill Stidham, Mrs. John Beeman practices tying a sling on Mrs. Russel Lund while Mrs. William Mahon watches and awaits her turn to try her hand at applying the bandage. All are members of the Red Cross-Adult Education First Aid Class which meets tonight at Torrance High School. There are still several openings in the class although enrollment will close this evening. (Herald photo.)

## Factory Finds It Pays to Hire The Handicapped

This is National Employ The Physically Handicapped Week. And several local industries are finding it good business to do so.

Among the local plants employing those with physical handicaps is the American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corporation.

One of company's best workers is 37-year old Frank Pollinger—a mute, Pollinger who lives at 1651 West 253rd street, Harbor City, has been employed at American-Standard since September of 1948. According to the records on file with personnel manager, Don Anderson, the workers record shows that Pollinger is rated excellent in ability, effort and attendance.

According to Winona Ellis, manager of the Torrance office of the California Employment office, many handicapped workers are available to consult with employment managers and employers located in this area.

To promote the employment of the physically handicapped, this week has been proclaimed National Employ The Handicapped Week in Torrance by Mayor Bob L. Haggard.



**AN OPEN GATE . . .** Guard A. E. Palmer admits Frank Pollinger, a mute, who is one of three physically handicapped employed at the American Radiator Standard Sanitary Corporation plant. This week has been proclaimed National Employ The Handicapped Week. (Herald photo.)

## Tartar Teen Talk

By MARIAN McDONALD

Hi, all you Torrance Tartars. Well kids, now don't you think that the \$2.00 you used for your ASB card was well spent. And weren't you proud of our football teams? they were really great. The band, song queens and yell leaders were really superb. Besides them, did you see those new football uniforms! Red with grey stripes. They certainly are good looking, aren't they.

Now for more about that great ASB card bargain of ours. So far, the freshmen are 'way ahead. There are 857 in class enrollments, but only 324 cards have been sold. That means only 38 per cent of the student body has ASB cards. Come on, kids, let's get out and buy those cards. If a large percentage of the student body buys cards, Mr. John Steinbaug says, we can get out of school for any "B" games. Also take a big look at that beautiful trophy in the hall showcase, and go out and urge your friends to buy a card.

By the way, we are all getting out and supporting our varsity, but don't forget that mighty "B" team of ours. They really are a hard-working and fighting team. Let's go to as many of their games as we can and yell for them too. We are expecting great things out of them this year, for with all of those swell guys on the team and Mr. Vernon-Wolf coaching them, how can they be anything but good?

We happened to be down in the auditorium last Thursday, so we got a sneak preview of our great band. We thought that they were great then, but when we heard them out on the field last Thursday afternoon and Friday night, we KNEW they were great. Seriously, I think every year that band gets bigger and better. We are all pretty proud of you band folks. With these fine uniforms, snappy music and marches, you pep us up whether we are winning or not. Mr. Harold Dunn is really doing a fine job of directing. We have three more good things connected with our band, our majorettes! They are: Ann Olson, Irene Moreno and Shirley York. You three are certainly snappy twirlers, and add a lot out there on the field.

Something has been added in GAA this year too. The cabinet had its first meeting last Thursday at noon, with Miss Doris Avis, and Mrs. Betty Schaefer as its advisors. Erma Carstens, the president, presided over the meeting. The dues were still left at 35 cents a sport. The something new is that the cabinet voted to sell white anklets with GAA printed in maroon and gray. But don't bring your money right away, as we probably won't be getting them for a couple of weeks or more. But it is a swell idea, especially for play days. We will really have something different.

The Scholarship Society had its first meeting last Thursday, Sandy Scott, president, called the meeting to order and introduced Miss Mabel Kloster, sponsor, and the rest of her officers: Donna Friedman, vice president; Elaine Reshwoldt, secretary; Mary Ann Valdez, treasurer and Dale Denham, historian. A committee was formed to plan a field trip this semester. There were quite a few good suggestions of places that would be interesting and fun. About fifty persons signed the roll sheet. With all the enthusiasm, it seemed to indicate a very good term ahead.

Donna (Hattie) Hatfield was elected chairman of the rally club. Did you notice all of those swell decorations, ushers and program sellers at our last game? Well, that is the work of the rally club. They now have about 30 members and really are doing a swell job.

The Junior Statesmen of America also had its first meeting last week. Donna Friedman, president, gave a welcome to the new members and discussed dues. She also introduced Erma Carstens, vice president; Alvira Linderberg, secretary-treasurer and Roger Wright, parliamentarian. Mr. Ed Reynolds is the sponsor of the organization. Miss Helen Lockwood, the guest speaker, was then introduced. She spoke about her trip to Europe.

For a last great piece of news we are proud to say that a past student of Torrance High, Jeanie Jenkins, received her engagement ring last Sunday evening. She is engaged to Larry Midleton, also a graduate of Torrance High, class of '50.

## Stiers Gets Fast Trip to Korea

A fast trip to Korea developed for Bill Stiers, of 1645 Acacia, when he was recalled to active Navy duty recently.

An agent here for the new York Life Insurance company, Stiers was ordered to report at San Francisco Sept. 11—the first day of school in Torrance. The following Wednesday, Sept. 13, he was aboard the USS Doyle heading into Inchon where the United Nations forces made a landing near Seoul.

In the meantime, the Insurance company reports the sudden departure of Stiers left a noticeable hole in the organization in this area.

Stiers is a former service manager for Ideco, and his wife, Barbara, is a teacher at the Fern Avenue Elementary school.

## Baptist Brotherhood To Meet October 13th

The Men's Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church will hold their monthly meeting Friday, Oct. 13, at the church.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Rev. Ray Harris, chaplain of the Los Angeles General hospital.

The Brotherhood has extended an invitation to all men to attend the dinner meeting and hear Chaplain Harris speak.



**COOPERATIVE? . . .** The antics of the Three Little Bears and the Herald photographer were vying for the attention of these pre-school tots who are enrolled in the recently organized cooperative nursery school at the Torrance City Park. On hand last Monday to listen to Director Jacqueline Goodman were Kenny Graff, Helen Carol Halloran, Susan Beck, Steven McNeil, Michael Nugent, Richard Verry, Carolyn Jensen, and Kathy England. Herald photo.

## COOPERATIVE NURSERY STARTED AT CITY PARK

Organized and operated under a cooperative plan, the Torrance Cooperative Nursery School began caring for the pre-school age tots of some 11 Torrance families Monday morning at the Torrance Playground.

Organized by a group of local parents and endorsed by the Torrance Recreation Department, the nursery school will eventually care for 25 youngsters from 9 to 11:30 daily, according to Mrs. Ruth Weil, one of the organizers.

### SUPERVISOR HIRED

A supervisor, Mrs. Jacqueline Goodman, experienced nursery

help with the project.

Parents wishing to participate in the venture are asked to contact Mrs. Weil at 2487-M or Mrs. Alice Stuart, 2251-M. The school is limited to children from two to five years of age.

### PARK BUILDING USED

The Torrance Recreation Department through Frank Carpenter, director, has made available the facilities of the recreation building at the city park for the project.

At first, sessions will be limited to Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It is planned that the classes eventually will be held five days weekly.