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# Day US bash

By Rick Alberto

Variety News Staff

IN ONE of his strongest official remarks yet, Froilan C. Tenorio denounced yesterday "troublemakers" in the federal government who he said are problem finders rather than problem solvers.

In his remarks during the Independence Day celebration before several thousand people, Tenorio said that while he was proud to be an Tenorio denounces DOI, federal gov't in July 4th speech

American and can love America, it does not necessarily follow that he loves the federal government.

In an apparent reference to allegations that certain federal officials on the CNMI had been feeding information to a Philippine senator derogatory to the CNMI, the outspoken governor said, "Instead of protecting our right to self-government,

they (concerned federal officials) take it away. Instead of using their foreign affairs power to help us, they undermine our efforts to resolve international problems."

Tenorio then went on to say, "In the best tradition of the American patriots, I denounce the Department of the Interior and other troublemakers in the federal government. They seem more interested in finding problems to keep their job than in solving problems to keep their word to our people."

He also blamed "some in the federal government" who "upset" the "delicate balance between economic opportunity and local self-government that is appropriate to our small size and population."

These certain unnamed federal officials, he added, also allegedly permit the entry of permanent resi-



Froilan C. Tenorio

dent aliens "who eventually would

become citizens." "Our cultural and political integrity would soon be swallowed up in

the process. I thank God that we have been able to retain control of our own immigration and labor," he

The governor did not specify who these resident aliens are.

Tenorio vowed that he would not allow the interior department do to the Covenant what it did to native Americans (Indians): making treaties with them and "breaking nearly every one" of them.

Tenorio's long tirade against the federal government could have made certain federal officials squirm in their seats if they were in the stage together with the governor.

They talk about protecting our culture. They are not interested in our culture; they are interested in control," Tenorio said of the federal government. "We only have to look to Guam to see how much further their culture has eroded as a result of

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Dominic Camacho in a palm frond outfit rides atop the Governor's Office's float, one of several that took part in yesterday's Liberation Day -Photo by Ferdie de la Torre

# PHS seeking formal referral deals with 4 Manila hospitals

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff

THE DEPARTMENT of Public Health Services is pursuing formal agreements with four Manila hospitals involving the CNMI's medical referral pro-

DPHS Secretary Dr. Isamu J. Abraham told the Variety Wednesday that he discussed the recommendation with Governor Froilan Tenorio when they were both in Manila last month.

Abraham said part of the discussion was whether the agreement will be between the Manila hospitals and the Commonwealth Health Center or between the Manila and Saipan governments.

The CNMI's Manila Liaison Office, in its yearly assessment report on the medical referral functions, explained that the proposed arrangement will make it more convenient for the MILO staff to coordinate referrals between the Philippines and CHC.

The MLO said the move may also address issues such as admission requirements, billings and other medical needs of the patients.

Abraham said he envisions that similar "operations" in Guam and Honolulu could also be adopted in the Manila office.

The secretary said there's no problem with the patients who have the money, insurance, and other financial support from the government to be referred to Manila.

Abraham, however, said there is a need to work for an establishment of responsible financial mechanism for self-pay patients.

The DPHS top man cited St. Luke Hospital as a very promising hospital.

"In fact one of the congressmen who traveled with the Governor was very impressed with the services he received at St.

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### Guerrero taps Ray Guerrero to head his campaign in '97

By Rafael H. Arroyo Variety News Staff

FORMER Gov. Larry I. Guerrero has tapped former Commonwealth Utilities Corp. executive director Ray S. Guerrero to again handle his gubernatorial campaign in next year's election.

In an interview, Guerrero said he has asked Ray to head his campaign committee confident that the latter will again steer his camp to victory like he did in

Ray, known in local circles as 'Kumoi," was Guerrero's flamboyant political strategist who orchestrated the latter's success-

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Larry I. Guerrero



Ray S. Guerrero

### Parade showcases CNMI's diverse but united cultures

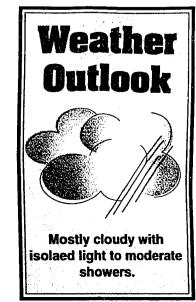
By Ferdie de la Torre Variety News Staff

THOUSANDS of people lined up Beach Road yesterday as 26 floats and more than 20 marching units took part in the annual celebration of Liberation Day.

It was a hot day, yet the festive atmosphere was evident in the faces of spectators who came to watch the culminating event in the weeklong celebration marking the day when the Saipan's residents were released from the American-administered Camp Susupe during the war.

The parade, which lasted more than two hours, kicked off at 9:15 a.m. in front of Kristo Rai Church and ended at the American Memorial Park.

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# Boosters problem on Columbia bugs NASA

By MARCIA DUNN CAPECANAVERAL, Florida (AP) - A problem with the rocket boosters used to launch Columbia two weeks ago may delay NASA's upcoming flight to the Russian space station Mir and keep U.S. astronaut Shannon Lucid in orbit longer than planned.

Hotgas seeped through joints in both of Columbia's solid-fuel rocket boosters, but did not damage the O-rings or endanger the shuttle or its seven astronauts, shuttle manager Tommy Holloway said Wednesday.

Atlantis - due to take off July 31 for Mir-may have the same problem. If so, NASA probably would have to replace the shuttle's boosters, delaying its docking mission by up to a month.

Lucid has been living on Mir since March and is supposed to return to Earth in early August via Atlantis.

NASA discovered the problem this week after retrieving Columbia's two boosters from the Atlantic Ocean. The boosters helped propel Columbia into orbit on June 20 and dropped away, as time during the two minutes that the boosters burned, rocket gas leaked into some of the so-called J-joints, Holloway said. In a few cases, the gas penetrated all 4 inches (10 centimeters) of the joint but never got past O-rings put there as a thermal barrier, and none of those Orings sustained any heat damage, he

"This was not a close call," Holloway

It was different O-rings - protective seals rather than thermal insulators that failed and allowed gas to leak through a joint on one of Challenger's boosterrockets in 1986. All seven crew members were killed.

"Any comparison to the Challenger would be completely out of order," Holloway said.

Columbia and its crew of seven are due back at Cape Canaveral on Sunday. At 17 days, the medicalresearch mission would be the longest flight in shuttle history.

The prime suspect in the gas

first time on Columbia's boosters. For environmental reasons, the old methyl-based adhesive is no longer made, so NASA switched to a water-based material for filling the three J-joints on each booster, Holloway said.

This same new adhesive was used on Atlantis' boosters. Holloway said. If this indeed turns out to be the problem, NASA will probably have to move Atlantis from the launch pad back to the hangar and replace its boosters.

If the new adhesive is found to be faulty, NASA will have to develop a new glue and "that could take a while," Holloway said. As a result, future shuttle missions might have to be bumped at a time when NASA can least afford delays.

The shuttle is supposed to ferry astronauts and supplies to Mir over the next two years and start carrying up components of the international space station in late 1997.

# Man stopped at LA airport trying to smuggle crocodile

federal agents stopped Toru Hattori at the airport, it wasn't to admire his luggage, but to rescue a real crocodile inside, authorities said.

The croc didn't survive.

On Wednesday, U.S. Attorney Nora Manella announced a threecount indictment against the 39year-old Japanese citizen. Hattori allegedly told U.S. Customs officials that he wasn't bringing any live animals in from Japan.

But on June 19, agents discovered a live Siamese crocodile inside Southeast Asia, mostly in Vietnam. The reptile can survive for days with-

The little crocodile was inside a cloth bag, in abox taped shut but with airholes punched through one side, prosecutor Patricia Beaman said.

Siamese crocodiles grow to about 9 feet (3 meters) and are protected by more than 100 countries. It is nearly extinct in the

Hattori was due to appear be-

said. The reptile can be found in

his checked luggage, a prosecutor fore U.S. Magistrate Judge Charles Eick on Monday. He is charged with illegal importation of an endangered species, making a false statement on a customs declaration and animal

> If convicted, Hattori could face up to 11 years in prison and a fine of \$ 600,000.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service agents believe the crocodile was just a baby. The 3-foot (1 meter) long beast died on

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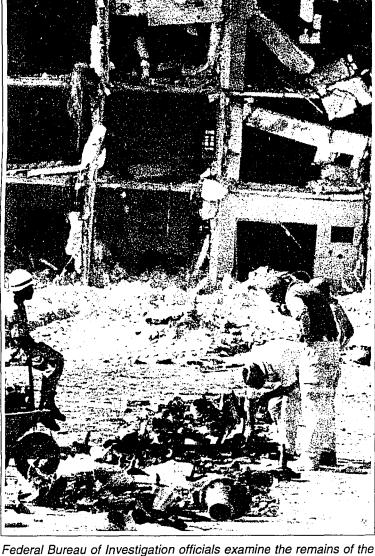
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truck bomb that devastated the American military base, killing 19 soldiers and injured over 200 last week in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

### Arsenal recovered from bombing suspect's home

By STEVEN K. PAULSON

**DENVER** (AP) - FBI agents searching Terry Nichols' home found a wig and makeup along with dozens of guns and the same type of fertilizer used in the Oklahoma City bombing, according to a list released Wednesday.

Lawyers for Nichols and codefendant Timothy McVeigh are

trying to keep the evidence from being used at trial, claiming it was gathered in violation of the law. A federal judge has not indicated when he will reach a decision.

Evidence logs show agents seized 17 rifles, several assault weapons, an Uzi submachine gun, several shotguns and a 37mm gas gun from Nichols' Herington, Kansas, home in April 1995.

Also seized were ammunition three videocassette recorders and tapes including "Waco, The Big Lie" and "Machine Gun Magic."

Nichols told agents he had been making money buying and selling military surplus at gun shows.

The logs say agents also found ammonium nitrate fertilizer - a key ingredient in the truck bomb that destroyed the federal building on April 19, 1995, killing 168 people and injuring more than 500.

Defense lawyers charge the search was improper because the consent agents received to enter the home was given by Nichols' wife, Marife Nichols, a Philippine native who they said did not understand her rights.

Marife contends she was held a virtual captive by the FBI, but phone logs that were released show she made numerous phone calls during the 37 days she was in the company of

Agents eventually obtained a warranttoseize evidence against Nichols, but the defense claims the judge who approved the search had been misled.

Prosecutors argue that if mistakes were made in gathering the evidence, they were unintentional and insignificant.

McVeigh and Nichols could face the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy charges in the

# There's unity in diversity



Two kids wearing contrasting outfits pose beside a man on top of the



Dignitaries enjoy the parade from the stands. From left Rear Adm. David L. Brewer III, wife Deanie: Gov Froilan Tenorio, wife Grace; Lt. Gov. Jesus C. Borja and wife, Mary Anne.



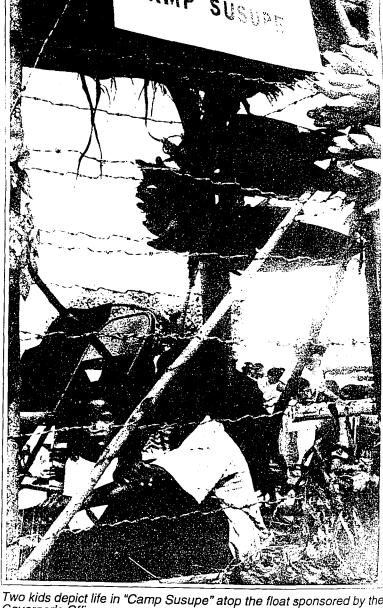
Parade participants in traditional garb send out their message.



1996 Miss NMI Universe Belvilyn Tenorio joins the Triple J float.



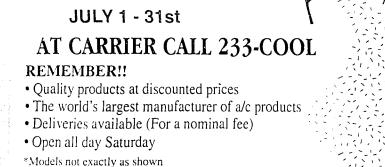
Business sector leader Mike Sablan and his twoyear-old son, ≵achary were among the thousands who lined up Beach Road.





The oxcart that won top prize in the non-profit category.

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### Facing federal onslaught

misunderstood official around. But it seems Gov. Tenorio doesn't mind the barbs which has become a constant part of his government.

True, there may have been instances where he made decisions that in some people's view are far from being right. And for those, he had to face harsh public

But one can not discount the fact that Gov. Tenorio has been no less than a leader, one who will stop at nothing just to get what he wants regardless of how much it costs. For the sake of his people.

Let's face it, one of the more positive traits attributed to Gov. Tenorio's style of governing is his being decisive, even to the point of being reckless and brutally

He says things straight, the way he sees it. He doesn't mind being criticized as long as he thinks he is right. He would go through great lengths stressing his argument, with little disregard for what is politically correct and who gets ran over

Though many of his critics are not particularly happy with his style, there are those who say that is how a leader should be—resolute, steadfast, and unfazed by

A case in point is his current tiff with the federal government over the issue of labor and immigration

Furning mad after finding out how the Interior Department allegedly seemed to be fueling the fire between the CNMI and the Philippine Sen. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Tenorio has come out blasting his way through the federal bureaucracy, saying he will bring the matter up with President Clinton himself.

After all, being the highest official of the land, it is his unstated duty to defend the people of the CNMI everytime he sees that we're on the receiving end of unfair treatment from the federal government.

His analogy of the photo release to that of the Mexican beating in California states a good point as to how the CNMI may have been harshly and unjustly maligned over the labor abuse issue all this time. Just when will everybody recognize the fact that such incidence of worker exploitation does occur all over the US and could not be stopped completely?

Yes, there have been numerous instances here where foreign workers have been abused and exploited. But has anybody stopped to think that such occurrences are also happening in the mainland and other countries that are more sophisticated in

With the federal government becoming more and more aggressive in castigating the CNMI for its faults, it is imperative for Tenorio to stand up and start fighting, lest the smear drive will continue unabated.

Which is just what he did when he blurted out a nasty speech during yesterday's celebration of Liberation Day

Being part of the big American family, and the youngest member at that, there should have been a bit more compassion from the paternal powers that be.

Although the scolding may be warranted, there should at least be a recognition that when foreign countries are involved, family should stick and defend each

But the thing is, as Tenorio aptly pointed out in his 4th of July speech, instead of protecting the CNMI's right to self-government, certain "trouble-makers" in the federal government "seem to want to take it away.

Instead of using the federal government's much-touted foreign affairs power to help the CNMI, "they undermine efforts to resolve international problems," and "seem more interested in finding problems to keep their jobs than in solving problems to keep their word to our people.'

Come to think of it, is reneging on one's word and commitment the sole domain of the CNMI? Couldn't that be also said of the federal government in its continued failure to implement the letter of the law pertaining to the reporting requirement involving Compact impact?

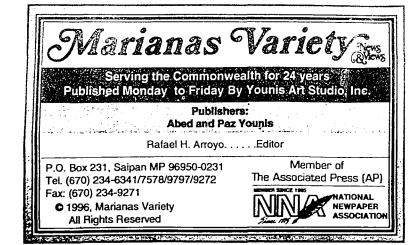
Isn't the ongoing trend of reducing federal assistance under the Covenant also an affront to earlier commitments?

Of course, there's a big difference between the US and the CNMI in that we may be seeing the usual makings of a "master-subject relationship." where the more powerful is always right.

We hope we are wrong in this observation.

Though there may be a lot of times where we hastily choose to "dislike" Tenorio and some of his moves, his current tiff with the US is certainly not one of them. We must all be behind the governor in this, if the CNMI and its people are to be regarded squarely and fairly.

Let's face the argument undaunted and resolute. After all, Gov. Tenorio's defense of the delicate balance between economic opportunity and local selfgovernment would be to the benefit of all in our community.





The Washington Hearings

I've had the opportunity to read through the testimonies of witnesses invited to the recently concluded Oversight Hearings conducted by the US Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

For the most part, testimonies fudged infavor of non-federalization of the minimum wage for fear that it would push it as high as \$6.18 or \$7.08 an hour under the proposed federal wage. This would be the hourly federal wage out here when you figure-in locally mandated benefits.

Of the entire Marianas squad, only Acting Attorney General Sebastian Aloot had anything sensible to say about the issue. He pointed out that in certain non-mainland areas where there is federal jurisdiction over the minimum wage, "Congress has recognized these differences and has relied on industry committees when implementing minimum wages rather than an across the board approach".

Aloot further pointed out "In fact, Congress has required that attention be given to 'economic and competitive conditions' to be sure that employment in the industry 'will not be substantially curtailed'." He noted that in American Samoa, there are 14 separate categories of businesses including the hotel, tour and travel service, construction, printing and publishing, hospital, wholesaling, and financial industries. Each industry has a differing wage rate ranging from \$2.25 to \$3.50 an hour.

The president of the Saipan Chamber of Commerce Sam McPhetres reiterated the SCC's position under Public Law 8-21: Thirty-cents annual increase. He sought consideration of the mandated benefits or it would "wreak havoc with the local economy" in that it has already exceeded federal wages. It's a conditional support which translates to thirty-cents is fine, but give us back one dollar. It doesn't follow, does it? He also wanted "Americanization" of the local economy. Nice try and not until all hell freezes over!

Meanwhile, I was rather disappointed with Washington Resident Representative Juan N. Babauta's statement which essentially wholesaled the right of the NMI to self-government for the wont of perpetuating neo-colonialism in the NMI. He said that he would "not be so kind" of the NMI's "vacillation" on the wage issue as mentioned in Interior's Allen Stayman's excesses. How about getting back to reality so you can hear the sentiment of small indigenous business people and the rest of us whom you're trying to wholesale for pure selfish reasons?

What's more vacillating than a Non-voting Delegate's vote that counts when it doesn't count and doesn't count when it counts? I was a fervent supporter of this glorified and suspect office until the US Congress revealed how it felt about non-voting delegates. The stature given such an office falls squarely on the usual US "set-aside" policy on insular areas. In other words, we're Americans when they feel like it or non-Americans when they don't feel that we belong under the same umbrella. What representation!

You wanted the decision making process of the minimum wage taken "out of the political arena and base it on economics". Wouldn't this position be advocating denial of the inherent right of the NMI to the exercise of self-government? Are you saying that democracy isn't working out here?

Babauta further took to task the reconstituted Wage and Salary Review Board on its recommendation that the increase be delayed "all on the thinnest of economic analysis". What about Stayman's thirty-cent manifesto? Was it based on factual and fully analyzed socio-economic data or was it as baseless as your recommendation that we be denied the opportunity to decide for ourselves? Thanks for the wonderful display of your federalist tendencies which runs against the views of visionaries who wish nothing more than being given the right to strengthen self-government in the NMI. Even the states wanted less federal interference under the 104th Congress's "Contract with America". And shouldn't you be advocating the same for the NMI?

Our experiences with federal dictates, mandates, threats and intimidations can fill-up several thousand pages. Most of these experiences have been negatively frustrating and have done nothing but erode our confidence in the ability of the federal government to handle the needs and aspirations of the indigenous people in insular areas. The multiple positions or interpretation of the Covenant Agreement never favors the NMI. It's a perfect tool to frustrate self-government. It's a perfect tool in complete violation of the Covenant Agreement. And you want to perpetuate these against our inalienable right to self-government? Who do you represent, anyway? The people of the CNMI or the evil architects against greater self-government in Washington?

With respect to your views on immigration, none among the fathers of the Covenant Agreement ever envisioned the NMI leapfrogging into phenomenal economic prosperity in the late eighties. It is analogous to the emergence of territories and commonwealths which was never envisioned by the fathers of the US Constitution. Can't the intent of this provision be taken on a realistic basis? The US preached and encouraged self-sufficiency. We did what we could and when we became too successful, we're being told it's wrong! This is "vacillation" of the highest order coming from evil geniuses who want to keep their own version of the Marianas

Finally, should we allow bureaucrats and transients in Washington to dictate policy? Or isn't this task best left to indigenous people better equipped to resolve internal problems? Furthermore, we will be here to live-out the consequences of our decisions. It is for this reason that I've gone out on the war path to pound home the message that unless mutual respect is adhered to as per the Covenant Agreement, we'd be better off alone!

JACK ANDERSON and MICHAEL BINSTEIN

#### WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

### Credit card banks act like loan sharks

WASHINGTON—Former Gambino crime family underboss Sammy "the Bull" Gravano once defined loan sharking with brutal simplicity: "It's just lending somebody some money at a very high interest rate."

It also defines what banks are doing to credit card customers. While bankers are not kneecapping customers who fall behind on payments record numbers of people addicted to paying with plastic are going broke. The number of people filing for personal bankruptcy may top 1 million this year.

While nobody who fails to pay these rip-off rates will get snuffed out, consumers hopelessly in hock are nonetheless wearing the financial equivalent of cement shoes. There's little prospect they can stay afloat.

Economists increasingly fear that this burgeoning consumer debt, largely the result of credit card interest rates, could be a drag on the whole economy. By one estimate, Americans owe more than \$380 billion on credit cards. The figure climbed an estimated \$40 billion in 1995 alone.

Interest rates on cards now average 17.6 percent, according to Robert McKinley of the Maryland-based RAM Research Group. Meanwhile, banks are only paying small depositors 2 to 3 percent for their savings.

"The score is always banks 1 and consumers 0," said Robert Heady, publisher of the Florida-based Bank Rate Monitor news-

In the latest development of the rich-get-richer story, the Supreme Court recently ruled that it's permissible for nationally chartered banks to assess credit card customers additional late charges, even if the customers live in states which do not allow such charges.

By one estimate, some banks which charged additional fees for 80 services are now charging fees for close to 200. Higher checking account fees and ATM surcharges are among the most visible. Some banks are even dunning customers \$2 every time they deal with a human teller.

This comes at a time when banks are looking at record profits. Commercial banks made \$48.8 billion in 1995, the fourth consecutive year of record earnings. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. attributes the higher earnings largely to increased interest and fee income.

The banking system is viable because the taxpayers, through the federal deposit insurance system, will bail out the banks in a crunch. Yet the banks have repeatedly demonstrated an unwillingness to show reciprocal goodwill.

Their powerful lobby recently won a deal under which most banks pay little or nothing for deposit insurance. The large commercial banks' hired guns in Congress recently killed legislation which would have forced them to help with the savings and loan industry bailout.

They mouth laissez faire rhetoric when regulations they find distasteful are pending, but they looked a lot more like socialists when they ran to federal regulators with a tin cup in the

Where are the congressional watchdogs?

One Republican on the House Banking Committee explains: "Will (we) do anything? No. A Republican Congress will not come in and tell the marketplace what to do.'

But some industry observers say the rates are artificially inflated, and set by the market only in the sense that consumers tolerate them. McKinley says consumers are often lured by the promise of rebates or other premiums and fail to scrutinize

"Congress isn't going to come in and save you from your stupidity," the Banking Committee source said.

At least not as long as the banks serve as veritable ATM machines for politicians. From January 1995 to March 1996 the top 10 banking PACs contributed more than \$2.3 million to candidates from both parties, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

Banks are always pioneering new methods for hooking credit junkies. Janice Shields of Ralph Nader's Consumer Finance Project noted that many card users tend to stick with one card for years, and said this accounts for the card marketing push on college campuses. In another tactic, card marketers entice people to sign on with comparatively low-"introductory rates," which are later hiked.

Bankers correctly contend that there are expenses associated with credit cards that necessarily raise rates. The number of people failing to pay their credit card bills is climbing, and that expense is passed on to other consumers.

And major credit cards often offer a layer of consumer protection that may otherwise be absent, said Cynthia Graham of Barnett Bank in Jacksonville, Fla. For example, if a customer has charged tickets on an airline that abruptly goes out of business, some card companies will refund the purchase price to the customer.

That's one perk that was never offered by Sammy "the Bull" Gravano.

### CD Letters to the Editor

# Palacios writes on Concepcion

(Kindly print this open letter to Mr. Tomas Concepcion)

This is in response to your public statements regarding the people of the Northern Marianas Islands being descendants of thieves and abusers of non-resident workers from the Republic of the Philippines. It is my contention that your personal allegations of labor abuse by the government and the people of the CNMI is not only short sighted, historically inaccurate, and racist in scope but more a reflection of a person who, in

my opinion, is attempting to advance the natives of the Mariana Islands his political aspirations as the expense of the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands. I am appalled that someone with your stature and prominence would result to "cheap shots" at our people and our culture for the sake of gamering public attention and politi-

IN 1521 when Ferdinand Magellan was enroute to the Far East he had on board a colonialist historian who reported events to the Spanish crown with a colonialist perspective. The incident to which you refer wherein

were labelled "thieves" by the Spanish historian, can be viewed differently. Bear in mind, that Magellan's excursion to Guam resulted in the raping of the native women and the pillaging of local food and other supplies do that Magellan and his marauding cohorts could continue their infamous world trek to the Far East and beyond. The native raid upon the Spanish galleon was in retaliation for trespassing on local land, customs and traditions. It was a rebel act by infuriated Chamorro people.

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### Concerned local raps unfair sentence

Aldan's 22 cal. rifle was registered

for quite a few years and only because

Dear Editor:

It was quite disturbing to read Variety's (Friday) publication which says "5 years Jail Sentence for Aldan for possession of less than a gram and 22 cal rifle".

Jesse Aldan sentence was too hard and unfair. While a Japanese national (Hideaki Satake) got away with a light sentenced for much greater violations. Is this what they call "Justice of an oversight it was late for registration renewal only 3 months - he was crucified in court.

Aldans's 22. cal. is legal in the CNMI compare to a lot of hand guns that has been seized from different foreign nationals lately.

How does less than a gram of ice possession is justified mandatory 5

years in jail and so many has gone by the court with large amount and either they get drop from prosecution or get sentenced very light.

The local community are not sleeping! We are watching all these events. We had enough of these injustice to our people!

Concerned local Chamorro

June Babauta

# Pierce sends firefighters a message

(Kindly run this letter for our

Sometimes in all the stress of trying to implement a change in people's lives through my work at the Office of the Governor, I really do lose sight of the real reason I'm trying to work under my program. With the development and implementation of a drug and alcohol workplace policy, with nothing more to gain than providing a safe

workplace for all government employees, and to provide help for those suffering from drug dependency, I get all caught up in the turmoil.

The turmoil of those already addicted, the ridiculous attorneys more concerned with legal issues than the suffering we're trying to prevent, doctors and clinicians more concerned with their territorial affairs, all the heads and their due process, the people afraid that if they open their mouth they're going to lose their jobs, staff that's more concerned with politics than people dropping dead, the it's not as important as what I've got to do already guys, the who's going to pay for it bunch, the institutional denial, the this news is more important folks, the it'll never work crew, the cover-up the mess before someone finds out people, the it's not the bad boys, the macho militia, the racist regime, the lanya that's just the

you're just one of them you hypocrite. So when I found your scribbling Continued on page 42

way he is, and my favorite, the hell

# Let's prove Mr. Concepcion wrong

Dear Editor:

For a couple of days I have read articles about former Philippine Congressman Jose Concepcion's description of Chamorros as "of low culture category" and "thieves". It is utterly sad to say that now he has more attention than what he needs. I be-

lieve that we have to get back at the issues about prospering diplomatic relations. On Mr. Conception's part it is and act of childish accusations.

If we ask Filipino community on our islands I would say that majority would let their people know that not all is bad in the CNMI. For one, we have Filipino men who have worked

on every house we own. These very hard working people deserve the respect. Inspite of giving them a hire salary then usual we feed them lunch, mirienda, and dinner. My parents have gone out of their way to buy television sets for them. The TV sets were sent home to their family. We Continued on page 42



# Tenorio lists CIPs for '95

Variety News Staff

THE TENORIO Administration will be setting aside some \$2.8 million for the design and construction of 60 new classrooms at Saipan's public schools out of Covenant infrastructure funds for fiscal year 1995.

This learned from Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio in his submission to Legislature of an appropriation bill that lists CNMI priority capital improvement projects to be funded out of the \$19.12 million federal grant already authorized by US Public Law 102-381.

The proposed legislation if enacted would also free up some \$12.75 million in local funds to match the US grants in a 60-40 percent ratio that would bring the total infrastructure funding appropriation to \$31.87 million.

Out of that total amount, Rota and Tinian will be getting oneeighth or approximately \$3.9 million apiece for their respective infrastructure projects.

The appropriations for the two islands, however, were left partially blank in the bill because the recommended or requested appropriations have not been received, except for \$600,000 each for Rota and Tinian school

Seafood Dinner Buffet

Galifornian Dinner Buffet

Salmon's "Sausalito", Fettuccine and tempting Desserts.

seafood dishes, salads and desserts.

House 'eager' to appropriate \$31M total funding



Froilan C. Tenorio

million from the general fund

"I am glad to have finally

received the proposed legisla-

tion to appropriate the FY

1996 Covenant funds that have

been sitting available for us to

appropriate," said House Speaker

available in FY 1996.

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The governor in his bill identified sources for the \$12.78 "I am urging the committee to million matching fund, expedite the report on this to namely: \$1.5 million from the the members. It is money that developers infrastructure tax; is sitting available and all it \$2.7 million from non-resident takes is for this Legislature to make the appropriation," said worker fees; \$3 million from CDA loan interest; and \$5.55 the speaker.

He added he is looking forward to calling a session as soon as possible for action on the measure.

The proposed measure appropriates the remainder of the \$31.87 million as follows:

•\$10 million for solid waste

management projects, i.e., for the Puerto Rico Dump site assessment, slope stabilization and design and construction of the proposed sanitary landfill in

•\$2.4 million for road paving and drainage in As Matuis;

•\$450,000 for design and reconstruction of Tanapag regional ditch and construction of adjacent retaining wall;

•\$250,000 for a new police and fire substation in Tanapag; •\$500,000 for Capitol Hill

•\$4 million for construction of the offsite drainage system at Chalan Msgr. Guerrero;

•\$1.92 million for village

and fire substation in Kagman

•\$100,000 for the Veterans' Building;

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•\$450,000 for a new Legislative Building; •\$100,00 for the Indigenous

Memorial Park;

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### Guam gets \$6.7M in federal tax payments

ALLEN Stayman, the U.S. Interior Department's Director of Insular Affairs, has announced the release of \$6.7 million in income taxes due the Government of Guam.

"We usually wait until the beginning of a news fiscal year, which would be in October 1," Stayman said. "This year, however, the large amount of taxes due the Government of Guam justified early payment."

Federal law provides that the Federal Government shall pay to Guam all income taxes paid by Federal employees working in the territory, and by Guam residents who are overseas in the armed forces.

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are usually paid on the first day of the new fiscal year. The Government of Guam, however, requested and justified the early release of funds against fiscal

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# Teno' looks forward to primary

Variety News Staff

FORMER Governor and Republican gubernatorial aspirant Pedro P. Tenorio is looking forward to the November 9 primary which will pit him against former Gov. Larry I. Guerrero.

In an interview during Wednesday's Republican Party general membership meeting at the Garapan Central Park, Tenorio said he believes in the conduct of a primary as the better method of selecting who will be the GOP's

official candidate in the 1997 gubernatorial elections.

"It's a very healthy to have the primary. Let the people make that choice. I believe in the democratic process and the people's ability to choose who can best serve the the Commonwealth,"

The date for the upcoming contest between two former governors was finalized through a vote among members of the party who attended Wednesday's meeting.

It is also possible that primaries

Former Gov. Larry I. Guerrero (left) with Edward C. DL. Guerrero, former Senate president Juan S. Demapan

for the congressional, mayoral and washington representative race, if necessary, will also be held simultaneous with the November

Although he said he prefers to have the primary next year, Tenorio may have no choice as the party has already decided on it.

"It's too early. I'm not saying that something might happen, but we still have over a year to go. I'd rather see the primary to be a little closer to election day," Tenorio said in an interview just before the party decided



Ex-Gov. Pedro P. Tenorio (left) stands by his runningmate, Senate president Jesus R. Sablan during the GOP meeting.

Under party rules, a primary may be called if there are at least two party aspirants for any one political seat up for grabs in an election.

The Party leadership earlier this year received candidacy declarations from three gubernatorial aspirants, namely, Tenorio, Guerrero and current Washington Representative Juan N. Babauta but the latter withdrew due to party unity concerns.

Party leaders have earlier tried to avoid a primary, wary of the observation that it may have divisive effects, especially with three camps fighting it out for the nomination.

But with two protagonists remain-

ing, the party gave the primary a go. Asked if he foresees a Republican win in the 1997 gubernatorial elections, Tenorio said, "I think it's unfair to say that. There are other candidates from the other party. Of course, I just hope that the best candidate will win in 1997."

Tenorio is running with current Senate President Jesus R. Sablan. On the other hand, Guerrero has already named educator Rita H. Inos as his

Whoever the GOP standard bearers will be decided by a vote participated in by all registered and eligible voters in the Commonwealth's three senatorial districts.



### Tenorio counsel tells court:

# 'Mayor's control of DPS to be worse'

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff GOVERNOR Froilan Tenorio has underscored the importance of having the Department of Public Safety under the authority of the central govern-

In a brief submitted Wednesday to the Superior Court in connection with the Inos vs Tenorio case, the governor. through counsel Douglas M. Muir, said the problem will be worse if DPS is placed under control of locally elected

"DPS Rota enforces the law on that island. It should be disinterested, unbiased, and should act without fear or favor," said Tenorio in the court file. "This may well be too much to ask of any agency in such a small, tightly knit community.'

Tenorio filed his response to Rota Mayor Joseph Inos' brief on the issue whether DPS' function is primarily to execute the laws, or to administer pub-

The chief executive described Inos' argument as very questionable stating he believes it would be more efficient and better public policy to have none of the departments under Mayoral con-

The governor cited that through court's order at least one department (Labor and Immigration) has been outside Mayoral control for over a year.

"In fact, there have been almost no public complaints or controversies about the enforcement of Labor and Immigration laws on Rota—a marked contrast to the year or so previously, when Rota's labor problems were the focus of international attention and censure," said the chief executive in his



Douglas M. Muir

Inos maintained that under the statute, DPS should be under his control. The mayor pointed out that only two of 10 statutory duties assigned to the Department speak to enforcement laws. Eighty percent speak to service.

"We do not agree. A common-sense analysis clearly shows that DPS has three primary functions: police, fire protection, and corrections

Fire protection may indeed be a 'service," Tenorio contended.

However, he continued, police and corrections are "quintessential execu-

Having an administrative function, Tenorio explained, does not void the executive nature of an officer's duties.

"The governor is sometimes an 'administrative officer' so is the presiding judge of the court," Tenorio said. "The department's function is what matters, and DPS' function is

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The issue stemmed from Inos' com-

plaint, accusing the governor of usurp-

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Tenorio said it appears that Inos is

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# Atalig backs teachers' pay hike

SENATOR Ricardo S. Atalig, D-Rota, said he fully supports the PSS Salary Reclassification plan and that such a wage increase is long

As a retired teacher, Atalig said he understands the rigors of the teaching profession and that "it's time for the CNMI to start paying educators what they're worth"

He said, "The teachers here are some of the hardest working individuals I've ever seen, and keep in mind that they're working under some very difficult circumstances such as overcrowding and teaching in outdated facilities".

Atalig added that a salary hike would also help create a more stable and productive learning environment.

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"By approving this plan, I believe we'll get more qualified teachers, more indigenous teachers, and also a more permanent and dedicated work force in our Public School System. It's not just about more money for certain individuals, it's about enhancing the quality of education for the entire Commonwealth" he

The Rota Senator went on to stress that approval of the Salary Reclassification plan should be accompanied by a termination of housing ben-

"We should wipe the slate clean and put all the teachers in the CNMI on equal footing. The past has already shown us the problems that can arise when you offer different ben-



Ricardo S. Atalig

efits to different people.

"This plan provides us with an ideal opportunity to amend the inconsistencies that have plagued the system over the last decade," he

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# Use of 702 funds for jails argued

Variety News Staff

THE FEDERAL Government should be partly responsible for the cost of upgrading and operating correctional facilities in the Commonwealth, Washington Representative Juan N. Babauta said.

In his testimony before a congressional hearing on CNMI labor and immigration reform issues in Washington, D.C. last week, Babauta said prison facilities construction and upkeep in the CNMI should be one area looked into by the US in assessing compensation related to the Compacts of Free Association.

This is because he partly attributes the need for more jail facilities to unchecked immigration, notably from Micronesia.

Babauta in his testimony took exception to a recommendation made by the Clinton Administration that the CNMI devote Covenant funds to build better jail facilities and corrections programs.

A report turned in by Insular Affairs Director Allen Stayman to US Congress took the CNMI government to task over the state of prison facilities on Saipan, saying US grants be used to improve But according to Babauta,



the US should share the cost being responsible for the financial impact the Compacts may have on the CNMI.

"Covenant funds should not be the sole source for prison facilities in the Northern Marianas," said Babauta in his testimony before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources

He said noted that a good portion of the inmates are immigrants from the Freely Associated States—over whom the Northern Marianas immigration laws have no control. Under the Compacts the US

entered with Micronesian nations, citizens from the freely associated states are unrestrained from entering and re-



siding in the Commonwealth. US law, however, provides that the federal government is supposed to reimburse the CNMI and other Pacific islands for the social and economic costs pertaining to

delivered any report for ten "By acknowledging the need for an \$11 million investment Allen Stayman in prison facilities, however, Interior has indirectly reported to Congress on one cost of the

Compacts," said Babauta. "It seems clear therefore that fiscal responsibility for construction of prison facilities and for operation costs attributable to inmates from the be born by the federal govern-

ment," he said. Babauta noted that uning the Compacts, Congress checked immigration results also agreed to offset the fiscal in the overburdening of all public facilities in the CNMI—schools, roads, health

care and public safety. He further linked increased drug trafficking, government corruption and crimes of violence in the NMI to immigrants and immigration.

"It seems a strange distortion that funds designated by the Covenant to help raise the standard of living of the people of the NMI are now recommended to be used instead to raise the standard of living of criminals," said Babauta.

"Building better prisons, necessary though it may be, treats the symptoms and not the disease," he added.

### CCAC Board sets July meeting

"These immigrants are per-

mitted to enter by virtue of the

federal Compacts. In approv-

costs to the NMI and other

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Congress ordered an annual

report on Compact impact, the

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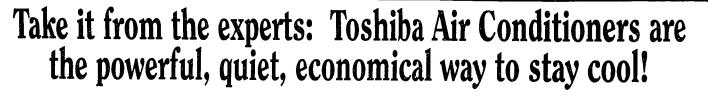
THE COMMONWEALTH Council for Arts and Culture's Board of Directors will be holding their regular monthly meeting on July 15, 1996, at 1:30 p.m. at the CCAC Main Office, Capitol

The agenda will include, Adoption of minutes for March 12, April 16, May 23,

and June 12 meetings, request for position restructuring/reclassifications, request for funding for gallery production room and programs, executive director replacement process and status. Consortium for Pacific Arts

and Culture and National Endowment for the Arts trip reports, Festival of the Pacific Arts and Culture, the South Pacific Commission Conference donation from CCAC update on CCAC projects, and traditional craft-making project with Cathy Kapileo.

The public is invited to attend this meeting. For further information, you may contact the Arts Council office at telephone 322-9982 or 9983.

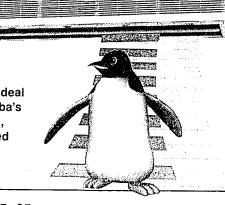


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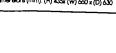






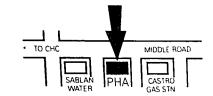


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# DPS shuns autopsy release

By Ferdie de la Torre Variety News Staff

THE DEPARTMENT of Public Safety has refused to release to the media the autopsy report on the murdered Japanese woman.

DPS Commissioner Jose M. Castro confirmed to the Variety yesterday that the autopsy

on Kazuko Izawa was conducted at the Commonwealth Health Center Tuesday night. Castro explained that it is

up to the Attorney General's Office to release the report or not to the public.

The commissioner refused to give more details about the killing, saying the case is still

Castro said no one was arrested yet in connection with Izawa's case. However, he expressed optimism that the case will be solved soon.

A source at the DPS disclosed that the murder weapon was recovered at the crime

The victim was found murdered Monday afternoon inside her residence in Afetnas. She reportedly received injuries to the upper body area.

The Variety gathered that it was Izawa's husband and a friend who discovered the victim's body when they returned to the house after fish-

the 60-year-old Izawa was as-

saulted with a hard object, ei-

ther a metal or a piece of wood.



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### 27 PSS employees earn higher degrees at NMC



William S. Torres

FURTHERING their careers and gaining new skills that will enable them to better serve the Commonwealth's children, 27 teachers and teacher aides from the Public School System have achieved higher degrees through their studies at Northern Marianas College, a news release said.

As part of the NMC class of 1996, a total of 14 PSS teacher aides received associate degrees, while 10 more received their B.A. degrees. Another three PSS employees completed and re-ceived certificates in early childhood education.

Commissioner of Education William S. Torres said he was proud of all of these graduates, noting, "We never stop learning and the more knowledge we gain, the better prepared we are for our everyday lives."

Of those who achieved their associate degrees. Torres said these degrees are "the first step up the ladder in education," and iraged these new degreeholders to continue working toward Bachelor's degrees.

Of the new B.A. degree holders, the commissioner said these degrees are "major accomplishments" that are "an inspiration for our students."

Torres also urged the early childhood education certificate holders to work toward their associate degrees and B.A. degrees.

Those who earned their Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education through NMC's University of Guam extension program were Victoria B. Aguon (Garapan Elementary), Raymond N. Basa (Garapan Elementary), Jeannette

L. Basiou (G.T. Camacho Elementary), Francine F. Deleon Guerrero (Garapan Elementary), Mercedes Q. Deleon Guerrero (Headstart), Monica S. Manalo (Garapan Elementary), Luella I. Marciano (San Vicente Elementary), Richard Rosokow (Tanapag Elementary), Joaquina DLG. Salas (San Vicente Elementary) and Orpha T. Singeo (Oleai Elementary). Here are the names of the other

\* Alina S. Concepcion, Garapan Elementary, Associate of Applied Science (Business

new degree-holders:

• Mary Ann M. Agulto, Oleai Elementary, Associate of Arts (Education).

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# NMHC invites loan applicants

JUAN S. Tenorio, Board of Chairman of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) has announced plans to actively promote homeownership by assisting very low, low and moderate income applicants with the various loans programs it is currently administering.

Interested eligible applicant may seek financial assistance at the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation for the purchase, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of single-family residential dwelling units.

A news release from NMHC said eligible persons may avail of the Rural Development Housing (RH) 502 and Direct Family Home Loan (DFHL) Programs assist low to moderate income applicants for purchase or construction of homes.

The Rural Development RH 502 program requires that the property to be purchased or developed be accessible and have city power and water.

Low interest loan is extended for 33 years at low interest, usually the prevailing prime rate.

Under the program, interest payment may be subsidized for eligible borrowers. Payment moratorium for a maximum of six months is also granted in instances where borrowers justify the need, such as a sudden death in the family or loss of income.

The NMHC also said the native American Direct Loan Program of the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) has extended loans for purchase, construction or improvement of a single-family residential dwelling unit.

The program has been implemented in areas, which have land



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restriction(s), including the CNMI, American Samoa, Hawaiian Home Land, Indian Reservations and Alaska.

In the CNMI, only CNMI descent veterans are eligible for the program. Loan term is also fixed for 30 years with interest at the prevailing prime rate.

The maximum loan that could be obtained is \$120,000.00. All veterans are encouraged to take advantage of this program and to inquire and/or apply for assistance, this pilot program will expire on October 1997.

On the other hand, the Loan Purchase Agreement with Guam Savings and Loan Association (GS&LA) makes available funds for middle to upper income applicants fixed between 9.5% to 12% for a maximum of 30 years.

The program is a secondary market arrangement, wherein GS&LA purchases pre-screened loans so that funds may become available for applicants sooner than having to wait for funds from repayment

of loans, which takes longer to accumulate. Maximum obtainable loan is \$187,500.00.

According to DFHL Program, whereby eligible CNMI residents may obtain a construction loan up to \$55,000 or an improvement loan up to \$25,000 for a maximum of 15 years at 9% interest rate.

On June 25, 1996, the Board of Directors agreed to provide financial assistance to loan applicants who were denied credit by the GSLA due to limited credit history, limited employment, or lack of credit history.

By assisting these applicants, NMHC will further its goal of increasing homeownerships for families who otherwise will not be able to because of bank denial due to reasons which are beyond the clients control.

There are also several rehabilitation loan and/or grant programs for very low to low income families. They include the Department of Housing and Urban Development HOME and Rural Development Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) and RH 504 programs.

The HOME program receives an annual allocation of \$100,000.00 or more for repair projects. Loan term is fixed for 15 years at 3% interest rate

Grants may be given to applicants who show a need for funds, but lack the repayment ability for a loan. HPG is an enhancement to the RH 504 program, which was initially made available to the CNMI from the Rural Development. Funding has ceased, but it is hoped that it will soon resume so that NMHC may assist more applicants who are in need of the program funds.

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The Rural Development RH 504 program is very similar to the HOME and HPG programs. Elderly applicants who have attained the age of 62 years may qualify for a maximum grant of \$7,500,00

a maximum grant of \$7,500.00. The NMHC accepts loan applications between 7:30 am through 11:30 am Monday through Thursday, except holidays. For further information, contact Diana Crisostomo, Tom Duenas or Melvin Sablanat 234-9447/7689/7670/6866; in Rota, Charles Manglona at 532-9410; and in Tinian, Frances H. Diaz at 433-9213.

# Conservationist Corner

### Vetiver against erosion

THERE is an urgent need to consider soil erosion and water conservation in the CNMI, these two long range problems have confronted farmers and the government for years. Topsoil losses in the past have brought down entire civilizations, therefore it is something to think about. Vetiver Grass may be the answer to these problems.

Vetiver grass, Vetiveria zizanioides, is a miracle grass used in erosion control, it has a number of beneficial architectural and anatomical features:

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structures of the stems and leaf bases are extremely strong; Year-round performance-Grows dormant during dry seasons and its

leaves and stems stay stiff; Self-rising ability-It puts out new roots as soil builds up around the

stems; and Clump integrity-seldom creates

gaps.
Vetiverhedgesblockthepassage
of soil and allows water to slow

down and hold back moisture that would otherwise rush off and be lost. This ability to hold moisture on the slopes, and thus increase infiltration, which will likely boost crop yields and appeal to farmers, foresters, and civil authorities.

Hedges formed from vetiver are capable of surviving for decades. Vetiver stays in place without requiring attention. Trimming the hedges is usually not difficult and the effort can provide much, animal bedding, or thatch for Chamorro huts. Generally, farmers can run a plow along the edge to cut off any spreading tillers (sprouts) and cut back the tops with a machete.

In summary, vetiver grass is an inexpensive, easy to establish method of erosion and water control.

For more information please call NRCS/Saipan & Northern Islands Soil and Water Conservation District at 233-3415/0650

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# **DEQ** water report

THE DIVISION of Environmental Quality (DEQ) analyzed water samples collected from Saipan's recreational beaches and storm water drainages this week.

None of the samples collected contained excessive concentration of fecal coliform bacteria, which exceeded the CNMI Marine Water Quality Standards.

The Division of Environmental Quality analyzes samples of marine recreational and storm drainage water from 18 locations on the west side of Saipan each week. DEQ welcomes all inquires as to the quality if beach water. The public is encouraged to contact DEQ at 234-6114 with any questions concerning this matter.



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# Port Moresby airport robbed

ANarmedgangrobbed 500,000 kina (US\$5394,000) from the Jacksons International Airport in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, Monday.

Police believed the robbery was an inside job, the Post-Courier re-

They said it was well planned by persons who had knowledge of the shipment of the money from the govemment-owned Papua New Guinea Banking Corporation in Port

The money was to be transfered to the PNGBC's Kainantu Branch in Eastern Highlands, Lae in Morobe and Kokopo in East New Britain

The money was taken to the Air NiuginiaircargoterminalatJacksons airport where it was stolen.

Police said two men pretending to weigh in a box to send to Mount Hagen in Western Highlands, held up the Securitymax Armored truck which was delivering the money at the airline terminal at about 7.30 am

were four people involved in the robbery, who were well dressed and

Police are investigating into the robbery....Pacnews

### US agency drops cell lines plans

THE United States National Health cry in the region for protection of intel-Services has dropped plans to claim copyrights over cell-lines from blood obtained from a small group of Pacific Islanders.

Solomon Islands under-secretary for primary health care. Dr. Ezekiel Nukuro, revealed this after reports of a South Pacific legal battle against moves by US researchers to patent blood products of some Melanesians, SIBC reported.

Those involved are 24 from Papua New Guinea and two from Solomon

Recently there has been public out-

lectual property rights and a morato-

rium on bio-prospecting in the region. However, Nukuro says the case involving the two Solomon Islanders was halted by the US government after a protest letter was sent to them by the Solomon Islands Ambassador to the United Nations in New York Rex Horoi.

He says blood samples of the two Solomon Islanders got into the hands of US researchers through samples sent overseas for tests because of lack of technical ability and capacity to test them in the country....Pacnews

construction company accused of laying off Australian tradesmen while Filipino guest workers retained their jobs announced Thursday that

PERTH, Australia (AP) - A

some of the Filipinos would

also go. Specialized Welding Pty. Ltd. managing director Willy Laufman said his company always gave Australian employees preference over guest workers.

"That's always the situation. But we're also bound contractually to employ the guest workers for at least six months," Laufman said.

being biased for Filipinos

"There are other details that have to be organized for foreign workers such as airline bookings which means we can't just let them go sud-

Perth company suspected of

Specialized Welding contracted 10 Filipino tradesmen earlier this year on 12-month visas. Laufman said at the time he was unable to fill the job vacancies through nationwide advertising.

However, three Australian machinist-fitters were suddenly laid off on Monday with two weeks' severance pay.

Their union, the Australian Manufacturing Workers Union, responded with questions about the guest workers who had retained their jobs.

Laufman said Thursday four machinist-fitters from the 10 Filipino tradesmen had also been dismissed and were serving out their two weeks' notice.

The union had arranged an appointment with Specialized Welding on Monday to discuss details of the redundancies.

Laufman said the redundancies had been made necessary by a downturn in work for machinist-

derway for the 1996 South Pacific Forum to be held at Majuro the capital of Marshall Islands in

Forum Secretariat spokesman Alfred Sasako said a team would be visiting Majuro next month to check on the preparations, the Daily Post reported.

Sasako said it will be the Marshall's first time to host the South Pacific Forum which is a very important leaders summit.

He emphasized it is the only time each year when the region's top political leaders get together to discuss and help find solutions

He said among political questions to be resolved at this year's Forum will be last year's suspension of France as a Post Forum Dialogue partner.

Sasako said a feature at this

sion of the two new leaders of Australia and Nauru.

There will be prime minister John Howard who came to power after Australia's national elections in March and President Lagumot Harris of Nauru....Pacnews



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# PNG strafes Solomons boat, kills 6

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - A Papua New Guinean helicopter strafed a boat load of suspected rebels in Solomon Islands' waters and killed six people, reports said Thursday, as PNG's campaign to quash guerrillas on Bougainville island spread and

The Bougainville rebels often sought shelter in the neighboring Solomon Islands, and their spokesman used to operate from its capital,

One of the key goals of Papua New Guinea's Operation High Speed is to cut off rebel infiltration to and from the Solomons.

Both daily papers in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea's capital, said an Iroquois helicopter donated by Australia had fired on the boat Tuesday in Solomon Islands' waters, killing six,

The newspapers quoted Papua New Guinea's defense force commander, Brig. Gen. Jerry Singirok, as saying that boat's crew had fired first at the helicopter.

Solomons Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Danny Philip forecefully protested the attack Thursday in a meeting with Papua New Guinea's Foreign Minister, Kilroy Genia, during talks in Cairns, Australia.

Australia, which administered Papua New Guinea until independence in 1975, gave the country Iroquois military helicopters on condition that they only be used for transport and support, not as gunships.

Australian Defense Minister Ian McLachlan called for a full report into the incident and urged Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Is-

# Preparations for new offensive underway

MORE than 1,800 Papua New Guinea troops, almost half the country's total military force, are preparing to launch an all-out assault on the separatist Bougainville Revolutionary Army (BRA).

They are to use the Australiansupplied equipment, according to the Sydney Morning Herald.

The build-up was confirmed (Wednesday) by the PNG Defence Force Commander, Brigadier General Jerry Singirok, in an interview with the Herald in Port Moresby.

This is despite assertions by the Australian Foreign Affairs Minister, Alexander Downer, that Australian supplied military hardware had "not been provided in direct support" of the operations on Bougainville.

But General Singirok said the equipment would play an "essential" role said the Australian supplied IROQUOIS helicopters were providing "very essential" support for the operation, especially by trans-

He said although the PNG government had assured Canberra the helicopters would not be used as gunships, his troops would fire missiles and machine guns if attacked by the

He said the Australian supplied patrol boats were playing a "crucial" role in cutting the rebels of from their support bases in the Solomon Islands.

The boats are also used to transport troops to combat zones, and could also be used in an offensive capacity

The Commander confirmed an incident last week in which his troops on board a patrol boat fired on a police center in the neighbouring Solomon Island, injuring a field officer, but said his men were fired upon Solomon policemen. General Singirok said in the two weeks since the offensive was launched, only two soldiers had

### No to inferior pearls

AN International market expert has warned the Cook Islands that it could ruin its budding black pearl industry by continuing to sell poor quality pearls on the local market.

Some producers have been selling poor quality pearls cheaply to help recover some of the costs of farming, RNZI reported.

But Richard Allhouse who is in Cooks on a contract with the Asian probably the worst thing they Pearl Authority.....Pacnews

could do as it damages the overall image of Cook Islands pearls.

He said the producers would be better off throwing the low grade pearls away.

The Cook Islands supplies about 3 percent of the world's black pearls from farms on the northern islands of Manihiki and Penryhn

The ADB is the biggest financier of the Cooks pearl industry and Allhouse is investigating the Development Bank, said this is government-run Cook Islands

### 3 face extra punishment

THREE Pakistani nationals serving a two-month sentence for breaking Fiji's immigration laws will face extra punishment after they are deported to Pakistan on their release.

Pakistani police and immigration authorities have already been put on alert to take them in for questioning the moment they set foot on Pakistani soil, the Daily Post reported.

The three will be deported to Pakistan after serving their sen- into Japan. ... Pacnews

with the Daily Post newspaper, the consular officer at the Pakistani embassy in Canberra, Muspanq Khan, said forging of government documents was a serious offense and should be serverely dealt with.

The three Pakistanis were failed by the Nadi Magistrates Court after they were convicted of forging Fiji passports to gain access









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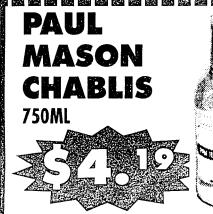
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# N. Korea still headless state

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Two years after the death of longtime ruler Kim Il Sung, North Korea is still a headless state. It may remain that way for some time, officials and analysts

Since Kim II Sung died July 8, 1994, at age 82, international attention has focused on when his 54-yearold son and undisputed heir, Kim Jong II, would ascend to power.

Until recently, many people thought the junior Kim would take formal power on or around the second anniversary Monday of his father's death. But there has been no sign that is going to happen.

Now most analysts in Seoul think the North's power transfer likely will be postponed until after the third anniversary of the senior Kim's death

"With its economy sinking and international isolation deepening, the power succession is not expected to

be made this year," South Korean Unification Minister Kwon O-kie said in a recent television interview.

The father-to-son power shift would mark the first hereditary succession in a communist country.

Kim Jong II, groomed for decades as heir to his father, became the head of the North's powerful military in 1991. He has yet to take the other two top posts his father held - president and ruling party chief.

Although few question Kim Jong Il's authority, his failure to assume his father's titles has spawned questions about possible health problems or a power struggle in the secluded

Even North Korean officials appear confused. In January, North Korean Ambassador to China Ju Chang Jun publicly said that the new leader would formally ascend to power after Monday's second anni-

But in late June, the speaker of

North Korea's parliament, on a visit to Mexico, indicated that the junior Kim would further delay his plan to take power until the latter half of next

"It is difficult for me to calculate the time. But come to see us in the autumn of next year," Yang Hyong Sop said in an interview with the daily El Sol de Mexico.

North Korean officials have said all along that Kim Jong II would not rush to step into his father's place, claiming he is still observing Korea's traditional three-year mourning pe-

But according to Korean custom, a three-year mourning period for Kim Il Sung would end on the second anniversary Monday. In Korea, a child is counted as a year old when he or she is born. The same is applied to the calculation of a person's death

"Their way of counting a mourning period is against Korean customs," said Huh Mun-young, a senioranalystatthegovernment-funded Research Institute for National Unifi-

He said North Korea would like to extend its mourning period to gain time to resolve its tangled economic and political problems.

"They are certainly in no mood to welcome a new leader - even if he is Kim Jong Il," Huh said.

North Korea's problems are complex. With its economy in shambles, it faces an acute food shortage following last year's massive floods. For the first time, it is appealing for outside aid to feed its 24 million people.

The North's pariah image is hurting efforts to muster support for international aid. And its efforts to improve ties with Washington and Tokyo - its two main potential aid providers - are progressing slowly.

Undera 1994 nuclear accord, North Korea and the United States are working on exchanging liaison offices as a

first step toward opening formal relations. But that's not likely to happen until late this year, at the earliest.

The two adversaries, who fought in the 1950-53 Korean War, also are working together to recover the remains of about 8,100 U.S. soldiers unaccounted for from the conflict.

"These and many other pending problems will have been resolved considerably by next year. Then Kim Jong II may be ready to formally succeed his father," Huh said.

### **US** troops welcome Perry sans fireworks, beer for 4th of July

By ROBERT BURNS

LIUBLIANA, Slovenia (AP) They're not allowed beer, and fireworks would hardly make sense. Yet U.S. soldiers in Bosnia were ready to celebrate Independence Day with a special touch of home: a visit by Defense Secretary William Perry.

Perry timed Thursday's trip to Tuzla, Bosnia - the central hub for U.S. peacekeeping forces in the former Yugoslavia - to coincide with the Fourth of July as a show of support for

Aides traveling with Perry said he insisted that no special events be staged for his one-day visit, but the troops were already planning to be entertained by a rock band and to indulge in some traditional Fourth of July outdoor eating.

Since arriving in Bosnia in December, the troops have worked long hours and endured restrictions on their leisure activities - no visits to the town of Tuzla, for example. And, to the consternation of many GIs, there is a total ban on drinking.

Perry was also squeezing in a visit to the Russian Army brigade that is doing peacekeeping chores as part of the U.S.-led contingent.

Earlier this week, Perry visited U.S. troops in Taszar, Hungary, at an air base serving as a supply pipeline for the Bosnia operation.

As he has on each of his three visits to the Balkansthis year, Perry thanked the troops in Taszar for their work and reminded them of the importance of keeping the peace.

Sarajevo to see Adm. Leighton Smith Jr., commander of the NATO-led peacekeeping force, and meet with Bosnian government and military officials. He also paid a visit to the Mostar headquarters of the French-led division that is keeping the peace in southeastern Bosnia.

Perry was flying into Tuzla on Thursday from Ljubljana, Slovenia, where he spent the night and met with top government officials on topics ranging from Slovenia's ambition to join NATO to the prospect for long-term peace in the Balkans.

He was flying back to Washington later Thursday.

# USAID chief warns on political unrest

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Atwood is visiting the Phil-

ippines as head of the U.S.

delegation for Thursday's 50th

liberation from American co-

He also was part of a U.S.

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Atwood said AID now sees

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By ROMY TANGBAWAN MANILA, Philippines (AP) - America's top aid official said Thursday that rapidly developing Asian countries may face economic problems if political unrest erupts because of a lack of democracy.

"It is going to be more difficult (for them) to sustain the economic growth in the midst of political crisis," said administrator J. Brian Atwood of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Atwood cited Indonesia as among the "vulnerable" countries.

In contrast, he said, the Philippines has "made an investment in democracy first" before working on economic growth and reform.

He said Indonesia "has almost a perfect development program" but that political institutions are too dependent on President Suharto, who is 75 years old.

"I think that as the middle class grows in Indonesia, there will be an expectation that they will participate in the political process. Right now that expectation is being frustrated," he told reporters.

Last week, Suharto's government helped expel Megawati Sukarnoputri daughter of Indonesia's independence hero and first president - as head of the Indonesian Democratic Party for challenging the ruling party, Golkar.

Dozens of police and demonstrators were hurt in an ensuing clash as Megawati's supporters protested the government action.

"We don't want to disrupt our relationship with the Indonesia government but we have told them from the very beginning that we feel it is important for any strong economy to develop a strong civil society," Atwood said.

U.S. AID spokesman James Byrne said Atwood relayed his government's concerns to Suharto last week in a meeting in Jakarta.

Atwood said AID intends to help strengthen democratic institutions in Indonesia but "we don't snoop around and try to undercut people. We're very open in what we're trying to do."

He said the agency's activities in Indonesia are similar to what it did in the Philippines when that country was under the strongman rule of the late President Ferdinand Marcos.

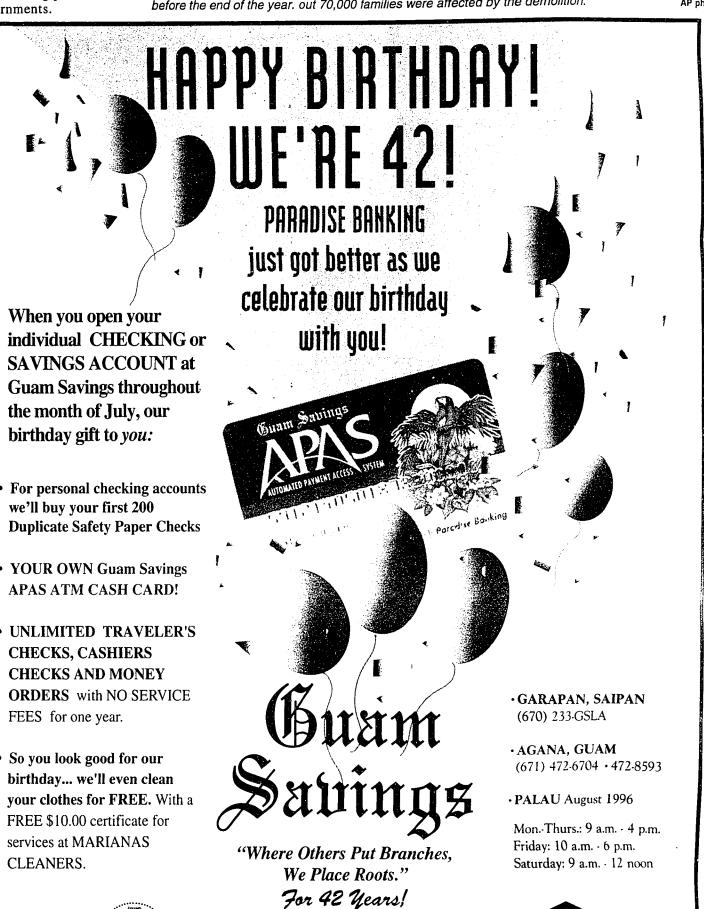
The agency has been working with non-government organizations in Indonesia, which are now a "real force," he said.

For instance, Atwood said.

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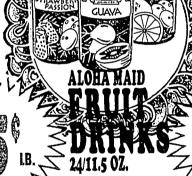
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# Yeltsin win brings US relief

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Dole, said the elections "demon-

strate decisively that the Russian

people have rejected their Com-

However, in a statement issued

by his campaign, Dole cautioned

against putting too much stock in

"Democracy is not built on any

munist past."

one Russian leader.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Inside

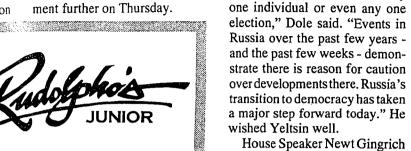
and outside the U.S. government there was obvious relief as election returns showed Russian President Boris Yeltsin decisively defeating his Communist rival, Gennady Zyuganov.

President Bill Clinton called the election "a triumph for democracy" Wednesday, but avoided any comment on Yeltsin. Clinton

far Russia's political reform has

"After centuries of imperial rule and decades of communist oppression, they have asserted their right to have a voice in the decisions that affect their lives,"

White House spokesman Brian Cullin said Clinton would comment further on Thursday.



echoed Dole's comments.

"I think we should recognize that they're going to have interests that aren't the same as ours, and that while Yeltsin is in some ways helpful to us, in other ways

can told a church meeting Wednesday night in his congressional district north of Atlanta. "I just think we should not overly focus on individual personalities." Congressman Lee Hamilton of Indiana, the senior Democrat on the House International Relations Committee, said, "It's much better for Yeltsin to win than for Zyuganov to win."

Hamilton said that "of course, looming in the background is (Yeltsin's) health. His health still remains fragile, and that's a big question mark."

At the State Department, spokesman Nicholas Burns said, "We're going to have to leave it to the Russian government and the president himself to describe what his illness may be."

Yeltsin canceled public appearances during the final days of the presidential campaign, stirring speculation that his health had dent said he was suffering from a cold and laryngitis.

Hamilton said Yeltsin's next moves will be closely watched.

"What we have to do now is watch his appointments very carefully," Hamilton said. "We want to see what kind of economic advisers he puts together."

The Indiana congressman said: "The policy that comes into play now is crucial in many ways. He must stick to his economic reform plan to get this Russian economy moving."

Eugene K. Lawson, president of the U.S.-Russia Business Council, said a Yeltsin victory "has to be seen as a mandate to move forward on reform while fixing its shortcomings."

Lawson predicted that U.S. business will respond to a Yeltsin victory by accelerating the pace of investment in Rus-

# Recalling better days, Russian villagers vote for communism

VOLCHYONKI, Russia (AP) -Rural Russians who feel left behind by Boris Yeltsin's reforms

will now have to learn to live with Many small-town residents across Russia voted for the Communist candidate in Wednesday's presidential runoff, expressing their longing for the days when

bread was cheap and state farms took care of them. But Gennady Zyuganov's resounding defeat ended their hopes Russia any time soon. Life has only gotten worse on most state farms since the Soviet

Like many workers on struggling farms, Anatoly Portnov has not been paid in months. Instead of cash, he gets food from the store at his state farm in Volchyonki, west of Moscow but at prices that stagger him.

"Bread used to be 16 kopecks and you could get six loaves for a ruble," said Portnov. "Now what can you buy for a ruble (onefiftieth of a U.S. cent)?"

Portnov, smoking a cigarette he rolled himself in a scrap of newspaper, sat Wednesday with his wife, Yekaterina, on a wooden bench outside their apartment. The couple, both in their 60s, had cast their ballots for Zyuganov.

Many of their neighbors also had voted for Zyuganov, and one look at their apartment building made it easy to see why. The twostory brick structure has no hot water, rotting window frames and

balconies that look ready to come crashing down. The building has long been condemned but the promised new one remains only a

Just as in Soviet times, Russian folk tunes blared from the nearby administration building where the local polling center was

Rural election workers also took ballot boxes around to tiny villages, a step they said was necessary because so many villagers are old. One mobile polling station came

years fondly.

16 kopecks."

Asian nations welcome

to Maria Kudrova, 73, who lives in Akishevo, a cluster of carved, wooden homes down the road from another state farm west of Moscow. She voted for Zyuganov, remembering the Communist "Of course we lived better then," said Kudrova, a colorful

The Communists have long

# Most of voters in Russia reject Communism

Some top Communists leaders, however, said Thursday they accepted defeat and would concentrate on battling Yeltsin as the main opposition party in parliament, which is controlled by a Communist-led hard-line bloc.

Yeltsin's top aides were triumphant, even a bit giddy as the votes were counted. Sergei Filatov, Yeltsin's cam-

paign manager, said the results were a strong endorsement for democratic reform. "I am grateful to the Russian people for this expression of their will, which sig-

voting against both candidates. A dogged fighter, Yeltsin overcame doubts about his competence and his health, overpowering Zyuganov on the campaign trail and persuading Russians he was the best hope for reform and stability.

MOSCOW (AP) - President

Boris Yeltsin scored a stunning

victory to win a second term

Thursday, but his Communist

challenger would not concede

defeat and hinted at election

Russians decisively rejected

Gennady Zyuganov's call to re-

vive the Soviet Union and its

rigid controls, handing the 65-

year-old Yeltsin a remarkable

triumph and a chance to press

ahead with his economic and

With 92 percent of the vote

counted, Yeltsin had 54 percent

compared to 41 percent for

Zyuganov. About 5 percent of

voters exercised a third option of

political reforms.

Yeltsin's victory marked another major turning point in Russia's tumultuous recent history, with voters rejecting the resurgent Communists' call to restore the overwhelming power of the Soviet state and trample on new market reforms and personal freedoms.

Yeltsin had no immediate reaction to the results and was reportedly working in the Kremlin on Thursday morning. He looked confident and talked animatedly as he cast his ballot Wednesday in suburban Moscow, dispelling rumors he was incapacitated.

A terse Zyuganov, emerging from his home Thursday morning, seemed unable to accept his defeat, especially in regions where he won in the first round of voting on June 16.

"I want to look at the results," he said. "In Dagestan, we got 60 percent last time, and now they say we've lost there. I want to figure out how that could have happened within the last 10 days. I'll give more comments after I get real results."

said they believed Yeltsin's camp would engage in voter fraud to

ficial, Anatoly Lukyanov, said the Communists would accept the results but would continue to form a strong opposition.

big," he said.

"It is quite clear there will be a gap, but it is too early to say how mous problems in a second term. Russia is still reeling from the

1991 Soviet collapse and the impact of wrenching political and economic reforms. The bitter election campaign exacerbated deep

Yeltsin in stunning victory bid has strained the treasury.

> Victory gives Yeltsin a mandate to press ahead in a new fouryear term with privatization, liberalizing land laws, opening Russia's markets and strengthening democratic institutions and



Boris Yeltsin

nifies their support of the president's policies," he said.

Yeltsin's new security chief, Alexander Lebed, the retired general who came in third in the first round and threw his support behind the president, said "Russia has chosen the right direction."

However, Lebed warned that the election had shown how divided Russia is and that people's expectations must be met. "Otherwise, the country will explode," Lebed said Thursday.

Other Yeltsin supporters exulted over the defeat of the Com-

"We can send the Communists to hell after the election," said Yeltsin adviser Leonid Smirnyagin as voting results came

Communist supporters were already dismantling campaign headquarters Thursday morning, and the mood was somber. A senior Communist Party of-

Package bomb hurts 4 outside Peru building

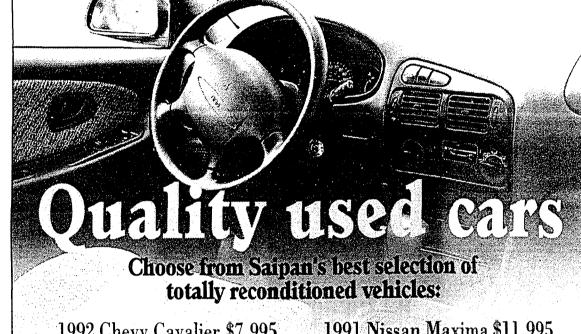
LIMA, Peru (AP) - A package bomb exploded outside a power company office, injuring four people, authorities said. The bomb exploded shortly before 10 p.m. Wednesday in the workingclass San Martin de Porres section of Lima. Authorities said it appeared to be the work of Shin-

ing Path guerrillas. Fire department commander Fernando Mendoza said four people, including a child, were wounded in the explosion.

The bomb damaged the front of the two-story building housing the offices of the Edelnor power company and caused heavy damage to the interior of the first floor. Mendoza did not know how large the bomb was or have details of its composition.

The Maoist Shining Path guerrillas traditionally stage attacks in Lima during July in anticipation of Peru's independence day, July 28. However, in recent years their attacks have been limited to small-

More than 30,000 people have been killed in political violence in Peru in the last 16 years, but since the capture of Shining Path founder Abimael Guzman in 1992 the violence has dropped off



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news of Yeltsin victory ASIAN nations were reacting positively Thursday to early reports that Russian President Boris Yeltsin had defeated his communist rival in a

"I congratulate President Yeltsin," said Australian Deputy Prime Minister Tim Fischer. "It is a privilege to be alive to witness Russia go through a democratic presi-

Japan also welcomed the news of Yeltsin's victory over Communist challenger Gennady Zyuganov, which seemed certain Thursday with most votes counted in the run-

"The results of this fair and open

election mark an important mile-

stone for the democratization of

Russia, and our government wel-

comes this process," government spokesman Seiroku Kajiyama told reporters at a regular news confer-Several expressed concerns,

however, about the apparently frag-

ile state of Yeltsin's health follow-

ing his latest brief disappearance

wool scarf tied around her head.

"I made 45 rubles and it was

enough for everything. Bread was

from public view. The Hongkong Standard newspaper lamented Yeltsin's health problems in an editorial and wondered whether there was "a younger, fitter 'Yeltsinite' around" in case

Yeltsin was incapacitated. "Russia's post-communist history is a catalogue of shattered hopes, and each succeeding failure breeds more cynicism," it said. "So does each succeeding report about the state of Mr. Yeltsin's health."

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**GERANA TAITANO** 

# Pro-China union grows in Hong Kong

HONG KONG (AP) - When China held a weekend of consultations with Hong Kong citizens over how to manage the end of British rule, it invited the student union to say its piece. It quickly wished it hadn't.

Two students stripped off their jackets to reveal slogan-daubed T-shirts deriding the exercise as a sham and demanding protection for Hong Kong's democracy. They were expelled from the meeting.

Hung Hung-sum, 23, doesn't think much of these tactics. He belongs to a separate student union quietly formed two years ago to preach a more conciliatory message about the British colony's the longer-established, more combative organizations. Whether the new organizations are merely Chinese creations cannot yet be gauged. Not every Hong Kong person who wants to cooperate with China is necessarily a Chinese stooge. Many genuinely deplore the confrontational style

of the pro-democracy camp, be-

recovers sovereignty over Hong

Kong, civic groups with a toler-

ant view of China are springing

up to challenge the dominance of

lieving it damages Hong Kong. "They like to take to the streets and protest," Hung said of the 39year-old Hong Kong Federation of Students, which staged the Tshirt protest in March.

"I prefer a pragmatic ap-

comes from respect and communication."

China has had difficulty winning support in Hong Kong, especially among political groups, trade unions and professional organizations where pro-democracy voices are strongest.

But now the 700-member Journalists Association, a loud voice for media freedom, is challenged by the 120-member Federation of Journalists, formed in May, which believes China will stand by its promise to preserve free speech in Hong Kong.

The 62,000-member Professional Teachers Union, led by Szeto Wah, an outspoken China critic, is shadowed by the newer Federation of Education Work-

In the legislature, where Democrats used to hold sway, nearly half the 60 members regularly vote on China's side of the

Lo Shiu-hing, an analyst tracking the transition to Chinese rule, said the trend has spread throughout Hong Kong life - to women's associations, trade bodies and the legal profession.

After China takes over the British colony on July 1, 1997, "the strong influence of pro-democracy organizations will be limited," Lo said.

Hung, an economics student, rejects any "pro-China" label. But he and some other union leaders are Chinese-born and attended "patriotic" Hong Kong schools, which stress loyalty to China.

Pro-democracy sentiment remains strong among students. While the old students' union claims

47,000 members, the new one has just 300.

But the new union's plush office. in a skyscraper owned by a Chinese bank, contrasts with the older union's rundown premises. A China-supporting Hong Kong ty-

coon paid the first two years' rent. Sung Chee-tak, one of the students who mounted the T-shirt protest, says his union has no ties to interest groups.

"We should be free to speak out whatever is in our hearts," says Sung, 25, a religion student.

Cheung Man-kwong, chairman of the pro-democracy teachers' union, believes China is fostering the new organizations because it can't tame the old ones.

"The new ones will at least ensure that there is no landslide of skeptical and dissatisfied voices against the Chinese government," said Cheung, who is also a legislator for the Democrats - still Hong Kong's largest party.

### Cambodian education ministry: Exams to stand despite cheating

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) - Despite evidence of rampant cheating among more than 10,000 secondary school students in the Cambodian capital, education officials said Thursday they would accept the exam results.

The decision followed annual school examinations this week during which hundreds of military police were deployed in front of Phnom Penh schoolyards to prevent cheating.

"The overall results of the tests will stand," said a senior Ministry of Education official To Gary. "The ministry's administrative council will, however, take action against those individuals who

desperate family members who openly scaled schoolyard walls to pass cheat notes to the students through open classroom windows.

In some cases, passing the exams ensures entry into the country's high schools.

Some children attached crib sheets to rocks which they threw to the exam takers, or shouted answers over microphones.

The ministry held a meeting Wednesday, after two-and-a-half days of examinations were complete, to discuss the event but decided not to throw out the results, To Gary said.

"We are not really happy about it," he said of the widespread cheating. But he noted a campaign to clean up corruption within

In previous years, senior ministry officials and exam graders were bribed by parents and students but that has stopped, he said.

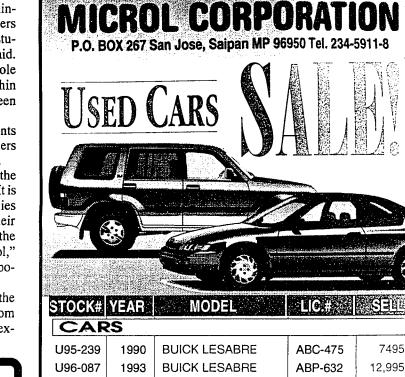
"The positive side of this whole thing is that it shows that within the ministry corruption has been eliminated," he said.

But he added that now students are simply buying off teachers and police to turn a blind eye.

"That is the reason for all the activities outside the schools. It is a last bid by friends and families to help the students pass their tests. But what happens in the school yard is out of our control," he said. "It is the job of the po-

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HONG KONG (AP) - When China held a weekend of consultations with Hong Kong citizens over how to manage the end of British rule, it invited the student bative organizations. union to say its piece. It quickly

wished it hadn't. Two students stripped off their jackets to reveal slogan-daubed T-shirts deriding the exercise as a sham and demanding protection for Hong Kong's democracy. They were expelled from the meeting.

Hung Hung-sum, 23, doesn't think much of these tactics. He belongs to a separate student union quietly formed two years ago to preach a more conciliatory message about the British colony's future master.

recovers sovereignty over Hong Kong, civic groups with a tolerant view of China are springing up to challenge the dominance of the longer-established, more com-

Whether the new organizations are merely Chinese creations cannot yet be gauged. Not every Hong Kong person who wants to cooperate with China is necessarily a Chinese stooge. Many genuinely deplore the confrontational style of the pro-democracy camp, believing it damages Hong Kong.

"They like to take to the streets and protest," Hung said of the 39year-old Hong Kong Federation of Students, which staged the Tshirt protest in March.

With a year to go before China proach," he said. "Understanding comes from respect and communication."

> voices are strongest. But now the 700-member Jour-

in Hong Kong.

sional Teachers Union, led by Szeto Wah, an outspoken China critic, is shadowed by the newer "I prefer a pragmatic ap- Federation of Education Work-

China has had difficulty winning support in Hong Kong, especially among political groups, trade unions and professional organizations where pro-democracy

nalists Association, a loud voice for media freedom, is challenged by the 120-member Federation of Journalists, formed in May, which believes China will stand by its promise to preserve free speech

The 62,000-member Profes-

ers, which claims 10,000 mem-

In the legislature, where Democrats used to hold sway, nearly half the 60 members regularly vote on China's side of the issues.

Lo Shiu-hing, an analyst tracking the transition to Chinese rule, said the trend has spread throughout Hong Kong life - to women's associations, trade bodies and the legal profession.

After China takes over the British colony on July 1, 1997, "the strong influence of pro-democracy organizations will be limited," Lo said.

Hung, an economics student, rejects any "pro-China" label. But he and some other union leaders are Chinese-born and attended "patriotic" Hong Kong schools, which stress loyalty to China.

Pro-democracy sentiment remains strong among students. While the old students' union claims

Pro-China union grows in Hong Kong 47.000 members, the new one has iust 300.

But the new union's plush office, in a skyscraper owned by a Chinese bank, contrasts with the older union's rundown premises. A China-supporting Hong Kong tycoon paid the first two years' rent.

Sung Chee-tak, one of the students who mounted the T-shirt protest, says his union has no ties to interest groups.

"We should be free to speak out whatever is in our hearts," says Sung, 25, a religion student.

Cheung Man-kwong, chairman of the pro-democracy teachers' union, believes China is fostering the new organizations because it can't tame the old ones.

"The new ones will at least ensure that there is no landslide of skeptical and dissatisfied voices against the Chinese government," said Cheung, who is also a legislator for the Democrats - still Hong Kong's largest party.

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# Cambodian education ministry: Exams to stand despite cheating

By ROBIN McDOWELL PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) - Despite evidence of ram-

pant cheating among more than 10,000 secondary school students in the Cambodian capital, education officials said Thursday they would accept the exam results.

The decision followed annual school examinations this week during which hundreds of military police were deployed in front of Phnom Penh schoolyards to prevent cheating.

"The overall results of the tests will stand," said a senior Ministry of Education official To Gary. "The ministry's administrative council will, however, take action against those individuals who were involved in cheating."

In full view of policemen, exam

desperate family members who openly scaled schoolyard walls to pass cheat notes to the students through open classroom windows.

In some cases, passing the exams ensures entry into the country's high schools.

Some children attached crib sheets to rocks which they threw to the exam takers, or shouted answers over microphones.

The ministry held a meeting Wednesday, after two-and-a-half days of examinations were complete, to discuss the event but decided not to throw out the results, To Gary said.

"We are not really happy about it," he said of the widespread cheating. But he noted a campaign to clean up corruption within the ministry, launched in 1993, has been effective.

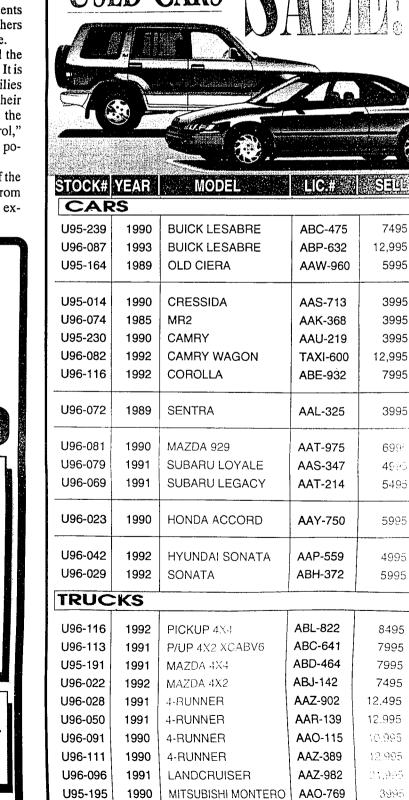
In previous years, senior ministry officials and exam graders were bribed by parents and students but that has stopped, he said.

"The positive side of this whole thing is that it shows that within the ministry corruption has been eliminated," he said.

But he added that now students are simply buying off teachers and police to turn a blind eye.

"That is the reason for all the activities outside the schools. It is a last bid by friends and families to help the students pass their tests. But what happens in the school yard is out of our control," he said. "It is the job of the po-

To Gary noted that many of the teachers came to the capital from the provinces to monitor the ex-



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# Singapore encourages reading

By VIJAY JOSHI SINGAPORE (AP) - Besides tracking the cleanliness of public toilets and singing abilities of its people, Singapore will spend millions of dollars on new libraries in its quest to become a gracious

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better educated and informed. Information Minister George Yeo said Wednesday.

He said the National Library will spend more than 1 billion dollars (\$ 715 million) over the next eight years to build a worldclass information resource bank. The money will be spent on building 13 more libraries, buying more

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over the last three decades to build Southeast Asia's most vibrant economy, Singapore has recently turned its attention to making its people appreciate more than just

Yeo said library loans per person per year in Singapore were

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2.9, but just behind New York's 3.3. However, Singapore was far behind Helsinki's 16.4 and Copenhagen's 13.2 books per person per year.

"This is what we should also try to become in Singapore. We should make regular visits to libraries as part of our lives," he

"I hope our new national library system will help make Singapore such a renaissance city in the new Asia," he said.

In April, Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong announced that the government will conduct regular surveys on the state of public toilets, which he said reflect concern for public property and how considerate Singaporeans were for

The other marker of gracious living was music appreciation, he

"We need economic growth, we need to work hard to generate wealth ... We also need to have the resources to support the arts and campaigns to bring about a

He complained that many parents encourage their children to learn to play musical instruments but too many youngsters were drilled to pass examination pieces instead of being taught to enjoy

A Cabinet minister suggested this week that Singapore can be the Paris of Southeast Asia.

On Wednesday, the National Library Board chief executive Christopher Chia said his aim is to enroll half of all 3 million Singaporeans as library members, up from 1 million now.

Chia said printed material in the libraries will be reduced from 97 percent now to 77 percent. Audio-visual items will increase from 3 percent to 17 percent while CD-ROM discs will reach 6 percent from a negligible amount

"Books are something perennial," he said. Personal computers are useful, "but you can't put it on your tummy. Bicycles never went out when cars came in," he

### Floods cost China \$1B; at least 111 lives lost

By JOE McDONALD

BELJING (AP) - At least 111 people are dead in flooding that has ravaged southern China, forcing nearly 450,000 people from their homes and causing more than \$ 1 billion in damage, the government reported Wednesday.

The Civil Affairs Ministry in Beijing said a total of 340,000 homes and other buildings were damaged in the stricken provinces, which stretch from Zhejiang on the east coast to Guizhou in the southwest.

The 52 people killed in mountainous Guizhou include 28 buried in four separate landslides, one of which hit the train station in Guiyang, the provincial capital, the China Daily newspaper

The South China Morning Post newspaper in Hong Kong reported a dramatically higher death toll, citing Red Cross and other officials who said 224 people had died, including 100 in Guizhou

Severe flooding occurs every summer throughout eastern, central and southern China, where centuries of overfarming has stripped away vegetation needed to trap heavy seasonal rains.

Two summers ago, nearly 2,000 people were killed in China's worst flooding since the Communists took power in 1949, and damage totalled \$ 11 billion, according to official reports.

Rains this year have been heavier than usual, setting records in four provinces. In parts of Anhui, northwest of Shanghai, up to 56 centimeters (22 inches) of rain fell by late Tuesday, the China Daily said.

But it's too early to tell whether this year's flooding will be more severe than in previous years, said Wilson Wong of the Hong Kong

At least 39 people were killed in Anhui and 20 in Zhejiang, according to the government. Another 300 people were reported

severely injured in Guizhou. Also stricken was Jiangxi province, to the west of Zhejiang, and Guangxi on China's southern border with Vietnam.

The government didn't report any deaths in those two provinces, but the South China Morning Post said 11 people were killed in Jiangxi and five in Guangxi.

Damage and economic losses so far total more than 10 billion yuan (\$ 1.2 billion), the government said. The China Daily reported 30 percent of Jiangxi's crops were wiped out.

Thousands of soldiers and police have been sent to rescue tens of thousands of trapped villagers and repair damage to highways, railroads and power and water

The Chinese Red Cross has sent 54 medical teams to the disaster areas and is buying medical supplies and water-purification tablets, according to Wong of the Hong Kong Red Cross.

Flood damage has forced authorities to halt train service and close highways and islands in West Lake near the city of Hangzhou in Zhejiang, one of China's top tourist attractions.

Provincial government television newscasts have shown scenes of flooded factories and stores, damaged river dikes and residents paddling through the streets in boats or watching from rooftops.

People stranded by rising waters included 370,000 in Anhui, 210,000 in Jiangxi and 33,000 in Guizhou, the government said. Parts of the cities of Xuancheng, Huangshan and Chizhou in Anhui were under water.

# US urges Kashmir hostage release

U.S. and three European governments appealed Thursday to Kashmiri militants to prove their four Western hostages are still alive, one year after they were abducted while hiking in the Indian Himalayas.

There were conflicting accounts of whether the kidnappers belonging to the Al-Faran separatist group had carried out their threat to kill the hostages if India refused to release jailed militants in exchange for their freedom.

"End the uncertainty that causes so much pain to their families and loved ones," said the U.S. Embassy in a statement released also on behalf of Britain, Germany and Norway.

The statement condemned the spate of kidnappings, which began last July 4, as "an assault on free people everywhere."

It said "kidnapping, terrorism and murder are tactics that discredit those who seek a better future for Kashmir and gain nothing for those who employ them." Releasing the hostages would "aid the cause of peace and reconciliation in Kashmir."

Other recent appeals by the governments and by the hostages' families have been met with silence from Al-Faran.

The hostages are Donald been killed in the struggle.

ington, Keith Mangan, 34, of Middlesborough, England; Paul Wells, 24, of London; and Dirk Hasert, 27, of Erfurt, Germany.

A Norwegian, Hans Christian Ostro, was killed and decapitated last August. Another American, John Childs, 41, of Simsbury, Connecticut, escaped from Al-Faran soon after the kidnappings

In Washington, State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said Wednesday the United States was operating on the assumption that the hostages were still alive.

There has been no direct contact with the kidnappers since last No-

In December, the guerrillas claimed the hostages were killed during a raid by the Indian army. The government denied that report.

The Indian government says it is still searching for the hostages. After a captured guerrilla told interrogators the Westerners were executed last December, U.S., British and German experts flew in last month to help search for corroborating evidence. None was found.

Muslim militants have been fighting since 1989 for independence for Kashmir, the only Muslim-majority state in Hindu-dominated India. More than 13,000 people have

### Suharto has kidney stone, to be treated in Germany

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) -President Suharto of Indonesia is suffering from a kidney stone, and will go to Germany on Saturday for treatment, a source said Thurs-

"He is going to have a check-up for a kidney stone, including a general check up, but the problem is not acute," said an official in the Presidential Palace. He spoke on condition of anonymity.

However, the problem may have an impact on the heart, the official said. It was not immediately known if Suharto, who turned 75 on June 8, will undergo surgery

There was no official statement on Suharto's health.

He will be in Germany for about a week, accompanied by a close confidante, B.J. Habibie, the minister of research and technology.

Suharto had a similar kidney problem in 1994 when he was found to have a stone in the left urinary tract. It eventually passed, but doctors also found a stone in the kidney that they left untreated, saying it could be dealt with later.

The latest ailment once again raises questions about his plans to run for president in 1998 for a seventh term since he took power in 1966. Doubts were expressed after Suharto's wife, Tien, died in April of a heart attack.

The president's urinary problem dates back to 1982 when he had to undergo a major operation on his prostrate gland, which affects the urinary system. But officials say he recovered fully from all previous hospitalizations.

The presidential palace source said Suharto has canceled a trip to Malaysia this week. He was scheduled to meet with Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia on

### Brothers-in-law made envoys to Iran, Saudi

(AP) - Two Malaysian diplomats whose wives are sisters were Thursday appointed Malaysian ambassadors to Saudi Arabia and

The two brothers-in-law received their letters of appointments from Malaysia's King Tuanku Ja'afar, Bernama news

It said Shapii Abu Samah, the deputy high commissioner in Madras, India, will go to Saudi Arabia, and Mohammad Khalis

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia Ali Hassan, also a career diplomat, will go to Iran.

Shapii joined the foreign service in 1973 and was second secretary at the Malaysian mission in the United Nations, first secretary at the embassy in Washington and advisor in the embassy in Hanoi before going to India.

Mohammad Khalis also joined the service in 1973 and was second secretary at the embassy in Belgrade, consul general at the consulate in Los Angeles and commissioner in Hong Kong.



Delegates arrive at the national assembly hall in Hanoi, for the opening session of the 8th Vietnamese Communist Party National Congress. One of the world's last Communist parties opened calling for strong state control over Vietnam's strong surging economy and tough action against corruption and inequality.



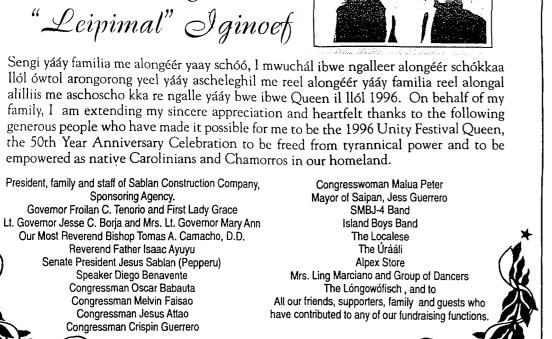


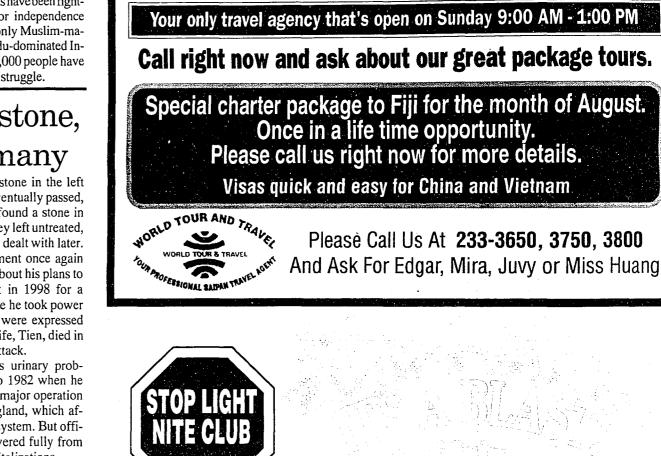


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### Very much like Beirut incident

# Saudi blast preceded by smaller attack

WASHINGTON (AP) - Thirteen years after the devastating Marine racks in Lebanon came after smaller barracks bombing in Beirut, the U.S. military again faces questions about why it seemed unprepared for an attack foreshadowed months earlier.

Both last week's truck bombing of an eight-story apartment building in that the people in Saudi Arabia should

of a four-story Marine Corps bar-

"There are great parallels," said Benis Frank, the U.S. Marine Corps historian and author of a book on the Beirut bombing. "One of the things

encewasthatyoujustdon'tputcrowds of people in a building like that."

On April 18, 1983, a delivery van packed with explosives was driven up to the entrance of the U.S. Embassy in the Lebanese capital. It exploded, killing 62 people, including 17 Americans. It was a smaller-scale

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Secretary of Public Works

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Department of Public Works is soliciting sealed proposals from qualified A/E firms to perform engineering and design services for the Beach Road Pathways from Garapan to Kilili Beach, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

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Interested firms must submit sealed proposals in one (1) original and four (4) duplicates to the Office of the Director, Division of Procurement & Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, no later than 4:00 p.m. local time, July 15, 1996. The committee will convene soon after the deadline for submissions to review and select the best qualified firm for the project.

The Government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any imperfection in the proposals in the interest of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

For further information, please contact Mr. Juan R. Sablan, Director of Technical Services Division at 322-9436 or 322-9828.

/s/JUAN R. SABLAN

Acting Secretary of Public Works

/s/EDWARD B. PALACIOS

Director, Division of Procurement & Supply

version of the barracks attack six months later that would kill 240 Marines and one sailor.

Similarly, U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia gota brutal wake-up call seven months before the June 25 bombing in Dhahran that killed 19 U.S. servicemen and wounded dozens more. On Nov. 13, a car bomb exploded in a parking lot outside a military training center in Riyadh, killing five Americans and two Indians.

In all four incidents, investigators pointed to the sophisticated nature of the explosives as an indication that hostile governments may have been

The first attacks in Beirut and Saudi Arabiacaught U.S. officials off guard.

"It seemed like an inexplicable aberration," retired Army Gen. John Vessey Jr., who was chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the time, said years later of the initial Beirut bomb-

And Navy Capt. Michael Doubleday, a Pentagon spokesman, said of the Riyadh attack:

"In the kingdom (of Saudi Arabia) there had never before been any kind of terrorist attack."

Indeed, until the bombing in Riyadh, seven years had elapsed since the last Mideast-related fatal terrorist attack directed at Americans - the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland.

Warnings about follow-up attacks abounded following the first attacks in Lebanon and Saudi Arabia. An investigative report on the Beirut bombing said that in the months leading up to the barracks attack the local flooded with terrorist attack warn-

Likewise, the beheading of four convicted terrorists in a Saudi public square on charges of participating in the Riyadh blast sparked warnings of reprisal attacks on U.S. airmen.

"It's no surprise to anybody that it happened," said Andy Messing, a former U.S. Special Forces officer and head of the National Defense Council Foundation, an independent research group.

But the scale of the attack seemed to have caught some in the Pentagon off guard. Defense Secretary William Perry noted that the second Saud bomb was more than 10 times as powerful as the first.

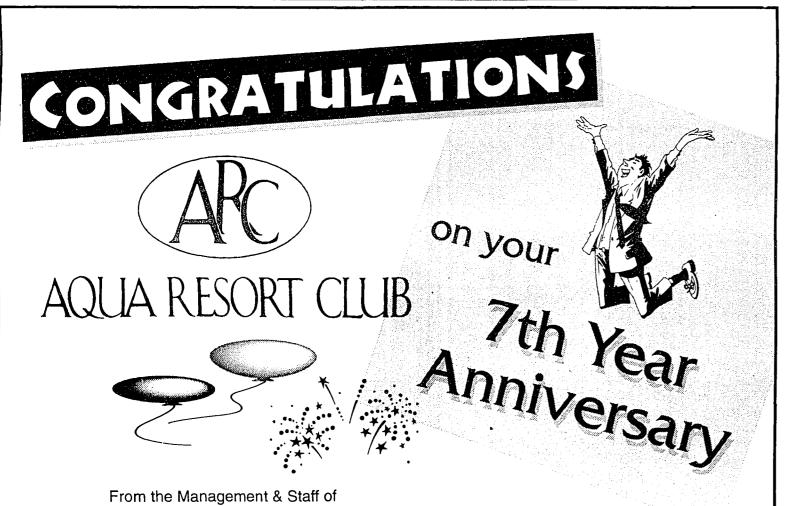
Similarly, a Pentagon commission had written of the Beirut bombing that, from a terrorist's point of view, "the true genius of this attack is that the objective and the means of attack were beyond the imagination of those responsible for Marine security."

No senior Reagan administration officials were punished in 1983 in connection with the Lebanon bombing, though two Marine commanders at the scene were issued "letters of instruction" upbraiding them for concentrating 350 troops in a single build-

The Pentagon, a week away from what promises to be a grilling on Capitol Hill, appears anxious to steer the focus to Saudi Arabia.

"The local commander is the individual who is responsible for security athis base," said Doubleday, the Pentagon spokesman.

### Judge dismisses bombing victims' fertilizer lawsuit



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OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - A judge has thrown a lawsuit against the makers of a fertilizer that may have been used in the Oklahoma City bombing, saying lawyer Johnnie Cochran made no legitimate claims of negligence.

The lawsuit accused ICI Explosives USA Inc., of illegally selling "explosive-grade" ammonium nitrate as fertilizer. District Judge David Russell ruled Tuesday that lawyers failed to show the company was negligent in its sale or manufacturing.

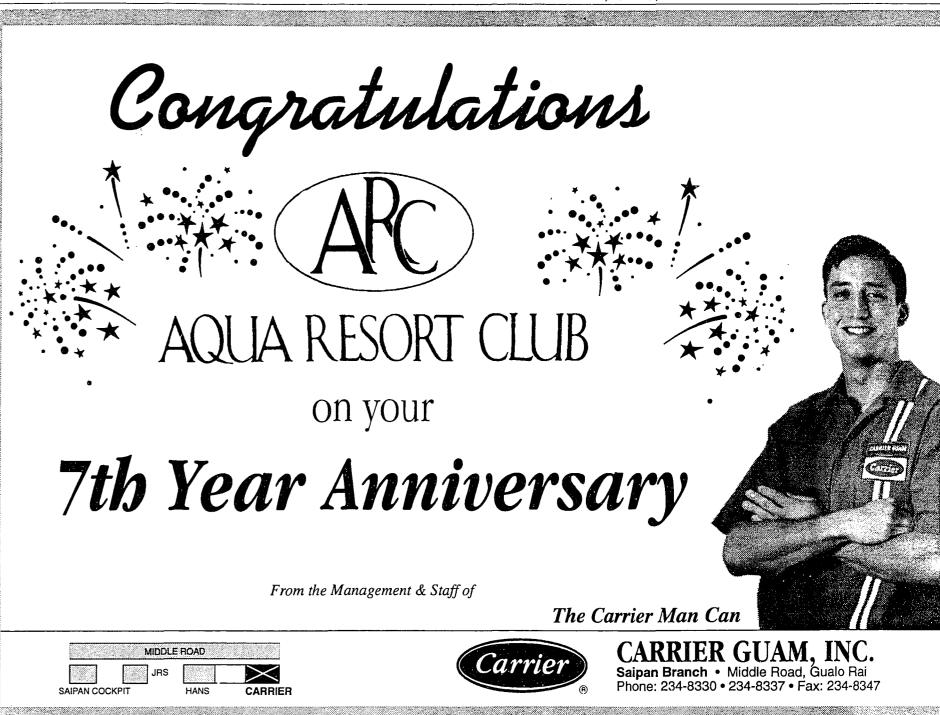
The bombing, which killed 168 people, is believed to have been caused by a 4,800-pound (2,177 kilograms) bomb made mostly of ammonium nitrate and fuel oil.

The lawsuit, filed on behalf of 250 victims and survivors, claimed ICI failed to add an ingredient making the fertilizer less volatile.

The company said the fertilizer was sold in a less volatile

"The judge's ruling places the responsibility squarely where it belongs - on the terrorists," company spokesman Neal Medick

Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols, who could face the death penalty if convicted in the bombing, bought ammonium nitrate at a Kansas farm supply store that carried ICI products, according to





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Those factions occasionally have threatened to bolt, which would leave

PM reshuffles cabinet for a reconciled party

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) - Thai Prime Minister Banham Silpa-archa reshuffled his Cabinet Thursday for the fourth time in his first year in

The move was necessary to provide ministerial posts to the Prachakom Thai (Thai Citizens) Party, which pulled out of the ruling coalition in mid-June only to announce Sunday that it was returning to the

Banham's seven-party coalition, which now commands 232 of the 391 seats in the lower house of Parliament, has suffered from instability since it came to power in a July 1995 election.

Several parties within the coalition are rivals, and factions within the primeminister's own Chart Thai (Thai Nation) Party have pressured him for more power within the government.

Banham's party without a majority in

parliament and force a new election. Prachakom Thai leader Samak Sundaravej was reappointed a deputy prime minister. Other party members Manasikam as minister of science, traffic problems.

technology and the environment and Chaipak Siriwat as deputy minister of transport and communications.

Pracha Kuna-kasem of the Palang Dharma (Moral Force) Party was appointed deputy minister for foreign affairs. He formerly was a permanent secretary in the same ministry.

Pimpa Champrasong, also of Palang Dharma, was made a deputy minister for transport and communications. She was not a member of the Cabinet previously.

Prachakorn Thai had pulled out of the coalition because its leaders said Banharn favored its rival, the Palang Dharma Party. Both parties have strong support in Bangkok but are weak in the provinces.

Many Prachakorn Thai members have expressed unhappiness over the party's about-face in rejoining the government.

Last year, Thailand's constitutional monarch, King Bhumibol Adulyadej, publicly scolded Banharn, Samak and Palang Dharma leader Thaksin Shinawatra for engaging in political squabbles instead of devoting their energies reappointed were Yingpan to solving Bangkok's notorious

# NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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A pre-bid conference will be held at the Office of the Ports Manager, West Tinian Airport, at 11:00 a.m. on July 11, 1996 to explain and clarify any questions regarding this project. Questions should be submitted to the Consultant, in writing, at least five (5) days in advance for answers at this pre-bid conference, with a copy of same mailed simultaneously to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority.

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# Report: Police investigating pedophile network in India

NEW DELHI, India (AP) - Po- 27 boys from poor families from lice in India are investigating reports of a child prostitution racket involving foreign nationals, a newspaper reported Thursday.

Police in the state of Goa, which is a popular holiday resort with foreigners for its sandy beaches and easy availability of drugs, charged three foreigners and an Indian doctor last week with prostitution of children, kidnapping and criminal conspiracy, The Asian Age newspaper said.

Those charged are a Swede, an Australian, a New Zealander and an Indian doctor, it said.

Federal police, who filed the charges in Goa, have not given the names of the three foreigners.

News reports quoted police as saying that the accused procured

an orphanage. Some of the boys were taken abroad over the years, the paper said.

If convicted, the suspects could be imprisoned for seven to 10

The newspaper said that police believe that Goa is part of an international pedophile network.

The paper said Interpol, the international police network, said that two of those charged had records of child abuse. The paper said details were being sought about some other foreigners for child abuse.

Police in Goa arrested a suspect at an orphanage last year and found heroin, opium and photographs of naked children. The suspect was later sentenced to life, the paper said.

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OFFICE OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION PUBLIC NOTICE

The Civil Service Commission will hold their regular meeting on July 9, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission's Office in Capitol Hill, Saipan. Additional information concerning the meeting is available at the Commission's office in Capitol Hill, Saipan.

**AGENDA** 

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

 October 12, 1995 January 30, 1996 January 31, 1996

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Proposed Bills to the Legislature b. Excepted Services Rules and Regulations

c. Adoption of Commission's Logo OLD BUSINESS

a. Adoption of Commission's By-Laws VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS VII. COMMITTEE'S REPORT

VIII. LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT IX. EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT REPORT ADJOURNMENT

/s/ EUGENE A. SANTOS Chairman, Civil Service Commission

### **Patten chides China for** barring HK lawmakers

HONG KONG (AP) - Gov. Chris Patten on Thursday rebuked China for refusing entry to eight Hong Kong politicians with a petition for democracy, and ridiculed Beijing's claim that they were a national security threat. "The whole community has been shocked by what happened this week," Patten said of Monday's failed attempt to fly into Beijing with 60,000 signatures demanding that China drop its threat to disband Hong Kong's legislature. China refused to let the eight politicians off the plane, even though they had valid Chinese-issued permits entitling them to automatic entry into the country. It confiscated the permits and has refused to say whether they will be returned. The eight belong to the Democratic Party, Hong Kong's largest, or are allied to it. Because of their criticisms of China, the five legislators among them fear they will be out of a job when China disbands the legislature and replaces it with an

appointed assembly, pending fresh elections in 1998.

Answering questions in the legislature, Patten said the rebuff undermined local and international confidence in Hong Kong's future after China recovers sovereignty over the British colony on July 1, 1997. Replying to one member's plea for help in getting his travel permit back, Patten said: "Unfortunately, the authorities in Peking persist in believing that the honorable gentleman represents some sort of threat to state secufellow to me."

He provoked laughter by asking why anyone would be "quite so worried about the honorable gentieman. He seems like a perfectly amiable

"Sometimes I disagree with honorable members, but I've never thought of them as being terribly

Patten said China's action was "most unfortunate" and left "a bad

NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC), is requesting proposals from authorized insurance underwriters and/or their Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' representatives for "Declining Balance Life Insurance". Said mortgage life/disability insurance will be issued to the principal borrowers as required by the original full amount of the loan, and tailored to decline as the loan principal is reduced. The first year's premium will be paid upon execution of the loan. Subsequent year's premium will be collected in equal installments during the year and premium funds will be in escrow.

Interested proposers are requested to call and make an appointment with Diana Crisostimo, Manager, Mortgage Credit Division for particulars. Please call telephone numbers 234-9447/7689/7670 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m., except holidays.

All proposals must be in duplicate, sealed in an envelope marked "Mortgage Insurance", and submitted no later than 10.30 a.m., Friday, July 26, 1996, to the NMHC Central Office in Garapan, Saipan.

NMHC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason if in its opinion, doing so will serve the best interest of NMHC.

/s/ Marylou ada sirok Corporate Director

### INVITATION TO BID

The CNMI Public School System is soliciting sealed bidding from interested firms to provide school and office supplies to the Public School System for School Year 1996-97. Specifications are now available at the PSS Procurement & Supply Office during regular working hours from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Mondays thru Fridays except Holidays.

All bids submitted must include shipping to PSS Procurement & Supply Warehouse located at PSS Central Office at Lower Base. Delivery must be made within 45 days after notification of award. Bids are now be accepted by the Public School System Procurement & Office Supply Office on the 3rd floor Nauru Building, Susupe, Saipan, MP 96950, no lafer than July 16, 1996 at 2:00 pm local time. All bids received must be submitted in duplicate copies. Any bid received after the aforementioned date and time will not be accepted under any circumstances. All bids must be in a sealed envelope and facemarked "IFB96-002" and submitted to the PSS Procurement and Supply Office on the 3rd Floor Nauru Building, Susupe, Saipan,

A non refundable fee of \$25.00 US Dollars must accompany the bid. The twenty five dollars maybe a certified check, cashier's check, or other forms acceptable by the Public School System, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The bidder is required to submit with his bid a copy of his business permit.

The Public School System reserves the right to award on a single or multiple awards or to reject any or all bids in the best interest of the Public School System. Inquiries maybe directed to the Public School System Procurement & Supply Office at telephone number 664-3701 during working hours.

<u>/s/William S. Torres</u> Commissioner of Education

Is/ Louise Concepcion
Procurement & Supply Officer

# MARIAYAS VISITORS BUREAU

**DUTIES:** 

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 Plans the administrative functions relating to personnel and office management. 2. Assists in the preparation of meeting materials for the Board of Directors and Standing Committees of

3. Determines supply and office equipment requirements for the efficient operation of the office.
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and planning of programs for formal, informal and on-the-job training.

Administers administrative policies and guidelines for the efficient management of the office.

6. Summarizes the monthly reports from the key staff for the information of the Managing and Board of

Compiles and co-ordinates the draft of MVB's annual report.

3. Establishes and maintains effective communications and working relationship with other MVB divisions and agencies of the government necessary to effectively carry out MBV's programs and activities.

9. Participates or acts for the Managing Director in meetings, conferences, hearings and seminars relative to administrative functions and management policies as required. 10. Assists in implementing instructions and procedures dealing with the enforcement of local laws and

11. Reviews operational methods and processing procedures to eliminate duplications, wasted efforts and

12. Relieve other staff when absent.

13. Drafts and finalizes correspondences for the Managing Director's approval and signature.

14. Implements MVB's policies.

15. Perform other related duties and functions as assigned by the Managing Director

QUALIFICATION: College graduate and at least three years supervisory experience. Must be computer literate, able to work flexible hours, enjoys working with the public and willing to travel.

WORKING HOURS: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

STARTING SALARY: Negotiable based on qualifications.

Application forms are available at the Marianas Visitors Bureau, Dandan Joeten Center, 2nd Floor, Saipan.

Deadline for submission of applications is Friday, July 12, 1996 at 4:30 pm at the MVB Office, Joeten Dandan building.

# NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS for the INCINERATION SYSTEM FOR SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, SAIPAN MARIANA ISLANDS, CPA PROJECT NO. CPA-SA-004-96 will be received at the office of the EXECUTIVE DIREC TOR, COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY, Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 1055, Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950, until 2:00 p.m., Friday, July 26, 1996, at which time and place the sealed proposals will be publicly opened and

The project, in general, consist of Incineration System for Saipan International Airport, all in accordance with the plans

The project is being financed by funds from the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

The bidder's attention is invited to the fact that the proposed contract shall be under and subject to the equal opportunity clause as set forth in Part III, Section 302(b) of Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375 dated October 13, 1977, and Section 60-1.4(b) of the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1) as implemented by Section 152.61 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, to the contract and labor provisions as set forth in Section 152.55 and Appendix H, Part 152, of the Federal Aviation Regulations, and to the applicable provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) implemented by Part 21 of the Regulations of the Office of the Secretary of Transportation. Also, the proposed contract will be subject to the Contractor's Certification of non-segregated facilities.

he apparent low bidder and any known first tier subcontractor will be subject to a pre-award, equal opportunity compliance review by representatives of the office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, U.S. Department of Labor before the award of the contract for the purpose of determining whether the bidder and/or his subcontractors are able to comply with the provisions of the equal opportunity clause.

If the bidder has participated in a previous contract subject to the equal opportunity clause and has not submitted compliance reports as required by applicable instructions, the bidder shall submit, prior to award of contract, a compliance report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the FAA of the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor.

bidder or prospective prime contractor or proposed subcontractor shall be required to submit such information as the FAA or the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, requests prior to the award of a contract or subcontract. When a determination has been made to award the contract or subcontract to a specified contractor, such contractor shall be required, prior to award, or after the award, or both to furnish such other information as the FAA or the Director's

Contract documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, or can be obtained from this office upon the payment of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for each set of plan documents. This amount is non-refundable. Payment shall be made by check payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, Saipan International Airport, at 9:00 a.m. on July 11, 1996 to explain and clarify any questions regarding this project. Questions should be submitted to the Consultant, in writing, at least five (5) days in advance for answers at this pre-bid conference, with a copy of same mailed simultaneously to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority.

Each prospective bidder shall file with the Commonwealth Ports Authority, at the above SAIPAN Address, a notice of his intention to bid in a form substantially similar to that supplied herewith, not less than six (6) calendar days prior to the date hereinabove designated for opening of proposals.

Each proposal shall be on a form furnished by the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason and to waive any defects in said proposals, or any of them, if in its sole opinion to do so would be in its interest.

/S/ CARLOS A. SHODA Contracting Officer for CPA

Dated: 6/28/96

# Gov't hints support for steel plant

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) -Hyundai Business Group, South Korea's largest producer of cars and ships, appears to be making progress in its ambition to build a dlrs 9.6 billion integrated steel mill, news re-

ports said Thursday. government so far has been negative about a Hyundai proposal to build an integrated steel mill, citing the prospect of overproduction.

But the government has apparently eased its stance. On Wednesday, Trade and Industry Minister Park Jae-yoon indicated that Hyundai may

Hyundai currently has an electric furnace mill that produces 3.5 tons of steel beams and other construction products. The company says it needs a large integrated steel plant to produce high-quality steel products for

Park's positive remark has been interpreted as government clearance for the proposed new steel mill, a reversal from its previous opposition. The government has predicted that

get built by the nation's large corpo-

domestic demand for crude steel will reach 48.4 million tons a year by 2001, against a domestic supply of 46.9 million tons.

Hyundai currently consumes 6 million tons of steel a year.

The company has argued that the nation's booming car and shipbuilding industries will keep the nation's steel demand growing faster than the government predicts. South Korean auto makers, for example, plan to double their capacity to 5.3 million cars a year by 2000. Currently, the government-owned

Pohang Iron and Steel Co., the nation's

Experts say the government, which five electric-furnace steel mills procontrols bank loans, also holds the duce 35 million tons of steel a year. final word on which major projects POSCO alone provides 22.5 million tons. Hyundai's plan calls for three blast furnaces to be built by 2000, turning out 9.3 million tons of crude steel a year. President Kim Youngsam has promised to keep the nation's giant family-controlled conglomerates from expanding their business portfolios and to focus on a few key sectors.

But under his administration, the conglomerates kept spreading.

Samsung, the nation's largest chaebol, as the conglomerates are called in Korean, has started an automaking business. Another conglomerate; LG, was allowed in the nation's lucrative telecommunications indus-

The past governments, with their emphasis on economic growth, provided infrastructure, cheap loans and other subsidies to the chaebol to help them lead the nation's export-driven



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COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) Painting a dismal picture of the country's economic performance, the main opposition political party on Thursday warned of an economic collapse and the loss of 100,000 jobs.

> "The economy is facing setbacks unparalleled since 1930s due to mismanagement and non-governance of the Peoples' Alliance government," said Ranil Wickremasinghe, leader of the opposition United National

The country's balance of payment is in a deficit, foreign reserves are low and the budget deficit will increase this year, Wickremasinghetoldanews

The government has been unable to raise 21 billion rupees (\$ 381 million) by privatization, and revenue estimates in the last budget have not been realized because turnover from business were low, Wickremasinghe

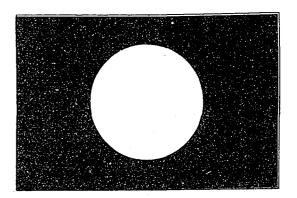
"Every sector has been performing badly since the Peoples' Alliance came into power in August 1994," the opposition leader said. "Banks will soon stop lending money, affectinglarge businesses, while some small business might have to close."

On Wednesday, the government announced that loan repayments by hotels will be rescheduled. Hotels have been hit by a 34 percent decline intourist arrivals in the first quarter of this year due to the ethnic conflict.

The country's GDP is estimated to grow by about 4 percent this year, down from 5.5 percent the previous year, gely due to the spiralling defense budget, a power crisis and drought.

Defense spending is likely to reach 46 billion rupees (\$ 836 million) this year, a 39 percent increase from last year. The government has poured money into buying weapons, battle tanks, aircraft and warships since fighting between troops and the rebels intensified after the guerrillas broke off a truce and scuttled peace talks in April of 1995.

The rebels are fighting for a separate homeland for minority Tamils in the north and east since 1983. They accuse Sinhalese majority of widespread discrimination in education and jobs. More than 42,000 people have been killed. The opposition plans to hold a series of meetings and issue economic alert bulletins to tell the people about the state of the economy, Wickremasinghe said.



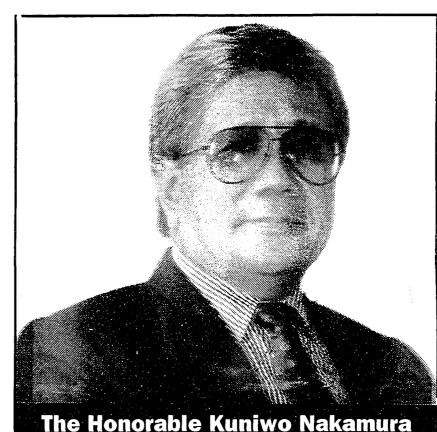
### TO: THE PALAUAN COMMUNITY IN THE CNMI AND FRIENDS

The CNMI Committee to Re-Elect

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proudly announce a Ray to be held this coming SUNDAY, JULY 7TH, 1996 from 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. at GARAPAN CENTRAL PARK ROUND HOUSE.

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# Netanyahu creates post for Sharon

JERUSALEM (AP) - Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has created a powerful post in his government for Ariel Sharon, the combative ex-general and champion of Jewish settlers in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Israel radio said Thursday.

Sharon accepted the post that will put him in charge of what was previously called the Energy and

Infastructure Ministry as well as railroads, water and sewage, the radio

In addition, Sharon will be respon-

sible for development in the southern Negev and northern Galilee regions, home construction outside cities, and bypass roads around Palestinian cities for Jewish settlers in the West Bank, Israel radio said.

Infastructure Ministry, took two weeks to patch together since it required that other ministers cede important areas of their authority.

It was formed in four hours of negotiations initiated by Netanyahu after Foreign Minister David Levy threatened on Wednesday to bolt the government if a Cabinet job was not

The creation of the newly formed post ended a mini coalition crisis that started after Netanyahu refused to

ordefenseportfolios, Israel radio said. The portfolio must be approved by the Cabinet and Parliament before Sharon actually enters office.

give the hard-line Sharon the finance

The 68-year-old ex-general who has served as agriculture, defense and housing ministers in previous Likud governments is known as the "bulldozer" for his unrelenting drive to achieve his goals.

Asdefenseminister in 1982, Sharon led Israel's invasion of Lebanon. However, he was forced to resign in 1983 when an Israeli inquiry blamed him for failing to prevent the slaughter of hundreds of Palestinians by a pro-Israeli Lebanese militia.

Sharon, who often boasts about how he crushed Arab unrest when he served as army commander in the Gaza Strip in 1971, has used the same



Benjamin Netanyahu

single-minded drive to overcome political opponents.

His first Cabinet position was under Menachem Begin in the late 1970s, when as agriculture minister he helped launch the Jewish settlement movement in the West Bank and Gaza.

Sharon owns a home in the Muslim part of east Jerusalem's Old City as well as a sheep farm in the Negev

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### DPW96-RFP-019

The Department of Public Works is soliciting sealed proposals from qualified A/E firms to perform engineering services for the Traffic Flow Study and Recommendations for the Garapan Special District, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Proposals will be evaluated by the Office of the Governor, Planning Office Committee. Proposal evaluation will be based on, but not limited to, the following criteria:

- a. Qualifications
- b. Experience
- c. Local Office
- d. Work Load

Interested firms must submit sealed proposals in one (1) original and four (4) duplicates to the Office of the Director, Division of Procurement & Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, no later than 4:00 p.m. local time, July 12, 1996. The committee will convene soon after the deadline for submission to review and select the best qualified firm for the project.

The Scope of Work will be available at the Technical Services Division, Department of Public Works, Lower Base, Saipan, on or after June 20, 1996.

The Government reserves the right to reject any or all and to waive any imperfection in the proposals in the interest of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

For further information, please contact Mr. Juan R. Sablan, Director of Technical Services Division at 322-9436 or 322-9828.

/s/ EDWARD M. DELEON GUERRERO

Secretary of Public Works

Director, Division of Procurement & Supply

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Secretary of Public Works

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

#### DPW96-RFP-021

The Department of Public Works is soliciting sealed proposals from qualified Surveying firms to perform Surveying Services for Marpi Pathways and Parking Areas, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Is-

The Surveying Firm shall provide topographic as necessary and as-built surveys. The survey shall also include cadastral surveys and preparation of severance maps necessary for the acquisition of land required for implementation of the project.

Proposals will be evaluated by the Office of the Governor, Planning Office Committee. Proposal evaluation will be based on, but not limited to, the following criteria:

- Qualifications
- Experience Local Office
- C. Work Load

Interested firms must submit sealed proposals in one (1) original and four (4) duplicates to the Office of the Director, Division of Procurement & Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, no later than 4:00 p.m. local time, July 15, 1996. The committee will convene soon after the deadline for submissions to review and select the best qualified firm for the project.

The Government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any imperfection in the proposals in the interest of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

For further information, please contact Mr. Juan R. Sablan, Director of Technical Services Division at 322-9436

/s/ JUAN R. SABLAN Acting Secretary of Public Works Date: 6/26/96

/S/ EDWARD B. PALACIOS Director, Division of Procurement & Supply Date: 6/27/96

### INVITATION FOR BID

The CNMI Public School System is soliciting sealed bidding from interester firms to provide janitorial supplies to the Public School System for School Year 1996-97. Specifications are now available and can be picked up at the PSS Procurement & Supply Office during regular working hours from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Mondays thru Fridays except Holidays.

All bids submitted must include shipping to PSS Procurement & Supply Warehouse located at PSS Central Office at Lower Base. Delivery must be made within 45 days after notification of award. Bids are now being accepted by the Public School System Procurement & Supply Office on the 3rd floor Nauru Building, Susupe, Saipan, MP 96950 no later than July 16, 1996 a 10:00 am local time. All bids received must be submitted in duplicate copies. Any bid received after the aforementioned date and time will not be accepted under any circumstances. All bids must be in a sealed envelope and facemarked "IFB96-003" and submitted to the PSS Procurement & Supply Office on the 3rd Floor Nauru Building, Susupe, Saipan.

A non refundable fee of \$25.00 US Dollars must accompany the bid. The twenty five dollars maybe a certified check, cashier's check, or other forms acceptable by the Public School System, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The bidder is required to submit with his bid a copy of his

The Public School System reserves the right to award on a single or multiple awards or to reject any or all bids in the best interest of the Public School System. Inquiries maybe directed to the Public School System Procurement & Supply Office at telephone number 664-3701 during working hours.

Commissioner of Education

/s/ Louise Concepcion

# INVITATION FOR BID

The CNMI Public School System is soliciting sealed bidding from interested firms to provide copier paper to the Public School System for School Year 1996-97. Specifications are now available and can be picked up at the PSS Procurement & Supply Office during working hours from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Mondays thru Fridays except holidays.

All bids submitted must include shipping to PSS Procurement & Supply Wareouse located at PSS Central Office at Lower Base. Delivery must be made within 30 days after notification of award. Bids are now being accepted by the Public School System Procurement & Supply Office on the 3rd Floor Nauru Building, Susupe Saipan, MP 96950 no later than July 16, 1996 at 9:00 am local time. All bids received must be submitted in duplicate copies. Any bid received after the aforementioned date and time will not be accepted under any circumstances. All bids must be in a sealed envelope and facemarked "IFB96-004" and submitted to the PSS Procurement & Supply Office on the 3rd Floor Nauru Building, Susupe, Saipan.

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<u>/s/ William S. Torres</u> Commissioner of Education

<u>/s/Louise Concepcion</u> Procurement & Supply Officer

# Dollar ends lower, stocks fall

lower against the Japanese yen Thursday as traders took profits after the U.S. central bank left interest rates unchanged. Tokyo share prices fell in

In late afternoon, the dollar was changing hands at 110.34 yen, down 0.04 yen from late Wednesday in Tokyo and also below 110.40 yen in New York overnight. It ranged between 109.92 yen and 110.40 yen in Thursday's trading.

The U.S. currency moved lower initially as players long on dollars sold them to take profits, traders said.

The U.S. Federal Reserve's decision Wednesday to leave official interest rates unchanged led to some dollar selling, but the currency found enough buying interest to climb back above 110 yen, they said.

Traders said the Boris Yeltsin's apparent victory in Wednesday's presidential runoff election had little impact on the currency market.

"Now all factors have played out in Tokyo, coupled with a holiday in New York," said Hiroshisa Mukai of the Sanwa Bank.

U.S. financial markets were closed Thursday, the Fourth of July holiday. for hints on future interest rate police were awaiting the release of U.S. jobless figures for June, due out Fri-

Meanwhile, share prices slid in sluggish trading amid a lack of major buying incentives, traders said. They said the holiday in the United States reduced participation by overseas in-

The 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average shed 86.11 points, or 0.38 percent, closing at 22,292.91. On Wednesday, the index had gained 31.05 points, or 0.14 percent.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all issues listed on the first section was down 6.05 points, or 0.36 percent, to 1,692.29. It had lost 1.09 points, or 0.06 percent, the previous day.

Trading was light, with an estimated 250 million shares changing hands on the first section, down from Wednesday's 302 million. Declines outnumbered advances 666 to 326, with 218 issues unchanged.

The benchmark No. 182 10-year Japanese government bondwas quoted at 98.37 yen, up from Wednesday's close of 98.30 yen. Its yield fell to 3.230 percent from 3.240 percent. ^

MARIANAS PUBLIC LAND TRUST

**MPLT BOARD OF TRUSTEES** 

NOTICE OF MEETING

Pursuant to Section 11 of Public Law 8-41, The Open Government Act of 1992,

the Board of Trustees of the Marianas Public Land Trust hereby serves notice

that it will reconvene its special board meeting from June 25, 1996 on July 8,

REVIEW OF HOUSING PROGRAM BILL and DRAFT REGULATIONS

ESTABLISHMENT HOUSING PROGRAM CRITERIA PER DRAFT

In accordance with P.L. 8-41, additional agenda items may be added to the

above listing only by recorded vote of the majority of the trustee governing

All interested persons are welcome to attend and to submit written and oral

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Office of the Secretary of Public Works

PUBLIC NOTICE

The CNMI Department of Public Works, in conjunction with it's con

sultant, W.B. Flores & Associates, wishes to inform the general public

that it will be conducting public hearings on the final draft of the CNMI

Comprehensive Highway Master Plan. The purpose of the hearing(s)

is to give the public the opportunity to comment and/or ask questions.

**Rota Round House** 

Public School Cafeteria

Joeten-Kiyu Public Library

1996- 6:00 p.m.

1996-6:00 p.m.

Acting Secretary of Public Works

6:00 p.m.

/s/ JUAN R. SABLAN

The schedule and location of the meetings are as follows:

We greatly appreciate your participation and comments

REGULATIONS IN JOINT PARTICIPATION WITH NMHC

1996 at 10:00 A.M. at the Pacific Gardenia conference room.

The following items are on the agenda for this meeting:

Adoption of Prior Meeting Minutes

DISCUSSION OF SENATE PUBLIC HEARING

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Adoption of Agenda

testimony on the above agenda items.

Call to Order

Roll Call

ADJOURNMENT

/s/Juan S. Torres

July 3, 1996

Chairman, Board of Trustees

Island Date and Time

Rota Wednesday, July 10,

Tinian Thursday, July 11,

Saipan Friday, July 12, 1996

Date: 6-19-96

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Rosary will be said nightly at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Juan (Brigida) A. Ichihara in San Vicente commencing Friday, July 5 until Saturday, July 13, 1996, at 8:00 p.m. Daily Mass of Intention is being offered for the deceased from Monday, July 1 until July 9, 1996 at 6:00 a.m. at the Mount Carmel Cathedral.

On the final day July 13, 1996, the rosary will be said at 5:30 p.m. at Mr. & Mrs. Ichihara's residence followed by dinner.

Your presence and prayers are greatly appreciated. Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'a'sc'. From the family-

Mr. Juan A. DeLeon Guerrero, Artemio (Ana) Maanao & family, Joseph (Susana) Jetnil & family, Ray (Barbara) Macduff & family, and Juan (Brigida) Ichihara & family.



### ANNOUNCEMENT

In order to assist its newly hired, off-island teachers in finding housing, vehicles, and telephone and television service, the CNMI Public School System is inviting all

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### RELOCATION FAIRS

From 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. on the following dates:

July 31, 1996 -- Multi-Purpose Center, Susupe August 14, 1996 - Nauru Bldg., 7th floor, Susupe

For confirmation and participation, contact:

Jess Sanchez Andrea Alepuyo 664-3706 Pat Camacho

664-3706 664-3700

FAX: 664-3707

Or write to:

Jess Sanchez CNMI PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM Administration Office P.O. Box 1370 **Saipan, MP 96950** 

\*\* Note: House and apartment owners are expected to be ready to provide transportation for teachers from the Relocation Fairs to the houses and apartments, and back to the teachers' hotels.

# FIFTH ANNIVERSARY ROSARY

# JOHN C. **PANGELINAN**



The FAMILY of the late JOHN C. PANGELINAN invites all our relatives and friends to join us for the Fifth Anniversary Rosary of our beloved husband father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Nightly rosary will be held at the residence of Mrs. Sabina T. Pangelinan in As Lito beginning Saturday, June 29, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.

On the final day, Saturday, July 6, 1996, Rosary will be said at 12:00 p.m. at As Lito with the Fifth Anniversary Mass offered at 5:00 p.m. at San Vicente Church. Dinner will follow at the residence of Mrs. Sabina T. Pangelinan.

Kindly join us in prayers and intentions. Thank you and Si Yuus Maa'se



THE FAMILY



At Hyatt Regency Saipan, we provide excellent career opportunities. Taking care of employees can be a complicated process, but that's what we are good at. Opportunities now exist for the following careers:

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- Supervises work activities of cleaning personnel to ensure clean.
- orderly attractive rooms, public area and laundry.
- Assigns workers their duties, and inspects work for conformance to Hyatt standard of cleanliness.

#### Qualifications:

- · High School Graduate.
- Minimum of one (1) or two (2) years supervisory experience in
- the hospitality industry or related field.
- · Must be able to speak, read and write in English.
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### Responsibilities:

- Operates telephone switchboard to receive and place calls.
- · Relays request to Maintenance Departments. Takes restaurant reservations.
- · Maintains record on quest requests.
- · Monitors and follow up on guest requests.

- High School Graduate
- Minimum of one year experience as a PBX or telephone operator.
- Must be able to work flexible shifts, including weekends, nights
- Must have good speaking and writing skills. Japanese or Korean speaker preferred

Salary will commensurate with experience.

Qualified applicants are welcome to apply at the Human Resources Office on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 9:00 to 3:00 PM. Off-island applicants may send application to Hyatt Regency Saipan, Human Resources Office, P.O. Box 5087 CHRB,

Deadline to submit application is July 15, 1996.



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# **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

TOR, AT SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, SAIPAN, MARIANA ISLANDS, CPA Project No. CPA-SA-002-96 will be received at the office of the EXECU-TIVE DIRECTOR, COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY, Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 1055, Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950, until 2:00 PM, July 19, 1996, at which time and place the sealed bids will be publicly opened

The project, in general consists of the construction of a new emergency generator building, procurement and installation of two new generators along with the demolition and removal of the existing generator building. In addition, the airport service road is to be realigned and a new electrical vault will be constructed. All work is to be in accordance with the plans and specifications.

The project is being financed by funds from the Commonwealth Ports Authority. The contract award, if it is to be made, will be made within two (2) months from the receipt of bids. Depending upon availability of funds, CPA reserves the right to hold such bid in effect for three (3) months from the date of bid opening.

This contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended, of September 24, 1965, the Federal Labor provisions and the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) provisions as contained in the contract, specifications and

All mechanics and laborers on the project shall be paid no less than minimum prevailing wage rate established by the CNMI Government. A copy of the Department of Labor Wage Rate Determination is applicable to this contract and is made a part of this specification (See Section 70-24).

Each bidder must complete, sign and furnish, prior to award of the contract (CPA Proj. No. CPA-SA-002-96) the "Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause", a "Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities" (See Proposal).

#### Required Notices for All Contracts.

- a. The bidder must supply all the information required by the
- b. The Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA), in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, hereby notifies all bidders that they (bidders) must affirmatively insure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for award.

The bidder's attention is invited to the fact that the proposed contract shall be under and subject to the equal opportunity clause as set forth in Part III, Section 302(b) of Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375 dated October 13, 1977, and Section 60-1.4(b) of the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1) as implemented by Section 152.61 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, to the contract and labor provisions as set forth in Section 152.55 and Appendix H, Part 152, of the Federal Aviation Regulations, and to the applicable provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) implemented by Part 21 of the Regulations of the Office of the Secretary of Transportation. Also, the proposed contract will be subject to the Contractor's Certification of non-segregated facilities.

The apparent low bidder and any known first tier subcontractor will be subject to a pre-award, equal opportunity compliance review by representatives of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Program, U.S. Department of Labor, before the award of the contract for the purpose of determining whether the bidder and/or his subcontractors are able to comply with the provisions of the equal

If the bidder has participated in a previous contract subject to the equal opportunity clause and has not submitted compliance reports as required by applicable instructions, the bidder shall submit, prior to award of contract, a compliance report covering the delinquent period.

A bidder or prospective prime contractor or proposed subcontractor shall be required to submit such information as the FAA or the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, request prior to the award of a contract or subcontract. When a determination has been made to award the contract or subcontract to a specified contractor, such contractor shall be required, prior to award, or after the award, or both to furnish such other information as the FAA or the Director

Contract documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, or can be (\$350.00) for each set of documents. This amount is nonrefundable. Payment shall be made by check payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING, at 10:00 AM on June 28, 1996 to explain and clarify any questions regarding this project. Questions should be submitted to the Consultant, in writing, at least five (5) days in advance for answers at this pre-bid conference, with a copy of same mailed simultaneously to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority. Attendance at the pre-bid conference and site visit are considered essential to the potential contractor's understanding the

Each prospective bidder shall file with the Commonwealth Ports Authority, at the above Saipan address, a notice of his intention to bid in a form substantially similar to that supplied herewith, not less than six (6) calendar days prior to the date hereinabove designated for opening of bids.

The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids in accordance with Section 3.2(7) of its Procurement Rules and Regulations.

/s/ CARLOS A. SHODA

### **WANTED/PART TIME**

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Call the Law Offices of Timothy H. Skinner @ 235-1725

### FULL-TIME & PART-TIME DRIVER



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   2.) 05 Plumbers \$3.50 per hour
   3.) 03 Electricians \$3.50 per hour
   4.) 04 Civil Engineers \$1,700 per month
   5.) 04 Building Engineers \$1,700 per month

Interested parties may contact Izelle at 235-5258

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PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY CNMI GOVERNMENT

### INVITATION FOR BID

IFB NO.: IFB<u>96-0108</u> FOR: LEASE OF VEHICLE

OPENING DATE: JULY 12, 1996

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS OR FIRMS MAY PICK UP BID FORMS AND SPECIFICATIONS AT THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY, LOWER BASE, SAIPAN.

/S/ EDWARD B. PALACIOS

### FOR SALE

### 1979 CORVETTE

"The Sportiest of Sport Bodies" \$7,500.00 or Best Offer Please call Tom at 322-7700

#### NEED WORKERS Accountants, Secretarial Technical, Waitress, Etc. Call: Pacific Island Manpowe Tel. 234-0294

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TEL.: 256-9000

**Procurement and Supply CNMI Government** 

INVITATION TO BID NO. ITB96-0079

The Department of Finance of the Commonwealth of the Northern

Mariana Islands is requesting bids for Group Life Insurance to cover

employees of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands ef-

Bids must be received at the Division of Procurement and Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, by 4:00 p.m. July 31, 1996. All inquiries for background should be addressed to the Department of Finance, Division of Group

Health Insurance. Attn: Dolores S. Moore, P.O. Box 5234, Saipan, MF

/s/ EDWARD PALACIOS

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Interested individuals or firms may pick up bid forms and

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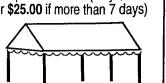
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/s/ EDWARD B. PALACIOS

RFP NO. RFP96-0097

FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES OPENING DATE: JULY 12, 1996

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### **ALEXANDER REALTY** 234-5117 T 234-5118 F

### **PUBLIC** NOTICE

Effective July 1, 1996, The Lucky Insurance Company, Limited (United States Branch) will cease transacting insurance business on CNMI.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE COMMONWEALT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 95-390 ALEX TUDELA and NICOLAS C. SABLAN

FROILAN C. TENORIO Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern

PANIES. Defendants.
NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

and NOTICE OF COURT HEARING PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that th

above-entitled taxpayers action involving the lease of public land located on Lower Navy Hill to L&T Group of Companies is presently scheduled for a public settlement hearing or July 29, 1996, at 9:00 am. at the Superio Court , Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands before Judge Edward Manibusan. The purpose of this hearing is to determine whether the proposed settlement is fair and reasonable. The parties to the law suit have entered into a proposed settlemen which would guarantee that the CNMI Gov emment receive a minimum rent over the term of the 25 year lease of \$11.5 million. L&T in tends to construct a mail project at the site. A copy of the proposed settlement is available at the Clerk of Superior Court's Office in Susupe, Saipan. Written comments, including objections or lavorable comments, shall be submitted to the Court on or before July

DATED this 18th day of June, 1996.

# Marianas Variety 35%

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### **Employment Wanted**

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Contact: ETU MULTI SERVICES INC. dba FARAHLIZA ENTERPRISES Tel. 235-4861(7/12)F224764

01 DATA CLERK-Salary:\$2.90 per hour Contact: UNITED INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Tel. 235-6888/7888(7/ 12)F224760

01 PARALEGAL/LEGAL ASSISTANT-Salary: \$6.00-\$10.00 per hour Contact: JOE HILL dba Hill Law Office Tel. 234-6806(7/12)F224765

01 MAINTENANCE REPAIRER-Salarv:\$7.00 per hour Contact: UNITED MICRONESIA DEVEL-OPMENT ASSOCIATION, INC. Tel. 322-

01 ACCOUNTANT (CPA)-Salary:\$1,500 per month Contact: SAIPAN DATACOM, INC.

8632(7/12)F224767

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Contact; MOUHANAD KHUJA dba Futuristic Systems Tel. 235-2355(7/12)F61333

02 ACCOUNTANT-Salary:\$4.00-\$8.00 per hour

01 STATION MANAGER-Salary:\$1,000-\$1,500 per month Contact: PACIFIC ISLAND AVIATION, INC. Tel. 234-3600(7/12)F224756

01 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Salary:\$3.25 per hou

01 ALUMINUM FABRICATOR-Salary:\$2.75 per hour Contact; RICHARD P. KAUTZ, JR. dba Kautz Glass Company Tel. 322-9282(7/ 12)F224759

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PORATION Tel. 235-0405(7/12)F224766 02 GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORKER-Salary:\$2.75-\$4.00 per hour Contact: ANNIE T. SABLAN dba Annie's

Apartment (7/12)F61316 01 AUTOMOTIVE PAINTER-Salarv:\$5.60-\$6.60 per hour

Plus allowance of \$250.00 per month 01 AUTOMOTIVE BODY REPAIRER-Salary:\$7.75-\$8.75 per hour Plus allowance of \$250.00 per month Contact: MICROL CORPORATION Tel.

234-5911/18(7/12)F61325 01 HEAVY EQUIPMENT MECHANIC-

Salary:\$3.05 per hour 01 H.E. OPERATOR-Salary:\$2.75 per

Contact; MR. JACINTO R. CRUZ dba Cruz Sanitation Services Tel. 234-0456(7/ 12)F224769

01 FASTFOOD WORKER-Salary:\$3.00

01 ELECTRICIAN-Salary:\$1,000 per

01 FASTFOOD WORKER-Salary:\$3.15-**\$3.50** per hour Contact: J.C.A. INC. dba McDonald's of Saipan Tel. 235-8761(7/12)F61330

02 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Salarv:\$3.05 per hour

02 ACCOUNTANT-Salary:\$3.05 per hour Contact: ETU MULTI-SERVICES, INC. dba SM Manpower Services Tel. 235-4861(7/12)F224763

02 AUTO BODY REPAIRER-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 03 AUTO MECHANIC-Salary:\$3.05 per

Contact: ETU MULTI-SERVICES, INC. dba SM Auto Car Care Center Tel. 235-4861(7/12)F224762

01 STEELMAN-Salary:\$2.75 per hour Contact: TAC INTERNATIONAL 05 SINGER-Salary:\$2.75 per hour CONST., INC. Tel. 234-1629(7/ 07 DANCERS-Salary:\$2.75 per hour 05)F61231

01 SALES SUPERVISOR-Salary:\$3.20 Club & Rest. Tel. 234-6789(7/05)F224647 per hour Contact: TRANSAMERICA CORPORA-TION Tel. 234-1629(7/05)F61232

03 CIVIL ENGINEER-\$800 per month Contact: AIC MARIANAS, INC. dba AIC Marianas Inc. Tel. 322-9142(7/ 05)F224638

01 MANAGER, DEPARTMENT STORE-Salary:\$3,000 per month Contact: KAZUE INTERNATIONAL. INC. dba Kazue's Boutique Tel. 322-6338(7/

01 DESIGNER (JEWELRY)-Salary:\$2.75

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01 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Salary:\$2.75 per hour Contact: SBR ENT., INC. dba Excel Auto Care Tel. 235-4536(7/05)F224643

01 COOK-Salary:\$3.00 per hour Contact: TRI-ALL INTERNATIONAL CORP. Tel. 234-1610(7/05)F224644

04 CARPENTER-Salary: \$2.75 per hour Contact: 3K CORPORATION Tel. 235-2222(7/05)F224648

01 WAITRESS RESTAURANT-Salary:\$2.75 per hour ALMABELLA Contact: WEATHERSBEE dba Debrent Enterprises Tel. 233-9142(7/05)F224649

02 ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN-Salarv:\$3.05 per hour Contact: ROLAND G. JASTILLANA dba

Island Electronics & Appliance Repair Shop Tel. 234-6609(7/05)F61239

40 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS-Salary:\$2.75 per hour 02 COOK-Salary:\$2.75 per hour Contact: KIM'S CONSTRUCTION Tel 234-1229(7/05)F224653

02 SPEECH THERAPIST-Salary:\$5.00 per hour 03 PHYSICALTHERAPIST-Salary: \$5.00

Contact: REMEDIOS C. LLOYD dba Pacific Therapy & Rehabilitation Tel. 322-0661(7/05)F224654

01 PROGRAM MANAGER-Salary: \$21,000 per annum 02 PHYSICAL THERAPIST-Salary:\$5.00

per hour Contact: MARS CORPORATION Tel. 235-2141(7/05)F224655

04 BEAUTICIAN-Salary:\$2.75 per hour 02 AUTO MECHANIC-Salary:\$2.75 per

Contact: FU HUA CORPORATION dba Fu Hua Auto Repair Shop Tel. 235-5457(7/05)F224657

02 DRAFTSMAN-Salary:\$5.00-\$5.55 per 02 FINISHING CARPENTER-Sal-

ary:\$3.00-\$3.55 per hour Contact: VICENTE A. SONGSONG dba Tel. 322-5132(7/05)F224656

01 HEAVY EQUIPMENT MECHANIC-Salary:\$2.75 per hour 05 HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR-Salary:\$2.75 per hour

01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary:\$700 per 01 MASON-Salary: \$2.75 per hour

CORP. Tel. 235-5086/92(7/05)F224645 01 HEAVY EQUIPMENT MECHANIC-

Salary \$3.25-\$3.75 per hour 01 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY Salary \$5:00-5.95 per hour Contact: SAIPAN STEVEDORE COM- 01 ACCOUNTANT - Salary \$3.05 per PANY INC. (6/27 T) 61151

02 BAKER-Salary:\$3.05-\$3.55 per hour Contact: HOTEL NIKKO SAIPAN INCOR- F224850 PORATED Tel. 322-3311 ext 2020/21(7/

Contact: WESTERN PACIFIC ENTER-PRISES, INC. dba Kimchi Cabana Night

05 WAITRESS (N/C)-Salary: \$2.75 per

01 MAINTENANCE REPAIRER, BLDG.-Salary:\$2.75 per hour 03 DIVING INSTRUCTOR-Salary:\$5.00

Contact: BIANCA INTERNATIONAL INC. dba Bianca Diving Club Tel. 235-4510/ 2(7/05)F224650

01 ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTSMAN-Salary:\$3.50-\$4.50 per hour 02 PLUMBER-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 10 MASON-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 10 CARPENTER-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 01 ARCHITECT-Salary:\$3.50-\$4.00 per

02 ELECTRICIAN-Salary:\$3.05 per hour Contact: ROLAND G. JASTILLANA dba ARJAY Construction Tel. 234-6609(7/ 05)F61240

15 CARPENTER-Salary:\$2.90-\$3.75 per 02 AIRCONDITION & REFRIGERATION MECHANIC-Salary:\$2.90-\$3.50 per hour 05 STEELMAN-Salary:\$2.90-\$3.50 per

10 PAINTER-Salary:\$2.90-\$3.75 per

15 MASON-Salary:\$2,90-\$3,50 per hour Contact: REMEDIO S./DANIEL S. BUNIAG dba Marfran Enterprises Tel. 322-0414(7/05)F224640

01 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Salarv:\$3.50 per hour 06 ELECTRICIAN-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 06 MASON-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 06 CARPENTER-Salary:\$3.05 per hour

04 STRUCTURAL STEEL WORKER-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 10 SECURITY GUARDS-Salary:\$3.05

04 POWER PLANT MECHANIC-Salary:\$3.05 per hour 04 PLUMBER-Salary:\$3.05 per hour Contact: PACIFIC SAIPAN TECHNICAL CONTRACTORS, ING. dba PSTC, INC.

(7/05)F224635 02 BAKERS-Salary: \$2.75-\$3.25 per Contact: LFP CORPORATION dba

Marg's Kitchen Tel. 234-3706(7/ 05)F224665 01 MAINTENANCE REPAIRER, BUILD-

ING-Salary:\$3.00 per hour Contact: SAI-CHI U.S. INTERNATIONAL, INC. dba St. Lourdes Mini Mart Tel. 256-8808(7/05)F224666

01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary:\$1,600 per 01 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Sal-

ary:\$4.00 per hour Contact: SAIPAN LAULAU DEVELOP-MENT, INC. dba LaoLao Bay Golf Resort (7/05)F61250

QUALITY CONTROL CHECKERSUPERVISOR-

Salary:\$5.50-\$9.50 per hour 70 SEWING MACHINE OPERATOR-Sal ary:\$2 75-\$3 55 per hour 03 MAINTENANCE MECHANIC-Salary:\$2.75-10.50 per hour

08 CUTTER (HAND CUTTER ary:\$2.75-\$3.50 per hour Ben Songsong & Sons Land Surveying 01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary:\$5.50-\$7.50

03 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT- Salary: \$2.75-6.50 per hour Contact: HANSAE (SAIPAN) INC. dba Kyung Suh Co. (Saipan) Ltd. Tel. 234-1501/2(7/04)Th61201

01 MAINTENANCE REPAIRER-Sal-Contact: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ary:\$7.00 per hour plus Housing allow-Contact: UNITED MICRONESIA DEVEL-OPMENT ASSOCIATION, INC. Tel. 322-

01 COOK

8632(7/12)F224767

Contact: THOMAS N. CRUSE dba Star Business Services (7/19)

19) F224851

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DEADLINE: 12:00 noon the day prior to publication

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05 PAINTER-Salary:\$2.90 per hour 05 MASON-Salary:\$2.90 per hour Contact: ETU MULTI-SERVICES. INC. dba SM Construction Tel. 235-4861(7) 12)F224761

01 PLUMBER-Salary:\$2.75-\$3.00 per 01 SUPERVISOR-Salary:\$2.75-\$3.00

05 GENERAL MAINTENANCE RE-PAIRER-Salary:\$2.75-\$3.00 per hour Contact: VICTORY INT'L. CORP. dba Victory Construction Tel. 233-0498(7/ 12)F224773

01 MACHINIST-Salary:\$7.00 per hour 02 DIESEL MECHANIC-Salary:\$4.00-03 WELDER-Salary:\$4.00-\$4.50 per

01 LEAD WELDER-Salary:\$4.50-\$5.00 Contact: SEAFIX, INC. Tel. 322-0970(7/ 12)F224774

01 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-Salary:\$3.50-\$3.70 per hour 01 AUDITOR-Salary:\$3.05-\$4.00 per

hour

01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary:\$3.05-\$3.70 per hour 01 COMPTROLLER-Salary:\$1,500-\$4,840 per month 01 WAITRESS, RESTAURANT-Sal-

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01 SALES RESERVATION CLERK-Salary:\$3.05-\$4.09 per hour 01 WAITER, RESTAURANT-Salary:\$3.05-\$3.55 per hour

01 MANAGER, ACCOUNTING-Salary:\$2,500-\$4,000 per month 01 ASST. COST/CONTROLLER/AC-COUNTANT-Salary:\$3.25-\$4.70 per hour Contact: HOTEL NIKKO SAIPAN INC. Tel. 322-3311 ext. 2020 (7/12)F61328

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Contact: DARL CORPORATION dba Dae Kun Tour Tel: 233-6349 (7/19) F224856 01 QUARRY SUPERINTENDENT - Sal-

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CO. Tel: 322-0407 (7/19) F224855 01 DIESEL MECHANIC - Salary \$3.85

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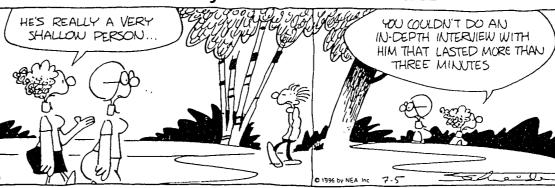
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STELLA WILDER

# YOUR BIRTHDAY

By Stella Wilder

Born today, you are an interesting and sometimes mysterious individual. You can shape the thinking of those around you and dictate what they should think about you! In this way, surely, you will enjoy a great deal of popularity, but the truth is that you would be enormously popular anyway. You are friendly, positive, fun-loving, creative and always willing to lend a hand when someone is in need. However, the fact of the matter is that you don't always hold yourself in the same high regard that others do, and you often

try too hard to compensate for your lack of self-esteem Highly creative and always on the lookout for something new, different and daring, you have a knack for attracting attention to yourself simply by going about your business. You have a real star quality about you, though it may take you some time to realize just how it would best apply to

Also born on this date are: to ask after dark. Pierre Cardin, fashion designer: Jessica Hahn, secretary; Doc 21) - You would rather stay home show you the way just one more Severinsen and Ringo Starr, mu- today than spend time spinning time.

CLOSERS

COLUMN CLOSERS

BY SARAH JOHNSON

In the days of old, hobos would leave

coded messages for each other that

would let subsequent transients know

the disposition of the household. A

plus sign meant that the location was

officer lived on the premises.

nary by calling it Zyzzyx.

a good place for a handout, while a

number sign indicated that a police

An entomologist who discovered a

name as the final entry in any dictio Civil War.

read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be vour daily guide SATURDAY, JULY

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Try not to be premature in thought or action today, or you will suffer

the consequences. Others will attempt to involve you in some way LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -Some may say that you are the jealous type, and indeed you can ly shine. sometimes be very envious of others. Today, however, someone else

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -Along-term commitment won't show much promise today. You can, however, enjoy a short-term involvement that offers some profit. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Keep the fire burning today, despite the lack of enthusiasm some-

will be jealous of you!

to work to get this person to com-SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -Many questions will be asked and answered today, but none will be as important as the one you have

one else may show. You may have

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. want that friend or loved one to your wheels with others. There To see what is in store for you may be a real opportunity out tomorrow, find your birthday and there, however.

bread over a wound

for 500 days.

new species of moth guaranteed its taken from a balloon during the U/S.

age of about a year and a half.

The first aerial photograph was

Centuries before the discovery of The average grizzly bear can run as penicillin, ancient Egyptians knew the tast as the average horse. healing properties of putting moldy

There has never been a president of

the United States who was an only

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

probably come to the surface to-

day, and as a result, someone

close to you may react in a way

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You may need help with the

oreliminaries today, but when the

time comes for you to be on your

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

- Are you sure you want to go

solo today? Perhaps a duet is

more along the lines of what you

need at this time. Make an offer to

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Someone you know well may be

unusually combative today, so stay

out of the line of fire, no matter

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Opposites attract, but today you

and someone you know will discoy

er that you're both very excited by

Are you sure that you're ready to

take the lead today? Perhaps you

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -

all that you have in common.

a close friend.

own in the spotlight, you will sure

you do not fully appreciate.

Your impulsive side will

Golf balls are usually filled with a mixture of water or castor oil and sil-Earth Tip: Turn off the tap on the sink when you're not using it. An av-

A dollar bill circulates for an aver- erage faucet pours out 4 gallons of

water in a single minute. Most yawns happen in the hour just To drill a well five miles deep, you before going to bed and the hour right would have to drill all day and night after waking up.

> Published in 1543, the book in which the astronomer Copernicus argued that the planets revolve around the sun was a financial disaster.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLER

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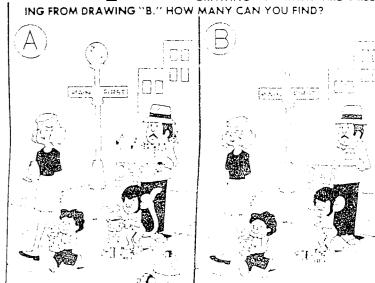
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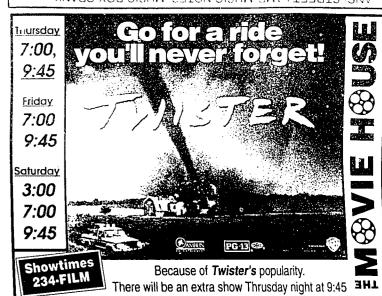
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**KidSpot** THERE ARE EIGHT THINGS IN DRAWING "A" THAT ARE MISS



THAT WAS GENEROUS OF YOU TO SHARE YOUR COLA

KDBANT, MONIS PURSE, MANIS BANDANNA, MONKEY'S TA ANS: STREET LAMP, MUSIC NOTES, MUSIC BOX CRANK,



Festival Committee chair, observed

For one thing, it didn't rain, but

the heat was sweltering and people

braved it just to watch the colorful

A federal employee told the Vari-

ety that he would have loved to

watch the parade on television in

the comfort of his home, but his

daughter, he said, egged him that

Guerrero said he has again asked

"Ray is a long-time supporter of

Ray to be his campaign manager.

the Guerrero camp. He's a very

hard working person and that is

one of the main reasons why I

asked him again to chair my com-

Guerrero in an interview.

paign," he added.

team forward.

mittee for this election," said

"He's not new to politics, he's

well known and I think I need

According to the former gover-

nor, he is very confident in Ray's

abilities to move the Guerrero-Inos

A Japanese tourist said he en-

joyed the parade because he wit-

nessed different nationalities and

"I'm here just to see the parade

A local who requested anonym-

"It's a little bit slow and tiring.

But I think the people enjoyed it,"

ity said it was a big parade as com-

because I heard about it from my

friend in Tokyo," said the 35-year-

old Hideaki Matsunaga.

pared to last year.

he said.

people like him to run my cam-

almost three-hour parade.

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Yes, the Spanish historian wrote of how the natives of Guam boarded their vessel to steal food and other provisions. But, how could they be stealing what originally had belonged to them? The Spanish intruders didn't live in the Mariana Islands, grow their own food, or produce the tools and other provisions they needed to continue their journey. On the contrary, they used cunning trickery and novel trinkets to procure their needs. So, when the time

arrived for recording the events, the Spanish historians wrote with a Spanish point of view, irrespective of the

After leaving the Mariana Islands Magellan traveled on to Magtan Island (Philippines), where the raping of the native women and the looting of local provisions continued until King Lapulapu ended the mayhem by decapitating Magellan. This act was a victory for Pacific Islanders and a deadly blow to the Spanish empire. It was also justice for cold and heartless colonialist.

If we follow you line of logic, the executors of Sir Ferdinand Magellan

were murderers and all of their descendants are also murderers. If this is the case, no one should visit the Philippine Islands because everyone there is inherently prone to murder others. This could be a root cause for the revolutions taking place in various parts of the Philippine archipelago. Any intelligent or reasonable person could tell you that kind of reasoning is absolutely absurd and completely without foundation. It is referred to as Jenssenism or the idea that behavior is genetically transmit-

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS CUC-RFP96-0032 June 21, 1996

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES - WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SONGSONG VILLAGE, ROTA

The Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC), in conjunction with the Division of Historic Preservation, requires the services of a professional archaeologist to undertake limited archaeological data recovery in advance of the construction of Singsong Village Water System Improvement Project, Rota. The proposal shall be be identified on the outside of the envelope by the proposal number CUC-RFP96-0032. The proposal shall be submitted in triplicate to the office the Special Advisor for Procurement and Supply, CUC Lower Base, Saipan MP 96950 before 4:00 pm on July 19, 1996.

This project is funded by a grant from the Department of Interior (DOI), Office of Insular Affairs (OIA) at 73.3% of the cost and 26.7% matching fund from the CNMI Government. The award of this project is contingent upon receipt of approval by DOI, OIA.

The waterline trenching will affect a portion of an archaeological site which is eligible for inclusion in the U.S. National Register of Historic Places. The site consists of buried cultural deposits containing artifacts, subsistence remains, features, and human burials. Two waterline segments measuring a total of 440 meters will impact intact deposits associated with the site.

The two waterline segments are to be mechanically excavated under the supervision of a qualified archaeological monitor. The archaeologist will be responsible for procuring the services of an operator and backhoe. The major focus of the mitigation program will be the identification, removal and analyses of human burials present within the pipeline rights-of way of the two segments. Work will also involve recording significant features exposed in trench profiles, and recovering artifacts and samples.

This work will allow for compliance with pertinent sections of the U.S. National Historic Preservation Act and associated 36 CFR Part 800 and CNMI Public Law 3-39. The Principal Investigator must meet the minimum standards for prehistoric archaeologist as

All responses to this RFP should take into account any and all taxes that will be charged to the successful bidder in fulfilling the

CUC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any defects in the said proposals, if in its sole opinion to do so would be in the best interest of the Government . All proposals shall become the property of the CUC.

All inquiries for additional information, including an expanded list of tasks, project scheduling, and proposal selection, should be directed to Mr. Ernesto L. Villarin (CUC) at (670) 322-9383 or Mr. Joseph P. Guerrero (HPO) at (670) 664-2125.

Is I Timothy P. Villagomez Executive Director

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# Dr. Jeffrey J.K. Lee

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Simply stated, you allege that our current labor abuse problems are by-products of a past history. You infer that the Spanish label "thieves" or "cheaters" is an inherited trait that cannot be curtailed or "shaken off" so to speak. Consequently, through your own public statements I can safely conclude that your assertions are not only false but racist propaganda designed to belittle and discredit a people you know little or nothing about. It is people like you who give rise to the likes of Adolf Hitler and other world renown racist who believe

You, dear sir, appear to be an advocate of Jenssenism because your demeanor seems to imply a racist attitude.

> torily dealt with when they do indeed occur. While I can admit that there are, in fact some isolated cases—common worldwide when it involves Filipino overseas contract workers—such cases are not tolerated by our democratic systemof justice. Filipino teachers have recently been awarded over \$2 million in an out of court settlement for discrimination. A Filipino national was upheld by a local court who filed suit against immigration officials who tried

in racial "purification" through hatred

If we were to consider cases involv-

ing labor abuse in the CNMI, I am

confident you would be able to see that

abuses in these islands are both over-

stated and exaggerated and yet satisfac-

and genocide.

to repatriate him by force. In another case, a Filipino national was upheld by the local court when he filed claims against a former congressman who struck him. Our justice system is not perfect, but it does, more than most other places in the world, provide pro-

tection and a measure of security to

Filipinos and other foreign nationals in all of our people. Avoid using distorted the Commonwealth of the Northern historical accounts and exaggerated Marianas Islands. reports of abuse to win union votes in You, Mr Concepcion, are providing your country. More importantly, let us a great disservice to your fellow Filipifollow the example of the greatest peacenos who have to live and work abroad. maker in the world (Jesus Christ) when Your thoughtless, careless, and prohe said. "And let us consider one anvocative words are inciting people to other to incite to LOVE AND FINE hatredand resentment. Three days after WORKS, not forsaking the gathering your patently false statements were of ourselves together, as some have the printed, a Filipino concert sponsored by local businesses for and in behalf of local and Filipino people alike had to be

custom, but encouraging one another...Hebrews 10:24,25. Please be assured that I hope all cases cancelled due to threats by local citiof labor in the CNMI will one day be zens who felt threatened and offended resolved. In the meantime, this will by you. Your unfounded expressions require a collaborative effort by all triggered the emotions of reactionary concerned and such an effort is not locals, making it impossible to bring a possible if we provoke one another. peaceful majority of people together Reasonable people will act in reasonfor an aspiring and relaxing concert. able ways, I hope that you will join us Are you happy now that your words have spawned an atmosphere of dis-

Sincerely yours

against you.

better the situation.

Jocelyn Pangelinan

God Bless

Herman T. Palacios Former Congressman

I strongly urge that you apologize to the

people of the CNMI and the Filipino

community living in the Common-

wealth. Your people living on our is-

lands might suffer the consequences if

such accusations; although, we are not

hoping for anything drastic to arise.

The Philippine is 10,000 miles away

from the CNMI and with your bigatory

remarks think twice about ever coming

to visit our islands. I might be speaking

for someone who would hold a grudge

So, to my people of the CNMI let us

prove these accusations wrong. We

and the Filipino community on our

islands should hold hands and hel

employ everyone who returns home

because you want to defend and protect

No one is held here in the CNMI

against their will. Anyone who is or

who feels abused has a vehicle for

pursuing compensation and justice. If

all else fails they can, if they choose,

return home to the love, safety and

security of their country. If all Filipino

Overseas Contract Workers returned

to the Philippines, then there would not

even be one reported case of abuse.

Then, Mr. Concepcion, the ball would

be in your court and you will have an

opportunity to solve all the problems

that would go along with a mass return

of Filipino citizens to their beloved

the many Filipino citizens who enjoy

living and working in the CNMI. The

president of a local Filipino association

here has, on many occasions, refuted

the belief that Filipinos, for the most

part, are subject to widespread abuse

and exploitation. He, like tens of thou-

sands of other Filipino nationals in the

CNMI, have had the honor and privi-

lege of living and working in an envi-

ronment that defends and promotes

more civil liberties than many other

countries in the world. These Filipinos

have established long and meaningful

relationships with thousands of local-

residents all coming together for the

sake of ensuring a greater measure of

It is my fervent hope that you will

reconsider your position and out aside

your political objectives for the sake of

friendship and peaceful coexistence.

Apparently, you have not heard from

them with your racist remarks?

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invite them to our family gatherings (and believe me they don't prepare the wood for the fire). My parents have bought groceries to their staff house. These are only a few things that my parents have done for the contract workers here on Saipan

trust, hatred and fear? Will you be

satisfied when your racial slurs end in

the repatriation of all Filipino citizen

back to the Republic of the Philip-

pines? Will you and your union friends

To cast sooth this situation each of us should look around and dwell on the future life of the Commonwealth. In return it is all for us. We should not let such accusations constrain us. In my point of view, we the people of the CNMI should prove Mr. Concepcion wrong, We are not thieves and most of all not of low culture category.

JR my message to Mr.Concepcion:

### Pierce . . . Continued from page 5

after one of our Employee Awareness sessions for DPS Firefighters, it made me sit down and be thankful for people like you. And, because of people like you I will continue to give to my effort in battling this terrible menace called drug and alcohol abuse. And, I thank you for serving and protecting us in your job, too. I hope that you don't mind me sharing what you have left behind on the

An anonymous DPS Firefighter left this note after a seminar:

Other Things You Can Do Than Drinking Beer Everyday: Sex, Swimming, Watch baseball. Take Kids to the park, Walk your dog, Go to bed, Join community activities

Be involved with community, Support family, Or just don't do anything. Thank you, Citizen firefighter

Sincerely Yours Richard A. Pierce Special Assistant for Drug And Sub-

### Lib-Day... Continued from page 1

US immigration laws. More Chamorro is spoken in the CNMI and its form is purer here."

Nevertheless, he said, "I still believe in the Covenant, and I still believe that we made the right choice to become part of the United States."

DPHS

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Luke," Abraham claimed.

He acknowledged that despite the CNMI's "problems" with the federal government, "at least we have the right to complain about them." The CNMI has come to celebrate

the Fourth of July as Liberation Day (the 50th this year), but Tenorio said yesterday was "Independence Day for us as well."

"Without the independence of the United States, there would have been

#### Lt. Gov. Jesus Borja and then Acting Labor Secretary Bienvenido Laguesma of the Philippines.

According to MLO, almost 80 percent of the patients referred to Manila were taken to St. Luke's Hospital while majority of the contract workers' cases were referred to the Philippine General Hospital. Others were treated at the Makati

Medical Center and the Chinese tion bid in 1993 which saw General Hospital. MLO was established in Septem-Tenorio's rise to power. Ray Guerrero is also best reber 1994 through a Memorandum of Understanding signed between

### Parade... Continued from page 1

The participants gave credence to the diverse cultures of the CNMI-- from Chamorro, Carolinian, Filipino, American, Japanese, Korean, and Chinese. Some marchers waved flags from different countries, while floats carried significant messages befitting this year's theme— UNITY.

A VisMinda float carried a catch-

Certainly Scottie Pippen and Grant

Hill can play some two, and David

Robinson will play some four (power

Wednesday's practice was the most

watched of the three. USA Basket-

ball invited sponsors to attend, and

baseball player Kirby Puckett, film

critic Gene Siskel and Randy Brown

of the Chicago Bulls also showed up.

"A lot of guys, especially the guys

who have been out longer than the

others, they're starting to get their

wind back and I'm starting to see the

level was found to be about twice

California's legal limit, authori-

Phillips already is on probation

for assaulting his former girlfriend

while both were students at Ne-

braska. A drunken-driving con-

viction could lead to the revoca-

tion of his probation, six months

Washington Redskins, pleaded

guilty to a misdemeanor charge

of battery for punching a woman

in the nose last summer. He prob-

ably won't receive jail time since

Indians . . .

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1 2-3 innings for his 11th save.

Minnesota's victory over Chicago.

Radke (5-10) allowed three runs on

seven hits and two walks in seven-plus

innings. Dave Stevens pitched the final

The Twins led 5-0 after five innings

against White Sox starter Luis Andujar

Shepherd, a receiver for the

in jail and a \$ 1,000 fine

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Off...

Who . . .

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A Korean man performing a soccer ball exhibition while on parade drew the most applause from the audience. Under the scorching heat of the

sun, spectators, mostly armed with umbrellas and wearing baseball hats, gathered on the side streets, climbed on top of vehicles and building rooftops.

and trees while others impatiently

level come up - and the coaches are

seeing it, too," Payton said. "I think

by Friday, it'll be everybody going at

everybody tough, everybody will be

Wilkens has noticed a few players

"They're in great shape, but not

gasping for air more than normal, too.

the kind they're used to being in,"

Wilkens said. "The intensity picked

up today, and from here on out it'll

probably start to go higher. When we

"When they get tired of one an-

other and start to go after each other

real hard, then I know it's time to play

somebody. That's what you're start-

he doesn't have a criminal record.

Sentencing is expected within six

"I would suspect that a sus-

pended sentence would probably

be appropriate in this case," said

Lawrence Kelly, Allegany County

Long, a former guard with Pitts-

burgh, reneged on a deal his attor-

neys won for him and must stand

trial on charges of aggravated as-

sault, disorderly conduct and re-

sisting arrest resulting from a Feb.

the influence, was dismissed, but

Long must face trial on the re-

maining charges. He is to be ar-

(0-1), who was recalled from Triple-A

Nashville on Tuesday. Andujar gave

up five runs and 10 hits in 51-3 innings.

the sixth on Danny Tartabull's 11th

homer. The pulled within a run

with two in the eighth on an RBI

double by Harold Baines and a

pinch-hit RBI single by Frank Tho-

mas, who didn't start for the first

Chicago scored its first three runs in

A fourth charge, driving under

get to that point, I want officials.

letting loose."

ing to see.

weeks.

2 arrest.

raigned Aug. 15.

time in 83 games.

state's attorney.

services in the islands. He transformed the utilities firm into one of the most dynamic and

no liberation," he explained.

Americans.

our heritage."

own destiny and chose to become

But, he added, "we can really be

Americans without sacrificing our

indigenous culture and our pride in

"While we preserve our cultural

controversial head of CUC cred-

ited with vastly improving the de-

livery of power, water and sewer

Guerrero. . Continued from page 1 most politically potent autonocessful gubernatorial campaign mous government agencies in his during the 1989 elections when time, maintaining possibly the Guerrero won over Democrat most motivated workforce in gov-Froilan C. Tenorio. ernment service He was also the main man in

Guerrero's unsuccessful reelecto his alleged extravagant ap-

ing slogan: "There is Strength in view of the participating floats and

taries and officials watched the

A few women hid under the tents

Well-loved and feared by CUC employees during his term at the utilities firm, "Kumoi" also had his share of criticism, mainly due

membered as the charismatic yet proach in achieving the vast im-"burned" themselves to get a clearer

> It was almost 12 noon when the last float passed by the grandstand in front of Garapan Elementary School where Gov. Froilan Tenorio, Lt. Gov. Jesus Borja, Rear Admiral David L. Brewer, and other digni-

The big number of people who crowded Beach Road, caused a mild traffic jam on Middle Road and

Yankees

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nese pitcher) Katsuhiro Maeda

earlier in the season (for a \$1.5

million bonus), we feel strongly

that we have acquired two of the

premier talents available on the

international market," Yankees

general manager Bob Watson

said. "This is a great testament to

our international scouting efforts

Blakeley told Venezuelan re-

porters three weeks ago that he

thinks Melian will be in the major

leagues within three years.

Melian's brother, Jonathan, is a

pitcher in the Seattle Mariners'

how he runs!" said Luis Aponte,

the former Boston Red Sox re-

liever who is general manager of

"Jackson is a monster - and

led by Gordon Blakeley."

Taken in another light, "our libcomplete until we walk down that road we chose and think ourselves eration," the governor said, "really as Americans," he said. came when we took control of our

"Chamorro-Americans, Carolinian-Americans, or some other ethnic Americans, but Americans all

heritage, our liberation will not be

and proud of it," he added. Yesterday's celebration was attended by more people than in previous years, Maria Pangelinan, Unity

provements and the level of service at CUC.

With Guerrero seeking the governorship again next year with Rita H. Inos as his runningmate, Ray has again resurfaced to help the former governor in his political The former governor is headed

into a gubernatorial primary against another former governor, Pedro P. Tenorio on November 9 of this year to determine who will be the GOP's official candidate in 1997. During Wednesday's general

membership meeting of the Republican Party, former Gov.

Beach Road in Garapan when the parade was about to start. Some parents with toddlers on

their shoulders decided to walk to-

wards the parade site. Secondary roads leading to Beach Road were closed for a few hours before and after the festivities.

Traffic officers were busy clearing the side streets from people, mostly Japanese tourists and Chinese, who stepped in the middle of the street or near the floats for "photo opportunities."

Caribes del Oriente in has been timed in 6.5 seconds for Venezuela's winter league. "He has been THE star since he

Melian, 6-foot-3 (190.5 cms) and 185 pounds (83 kilograms),

the 60-yard dash. He plans to play in the instructional league this fall, return to Venezuela and finish high school, then play in the Gulf Coast League next summer.

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the competitions for this year's

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also on conditioning their minds, as well.

"Our athletes should be strong in body, mind and spirit. This kind of conditioning requires attention to diet and nutrition, proper persona' habits, and a consistent routine for working out and staying in shape. It cannot happen overnight or just a few weeks before the competition, but rather it requires dedication and commitment to a regular program of

athletes who can represent Palau internationally.' The Palau Sports Commission will be working with the individual sports associations to organize scheduling and holding of

Mini Olympics. Although competition will be on a state-by-state basis, the Commission urges the active support of the private sector, community groups and individuals to sponsor Palau's athletes in order that they may achieve greater success.

Among the players are eight of the tour's top nine money-winners -Phil Mickelson, Fred Couples, Davis Love III, Mark Brooks, Greg Norman, Tom Lehman, David Duval and Masters champion Nick Faldo. U.S. Open champion Steve Jones, Tom Watson, Payne Stewart, John Daly, Ben Crenshaw and Nick Price are also here.

Why the great turnout? Sponsor Motorola increased the prize money from \$ 1.2 million in

360,000. The money is unchanged for this year.

The Players Championship.

"I heard so much from everybody that this is a great golf course, so I thought I'd give it a go," said Faldo whose most recent Western Open appearance had been in 1990.

Norman last played in the Western in 1993.

year for Norman. Many consider him the world's best golfer, and he ranks sixth on the money list. But he gained his most notoriety this year for his final-round collapse at the Masters and, most recently, the improper

"Bad things happen even in good years," Norman said. "Everybody likes to talk about the bad things. I guarantee that all but the (five) guys in front of me on the money list would like to be in my position. I think I'm having a pretty good

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organization.

But it was a blessing that I was able to hang in there last week," Weibring said. "I have my good days and bad days. feel like I'm 85 percent.

He'll probably need to be better than that to win the Western, which has drawn one of the top fields of the season to the Dubsdread Course at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club.

1994 to \$ 2 million in 1995 and the

winner's share from \$216,000 to \$

"This purse is one of the highest on tour," said Peter Jacobsen, who has only one finish better than 30th this season after winning more than \$ 1 million in '95. "You know,

Golfers talk, too. Those who have played the 7,073-yard, par-72 Dubsdread Course since the Western moved from Butler National in 1991 have enjoyed the challenging but fair layout.

Defending champion Billy Mayfair said the pros regard the Western "as a fifth or sixth major," just behind the Masters, U.S. Open, British Open and PGA Championship and on a par with The Tour Championship and

Neither Faldo nor Norman played in the 1995 Western despite the purse increase, but both are here this year.

Like Weibring, he is coming off a newsworthy Greater Hartford Open.

Unlike Weibring, the experience was one Norman would like to forget - he was disqualified for using an improperly labeled ball in the first two rounds It was another incident in a wacky

# SPORTS



# Palau Olympics next montl

KOROR, PALAU—The 1996 Palau Interstate Mini-Olympics has now been set for August 9 to 18,1996.

All the events which are to be held in the Micro Games which Palau will host in 1998 will be held in this summer's Mini-Olym-

The games will include competitions in: men's and women's basketball, volleyball, softball, track and field, canoe-racing, lawn tennis, table tennis and the always popular Micro All-Around.

Men's only events will include weightlifting, wrestling and fish-

Athletes expecting to compete in these games will have to register in the State which they want to represent.

In a meeting with Governors on Wednesday, June 12, all States were informed by the Palau Sports Commission that they were being given until the end of working hours on Friday, June 14, to ad-

Also, for those States who missed the previous deadline, they may now submit their team member's names by the June 14 deadline in order to be included in the schedule of events.

A featured event of this year's Mini-Olympics will be the canoe-racing competition utilizing two state-of-the-art craft donated to Palau by the Guam Memorial Hospital Plan (GMHP).

An exciting first-time event for Palau will be one-person and twoperson kayak races.

Two new and upcoming sports

will be weightlifting and wrestling, which are fast gaining in popularity in Palau.

In conjunction with the Mini-Olympics, Motare Ngiratmab and several volunteers studying abroad in Susanville, California, have graciously returned to Palau at their own expense to conduct weightlifting and fitness/conditioning clinics this summer.

They have been visiting the various States throughout Palauto help get their teams in shape for the upcoming games.

Equipment for this effort was procured by the Palau Sports Commission and plans are underway to set up a fitness room at Palau Community College, complete with a trainer on hand who will continue to assist athletes of all sports with their individual conditioning programs.

Vice President Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., who chairs the Palau Sports Commission, stressed the all-around goals of the fitness program by saying, "In promoting sports competition in Palau, we need to focus not just on the natural physical abilities and talents of our athletes, but

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### Indians repeat over Royals

CLEVELAND (AP) - Albert Belle hit his 27th homer and Julian Tavarez got his first victory as a starter this season as the Cleveland Indians beat the Kansas City Royals 6-4 Wednes-

Jim Thome and Sandy Alomar had two-run doubles in Cleveland's five-run rally in the fifth. The Royals, whose pitching staff has given up the fewest walks in the American League, issued eight, including a season-high six by Kevin Appier (7-8).

Greg Swindell took over for Tavarez in the sixth and pitched three hitless innings. Paul Shuey got the last three outs for his second save.

Appier walked the bases loaded with one out in the fifth and Kansas City leading 4-1. Thome then ripped a double off the left-field wall against reliever Mike Magnante to make it 4-

Eddie Murray and Manny Ramirez both walked to force in the tying run before Alomar greeted Julio Valera with another double for a 6-4 lead.

Blue Jays 5, Orioles 2

In Toronto, Ed Sprague hit a grand slam in the fifth inning and Juan Guzman improved his AL-leading earned run average by allowing one run in seven innings, leading Toronto over Baltimore.

Sprague pulled Rick Krivda's 2-0 pitch over the wall in left with two outs in the fifth, giving the Blue Jays a 5-1 lead. He now has three career grand slams and 23 homers this sea-

Domingo Cedeno and Jacob Brumfieldhittwo-outsingles and Joe Carter drew a walk, loading the bases for Sprague.

Guzman (7-6) scattered six hits, struck out six and walked three to lower his ERA from 3.38 to 3.25.

Krivda (2-4) gave up five runs on six hits in 42-3 innings before being chased by the grand slam.

Twins 6, White Sox 5

In Chicago, Brad Radke, a loser in 10 of his previous 11 decisions, snapped a five-game losing streak and Rich Becker went 4-for-5 in

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### Who starts for Dream Team'

By CHRIS SHERIDAN

CHICAGO(AP)-Whenitcomes to the starting lineup, the Dream Team with be an equal opportunity employer. Coach Lenny Wilkens said Wednesday that the U.S. Olympic basketball team's starting lineup will be different for every game and every one of his dozen players can expect to be on court for at least one opening tip.

"They all understand the significance of the Olympics," Wilkens said. "They all know that I want to play them all, and I've told them that. What we'll do is try to start a different group each time. We have so many great players and I want to give them all the opportunity."

The thought of jockeying for a spot as a starter seems ridiculous to the players, who went through their third day of practice Wednesday and planned to do it again today despite the holiday.

"If you're worrying about something like that, you shouldn't even be on the team," John Stockton said.

Wilkens hasn't even picked his starters yet for the first exhibition game Saturday against the U.S. junior team at Auburn Hills, Michigan, and he won't make that decision until two more days of scrimmages and practices at Moody Bible Institute are wrapped up.

Stockton, Gary Payton and Anfernee Hardaway are the Dream Team's natural point guards; Mitch Richmond and Reggie Miller are the shooting guards; Grant Hill and Scottie Pippen are small forwards; Charles Barkley and Karl Malone are power forwards; and Hakeem Olajuwon, Shaquille O'Neal and David Robinson are centers.

"Idon'tthinkyou'llseethatmany guys out of their natural positions, but because of their versatility, some of these guys can play other spots," Wilkens said. "For instance, Hardaway is a point guard, but he'll play some two (shooting guard).

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### Yankees sign Venezuelan

NEW YORK (AP) - In a sport where no one's quite sure how good a 20-year-old will be, the New York Yankees are taking a \$ 1.6 million gamble on a 16year-old outfielder.

Just a day after he turned 16, outfielder Jackson Melian agreed Wednesday to a 1997 minor-league contract with the New York Yankees.

"There are no words to say how I feel about being with the New York Yankees," Melian said after the contract was an-

nounced at Yankee Stadium. "My heart has always been with the Yankees and my father often told me about their fabled history. With today being his birthday, I can't think of a better gift."

Melian, from Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela, will report Thursday to the Yankees' minor-league complex in Tampa, Florida. His signing bonus sets a record for a Latin player.

"With the signing of (Japa-Continued on page 43

NEW YORK (AP) - While Michael Irvin's drug trial is among the sports headlines each day, he is far from the only NFL player facing off-the-field legal woes.

The current players in trouble Wednesday besides Irvin are Lawrence Phillips and Leslie Shepherd, while the ex-players are Terry Long and Luis Sharpe.

The issues involving them concern charges of assault, battery, drunken driving, violated probation and drug possession.

Testimony in Irvin's drug trial Wednesday showed that Irving, Texas, police officers met with prosecutors five times to discuss what happened the night the Dallas Cowboys wide receiver was found in a motel room with cocaine and m

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Officer Matthew Drumm, the trial's first witness, testified that police found several packages of marijuana and cocaine, rolling papers, razor blades and a glass vial with white residue in the room.

If convicted, Irvin could face between probation and 20 years in jail. The NFL likely will wait for the verdict before deciding whether Irvin violated the league's substance abuse policy.

Phillips, the No. 1 draft choice of the St. Louis Rams, pleaded innocent to a misdemeanor charge of drunken driving in El Monte, California, with trial set for Aug. 28.

Phillips, now free on his own recognizance, was arrested June 15 after police allegedly saw him speeding in a gold Mercedes-Benz with a flat tire. His blood-alcohol level was

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### Weibring goes for two in a row

LEMONT, Illinois (AP) - Just a few months ago, D.A. Weibring faced the possibility of never playing competitive golf again. Now, he's going for a second consecutive PGA Tour vic-

"The emotion coming here, I'm planning on playing well," Weibring

said in anticipation of Thursday's opening round of the Western Open.

Diagnosed in March with Bell's palsy - a neurological disorder that weakened his eyesight, hindered his balance, made him tired and paralyzed the right side of his face -Weibring pulled off a stunning triumph last week in the Greater Hartford Open.

It was his first tour victory outside his home state of Illinois. The Quincy native won the 1987 Western, as well as Quad Cities tournaments in 1979, 1991 and 1995.

"People say, 'Well, obviously, you're back. You won last week.'

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#### Players Who have won Individual Title twice or more:

Category:	Name:	Year:
Batting:	Reno Celis	1988/1989
	Greg C. Camacho	1991/1995
Run Scoring:	Reno Celis	1989/1991
April 1985   Sec 1986	Tony C. Camacho	1988/1994
	Bill Quitano	1990/1994
Doubles:	Cris Pangelinan	1983/1995
	Frank Pangelinan	1986/1994
	Al Camacho	1988/1989
Triples:	Jess Dela Cruz	1982/1983/1986(3)
	Reno Celis	1988/1989
	Greg C. Camacho	1993/1995
Homeruns:	Reno Celis	1988/1989/1995(3)
	Bill Quitano	1985/1986/1989(3)
	Cris Pangelinan	1982/1986
	Greg C. Čamacho	1990/1991
Runs Batted In:	Jack Taitano	1982/1983/1986/1990(4)
	Reno Celis	1989/1992/1993(3)

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