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4. SMS responded promptly and efficiently to a project request to provide technical assistance in conducting an inventory of the teacher training warehouse. Such an inventory was the first step in our attempt to streamline the operation of the warehouse. Already the project has returned approximately \$5,000 worth of overstocked commodities to USAID.
5. Activity Plans 71/3, 4 and 5 for furniture construction were drafted, approved and forwarded to SMS for implementation.
6. Three LMT/Teacher Training officials participated in a SPORO workshop at Penang from September 15-19. Dr. Veovanh participated in the mathematics section, Madame Veovanh in science and Mr. Phansy in Biology. The fourth Lao participant, Mr. Khaphat, specialized in the physics group.
7. Four of the nine teacher training schools conducted equipment inventories and forwarded copies to the Ministry of Finance for recording purposes.
8. Mr. Pichit Senajhama, a native of Vientiane, has been named to replace Mr. Ony as Director of the Center for TMI. Mr. Senajhama is a graduate from the 2nd cycle of IIT and also studied teacher training in France for one year.
9. Evidence of the work was seen when the plans and grounds maintenance problems at Dooj were examined this report period when they conducted a rough site and action study and transferred six kitchen helpers to the maintenance force.
10. Two project participants returned September 21 both having completed the objectives of the training programs. Mr. Neth Sythone was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education and Mr. Bounlong Phommavanh a B.S. and M. Ed. in Education. Both studied at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.
11. Field trips for the week included visits to counterpart to Samnakhut and Oeua Kham Province.

Construction:

1. Contract No. 6307-0001-0001 for the construction of a defence and a demonstration school for the 1970s is now 50% complete.

2. Final inspection was conducted on Contract 0237 at the Savannakhet ENI. This included a 14 room classroom building, men's dormitory and an agriculture/entrance shop. A number of minor flaws were discovered during the inspection and the contractor is now correcting these. Contract 0237 for a Demonstration School and a Toilet is now 90% complete.

Contract No. AID/ea - 09

1. The project will begin the school year with 19 U.S. volunteers. All are presently on board making preparations for the opening of school 5 October. The remaining three contract volunteers will teach English at the Vietnamese Pa Ngum Secondary School.
2. According to the Chief Resident Auditor an audit is scheduled of Cont. No. AID/ea 1310 from 1 July 1969 to 30 June 1970. A contract evaluation (E-377) was completed and forwarded to the mission contract officer.

Miscellaneous

1. Personnel and the U.S. State Dept. plan to provide support for the proposed college of agriculture is expected to occur in January. The head of the five and four to conduct to arrive in February. The proposal will amount to \$750,000 over the next 2 1/2 years.

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