

Trio Makes Marine Life Stud

Floating Class Returns Home

GALVESTON — After sailing the equivalent of almost half-way around the world, Texas A&M's "floating classroom," the Texas Clipper, and its salty crew of 155 students returned here Monday afternoon.

Waiting at the dock were several hundred relatives and friends who had come from throughout the state to welcome home the sea-faring students.

Since June 17, the students had been operating the 15,000-ton converted oceanliner under the general supervision of Texas Maritime Academy instructors.

Their 11,400-mile cruise aboard the Clipper included visits to Port of Spain, Trinidad; Rio de Janeiro and Recife, Brazil, and Willemstad, Curacao.

Approximately half the students are recent high school graduates and college freshmen enrolled in Texas A&M's "Summer School at Sea." In addition to performing ship duties, these students have been taking basic college courses for which they receive academic credit.

Remainder of the students are cadets at the Texas Maritime Academy, a division of the Texas A&M system. The summer cruise was part of their special four-year course leading to Bachelor of Science degrees in marine engineering or marine transportation.



EXPRESSION OF TRUTH
The "WOW" is the only word needed to explain this picture of a young lady who was a contestant in a recent beauty contest at the University of Houston. The sign was one of many that was advertising the contest. (AP Wirephoto)

Texas A&M studies of zooplankton and phytoplankton—both minute marine life—are performed by an international trio of oceanographers.

They are from Japan, Egypt and Argentina. Ocean life they research is collected off the coast of Antarctica.

Latest addition to the group is Dr. Ryuzo Marumo, Ocean Research Institute official of the University of Tokyo. One of his new acquaintances is Woon J. Hyoun of Korea, graduate assistant of biological oceanographer Dr. Sayed Z. El-Sayed of Egypt.

The situation may call for the revival of a former name of the building in which their offices are located. Bizzell Hall was at one time an international students' dormitory. Aggies called it the "UN Building."

Biological productivity research in which El-Sayed is working also involves Aquiles De Romedi, visiting professor from La Plata, Argentina.

Marumo, 45, will be at A&M a year under arrangement with the National Science Foundation. His work covers the ecology of phytoplankton samples taken by El-Sayed in Antarctic waters.

"My time will be largely spent in classification of phytoplankton," the Japanese oceanographer said, waving toward shelves lined with sample bottles. His eminence in the field is world-wide. A&M

oceanography students regularly use a Marumo-authored manual.

The slightly built scientist has been at the University of Tokyo since 1942, when he entered its department of fisheries as a student. On receiving the bachelor degree in 1945, he became a research assistant at UT. Marumo went with the oceanographic section of the Japan Meteorological Agency in 1947, was granted a doctorate in 1957 and became ORI professor in 1963.

His publications cover plankton research from Arctic to Antarctic Oceans.

"One of our whaling ships sailed into the Antarctic once and brought back samples," he said.

Marumo's reasons for accepting the A&M visiting professor appointment are for Antarctic phytoplankton study and comparison of the polar regions' small marine life.

"Some forms are seen in both oceanic regions," he noted. "Some are quite different. We wish to clarify the reasons of their cosmopolitan nature."

The Japanese scientist intends to stay close to his microscope and sample bottles. He plans some brief sight-seeing excursions through Texas after his family arrives Aug. 19. Marumo and his wife, Tomiko, have a 17-year-old son, Keiyu, and 14-year-old daughter, Kayoko. They will reside at 604 East 24th, Bryan.



INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH
Dr. Ryuzo Marumo, University of Tokyo oceanographer at Texas A&M University a year to study minute marine life taken from the Antarctic Ocean.

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Texas A&M will host the 17th annual Texas Industrial Development Conference Sept. 14-15, announced James R. Bradley, head of the university's Industrial Economics Research Division.

"Emphasis will be based on the business climate as it affects the economic development of Texas," remarked Bradley who will serve as conference chairman. "We expect 275 conferees representing banks, utility companies, railroads, industrial realtors, chambers of commerce, and state and federal agencies."

Theme of the conference is "Elements in Industrial Development Success."

Keynote speaker will be Everett Tucker Jr., president of the American Industrial Development Council. Tucker is executive director of the Industrial Development Co., Little Rock, Ark.

A&M President Earl Rudder will welcome conferees.

Dan M. Krausse, president of Champlin Petroleum Company, Fort Worth, will speak during an opening day luncheon.

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