

short-term focus prevented HVO from developing longer range plans that might have been more effective.

The logistical problems involved in renovating and equipping the departmental offices and OR suites on Ward 7 were, at times, monumental. Dealing with local contractors was very difficult. Materials were often delayed or "went missing". Workers might not show up on time or even at all. These problems contributed to a substantial delay in the project which was compensated for by a one-year extension.

Communications between the field office and HVO's Washington office were hampered by frequent power outages and missing faxes. This situation, however, improved over the life of the project, especially with the introduction of e-mail.

As was mentioned above, there were recurring problems with the maintenance of equipment, including, but not limited to, medical equipment. Due to power surges, office equipment frequently was damaged, often beyond repair. The problems associated with the commissioning of the autoclave might well serve as a case study in the difficulties in merging a highly sophisticated piece of equipment into a facility which cannot provide adequate supplies of water and electricity. Despite considerable research and investigation as to which autoclave would be best suited to the department's needs and building's capacity, this autoclave was inoperable for several years. When finally commissioned, its maintenance was a recurring problem.

PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY

The death on March 11, 1996, of Dr. Rodney Belcher was a tremendous loss for all involved in this project. Dr. Belcher was murdered in front of the HVO office on the hospital grounds in the course of a carjacking attempt that was ultimately unsuccessful.

Given the unexpected and tragic turn of events in 1996, what are the chances that activities undertaken to date will continue and that the impact of these many years of hard work will be sustained over time?

On a positive note, the senior members of the department immediately took charge upon Dr. Belcher's death and appropriately divided the departmental workload. The department has continued to function with weekly clinics, twice weekly operating schedules, ward rounds, seminars, etc. Through the end of 1996, thanks to funding available from HVO, up-country outreach clinics were conducted. Dr. Naddumba has been elected Head of the Department and has earned high marks for his administrative and political skills.

Health Volunteers Overseas will continue to send volunteers to share their technical expertise with members of the Department of Orthopaedics. HVO will also send volunteers to work with faculty and students in the Departments of Medicine, Pediatrics, and Anesthesia.

In addition, Dr. Norgrove Penny, a Canadian orthopaedic surgeon and member of Orthopaedics Overseas, accepted a four year contract in Kampala with the Christoffel Blindenmission (CBM) beginning in August of 1996. He is working in conjunction with the Uganda Society for Disabled Children and the Leonard Cheshire Homes of Uganda, both British based charities working in community based projects. His job includes developing services to up-country district hospitals who at present have no orthopaedic services.

There have been discussions between members of the Department of Orthopaedics at Mulago Hospital and Dr. Penny regarding the possibility of working together. There

certainly appears to be an overlap of mutual interests and HVO/Washington has strongly supported this possibility.

However, * * * without a certain level of ongoing financial support there will be some serious problems ahead for the department and for the delivery of orthopaedic and rehabilitation services to the population at large in Uganda.

SUMMARY

This project began in the fall of 1989 in the midst of great anticipation and hope. Uganda was recovering from a long period of intense civil strife marked by intense fighting, brutality and bloodshed. HVO had an opportunity to participate in a program that would help rehabilitate the lives of thousands touched in one way or another by the breakdown of society during this period.

Now, seven years later, we can say that this project has done much to "improve the provision of orthopaedic, prosthetic, orthotic and physical therapy services for Uganda's thousands of children and adults who have lost upper and lower limbs, been crippled through the paralytic residual of poliomyelitis or otherwise become immobilized, especially those persons whose disabilities resulted from civil strife".

The death of Dr. Rodney Belcher was a devastating even. His death, however, serves as a beacon for members of the department and HVO who are determined not to allow this event to diminish the accomplishments of his many years of dedication and hard work.

[At the request of Mr. REID, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.]

HONORING THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE'S SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Masonic Architects of the Universe, Inc., Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Electa Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Newark, NJ, will be awarding scholarships to at least 16 deserving students at its second annual Scholarship Banquet on May 18. Young people from New York; Connecticut; Washington, DC; and Essex and Hudson counties in New Jersey will be recognized during the evening's ceremonies. I congratulate all the scholarship recipients, and I encourage them to always strive for academic excellence. In the words of poet Muriel Ruyskier, I urge them to "reach the limits of themselves, to reach beyond themselves."

Mr. President, education is the key that unlocks the door to the future. By the year 2000, 60 percent of all new jobs in America will require advanced technology skills. Anyone who does not have the required education will not be able to compete. Education isn't a luxury, it's a necessity.

I know that the scholarships awarded by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge will help the recipients face tomorrow's challenges. But I also hope that these awards will instill in the winners a love for education. In the 19th century Jewish ghettos of Eastern Europe, mothers used to pour a little honey on

a book, in order to demonstrate to their children the sweetness of learning. And learning is sweet, because it enriches our lives; it opens our minds to new possibilities, and it allows us to fully enjoy the wonders of the universe.

Mr. President, as we honor this year's scholarship winners, I also want to commend the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for its outstanding community work, particularly in the area of education. Through its actions, the Grand Lodge demonstrates that not only does it take an entire village to raise a child, it takes an entire community to educate a child.

I again congratulate all of the scholarship winners, and I wish them continued success as they continue on the path of knowledge and the path of life. ●

AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, Senator REID joins me to ask that changes to the Rules of Procedure for the Select Committee on Ethics, which were adopted February 23, 1978, and amended by the full committee on March 18, 1997, be printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. The material follows:

Rule 9, Procedures for Handling Committee Sensitive and Classified Materials, and Rule 14, Procedures for Waivers, of the Supplementary Procedural Rules are amended as follows:

Rule 9:

(c) Procedures for Handling Committee Sensitive and Classified Documents:

(1) Committee Sensitive documents and materials shall be stored in the Committee's offices, with appropriate safeguards for maintaining the security of such documents or materials. Classified documents and materials shall be further segregated in the Committee's offices in secure filing safes. Removal from the Committee's offices of such documents or materials is prohibited, except as necessary for use in, or preparation for, interviews or Committee meetings, including the taking of testimony, or as otherwise specifically approved by the staff director or by outside counsel designated by the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

(2) Each member of the Committee shall have access to all materials in the Committee's possession. The staffs of members shall not have access to Committee Sensitive or classified documents and materials without the specific approval in each instance of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, acting jointly. Members of the Committee may examine such materials in the Committee's offices. If necessary, requested materials may be hand-delivered by a member of the Committee staff to a member of the Committee, or to a staff person specifically designated by the member, for the member's or designated staff person's examination. A member of the Committee who has possession of Committee Sensitive documents or materials shall take appropriate safeguards for maintaining the security of such documents or materials in the possession of the member or his or her designated staff person.

(3) Committee Sensitive documents that are provided to a Member of the Senate in connection with a complaint that has been filed against the Member shall be hand-delivered to the Member or to the Member's Chief