



In Formosa, U. S. engineers help spur industrial growth.

Peace Corps (Continued)

governor called on him. "I have come to remind you that we did not ask you to come here," the official said. "Always remember—we did not invite you."

One month later, the governor returned. He had heard a rumor that this Yank, unlike those in the cities, neither received food packages from home nor shopped at the U.S. commissary in the capital. This was a new kind of American.

"Can you eat with chopsticks, too?" the governor demanded of the youth.

"I'm learning."

The governor smiled. "Then come home with me for dinner." It was the beginning of a useful friendship.

WHATEVER WE DO, we must send out only those who are qualified to perform useful work. Dr. J. S. Noffsinger, who organized IVS eight years ago, told me, "We started by picking boys who had grown up on farms, so they would know how to use their hands. We picked graduates of agricultural schools, so they would know a little more than the farmers they had to teach. We still follow that policy." "Has it worked?" I asked.

He told me of dozens of cases where ingenuity and stubbornness have solved problems too complicated for native resources. His story of an amateur well digger is typical. This American farm boy found that most of the families of his area were ill with dysentery. The trouble was traced to polluted wells. He resolved to dig new ones. Unfortunately, not one well-boring machine could be found in the entire country.

He removed an axle from an abandoned truck, welded an eye to one end and a bit to the other. He built a derrick of three tree trunks and slung his "boring machine" aloft. Finally, he organized two tug-of-war teams and gave them a long rope, the middle of which he looped around his axle exactly as he had looped a string about a wooden auger when he built his first Boy Scout fire without matches.

The teams pulled the rope in turn, spinning the bit into the earth. He struck fresh water at 90 feet. The government was so delighted that it made his method official. It also hired him, at the age of 24, to be a full professor at the national agricultural college.

Time is of the essence. A dozen new nations need a variety of services but lack trained men and women. They need help today, not only in their capitals but in their rural districts and villages. Service in the Corps will be no picnic. In his special message to Congress, President Kennedy warned that "members will often serve under conditions



The Pancake Puke. Makes pancakes one at a time. See 1.

The Entertainer. Likes company, serves gallons of coffee. See 2.

The Weary Waitress. Hungry mouths keep her cooking. See 3.

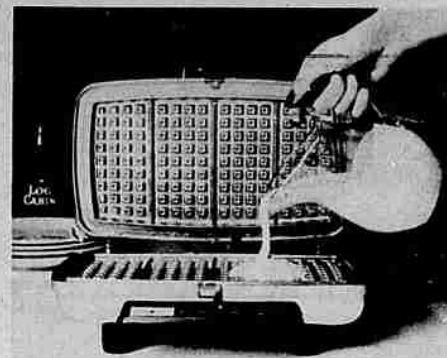
The Maharajah. Drapes hair to dry, can't hear. See 4.

The Barbe-cutie. Loves broiling with outdoor flavor. See 5.

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The Batter Beater. Gets arm-weary from beating. See 6.

The Sprinkler. Soaks clothes, spends hours to iron dry. See 7.

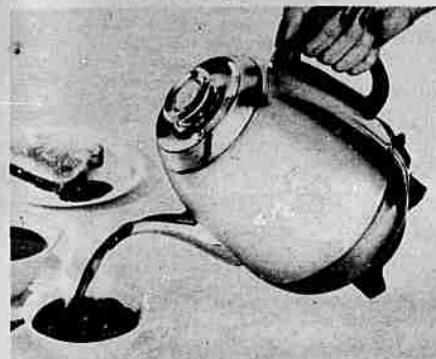
The Floor Watcher. Always polishing scuff marks. See 8.

The Cord Captive. Cord tangles when she vacuums. See 9.

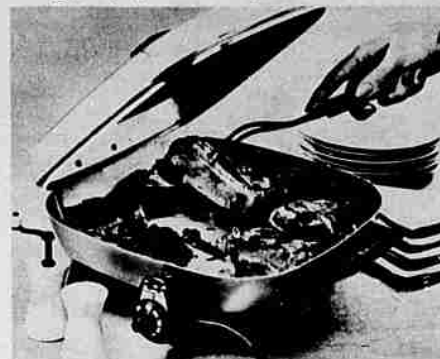
The Decorator. Likes to dress walls with knick-knacks. See 10.

Mothers you know!

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of physical hardship, living under primitive conditions among the people of developing nations."

A term of enlistment will vary from two to three years. A volunteer will receive intensive training in the language and culture of the country to which he will be assigned, as well as specialized training to increase his skills.

His pay, beyond lodging, board, medical care, and insurance, will be an allowance to meet his basic needs—approximately that of a private in the U.S. Army.

He will not be excused from military service, although the IVS has found draft boards sympathetic to the problems of their volunteers.

In its first year, the Peace Corps will feel its way, recruiting only 1,000 to 2,000 members, and observing their work in the countries that have asked for them. Ten nations have already expressed an interest.

Recruiting will be conducted through colleges and private organizations already in the field. Our first Corpsmen probably will go to Africa, Asia, and South America this fall.

THE CORPS' ultimate strength may rise to 10,000. It would be a mistake to turn it into a work-relief project with tens of thousands on its rolls. This is not a job for a modern CCC; manual labor is plentiful abroad and our Corpsmen should never take away jobs from native citizens.

Taxpayers will be interested in the fact that a Corpsman will cost the Government under \$10,000 per year, which is vastly less than what is spent on a high-level consultant by other U.S. aid programs.

Most important, Corpsmen will live with the plain people on the land, in the shop, or at the school. They will often share quarters with their opposite numbers, visit their families, and earn their friendship. Out of this will come other values. A deep human need is met when you lend a helping hand. Our culture denies this pleasure to most of its youth. Once experienced, it lights a fire in a person.

I am thinking of a youth, the son of an Army colonel, who went to Southeast Asia. He was building a badly needed bridge when a loose chain caught his leg and crushed the bone. His leg was amputated. While he rested in a hospital, families from his district cooked delicacies and walked many miles to deliver them to his bedside. They collected a fund from their tiny earnings and offered to pay his medical bills.

When he returned to the United States to convalesce, a half-dozen corporations offered him jobs. He was promised security, a brilliant career, all that ambition could desire.

Last winter, that young man returned to Asia, proudly wearing an artificial leg, to work with those he loved.

As I help move the Peace Corps legislation forward in Congress, I often think of him and also of those four young teachers in Cambodia who got me started. With more of their kind serving humanity as well as their flag, I know that the unfriendly image described in "The Ugly American" will be erased forever.

How to Join the Peace Corps

Applications for Peace Corps volunteers may be obtained by writing:

**Peace Corps,
Washington, D.C.**

Remember that under present plans there is no exemption from military service; you will receive the same salary as a buck private in the Army, payable monthly or at the end of service; you will probably serve for two or three years after a training period of several months.