

FLYING CLUB MEETING

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1977,
7:30 p.m.
Room 301 Rudder Tower

Program: Dr. Calvin Woods will give slide show presentation on his experiences as a missionary pilot in Africa during the past summer. Important business meeting following program.

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Zaire people 'happy, fun,' reports A&M missionary

By TOUMONAVA MULLINS

Dr. Calvin Woods, who just returned from serving as a missionary pilot in Zaire, says he found the people there happy, well adjusted, without high expectations and, generally, fun to be around.

Woods, professor in the civil engineering department at Texas A&M University, spent the summer on a temporary assignment for the Presbyterian Church in the United States working out of Kananga, Zaire. Kananga is located 450 miles southeast of Kinshasa, the capital.

He says his duties were to transport patients, ministers, fuel, food, medical supplies, gasoline, oil — essentially all the needs of the surrounding villagers.

"They're really happy people," he says. "On certain occasions, such as a new baby in the village, they would dance, sing and play drums."

He notes differences between their culture and that of the United States. "There is no strong sense of private ownership. They share things and expect others to share. They don't think in terms of accumulated wealth."

Woods says there is quite a bit of crime in Kananga and in the villages. "They'll steal anything," he says. "And, if a thief is caught, the others will throw rocks at him and beat him."

"Once a man is branded as a thief in a village, he is always blamed for any crime and beat up."

Woods says in the city "nothing is safe," but that in spite of the crime, "you'd still feel safe sleeping on the street."

"They might steal your clothes off you," he says, "but they wouldn't harm you."

Woods says the airplane is important to the people of Zaire, and that they never bothered his plane. "I left my money, camera and other valuables there."

"Pilots are held in high esteem, and so are professors, so they really treated me with respect."

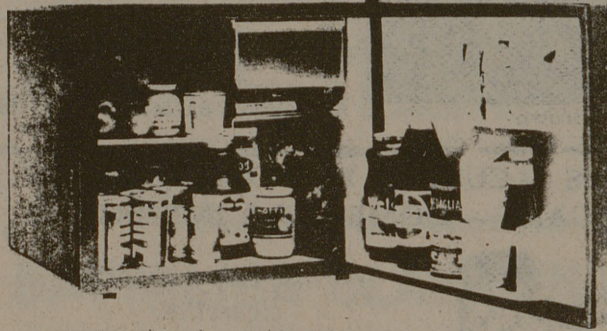
Woods, though 25 pounds lighter



Children in a village in Zaire stare as Dr. Woods takes this picture. He will speak to the A&M Flying Club about his experiences as a missionary pilot Wednesday night at 7:30 in Room 301, Rudder Tower.

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"The men build houses, hunt and fight wars, and the women cook, farm and care for the children," he says.

"One of the most time-consuming things the women do is go after water. They walk five to six miles down a steep hill and make five or six trips a day. There, they do the laundry and bathe. "It's also an occasion to visit with one another and watch after the children."

Woods says the village women often marry at age 13 or 14 but that the men wait until their late 20s — until they have accumulated land. They then marry women who live outside their village.

"Polygyny (having more than one wife) is also practiced, but there are few polygamists in the Christian villages," Woods says.

In addition to his other duties, Woods also designed plans for a hydroelectric plant for a hospital. Presently, the Presbyterian Church in the United States is applying for funds for the plant through the Agency for International Development (AID). When the grant is approved, Woods says, he hopes to return and begin the construction.

Woods' trip to Zaire occurred during the country's dry season. "They were burning off the ground for planting, which made flying condi-

tions hazardous," he says. "The smoky and hazy all the time was only two or three miles visible."

Woods says there are two dominant political systems in Zaire. "There are the chiefs who are very strong, their advisors, and then there is official President Mobutu Sese Seko who is respected as a 'big chief' actually has very little influence," he explained.

The people of Zaire, says Woods, place a high premium on art and decorations.

"They file their teeth into pangs and the women tattoo themselves with charcoal. "They also decorate gourds used for carrying water with make wood carvings."

"Their main past time is to play around and talk," he said. "But the children love to play soccer. Woods adds that he plans to send them soccer balls."

The language barrier posed real problems for Woods. "All I could do was sign language and mentioned names of towns," he says.

Tshuluba is the native tongue of the eastern and western sides of Kananga.

The A&M professor added that the villagers believe in spirits, ghosts and feel that white men have some supernatural powers.

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