

Japan misunderstands feminists world

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TOKYO — The Women's Liberation Movement in Japan is so misunderstood that most people believe a feminist is a man who is nice to women, a leader of the fledgling women's rights movement said Tuesday.

Ikuko Atsumi, an associate professor at Aoyama University, said members of a women's movement she helped start in 1977 quickly realized "that even the word feminism has been very much misunderstood in Japan."

"In Japan, a feminist means a man who is kind to women and seems to

understand women," she said. Most people who have lived in the United States or Western Europe find women's liberation movements to be virtually nonexistent in Japan and Atsumi admitted she and her colleagues were not "very powerful yet."

Atsumi appeared at a panel discussion of women's rights in Japan together with an American corporation lawyer now living in Japan and a New York psychologist specializing in cultural attitudes.

"We have been fighting dual barriers," the Aoyama professor said. "One is the wrong definition of feminist and the other is this unique cultural soil in Japan, in which it is

very difficult to produce a real feminist."

She said that while women academics might be able to play a leading role in helping women actually receive the equal treatment the laws say they should have, Japan suffers from the lack of an "attractive woman who can be both theorist and activist at the same time."

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Armed forces line streets, protect Rhodesian voters

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SALISBURY, Rhodesia — Rhodesian tanks and armored cars cruised the streets of downtown Salisbury Tuesday in a show of force on the eve of independence elections aimed at giving Rhodesia international respectability under black rule.

In an unprecedented move, the armored vehicles rumbled through the central business district with their guns swiveling to the surprise of midday shoppers.

Most of the white pedestrians were women left behind while husbands and sons reported for temporary duty in the security forces to provide protection for the voters in the three-day polling opening today.

Rhodesian military spokesman described the display as part of a nationwide operation to ensure the public's safety during the voting.

"Extra protection is being afforded to a number of installations throughout the country as part of the pre-election deployment of security forces," one said. "This is purely a precautionary measure following recent incidents involving explosive devices."

The military brandished its strength amid indications of rising

tension within the political parties contesting the election in an atmosphere of extreme uncertainty.

Bishop Abel Muzorewa reflected the nervousness in advance of what many consider a life-or-death poll to decide the long-term future of an independent Zimbabwe.

At an eve-of-election news confer-

ence he angrily refused to comment on whether he would accept the outcome if the voting went against him.

Guerrilla leader Robert Mugabe, the bishop's main rival for power, was equally evasive on the issue. He said his party would only accept the outcome of the election — the most

heavily observed in modern history — if "it was not rigged."

Muzorewa accused Mugabe of being primarily responsible for the rural violence that has marred campaigns by black candidates for the 80 seats and said Mugabe should be banned from the

Art historian discovers Titian works forgeries

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FRANKFURT, West Germany — Luck and "an exemplary skill for exact observation" led a West German art historian to discover that works by Titian in some of the world's greatest museums are forgeries, a colleague said Tuesday.

The discovery of 400-year-old Titian forgeries in such museums as the Louvre in Paris and the Metropolitan Museum in New York was the work of Dr. Peter Dreyer, art historian and deputy curator at the Prussian State Museum in Berlin.

The discovery of the forgeries, reported Tuesday by the Times of London after publication in a German art magazine, began three years ago at the Staedelsches Kunstinstitut in

Frankfurt, a colleague at the institute said.

Hans Joachim Zemke, a student and long-time colleague of Dreyer, who heads the Institute's 19th century art department, said Dreyer, during a routine research trip to Frankfurt, noticed a Titian landscape that bore uncanny resemblance to the famous "Nativity" woodcut he had just hung in an exhibition of Titian woodcuts in Berlin.

The chance recognition prompted careful research and, through "an exemplary skill for exact observation," Dreyer discovered pen and pencil lines that joined bits of the landscape obscured by nativity figures shown in the more famous woodcut, Zemke said.

From Frankfurt, Dreyer traveled

to some of the world's most renowned museums to examine

Titians, Zemke said. The Times said that Dreyer to uncover forged Titian works at the Louvre, the National Gallery in London and Christ Church in Oxford.

"Forest Landscape," one of the most successful landscapes and paintings in the New York Metropolitan Museum, also was revealed to be a forgery, the Times said.

The German art magazine said Dreyer believes the forgeries were the work of a Venetian employee of a Venetian art dealer who had access to the woodcut in making Titian's prints.

Snipers at Beirut port force workers to flee

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BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanon's most vital harbor — the port of Beirut — came under sniper fire shortly before noon Tuesday forcing all employees to flee and halting port operations, police source said.

"It was not clear whether anyone was hurt because it was impossible to approach the area," one source said.

"But initial reports indicate at least six cars were set of fire."

The Beirut port which has been the target of snipers since the end of Lebanon's 1975-76 civil war, is located in an area which is overlooked by the rightist militias from the east and north, and the Syrian troops and leftists from the south.

The rightist Phalangist radio ac-

cused the Syrians of starting the shooting.

Police sources said it was unclear where the sniper fire came from. As the shooting erupted, workers who summoned different factions to the Baabda presidential palace in the suburbs of Beirut to hear their viewpoints and conduct a Lebanese reconciliation

Envoys' arrival protested

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Egypt and Israel formally exchanged ambassadors Tuesday and the cementing of relations between the once warring nations was greeted with protests from Palestinians and

Arab opponents to the Camp David treaty.

In Jerusalem, Egyptian Ambassador Saad Mortada presented his credentials to President Yitzhak Navon in a state ceremony complete with a 51-man air force honor guard at the presidential residence. A police band played the Egyptian national anthem.

At the same time, in Cairo, Israeli Ambassador Elisha Ben Elissar presented his credentials to President Anwar Sadat in a ceremony at Abdin Palace that also included an honor guard and a military band playing the national anthems of the two countries.

Many merchants closed their doors and children stayed home from school on the occupied West Bank to protest the exchange. There were similar protests in the Gaza Strip.

"Today (Tuesday) we are opening another new chapter in the history of our nations," Sadat said. "It is a living symbol of our firm determination to live together in peace and harmony, and new evidence of our common belief in the oneness of the destiny of man."

"This step on the long road to peace does justice to our glorious

heritage and great traditions of peace and fraternity," Sadat said.

Police sources said that, in order to kindle the torch of hope in our minds, each and every one of us must lay a brick in the structure of peace. We are determined to build it together."

Under terms of the peace treaty, the exchange of ambassadors was completed one month after Israel's withdrawal from two-thirds of the Sinai desert.

Bandits kill untouchables

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NEW DELHI, India — At least 15 people of the untouchable caste — the lowest Indian caste — were killed when attackers set their houses on fire and shot at them as they fled, Indian news reports Tuesday.

An official spokesman said the social elements — Indian terminology for bandits or hoodlums — surrounded the untouchables in Pipra, near the Bihar State capital Patna, about 600 miles east of Delhi, the press Trust of India reported.

The attackers then set the houses ablaze and started shooting. At least 15 untouchables, the official said, were killed without elaborating.

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