



CHARLEY'S

I saw an ad today from a cafe in Twin Falls, Idaho. This guy sez that "coffee is so fantastically valuable — so valuable that he watches every drop." At night when he locks up (we never close here at Daniels) he takes the money out of the safe and puts the coffee in it. He goes on to say that refills will be ten cents extra, also warm ups, half cups, just a little more, a wee bit, just a touch, just a smidgen, or just a few drops. There is no charge for service, napkins, glass, saucer, or spoon. WE think coffee is just as valuable here in Torrance but we just can't get out of the habit of wanting folks to feel at home here at Daniels. Soooooo we continue to serve plenty of strong black coffee. (Cream if you like, too. It's Mayfair cream. A home town product.)



(Herald Photo) FROM GREECE . . . Paul Cotroff, 24, center, shows Mr. and Mrs. Roger Thill some of the presents he brought from his home in Kavalla, Greece. The doll at left, the silver cigarette case, mirrors and combs, and the hand-made Greek tablecloths on the table all were brought by Paul to his American friends, who waited for eight years for the day when they could greet him on United States soil. The pair will sponsor Paul through college here.

Eight-Year Dream Comes True for Greek Student

By Marv Hall

After eight years of working and waiting, a dream of America has come true for a young Greek lad who arrived in Torrance last week and will be sponsored through college by Dr. and Mrs. Roger A. Thill, of 3310 Primm Way, Pacific Hills.

The story began in 1946 with a small article in the Reader's Digest magazine. It was written about a letter by Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Cotroff, from Kavalla, Greece. The Thills, who were then both attending college, read the story and were so touched by it that they began corresponding with the Cotroff family.

The article, entitled "A Modern Greek Classic," read as follows: "Ralph H. Barrett, a Washington clerk, was recently handed a letter by a mailman. It came from Kavalla, Greece, and was addressed simply: 'USA, Washington. Demand to Mr. Postman to deliver this message to the first meeting citizen Washington's town.'"

The letter read: "Some days ago to me and my family it was done essential help by raiment. This help came in the time—because we have been in very critical position."

We are not able to express our deep gratitude to the same person—which clothes we wear now—so please, sir, in your face, let us thank all citizens of great America for the help to the poor Greek population exceedingly suffered for about four years with Germans, Italians, and Bulgarians—our enemies. Signed—Nicholas Cotroff."

Correspondence Begins

The Thills began a correspondence with Mr. Cotroff, which was taken up by his wife, Emily. They learned that the Cotroffs have a son, Paul, who was then 17. Plans began to take shape immediately to bring Paul to America to study.

But the Thills, as most college students, had no money. So five years went by, during which the pair, who were studying optometry, finished college and finally were able to bring their dream to reality.

But fate stepped in again. By this time, Paul had reached the age of 21 and was automatically subject to military training. Paul

went into the army, and three more years went by, during which he rose from the rank of private, at a salary of 600 dollars a month (\$2), to the rank of second lieutenant and \$40 per month.

Gets Out of Army

Finally, Paul got out of the Army—but the red tape involved in bringing him to the United States took another six months. Paul was then 24 years old and "we didn't know whether he'd given up hope or not," the Thills said.

But the story reached its happy ending last week when Paul arrived at the Thill home in Pacific Hills. He plans to begin study in September at Long Beach State College and will later transfer to a school of agriculture.

Paul wants to return to Greece and run an experimental farm.

U.S. Amazes

His reactions to America thus far run toward amazement. He is amazed especially by the freedom of the people here compared to Greek citizens. When the

Thills, for example, run over to Lomita for a visit it seems strange to Paul because, in Greece, they would have to have a permit and would have to tell where they were going and why.

American supermarkets, with huge varieties of food lying around on open shelves, prove to Paul the honesty of the people here. "I'm afraid they wouldn't trust people like that back home," he says.

The Thills, both practicing optometrists, have two children, Kevin, 4, and Susan, 7.

BOARD OKS SEWER PLAN

Petitions for installation of sanitary sewers in district on Figueroa St., north of 214th St., have been authorized by the County Board of Supervisors.

Petitions now being circulated by Louis Higginbotham, 21234 S. Figueroa St., E. F. Whittenberg, 21265 S. Figueroa St., and L. Zupon, 21325 S. Figueroa St., must obtain signatures of at least 60 per cent of the 25 home owners in the district.

Total cost of the project is estimated at \$14,800. The cost will be about \$7.50 per assessable front foot of the property benefited, plus \$7 for each house lateral to the property.

Firemen Put Out Blaze in Icebox

City Councilman Victor E. Bentstead, 1621 Beech St., found this week that his refrigerator was heating his food rather than cooling it.

It got so hot in fact that Torrance firemen had to put out a blaze which started when the motor exploded. A neighbor heard the explosion, and called firemen, who had to break into the house, since no one was home.

The refrigerator was taken in to the yard where the fire was extinguished. There was some damage to kitchen decorations.

2 Weeks Left in Fair Queen Race

Jacqueline Pagac, Soroptimist candidate for Community Fair Queen, continued to lead the other 11 candidates for the third consecutive week, according to figures released Tuesday by Chamber of Commerce Secretary Dale Isenberg.

Miss Pagac led both in total votes and in votes received during the week ending July 26. She had a total of 12,760 votes. Rod and Gun Club candidate, Pauline Glueckert, moved into second place with 9621 votes, while Ella Mae McLeod, Lions Club nominee, took third place with 9445 votes.

At the same time, Isenberg announced that Coordinator Roy Kabat is working on the possibility of getting the show televised on one night.

Reggie Dvorak, veteran showman and clown, will be in the streets of Torrance before and during the fair to perform for local citizens. He has appeared in 16 movies, several television shows, in circuses, and leading West Coast night clubs.

Pan American Amusement Co. will furnish rides and carnival facilities, while shows will be presented nightly under the big top by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Anyone over 15 who is interested in appearing in these performances, from Aug. 11 through 15, should contact the department at Fairfax 8-4108 for an audition. Single acts, teams, and musicians are needed.

Prizes to be awarded at the fair include a seven-day expense paid trip for two to Hawaii. The winning queen candidate will receive a trip to Mexico City or \$300. Runner-up will get \$50, and the third place girl will receive \$25.

The standings in this week's queen contest are as follows: Miss Pagac, 12,760 votes; Miss Glueckert, 9621; Miss McLeod, 9445; Earnie Simms, Jaycettes, 7151½; Janeene Colombo, Torrance Gardens and Plaza, 5480; Theresa Reddington, Optimist Club, 4210; Ann Webb, Firemen's Association, 4112½.

Lola Jones, Women of the Moose, 3810; Carol Winther, North Torrance Civic Association, 2837½; Pat Gaida, Kiwanis Club, 2765; Vera Robertson, Lomita Optimist Club, 1876; and Flo Luongo, Civitan Club, 1576.

Obituaries

Joseph C. Beebe

Private funeral services will be held for Joseph C. Beebe, resident of Torrance for 32 years and of Lomita for the past seven years, who died Tuesday at Beside Hospital in Long Beach.

Mr. Beebe's body will lie in state today at Gaby's Mortuary in Lomita. He lived at 1847 287th St. with his wife, Ethel.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Mae Reese, 1789 Arlington Ave., and Catherine Beebe, of Pennsylvania; and a nephew, James Grady, of Riverside.



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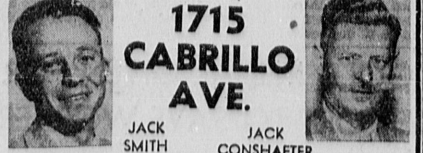
OUR GUESTS THIS WEEK

- THURSDAY, JULY 29—Mr. and Mrs. Arden French, 26025 Narbonne
- FRIDAY, JULY 30—Mr. and Mrs. Mott Houdashelt, 1303 Madrid
- SATURDAY, JULY 31—Mr. and Mrs. Ray Munro, 16700 S. Hoover St.
- SUNDAY, AUG. 1—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips, 2019 Reynosa Drive
- MONDAY, AUG. 2—Mr. and Mrs. Al Robbins, 1023 W. 225th
- TUESDAY, AUG. 3—Mr. and Mrs. Les Schmoeck, 16506 S. Normandie
- WEDNESDAY, AUG. 4—Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cook, 2063 W. 223rd

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