

Two A&M Technicians Will Assist In Dominican Development Effort

Two Texas A&M technicians depart within two weeks for assignment with the A&M-Agency for International Development contract group in the Dominican Republic.

Dr. James Armstrong, veterinary service advisor, and Charles Baker, agricultural economist-marketing, concluded an overseas service orientation and training classes at A&M this week, according to William Beach, DR contract campus coordinator.

Dr. Armstrong received his D.V.M. degree at Cornell in 1942 and a master of public health at Tulane in 1952. Armstrong's wife Maria and three children will accompany him on the Dominican Republic assignment.

Baker graduated from A&M in 1942 with a bachelor degree in agricultural education and acquired an M.S. in agricultural economics from Ohio State in 1948. He was an assistant agricultural attache in Mexico City five years, then joined the Texas Agricultural Extension Service as farm organization economist in 1960. He will be accompanied by his wife Jean and two children.

A&M English Prof Stokes Dedicated To Shaw Study

An English professor who became interested in George Bernard Shaw during an economics course studies the 19th Century writer against a backdrop of military, space technology, nuclear physics and modern agricultural research at Texas A&M.

Dr. Elmore Ewing Stokes Jr. tracks down books, articles and papers for "The Shaw Review," a tri-annual publication of the Shaw Society of America.

Bibliographer Robert G. Shedd in a recent issue of "Modern Drama" called Stokes' compilation "the best current bibliography of Shaviana, especially for its fearless approach to various new exotic publications."

STOKES SORTED and cataloged the University of Texas' T. E. Hanley collection of Shaw, "one of two great Shaw collections in the world and the best this side of the Atlantic," the professor said. During the work, he met Dr. Stanley Weintraub of Penn State, editor of "The Shaw Review."

In addition to printed first editions, many letters and manuscripts in Shaw's handwriting, the collection includes clippings from the famed author's beard and eyebrows.

"Shaw's barber had a very profitable sideline," the professor commented. "He saved clippings and sold them."

"I first became interested in Shaw in a graduate course, comparative economics systems," the 44-year-old scholar explained. "My professor suggested a thesis on Shaw, a late 19th century Socialist whose writings reflect the influence of Romantic poet Shelley."

STOKES STUDIED English and minored in economics at Texas, where he earned his degrees. He came to A&M in 1951 after finishing Ph.D. work and has traveled widely in Europe and England. While in London, the Shaw Society of London member visited the Covent Garden church portico which is scene of the first act of Shaw's "Pygmalion."

Stokes meets three deadlines a year for his "Continuing Checklist of Shaviana" in the American society publication.

"Spread out, the bibliography would probably require an average of an hour a week."

"TEACHING is my primary mission," the Houston-born scholar and Milby High graduate remarked. "My source of greatest reward is working with students." He teaches freshman composition and survey of English literature this fall. The A&M English Society sponsor has also taught courses from analysis and argumentation to Victorian literature and speech during 15 years at A&M.

Dr. Stokes recommends Archibald Henderson's "George Bernard Shaw: Man of the Century" as the most authoritatively written biography.

"Shaw is regarded primarily as a playwright. The best single work embodying his ideas, characteristic outlook on life and literary style is 'Man and Superman,' a long play Shaw wrote when he was at the height of his powers," Stokes declared.

"THE PLAY contains the famous dream interlude, 'Don Juan in Hell,' in act three. The interlude is usually left out to cut down length of stage productions."

What would Stokes read on an idle Sunday afternoon?

"If I were tired, from grading papers or so forth, it would probably be a whodunit," the professor smiled.

Retardation Facilities Required Extra Planning, Almack Says

Like a good football team, architects must keep fundamentals in mind when designing the proposed new community mental retardation facilities for Texas, a U. S. Public Health Service official declared here Friday.

Ronald Almack, chief of the PHS's Community Mental Retardation Facilities Section in Washington, said architects and other persons involved in the planning of these facilities must understand that the mentally retarded require an array of services which provide a "continuum of care" or "spectrum of opportunity" for all levels of retardation and all age groups.

Almack was keynote speaker for a state-wide workshop conducted at Texas A&M University to determine design requirements for the new community facilities recommended by Gov. John Connally's interagency and advisory committees for mental retardation planning.

THE MEETING was sponsored by the Texas Interagency Council for Mental Retardation and conducted by the A&M School of Architecture's Research and Graduate Center.

Purpose of the meeting was to pinpoint facility requirements and provide guidelines for an A&M research project which will be used to advise architects on detailed construction of these facilities.

"The planning and construction of facilities must be based on effective programming of needed services and a thorough knowledge of existing resources in the areas to be served," Almack noted.

"IF SPECIALIZED facilities are required," Almack continued, "they should incorporate all the essential features which will not only permit the carrying out of effective program functions but also incorporate those features which recognize the retarded as individuals with wants, needs and potentials."

The proposed facilities are more than merely institutions. They must incorporate medical, educational and rehabilitation accommodations. Included in the proposed plan are "sheltered workshops" for retarded persons capable of productive work in a supervised setting and "halfway houses" allowing non-institutionalized living for persons not requiring constant attention.

Student Barely Makes Language Exam Deadline

An Aggie caused government officials to work overtime this weekend.

David Stuart, freshman pre-vet major, called Geri Deskin at 5 p.m. Saturday and asked if it was too late to take the Peace Corps Language Aptitude Test. She and her partner, Mary Jackson, had closed and packed the Peace Corps booth at noon. They were packing their personal things when the phone rang.

Stuart ended up in the two recruiters' motel room, taking the test in the middle of the floor.

The Aggie freshman was the 16th person recruited at A&M. This was called a "satisfactory" number by the Peace Corps females.

DOCTOR CURTIS L. Godfrey, head of the Peace Corps Advisory Council at A&M, agreed. He remarked that "A&M may have had fewer volunteers" than such schools as Florida State University and the Universities of Miami, Arkansas and Auburn, "but it should be remembered those schools have been completely co-educational longer and have fewer ROTC students than A&M. This evens out the average," Godfrey explained.

The Advisory Council, which the Associate Soil and Crop Science professor heads, relays information on the Peace Corps to the general public, in addition to advising those students already committed in this direction.

MISS JACKSON said those who have already taken the LAT test this week would receive an answer from the Peace Corps selection division in early January.

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