

Ph. D. Candidate Returns From Jungle Hunt



AN AGOUTI? SO'S YER OLD MAN!
Jerry Mankins holds a pet Agoutis for his son Dick to inspect.

A Texas A&M Ph.D. candidate earned the title "doctor" in the jungles of Honduras by giving emergency care to natives.

Jerry Mankins of Susanville, Calif., recently returned from eight months in South Africa where wildlife research was interrupted to deliver babies, suture wounds and set broken bones.

Mankins became the "doctor" after he helped deliver a baby in the bush.

"The first time I helped deliver a baby was pretty much an emergency," Mankins explained.

"I went to see a man to locate some deer. He said his wife was in severe pain, so I took a look and found she was supposed to give birth. Her sister was ready to come to help, but she didn't arrive, so I delivered the baby. After that the word got around that I was a doctor as well as a batman," Mankins continued.

Mankins had previous experience as a hospital laboratory technician in California, but had little knowledge of obstetrics.

The language problem gave Mankins little trouble since he speaks Spanish, the accepted language in Honduras. Finding suitable transportation proved to be a major problem since roads were almost non-existent.

With the help of his 15-year-old son, Dick, Mankins collected specimens of agoutis, grison, prehensile-tailed porcupines, gophers, o'possums, margay, squirrel, anteaters and a specimen new to the A&M collection, a 7-banded armadillo.

"We obtained what is probably the largest collection of one species of agoutis (rabbit-like animals) from Roatan," Mankins reported.

The researchers were bitten and scratched by bats and margay,

but didn't bother to take shots, he said. "A dab of iodine here and there and we were ready to continue," Mankins commented.

The Mankins learned to live off the land. Agoutis were the main meat dish and mangoes, bananas, zapotes, and squash were plentiful. Sugar and coffee shortages were apparent, they felt.

Heavy rains caused them to spend a lot of time digging the station wagon out of mudholes. Storms blew their camps down.

All Texans Benefit From A&M System Education, Service

Students entering A&M this fall are enrolling in the major part of one of the largest educational, research and extension organizations in the south.

The A&M University System, established in 1948, is a statewide organization, charged with the responsibility for education, research and extension services in the broad fields of the agriculture and engineering and in such other areas as the Legislature of the State of Texas may assign it from time to time.

The System's three schools are Texas A&M University, oldest public-supported institution of higher learning in the state; Prairie View A&M College, at Prairie View; and Tarleton State College, at Stephenville.

The five service organizations are the Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Texas Engineering Extension Service and the Texas Forest Service.

During the long terms, the three colleges provide educational programs for more than 15,000 Texas men and women.

The service organizations, and the colleges, provide adult education training programs for about 35,000 persons annually. Courses range from those for Civil Defense crews concerned with radiation to firemen, vocational teachers, bankers, egg-graders, beef producers and schoolmen.

The System is headed by a Board of Directors, consisting of nine members, appointed by the Governor with consent of the Senate.

Chief executive officer for the System is President Earl Rudder, who is directly responsible to the Board. In charge of each part of the System is another executive officer — for the schools, presidents; for service organizations, directors.

The two most recent additions to the System are the Texas Maritime Academy and the James Connally Technical Institute in Waco.

Honors Program Termed Success, To Be Continued

A "successful, beneficial" first academic year has set the stage for growth of the Honors Program at Texas A&M University. Academically superior freshmen in the College of Arts and Sciences participated.

Reporting the bright outlook and reviewing student accomplishments for the first year was Dr. Richard H. Ballinger, chairman of the Honors Program committee.

"The program," Dr. Ballinger said, "has proved stimulating and beneficial to the students and has been favorably received by them. In addition to honors courses, these first-year students have attended graduate lectures and have been stimulated to an enriched reading program."

More than three-fourths of the students continuing in the program had a grade point ratio of 2.25 or higher. And 89 percent had a grade point ratio of 2.0 or higher.

Purpose of the Honors Program is to offer the superior student special opportunities for academic work to a range and depth appropriate to his capabilities and greater intellectual interests.

Admission is by invitation. Dr. Ballinger began interviewing prospects as they visited the A&M campus for New Student Summer Conferences.

Providing important stimulus for the students is the Honors Colloquium, weekly discussions with outstanding A&M faculty members and other scholars. The topics covered during the freshman year range the various disciplines of human knowledge.

Honors Program students as freshmen also attended Honors Sections in various basic courses as their individual schedules allowed. The work done by students in the Honors Sections is graded the same as the quality of work would merit if done in regular sections, Dr. Ballinger emphasized.

"The ability and interests of the individual students are the guiding considerations of the Honors Program," he said.

The students upon completing the freshman year may find special opportunities as provided by the participating departments. Also, there will be special sections for three basic courses at the sophomore level.

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CALENDAR OF CHURCH SERVICES

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School 11:00 A.M.—Sunday Service 11:00 A.M.—2 P.M.—Tues. Reading Rm. 7:00-8:00 P.M.—Wed., Reading Room 8:00 P.M.—Wed. Evening Worship	CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship 6:30 P.M.—Young People's Service 7:00 P.M.—Preaching Service ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL 906 Jersey Street, So. Side of Campus Rector: William R. Oxley 8:00 & 9:15 A.M.—Sunday Service 9:15 A.M.—Nursery & Sunday School UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN (Missouri Synod) 10:00 A.M.—Bible Class 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship 7:30 P.M.—Wednesday Vesper	ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC Sunday Masses—7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 FAITH CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 9:15 A.M.—Sunday School 10:30 A.M.—Morning Worship 7:30 P.M.—Evening Service 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 A&M METHODIST 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 10:55 A.M.—Morning Worship 5:30 P.M.—Campus & Career Class 5:30 & 6:00 P.M.—MYF Meetings 7:00 P.M.—Evening Worship
A&M CHURCH OF CHRIST 8:00 & 10:00 A.M. Worship 9:00 A.M.—Bible Study 5:15 P.M.—Young People's Class 6:00 P.M.—Worship 7:15 P.M.—Aggie Class 9:30 A.M.—Tues. Ladies Bible Class 7:15 P.M.—Wednesday - Bible Study A&M PRESBYTERIAN 7-9 A.M.—Sun. Breakfast - Stu. Ctr. 9:45 A.M.—Church School 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship 6:00 P.M.—Sun. Single Stu. Fellowship 7:15 P.M.—Wed. Student Fellowship 8:45 A.M.—Tri. Communion Service Wesley Lutheran	UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP 305 Old Hwy. 6 S. 10:00 A.M.—Sunday School 7:45 P.M.—First four Sundays of each month — Fellowship Meeting. SECOND BAPTIST 710 Eisenhower 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 11:00 A.M.—Church Service 6:30 P.M.—Training Union 7:30 P.M.—Church Service OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN 8:15 & 10:45 A.M.—The Church at 9:30 A.M.—Bible Classes For All Holy Communion—1st Sun. Ea. Mo.	CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 28th East and Coulter, Bryan 8:30 A.M.—Priesthood meeting 10:00 A.M.—Sunday School 6:30 P.M.—Sacrament Meeting FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Homestead & Ennis 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 10:50 A.M.—Morning Worship 5:30 P.M.—Young People



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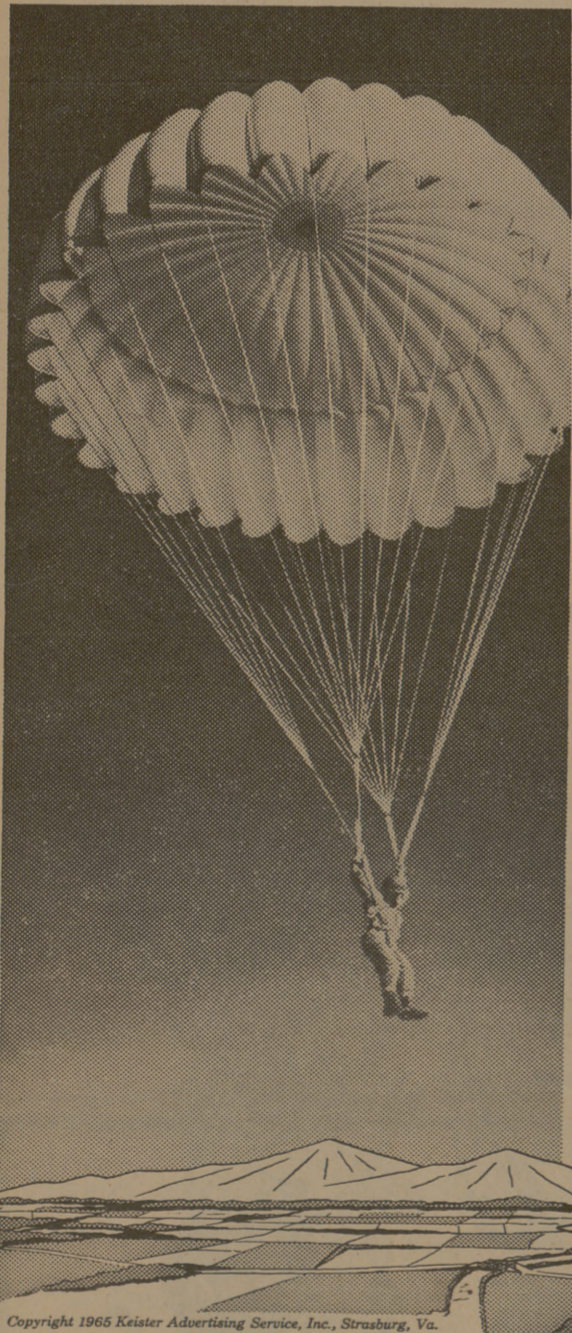
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Like the first parachute jump, faith isn't easy at the beginning. It takes courage to hand over the reins of one's life, but you can be sure of one thing . . . you'll always land on your feet. Strengthen your faith by attending the church of your choice.

Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Deuteronomy	4	1-8
Monday	II Kings	18	19-25
Tuesday	II Kings	18	28-36
Wednesday	II Kings	19	15-20
Thursday	Proverbs	3	21-27
Friday	Isaiah	30	15-19
Saturday	Hebrews	10	32-39



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