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former head of the Texas Trans-tion Institute told officials at-which began Monday. ding the 50th Annual Transportawill be pressed to meet these

Charles J. "Jack" Keese, now

Keese noted that the metropolitan Short Course at Texas A&M areas of Houston and Dallas will inversity that transportation needs Texas will double by 1990 and the crease more than 40 per cent and the entire state about 30 per cent resulting in a doubling of transportation demand in Texas by 1990.

"However, the street and highway cDonald Professor of Transporta- system we started building at the at A&M, was the keynote end of World War II is now reaching

Political Forum guest o tell of tax changes

ge will speak tomorrow. Dec. Texas A&M University as a of Political Forum.

eader of a study committee on erty tax administration, Peveto been invited by the committee to esent his views on "What's in ore for the Texas Legislature." The Political Forum State Series ogram in MSC 206 will begin at 230 p.m. Chairman Lyn Gibson ad admission is free. An attorney known for incisive

as lawmaker Wayne Peveto of questioning of lobby witnesses, Peveto chairs the study committee of legislators and citizens that proposes sweeping revisions in the way Texas assesses and collects property taxes. The proposal will be acted on by the

1977 legislature A tentative final draft of the 193page new code will be presented at a Friday news briefing. Taxpayers get a say about it in public hearings beginning Dec. 13 in Austin and to continue around the state

Peveto serves on Natural Resources and Revenue and Taxation Committees of the House.

The District 8 representative is known in Austin for "Bulldog tenacity without seeming personally an-tagonistic," according to the "Texas Observer

He led the successful House floor fight to abolish the office of county school superintendent. The legislation was killed in the Senate

A property tax bill was guided to 3-to-1 passage in the House by Peveto.

30 years of age," Keese said, "and thus each year more and more of it reaches its life expectancy. "Maintenance and rehabilitation

are two of our top priority needs," he went on. "We cannot afford to lose the investment we have made and we must learn to maintain our roads in a more efficient, less costly man-

'But, we do not now have the technology we need to cope with the massive job ahead," he added. "I feel that research in this area must be accelerated. 'We need new goals, without

them we are vulnerable to the 'do good' Pied Pipers of political gratuity and environmental preservation without reason," Keese oberved. "The public has shown they will follow sound leadership so let's start giving it.

One area where Keese said new goals are needed is accident invest-

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gation. He said we can no longer afford to handle these investigations for the benefit of insurance companies. "This will require new and different relationships with the enforcement arm and may require new laws, but in terms of transportation dollars, it is a waste we can no longer

afford. Keese also recommended the support of railroad rehabilitation, plans for new airport systems and pipeline transportation.

He said that inflation has eaten up state profits from gasoline use and as a result we have had, and now have, a financial crisis.

We must now begin to consider the needs of our total transportation system, and convince the public and the political leadership that user taxation is the only fair way to assure long range financial planning, Keese said. "we want to set goals and objectives and we need to sell our

programs to meet these goals.

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Lampasas residents Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Oliver have made a \$30,000 gift to Texas A&M University to fund a President's Endowed Scholarship and an opportunity

award. The scholarship was made in honor of Mrs. Oliver's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom Richey of Lampasas, and will provide a yearly sum of \$1,250 to the student selected to receive the award.

establish the scholarship and the other \$5,000 will form an opportunity award to provide about \$300 per The first recipient is Steven Haight of Bryan who is a member of

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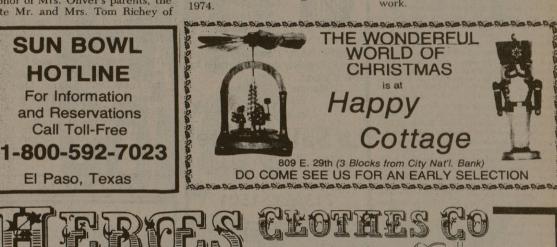
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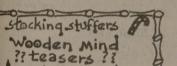
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here at A&M, especially working with President Williams, and I will ive a the opportunity. Miller



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Miller was vice-president of the xas A&M student body in 1970-. He interrupted his college eduon in December 1971 to go to ashington, D.C. as a staff assistant Rep. W.R. Poage.

m. Miller, a 1972 journalism graduate Texas A&M, was editor of the amilton Herald-News when he ac-pted a position on the staff of Texas M President Jack K. Williams in working



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