

# Heroine of Footlight Theater Production Faced With Problem

"Would you murder to provide a home and security for your two potty sisters?" Ellen Creed is faced with this problem in the play of

## ... Police

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questioned Chief Percy Bennett at length about details in the operation of his department. He was particularly interested in the Torrance Mounted Police and looked over some of the member's horses.

He told Chief Bennett that the Kenya department has a mounted detail used regularly in line of duty. Lt. D. C. Cook conducted Gyles on a detailed tour of the department and explained the functioning of the records and identification department which he heads up.

CAPT. GYLES' second interest while he is in the United States is to find a market for a story with photos on his 16,000 mile trip in a Land-rover, similar to the American Jeep. Gyles, his wife Betty, five children and dog, drove through the Sahara after leaving Kenya with only car tracks and an occasional marker to guide them.

The trip also included Uganda, Sudan, Chad, Nigeria, Algeria, Morocco, Spain, and France where they were ferried across the English Channel to Dover. They drove on to Bristol, where Gyles left his vehicle and family to fly to the States.

"THERE ARE many things I could say about the situation in the Congo, but for publication most of them would have to be cleared through intelligence at headquarters," the young captain said. He pointed out that all personnel in his department is on 24-hour call. "With the African mind as it is, an agitator can easily whip a mob into trouble-makers."

Gyles said that outside of a few minor riots in the Province things have been more, or less, quiet. The Mau Maus have not been active in this area, but it is less than 400 miles to where the general mobilization by President Moise Tshombe was ordered against the stand of the United Nations.

THE CAPTAIN pointed out that elections are being held this week and that this may cause additional rioting and even conflicts on a larger scale. He said that some of the trouble is caused by student "troubleheads" who are patterning their actions after youths in other trouble-zones.

Capt. Tony Gyles hopes he will have sold his book by the time he has to return home in May. He will spend some time at Scotland Yard on the European police exchange system before he and his family will "Jeep" back across the desert and back to police duty.

suspense, "Ladies in Retirement."

It will be presented "in the round" by the Footlight Theater at the Benstead Playhouse, 3331 Torrance Blvd. Play dates are Feb. 25 and March 3, 4 and 10. Call DA 4-6080 for tickets. Tickets are \$1.25 and 75c for those under 18.

Herman Boodman is directing and Iona Claxton is playing Ellen Creed. The other cast members are Irene Conry, Jim Claxton, Pat Melill, Doris Wesson, Pat Perry, Beverly Schwartz and Dave Cooper.

Membership in the Footlight Theater is open to any person with or without experience in little theater. As a chartered club of the Torrance Recreation Department, membership is open to all persons interested in play producing and building a community theater for Torrance.

The Footlight Theater is now two years old and "Ladies in Retirement" is its fourth play.

## ... Artist

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the works will be reproduced in journals and magazines. The artists will visit Japan, China, the Philippine Islands, and the Hawaiian Islands. They are scheduled to leave from San Francisco next Monday, and will return approximately 30 days later.

## ... Concert

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the stature of the primary soloists for the event. Narrator for the continuity thread within the life of David, the shepherd become king, is Lyle Heck of Torrance. Heck is noted for performances as the thief in Menotti's "The Old Maid and the Sea" and as Balhasar in "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

## ... Board

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site and operating two small high schools instead of enlarging Torrance High. The costs of operating two small schools would probably be larger than operating one larger school, members of the board were told.

"It will no doubt be impossible to arrive at a perfect solution to all the problems we shall encounter in expanding the high school facilities on these two sites," Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of the district, said.

"DOLLAR costs and educational value must be carefully weighed and balanced," he added. "Careful consideration will be given to every phase of the expansion program."

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