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Students know few facts about world geography

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Assignment: On a blank piece of paper, draw a map of the world from memory.

Thomas F. Saarinen, a University of Arizona geographer, put that proposition to college students as part of an unprecedented worldwide survey.

Among the 4,277 maps drawn by first-year students in 54 countries was one putting Australia at the top of the world.

The students, who had no warning of the assignment, averaged about 30 countries per map — fewer than one-fifth of the independent countries in the world, Saarinen said.

The maps are the largest collection of world sketches ever assembled, Saarinen said.

One of Saarinen's theories holds that world problems grow from simplistic notions — that decisions are made on the basis of people's ideas about the world.

"If you don't have knowledge of the rest of the world, how are you going to make decisions?" he asked.

Saarinen selected a cultural cross-section of students enrolled in introductory geography courses.

Saarinen's biggest surprise was the "perceived importance" of Europe. Eighty percent placed Europe in the center of their worlds.

He cited the colonial legacy, at least in the educational system. "Our mental images don't seem to have caught up with the reality of a

world of free and independent nations," he said.

Small European countries in Great Britain showed up on maps.

With the exception of certain European countries, the nations often included were the United States, Canada, China, the U.S., Brazil, India and Australia.

Saarinen said he expected to try closest to home to be in detail with those further sketched as "vague blobs with blanks."

Other observations: Africa generally was smaller than its actual size, and of blank spaces where one should have been. That reflects a lack of awareness of the World.

Hungarian maps, the product of an educational system stresses learning all the countries of the world, were among the best.

Sandinista officials will allow newspaper to resume publishing

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — The Sandinista government will allow Nicaragua's opposition newspaper La Prensa to reopen.

D'Escoto said in a telephone interview with the Associated Press in San Jose, Costa Rica, that the paper, closed June 26, 1986, would be allowed to resume publishing immediately without prior censorship.

Carlos Holmann, a partner in the paper, did not say in a brief telephone interview when the paper would reopen.

Holmann said permission to reopen was the result of a meeting Saturday of President Daniel Ortega, Agrarian Reform Minister Jaime Wheelock and La Prensa co-owner Violeta Chamorro.

Costa Rica's foreign minister, Rodrigo Madrigal Nieto, arranged the meeting and also participated in it.

The reopening first became known in Costa Rica because of his role.

D'Escoto said, "In spite of the fact that there is still a state of emergency, in spite of the fact that the Reagan administration is still waging war through its mercenaries, we are moving ahead and doing a series of things, among which is allowing La Prensa to reopen."

Ortega said earlier that the newspaper would not be allowed to publish again until the Reagan administration halted aid to the Contra rebels fighting his leftist government.

The paper was closed a day after the U.S. House of Representatives approved \$100 million in aid to the rebels.

The government closed it temporarily twice and censored it so extensively that it missed publication 35 times.

Fifth storm of season forms in sea

MIAMI (AP) — Tropical Storm Emily formed quickly in the Caribbean on Sunday afternoon as the remnants of Tropical Storm Dennis moved toward the Atlantic toward its demise.

At 6 p.m. EDT, the center of the fifth-named storm of 1987 Atlantic hurricane season was at 12.0 north latitude, 57.0 west longitude, or 180 miles east-southeast of Barbados.

Emily is moving west at 15 to 20 mph with maximum sustained winds of 39 mph with higher gusts in squalls.

A depression becomes a tropical storm when its winds reach 39 mph and storms become hurricanes when winds reach 74 mph.

There have been just three named tropical storms in this year's hurricane season, which began June 1 and ends Nov. 30.

The Sept. 14 resolution called for the Faculty to accompany a passed by the Student Body, chair, said.

It's the first committee came to the table, said.

Wade Birch, director of counseling services, stressed the counseling service from last year.

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