

Campus Names

Miller commended by food board

Texas A&M University President Jarvis E. Miller has received a letter of commendation from the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development for his contributions in reducing world hunger.

Miller has served on the board's Joint Research Committee since 1977 and steps down from the organization next month. The board is an agency of the U.S. State Department's Agency for International Development.

The Texas A&M president was cited for his service in making available the science and technology of the university for the prevention of famine and establishing freedom from hunger in the developing countries of the world.

Keese receives ITE award

Dr. Miller's dedicated services and competent professional contributions to the work of the committee in advising and participating . . . on collaborative, international agricultural research programs," according to the citation signed by Elmer Kiehl, executive director, and Frederick Hutchinson, committee chairman.

Jack Keese, MacDonald Professor of Transportation at Texas A&M University, has received the past president's award of the Texas section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Richards to head Finance Dept.

Dr. R. Malcolm Richards, associate professor of finance at Texas A&M University, has been named head of the Department of Finance, effective July 1.

Richards joined the Texas A&M faculty in 1974 after receiving his Ph.D. at the University of Michigan. He had earlier earned B.A. and MBA degrees from the University of Utah.

Richards had business experience as an investment analyst with Pryor and Co. of Ann Arbor, Mich., and as a travel agent with Continental Trailways Tours, Inc., of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Richards has published widely in financial journals with primary research emphasis in the areas of portfolio management and earnings performance.

Two Turks killed; 17 dead after two days of violence

ANKARA, Turkey — Gunmen Tuesday killed two people in a drug store owned by a local political party leader, bringing the deaths from sporadic violence throughout Turkey over the last 48 hours to 17, police reports said.

Selhattin Arikon, the Republican Party leader of Icel province who owns the drug store, escaped uninjured.

Reports from Adana province said a doctor was shot and killed in the street and four people were killed in separate incidents in the cities of Siirt, Konya and Kutahya.

In Istanbul Monday, three people were shot to death by terrorists, police said, and seven other people were reported killed in the provinces of Konya, Siverek, Silvan, Sivas and Suluova.

A curfew was imposed in Sivas after clashes between rival groups ended with one dead and seven injured, the governor of the city announced.

Suleyman Demirel, Justice Party leader, whose minority government has failed to put an end to the mounting political violence in Turkey, faces a vote of confidence in the Turkish parliament today.

Since martial law was proclaimed in most Turkish cities in December 1977, a total of 4,000 have died in political violence.

Pontiff conducts second outdoor mass

Brazilians cheer John Paul

BELO HORIZONTE, Brazil — A crowd estimated at more than 500,000 people chanted "John Paul is our king" and cheered the pontiff Tuesday at the second outdoor mass of his 12-day Brazilian tour.

Pennants bearing the yellow and white colors of the Vatican were spread across a hilltop and valley as Pope John Paul II warned youth against being subverted or manipulated by systems seeking to build a just society through injustice.

The pontiff told the throng that it was natural for young people to build a "free, just and prosperous society. In my youth, I lived those same convictions."

But he warned that certain systems "disrespect and destroy human freedom, denying the most fundamental liberties."

"The only revolution that does not betray man is the one made by real love," he said.

The crowd, given a partial holiday to mark the second stop of the pope's visit, chanted "Hey, hey, John Paul is our king!" At the end of the homily the pope, wearing a white mitre and white robes, was visibly moved by the crowd's cheering response, and said "The pope will never forget you."

A Brazilian television network covering the second of the pope's 13 planned outdoor masses in the world's largest Catholic nation estimated the crowd at "more than 500,000," but no official figures were immediately available.

John Paul, arriving in the industrial city of 1.6 million people, Brazil's third largest, made a snail's pace 12-mile ride to the mass site in an open-air "Pope-mobile."

Partial holidays allowing the public to attend the masses or line procession routes were also granted in Rio de Janeiro, where the pope was scheduled to visit a favela, or hillside slum, Tuesday night and hear a samba written in his honor.

John Paul went to the presidential palace after a two-hour outdoor mass in the central mall of the modernistic, specially-built capital.

Government officials put the crowd at some 800,000, but journalists who have covered former papal trips said the reception was comparatively low-keyed and estimated attendance at no more than 500,000.

The pope's many comments Monday were seen as support for human rights activities of Brazil's dynamic bishops as well as criticism to leftist priests who want the church to confront the government in the struggle against repression.

The church, John Paul said, "can only look with satisfaction upon all the efforts that aim at safeguarding and promoting the fundamental rights and freedoms of all human persons and assure their responsible participation in community and social life."

Speaking in a careful Portuguese he has worked at perfecting in recent weeks, the pope said, "The church does not cease to urge the reforms indispensable to safeguarding and promoting the values without which no society worth that name can prosper."

He said all people were entitled to "the right to live, to security, to work, to housing, to health, to education, to private and public religious expression."

The pontiff spoke in French on the same theme when he met later with the Brazilian diplomatic corps.

Addressing the diplomats at the bishops' headquarters, John Paul said "The common good of a society requires that it be just."

Kan Kan the panda dies in Tokyo Zoo

TOKYO — Tokyo Zoo's giant panda Kan Kan, who symbolized the establishment of diplomatic relations between Japan and China in 1972, has died, zoo officials said Tuesday.

They said Kan Kan was found dead after veterinarians heard the panda cry out and rushed to its cage late Monday.

The cause of death was not determined immediately and an autopsy was to be performed, the officials said.

Kan Kan and his mate, Lan Lan, were presented to Japan by China in 1972. Lan Lan died last September from a kidney ailment, triggering national mourning for the bear-like mammal.

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