

Experimenters Discuss Asian Mores, Openly Evaluate American Universities

WOMEN NOW

Library Displays Varied, Exciting

By Cindy Burleson
Battalion Women's Editor

You may never see Cindi Everitt, but you see examples of her art every time you go into the library.

If you were impressed by the Middle East clothing exhibit or interested by the book displays near the circulation desk, it was through the efforts of Mrs. Everitt.

"The political displays on the first floor gave me the most trouble," she admits. "I'm not familiar with Texas politics and not sure if I gave everyone equal time."

Mrs. Everitt has done 35 displays since taking the job in November. Her office is a potpourri of books on collage and forestry, archaeological artifacts, book jackets and ideas.

"Doing displays is not the neatest work," she apologizes. Preparing a display takes a week and a half, unless there are problems in locating the "artifacts." She is interested in antiques and uses some of her own objects and fabrics for background color.

"I think if we have a criteria for the displays, it is to be informational," Mrs. Everitt says. "I enjoy the job because I meet so many interesting people . . . people with fantastic collections."

The Middle East exhibit was sent in three trunks from Wash-

ington, D. C., and included a coin-covered wedding dress from Tunisia. The display came about as the result of a request by Arab students. Part of it may be seen later in the Memorial Student Center.

The exhibits next week are keyed to Pan American week, with displays lent by the Association of Pan American Students. An exhibit concurrent with the environmental symposium will be presented and Mrs. Everitt also plans a feature exhibit on music, for national music week.

She hopes to do an exhibit on drugs, but says it will require a lot of time and coordination. Also in the planning stages are exhibits on South African culture and on faculty publications.

Mrs. Everitt and her husband, Benjamin, came to A&M from North Dakota, when he joined the geography department here. She graduated from Dickinson State College in North Dakota with a degree in education and an art minor.

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FOREIGN STUDENTS MAKE COMMENTS—Marian Logeman (left) of New Zealand, Lillian Munoz (upper right) from the Philippines and Suvatchara Leeaphon (lower right) of Thailand discuss differences in education in the United States and their homelands. The women are here as part of the Experiment in International Living.

By Fran Haugen
Battalion Staff Writer

"Since there are no university dorms, students live in hotels run by church organizations their first year and in flats (apartments), either with a mixed group or with a group of one sex, their second or third year," a New Zealand student on a tour of American universities said about life at her school.

Marian Logeman of the University of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand; Lillian Munoz of Far Eastern University in Manila, Philippine Islands; and Suvatchara Leeaphon of the University of Bangkok in Bangkok, Thailand, politely answered questions about dating, fashions and makeup in their native countries but they really wanted to talk about politics, social conditions and education.

The three young women are part of a group of 10 student leaders from Asian and Pacific universities visiting the United States on a 70-day tour as part of the Experiment in International Living.

"I once lived in a mixed flat with seven other people," Marian said. "It was fantastic. Each person had his or her own room. Having boys around to go gardening or mend bikes can really be handy."

The student health organization at the University of Canterbury provides contraceptives to students, and the organization advertises the fact, Marian said, adding, "it's the normal thing."

"We even produced a 32-page booklet about all contraceptive techniques, venereal disease, abortion and masturbation, and made the booklet free to students," Marian explained. "It also contained a chapter entitled 'Some Emotional Implications' which said that misunderstandings about sex relations are caused because the boy and girl don't really talk to each other about how they feel, what they believe."

"In New Zealand, no one says 'thou shalt not,' but neither does anyone say, 'thou shalt.' A person's decision should depend on his ability to cope with the psychological situation, and there definitely is one."

"But I've met lots of Americans who have sort of changed my opinion," she said. "Violence and materialism still exists, but there's a lot of thinking and self-criticism going on which could blow up the small power clique which rules America because the silent majority allows it to."

The women, whose qualifications included contributions to individual clubs, poise, personality, and personal resumes, were announced at the annual presentation dance.

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The experimenters are studying systems of university student government from California to New York. They began a 10-day stay at A&M on April 7.

"We're seeing the silent majority type of America at A&M," Marian claimed. "I think you've really got some problems on the campus. You've got three completely divided sectors. You may have a lot of traditions, but you really don't have a unifying spirit."

The administration at the University of Canterbury is cooperative with students, Marian said. A Student Liaison Committee, composed of four students, four faculty members and four administrators, all on an equal basis, aids in making major policy decisions.

"If something happens, the members of the committee get there and fight it out," she explained. "We're really rude to each other, but this precludes student demonstrations."

Philippine student Lillian said that she is surprised that American students are so apathetic.

"We've been hearing about demonstrations, but when we get here, we find that many students really don't give a damn about what happens in their schools," she said.

"I am really surprised that your student senate didn't grant women a seat, even an honorary seat," Lillian said. "Men should realize that women can contribute to progress, that they are involved."

She is impressed by the independence of American students, she said, and that students discuss issues with professors without fear that a professor's opinion of what they say will alter their grade.

Suvatchara echoed this idea. "Teachers and students here are just like friends," she commented. "I think professors in Bangkok should adapt themselves not to expect us to respect them so highly."

If you asked these girls from the eastern hemisphere about dating, fashion and makeup, they'd tell you.

They'd say that as teens, students go out mainly in groups rather than as paired couples. They'd tell you that they and most of their friends wear less makeup than American girls, and that mini skirts are not exclusive to western nations.

But they'd rather discuss social issues.

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