

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"... I was glad when I made 65 on my first theme because I heard it was best to start low and show improvement—but I can't show improvement!"

TEXANS IN WASHINGTON

Texas Companies Can Thank Foreign Aid For Prosperity

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WASHINGTON—Scores of Texas companies can thank the Foreign Aid program for nearly a half billion dollars in business between January 1954 and June 1960.

The director of the International Cooperation Administration, Henry R. Labouisse, disclosed the extent of the program at a luncheon meeting of the Texas Congressional delegation.

In an apparent attempt to win support of the Texans for the world wide operations that come under his supervision, Labouisse presented figures to offset a common belief that funds appropriated for foreign aid represents so much money dumped overseas.

In the period covered by his report, Congress appropriated approximately \$20 billion for foreign aid. This included the value of surplus farm commodities shipped overseas and payments to companies for transportation as well as the actual cost for commodities bought for shipment abroad.

The total amount of the Texas payments in the period was \$450,875,686. The list includes names indicating not only farm products but chemicals and various manufactured items.

By far the bulk of the sales went to firms located in Dallas and Houston. He listed 127 Dallas firms which received payments totaling \$144,054,757, and 73 in Houston which received \$160,388,117.

The money paid to Texas companies for commodities and services in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1960, amounted to \$36,655,131.

Accompanying Labouisse to the luncheon was Craig Raupe, one time Weatherford College professor and later top secretary to Rep. Jim Wright. He is now a legislative liaison officer for the ICA. Raupe served with the ICA in Indonesia for a while before taking the headquarters post here a few months ago.

Two Texans were key figures at ceremonies here marking the 100th anniversary of the Government Printing Office, the world's largest publishing establishment.

Special honoree at the banquet and ceremonies was the GPO's oldest living retired employee, Nat G. Watts, 92, who came from Naples, Tex., for the occasion.

Rep. Omar Burleson, D., of Anson, who as chairman of the House Administration Committee is largely responsible for the GPO's fiscal planning, made the principal address. He drew laughter when he told his audience:

"In this highly scientific era, with the harnessing of nuclear power and the ability to utilize it, we still have speakers for occasions such as this.

"I suppose we could use a robot of some kind, simply select the theme, push a button there, pull a lever there, and out comes an after-dinner speech. It would probably be better than some we have all heard and better than the one near at hand."

Here are a few statistics about the GPO that Burleson recited:

It represents an investment of \$25 million and does a \$100 million dollar a year business. It covers 32½ acres of floor space, places \$30 million worth of business annually with private printing companies and employs 6,500 men and women.

Rep. Wright Patman, D-Tex., in whose district Watts lives, noted that in the 25 years since the old printer retired from government services he has served "two or three times as mayor of Naples and is an outstanding citizen."

Second Session Housing Procedure Announced

The Department of Student Affairs announced this week the procedure students should follow in connection with housing for the second semester of summer school.

Fees should be paid and rooms may be reserved beginning 8 a. m., July 10.

Korean Veterans who have not signed enrollment papers for the second six weeks should report to the Veteran's Advisor's office and sign.

Students who wish to reserve the rooms they now occupy may reserve their rooms between 8 a. m., July 10 and 5 p. m.

Anyone wishing to reserve any room other than the one they now occupy may do so between the same times, but must present a signed room change slip from the Housemaster of the new dormitory concerned.

All students may register for rooms on a first-come first-serve basis from 8 a. m., July 13, until noon, July 15.

Students, including those living in college apartments, who don't plan to live in dormitories during the second term of summer school must secure or renew their permits at the housing before paying fees.

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Story of Ecuador Reveals Interesting Facts

(Editor's Note: The following is one of several stories written for the Houston Post. The stories reported on a study of Ecuador as a representative Latin American country.)

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TUMBACO, Pichincha Province, Ecuador—Segundo Manuel Cardenas is 14. He is a slender boy of much Indian and a little Spanish blood. He is very courteous and talks in the musical Spanish of Ecuadorans.

Segundo lives in the warm and eye-pleasing Valle de Tumbaco, about an hour's drive over steep mountain roads east of Quito.

Tumbaco is only 8,000 feet high, and in the valley grow lemons, oranges, grapefruit, guavas and chirimoyas. The valley also grows corn and wheat and alfalfa. The corn is now in the milk stage and is called choclo. In another month or two it will be dry and be called maiz.

It takes longer to grow corn in Ecuador than in Texas, because, despite the warmth and the sunshine, the day at the equator is only 12 hours long, whether it be

December or June. Corn likes longer hours of sunlight than that.

Segundo Cardenas is a member of Los Chagres de Tumbaco. This is a club of the Cuatro F's, the Four F's of Ecuador. The F's stand for Fé, faith; Fecundidad, fertility; Fortaleza, strength; and Felicidad, happiness.

Segundo is apparently a happy boy. He carries himself with a quiet pride. The Indians and the mestizos around him in the village of Tumbaco seem to be happy. They smile readily and are most hospitable. But when they go by foot or by ramshackle bus to Quito they put on a mantle of coldness.

Village of Tumbaco Has Brave Air
There are few rocks and no high hills in the Valley of Tumbaco. It is fine, volcanic dust, and the people of the town and the valley live with dirt 12 months a year.

The village of Tumbaco puts on a brave air. It has a plaza with a fountain which spurts a thin stream. There are flowers in the plaza, but there are also weeds and thick dust.

Most of the houses and shops around the plaza are dun or white-washed adobe, but some are painted the sky blue or lemon yellow of Latin America.

Despite the brave air, most of the houses in the Tumbaco Valley are hovels. The valley people sit on the floor in the dirt. There are corn shucks and filth all around.

This is not true of one house in Tumbaco. This girls' demonstration club has remodeled a room in one of the houses. This room has a board floor. It has curtains

at the windows and pictures on the walls.

But, most significantly, it has beds, real beds with springs and mattresses. The springs and mattresses must be very old, because the beds sag in the middle. The counterpanes must be very old and probably donated, because they are faded.

But these are beds. The Indian in Latin America sleeps on the floor, with only a mat under him and a blanket over him. The next step is to a bunk of corn shucks or hard boards. The "European" Ecuadoran sleeps on a bed. It is a tremendous leap to go from a mat in the dirt to a bed in a room with curtains in one step.

The girls are also learning to sew. They have two old North American sewing machines to practice on. They learn amid a great deal of talk and laughing. Some of the girls are truly beautiful. At 14 their skins have the bloom of an Indian peach; their hair is alive and shining black.

If they go the Indian way, they will be ugly at 35. Their hair will be stringy, their skin dead. Their feet broken from hauling loads of maize or babies over endless miles.

If they go the European way, at least some of them will still be beautiful at 35, possibly more beautiful than they are at 14.

The girls are raising chickens too, genuine New Hampshire Reds from North America. They don't eat the eggs. Eggs are caro, dear. They sell them. An egg brings sucrose, a day's pay in rural Ecuador.

Segundo Cardenas also hopes to have eggs to sell soon.

He has about 50 New Hampshire Red pullets. The pullets are in an adobe shack built into a low side hill overlooking the valley. Segundo has a bunk on one side of the chicken house. He sleeps there every night to keep los ladrones, the thieves, from stealing his chickens.

The chicken house is an evil-smelling place, but it looks out across pleasant fields of wheat and alfalfa, and orchards of guava and chirimoya trees.

Segundo's neighbor, Foila Ana Silva, who is 35 and has gone the Indian way, says Segundo's pullets have a beautiful view. She speaks truly.

Segundo also has a Corriedale ewe named Pancha. She has been bred to a fine ram and he hopes to start a herd of pure bred sheep.

Segundo is one of about 30 boys in the Tumbaco Valley who are learning modern farm and ranch methods in the 4-F.

The 4-F and the girls' demonstration clubs are now completely in Ecuadorian hands. The Ministry of Fomento (development) supervises them without financial help from the North Americans.

But the North Americans started the work and continue to advise the Ecuadorans.

The progress the Tumbaco Valley is making is the result of one of many projects initiated by United States agencies in Ecuador and all over Latin America.

The U. S. Operating Mission, which is known in the United States as the International Cooperation Administration or Point Four, is at present spending about \$2 million a year in Ecuador alone. This money is being used for train-

ing and improvement in four fields, agriculture, industry, education and public health. Money is matched by the Ecuadorans. North Americans and Ecuadorans work side by side in programs.

Ecuadorans are being taught to drive farm tractors. They are being taught to be labor leaders to develop sound unions.

There is an industry development center to sponsor new industries in Ecuador. This is slowly, for the republic is still per cent agricultural.

Teachers are being trained at schools are being built. Schools are going up now in Guayas, Manabi, Loja and Cuenca. Ecuadorans go 50-50 with the North Americans in paying for the buildings.

Drinking water is at present a chief public health project. This is immensely important in Ecuador and almost every Latin American country. Almost all of Latin America's water is contaminated from centuries of filth. Even in a few places, such as Buenos Aires and Panama City, one can catch dysentery or something worse. But the Latin countries to drink from contaminated streams, lakes and irrigated ditches.

USOM is installing, or teaching Ecuadorans to install, safe water systems as fast as time and money available will allow.

Perhaps this better life will come. Perhaps it will be adequate return for the frustration North Americans undergo there and the new, unaccustomed work the Ecuadorans do.

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