

Nassau — A Quick Trip By Jet

by Georgia McCutcheon

Sheryl Stanley, my parents, and I recently spent a week in Nassau. We left Avoca on June 13 at noon, having many doubts as to the stability of the small plane. We had read that the choice seats were those directly to the rear of the wings and we were eager to be first to board the plane so that we could get these. But, as we got on we noticed that the plane already had passengers aboard, and it was obvious that these people knew just which seats were best. However, we did manage to get fairly good seats giving us a perfect view of the sights below.

We arrived at Newark just 36 minutes later and quickly boarded a blue and white helicopter which took us to New York International Airport. The ride in the helicopter was quite noisy and upsetting. We flew over the Statue of Liberty and we were amazed to find that it had a greenish tint to it.

Upon landing at Idlewild, we checked our tickets and found we had a three hour wait ahead of us. While we were walking around we were fascinated by three dirty, bare-footed beatniks who were anxiously awaiting the arrival of a plane from Europe. We were amazed to learn that they were all of very prominent New York families.

At 5 o'clock we boarded the jet and before taking off we received emergency instructions. Soon we were moving slowly down the air field. We had to wait our turn before taking off as there were three planes ahead of us. Finally our turn came, and as we raced down the field we could see five planes awaiting their turn behind us.

The ride was much smoother than the one in the smaller plane, but the clouds got boring to look at after awhile. Sometimes it seemed as if we were in the Arctic region because the clouds resembled snow-covered mountains. The most amazing thing about the ride in the jet was that we flew at 35,000 feet and it took only 2 hours and 5 minutes for the whole trip. The most distressing part of the ride was that the seats in the jet were three across and it became extremely hot while landing and taking off because the air-conditioning was turned off then.

About 7 o'clock we were directly over the Bahama Islands, but it wasn't until 25 minutes later that we stepped out into warm gusts of tropical air. The first thing we did was to have our luggage checked at customs. Soon we were on an American made jitney bus headed for Hotel Montigue.

After unpacking we went down to the After-Deck where a combo played. They were very talented and had made tours of the United States and Canada. Here we were shocked to learn there was no age limit on drinking, but still we had to order cokes.

On Sunday morning we took a taxi into town and walked around for quite a while, deciding which church we would like to attend. We finally ended up at a Scottish Kirk (Presbyterian Church) which was air-conditioned. That afternoon we went swimming in the ocean, which wasn't too cooling but it was a nice change from the water around home.

On Monday morning we took a tour of the island. We were disappointed to find that it consisted mainly of run down native shacks. There were also many beautiful estates, but these were owned by Americans and Britains. Included in the tour were a visit to a fort built by Napoleon in the 1700's, and a flamingo show. We were taken to the water tower where we viewed the entire island and nearby we saw the Queen's Staircase which consists of 66 steps cut out of solid stone by slaves in their appreciation to Queen Victoria for freeing them.

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Students Coming And Going

by Peggy Jordan

On August 9 an Indian girl arrived in New York harbor to study at Dallas Senior High School. This girl is Roshan Billimoria from Panchgani, India. Roshan's first hosts will be Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mohr, of Lehman Avenue, Dallas. Mr. Mohr is Vice-President of the Dallas Rotary Club.

Also, arriving soon, is Esther Avila from Cordoba, Australia, who will study at Lake-Lehman High School. Esther's first hosts will be Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Marchikitis.

Five students left this country this month to study in other countries. They are:

Donna Anthony daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anthony of New Goss Manor, Dallas who will study at SanFernando LaUnion, Philippines. Donna will spend her Senior year in the Philippines.

Linda Davies, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Davies of Machel Avenue in Dallas who will spend her Junior year in Australia schools.

Gail Rumbaugh, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Marshall Rumbaugh of DeMunds Road, Dallas, who will study for Senior year in Stabbeek, Norway.

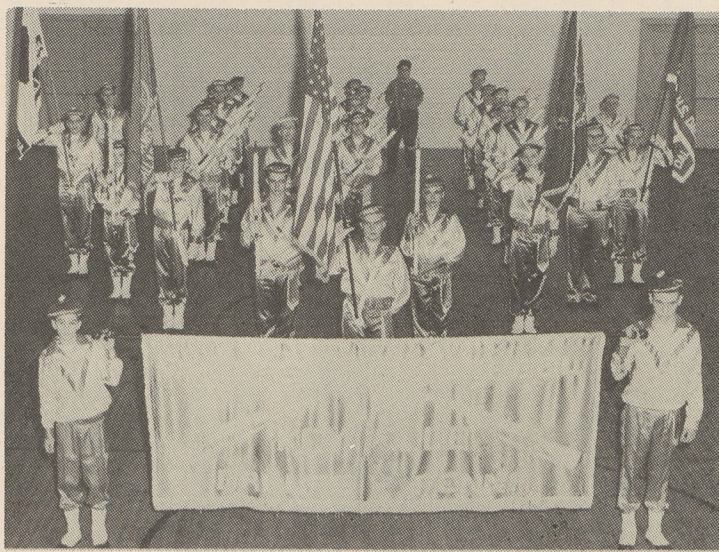
Pauline Farrar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Farrar of Maplewood Avenue, Dallas who will spend her Senior year in Svolvær, Norway.

Charlotte Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberts of Yeager Avenue in Shavertown. Charlotte, who has graduated and will repeat a year, comparable to our Senior year, in Australia.

Everyone is sure that these students will make a very good impression on the people of the countries they visit, and we wish them the best of luck as do we the Exchange students coming to our schools.



Key Club Upholds Motto, 'We Build.'



Dallas Senior High School Key Club And Drill Units

by Tom Peirce

This year, as in the past, the Key Club of Dallas Senior High School has a full schedule, devoid of an open week. Though school has not yet begun, this well-organized club has numerous working plans — plans that will eventuate under the capable leadership of two faculty members.

The Key Club is sponsored by the Dallas Kiwanians, whose motto is "We build". It is the goal of the Key Club to uphold this motto. The projected schedule, herein reported, illustrates the Club's earnest effort to continue taking part in the community, as well as in school.

Soon after school begins in September, the Key Club commences its regular meeting. Major organization is achieved quickly, and first plans include those for a cider drive in late September. Also, beginning in September, club members will help operate the refreshment stands at all home football games.

Monthly activities include: the collection of stamps for the benefit of missionaries; the aiding of elderly citizens in the community; and the filing of achievement reports to the state committees.

In October, new members, who have successfully passed approval of the club, begin a week of initiations, terminating with an inspirational induction ceremony.

November is a very busy month for the club. Food is collected for the needy, and members also assist the Kiwanis women in the same cause. The club also helps set up and serve two dinners—the Kiwanis Harvest Moon Ball and Rotary's annual Turkey Dinner.

At all times the club members are prepared to help in time of emergency. Many times they have willingly submitted their aid when called upon. There are Key Clubbers ready to help in odd jobs throughout the community. Many members serve as ushers in their respective churches each Sunday.

December begins a full winter schedule. Foremost in the eyes of the club at this time of year, is the collection of food supplies and clothing for citizens who are in need. Most members take part wholeheartedly in this project.

Winter sports receive much aid from the club. Members help set up

mats for wrestling meets, serve as timekeepers and referees during intramurals and regular season contests, and end by assisting in the elementary basketball playoffs of late March.

At some time during the school year, the Key Club conducts one assembly before the student body. This assembly is always of interest and importance to the students. The club also plans, this year, to conduct a safety program in connection with the school's Driver Training Instruction.

The Dallas Club participates in many interclub meetings during the year. At these meetings, plans are made for Division Fifteen as a whole, in order to promote closer ties between clubs and schools. Many new friends are made in this manner.

All during the year, members work diligently and faithfully in preparing a club scrapbook to enter at the state convention. This scrapbook has merited honorable mention several times.

New officers are nominated and elected in March. They work along with past officers in order to become accustomed to Key Club business and transactions.

Spring finds the Key Club, unlike the hibernating bear, wide awake and busy. Projects continue through spring, into summer, and right again into the following school year with no regard for summer vacation. The club helps the Kiwanians conduct the annual Pancake Festival in mid-April. Many members take an active part in their churches' Sunrise Service.

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