

## Froilan: 'Give us a chance'

#### By Rafael H. Arroyo

GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio issued an appeal to the people of the CNMI Friday to give his plans to reorganize government a chance to succeed and work for the betterment of the Commonwealth.

In a news conference Friday at his office in Capitol Hill, the chief executive also asked critics of his reorganization executive orders to just let the planned revamp take effect so everyone could determine if such would be to the advantage or detriment of the islands.

Tenorio called for the news conference Friday afternoon following a morning vote made by the general membership of the Marianas Visitor Bureau in support of plans to appeal an earlier Superior Court ruling on the bureau's case against the governor's Executive Order 94-2.

The bureau's membership, comprised of various businesses and individuals involved with the CNMI's tourism industry voted overwhelmingly in favor of the appeal, 127 to 18. The appeal, which is currently being prepared by MVB counsel Eric Smith, is seeking to overturn Superior Court Presiding Judge Alex Castro's ruling that the visitors bureau is under the jurisdiction of the executive branch and is therefore within the scope of the

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Bureau's members vote for appeal

#### By Ferdie de la Torre

THE MARIANAS Visitors Bureau membership has agreed to file an appeal with the Supreme Court challenging the decision of the Superior Court that the agency is part of the executive branch.

In Friday's MVB's bi-annual membership meeting held at the Saipan Diamond Hotel, 127 voted in favor to appeal the Superior Court decision to the High Tribunal. Only 18 members did not agree.

On the other hand, 120 members voted against 14 that MVB should remain a membership nonprofit organization created by law separate from the executive branch.

MVB officials and members clapped their hands, showing their unity when the final tabulation of Continued on page 14



Governor Froilan C. Tenorio: "Let reorganization plan work first.

### Language problem stalls Labong case By Rafael I. Santos

LANGUAGE problem has been the key factor in the lack of progress in the legal proceedings against armed robbery suspect Mario V. Labong.

Labong, who is accused of robbing Hafa Adai Hotel of more than \$7,000 cash after mauling a female accountant, is from the Philippines and does not speak English.

Chief Public Defender Dan DeRienzo, Labong's lawyer, told the Variety last Friday that he needed a translator so that he (lawyer) could understand what the suspect was telling him.

Labong is employed as a janitor for Philippine Goods, Inc. His type of work indicates that he has never finished high school in the Philippines where English language is part of the curriculum for the elementary, secondary and tertiary levels.





MVB staff and members tabulate votes during the bureau's.bi-annual membership meeting at the Saipan Diamond Hotel Friday where members voted in favor of a planned appeal to the Supreme Court challenging the recent Superior Court decision on the governor's reorganization plan.

Liberation Day '94

## parade held today

THOUSANDS of people are expected to line up Beach Road and flock to the American Memorial Park today to salute the islands' independence from foreign powers that occupied them decades ago.

Today's festivities are part of Liberation Day 1994 which are set to start off early this morning culminating with the annual Liberation Day parade at 9:00 a.m. The parade which gets better and bigger every year will be participated in by local dignitaries and officials including visiting US Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt who is expected to deliver a speech at the American Memorial Park after the parade.

The yearly spectacle is always reason for families to go out (today being a legal holiday) and line up the parade route waiving US and Commonwealth flags and watching colorful floats from the various Saipan communities.

Liberation Day is an annual

event seeking to commemorate the islands' deliverance from the shock and destruction brought about by the last World War.

The islands' indigenous people during the war were caught in the crossfire of the powerful armies of both the Japanese and the US, experiencing tremendous hardship and pain.

Many locals were said to have perished as air, land and naval bombardment from US Marine, Continued on page 14

1994 Liberation Day Queen Larissa Lorraine Peter (left) poses with CNMI Universe Elizabeth Tomokane in Saturday's coronation night at the American Memorial Park. (see story on page 3)

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## **Knife found near Simpson home?**

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A teen- an object that could be used as ager found a butcher knife in bushes near the mansion of former U.S. football great O.J. Simpson, a TV station has reported.

KNBC-TV also reported that police took a suitcase from Simpson's house on Saturday.

Simpson is charged with killing his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. He has pleaded inno-

Simpson, who grew up impoverished and fatherless in San Francisco, first gained fame in the late 1960s when he won the highest award in college football, the Heisman Trophy, as a running back for the University of Southern California.

Police keeping watch at a barricade near the estate were given

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evidence in the June 12 double slayings, Sgt. Jeff Hanson said at a news conference.

"The citizen handed an officer possible evidence that might be crucial in this case," Hanson said.

He refused to describe the object or say whether the discovery was a hoax. Simpson's attorney, Robert Shapiro, didn't immediately return a call seeking comment.

KNBC reported that the teenager found the knife with a bone handle in some bushes on Bristol Avenue, which runs parallel to Rockingham Avenue, where Simpson's estate is located.

Police had searched intensely for the murder weapon last week along several possible routes from the murder scene to Simpson's

A witness testified at Simpson's preliminary hearing on Thursday that Simpson purchased a knife five weeks before the murders.

Newsweek magazine reported in its latest issue that a large enve-

lope Simpson's attorneys gave the judge on Friday contains a knife.

Widely known by his nickname of "Juice," a play on his initials, Simpson played professional football for the Buffalo Bills and San Francisco 49ers, retiring in 1979 and earning a place in the game's hall of fame. Simpson has stayed in the

limelight, working as a TV sports commentator and actor. In addition to movies, such as the Naked Gun series, Simpson is also seen in commercials for the Hertz rental car company.

## USAir jet crashes into house, at least 18 dead

**By PAUL NOWELL** 

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)-A USAir jet crashed Saturday while trying to land at Charlotte's airport during a thunderstorm, killing 18 of the 56 people aboard. The tail section of the plane slammed into a house with five people inside and caught fire.

One man in a military uniform was seen running from the plane yelling, "Help me, help me. I'm on

At least 33 people were taken to area hospitals, at least five were unaccounted for and an undetermined number were injured on the ground, authorities said.

Most of the injuries were from the impact, others were from burns and smoke inhalation. Many were reported in serious or critical condition

Flight 1016, a DC-9, had originated in Columbia, S.C., and Charlotte-Douglas International Airport was its final destination. said USAir spokesman Dave Shipley. Some passengers waiting at the airport said the plane was to continue on to Memphis, Tenn.

The plane smashed into trees and sheared off the top of telephone poles then broke into three large pieces after hitting the

ground less than half a mile from the runway, said airport director Jerry Orr.

"This is utter chaos. It's a traumatic experience," Orr said near the scene, his voice breaking. "It's just mindboggling what these people have to go through out here."

Orr said 17 bodies were found on the ground. One person died at Carolina Medical Center, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Kathleen Bergen, manager of public affairs for the Federal Aviation Administration in Atlanta, said the plane was not able to land on an initial approach, but she did not now why. Storms in the area had reduced visibility to about a mile.

"They were trying to come out of the landing attempt, to come around and try to land again" just before the crash, Bergen said.

Crews rescued several passengers who were trapped in the crumbled rear section that ended up on the carport of the house. CBS radio reported that several people in the house suffered from smoke inhalation. At least two of them were being treated at a hospital.

A motorist whose car was struck by debris from the plane was being treated at Presbyterian Hospital, a spokesman said.

Dead bodies remained at the

scene hours after the crash because officials were waiting for investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board.

Phillip Robinson, a minister who lives near the airport, said he was sitting in his car watching planes take off and land when he saw the jet crash about 180 meters (200 yards) away during a bad lightning storm.

He saw a man with his clothes on fire running from the plane yelling, "Help me, help me. I'm on fire.

Robinson said visibility was very poor because of heavy rain and he could not see the control tower. The last major accident at the airport occurred in 1974 when an Eastern Airlines jet crashed, killing 70 people. Air traffic personnel were listening to the control tower tapes of communications between the jet and flight controllers, Bergen said. The content of the tapes will not be available for several weeks.

About 400 homes in area were without electricity due to the down power lines, WBTV reported.

### Phnom Penh gov't crushes coup attempt By SHEILA McNULTY

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) -The government suppressed an attempted coup Sunday, arresting one of the leaders and forcing the other a son of King Norodom Sihanouk out of the country.

Interior Minister You Hockry said Sin Song was under house arrest and Sihanouk's son, Prince Norodom Chakrapong, had been forced onto a Malaysian Airlines flight just nine hours after the attempt to seize power.

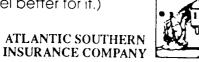
Both Sin Song and Chakrapong led a failed secessionist movement after their Cambodian People's Party lost by a small margin in the U.N.-organized poll in May 1993. They initially fled to Malaysia and then quietly returned to Phnom Penh, where they have been seeking two of their party's 51 seats in Parliament.



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## **Peter is Liberation Day Queen**

The 16-year-old Lori Ellen San

Nicolas Warnick, grabbed the sec-

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Warnick, of Katmelo Country

"Royal Princess."

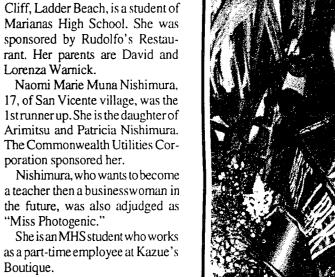
LARISSA Lorraine Peter, 18, was crowned as the "1994 Liberation Day Queen" at the American Memorial Park Friday night.

Sponsored by the Department of Finance, Peter won over four other lovely candidates for selling the most number of tickets.

Peter, of Chalan Laulau, is a graduate of Wilson High, Portland, Oregon. She is the daughter of Rosa Limes Peter.

The Liberation Day Queen was the only contestant who failed to attend the presentation of the candidates to the media at Pacific Gardenia last June 11. She was offisland at that time.

"I am very happy and proud," Peter said during the coronation



Another pretty candidate-Jeralda Koshiba, 17, of Chalan Piao—was the 2nd runner up. She is the daughter of Takashi Koshiba. Her sponsor was Saipan Garment Manufacturer's Association.

Boutique.

Koshiba, who dreams to be a successful businesswoman someday, is another MHS student who works part time at Continental Micronesia.

Meanwhile, Ronnakella Eriich, 19, of San Antonio, was named "Princess." She is the daughter of Francesca Alfonso. Her sponsor was the Micro Beach Ho-

Rains disrupted the coronation night for a few minutes. But cultural dances and songs performed by local entertainers kept the show alive

The search for the "Liberation Day Queen" is an annual fundraising part of activities of the commemoration of World War II. (FDT)



1994 Liberation Day Queen Larissa Lorraine Peter proudly shows her trophy



First runner up Naomi Marie Muna Nishimura (right) expresses her joy after she was also chosen as "Miss Photogenic.

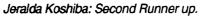
### **Beach Road from park** closed to traffic today

THE STRETCH of Beach Road from the American Memorial Park intersection in Garapan northward to the Army Reserve Center has been ordered closed to traffic yesterday evening until further notice.

According to a media advisory from the Department of Public Safety, the road is being closed 6 p.m. yesterday and that police officers have been assigned in the area to monitor, control and direct traffic.

"The road will remain closed until further notice. All motorists are idvised to take alternative routes during this time," read the DPS notice.

The area is expected to be swarmed with Liberation Day revelers during today's Liberation Day parade.





Florence Bocago, coordinator for the 1994 Liberation Day Queen program and Liberation Day Princess Ronnakella Eriich oblige for a photo.



Lori Ellen San Nicolas Warnick smiles after she was named "Royal Princess" during the coronation night at the American Memorial Park.

### Poker robbery suspect faces trial By Rafael I. Santos will still undergo trial after his

A MAN accused of robbing RJ Game room in As Lito last year

attempt to avoid prosecution failed. Anthony Chargualaf Flores will

be tried on July 18 as scheduled, according to Assistant Attorney General Alan Gordon last week. Flores, through Chief Public

## Mother of six gets 5 years for drugs tence, because doing otherwise

### By Rafael I. Santos

THE SUPERIOR Court has sentenced a 41-year old mother to five years in jail after pleading guilty to possession of methamphetamine, a harmful substance that destroys the central nervous system.

However, Bernadita Manahane will only spend thirty days in jail as the court suspended the four years. Following her release from jail, the mother of six children will be placed on house of arrest for the remaining 330 days

Manahane will begin serving her jail term starting Friday.

Judge Marty Taylor deviated from the stipulated plea agreement that recommended a oneyear jail sentence for the defendant. He handed down the sentence last Friday morning.

Last Wednesday, defense lawver Steve Nutting said his client should be given a 30-day senwould be "unduly harsh." He also informed the court of his client's situation as a mother and a bread winner

Assistant Attorney General Russell Marsh insisted that the stipulated sentence was one year. adding that such jail term was just appropriate for Manahane.

In handing the down the sentence, Judge Taylor said he was aware of the situation of the defendant and the fact that she is a first time offender.

In effect, the defense proposal to impose a 30-day sentence was followed the court, although Manahane will actually be considered in detention after her release from the Division of Corrections. The judge said Manahane should not stay out of her home during the 330 day period.

The court ordered her not to drive an automobile. In going to and from work, she has to have someone to drive for her.

Earlier, Manahane asked the court to give her a lenient sentence, saying she would no longer commit the same offense she committed last year. She was also concerned about her children who will be without parents if she too will spend longer jail term.

Manahane's husband Ramon is currently serving a three-year prison term for drugs.

Saipan authorities arrested Ramon while waiting for the plane he boarded to taxi for a flight to Guam. Mrs. Manahane was nabbed in Guam after Customs agents were informed of the "ice" importation.

Three grams of crystal methamphetamine was seized from Mrs. Manahane. The controlled substance was sown in her clothes and hidden in her purse. She pleaded guilty to possession of "ice". The government in return dismissed the other charges against her

Defender Dan DeRienzo, earlier asked the Superior Court to dismiss the charges of armed robbery and assault with dangerous weapon, saying he has been deprived of speedy trial. The commonwealth and the U.S. Constitution guarantee every person the right to speedy trial.

The defense blamed the government for the delay in the holding of legal proceedings against Flores. The defendant, who appears to be in his 30s, was arrested by the authorities in November 1993 after he allegedly robbed the As Lito establishment of \$1,300.

Little progress was made regarding the case, prompting

DeRienzo to file a motion to dismiss. Superior Court Presiding Judge Alex Castro however denied the motion, describing it as a "motion in disguise."

According to him, the government should not also be blamed for the delay, saying it was not caused by the Attorney General's Office.

On the early morning of September 18, 1993, Flores who was armed during that time entered the RJ Game room and locked a security guard and a cashier inside the bathroom, the government said. He then went to the cashier's booth and took away \$1,300, according to Gor-

### As Matuis residents to get better water

**RESIDENTS** of As Matuis Homestead area will have improved water services, according to a news release from the Commonwealth Utilities Corp.

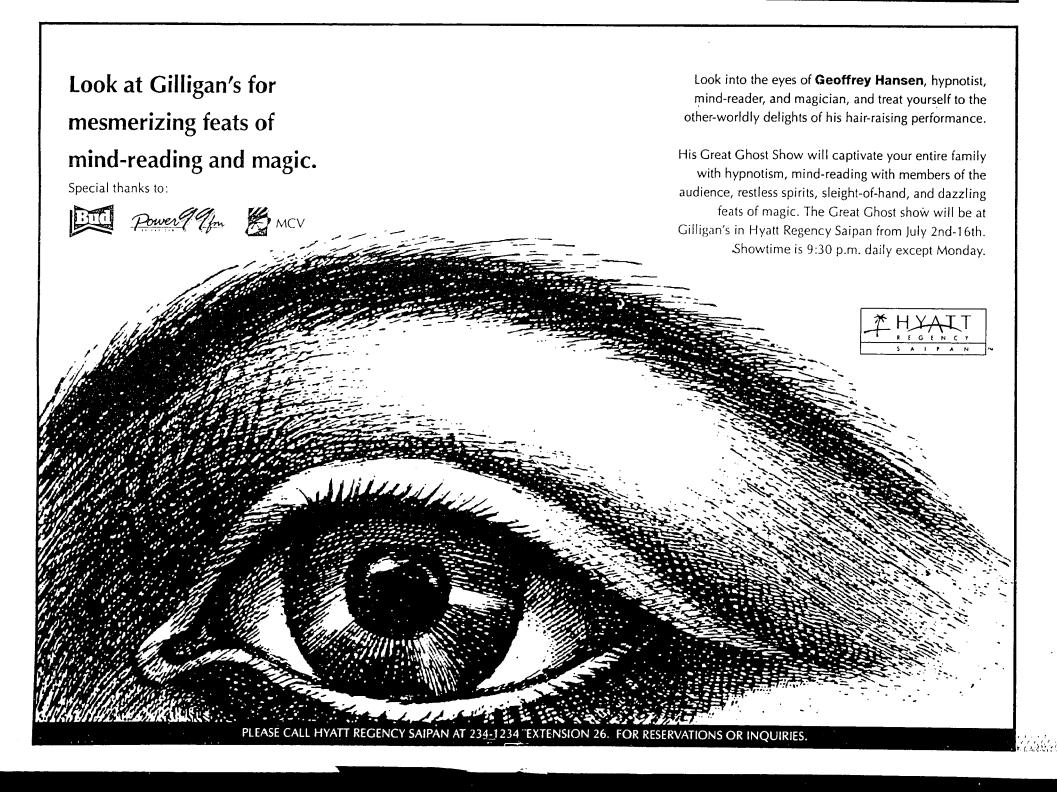
The news release issued by CUC Public Information Officer Pamela Mathis announced advised residents in Upper As Matuis to expect water from 4:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Lower As Matuis residents on Conserve Water

the other hand will receive water from 5:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

CUC advised residents that in order to receive the water. their meter base must be inspected and opened by the CUC Water Division. They are also required to have an application on file.

Inquiries are encouraged to Rudy Sablan of CUC's Water Division at 322-4033.





THE GROUND breaking ceremony for the construction of the Friendship Monument at Banzai Cliff was held Saturday morning, an expression of strong desire for lasting world peace and continued friendship among all people.

Lt. Governor Jesse Borja, U.S. Department of Interior Representative Jeff Schorr and Japan Consul Hiruzo Ushida led the other guests from Japan and CNMI in the ground breaking.

The design of the monument was made by Ryoichi Eguchi of Japan while the construction is being paid for by J. M. Guerrero of J. M. and Associates and Daniel Buniag of Marfran Enterprise.

On the other hand, Efrain Camacho has extended the professional services of his company (Efrain F. Camacho Consulting Engineers and Architect) for the review of the blue prints.

According to Eguchi, "friendship and peace are always in the people and it always begins with harmony among people." He wanted to express the harmony among Japan, United States and the CNMI who have overcome their cultural differences to understand other people.

In explaining his design, Eguchi pointed out that each shape (monument) represents the people (U.S, Japan, and CNMI). The materials to be used—rocks show nature's own hand—how man can live in harmony with nature's strength

He said the metal represents the aspects of progress in the human culture.

"I tried to show the balance and harmony of humans with nature by using these materials. The use of these two elements, both try to understand and cooperate with each other and thus symbolize the eternal "WA" or harmony that exists," Eguchi said.

The MVB explained that in early January, a production team from Japan began the process of soliciting designs for the creation be erected on Saipan.

The open design contest with a central theme of peace and friendly relationship with and beauty of Saipan was opened to all design schools, colleges, and art magazines in Japan.

Eguchi bested more than 100 entries last May with his spectacular piece he named "WA" (harmony).

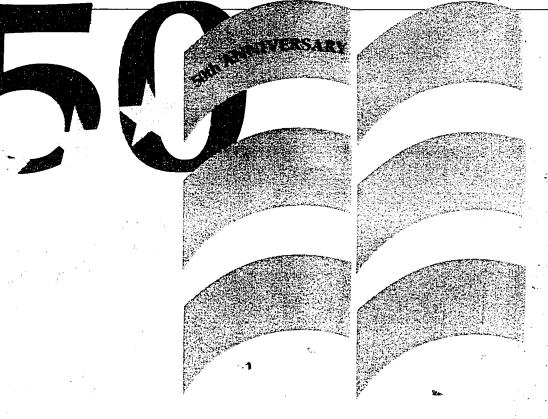
MVB Board Chairperson Frances Sablan-Bellas said the ground breaking ceremony is the culmination of the bureau's marthe CNMI Friendship Year.

In her speech, Bellas said last year they contracted the agency Ad Intelligence of Japan to develop special travel promotional events to generate further interest on the NMI for the Japanese travelling public.

The special marketing program entails three events including the production of a documentary TV featuring the islands which was aired on June 4 and received an estimated 5% rating Japan nationwide, Bellas said.



Lt. Governor Jesse Borja (right) leads the ground breaking for the construction of the Friendship Monument at Banzai Cliff Saturday morning. With him from left are Japan Consul Hiruzo Ushida, Saipan Mayor Jesus Deleon Guerrero, MVB Board members J. M. Guerrero and Frances S. Bellas.



On this Fourth of July, Americans everywhere will be celebrating 218 years of freedom... and here in Saipan, we will be celebrating a golden moment of our own: the 50th year of our Liberation from foreign occupation. May our flags wave free always.

Happy Liberation Day



sign competition, there was also an essay contest on the writer's perception of the islands, of which 25 winning writers were chosen.

The winners were honored during the ceremony along with 20 media representatives, both print and television, who covered the event.

"This special marketing program has generated valuable publicity exposure for our islands, stretching more than 3 times our investment," she said.

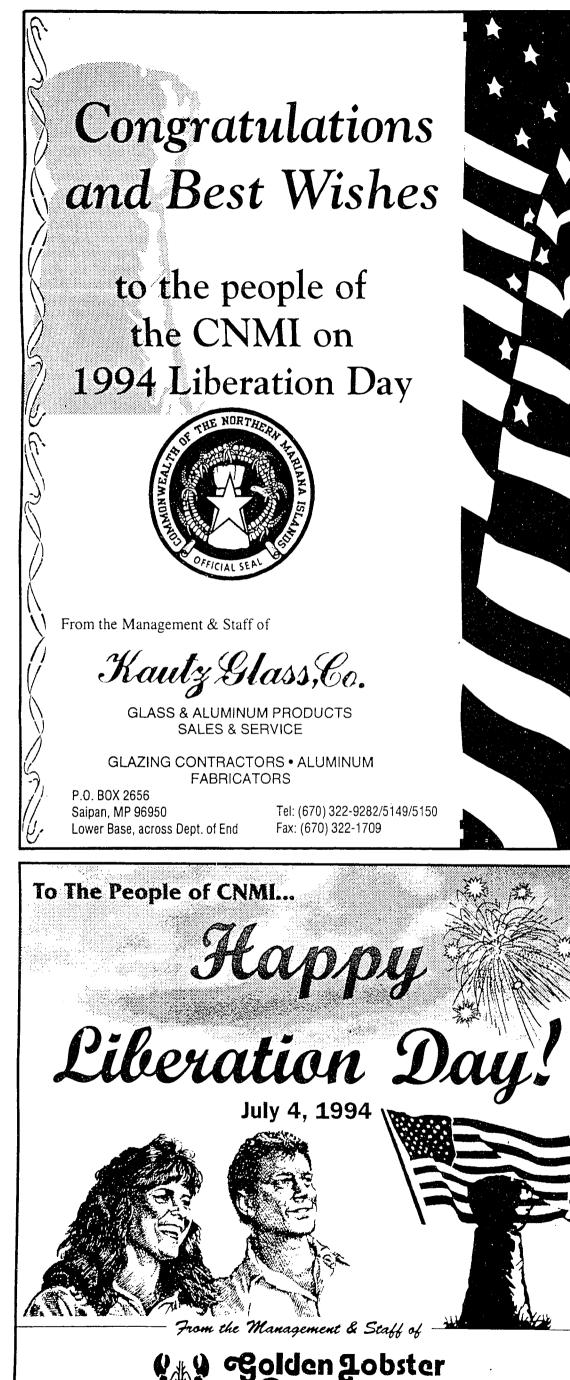
The MVB board chairperson said the site (Banzai Cliff) was chosen where a lot of innocent victims lost their lives 50 years

"Now we believe that with the friendship monument, one can sense the harmony and tranquility of the present time." Bellas added.

J. M. Guerrero said he with the help of Buniag, decided to shoulder the expenses for the construction of the monument because he has been involved in tourism industry for a very long time.

"I am much committed friendship between US, Japan and CNMI must further be enhanced and strengthened," Guerrero said.

Buniag said the monument, which he described as futuristic with an enchanted touch, is expected to finish after three to four months. The total cost of the construction is estimated between \$65,000 to \$70,000, he said.



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## **Babbitt here** for 1st visit

US INTERIOR Secretary Bruce Babbitt last night arrived Saipan for a short visit of the Commonwealth in his first-ever tour of the Pacific insular areas as head of the Interior Department.

Babbitt came by Saipan from Palau where he met with President Kuniwo Nakamura and toured the island nation yesterday morning.

He came in around 8:15 last night and was immediately ushered into a reception at the Hyatt Regency Saipan hosted by Governor Froilan C. Tenorio.

According to a media advisory issued by the Interior's field office on Saipan, the Interior secretary is here on island to discuss current issues with local leaders and to participate in events and celebrations marking the 50th anniversary of the World War II Marianas Campaign.

Early today. Babbitt is expected

to tour the World War II Museum at the American Memorial Park where he will lay a wreath at the new monument in honor of those who fought the Battle of Saipan in-World War II.

Right after that, he will be taken on a motorcade tour to Saipan's historic tourist spots as Banzai Cliff, the Last Command Post, Suicide Cliff and Bird Island followed by a visit to the Interior's field office at the Horiguchi Build ing where he is to meet DOI employees.

He is then to participate in the Liberation Day parade that is set to start 9:00 a.m. at the Horiguch Building and end at the American Memorial Park where he is to keynote the festivities.

After an 11:30 engagement with the local media, he will then be off to the airport en route to Guam where he is to spend the night and the next day.

## CUC announces its new water hours

THE COMMONWEALTH Utilities Corporation announced yesterday a few changes in its schedule of Saipan water hours. Each week, the utility releases a chart which indicates the time of day when the CUC turns on its water valves in each village.

If Saipan has suffered from dry weather, then the water levels drop n the reservoirs and the water hours decrease. That's why the utility encourages residents to conserve water.

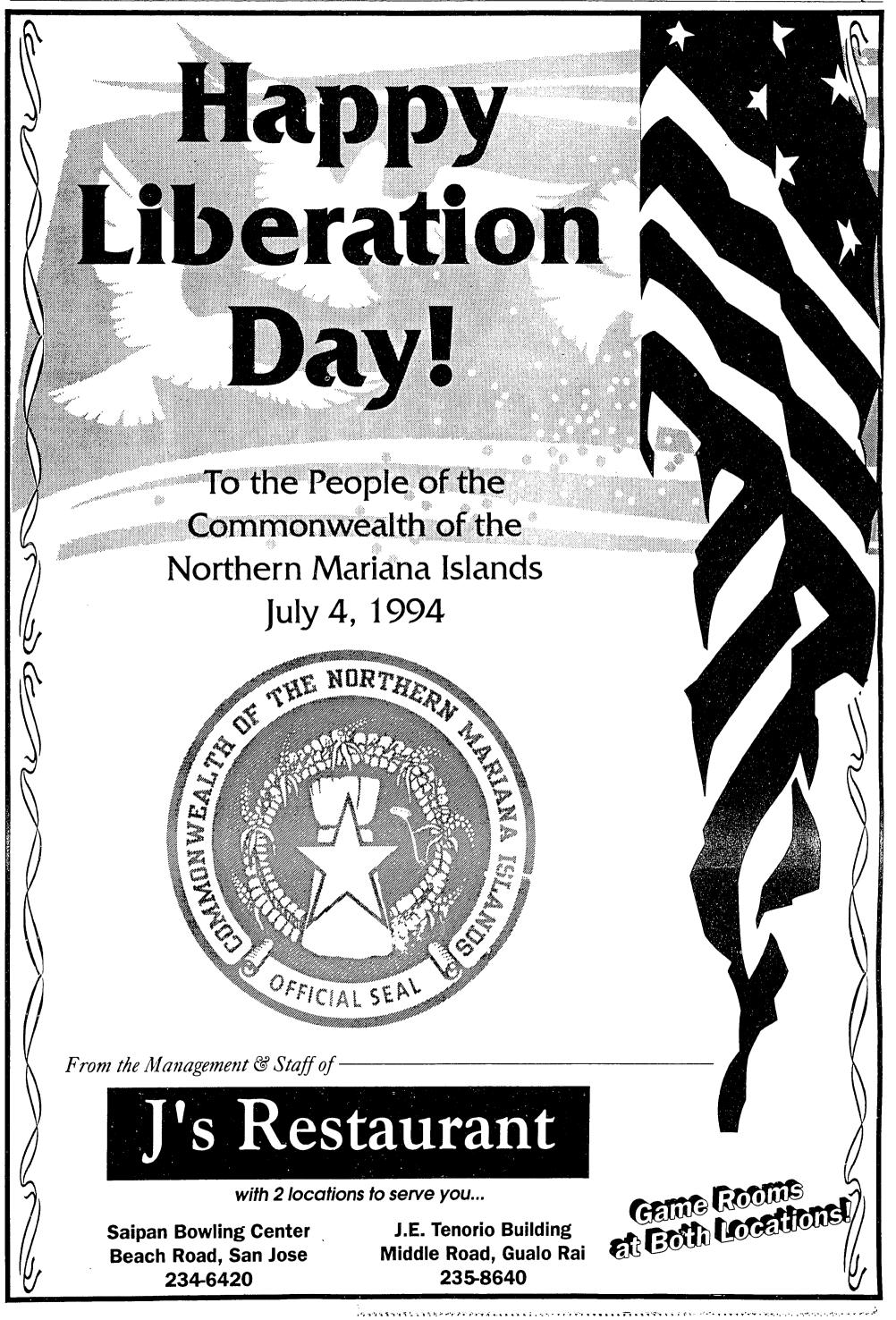
Residents, especially those who live in As Matius, are encouraged o make sure they have a water application on file and they have not egally hooked up to the city water system.

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These times represent the hours at which CUC crews turn on the valves. It may take 30 minutes or more for the water to reach the homes. The hours depend on the water level, the water pressure, and the distance between the tank and your residence.

For example, if the reservoir is full, your water flows faster; but, with low water levels in the tank, the water flows more slowly.







# Senator calls for positive change

SENATE Floor Leader Paul A. Manglona strongly disagree with news reports that the Senate last Friday (June 24) "rubber stamped" Executive Order No.94-3 that was issued by GovernorTenorio that same day.

"This is not true", said Senator Manglona. "Over 95 percent of Executive Order 94-3 is essentially the same as 94-2 that was invalidated recently by the court. The legislature spent 60-days studying it; 94-3 was practically a carbon copy of the previous order. We wanted positive change,

positive action, with no more delay."

"In fact," he said "Senate leader met for many hours with Governor Tenorio earlier that same day discussing the proposed executive order. After the court declared our action void, we felt we should act immediately in order to avoid creating more confusion within the government.

"We didn't want to wait several weeks. We felt it should be absolutelyclear that 'change' was coming and we supported it. We all saw what happened with E.O 94-2," he said.

"Because the governor was leaving the CNMI that same day, and the lieutenant governor was also off-island, we felt we had to act during the June 24th session because Senate President Demapan would be acting governor and therefore would not be able to attend the Senate session. Based on past experience, it's a fact that the Senate cannot afford to have a single member of the majority absent," he said.

"We acted immediately to avoid confusion. Again it must be absolutely clear that we, and the governor, wanted change to be forthcoming despite the temporary setback in the court," said Manglona.

The Senate Floor Leader also explained that another executive order, 94-4, is currently being crafted to further modify E.O. 94-3, which he said "gives us time to look over any critical areas. Furthermore, executive orders are not like constitutional amendments. The legislature can amend it tomorrow, so what are the critics afraid of? The governor has publicly stated that he would approve any reorganization approved by both houses of the legislature."

"So much legislation is intro-



The Senator compared the executive order to the constitutional provision that permits the reorganization of the Marianas Public Land Corporation by the legislature since 1988.

"But the legislature has done nothing about MPLC. No legislation. The legislature only acts when it is forced to act and that's wrong. To end this constant delay, we immediately approved E.O.94-3 to show our support."

Senator Maglona also cited the seemingly endless debate over the annual CNMI budget as another example. "We need a constitutional amendment that gives the legislature a deadline to act or amend, perhaps 120-days, or else the governor's version will be come law. Until today," he said, 'we've had two years of no approved budget, which means a continuing resolution' keeps the budget for fiscal year 1992 still in effect."

The Senate Floor Leader said the Senate acted "to demonstrate that this practice is no longer acceptable, regardless if we're addressing the budget or reorganization. We want positive change now."

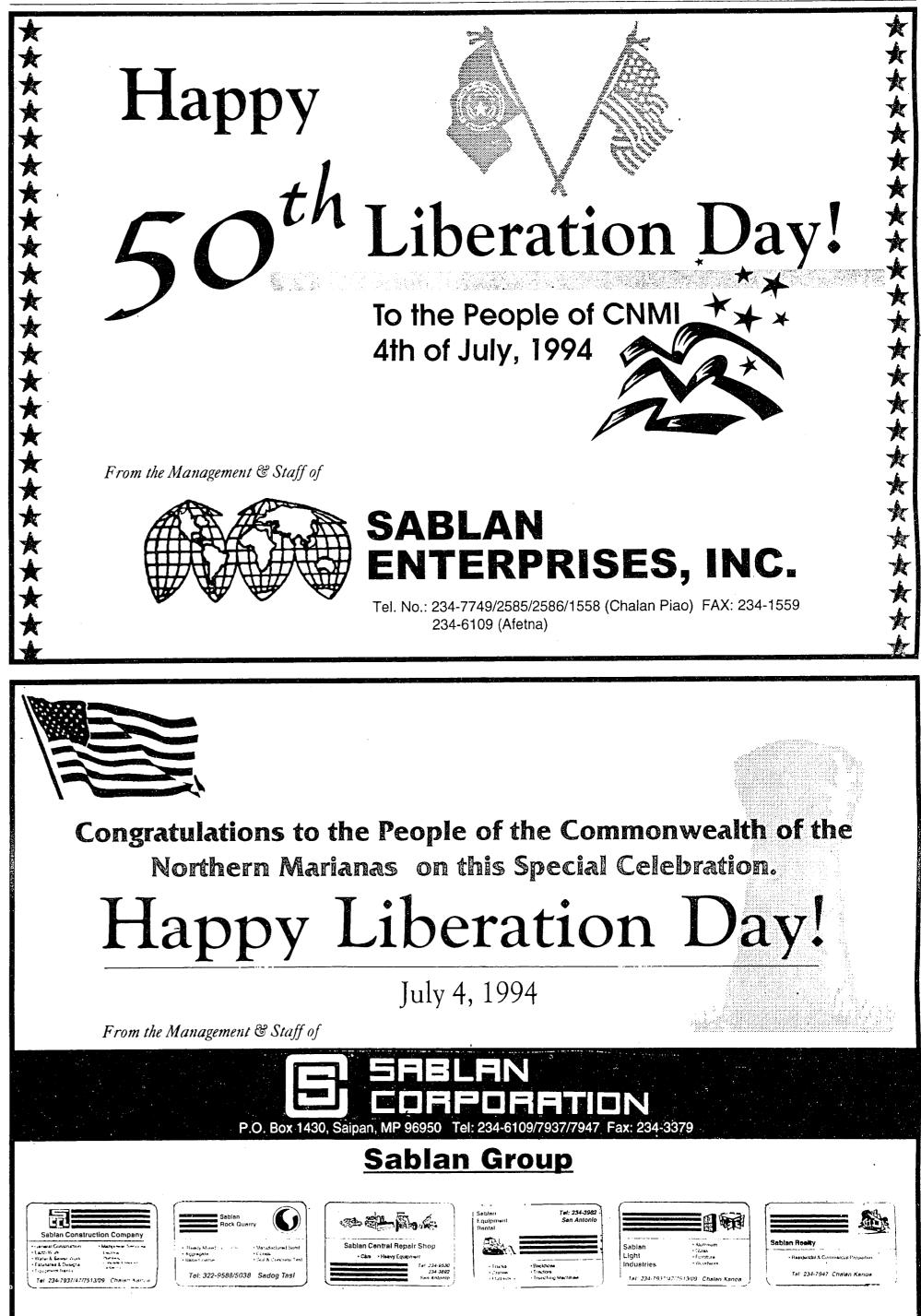
Manglona said lawmakers should put aside "petty politics" and work together. "We must admit that sometimes unpopular decisions must be made. If we are afraid to act we must remember that the constitution created the mechanism for the executive order process."

## Renowned photographer releases poster

Photographer Reese Mc Cormick will be signing posters of her photography entitled "Where America's Day Begins, today and tomorrow at the HOT 98 FM studios on Middle Road in Garapan. McCormick is releasing a limited edition poster to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Saipan Liberation. (Photo by Grant Paul)



Reese McCormick



## Boat people wave may rise further

By DAVID BEARD

**PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti** (AP) -Tired U.S. Coast Guardsmen labored Saturday in their biggest rescue mission since World War II, intercepting boats jammed with Haitians and bracing for a new surge in refugees.

Diplomats say they believe bigger boats are being readied for thousands more Haitians to try to escape their impoverished and repressive homeland.

About 7,000 have fled in the past two weeks, including 1,365 who were picked up Friday. That was the highest single-day total since the current exodus began after Washington changed its policy on boat people on June 16. Under the policy, intercepted boat people will be given a hearing to see if they qualify for political refugee status in the United States. Previously, all boat people had been considered economic refugees and had been returned to Haiti. Although only about one of

every three boat people has been granted asylum so far, the chance has been enough for Haitians to take to the sea under wretched conditions.

On Friday, the Coast Guard cut<sup>\*</sup> ter Hamilton stopped a 50-foot (15-meter) sailboat on which 468 people had managed to jam. "I don't think you can get any more people on a boat that size. That's extremely unsafe," Coast Guard spokesman Dan Waldschmidt told The Associated Press.

At least 17 boats carrying 590 more people were intercepted by Saturday night. The Coast Guard attributed the smaller count Saturday to bad weather and the fact that nearly 1,000 Haitians remained on cutters from the day before, limiting their range and capacity.

The boat people are taken either to a ship off Jamaica or to a recently reopened facility at the U.S. Naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, just across the 80-mile (128 kms) Windward Passage from northwest Haiti.

Until the reopening of Guantanamo, most boat people had

set sail from the southwest peninsula that reaches toward Jamaica. Butthe availability of Guantanamo makes departing from the north more feasible, and thus is likely to increase the flow, said a diplomatic source.

The diplomat, who is familiar with the number of boats being built on the island, said he foresees a surge in the next few weeks. Boat organizers, particularly in the north, are aggressively promoting voyages, he said on condition of anonymity. Northern Haiti has bigger boats, built primarily for cargo traffic to and from Miami or the Bahamas.

The promoters apparently are seeking to make as much as pos-

sible before the economic sanctions against Haiti make money even scarcer.

The sanctions were imposed to try to force the military-backed government to relinquish power and restore to offi رانبنی اینینی ارتیکی ارتیکی ارتیکی ارتیکی ارتیکی

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ce democratically elected President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who was overthrown in a military-led coup in 1991. Since the coup, more than 51,000 Haitians were intercepted at sea by the Coast Guard. The number of those who made it to other shores or died on the way is not known.

The refugee exodus threatens to overwhelm the processing facilities off Jamaica, at Guantanamo and on the British Caribbean island of Grand Turk. The facilities are projected to accommodate 15,500 people by mid-July.

In Washington, a White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Saturday the Clinton administration is close to signing an agreement to open another center in another country, which she did not specify.

If hearings for the boat people take place offshore, the Clinton administration does not have to provide legal counsel for them. Washington had hoped to decide within 24 hours whether refugees would be given political asylum, but the influx has slowed that effort.

Security zone for refugees planned

PARIS (AP) -France prepared Saturday to establish a security zone for refugees in southwest Rwanda as advancing Tutsi rebels sent tens of thousands of Hutus fleeing in the nation's bloody civil war, officials said.

The move could put French forces on a collision course with the ethnic Tutsi rebels, who have threatened to attack French troops who stand in the way of their fight to topple the Hutudominated government. Creation of the "humanitarian zone" was covered by the U.N. mandate that allowed the June 24 French intervention in the former Belgian colony, requiring only that France inform the U.N. Security Council, said Catherine Colonna, a French Foreign Ministry 'spokeswoman.

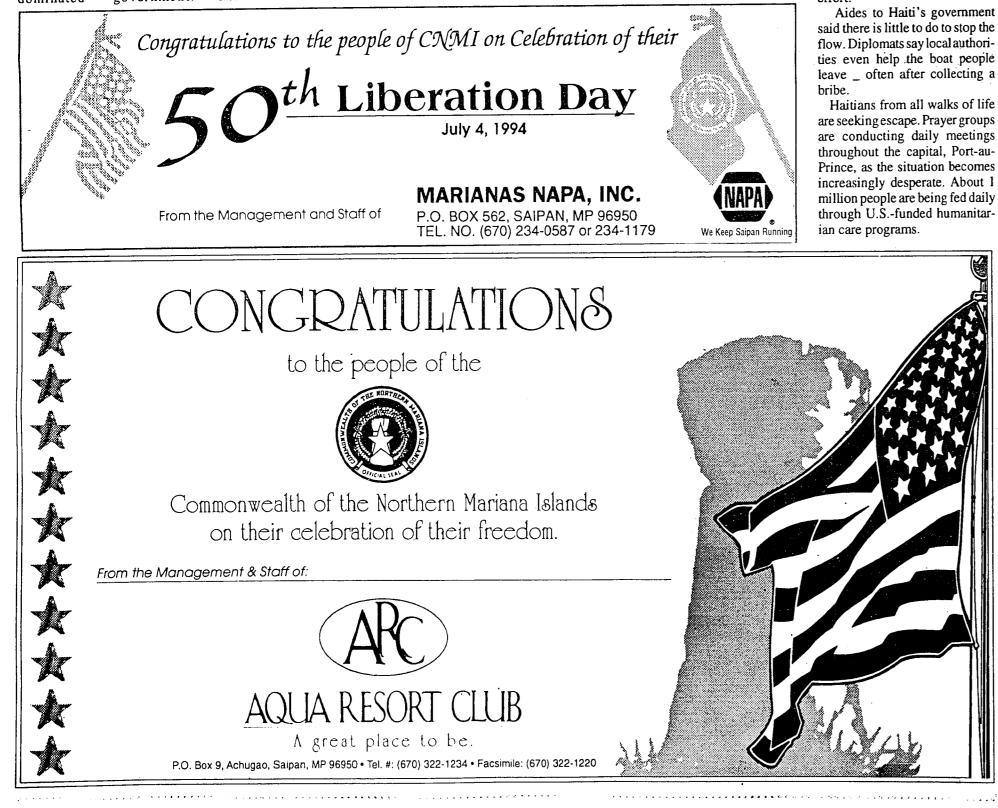
In a letter to U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, the French government cited "the intensification and the widening of the combat, notably in the south and west of the country,'' Ms. Colonna read.

"There exists a strong risk of new massacres and displacement of populations," said Ms. Colonna, adding that the zone would apply to members of both warring factions.

French officials had said the French troops deployed in western Rwanda would have to retreat closer to the western border with Zaire if they did not set up such a zone.

They did not say how many troops may be required, exactly what their function would be nor what the timetable was to establish the zone.

The security zone would cover the districts of Cyangugu, Gikongoro and the southen half of the district of Kibuye. It would include about one-fifth of the country in the government-held region, French officials said.



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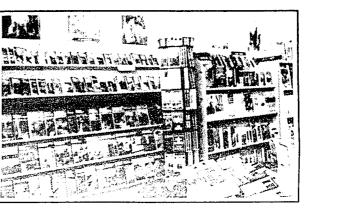
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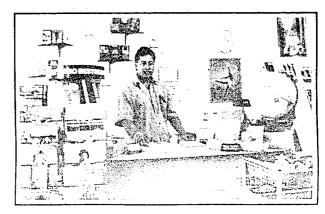
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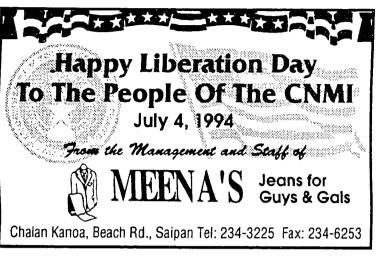
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### **Israelis riot amid Arafat's visit** paged through east Jerusalem

**By RON KAMPEAS** 

JERUSALEM (AP) -Thousands of right-wing Israelis ram-

Sunday, vandalizing Arab property, stoning a U.S. consulate building and trying to break into



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the Temple Mount, after a protest of Yasser Arafat's visit to the Gaza Strip.

Four policemen were injured and several protesters were detained in the violence that erupted after at least 50,000 demonstrators thronged a downtown square, burning pictures of Arafat, the PLO chairman, and denouncing him as a "murderer."

Anger also was turned toward Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin for concessions that gave power to the PLO, which has taken control of the Gaza Strip and West Bank town of Jericho.

It was one of the largest protests in years in Jerusalem, equal in size with a demonstration last September when tens of thousands surrounded Rabin's office to protest the signing of the Israel-PLO autonomy accord.

Police estimated more than 100,000 protesters were in the crowd, while organizers claimed the figure was twice that. The protesters tied up the Jaffa Road and other main streets in the heart of the city.

Using Jerusalem as an emotional backdrop, hard-line opponents of Palestinian peace accords condemned Arafat for past acts of terror against Jews.

They hoped a massive show of force would prevent Arafat from making good on promises to visit the city and make east Jerusalem the Arab sector captured in the 1967 Mideast war the capital of a Palestinian state.

Several thousand police were deployed.

"What Arafat really wants isn't an Arab state next to Israel, but an Arab state instead of Israel," said Benjamin Netanyahu, leader of right-wing Likud Party.

He spoke from a second-floor balcony draped with a banner reading: "Death to the Master Murderer."

Some demonstrators burned PLO flags and pictures of Arafat. Others put matches to photos of Rabin,

"In blood and fire, throw Rabin out," some youths shouted mimicking the Palestinian slogan of defiance against Israeli rule.

Many demonstrators were angered by Arafat's comments that Palestinians would not rest until Jerusalem was capital of their independent state. "They will take away our country," one man cried.

Police seized spare tires apparently intended for burning road-

Celebrate

olocks. Netanyahu urged people to occupy streets and disrupt traffic.

Afterwards several thousand rampaged in Palestinian-populated east Jerusalem. Police shut entrances to the old walled city, and sparred with hundreds of the protesters for more than two hours outside Damascus Gate.

Amid shouts of "slaughter the Arabs" and "death t

o Arafat," they pushed through barricades and rampaged in the Muslim quarter, stoning four policemen, setting an Arab car on fire, breaking shop windows and stoning houses. The assaults were near a house owned by Ariel Sharon, the former right-wing general and defense minister,

Riot troops pushed back several dozen protesters as they mounted a ramp leading to Al Aqsa mosque, Islam's third holiest site, police said. The site known by Jews as the Temple Mount is where two ancient temples once stood

Hundreds continued the rampage as they marched past the American consulate building in west Jerusalem. They stoned a gate and banged on windows and a door before being pushed back by police mounted on horseback. There were no reports of damage or injuries from that assault, which occurred while offices were closed.

In all, the protest and marches lasted longer than six hours, ending with a sit-in outside Rabin's " residence in Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is at the center of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict as a mixed Jewish-Arab city claimed by both nations as their capital. Arafat's plans to pray in Jerusalem has galvanized feelings against his visit, although he is not expected to show up during his current stay.

Netanyahu vowed: "Arafat will never enter Jerusalem."

Arafat said earlier Saturday that Jewish opponents of the autonomy accord with the PLO were "exaggerating the whole thing."

He noted that Germans and French reconciled "after a long. long confrontation in the first and second world wars, now they are friends in the European Union.'



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**By CLARO CORTES** 

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - The star who was mistakenly named winner of the best actress in last week's fraud-marred Manila Film Festival denied involvement in the cheating, claiming she too was an unwitting victim.

"Let me make myself clear. I condemn all kinds of lying or cheating and I stand by my previous statement that I and my family are not part of this filmfest fiasco," the 20-year-old Ruffa Gutierrez said during a packed news conference in a Manila suburb late Saturday.

"I am an innocent victim of it... I have nothing to do with it. One can be used without knowing one is being used," she added. "I wish some of my accusers would credit me with some intelligence to know that one does not get away with (such) a simpleminded irregular-

She refused to say who may have masterminded the whole name-switching affair.

On Friday, actress Nanette Medved, who was Miss Gutierrez's co-presenter in the best actor category, testified she coerced by her manager Lolit Solis to announce the name of actor Gabby Concepcion, a stable mate, as winner instead of Edu Manzano.

Concepcion also appeared during the hearing to say he was not part of the conspiracy. He said he knew nothing of the swindle until Wednesday night, when Miss Medved told him.

Miss Medved also testified that Miss Gutierrez knew of the plot and kept on calling her days after the incident, telling her to stick to their announcement that Concepcion was the real winner.

Miss Gutierrez denied Miss Medved's testimony.

"People tend to believe any sensational witness making self-serving testimony on TV, even those who want desperately to be a state witness to save their skin," Miss Gutierrez said. "They mistake TV testimony for legal evidence."

Miss Gutierrez said she will answer the charges in court.

Also Friday, Mrs. Solis was rushed to the hospital for taking an overdoze of tranquilizers. She denied it was an suicide attempt.

The swindle unraveled shortly after the festival's auditors announced that two winners named at the presentation were not those chosen by the judges. The real best actress winner was Aiko Melendez.

Concepcion was charged with fraudand related charges along with Miss Medved and Mrs. Solis. Also charged were Gutierrez; her mother, Annabelle Rama; her brother, Rocky; and Viveka Babajee, who represented the Indian Ocean island nation Mauritius in last month's Miss Universe pageant.

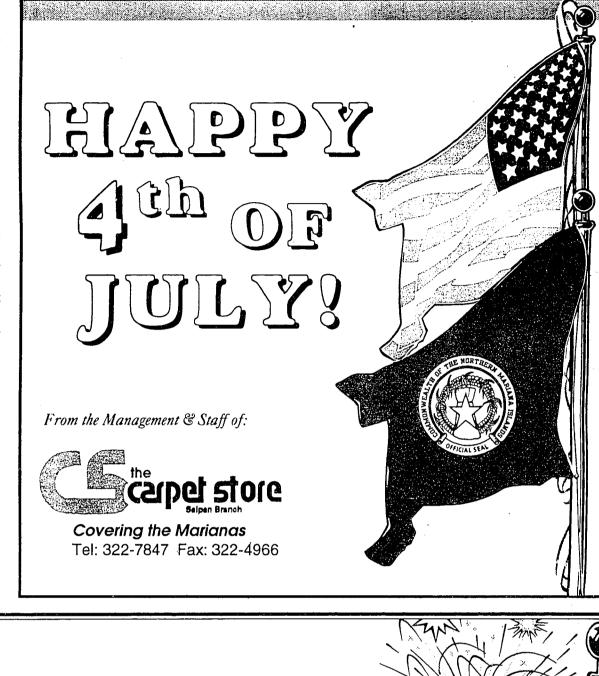
Mrs. Rama, who also is Miss Gutierrez's manager, apologized for coming on strong after the anomaly was discovered. She said it was a mother's instinct to protect her only daughter.

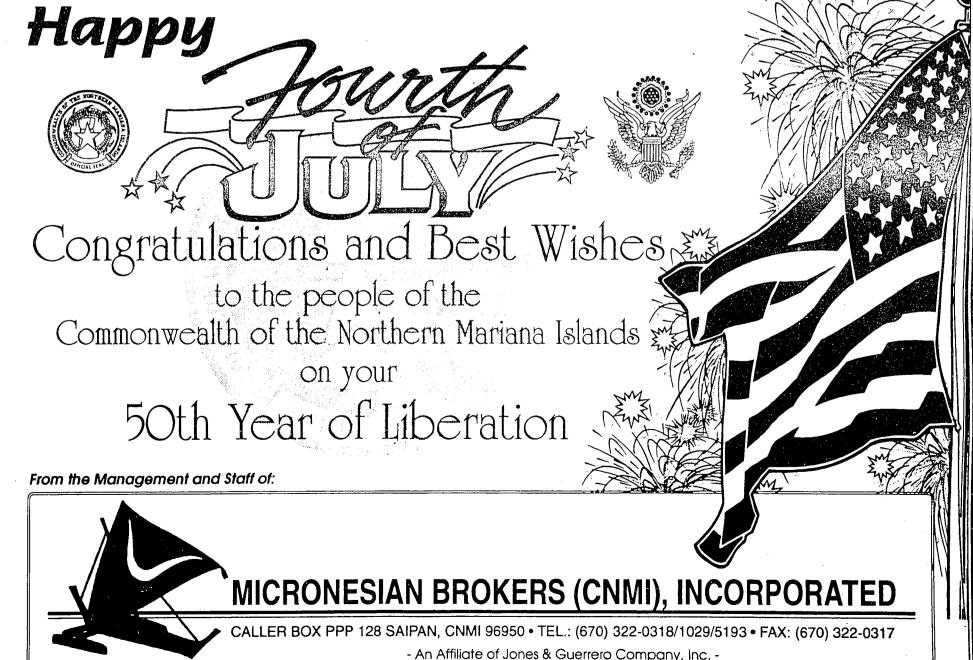
Miss Babajee fled to Hong Kong

late Sunday after officials threatened to deport her. Miss Gutierrez, who placed third

in the last Miss World contest in South Africa, said the incident ended her budding movie career. She said

she is thinking of taking up computers or a tourism course in a foreign school.





### Froilan:...

Continued from page 1 governor's constitutional revamp powers.

Prior to the Superior Court lawsuit, Executive Order 94-2 attempted to transfer MVB to the department of Commerce as a division and to abolish its board of directors.

This was met with resistance from the agency's top officers who argued MVB, being an autonomous agency cannot be touched by the governor's E.O. The argument led to a lawsuit seeking the nullification of the E.O. The court indeed declared the E.O. null and void but at the same time rendered the opinion that MVB may be within the reach of the governor's revamp authority under Article III Section 15 of the Constitution.

But after the governor came up with Executive Order 94-3 which has rewritten provisions on MVB's revamp, the visitors bureau decided it will indeed take the matter up to the Supreme Court.

"We feel we can make improvements at MVB if we go ahead with this plan," said the governor during the Friday press conference. "How can they prove that what we plan would not work." Lieutenant Governor, Jesus C.

Borja, on the other hand expressed

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votes was read.

MVB Managing Director Seman refused to comment on the membership's decision, saying it is better to let them speak.

A member who requested anonymity said: "The majority had spoken. They believe that the issue should be raised to the Supreme Court."

The voting was conducted shortly after the MVB legal counsel Eric Smith pointed out to the members how the issue started as amazement at how some of the plan's critics seem to imply the administration is doing this even if it was to the detriment of the Commonwealth.

"We're not out to change the structure to destroy the economy. We're moving not to the effect that such changes will be detrimental to the CNMI," said the lieutenant governor, who further said the planned appeal is not likely to succeed.

Both he and the governor asked the public to give the new E.O. a chance so they can "prove its critics wrong."

Under the new order, the bureau's board of directors would no longer be abolished as in the first E.O., but its composition would rather be increased from the

well as the position of the agency's executive committee.

Earlier, Smith disclosed that the decision to appeal came up after a consultation of the executive committee of the bureau, which focused on the implications of the court decision on MVB.

The meeting was attended by Managing Director Bennet Seman and committee members Marian Aldan-Pierce, Frances Bellas, J. M. Guerrero and David Sablan.

It was held four days after Presiding Judge Alex Castro denied MVB's argument that the bureau does not fall under the executive department and should not be covered by the governor's re-organization.

Smith reiterated that MVB officials were satisfied with the court's decision to set aside Governor Froilan Tenorio's executive order but were not happy with the ruling that the agency is a government entity subject to reorganization.

In a 41-page decision issued last June 23, the Superior Court declared that MVB is part of the executive branch because its functions are primarily executive in nature which therefore allows the governor to reorganize it.

The trial court however stressed that Tenorio's Executive Order 94-2 is null and void, citing that it

## Language. .

Most subjects in high schools are also taught in English, making it necessary for students to learn the language and speak it in order to pass.

The defendant has already been arraigned during which he denied the felony charges lodged against him. Labong, who had earlier resisted extradition from Guam, pleaded not guilty to robbery and assault and battery charges. If convicted, he may spend eleven years in the Division of Corrections.

Previous attempts to secure the release of the 29-year-old janitor to a third party custodian were unsuccessful due to concerns that he might escape for the second

## Liberation...

Navy and Army forces freed Saipan and Tinian from Japanese occupation rulers.

When fighing subsided, the

current 9 to 14 members.

According to the governor, apart from five members from Saipan and two each from Rota and Tinian, the additional five members would each come from the hotel, airline, retailers, small business and travel agency sectors.

"There should be representation from these sectors and so we thought about this change. As you see, (E.O.) 94-3 is just an improvement of (E.O.) 94-2. If there are any concerns with the membership and the private sector's participation in MVB, then let's address them," said the governor.

"Let the E.O. take effect and we'll prove them (critics) wrong. give us time, and perhaps one year from now we'll tell them were doing good," he added.

cannot be implemented because the manner it was considered was against a parliamentary procedures.

The new majority in senate reconsidered the reorganization plan last month following a change in leadership, without first recalling a joint resolution rejecting the plan as unconstitutional.

Castro's decision prompted the governor to introduce E.O. 94-3 which contains additional provisions in a-section on MVB.

Under the new executive order, the MVB's board of directors is increased from nine members to 14.

Congressman Stanley Torres recently wrote to MVB officials urging them not to pursue any further legal action on the governor's reorganization plan.

Torres said any appeal has little change of success and MVB should pursue more productive actions than wasting even more money on legal fees.

Meanwhile, the MVB has started soliciting 5,000 signatures from the voters of the CNMI as a petition to the government in allowing the bureau the "continued flexibility to operate according to current needs and trends as authorized under public law and as independent autonomous agency."

time to avoid prosecution.

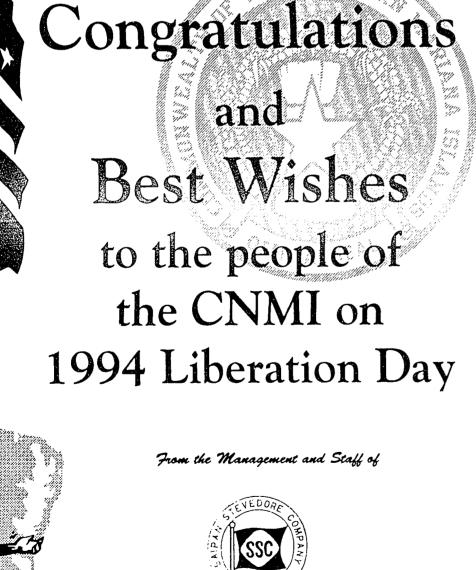
Labong is regarded as a flight risk as he has demonstrated that he can leave the CNMI an unconventional way," Assistant Attorney General Charles Rotbart has said.

The money he alleged stole from Hafa Adai hotel is said to be in his possession and he may use that to leave Saipan, the lawyer said. Reliable sources close to the hotel have told the Variety that Labong fled Saipan aboard a private boat which he rented from an "American." He arrived in Guam in a scuba diving suit, the Variety has been told.

He was arrested by Guam authorities late May and was brought to Saipan to face the charges against him. He is now currently held at the pre-trial detention facility on a \$500,000 cash bail.

people were taken to Camp Susupe to recover from the shock they experienced from war.

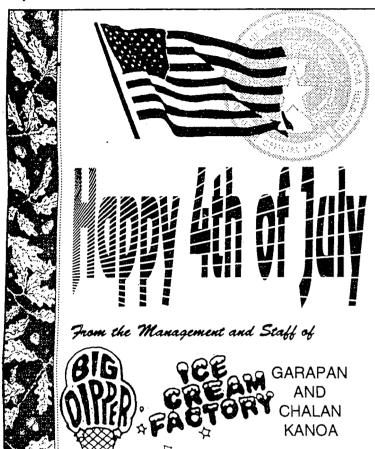
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## **Residents warned to brace for hurricane**

By PATRICK REYNA

**CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP)** -Forecasters warned Gulf Coast residents from Mississippi to Florida to brace for a minimal hurricane as Tropical Storm Alberto headed for land Sunday.

"We put up the hurricane warning because we're expecting it to become a hurricane overnight," forecaster Jerry Jarrell said late Saturday at the National Hurricane Center.

The storm's sustained winds grew from 75 kph (45 mph) to near 100 kph (60 mph) during the day. By the time Alberto reaches land winds will likely reach hurri-

### Cambodia downplays insurrection

GOVERNMENT radio played down the insurrection, calling it "an attempt to create some kind of public disorder" and added that "the public disorder has been checked and every citizen who supported these activities must return home."

Soldiers fanned out across the city overnight to guard key government buildings and official residences. They seized the cameras of The Associated Press photographer attempting to document their activities.

The streets appeared normal in the early morning, except that soldiers in armored vehicles were guarding the homes of the premiers. The Interior Ministry canceled a 9 a.m. (0200 GMT) news conference on the disturbance and many officials were unsure what had happened.

It is unclear whether the attempted coup was merely meant to return Sin Song and Chakrapong to power or also was connected to their party's attempts to outlaw the Khmer Rouge guerrilla group.

In the past week, opposition to the law has been crushed, leading two members of the royalist party to resign their positions to protest the Cambodian People's Party \_ the which Sin Song and Chakrapong belong to control over FUNCINPEC, the French acronym for the United Front for an Independent, Neutral, Peaceful and Cooperative Cambodia party. Insiders say the People's Party has been pressuring FUNCINPEC on the matter.

Finance Minister Sam Rainsy and Foreign Minister Prince Norodom Sirivudh have said they feared the law would give the administration grounds to conduct a witch-hunt for alleged Khmer Rouge supporters.

They have been told they can no longer speak to the media without Ranariddh's permission.

Sam Rainsy told a news conference last week that Ranariddh and the leaders of the Cambodian People's Party had been pressuring their members of Parliament to sign a statement saying they would vote for the law when it is introduced into Parliament on Monday.

cane-strength of at least 119 kph (74 mph), National Hurricane Center specialist Lixion Avila said.

Hurricane warnings were issued for areas from Gulfport, Miss., to Cedar Key, Fla. Landfall was projected at midday Sunday, probably between Pensacola and Panama City in northwestern Florida, Avila said.

Officials ordered evacuations of barrier islands in the hurricane warning area, including Pensacola Beach and Perdido Key near the Florida-Alabama border. Shopkeepers reported brisk sales of water and candles in the area. Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles urged Gulf Coast residents to monitor news broadcasts about the storm's progress and prepare for the worst. At 11 p.m. EDT, Alberto with top sustained winds near 100 kph (60 mph) was centered about 240 kilometers (150 miles) south of Pensacola, Fla., near 28.3 degrees north latitude and 86.8 degrees west longitude. It was moving northward at

about 22 kph (14 mph), with no change in direction anticipated before morning.

The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June through November.



## Rebels appear to be winning in Rwanda

By PATRICK McDOWELL

GISENYI, Rwanda (AP) ---Rebels have surrounded the capital of Kigali, a French military officer said Saturday, hours after the Rwandan government asked French troops to abandon their neutrality and fight off the insur-Soldiers of the Hutugents. dominated government army in the capital were penned in and faced a "critical situation," said French military spokesman Lt. Col Jean Claude Perruchat.

"Government forces seem to be preparing a counterattack from hills in the northwest ... but for the first time they are completely surrounded in Kigali," said Perruchat, who was in western Rwanda but has daily radio contact with U.N. forces in Kigali.

But in Kigali, the commander of U.N. forces, Mai. Gen. Romeo Dallaire, said early Sunday he couldn't confirm the city was surrounded by rebels. He said Perruchat's information didn't come from his command.

"We can't go out to see now, it's dark. It's too risky," Dallaire, a Canadian, said in a telephone interview with The . "There is fighting now. There is shooting in the city."

Earlier Saturday, mortar fire ripped into an open market in the besieged city, killing 16 people and injuring 25.

And in Paris, French officials said they would establish a security zone for refugees in southwest Rwanda as advancing Tutsi rebels sent tens of thousands of Hutus fleeing.

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The rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front, led by the minority Tutsis. has taken about two-thirds of the country since the fighting began in early April, and has mounted a ferocious assault on Kigali.

Since the French mission began, the RPF has alleged that it would be a move to bolster the government, as France has done in the past.

"We want France to interpose itself between the belligerent sides," Rwandan Foreign Minister Jerome Bicamumpaka told the AP in Gisenyi, where the provisional government fled after being driven from Kigali.

A French government official in Paris told the AP, "In no case have we offered help to the government."

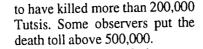
The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the Rwanda government now based in Gisenyi, "is no longer representative of the country."

France says its mission is strictly for humanitarian purposes, but the rebels are suspicious because French troops helped the government thwart a 1990 rebel offensive.

It was not immediately clear who fired the mortar rounds into the Kigali market, which was crammed with shoppers. U.N. military spokesman Jean-Guy Plante said witnesses reported three shells hit the market, one of the few places to buy f ood in the suffering capital

The fighting broke out after President Juvenal Habyarimana. a Hutu, died in a plane crash on April 6

The United Nations has blamed the government for inciting the Hutu-led army and civilian militias in a slaughter that is believed



The government also accuses the rebels of atrocities, but there have been very few reports of such acts by rebels.

French troops entered Rwanda from the west June 24 on a U.N.approved humanitarian mission that is to last two months. But some of the troops on Friday risked entering into combat.

The troops set up an aid post for refugees in the southwestern town of Butare, toward which the rebels are advancing.

Aid officials in Rwanda were mystified by the French move into Butare. They say that by blocking the rebel columns the French are certain to provoke a military re-

Rebels have threatened to engage any French troops it met on the battlefield, but said it would not attack as long as the French

stayed within the limits of the aid mission.

Creation of the "humanitarian zone" was covered by the U.N. mandate that allowed the French intervention, said Catherine Colonna, a French Foreign Ministry spokeswoman.

In a letter to U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, the French government cited "the intensification and the widening of the combat, notably in the south and west," Ms. Colonna read.

"There exists a strong risk for resumption of massacres and displacement of populations," said Ms. Colonna, adding that the zone would apply to both Hutus and Tutsis.

A U.N. spokeswoman in New York said the letter had been received Saturday.

French officials had said the French troops deployed in western Rwanda would have to retreat closer` to the border with Zaire if they did not set up such a zone.

## Thailand probes American's death

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP)-Thai police have agreed to investigate how an American tourist was fatally injured in jail and are awaiting documents from an autopsy, a U.S. Embassy official said Sunday.

Questions about Charles Betcher's death May 16 on a southern Thai resort island were raised when the American pathologist who performed the autopsy said Thursday that an 8.7centimeter (3 1/2-inch) cut on Betcher's head was "consistent with a blow by a narrow, hard object." It should be investigated as a homicide, he said.

Previous police accounts said Betcher hurt himself by banging his head against the walls of his holding cell.Policehadarrestedhimforcausing public disturbances.

Betcher, 48, of Vail, Colorado, was on Phuket Island on a scuba diving vacation

The deputy chief of the U.S. Embassy met with Thai national police chief Gen. Pratin Santiprapop on Tuesday and told him of the pathologist's findings, an embassy official said.

Pratin agreed to the diplomat's request for an investigation, said the official, who demanded anonymity. The official said Thai police will

start the investigation after receiving documents and photographs being sent from the pathologist in Colorado, Dr. Rob Kurtzman.

U.S. Embassyconsular officers who went to Phuket spoke with several non-police witnesses who said that on May 8, Betchertried torun past security areas at the Phuket airport; walked away from a hospital where he was placed for observation for suspected mental problems; put a lit cigarette lighter under a gas hose at a diesel station; and broke some porcelain at a tourist shop.

His injuries were suffered May 9in jail. Policemen and two other people detained there said Betcherran across the cell and bashed his head against the cement walls two to four times, the embassy official said.

Betcher, paralyzed by his injuries, was taken to a hospital, where he died a few days later.

One possibility that has been discussed is that the prison guards used excessive force against Betcher when he became disruptive.

At a news conference Thursday, Kurtzman said there was no reason to challenge the reports of Betcher's behavior on May 8. Diving cancause nitrogen narcosis and produce bizarre behavior, he said.

### US company in joint venture of Vietnamese firm

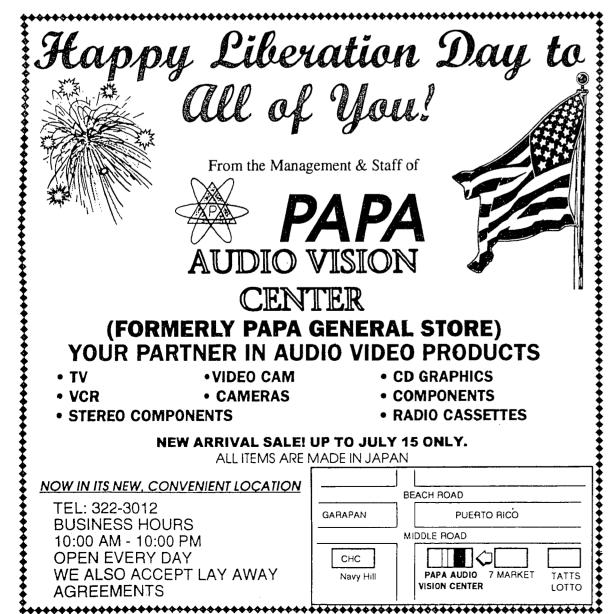
HANOI, Vietnam (AP)-Crown Cork Vinalimex Packaging Co. Ltd., hasleand Seal Co. of the United States is part of a \$41 million joint venture approved by the State Committee for Cooperation and Investment to produce aluminum cans, an official report said Sun-

The Vietnam Investment Review. published by the committee, said the other partners include Swire Pacific Ltd. of Hong Kong, the Vietnam NationalImportExportCorp.(Vinalimex) and the Hay Tay Food Factory.

The joint venture, called Crown-

gal capital of dlrs 17.9 million, the newspaper said. It said the two Vietnamese companies will own 33 percent, with the remainder controlled by Crown Cork and Swire. It gave no breakdown of their share.

The plant will be in Thuong Tin District, Hay Tay province, south of Hanoi. Its estimated capacity is 200 million can bodies and 300 million lids in the first year, increasing to 500 million bodies and 750 million lids in the four year.



## Surprises, mystery bring new twist on O.J.

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN

LOSANGELES (AP) - The hearing to determine whether O.J. Simpson should go on trial for murder already has produced some surprises and one big mystery

As television entertainment, the preliminary hearing Thursday and Friday started slower than Simpson's chase with police, but the drama picked up after tedious discussion of hair samples and sharing evidence.

The hearing produced:

Indications that the murders occurred about 10:20 p.m. Simpson's lawyers have been using 11 p.m. as the time frame for his alibi that he was home 2 miles away at the time of the killings. They haven't accounted for his whereabouts around 10 p.m.

Evidence that Simpson's mansion was bloodier than previously thought.

Confirmation of leaks and rumors that Simpson bought a big knife a few weeks before the kill-

And just what is stuffed in a bulging yellow envelope Simpson's lawyers gave to a judge?

They aren't saying. The latest

Newsweek cites two "wellplaced" sources as saying the envelope contains a knife.

Some legal observers said the prosecution scored points by disclosing that Simpson bought a 15-inch knife five weeks before his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman, were stabbed to death at her Los Angeles condominium.

"It was an excellent move," said Laurie Levenson, a Loyola University law professor and former prosecutor. "It started the case very dramatically and it put a knife in O.J. Simpson's hand."

University of Southern California Law Professor Erwin Chemerinsky said prosecutors have yet to link wounds on the victims to a knife Simpson may or may not have purchased. No murder weapon seems to have been found.

Should the defense show up with the knife Simpson bought and an innocent explanation of its whereabouts, "It would be a major embarrassment for the prosecution," he noted.

Noted Los Angeles defense attorney Harland Braun said that whatever is in the mystery envelope, it can't be good news for the defense.

The only time he has ever known the defense to turn over evidence is when it is incriminating or at least ambiguous. He said that in many instances attorneys have an ethical obligation to disclose such evidence.

"The knife thing was very impressive," Braun said. "The fact that (Simpson attorney Robert) Shapiro has turned something over to the court is sort of worrisome for the defense."

No human was known to have witnessed the killings. Ms. Simpson's big white Akita apparently was there and his behavior gave clues as to when the slayings happened.

A neighbor, Pablo Fenjves, whose condominium is near Ms. Simpson's, said he was watching the 10 p.m. news the night of June

when he heard a dog from the direction of Ms. Simpson's home. "About 15 or 20 minutes into it I heard a dog barking, sort of a plaintive wail," said Fenjves.

Another witness, Steven Schwab, was walking his own dog when he ran into a panting, agitated white Akita that had blood

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on its paws. The time: 10:55 p.m.

Charles Weisselberg, a professor at the University of Southern California Law Center, said testimony about the time of the killings could be among the most important evidence in the case.

"The timing is critical," he said. "It's important for the prosecution to have the time of death earlier (than 11 p.m.) in order to diminish the effect of the alibi."

The earlier time of the killing jibes with testimony from employees at the Mezzaluna restaurant where Goldman worked. They said Goldman left the restaurant about 9:45 p.m. to return a pair of glasses in an envelope to Ms. Simpson.

A few hours later, their bodies were found when the Akita led neighbors to the murder scene. Beside Ms. Simpson's body sat a white envelope, splattered with blood

A police report released by Simpson's attorneys said a lot of blood was found not only at the crime scene, but in Simpson's Ford Bronco, on his driveway, in his bathroom and in his master bedroom.

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The defense wants the judge to throw out much of the evidence collected at Simpson's estate, arguing that the initial search the morning after the killings was illegal.

Municipal Court Judge Kathleen Kennedy-Powellsched uled a hearing for Tuesday, the day after the Independence Day court holiday, to hear arguments on that evidence.

The preliminary hearing got off to a stunning start Thursday when the co-owner of Russ Cutlery in downtown Los Angeles testified that Simpson allegedly bought, 15-inch German folding knife f.ve weeks before the kill-

"It's a nice-looking knife," said Ross clerk Jose Camacho. "And he just, he like it."

Even during the hearing, police were seen searching parts of Brentwood near Simpson's home A search of an overgrown field in Chicago yielded no murder weapon.

When Kennedy-Powell came into court with the lumpy yellow envelope, speculation ran wild that it might contain the knife.

## China's trade deficit to soar

BELJING (AP)-China'strade deficit could increase nearly 19 percent to \$15 billion this year because of inflation and rapid economic growth, an official newspaper said Sunday.

Exports did grow faster than imports in the first five months of 1994, but China's imports usually surge in the final quarter of the year, increasing the likelihood of a larger trade deficit, the China Daily Business Weekly said.

Following moves to loosen state controls on foreign trade, China reported a U.S. dlrs 12.2 billion deficit in 1993, its first in four years. From January to May this year, the deficit was dlrs 1.8 billion, with exports increasing 24.1 percent and

imports up 18.1 percent, the newspaper said. It quoted Zhu Linan, a professor at the People's University in Beijing, as saying China's economic growth rate would exceed 10 percent this year, higher than a 9 percent government target. Zhu also said prices were set to rise by at least 12 percent, "which may cast a pall over the country's foreign trade balance," the newspaper

China's latest measures to cut import tariffs and quotas also will boost imports, the newspaper quoted Zhu as saying. China is opening its markets as part of its bid to

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

that the Board of Directors of the Marianas Public Land Corporation (MPLC), is scheduled to hold a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 06, 1994 at 10:00 a.m., at the MPLC Conference room in Capitol Hill, Saipan. The Agenda are as follows:

- Roll Call
- Adoption of previous Minutes 2.
- Communication 3.
- Land Exchange matters
- Homestead matters
- Administrative Matters....Executive Session 6.

Interested persons may present oral or written comments on the above agenda. For more information, please contact Bertha T. Camacho, Acting Executive Director at the MPLC office in Saipan. Telephone numbers 322-6914/5/7142, Monday through Friday, except Holidays, between 7:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. The public is invited.

/s/LORENZO LG. CABRERA Chairman, Board of Directors

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## US, Hanoi officials meet to chart relations

### By GEORGE ESPER

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) -Fifty U.S. and Vietnamese officials met for three hours Saturday in negotiations designed to chart the future course of relations between the two former battlefield foes.

After a round of pleasantries, the discussions got down to the serious business of Americans missing in action from the war.

The 35-member U.S. delegation, including members of the five largest veterans organizations in the United States, proposed that Vietnam do more on its own to resolve the fate of the MLAs.

Among other things, the United States asked the Vietnamese side to turn over more remains and battlefield documents that might help locate others.

President Clinton has made the granting of most-favored-nation trade status to Hanoi and the establishment of full diplomatic relations contingent on Vietnam's cooperation and on progress in the fullest possible accounting of the MIAs.

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Speaking on behalf of the American veterans ... The majority of us think that if we can resolve the POW-MIA issue, the war will truly be over," said Hershel Gober, deputy secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs and head of the U.S. delegation.

"I think there has been some tangible results," Gober told reporters later. "I think the Vietnamese are making an effort. I think there are people in America that think they can do more."

Representatives of the veterans groups took a wait-and-see attitude and said they were opposed to normalization of relations and most-favored-nation trade status pending more cooperation

"The tone has been ... that there needs to be more unilateral work done by the Vietnamese,." said John F. Sommer, Jr., executive director of the American Legion, the largest U.S. veterans organization with 3.1 million members and 16,000 posts across the United States.

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Both the U.S. and Vietnamese MIA Offices in Hanoi, who work together, have been saying that the Vietnamese are cooperating and that there has been progress.

Vu Chi Cong, head of the Vietnamese MIA office, said that during Saturday's negotiations the Vietnamese "explained very clearly that we do as much as possible."

"We have no interest in hiding documents," he said. "We have a lot of difficulty in finding documents."

"About 50 percent of the remains returned are from the people, so the help of the people increased sharply, and this is a very positive factor," said Le Mai, deputy foreign minister and head of the Vietnamese delegation.

But the American Legion's Sommer wasn't convinced.

"We haven't seen the progress that others have claimed has been made," said Sommer.

The two countries are preparing to open diplomatic missions after signing a formal agreement last month.

These would be upgraded to full embassies once President Clinton is satisfied with progress on the MIA issue. Le Mai said the American mission can open whenever its members find housing in Hanoi.

The U.S. delegation, which arrived Friday, included Winston Lord, assistant secretary of state. Delegation members also met with Do Muoi, secretary-general of the Communist Party, and with Vietnamese war veterans, who pledged their support in trying to determine the fate of the American MIAs.

turned over 39 sets of remains believed to be those of Americans. It turned over 67 sets of remains last year and 35 in 1992. Since the war ended in 1975, Vietnam has turned over 623 sets, according to records of the U.S. MIA office in Hanoi. Of that number, 287 have been identified as Americans.

The United States lists 2,231 Americans as missing in action from the war, including 1,641 in Vietnam, 504 in Laos, 78 in Cambodia and 8 in China.

But witnesses have confirmed that half those were killed in action, even though their remains have not been recovered, U.S. officials say. More than 400 others were lost over the sea and their remains probably will never be recovered, officials say.

## Arafat visits birthplace of Palestinian uprising

#### By HAITHAM HAMAD

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) -As right-wing Israelis rioted on Sunday in Jerusalem to protest the return of Yasser Arafat to the Gaza Strip, the PLO leader prepared to resume his visit of sites now under Palestinian control.

After a tour of an orange juice factory on Sunday, Arafat is also expected to hold a news conference and possibly make a trip to Jericho.

On Saturday, Arafat visited the birthplace of the Palestinian uprising and asked a wildly cheering crowd to help build an independent state with Jerusalem as its capital.

Israel, which signed a peace agreement with the PLO last year. has rejected demands to make eastern Jerusalem, captured during the 1967 Middle East war, the capital of a Palestinian state.

"Can we really build a national authority that will lead to a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital?" Arafat asked Saturday. The crowd roared, "Yes! Yes! Yes!

The Palestine Liberation Organization chairman saluted youths from Jebaliya refugee camp who began fighting Israeli soldiers with stones and bottles in 1987.

Their defiance triggered a widespread Palestinian rebellion, which paved the way for an autonomy agreement with Israel last September and resulted in Arafat's return Friday after 27 years in exile.

In his new role as a political leader, Arafat has been careful not to anger the Israelis with incendiary statements. Still, several thousand Jews turned out for anti-Arafat protests on Saturday in Jerusalem

At least 10,000 Palestinians

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gathered to see Arafat and swarmed around his security force. The frenzied tour through the camp marked Arafat's first real contact with ordinary Palestinians, whose fervor appeared to invigorate him.

In his speech, Arafat called on Muslim fundamentalists and other opponents to join him in his Palestinian National Authority government. It will run the Gaza Strip and and the West Bank town of Jericho until elections, not expected until before October.

"This national authority is for all Palestinians and all Palestinian territory," he said. He added that the PLO-Israel accord was the best deal he could get.

"Maybe the agreement that we signed isn't satisfactory for some people, but it's the best we could get in the terrible Arab circumstances," he said.

Arafat called on Israel to free thousands of Palestinian prisoners. Many oppose the autonomy accord and refuse to sign statements renouncing violence. Israel demands prisoners sign the statements as a condition of their release

As Arafat spoke, an Israeli army helicopter hovered over the camp, where 70,000 Pales

tinians live in crushing poverty amid open sewers, mounds of garbage and widespread joblessness.

Earlier. Arafat convened the first session of his fledging Cabinet. He criticized the lackluster international financial support for self-rule.

"All the international offers are only ink on paper and nothing has been implemented until now." he told a news conference.

"My feeling is that they are just promises, promises, promises."

Self-rule is to last five years. The final status of the West Bank and Gaza is to be negotiated two years from now. Under the accord, Israel and the Palestinians will also negotiate the expan-Continued on page 19

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## **Spanish coach smirks at critics**

#### **By CIARAN GILES**

WASHINGTON (AP) -There was a smirk of self-satisfaction on coach Javier Clemente's face: his much-criticized idea that you don't need strikers to score goals had worked perfectly.

"I'm very happy with the way we played. Switzerland was a powerful rival and we overcame them," he said after Spain beat

Switzerland 3-0 Saturday to reach the quarterfinals of the World Cup. The victory vindicated

Clemente and his theory that it doesn't matter how many strikers you have. What counts is how many players you have capable of getting up front. Spain lined out against Swit-

zerland with a team entirely made up of defenders and midfielders, placing Real Madrid left half back Luis Enrique and Barcelona fullback Sergi as virtually his two lone strikers.

When the starting lineup leaked through to the Spanish press hours before the game, there was looks of astonishment.

But Clemente is known for beign stubborn, and Switzerland, struggling with the heat, found it impossible to get beyond the Spanish wall of players shielding the

goalmouth in what was for the most part a heavy and unexciting game

The Spanish side appeared to move in waves with sometimes nobody beyond its own penalty area, while at other times had sweeper Miguel Nadal and midfielder Fernando Hierro running with the pack raiding the Swiss area.

"We played with a lot of discipline," Spanish forward Andoni Goikoetxea said. "We were able to surprise them where they are strongest, in defense."

Using a counterattack to perfection, midfielder Fermando Hierro gave Spain the lead in teh 15th minute and Luis Enrique and midfielder Aitor Beguiristain added goals in the final 26 minutes Beguiristain on a penalty to reach the quarterfinals for the third time in the last four World Cups.

Clemente pointed out that Spain scored six goals in the first round the most in Group C, beating out group winner Germany.

Spain also won European qualifying Group Three with 27 goals, eight more than Ireland, which had the next most.

Saturday's game gave Clemente another opportunity to criticize his detractors in Spain, many of whom have frequently slammed his insistence on using veteran goalkeeper Andoni Zubizarreta.

"Zubizarreta has been a very disputed choice," Clemente said. "But today he demonstrated what I believe, that he is one of the best goalkeepers in the world."

### Steven shines in handicap tourney

#### **By JOHN NADEL**

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) -Gary Stevens benefited from Corey Nakatani's loyalty in the \$750,000 Hollywood Gold Cup.

Nakatani rode Slew of Damascus to a third-place finish in The Californian on June 5, but took off the 6-year-old gelding to ride Fanmore, who is trained by Bobby Frankel, in the Gold Cup on Saturday at Hollywood Park. Ridden by Stevens for the first time, Slew of Damascus, an 8-1 outsider, led all the way in upsetting The Wicked North and Arcangues in the 55th running of the race for 3-year-olds and up.

Nakatani, meanwhile, guided Fanmore, a 9-1 longshot, to second.

"Nakatani opted to go for Bobby's horse," said Craig Roberts, who trains Slew of Damascus. "He just made the wrong decision today."

"It's kind of unfortunate that I took off of him (Slew of Damascus), but I ride a whole bunch of horses for Bobby Frankel all year long," Nakatani said. "We kind of felt obligated to ride for Bobby. It was a shame that I couldn't ride Slew of Damascus, but maybe we can turn the tables next time."

The Wicked North, favored at 3-5, was close to the pace until being forced wide on the final

### Arafat... Continued from page 18

sion of self-rule to the rest of the West Bank and the withdrawal of Israeli troops.

Arafat said he hoped the Israeli withdrawal from Gaza and Jericho could be completed by August, paving the way for the elections "as soon as possible." He said he wanted to establish a democratic homeland.

"The most important challenge is to build the new Palestinian authority which will lead to an independent Palestinian state," he said.

The authority will be sworn in Monday in Jericho, said Justice Minister Freih Abu Medein.

"It was a reassuring speech," said Tayseer Atut, a follower of the Muslim fundamentalist Hamas group that opposes compromises with Israel.

Zeinab Tluli, a 50-year-old woman, said she was happier after hearing Arafat's promise of a better future than she was on her wedding day. "Life will change now ... When we used to go out, the soldiers used to shoot at us. Now my kids will be fine."

turn. The 5-year-old son of Far North hung at the top of the stretch and wasn't a factor thereafter in finishing a well-beaten fourth.

Arcangues, who won the \$3 million Breeders' Cup Classic at odds of 133-1 at Santa Anita last fall, trailed the field throughout and, although close enough in the final turn to possibly mount a rally, failed to do so in finishing fifth and last.

Arcangues, ridden by Jerry Bailey and carrying 122 pounds, went off at odds of 24-10. He had run all of his previous 18 races on turf except the Breeders' Cup Classic

The Wicked North was ridden by Kent Desormeaux and also carried 122 pounds.

"There was no gas in the tank today," Desormeaux said. "He just wasn't himself. I think he was empty when we got in the gate. I mean, the horse was tired."

Fanmore, who had run all of his 12 previous races on turf, wound up three-quarters of a length behind the winner.

Del Mar Dennis, an 11-1 longshot, rallied to finish third, a. half-length behind Fanmore and 7{ lengths ahead of The Wicked North

Slew of Damascus, a Tennessee-bred son of Slewacide and a grandson of Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew, had won five straight races before finishing sixth in the Rolling Green Handicap at Golden Gate Fields as the 9-10 favorite on May 14.

Then Slew of Damascus was third in The Californian, two lengths behind The Wicked North.

Thomas Chapman rode Slew Of Damascus in four of the horse's five recent wins. Nakatani was the rider in the other victory and, after Chapman got the ride in the Rolling Green Handicap, was aboard in The Californian.

Slew Of Damascus, carrying 117 pounds, paid \$18, \$8.20 and \$10.40. The winning time of 2:00 3-5 for 1\ miles was well off the stakes record of 1:581-5 by Quack in 1972.

"I've been trying to get him for over a year," Stevens said of Slew of Damascus. "I found out late in the week that I was going to ride him. This is my kind of horse, and I was pretty excited.

"I told my wife last night we were going to win. I just knew if he ran his race, we would win. He stayed very, very relaxed. I didn't have to hit him, he was giving me everything he had."

The win was the 13th in 31 lifetime starts for Slew of Dam-Continued on page 20

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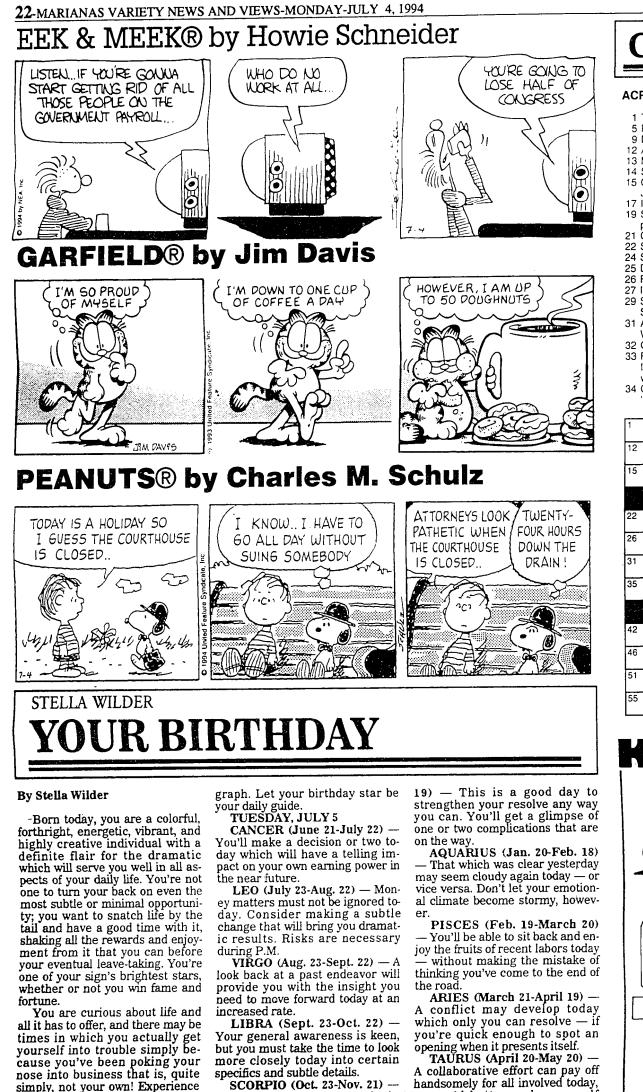
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July 4, 1994

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ing Morocco 2-1 and Belgium 1-0.

The 1-0 result against Belgium was surprising, but Belgium was already safe in the second round before taking on the Saudis.

Saudi coach Jorge Solari of Argentina said his team was in "perfect condition" to take the field.

"The players have good technique and we are going to do very well," said Solari, known as "El Indio" for his dark features.

"We have respect for the Swedes, but time has come to show that we are here not for fun, we will fight to the last minute," said Abdullah, who has lost much of his pace but still retains the skills to score 118 goals in his career.

### Murder. . .

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head," coach Paul Van Himst said. Spain, which is 15-3-0 against Switzerland advanced to the quarterfinals for third time in the last four World Cups, getting goals from Fernando Hierro, Luis Enrique and a penalty kick by Aitor Beguiristain.

"I do not wish to highlight any particular player," Spain coach Javier Clemente said, "but today (keeper) Andoni Zubizarreta was no doubt the best player on the field.

"Our defense was always in control most of the time. Zubizarreta made a couple of great saves."

Spain moves on to Foxboro, Mass., facing the winner of Tuesday's game between Italy and Nigeria.

Maradona insisted Saturday he was wrongly ousted from the tournament and the head of FIFA said he will try to prevent the Argentine star from being banned from the sport for life.

"They killed me just when I wanted to prove to my two daughters that I can play with 20-yearolds," Maradona told Italian state television. "I didn't take drugs. I didn't do what they are accusing me of. But they will not kill me."

FIFA President Joao Havelange asked the Argentine federation to suspend Maradona from the World Cup.

However, The Dallas Morning News reported Saturday that Havelange will try to arrange for Maradona to play again.

"I, as president of FIFA, will do everything possible to avoid a situation that will be the end of Maradona's career," Havelange said

### Colombian player killed after loss to US By ANDREW SMITH

MEDELLIN Colombia, AP-Disappointment over Colombia's stunning loss to the United States in World Cup soccer erupted in murderous rage when gunmen killed the player who accidentally

Saudi striker Saeed Owairan, who was also present at the news conference, said he was looking to score just like he did so notably against Belgium.

Owairan ran and ran in the fifth minute for the only score against Belgium with one of the great, long-distance scoring runs in World Cup annals. Heeluded four defenders on the 55-meter dash, then beat goalkeeper Michel Preud'homme, who had not allowed a goal in this World Cup. "Allah (God) is with us, and so

victory will come to us," Owairan said

While the Saudis may have one of the fastest teams in the tournament, they are still young and inexperienced. Except for the Dutch game, they haven't faced a

scored a goal against his team.

Andres Escobar, 27, died in a parking lot Saturday, 10 days after he inadvertently scored the first goal for the United States in the game, which the Americans won

Colombia had been a favorite to win the championship, but instead was eliminated in the first round, partly due to the upset.

Police said Escobar was shot 12 times in an early-morning confrontation with three men and a woman, who surrounded him after he left a bar in Medellin, Colombia's third-largest city.

"Thanks for the own-goal," one of the gunmen said before shooting Escobar, an unidentified witness told a radio reporter. Other reports said he was shot three times.

The national police reported the arrest of two suspects Saturday afternoon and said two others were being sought, including the owner of the truck that the arrested men were using. The truck owner reported his vehicle stolen Friday night, but now he can't be found.

Colombians, already plagued by the highest murder rate of any country not at war, reeled from the

President Cesar Gaviria de-

team of Sweden's caliber and experience yet. This is the Saudis' first World

Cup. Sweden has played nine and most of the starters played in Italy four years ago. Sweden and Saudi Arabia have only played once before. That was

two years at Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and Sweden won 2-1. "We don't play for money or gift. We are proud Muslims, we play for our country and the happiness of our people," said Abdullah, putting his hand to his

chest Did the Saudi players get \$100,000 and an expensive car for qualifying to the World Cup?. "No, false, we got only \$25,000, honestly speaking,'

scribed Escobar's death as "a loss which causes Colombia to mourn and which fills us with pain."

Abdullah said.

"Soccer is only a game and there's no justification for Andres to have been killed," said Francisco Maturana, coach of the Colombian World Cup team.

Medellin Mayor Luis Alfredo Ramos said other Colombian World Cup players living in Medellin would be given bodyguards. A reward for the assassins' capture was set at dlrs 62,500.

Escobar's body was taken to Medellin's basketball stadium, where a line of mourners stretched for 10 city blocks. By late Saturday, 100,000 people had viewed the soccer star's coffin, police estimated

The subdued crowd filed past Escobar's open dark-wood casket, flanked by dozens of bright bouquets and a dozen police standing at attention, and gazed at Escobar's pale face under his mop of dark, curly hair.

"Justice!" someone in the crowd shouted, the word echoing off the arena walls.

Escobar was admired as much for his courtly manners and fair play as for his delicate, precise ball handling.

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S. African. Continued from page 24 hours before hitting his next shot, the drive off No. 1 to start the third round.

"I never had a longer day on the golf course. Never," Hobday, who warmed up on four occasions, said. "I was very pleased to hear the whistle go off and stop

Hobday, the 36-hole leader, made a good save for par on the second hole, using a 5-wood for a bump-and-run from just off the green and sinking a 15-foot (5meter) putt. He began to pull away with three birdies in a stretch of four holes beginning at No. 4. He scored from about 15 feet

"He was a tender, sweet man," said Maria Eugenia Valencia, who waited in line for three hours to see the body. "I loved him. It makes no sense that someone killed him. There's no way to be happy or get excited about soccer anymore."

Escobar had returned with the team on Wednesday. After the team

seliminated, anonymous threats against the players and their coach began arriving at TV and radio stations

In 1989, referee Alvaro Ortega was killed in Colombia, apparently by a group of gamblers linked to traffickers. Escobar had left a bar on the outskirts of Medellin and gotten into his car when he was surrounded by four people, police said.

They began haranguing him for his lackluster World Cup performance, then shot him, police said.

"There is an infection of violence in this country that must be wiped out," Augusto Gaviria, Escobar's uncle, said at the viewing. "We must educate people in the family and the home to settle things peacefully."

At a mass in the basketball arena, a priest prayed for Jesus to bring peace to Medellin, and said the

(5-meters) there, hit a 3-iron to five feet (1.6 meters) on the sixth and a 6-iron to two feet (.6 meters) on the seventh. Then he capped it with a little pitch to four feet (1.3 meters) on the 13th.

Albus, a cumulative 51-under for his four previous tournaments, was 3-under for the third round.

At the overnight suspension, Australian Graham Marsh held third at 7-under with five holes to

Defending champion Jack Nicklaus and Tom Wargo were next at 6-under. Nicklaus had four holes to play, Wargo three.

Dave Stockton, winner of two of his last three starts, completed a 68 just before play was suspended and finished 54 holes at 4under 209.

athlete's "clean play and honesty will live on."

"He was a good man, and that is why God chose him for his celestial team," said the priest, Eduardo Nevardo.

Escobar is no relation to slain drug lord Pablo Escobar, whose operations were centered in Medellin.

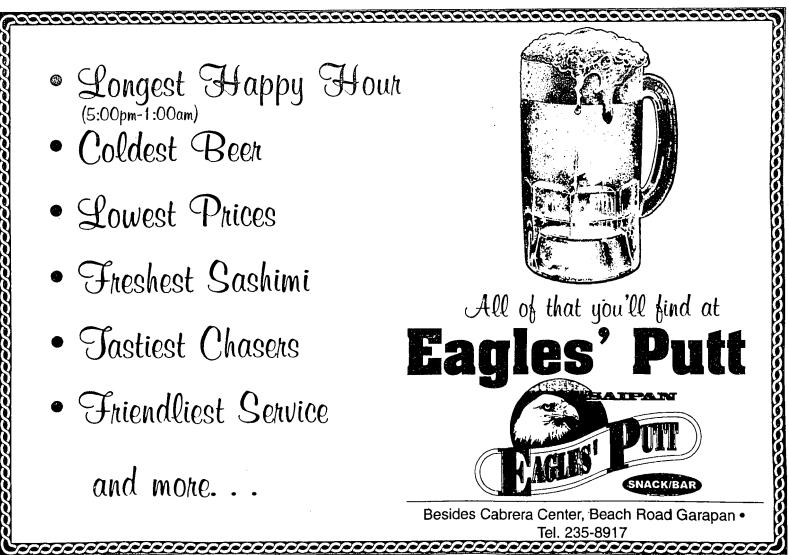
FIFA, the international governing body for soccer, said in a statement from Dallas that it was "profoundly horrified and dismayed' by the slaying.

World Cup USA94, in a statement, expressed its horror and extended sympathies to "his family and all those who loved his stylish

"We deplore the violence which has taken this talented young man's life," added the statement from East Rutherford, New Jersey, site of Giants Stadium and one of the World Cup soccer venues.

World Cup coaches also were shocked by Escobar's slaying.

"It's a dreadful thing, absolutely dreadful," said Irish coach Jack Charlton in Orlando, Florida "Who wants to play a football match if you're going to get assassinated? Who would do a thing like that?"



## SPORTS Murder mars World Cu

#### By BARRY WILNER

THE WORLD Cup turned from a soccer tournament into a life-anddeath affair Saturday.

Andres Escobar, who kicked in an own-goal in Colombia's 2-1 loss to the United States last week, was shot to death in Medellin in apparent retaliation for the score that helped eliminate his team from the tournament.

Escobar, a 27-year-old defender, was shot in a parking lot outside a bar in Medellin, Colombia

"Thanks for the own-goal," one of the gunmen said, according to an unidentified witness.

Colombia's national police

said two unidentified men were arrested hours after the earlymorning shooting, captured in a pickup truck. Two other suspects, the owner of the truck and a woman, are being sought.

As defending champion Germany moved into the quarterfinals with a 3-2 victory over Belgium, and Spain did likewise by beating Switzerland 3-0, everyone associated with the world soccer championship was stunned by the killing.

"The unjustified death of a young player is without sense," Italy coach Arrigo Sacchi said. "It also means that soccer is not only and no longer a sporting event, but something whose importance goes beyond our beliefs."

The first World Cup staged in the United States has gone off remarkably well in all nine venues. But there has been violence in Mexico City and Huntington Park, Calif., related to the tournament. There also has been a drug scandal, with Argentine superstar Diego Maradona banished for testing positive for ephedrine, which contains banned stimulants.

Now, the shooting death of a player whose only error was being in the wrong place and having American midfielder John Harkes' pass go off his foot into his own net placed a pall over the tournament.

"This is the saddest day I have

ever witnessed in football, in a World Cup or any other competition," FIFA general secretary Sepp Blatter said. "If something happens by accident, you can say it was the will of God. But when people deliberately shoot and kill somebody because he made a mistake in the game, something is wrong.

"The popularity of our game has two faces. The first face produces joy and enthusiasm and brings people together as we have witnessed at the World Cup here. And on the other face, the game mirrors our life. It has violence, tears, corruption. Like life, it has all its problems.'

The World Cup also has soccer, of course. While Escobar is mourned, attention must be paid to the field.

The Germans got two goals from 34-year-old Rudi Voeller and one from Juergen Klinsmann, his fifth of the tournament. The Germans will play Mexico or Bulgaria in the quarterfinals at East Rutherford, N.J.

'We prepared Rudi for the World Cup and I knew that he would be a decisive man here," coach Berti Vogt

s said of the forward who had retired from the national team. Voeller was convinced to return during the spring.

"I knew after the first round that we had to field a different lineup, and Rudi was one of the changes we made." Germany led 2-1 after just 11 minutes. Belgium got a late goal from Philippe Albert to make it 3-2 and vigorously attacked trying to tie. At one point, goalkeeper Michel Preud'homme came all the way upfield and into the penalty area during a Belgian free kick.

The Belgians vehemently protested a non-call in the 71st minute, when striker Josip Weber was hauled down in the penalty area.

"It's a scandal, I don't know what was going on in the referee's **Continued on page 23** 

## **Clinton to US team: Ne're proud of you**

PALO ALTO, Calif. (AP)-President Clinton telephoned members of the United States soccer team during dinner Saturday night, wishing them well against Brazil on Monday and inviting them to the White House.

Clinton, calling from Camp David, saidhe would be watching the game the first secondround appearance for the United States in the World Cup since 1930 with his wife Hilary and daughter Chelsea.

"We're sitting here on pins and needles and pulling for you," Clinton said.

"My family has watched all the games together and my daughter is a big soccer fan, so she is making sure I understand what I see," the president added.

"I think the whole country is just carried away by your success and we're really very, very proud of all of you."

Clinton talked on a speaker phone to the entire team, and then chatted separately with coach Bora Milutinovic and team captain Tony Meola.

"My English is so bad but my team plays very well," Milutinovic said.

#### Meanwhile, in Dallas

THE SAUDI Arabian team promised a victory over Sweden on Sunday, saying God was on their side.

"Allah is with us. We are Muslims, we are proud and we are praying five times day. ... It is very, very beautiful," Saudi captain Majed Abdullah, known as "Desert Pele" for his ball control and accuracy up front, told a news conference.

A room at Dallas' Crescent Court hotel has been turned. into a mosque where the players are praying in accordance with the Islamic religious codes.

"Everybody will be surprised," said Abdullah. "We have already proved what we can do on the field and now we are going to go flat out on Sunday."

The surprising Saudis finished the first round with a 2-1 won-lost record, losing to the Netherlands 2-1 and then beat-Continued on page 23

## Spain humiliates Switzerland for second time, 3-0

MADRID, Spain (AP) -Spain's second-round victory over Switzerland at the World Cup sent Spaniards into the streets Sunday, dancing under the Cibeles fountain in central Madrid and spraying others with "cava" the Spanish answer to champagne.

"This is a great day for Spanish sport," said a jubilant Alfredo Ballesteros. "No one likes (Spanish coach Javier) Clemente, but we made it to the quarterfinals.

"Cochita Martinez won the championship at Wimbeldon and Miguel Indurain came in second on the opening day of the Tour de France. It's just too bad the Spanish economy can't do as well."

Martinez beat Czech-born American Martina Navratilova earlier Saturday to win the Wimbledon women's title in London.

low Spanish flags, tooting horns, spraying everyone with cava.

It was the third time in the last four World Cups that Spain has reached the quarterfinals, where it will play the winner of the Italy-Nigeria match on Tuesday, July 9 in Foxboro, Mass.

Denise Meyer and Cassie Williams, Americans from Washington, D.C., were more than pleasantly surprised to find themselves in the middle of the spontaneous celebration at the Cibeles fountain

"I'm happy to be part of the celebration," Meyer said. "There's so much good feeling here.'

"We had no expectations of this," added Williams. "It's a great night for them."

Will Caudle, another Amreican

### . African lead **By BOB GREEN**

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) -South African Simon Hobday converted a 13-hour work day into a three-shot lead on Saturday in the U.S. Senior Open, which

13th, and was in sight of the 54hole Senior Open scoring record of 9-under 204.

"I'm playing better than I know how," Hobday said. "I don't even want to talk about it. It might go away."

not the final round is scheduled for Sunday afternoon. The forecast includes the possibility of thunderstorms for the third consecutive day.

Saturday's storm struck before the leaders teed off, causing a 3hour, 43-minute delay and, eventually, the overnight suspension. It also stretched Hobday's work day into overtime.

once again was delayed by a storm and suspended overnight.

Hobday was 13-under-par for the tournament with five holes to go in the third round Saturday when darkness halted play on the rain-soaked No. 2 course at the Pinehurst Country Club.

Hobday, who tied the Senior Open 36-hole scoring record of 133, again was on a record-breaking pace.

He played without a bogey, birdied the last hole he played, the

Jim Albus, a former club pro who has been on a scoring binge for five weeks, also had the scoring record in reach, despite being a distant second. Playing in the same threesome with Hobday, Albus was 10-under for the tournament through 13 holes.

Those two and 16 others including most of the leaders marked their positions and were due to return Sunday morning to complete the third round.

Weather permitting and it may

Hobday, 54, who won the Senior Tour Championship last winter, was among the 33 players stranded on the course by darkness Friday, the result of a storm that caused a 2 1/2-hour delay. He returned Saturday morning to complete one hole making a routine par then waited about 10

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Minutes after Spain's 3-0 victory in Washington which ended about 12:30 a.m. Spanish time, hundreds of delirious Spanish fans converged on Cibeles fountain.

Entire families fathers with small children on their shoulders and mothers holding the hands of young daughters waded into the fountain or jumped up and down with delight under the spray.

The crowd grew to several thousand, wrapped in red and yel-

decided he wanted to experience first hand what it is like to have a splash in the fountain with the exuberant Spaniards. He described the swim as absolutely unreal.

"We (Americans) get excited about O.J. (Simpson)," he said, referring to the overwhelming coverage of the American pro football Hall of Famer accused of murdering his ex-wife and her friend. "And they (Spaniards) get excited about real stuff."

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