

Riots, Felicity Mark Trip Of Aggie To African Nation

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Special Writer

A near riot on the day of arrival quickly turned into a peaceful and educational summer in Africa for A&M University students, James E. Ray.

The senior English major, from Monroe was one of 11 North Americans to spend 10 weeks in Uganda, Africa, building a mission hospital in conjunction with the Operation Crossroads Africa program.

A right-wing group awaited the American's arrival in Uganda with eggs, tomatoes and other debris. Luckily they were delayed when their bus broke down and the group adjourned to another demonstration on the other side of town.

"We were generally welcomed by the Africans," Ray said, "but

our arrival gave the people an opportunity to lash out against social injustice in the United States." Uganda, which is located in east central Africa, is one of the most fertile and colorful regions on the continent. The mission hospital site, where Ray and the other students set up headquarters, was located at an outpost called Kisiizi.

Ray said they had been warned that there might be an unfriendly welcoming committee and admitted he was a little nervous during the 250 mile bus trip to Kasiizi. "We had been called spies and hypocrites and many Africans were asking why we didn't stay home to help the American Negro."

There were also three newspaper articles condemning our visit he said. But after we had a chance to meet the government officials, we soon learned that there were better times ahead.

The American group, which consisted of four girls and seven boys, began work on the 80-foot x 25-foot, 14-room hospital almost immediately. The construction was from the ground up and included clearing and leveling, laying the foundation, bricking and roofing. They were assisted by several different groups in the vicinity. Progress was actually delayed sev-

eral times while a group of masonry and carpentry students from a nearby technical school were helping. It seems that as soon as a job was satisfactorily completed, an instructor would order it torn down only to be rebuilt for further practice.

Ray said they usually worked six or seven hours a day for five days a week. The weekends were left open for visits to nearby places of interest. He was amused that most of the African students working on the project got to see their first elephant and hippo when they visited a nearby game reserve.

Most of the spare time around the camp was either spent singing or teaching the Africans volleyball and touch football. "Those people have a natural sense of rhythm and harmony that is almost unbelievable," Ray said.

The Americans slept in tents on grass mats and straw mattresses and ate the local diet. "We were encouraged to eat their food and adjust to their customs as quickly as possible so we could win their favor and confidence."

The American students were amazed at some of the misconceptions the Africans have of the United States. "They are unable to realize how large our country is," he said. "They couldn't believe that we didn't know each other before we met to come to Africa." Many of the people also thought that the American Negro spoke an entirely different language.



UGANDA WORKERS CONSTRUCT HOSPITAL American students helped build African project.

3 Profs Due As Candidates With Academy

One former faculty member and two present faculty members of the College of Arts and Sciences are candidates for officers in the Texas Academy of Science, Dean Frank W. R. Hubert said Thursday.

Former professor R. A. Eads, a chemist, is a candidate for president-elect in 1964. He would serve as president in 1965 and as immediate past president the following year. Ballots are expected to be mailed shortly with the results to be announced at the Academy's annual meeting in Abilene, Dec. 5. A Baylor University professor also is a president-elect nominee.

Dr. Charles LaMotte of the A&M Department of biology is a candidate for a one-year term as secretary-treasurer. His opponent is a University of Texas mathematician.

Dr. Walter A. Varvel, professor of psychology, is a candidate for the vice presidency of the Social Sciences Section. He faces a University of Houston psychologist in the race.

Pre-Vet Wives Organize New Club At Vet College

The Pre-Vet Wives Club met recently in the Veterinary Hospital for an organizational meeting. Several wives belonging to the Junior American Veterinary Medicine Association were there to help organize this new Aggie Wives Club. They offered ideas and suggestions for running the club.

The Jr. A.V.M.A. wives also told how beneficial it was for them to belong to this Veterinary Society, which is the largest wives club on the A&M University Campus.

The next meeting of the club will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Room 110 of the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Ray said that he thought the most important benefit of the trip was that he was able to learn more about himself and his own country while helping other people. "You can't plan events too far in advance on a trip like this and you really learn to be independent, but still respect the ideas, prejudices and customs of other people."

The students felt that they lost a part of themselves as they left the completed hospital after seven weeks of devoted work. And the Africans expressed their feelings throughout the visit when they brought food to the camp, looked at the new hospital and said, "We-bare mumonga"—Thank you very much.

ME Group Plans Convention Here

Dennis A. Wilkie, associate engineer at Dallas Power & Light Co., Dallas, will be the featured speaker at the Nov. 19 meeting of the Student Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

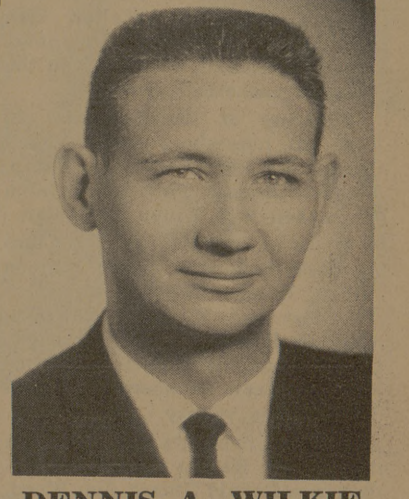
Wilkie, who was graduated from A&M in 1956 and 1961, has overall responsibility for installation of a major new computer system at one of the Dallas electric utility's generating plants.

"Instant Brainpower—The Digital Process Computer" is the title of Wilkie's talk. He will discuss the computer and its value to the electric industry. The digital process computer is a recent application of the well known digital computer to uses in a variety of process industries.

The meeting will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the third floor lecture hall of the Electrical Engineering Building.

Wilkie is coming to A&M at the invitation of Edward Weber, president of the student ASME section, who was among a group of students who spent last summer in

special assignments at Dallas Power & Light Co. Weber, a mechanical engineering senior from Victoria, and Terry Griffin, electrical engineering senior, of Mount Enterprise, handled special studies assignments at DP&L's North Lake Plant, site of the digital process computer installation.



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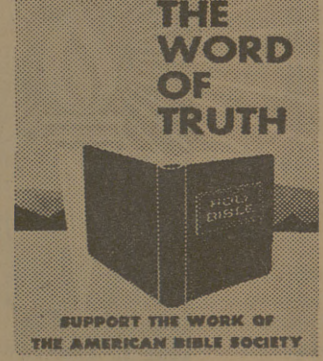
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A&M CHURCH OF CHRIST 8:00 A.M.—Worship 9:00 A.M.—Bible Study 10:00 A.M.—Worship 5:15 P.M.—Young People's Class 6:00 P.M.—Worship 7:15 P.M.—Aggie Class 9:30 A.M.—Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 7:15 P.M.—Wednesday - Bible Study	ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL Sundays 8:00 A.M. & 9:15 A.M. Morning Prayers 9:15 A.M. Church School & Nursery	UNION CHURCH OF CHRIST 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship 6:30 P.M.—Young People's Service 7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship	COLLEGE HEIGHTS ASSEMBLY OF GOD 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship 6:30 P.M.—Young People's Service 7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship
UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN (Missouri Synod) 10:00 A.M.—Bible Class 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship Wednesday 7:15 P.M.—Gamma Delta	FIRST BAPTIST 710 Eisenhower 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School 10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship 6:10 P.M.—Training Union 7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship 7:15 P.M.—Wednesday Choir Rehearsal & Bible Study 8:00 P.M.—Wednesday Prayer Meeting	A&M METHODIST 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 10:55 A.M.—Morning Worship 5:30 & 6:00 P.M.—MYF Meetings 7:00 P.M.—Evening Worship	UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP 4:00-5:30 P.M.—Friday School, YMCA 8:00 P.M.—First four Sundays of each month—Fellowship Meeting. VI 9-4873 for further information.
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