

# Terlaje attacks reporter



JOSE C. Terlaje gives reporters an angry look as he comes out of court room with counsel Antonio Atalig (back turned to camera), then uses hand to block view of photographers yesterday.

By Gaynor Dumat-ol

JOSE C. Terlaje yesterday backtracked on his decision to plead guilty to charges of importation of ammunition, conspiracy to import contraband and possession of ammunition.

Terlaje was expected to change his plea to guilty after negotiating with the government for weeks but his counsel, Antonio Atalig, told newly-confirmed Presiding Judge Alex Castro that Terlaje had changed his mind.

When he emerged from the courtroom after yesterday's proceedings, Terlaje assaulted this reporter who, along with reporter Rhony Laigo of the Saipan Tribune, tried to take a picture of the suspect.

Terlaje said "mother f\_\_\_\_," when he saw this reporter focusing her camera at him and pushed this reporter's camera into her face. The camera hit this reporter's forehead with a force that almost threw her off-balance.

Atalig tried to calm down Terlaje but the suspect kept saying profanities and when he and his counsel were near their parked vehicle, shouted, "f\_\_\_\_ the press."

Assistant Attorney General Steven Pixley filed a criminal complaint charging Terlaje with assault and battery.

Terlaje was ordered to appear before the court on March 1 in connection with the new charge.

On Jan. 13, right after Judge Marty Taylor denied a motion filed by John T. Sablan who is also facing similar charges, to suppress the same evidence, a still unidentified woman who watched the proceedings hit the camera of this reporter which was held close to the latter's face.

The woman's fist hit the camera lens, wrecked the shot and slightly hurt this reporter's face.

Instead of changing his plea yesterday as planned, Terlaje refiled a motion to suppress the seized ammunition evidence against him.

Castro denied the motion to suppress the evidence after hearing the arguments of Terlaje's counsel and Assistant Attorney General Russell Marsh.

Castro said Terlaje's motion to suppress the evidence was frivolous. He said the basis for the motion does not apply to Terlaje's case.

Terlaje, for example, allegedly cited the customs rule that requires the presence of the owner or the owner's representative during search by customs of bag-

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## CNMI may lose federal highway grant

By Rafael H. Arroyo

THE CNMI may lose part of the federal highway grant it receives annually if it does not come out with legislation suspending driver's licenses of convicted drug offenders.

According to a memorandum issued by Governor Lorenzo I. Guerrero on Jan. 4, the executive and legislative branches of the CNMI government has until April 1, 1993 to either enact such a law or come up with a jointly approved resolution opposing the mandatory suspension program.

"The fear we have is that if the governor, the Legislature or the governor and the Legislature acting in concert, do not take steps by a certain deadline, we will lose essential federal funds for roads," the governor said.

Yesterday, the leadership of the House of Representatives agreed to introduce legislation to comply with the federal requirement.

"Five percent of the total federal highway funds is a substantial amount for us to lose. We need whatever money we could get to continue upgrading our roads," Vice Speaker Diego T. continued on page 5

## Retirement Fund sets terms for \$13M loan

THE RETIREMENT Fund's board of trustees has approved a \$13 million financing for the Commonwealth Ports Authority's Saipan harbor improvement project, Tomas B. Aldan, fund administrator, said yesterday.

The amount, which will be added to \$23.5 million currently available to CPA, will be released under a bond arrangement, Aldan said in an interview. Total cost of the two-phase project, which has been awarded to Samsung Engineering & Construction Co., is \$36.226 million.

He said the fund's board of trustees approved the financing on Feb. 18 following receipt of favorable legal opinion from the Attorney General's Office and Lecia Eason, the fund's legal counsel.

CPA originally requested for a \$15 million loan. Aldan cited two reasons for the lower amount approved by the board of trustees, as follows:

- Based on due diligent review \$15 million is pretty risky and repayment may be in doubt. With a lower amount, CPA will be able to meet annual or monthly installments; and

- CPA's seaport division has retained earnings (estimated at \$4.1 million) which can be used for the project.

To make it easier for CPA to repay the loan, Retirement Fund extended the repayment period to 25 years, from the earlier approved maturity of 15 years with provision for balloon payment on the fifth

year.

Aldan said his understanding of the bond arrangement for the project is that whenever the contractor requests for payment the Attorney General or Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA) will issue a revenue bond reflecting the amount of payment. The fund will buy the bond at face value from CPA which, in turn, will pay the contractor.

During the construction period CPA will pay only the 7.5 percent interest on drawdowns. After completion of the project CPA will start payment of principal and interest. This, in effect, gives CPA a three-year grace on principal amortizations, considering the three-year extent of the project.

Estimated annual amortization on the loan is \$1.16 million, consisting of principal and interest. Repayment will be made monthly, Aldan said.

Aldan said the board of trustees also adopted the following terms and conditions for the financing:

- CPA must use proceeds of the \$10 million federal grant and \$13.5 million CDA loan before drawing down on the Retirement Fund loan.

- CPA must mortgage to the Retirement Fund sufficient unencumbered seaport properties that have been appraised in the last two years. In the event of default CPA must assign to the fund the lease income from Saipan Stevedore Corp., Mobil, Kaiser Cement and other tenants in the seaport.

- CDA loan is subordinated to the

Retirement Fund loan. This means that the fund gets paid first.

- CPA must establish immediately a debt service reserve fund equivalent to at least one year payment. The retained earnings of the seaport division not used for construction should be put in reserve.

- Renewal of leases must be subject to prior approval of the fund's board of trustees.

- Seaport division must not be privatized, assigned or delegated without prior approval of the board of trustees.

- There will be no tariff decrease without prior approval of the trustees.

- CPA must provide quarterly financial statements within 60 days after the end of each quarter and annual financial statements during the life of the loan.

- CPA may not borrow for the seaport without prior approval of the trustees.

During the same interview Aldan said the fund will use current contributions from employers and employees to finance the CPA project. Right now he said the fund has \$120 million outside the CNMI, invested in stocks, bonds and US treasuries. "We will not tap these investments for the harbor project," he said.

Meanwhile, CPA and Samsung are scheduled to sign today the contract for phase 2 of the harbor project, amounting to \$8.422 million. Ground breaking ceremonies for the whole project will be held tomorrow. (NL)

# Lobby to block Payne's bill urged

THE CNMI should consider hiring a lobbying firm to help block the enactment of law detrimental to the local garment industry, according to garment producer Willie Tan.

Tan who recently wrote Governor Larry I. Guerrero to air his concerns about the bill set for reintroduction by Virginia Congressman Lewis F. Payne at the 103rd US Congress.

"The effect of this legislation will be devastating not only to the garment business but also to the economic well-being of the CNMI. I solicit your help as well as the help of our legislative members to join hands to save a viable industry," Tan said in a letter to Governor Lorenzo I. Guerrero on Feb. 19.

He said the garment industry has some \$30 million in direct and indirect taxes over the years

and is second to tourism as a source of government revenues.

"For the past eight years, the US government never left the industry alone, that's why we are in limbo. Unless the US views the industry more favorably, it will always be unstable," he said.

Tan's letter followed a recent pronouncement by Representative Lewis Payne that he was planning to reintroduce a bill to remove the CNMI's duty-free status under Headnote 3(a) and prohibit CNMI manufacturers from using the "Made in U.S.A." labels for goods made in the Commonwealth for export unless the local minimum wage is raised to the prevailing federal level and direct local labor is raised to 50 percent.

Tan said Payne's demands could not be achieved without causing the demise of the garments industry.

"It does not make economic sense to drastically match the US minimum wage with that of the CNMI. The industry is competing with garment factories in Asia with average salaries of \$50 to \$150 a month compared to the CNMI's average of \$600 to \$750," Tan said.

He pointed to the case of another US Commonwealth, Puerto Rico, where the garment industry is paying \$2.30, and asked why CNMI should be the only one to be hit with federal minimum wage compliance.

"Should we still push through with this, the federal government will be maintaining a double standard by forcing one of its commonwealths to follow US minimum wage yet allowing another to maintain its own, local rate," Tan said.

On the recommendation that a 50 percent local workforce be

maintained, Tan said this is impossible considering the present population statistics of the CNMI.

"Imported labor is inescapable if the CNMI is to continue to grow at its present pace. Congressman Payne, to be more realistic, should visit the CNMI to see the actual situation before proposing his bill," he said.

According to Tan, the congressman from Virginia should do a thorough study of facts and issues first before coming out with the bill.

"For instance, we know for a fact that majority of the garments sold in the US are manufactured abroad. The CNMI garment industry is not competing with factories in the mainland but rather with Asian-based companies. We here get orders from the buying offices of these companies in the Far East, these offices being in charge of receiving orders allo-

ated for foreign-based manufacturers," Tan said.

"Having succeeded in convincing these buying offices in the Far East, those production supposedly allocated to foreign manufacturers were instead being channeled to the CNMI. We are therefore, in effect, competing only with Far East manufacturers and taking away jobs from countries like Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines, etc.," Tan said.

He said the garment industry here gives job to American citizens in the Pacific and contributes huge tax revenues to a commonwealth government that is under the American political family.

Tan said Payne should have started by restricting importation from foreign countries instead of picking on US territories and commonwealth. (RHA)

## Carolinian leaders meet with Guerrero on rebate

LEADERS of the Carolinian community have asked Governor Lorenzo I. Guerrero to release the list of recipients of income tax rebates to avoid an unpleasant reaction from the US Congress.

At the same time, Language Commission Chairman Lino Olopai said he and the other Carolinian leaders reiterated their disappointment regarding the exclusion of Carolinians from the benefits of development, particularly on Managaha Island.

Olopai, Rafael I. Rangamar and Luis M. Limes met with the governor Tuesday.

In an interview yesterday, Olopai said his group supported the governor in his stand on self-government against the interference of the Inspector General on local taxes. On the other hand, he said "we feel if we don't disclose the tax rebate list the new Con-

gress may not support the 702 agreement and take away our immigration and labor privileges."

President Bill Clinton last week submitted to Congress the new Covenant Section 702 agreement under which the Northern Marianas will receive \$120 million in federal grants in the next seven years.

Guerrero, however, maintained his position that the tax rebate list is confidential, according to Olopai.

Olopai and Plasio M. Tagabuel have a pending complaint with the District Court to compel the government to make the tax rebate records public.

Olopai said his group also relayed to the governor their concern that not a penny of the revenues from the business operations on Managaha Island goes to the Carolinian community. (NL)

## Direct line for AIDS info

PUBLIC Health has a new direct telephone line for free HIV testings and AIDS information. Now the public can call direct to Richard Ceyzyk to make test appointments or for information about aids.

The new telephone number is 234-8947. Only Ceyzyk will answer, no one else. The call does not go through the CHC switch-

board. There is no possibility of eavesdropping or anyone else listening to what is said privately.

The governor's special task force on aids is confident that the new direct telephone services will be used by many people who want to know more about aids.

The line is available from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If the line is busy, or if there is no answer, call again. (CNS)



PUBLIC School Commissioner William S. Torres receives plaque of commendation from the Board of Education for his exceptional performance in 1992. Photo shows (from left): BOE Chairman Juan L. Babauta, Tinian member Florence M. Hofschneider, Torres and Saipan member Malua T. Peter.

## Babauta proposes Saipan ceremony for new stamp

RESIDENT Representative Juan N. Babauta has asked the US Postal Service to the commemorative stamp for the Northern Marianas be issued in the NMI with appropriate ceremonies.

"As the elected representative of the people of the Northern Mariana Islands here in Washington, D.C., I say that the people of the NMI will be most grateful to have the issuance of the commemorative stamp take place in the islands since it is the place related to the stamp's sub-

ject matter," Babauta said in a letter to James Tolbert, manager of stamp management, on Feb. 18.

The 29-cent stamp will be issued on Nov. 3 in Washington. On the other hand, the Oregon Trail commemorative stamp will be issued in Salem, Oregon and the College of William and Mary postcard will be issued in Williamsburg, Virginia, where the college is located.

Babauta said the NMI stamp, which has yet to be printed, is very important to the people of the

Northern Marianas because it "portrays what we stand for and will be looked upon as a universal representation of our islands, people, cultures and beliefs for years to come."

"For the first time in the history of the islands we will finally have something that will universally signify our existence, thus, merits ceremonializing this event," Babauta said.

He said the stamp would also signify the unique relationship between the US and the Northern Marianas.

## Group to establish casinos in Subic

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) - The Genting group and two other firms have been awarded a project to establish casinos in the Subic Bay resort area in the Philippines now under development.

Genting International, Metroplex and Paxell Invest-

ment formed a joint-venture, Genting International Casino Hotel and Resort, to develop the recreational facility at the Subic Special Economic Zone, the firms said Tuesday in statements.

The Genting group will own 55 percent of the venture, Metroplex

30 percent and Paxell the remaining 15 percent.

The \$100-million project includes a 400-room five-star hotel, an 18-hole golf course and casinos. The first casino and a 50-suite hotel are expected to open in the next few months.

## Imi Ho'ola offers slots in '93 class

THE IMI Ho'ola Program at the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine is seeking applicants for its 1993-1994 class. Application deadline is April 1.

Imi Ho'ola, Hawaiian for "Those Who Seek to Heal," is an intensive, one-year, pre-medical program designed to increase the medical school enrollment of Filipinos, Guamanians, Hawaiians, Micronesians, Samoans and others who are underrepresented in the field.

Since its first class in 1973, Imi Ho'ola has been instrumental in facilitating entry of students from disadvantage backgrounds into medical school. To date, 84 Imi Ho'ola participants have graduated from medical school.

The program concentrates on developing students' English, science (biology and chemistry), communication and learning skills. To ensure academic success, Imi Ho'ola also provides academic, financial and personal counseling and assists students in the medical school application process.

For more information or an application, contact Agnes Malate or Nanette Judd at (808) 956-7412, or write to: Imi Ho'ola Program; John A. Burns School of Medicine; 1960 East-West Road, Biomed B-104; Honolulu, HI 96822.

## Veterans group sets meeting

THE US Armed Forces Veterans Association of the CNMI is inviting all US Armed Forces Veterans in the CNMI to attend the general membership meeting of the association tomorrow.

The main topic on the association's agenda is the election of its officers. Other matters will also be discussed. The association is soliciting the attendance of all US Armed Forces Veterans in the CNMI.

The meeting will be held at the residence of Lino S. Tenorio at Dandan homestead area. For more information and a strip map to Tenorio's residence, please contact the CNMI Division of Veterans Affairs at 233-3475.

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gages of incoming passengers. On Terlaje's case, the judge said the suspect testified during the hearing on Sablan's motion to suppress that he (Terlaje) was present during the search.

Terlaje also cited violations of the search of "unclaimed" baggage but the judge said the baggage was not even unclaimed.

# Budget nothing but arithmetic - Mafnas

THE FISCAL year 1993 budget is nothing but an "arithmetic" of figures in the absence of clearly defined departmental goals and objectives, according to Representative Jesus P. Mafnas.

"A budget is a financial plan that must contain defined goals and objectives of each department. The budget that we passed does not tell anything other than this and that department getting millions of dollars," Mafnas said in a letter to Speaker Thomas P. Villagomez on Feb. 23.

In the absence of such goals and priorities, the Legislature will continue to appropriate public funds without clearly defined purposes and will be unable to evaluate the performances of departments and instrumentalities of the government, he said.

Mafnas, who voted to pass

House Bill 8-226, said he voted to expedite passage of the appropriations measure.

"Each individual agency has its own needs. These needs should be supported by a statement of the problems that brought about such needs," Mafnas said.

He reiterated his concern regarding the non-inclusion of appropriation for the government's contributions to the Group Health Insurance Fund.

"This oversight is not new. It has been going on for at least six prior fiscal years," he said.

The insurance program is funded from equal contributions by the government and government employees.

Mafnas said that for the last six years, the government's contribution to this fund has not been appropriated in the corresponding fiscal years' budgets and have accumulated

to around \$2.97 million from 1987.

Contributions for FY 1993 alone, according to Mafnas is in the vicinity of \$645,000, he said.

"This is sad because government employees have been consistently paying their share. Six years is simply a very long period for us to ignore this," Mafnas said.

Mafnas also cited the unresolved issue of utility advances made to Commonwealth Utilities Corporation in two previous public laws.

"The House must demand that the director of Finance and CUC reconcile their records as to until when could these advances be applied to government utility consumption. This process must be completed as soon as possible in order to determine whether we need to appropriate money to pay for government consumption," he said.



Jesus P. Mafnas

Public Laws 6-14 and 7-28, enacted in 1989 and 1991, advanced over \$19 million to CUC to help pay for the firm's fuel purchases, later to be offset against government utility billings.

Mafnas is also not satisfied with the \$150,000 appropriation for the Low Income Household Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) saying CUC needs \$500,000 for this program.

"If CUC is correct, the LIHEAP will experience a shortfall of \$350,000, a significant amount considering that power income is subsidizing water and sewer operations of the firm," Mafnas said. (RHA)

## Tinian seeks big aircraft service



MAYOR James M. Mendiola this week sought the assistance of Freedom Air to include Tinian in its bigger aircraft service linking the island with Rota and Guam.

In his letter to Joaquin Flores, president of Guam-based Aviation Services Ltd., doing business as Freedom Air, Mendiola said ever since Alliance Air discontinued its regular direct service to Tinian, "our people have encountered the inconvenience of having to fly from Tinian to Saipan and take flights from Saipan to Rota or Guam—all extra burdens that are time consuming and costing more for their travel."

The mayor praised Freedom Air as the "little airline" still around for many years providing "the only

reliable air link between Saipan and Tinian".

Since Freedom Air is reported to be resuming its flight service between Guam, Rota and Saipan utilizing a 30-seater aircraft, Mendiola is requesting Flores to consider and include Tinian at least once on both north and southbound flights daily.

"The travelling public will... find this routing more convenient... rather than they having to change flights on Saipan for Tinian", Mendiola said.

While other airlines discontinued their flights to Tinian for some reasons, Mendiola expressed hope that Freedom Air will become a regional commuter airline and remain one for Tinian and the entire Mariana Islands.

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**Rota hotel projects to generate jobs**

THE FOUR resort hotel projects proposed in Rota will generate more jobs and allow a reduction in the size of government, Representative Antonio O. Quitugua said yesterday.

In an interview, Quitugua said Rota residents could no longer depend heavily on employment with the government because of budgetary constraints. This means a shift to private sector employment as soon as the hotels become operational.

"We do not want government to continue to be an employment agency for our people. This is why we are looking at our current projects with high hopes that they will provide the much-needed economic push," he said.

According to Quitugua, the people of Rota may have to put their hopes on the projects in the light of current plans to trim down government expenditures on personnel as evidenced by the proposed fiscal year 1993 budget which was passed by the House of Representatives last week.

Under the 1993 appropriations bill, Rota is only entitled to have 341 full time employees for the whole fiscal year with its \$8.8 million budget.

These figures were seen by Quitugua as small considering that government employment is regarded as one of the "main source of livelihood" in the island.



Quitugua

"There is not much business and economic activity on the island as there is still a lot of things to do to achieve economic development, like on infrastructure, health and education services. So our people rely more on careers in public service," he said.

The recently passed budget included a lot of cost-cutting, including those on funds to cover salaries for personnel.

"I voted in favor of the budget although I have reservations on it. I just don't want to see the CNMI government carrying on with the delivery of services without a budget. I am aware of the budgetary constraints currently being experienced at the central government level but I am also wor-

ried about the people of Rota," Quitugua said.

He, however, remained optimistic that some "positive" modifications on Rota's budget will be made when the appropriations bill goes to the Senate, where the islands are more equitably represented with three senators each.

"Since the reduction of the size of the government seems inevitable, our hope is with the four major projects. But of course we still need to address the needs of those developments like infrastructure and others," Quitugua said.

Currently in its construction stage is the three-storey SNM Resort Hotel, which includes 210 luxury rooms, tennis courts, an 18-hole golf course and a clubhouse.

The other projects that are set to begin construction by the middle of this year are the Rota Southern Cross' Plumeria Country Club and Marianas Agupa Enterprises' Rota International Resort. Another project, Nico Corporation's Emperor Hotel is expected to begin at a later time.

According to Quitugua, the foreseeable benefits of the projects are more revenues for government, more related businesses where locals can participate and more consumer spending. (RHA)

**NMC offers job safety workshop**

ALL SMALL business owners and managers should know how to promote job safety by avoiding health and safety hazards. The Northern Marianas College Technical, Occupation and Professional Programs Unit is offering a special workshop on Feb. 27 to do just that.

"Big businesses can afford the services of full-time safety per-

sonnel, small businesses cannot," Vocational Coordinator Bob Scruggs said.

"This workshop is designed to help small businesses develop cooperative programs with their employees to promote occupational health and safety," Scruggs said.

The safety workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in

Room V-215 this Saturday at the N.M.C. main campus. There is a \$30 fee per participant, but companies that register five participants only pay for four.

Those interested in registering for the safety workshop should contact the Adult and Continuing Education Office at 234-3690 for more information.

**Baha'i to present artwork in Saipan**

THE BAHAI Art Showing commemorating the 100 years since the passing of Baha'u'llah, the Prophet-Founder of the Baha'i Faith, will be presented to the residents of Saipan. In the Baha'i Cause arts, sciences and crafts are considered equivalent to worship, provided they are performed in the spirit of service to mankind.

According to Mitchell Warner, a photographer who contributed to the display, one of the things that artistically motivates Baha'i's is Baha'u'llah's teaching expressing the dignity of nature and mankind. Baha'i's believe in the oneness of all creations, but the pivotal principle of the Baha'i teachings is the oneness and unity of mankind. And this is a popular subject for Baha'i artwork. We try to be expressive of this dignity

of mankind in our art. Mitchell further expressed that according to the Baha'i writings a unified relationship between man and the environment is essential. Furthermore, the grandeur and diversity of the world of nature were purposefully created as manifestations of the majesty and bounty of God. And this is the tone of this art showing.

The 29 art pieces are the work of 17 different Baha'i artists residing in the Mariana Islands. Included in the Bahai world Congress in New York City representing Marian Islands, as well as works in clay, copper, with photographs, block prints, and paintings. The mixed-media showing will open for display Fri., Feb. 26 at the Microl Insurance office in San Jose.

**Woman electrocuted**

A WOMAN resident of As Lito, Saipan was electrocuted Tuesday morning.

Matilde DLG Delos Reyes, 47, was found lying motionless at about 9:30 a.m. outside a house in As Lito. An electrical cord was found on the ground where she fell.

Delos Reyes was rushed to the Commonwealth Health Center where she was declared dead at 9:45 a.m.

Initial investigation showed Delos Reyes was sweeping in the yard and tried to unplug an extension cord when she got electrocuted.

There were no signs of foul play in the accident site but as a standard procedure, investigators were finding out the circumstances behind the electrocution.

Meanwhile, a Japanese tourist lost about \$200 to a thief in the premises of Pacific Islands Club Tuesday. (GLD)

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Benavente said after yesterday's meeting.

The CNMI receives money from the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration to finance the design and construction of the Commonwealth's major thoroughfares.

Federal highway funding from 1990 to 1993 is expected to reach \$8 million, for an average of \$2.0 million a year. Around \$1.2 million was disbursed in 1990, another \$1.2 million in 1991, \$2.0 million last year and some \$3.6 million anticipated for 1993.

In 1991, however, the US Congress enacted a law that requires suspension for six months of the driver license of anyone convicted of any offense.

In August 1992, FHA issued a final rule requiring the compliance of all states and territories to this rule or face a 5 percent withholding of highway funds for states and territories in FY 1994 and 1995, increasing to a 10 percent in FY 1996 and beyond.

"States without this legislation

can avoid this substantial penalty if the state legislature passes and the governor signs a resolution by April 1, 1993, stating that they are collectively opposed to this program," said William R. Lake, FHA region nine Hawaii division administrator, in an earlier letter to Public Works Director Elizabeth H. Salas-Balajadia.

DPW is currently wrapping up 100 percent FHA-funded construction work on a five-phase 5.58-mile road paving project for Saipan, estimated to cost \$7.13 million.

Phase I, which is the 0.93-mile stretch along W2 Highway from Navy Hill Road to Flamingo Club in Puerto Rico was completed two years ago at a cost of \$1.16 million; Phase II and III, which covers Middle Road near Navy Hill to Gualo Rai Center (1.58 miles) became passable to a four-lane traffic late last year at the cost of \$2.3 million; Phase IV, the 2.0 mile stretch from Gualo Rai Center to the Chalan Lallau triangle is currently undergoing construction at \$2.51 million; and Phase

IA, from Kaiser Cement to the road entering the Public School System (1.07 miles) is set to start construction in the near future.

"We would not want all these projects to be impacted just because we did not act fast enough. The House leadership agrees to the new federal requirement on driver license suspension. We don't want to lose the five percent of the highway federal money," Benavente said.

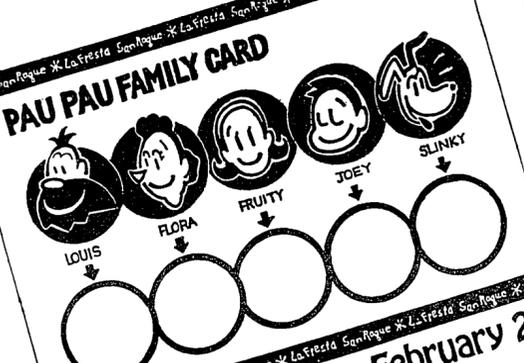
He said House legal counsels are now busy drafting the language of a legislation that will reconcile applicable Commonwealth statutes to the new federal law.

"Although we can opt to just pass a resolution indicating our opposition to that federal requirement, we at the House leadership felt there is no reason why we should not support the intent of the suspension program. In fact, I believe a suspension is quite lenient since it is not an outright revocation of the licenses of drug offenders," Benavente said.

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# Business/Finance

## Fed, Treasury plan to ease credit crunch

By Dave Skidmore

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Federal Reserve and the Treasury Department plan to ease the credit shortage for small business by allowing banks to loan more money based on the borrower's character rather than financial strength.

Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan outlined the plans Tuesday before a House Banking subcommittee but offered few details. He said both changes in regulation and law could be proposed soon.

The credit problem of small business was one of several factors that Greenspan called a drag on the economy. The others were reductions in defense spending and weak commercial real estate markets.

"It's too soon to say we are moving forward in a self-perpetuating recovery," he said.

Nevertheless, he expects the Commerce Department to increase its estimate of the economy's growth in the October-December quarter. The initial estimate was that the gross domestic product grew at a 3.8 percent annual rate in the fourth quarter, the best in four years. A new estimate is to be released Friday.

In his prepared statement, Greenspan repeated that he generally supported President Clinton's deficit reduction plan, calling it serious and credible. He said deficit reduction cannot be accomplished permanently without cutting spending but avoided attempts

by fellow Republicans to lure him into criticizing the Clinton plan as lopsided toward tax increases.

"We want ... to find newer ways to break the back of this credit crunch," Greenspan told the Subcommittee on Economic Growth and Credit Formation.

"There's no question that the costs of making a loan have risen very dramatically and that to a large extent is, partly, the regulatory burden, which has increased substantially in recent years."

Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen also mentioned the initiative in testimony to the House Budget Committee.

"We will take a variety of regulatory steps to encourage lending without jeopardizing safety or soundness," Bentsen said.

Small businesses have been hurt more than larger borrowers because they've had a more difficult time finding alternate financing. Greenspan spoke favorably of legislative proposals to develop a market in securities composed of bundles of small-business loans, similar to the system under which mortgages are packaged into securities and sold to investors. The sale of the securities would raise capital for new loans.

However, he warned that small business loans vary so much that it would be difficult to bundle them into securities. He also warned against giving such securities any kind of implicit federal backing.

## Malaysia fears reaction to fast export growth

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) - Malaysia's exports have been growing much faster than the world average, but its success could attract unwanted reactions, the trade minister said Tuesday.

International Trade and Industry Minister Rafidah Aziz said Malaysia's growing trade surplus with most developed countries resulted from the competitiveness of its exporters and not from unfair trade practices.

But, she said, "there seems to be a false notion that the trade surplus of a given country is reflective of unfair trade practices and therefore has to be singled out for retaliation."

In a meeting with businessmen, Rafidah said Malaysian exports, which reached 94.7 billion ringgit (\$36.1 billion) in 1991, could exceed 100 billion ringgit (\$38.1 billion) in 1992.

The Statistics Department said 1992 exports had reached 90.88 billion ringgit (\$34.6 billion) by the end of November.

"While the world merchandise exports in value terms grew 13.5 percent in 1990, Malaysia's exports grew 17.4 percent. In 1991, world merchandise exports in value terms slumped to a meager growth

of 1.5 percent but Malaysia's exports grew 18.9 percent," Rafidah said.

Imports in 1991 were 101.1 billion ringgit (\$38.50 billion), and amounted to 84.4 billion ringgit (\$32.14 billion) in last year's first 10 months, she said.

Although Malaysia's export performance in 1992 would surpass the world average, it also revealed decelerations in exports and investment inflows in line with the overall slowdown in the world economy, Rafidah said.

"With the expected sluggish recovery in 1993, especially in the industrial countries, our exports and foreign direct investments flows will continue to be affected," she said.

Meanwhile, another official said Malaysia has found new markets for its palm oil in 15 Third World countries.

The new markets developed in the past three years were in Haiti, Algeria, Venezuela, Guatemala, El Salvador, Jamaica, Tanzania, Mauritius, Senegal, Tunisia, Benin, Fiji, Brazil, Mexico and Cuba.

Abdul Rahim Mohamad Zain, director-general of the Palm Oil Registration and Licensing Authority, said in an interview with the national news agency Bernama.

## Dollar remains under pressure from bond market

NEW YORK (AP) - The US dollar was mixed in hectic trading on world currency markets Tuesday and remained under pressure from tumbling yields in the bond market.

Gold prices were mixed. On the New York Commodity Exchange, gold bullion for current delivery settled at \$331.10 a troy ounce, up \$2.90 from Monday. Republic National Bank said gold added \$2.65 an ounce to a late bid price of \$330.50.

The dollar managed to rally off its lows but was restrained from posting further gains as bond prices soared for the second day. The Treasury's bellwether 30-year issue added about \$25 per \$1,000 in face value over the past two sessions as yields plunged to around 6.82 percent, their lowest level since the government began issuing the securities in 1977.

Analysts said the bond market rally and subsequent, spotty dollar-selling was spurred by a Conference Board report that showed consumers' confidence in the economy tumbled in February as Americans grew increasingly edgy about their future financial security.

The results, far worse than expectations, erased much of the gain in the last months of 1992, when consumers felt increasingly buoyant about the prospects for prosperity under the Clinton administration.

"That report helped bring the dollar a bit lower," said John McCarthy, foreign exchange manager at ABN AMRO Bank NV. Lower yields make fixed-income securities less valuable for investors, thereby decreasing their need for dollars.

Investors spent much of the session focusing on the European currencies, he noted, taking the spotlight off the Japanese yen, which has surged in recent days.

In Tokyo, the dollar closed at 116.78 yen, down 0.07 yen from Monday's close and the lowest closing there since modern exchange rates were established after World War II.

Later in London, the dollar was quoted at a lower rate of 116.65 yen. But in New York, the dollar recovered to 117.05 yen, up from 116.36 yen on Monday.

McCarthy said there was little reaction to comments by Japanese Finance Minister Yoshiro Hayashi, who called the yen's rise against the dollar short-term and speculative. Hayashi also noted that a strong yen would be detrimental to Japan's economy, even though it could benefit Japan's trading partners - including the United States - by making foreign-made goods less expensive for Japanese consumers.

In London, the British pound rose to \$1.4585 from \$1.4540 late Monday. In New York it cost \$1.4530 to buy one pound, less expensive than Monday's \$1.4580.

## Exchange rates

NEW YORK (AP) - Foreign Exchange, New York prices. Rates for trades of \$1 million minimum.

	FOREIGN CURRENCY IN DOLLARS		DOLLAR IN FOREIGN CURRENCY	
	MON	FR	MON	FR
fArgent Peso	1.0100	1.0100	.9901	.9901
Australia Doll	.6958	.6881	1.4372	1.4533
Austria Schill	.0880	.0875	11.370	11.430
cBelgium Franc	.0298	.0298	33.58	33.56
Brazil Cruzeiro	.00005	.00005	18543	18306
Britain Pound	1.4598	1.4560	.6850	.6868
30day fwd	1.4562	1.4524	.6867	.6885
60day fwd	1.4524	1.4486	.6885	.6903
90day fwd	1.4493	1.4457	.6900	.6917
Canada Dollar	.7974	.7935	1.2541	1.2603
30day fwd	.7957	.7918	1.2561	1.2630
60day fwd	.7938	.7899	1.2598	1.2660
90day fwd	.7920	.7880	1.2627	1.2691
yChile Peso	.002654	.002659	376.74	376.12
China Yuan	.1712	.1712	5.8400	5.8400
Colombia Peso	.001579	.001582	633.25	631.97
cCzechosl Koru	.0352	.0352	28.37	28.41
Denmark Krone	.1598	.1599	6.2590	6.2550
zEcuador Sucre	.000556	.000559	1799.01	1789.00
ECU	1.19260	1.19260	.8385	.8437
dEgypt Pound	.2994	.2994	3.3405	3.3405
Finland Mark	.1709	.1709	5.8500	5.8500
France Franc	.1825	.1815	5.4805	5.5085
Germany Mark	.6190	.6154	1.6155	1.6250
30day fwd	.6163	.6127	1.6226	1.6320
60day fwd	.6136	.6100	1.6297	1.6394
90day fwd	.6112	.6077	1.6361	1.6456
Greece Drachma	.004581	.004592	218.30	217.75
Hong Kong Doll	.1293	.1294	7.7310	7.7260
Hungary Forint	.0118	.0118	84.78	84.94
India Rupee	.0332	.0332	30.080	30.080
Indonesia Rupiah	.000486	.000485	2058.04	2060.03
Ireland Punt	1.5058	1.4956	6.641	6.686
Israel Shekel	.3643	.3638	2.7447	2.7484
Italy Lira	.000635	.000638	1575.05	1566.50
Japan Yen	.008562	.008621	116.80	116.00
30day fwd	.008562	.008621	116.80	116.00
60day fwd	.008561	.008620	116.81	116.01
90day fwd	.008561	.008620	116.81	116.01
Jordan Dinar	1.4832	1.4745	6.7422	6.7820
Lebanon Pound	.000573	.000568	1745.00	1760.00
Malaysia Ringg	.3808	.3806	2.6260	2.6273
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Nethrlands Guild	.5456	.5472	1.8330	1.8275
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Norway Krone	.1439	.1443	6.9485	6.9300
Pakistan Rupee	.0383	.0384	26.10	26.05
y Peru New Sol	.5882	.5917	1.700	1.690
zPhilips Peso	.0397	.0397	25.21	25.22
Poland Zloty	.000064	.000064	15646	15744
Portugal Escud	.006720	.006678	148.80	149.75
aRussia Ruble	.001736	.001789	576.00	559.00
Saudi Arab Riy	.2667	.2667	3.7495	3.7495
Singapore Doll	.6093	.6103	1.6412	1.6385
cSo. Africa Ran	.3208	.3200	3.1170	3.1250
fSo. Africa Ran	.2205	.2217	4.5350	4.5100
So. Korea Won	.001258	.001256	795.10	795.90
Spain Peseta	.008543	.008441	117.05	118.47
Sweden Krona	.1297	.1320	7.7074	7.5739
Switzerland Fra	.6718	.6729	1.4885	1.4861
30day fwd	.6705	.6717	1.4915	1.4888
60day fwd	.6692	.6702	1.4944	1.4920
90day fwd	.6679	.6691	1.4972	1.4945
Taiwan NT	.0385	.0385	25.95	25.95
Thailand Baht	.03935	.03918	25.41	25.52
Turkey Lira	.000110	.000110	9093.00	9061.01
U.A.E. Dirham	.2723	.2723	3.6727	3.6727
Uruguay Peso	.000268	.000269	3729.01	3720.00
zVenezuel Boliv	.0121	.0121	82.4000	82.4000
Yugoslav NewDin	.00133	.00133	750.00	750.00

ECU: European Currency Unit, a basket of European currencies. The Federal Reserve Board's index of the value of the dollar against 10 other currencies weighted on the basis of trade was 92.75 Monday, off 0.70 points or 0.74 percent from Friday's 93.45. A year ago the index was 89.44.

a-auction result, Moscow Foreign Currency Exchange, c-commercial rate, d-free market rate, f-financial rate, y-official rate, z-floating rate. Prices as of 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time (1900 GMT) from Teletel Systems and other sources.

## Spot metal prices

NEW YORK (AP) - Spot nonferrous metal prices Tuesday.

Aluminum - 54.4 cents per lb London Metal Exch. Tue.  
 Copper - 1.1055 dollars per pound.  
 Lead - 32 cents a pound.  
 Zinc - 50.1-2-54.54 per pound, delivered.  
 Tin - 3.8258 dollars per pound.  
 Gold - 329.60 dollars per troy oz.  
 Silver - 3.555 dollars per troy oz.  
 Mercury - 205.00-210.00 dollars per 76 lb flask.  
 Platinum - 362.00-363.00 dollars troy oz., N.Y. (contract).

## New York closing prices

NEW YORK (AP) - New York Stock Exchange closing prices Tuesday:

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## Stocks close mixed in Asian markets

HONG KONG (AP) - Asian stock markets closed mixed Tuesday as share prices dropped sharply in Hong Kong, marked time in Tokyo and hit a record high in Singapore.

In Hong Kong, the Hang Seng Index of blue chips fell \$2.69 points, or 1.3 percent, to 6,149.19 on worries that the Sino-British dispute over Hong Kong would remain deadlocked.

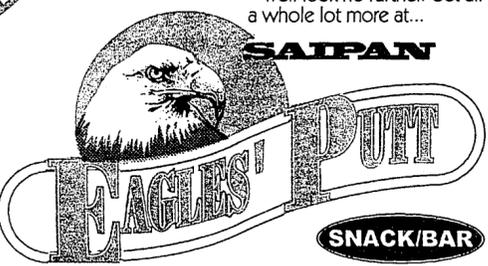
Brokers attributed the decline to remarks attributed to Chinese officials that China and Britain would not resume talks soon on Gov. Chris Patten's proposals to increase democracy in Hong Kong

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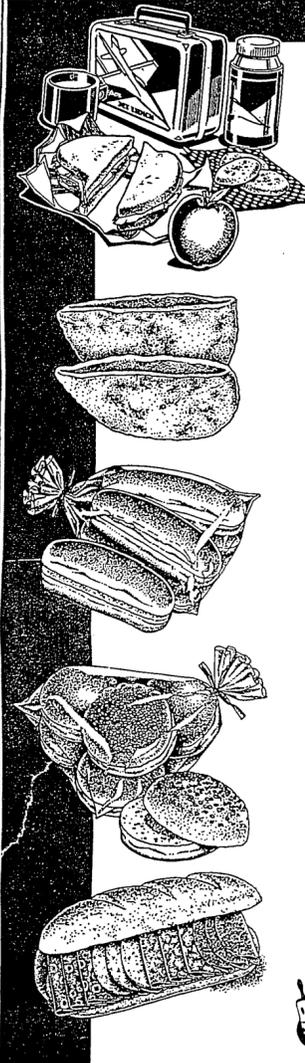
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## Soriano denies PAL share sale to Tan

MANILA (AP) - A major Philippine corporation said Tuesday it had sold its shares in a holding company that controls Philippine Airlines, but denied it was to a businessman close to the late President Ferdinand Marcos. Jose Ibazeta, president of A. Soriano Corp., said his company sold its stake in PR Holdings to International Container Terminal Services Inc.

A report Tuesday by Amado Macasaet, board chairman of the daily newspaper Malaya, said cigarette and beer magnate Lucio Tan had taken control of the airline by buying the 10.3 percent share of the Soriano group.

The report said Tan's new shares gave him 50.3 percent of the consortium that controls the airline. PR Holdings owns 67 percent of the airline and, with the additional shares, Tan can nominate 10 of the airline's 15 board members, Malaya reported.

Ibazeta denied that his company sold its shares to Tan, who heads the Fortune Tobacco Corp. and Asia Brewery.

"As far as we're concerned, the only offer we got was from ICTSI," Ibazeta said. He added that his company held only 5 percent of the shares in PR Holdings.

ICTSI now holds 9 percent of the shares, worth 900 million pesos (\$36 million), in PR Holdings, Ibazeta said.

The A. Soriano Corp., which has a 25 percent stake in ICTSI, is the holding company of Andres Soriano III, who heads the food and beverage conglomerate San

Miguel Corp. Tan had been involved in a protracted battle with Philippine Airlines Chairman Antonio Cojuangco, a cousin of former President Corason Aquino, for control of the flag carrier.

If Tan gains majority control over the airline, its expansion plans, including the purchase of six Airbus 300s, could be scrapped.

Tan's involvement in PR Holdings was kept secret when the consortium bought a controlling interest in Philippine Airlines from the government last year. The government holds the remaining 33 percent.

Records show that Cojuangco arranged for Tan to put up 40 percent of the \$369 million that PR Holdings paid for a majority share of the airline. In addition to its 33 percent direct stake in the airline, the government owns 20 percent of PR Holdings.

But last week, President Fidel Ramos said the government would sell its shares in PR Holdings to the highest bidder.

Tan objected to Cojuangco's plans for fleet expansion and other changes and launched a takeover bid last month.

Cojuangco had decided to buy \$1.12 billion worth of airplanes. The airline already has made a \$75 million down payment on six Airbus 300 planes. Tan's group protested that the airline should concentrate on regional and domestic services rather than expanding long-haul flights to Europe and the United States.

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The All-Ordinaries index of share prices closed at 1,608.3, up 3.4 points from Monday's 1,604.9.

Wellington: New Zealand shares rose in thin trading buoyed by foreign demand for blue chips. The NZSE-40 Capital Index gained 17.28 points, or 1.1 percent, to 1,580.48.

Taipei: Taiwan share prices were lower in extremely hectic trading as heavy profit-taking in the final 25 minutes eroded early gains. The market's weighted index slipped 26.95 points, closing at 4,071.49. Manila: Manila shares firmed in heavy trading,

helped by strong foreign buying. The Manila composite index of 30 selected issues rose 3.05 points to 1,474.92 after Monday's 2-point drop.

Seoul: The Korea Composite Stock Price Index, which surged 22.64 points Monday, added another 1.91 points, closing at 676.62 in moderate trading. Kuala Lumpur: The Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange's Composite Index, biased toward big-capitalization issues, fell 3.31 points, or 0.5 percent, to 632.28 points on profit-taking. Volume was heavy.

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Inc., brokerage firm in St. Louis. "Investors are finally digging into the numbers" in the economic program, said William Dodge, chief investment strategist with Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.

"There's a great deal of nervousness about how much of the plan will be passed by Congress and what it will mean."

Goldman said the market was in a "watch-and-see attitude."

The consumer confidence report did little to help the market. The Conference Board said consumer confidence in the economy tumbled in February. The research group's index fell more than eight points. Bond prices soared in response, dropping yields - which move in the opposite direction - to the lowest levels in 30 years.

Stocks of auto companies and

others providing big-ticket items were lower in response to shaken consumer confidence.

But health-care stocks, which have taken a sound beating in recent days, were largely higher today as bargain hunters moved into the market. Investors had been frightened out of health-care issues by Clinton's attacks on drug companies and threat of price controls.

Tobacco stocks were lower for a second day on fears the government will raise taxes on alcohol and cigarettes to help pay for the administration's health-care plans. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials fell 19.72 points to 3,323.27.

Advancing issues narrowly outnumbered declines on the New York Stock Exchange, with 1,058 up, 916 down and 511 unchanged.

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By Stella Wilder

Born today, you are one of the most self-controlled individuals born under your sign...

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) - You must expect to make no dramatic headway today, though small progress can be made when it comes to personal issues.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - You will be seeking the advice of those who have been in your shoes in the past. You can apply what you learn at once.

Also born on this date are: Pierre Renoir, painter; Enrico Caruso, opera singer; Anthony Burgess, author; George Harrison, musician.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Opportunities are likely to multiply today, but you must be sure to explore only one at a time for safety's sake.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Your feelings may be too easily hurt today, so you had better avoid those situations which present direct challenges.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Feb. 25, 1993

Today is the 56th day of 1993 and the 67th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1950, Sid Caesar and Imogene Coca starred in the first installment of the comic variety show, "Your Show of Today's Quote: "Life is a

Shows." TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Pierre-Auguste Renoir (1841-1919), impressionist painter; Enrico Caruso (1873-1921), operatic lyric tenor; John Foster Dulles (1888-1959); U.S. lawyer-diplomat; Adelle Davis (1904-1974), nutritionist-author; Jim Backus (1913-1989), actor; Anthony Burgess (1917-), novelist-critic, is 76; Tom Courtenay (1937-), actor, is 56; George Harrison (1943-), singer, is 50.

wretched gray Saturday, but it has to be lived through." - Anthony Burgess, on Samuel Beckett's play "Waiting for Godot." TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1977, dust reduced visibility to one to five miles from eastern Virginia through the Southeast to Florida. The dust started in the western plains with gusts of up to 100 mph.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1988, Italian Alberto Tomba won a gold medal in the giant slalom at the Calgary Winter Olympics.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Feb. 21) and first quarter (March 1).

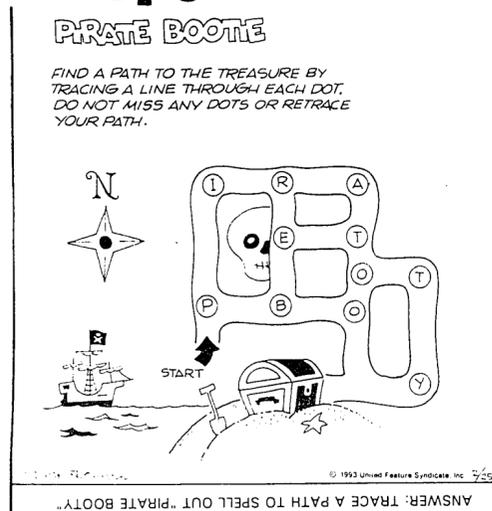
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Expulsion blows up into diplomatic feud

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - Australia's expulsion of two illegal immigrants blew up into a diplomatic incident Tuesday with former protectorate Papua New Guinea, which said it is kicking out a Qantas Airways official.

The two men had been living in Papua New Guinea, but illegally crossed the Torres Strait into Australia last November. The government put them on a Qantas flight for Port Moresby, the Papua New Guinea capital, eight days ago.

Korean bomb survivors to receive aid

TOKYO (AP) - Nagasaki said Tuesday it will earmark 2 million yen (\$17,000) in its 1993 budget as a first step toward aiding Korean survivors of the 1945 US atomic bombing of the Japanese city.

Nagasaki Mayor Hitoshi Motoshima said the city will use the money to send a mission to inform Korean survivors they are eligible to receive Japanese government certificates that they are atomic bomb victims.

Motoshima, who toured South Korea last October, said he saw many Koreans suffering financially. Some 2,300 Korean survivors of the atomic bomb live in South Korea and most need financial and medical help, according to a South Korean government report.

Vice mayor who beat American suspended

MANILA (AP) - President Fidel Ramos on Tuesday ordered a 60-day suspension for a suburban vice mayor who allegedly beat an American over a traffic dispute.

Presidential spokeswoman Annabelle Abaya said Vice Mayor Arturo Yabut of the financial district of Makati was suspended while the Feb. 16 case was being investigated. Ramos also ordered the disarming of Yabut's bodyguards, Mrs. Abaya said.

about him were not immediately available. A Manila newspaper quoted Doran, who is married to a Filipina, as saying that while waiting to make a left turn, he saw a man, later identified as Yabut, standing in the middle of the intersection.

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# SPORTS



## Powell predicts new record in long jump

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) - World long jump record holder Mike Powell predicted Tuesday that he would clear 9 meters (29 feet, 6 1/2 inches) in the 1993 track and field season.

Powell broke the 23-year-old record of 8.90 meters (29-2 1/2) held by fellow American Bob Beamon when he jumped 8.95 meters (29-4 1/2) at the 1991 world championships in Tokyo.

Last year, he leaped a wind-assisted 8.99 meters (29-6) in Italy that was not recognized as a record.

Powell, who will compete in a track and field meet in Melbourne on Thursday, said he aimed to break the 9-meter mark in Modesto, Calif., on May 8.

"My goal is to break the record, wind permitting," Powell said.

"I'm going to be gearing my training to opening the season with a world record jump."

Powell was hindered by back and hamstring problems throughout the 1992 season.

His long-time rival Carl Lewis, who had dominated the event for 10 years before Powell's break-

through, won the gold medal at the Barcelona Olympics.

"It was frustrating for me at the Olympics, but it was a good learning experience," Powell said.

"I don't know if Carl will be competing in 1996 at Atlanta, but my goal is to go there and win gold."

Powell's most recent effort was 8.42 meters (27-7 1/2) in Stockholm on Feb. 9 and he is hoping he can jump at least 8.50 meters (27-10 3/4) in the likely cold conditions in Melbourne.

## 6 seeded players join Austin

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) - Six seeded players joined Tracy Austin as winners Tuesday in the Matrix Evert Cup women's tennis tournament at the Grand Champions Resort.

But top-seeded Mary Joe Fernandez's second-round match against unseeded Rachel Jensen was suspended until Wednesday because of rain just as the pair began the decisive third set.

Austin, making a comeback at age 30, defeated Rennae Stubbs of Australia 7-5, 6-4 in a first-round match. It was Austin's first tournament match in four years. She will face second-seeded Katarina Maleeva of Bulgaria in a second-round match Wednesday.

Fernandez won the first set 6-2 and served for the match twice in

the second set, but Jensen battled back and ultimately won the set 7-6, winning the tie-breaker 7-4.

Fernandez led 30-love in the third set when officials decided to suspend the match. Their had been a 90-minute rain delay.

In other second-round action Tuesday, fourth-seeded Amanda Coetzer of South Africa overpowered Rika Hiraki of Japan 6-0, 6-1; fifth-seeded Helena Sukova of the Czech Republic topped Caroline Kuhlman 6-1, 6-3; seventh-seeded Patricia Hy of Canada rallied for a 2-6, 7-5, 6-2 victory over Elna Reinach of South Africa, and eighth-seeded Barbara Rittner of Germany beat Joannette Kruger of South Africa 6-1, 6-3.

In the only upset Tuesday, Clare Wood of Great Britain rallied to

beat 10th-seeded Rosalyn Fairbank-Nideffer 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 in a first-round match.

In other first-round action, 11th-seeded Nicole Provis of Australia defeated Jolene Watanabe 7-5, 6-1; 13th-seeded Marianne Werdel downed Tami Whitlinger 6-4, 6-1; Anne Mall outlasted Katrina Adams 6-3, 5-7, 6-4; Rene Simpson-Alter of Canada topped Nicole London 7-6, 6-4; Miriam Oremans of Holland eliminated Julie Richardson of New Zealand 7-5, 6-1; and Dinky Van Rensburg of South Africa beat Cammy MacGregor 6-2, 6-3.

The \$375,000 tournament runs through Sunday. The singles champion earns \$75,000 and the second-place finisher gets \$30,000.

## Race horse fails dope test

LONDON (AP) - Her Honour, a top English race horse, has tested positive for a banned substance, the Jockey Club said Tuesday.

The filly failed a dope test after losing a hurdle race at Kempton last month by nearly 40 lengths. The horse had started the race as a 6-4 favorite.

"I can confirm that Her Honour

tested positive to a prohibited substance," Jockey Club spokesman David Pipe said. "The Jockey Club Security Department is carrying out its normal investigations. We have not yet established whether the horse was doped or not."

"It will probably take a few more days before we know the source, but it would be up to the Disciplinary Committee to decide

whether it will be made public."

Pipe said it was possible the substance could have been administered inadvertently in medication.

Her Honour is trained by Martin Pipe, one of Britain's most successful trainers. The horse has since recovered from the Kempton setback, winning easily at Taunton last Thursday.

## Little League deadline Feb. 26

DEADLINE for submission of all team rosters and the \$400 entrance fee for the 1993 Little League, baseball season is on Feb. 26.

The three divisions are little league ages 9-12, senior league ages 13-15 and big league ages 16-18.

You can submit your rosters and fees to district administrator for little league baseball to Representative Antonio M. Camacho at Nang Ocha Enterprises in San Vicente or call 664-0777/235-0927 or call James Ada at the Mayor's Office in Chalan Kanoa at 234-6208/6280.

The association is reminding

all managers, coaches, sponsors, parents and interested individuals that the special meeting and get together scheduled for Feb. 28, is still on schedule. Meeting time is 11 a.m. at the San Vicente ball park. Your presence at this important occasion is highly appreciated and respected.

## Manchester to host Kasparov-Short match

LUCERNE, Switzerland (AP) - The International Chess Federation on Tuesday awarded the 1993 world championship match to Manchester, England, a boost for British underdog Nigel Short in his bid to dethrone Garry Kasparov.

Manchester, Short's home city, promised prize money of dls 1.69 million and beat out two other British bids for the right to host the August championship match, the federation's Lucerne headquarters said. Short is the first Briton this century to reach the championship match, and the first player from outside the Soviet Union to play for the title since American Bobby Fischer beat Boris Spassky in 1972. Kasparov is from the former Soviet republic of Azerbaijan.

The chess federation, known by its French acronym FIDE, also rejected a much higher bid by the Yugoslav company that sponsored last year's rematch of former world champions Fischer and Spassky, won by Fischer. Jugoskandic offered a "very generous" \$5.6 million in prize money but was unable to provide the required bank guarantee due to United Nations economic sanctions imposed on Yugoslavia last May, FIDE said.

An early bid by Santiago de Compostela, Spain, also failed to meet FIDE technical requirements, the statement said.

Manchester gained approval despite offering less prize

money in secret last-minute bargaining Monday, FIDE's official deadline for bids. The federation said Britain's Channel 4 television and International Management Group offered \$1.75 million but failed to name a specific venue and also wanted exclusive world TV rights.

A late bid by "London Chess Group" also failed to meet FIDE rules.

FIDE did not immediately announce the starting date, number of games or rules of the championship.

Short, the fifth-ranked player worldwide, set up a showdown with Kasparov, the world No. 1, by defeating Dutchman Jan Timman in the world candidates final match last month in Spain.

Short, 27, has said he expects a fierce battle with Kasparov.

"He's incredibly arrogant. He's power-hungry. He's a very nasty guy and a very unpleasant man," he said recently. "He's probably one of the most unpleasant people in the chess world. The sooner he gets beaten, the better."

Kasparov has contemptuously dismissed his opponent's chances of winning. Earlier this month, Short said: "I think it could well be the ideal solution if Manchester comes up with a sizable bid. For me that would be excellent. It is my home city."

Kasparov, 29, has said that playing in England "presented no problem."

## Becker, Lendl pull out of ABN AMRO

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) - Boris Becker, top seed and reigning champion, and No. 3 seed Ivan Lendl both pulled out of the \$600,000 ABN AMRO indoor tennis tournament here Tuesday, organizers said.

Becker, ranked number four in the world, gave no immediate explanation for his withdrawal but will travel to Rotterdam on Wednesday to explain his decision to the tournament director, spokesman Rene van Vliet said. The German star dropped out of last weekend's Eurocard tournament in Stuttgart with flu symptoms.

Lendl, an American citizen since last year and currently

ranked ninth in the world, also gave no formal explanation for pulling out.

But the 33-year-old veteran is still thought to be suffering from a back injury sustained during the recent Philadelphia tournament, Van Vliet said. The withdrawals leave the big-serving Croatian Goran Ivanisevic as official favorite for the event in the Ahoy arena, followed by the Netherlands' top-ranked player Richard Krajicek.

Becker's place in the Rotterdam event will be taken by Czech Daniel Vacek, ranked 108th in the world, while young Dutch rookie Rolf Kok will substitute for Lendl, Van Vliet said.

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