

A "Teen Caravan" to Peru and four other Central and South American countries is described as the chance of a lifetime for Texas 4-H Club members.

Edward F. Schlutt, associate state 4-H leader, said the June 24 to August 22 tour gives the participating 4-H members an opportunity to learn much about international relations.

The tour, he continued, has been planned by the National 4-H

Foundation and is a project of the Texas Partners of the Alliance with Peru.

Its purpose, Schlutt said, is to provide Texas' young people with an opportunity to develop a sense of world citizenship and an understanding of another culture. They will learn to communicate in another language and also about agricultural and manufacturing industries; foods and their preparation; music,

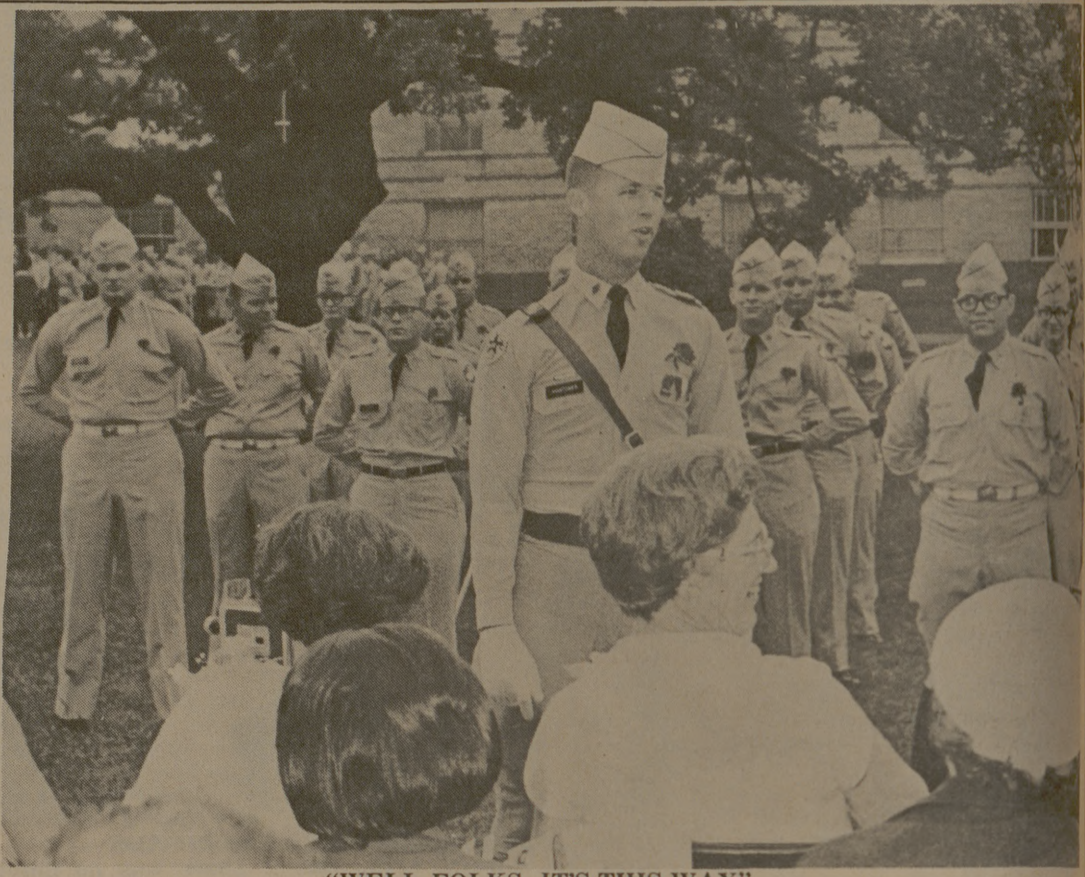
songs, dances, games, sports and other arts and crafts, he said. But perhaps most important, they will learn what living is like in another country.

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service specialist added that some of the young people will have an opportunity to work with Peace Corps volunteers and local Extension Service people in conducting youth education programs in the high Andes country

of Peru. It is hoped, he said, that many of the visitors will actually live with host families.

The experience is expected to give the young Texans, between 17 and 19 years of age, a new perspective of their own problems. The trip will give them an opportunity to use the knowledge gained in school and apply it to a real-life situation, Schlutt said.

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Degree: Ph.D. in Meteorology  
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Time: Wednesday, May 15, 1968 at 10:00 a.m.  
Place: Room 210-A, Goodwin  
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Name: Underhill, Charles Melwood  
Degree: Doctor of Education in Industrial Education  
Dissertation: The Status of and Need for Industrial Arts Instruction in Seventh-Grade Adolescent Secondary Schools.  
Time: Wednesday, May 15, 1968 at 1:00 p.m.  
Place: Room 107, M.E. Shops Bldg.  
Wayne C. Hall  
Dean of Graduate Studies 57319

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Degree: Doctor of Education in Industrial Education  
Dissertation: Factors Influencing Certain Pre-engineering Students in Selecting a Four-Year Institution for the Completion of an Engineering Degree.  
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Date	Hour	Courses
May 24, Friday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting MWF8
May 24, Friday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWF12
May 27, Monday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting TTh8F1
May 27, Monday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWF11
May 28, Tuesday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting MWF2
May 28, Tuesday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWF9
May 29, Wednesday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting M3TTh10
May 29, Wednesday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting TF2 or TWF3 or TThF3
May 30, Thursday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting MWF10
May 30, Thursday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting TTh12
May 31, Friday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting M4TTh11
May 31, Friday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWF1
June 1, Saturday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting TTh9F2
June 1, Saturday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting TF1

NOTE: Final examinations in courses with only one theory hour per week as shown in the catalogue will be given at the discretion of the department head concerned, at the last meeting of either the theory or practice period before the close of the semester. 57117

**Peace Corps Needs Farmers, Other Agriculture Graduates**  
The Peace Corps needs farmers and agriculture graduates this summer, notes Don Singerman, one of three PC recruiters visiting Texas A&M this week.  
While Singerman will be concentrating on agricultural students, Sam Hunt and Lois Bradshaw will be providing information and interviewing and testing other students for general Peace Corps service. All three are former PC volunteers.  
They will man a booth in the Memorial Student Center throughout the week and also show a brief movie depicting Peace Corps training at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Room 202 of the YMCA.  
Members of the new Texas A&M Peace Corps Club are assisting the recruiters on their current visit.  
Singerman, officially designated a PC agricultural coordinator, said hundreds of applicants are being sought to fill requests from 10 countries for agricultural and agricultural cooperative volunteers.  
Volunteers receive intensive language and specialized skill training that is consistent with most country needs, Singerman added.  
Volunteers bound for India, for example, will concentrate during training on poultry breeding and management needs in Mysore state, southern India. They will assist Indians with feed analysis, poultry pathology and disease control, incubating and breeding.  
Another training group bound for Venezuela will concentrate on agrarian reform. They will as-

**Two Named Math Contest Winners**  
Luther F. Johnson III, sophomore electrical engineering major of San Antonio and James M. Glanville, freshman electrical engineering major of Houston, captured the first place spots in the annual Mathematics Contests conducted recently by the Mathematics Department. Both were awarded engraved gold wrist watches.  
Second place in the freshman contest, with an award of \$15, went to Clifford S. Kirk, chemical engineering student from Houston. Charles U. Soncrant, aerospace engineering major from San Antonio, won the third freshman prize of \$10.

## Woman On Research Vessel Finds Seasickness Problem

An attractive seasick woman ranks as one of the least likely prospects for a Ph.D. degree in oceanography from Texas A&M.

But there she is, determined Constance Karpinski, a former high school teacher standing midnight watch on the university's research vessel in the middle of the Gulf of Mexico.

Miss Karpinski is one of three women working toward doctorate degrees in the Department of Oceanography at Texas A&M University. Although A&M has a male to female ratio of about 16 to 1, the department probably has a better percentage than other institutions across the United States.

Others at A&M are Miss Lela Jeffrey, a researcher in chemical oceanography, and Mrs. Linda Pequegnat, wife of Oceanography Prof. Dr. Willis Pequegnat.

What's the attraction of oceanography?

"I love science and I love to be outdoors at the same time," explained 27-year-old Connie Karpinski. There certainly are problems for the former high school teacher.

"I GET SEASICK. I nearly die the first day out but then it's all right. I've tried all the cures but I don't think anything works," she continued.

Miss Jeffrey has taken a number of cruises aboard the Texas A&M Research Vessel Alaminos and Karpinski has completed two voyages. The last time they shared quarters. Mrs. Pequegnat must stay land bound most of the time because of the children, but she aids her husband in biological research.

Life aboard an oceanographic research vessel like the Alaminos isn't necessarily in the luxury class line.

"We're there for a reason," emphasized Connie. "That ship costs \$18 a minute to run."

The 180-foot converted cargo ship is crammed full of scientific gear which needs constant monitoring. Miss Karpinski put in her hours on watch with the others during cruises.

"I WAS DOING some biological work. I ran salinities (measurements of the salt content of sea water) and kept watch — the 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. and the 12 a.m. to 4 a.m. ones," she recalled.

"There is a precision depth recorder (PDR) and you have to mark cruise time, date and position. You take bathythermograph readings regularly. And we have to record weather data every hour," Connie pointed out.

In addition to the readings, she took measurements relating to her own biological work.

"I'm interested in the use of phytoplankton (tiny marine plant life) as water mass indicators," she said. "Certain great masses of water are formed in different places around the globe — one 'Frankly, I don't see any difference working on a ship and in working in a laboratory. I know all the people and it's the same,'" Miss Jeffrey assured.

"I GUESS A lot of men would object to a woman — they'd have to watch their language, but I haven't had any problems," Connie said, adding "there always seems to be someone looking after me. You do get a lot of attention."

She has responded in a feminine way: "I baked a pineapple upsidedown cake and made popcorn and other things for the

example is "North Atlantic Deep Water."

In view of that crusty, old tradition of the sea that women have no place aboard ship, how do they get along?

How did her family react to her oceanographic career?

"My mother worries," Connie said. "But I take movies and they're all interested. I keep sort of a log. My mother did get upset when I told her I had filled out forms for the Eltanin cruise and that I had requested to be buried at sea."

Friends were concerned too.

A PRIEST FRIEND sent me a note: "Be careful. You know what men are like after they've been out on a ship for a long time."

Mrs. Pequegnat notes some work aboard ship is physically difficult, and that few American research vessels are equipped with women in mind.

She understands Russia may have quite a number of women oceanographers.

"One man and wife team in Russia has published scientific papers. He does plankton work and she does benthic or sea bottom organism work," she said.

Mrs. Pequegnat and her husband regularly work together.

"I'm assisting him in a bio-fouling project off Panama," she noted. "Identification of organisms is quite a problem."

In her degree research, Mrs. Pequegnat is studying bathypelagic plankton — a shrimp-like

crustacean which lives below the light in the ocean.

LELA JEFFREY TWICE has taken cruises to the Antarctic aboard the National Science Foundation ship Eltanin.

This is what Miss Karpinski is looking forward to this summer. The ship will be cruising 60 days and will stop in Australia.

"Oddly, Connie won't be the only woman aboard."

"I understand there's an Australian woman scientist going along and we'll probably share facilities," she said.

The 266-foot Eltanin will be cruising the waters of Antarctica in that continent's winterland.

"I've been reading about the severe storms they've sometimes had with 100-mile-an-hour winds."

What about oceanography as a career for women?

"I think it is particularly a good field for them in biology and chemistry," Connie replied. "And there is a lot of work women can do ashore, too. I see no reason women can't do oceanography. It can be fascinating in a lot of ways."

Certainly, it's not all work. On one cruise of the Alaminos, when the ship sailed from Galveston to Progresso, Mexico, Connie and Lela were in a party which rented a car and drove inland to visit Indian ruins.

And then there was the time Connie was taking a sun nap in her bathing suit and woke to find her beachrobe flying from the mast of the Alaminos.