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NMI eyes cut in $360B deal

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

THE CNMI government's planned lawsuit against U.S. tobacco companies may be dropped if the $360 billion settlement currently being considered by Congress includes the Northern Marianas and other insular areas, acting Attorney General Robert Dunlap said Friday.

"We may avoid costly litigation," he said. "We've consulted with other state attorneys general, and they told us the insular areas are to be included in the settlement."

Assistant Attorney General Diane M. McDevitt, the consumer counsel, said Friday that the CNMI has already submitted relevant medical statistics which will be used to determine how much the Commonwealth will get from the settlement.

Robert Dunlap

If ratified by Congress and signed by President Clinton, the settlement, as first proposed in June, would end 40 state-, 17 class action- and individual lawsuits now in court against tobacco companies.

In return, the companies are to pay $360 billion in the following 25 years, and then $15 billion a year. Most of the money would go to the states and, the CNMI hopes, to the insular areas.

McDevitt said the "thrust of the settlement is to beef up enforcement and education."

She said the goal "is to get kids never to start smoking," adding that studies show that those who didn't start smoking in their childhood or teens will never likely take it up.

"The settlement's focus is on

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A group of visitors climb the stairs to the upper deck of the U.S.S. Juneau Saturday. Public tours of the huge US Navy ship, currently docked on Saipan harbor, went on over the weekend. Photo by **Rick Alberto**

Tenorio says he'll sue Interior

Froilan C. Tenorio

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio said last week he may have to sue the U.S. Interior Department for its refusal to allow the purchase of the incinerators needed to clean up Puerto Rico dump.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) last Aug. 18 imposed a $125,000 fine against the Tenorio administration for allowing dump waste to continue seeping into the Saipan lagoon.

However, Tenorio said the CNMI government will not pay the fine.

"I'm going to tell EPA to go to Interior and get their money there," he said Thursday.

"We've been trying to do something about it, but Interior won't (release the funds) for the incinerators."

He said he will ask the Attorney General's Office to draft a complaint against Interior, which is currently facing two other lawsuits filed by the CNMI--one on the so-called Compact--Impact costs, and the other on the ownership of submerged lands within 12 miles from the CNMI's total land area.

Acting Attorney General Robert Dunlap, in an interview Friday, said he will look into the possibility of filing another lawsuit against Interior, but did not elaborate.

EPA has said that the incinerators the CNMI wants to buy

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Traditional canoe navigation expert Mao Piailug leads young generation of navigators in paying tribute to Carolinian Chief Aghurubw during Chief Aghurubw Day celebrations held on Managaha Saturday. (GRC photo)

Settlement is nearer on Hillblom heirs' claims

Hillblom live-in partner will get $3M, says Dotts

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

BY THE end of November, the alleged heirs of Larry Hillblom are expecting that their "big fight" against the late business tycoon's estimated $600 million estate will be over.

This developed after an agreement has reportedly been finalized to settle the claims of the eight alleged children and his former live-in partner, Josephine Nocasa.

Superior Court Associate Judge Timothy Bellas during Friday's hearing set the next settlement conference this Wednesday at 9 a.m. in court.

Following some parties' request, Bellas ordered that the hearing be sealed because of confidentiality of the terms of such agreement.

Michael Dotts, counsel for Nocasa, in an interview said that before the end of November, there may be an approved settlement

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DLNR wants end to Farallon de Mendinilla bombing runs

By Jojo Dass
Variety News Staff

LANDS and Natural Resources Secretary Maggie Wonenberg is seeking a stop to the bomb runs and strafing activities by U.S. military forces on Farallon de Mendinilla island.

In an interview over the weekend, Wonenberg said the CNMI government is currently reviewing the Covenant to determine whether provisions pertaining to the U.S. Navy's unhampered use of the island

Maggie Wonenberg

for its military exercises can be amended.

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US study on Chinese factories:

Workers being abused

By Verena Dobnik

NEW YORK (AP) — Subcontractors making shoes in China for Nike and Reebok use workers as young as 13 who earn as little as 10 cents an hour toiling up to 17 hours daily in enforced silence, independent observers charge.

The motive of the two American companies is: "Where in the world can we find the cheapest labor — even if it's in the most repressed circumstances?" said Medea Benjamin of Global Exchange, a watchdog group that provided a study of the Chinese factories to The Associated Press.

Nike has used human rights activist Andrew Young to "whitewash" abusive working conditions not only in China, but also in Vietnam and Indonesia, said Ms. Benjamin, co-director of the private, nonprofit San Francisco-based group, which has an office in New York.

Young insists he saw no sweatshop conditions when he toured plants making Nike shoes. Nike said the report was erroneous and Reebok said it monitors work records at the plants making its shoes.

Nike, the world's No. 1 athletic shoe manufacturer, has been accused by human rights groups of running overseas sweatshops. Clothing makers also have come under fire for conditions at factories elsewhere in Asia.

Global Exchange is acting for two human rights organizations in Hong Kong that interviewed scores of workers from four major sports shoe subcontractors in China's southern Pearl River Delta. The four factories, which employ at least 80,000 people, were monitored in 1995 and again in June and July 1997.

The subcontractors at all four sites are violating not only "the most basic tenets of Chinese labor law, they're also flagrantly violating (Nike's and Reebok's) own codes of conduct," which the companies formulated to regulate their practices overseas, Chan Ka Wai, assistant director of Hong Kong Christian Industrial Committee, said Saturday.

The 30-year-old private, nonprofit group wrote the report with Hong Kong-based Asia Monitor Resource Centre. The two groups are funded by church groups and private donations worldwide, Chan said.

At the Wellco plant in Dongguan County near Hong Kong, owned by a Korean subcontractor for Nike, people as young as 13 reportedly were doing sewing and cutting work, workers said.

Chinese labor law says no child under 16 may work in a factory, the report said.

Researchers said talking during work was not allowed, with violators fined $1.20 to $3.60, according to the report.

It said that at the nearby Taiwanese-owned Nority plant that makes Reebok shoes, workers were paid only $1.20 to $1.45 a day, in violation of the Dongguan minimum wage requirement of about $1.90 for an eight-hour day.

And Nority employees routinely

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Villanueva guilty

Convicted killer may face life in prison

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

A JURY reached a verdict on Friday declaring Antonio P. Villanueva guilty of murdering Bernadita B. Mendiola and injuring her three kids at their Koblerville residence.

"Ti mamaigo si yu'us! (God is not sleeping)," said Mendiola's sister after hearing the verdict.

The jury found the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree, sexual abuse of a child, burglary, and two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Villanueva is facing a maximum penalty of life sentence for murder, and 35 years for the remaining charges, according to Senior Counsel Loren Sutton.

The jurors, composed of four females and two males, handed the decision after deliberating for about four hours. The trial was completed in nine days.

The 47-year-old Villanueva, wearing a white polo shirt and black slacks, remained calm when a court clerk finished reading the decision.

Antonio P. Villanueva being escorted by a court marshal back to jail after Friday's guilty verdict. Photo by: Ferdie Dela Torre

"You're a sick man Antonio!" a man said to be Mendiola's relative approached and shouted at Villanueva, who was escorted by a court marshal back to jail.

Two Mendiola daughters wept as they were tightly hugged by their relatives in the courtroom.

"I think this man (Villanueva) deserves nothing less....all of Mendiola's kids can now go ahead with their lives," said Sutton in an interview after the verdict was announced.

Sutton presented 12 witnesses, including Mendiola's three kids. Defense counsel Antonio Atalig produced three witnesses and allowed Villanueva to testify.

Sutton considered the testimonies of the three kids and Mendiola's identification of the suspect when she called Villanueva's name during the attack as the strong evidence to corroborate the physical pieces of evidence.

The government presented in court -- a knife, gun and a Virgin Mary statue -- as the weapons used by Villanueva.

The kids positively identified Villanueva as the one who "attacked" the family about midnight to 1:30 a.m. of Jan. 20.

Atalig in his closing argument claimed that the government has no sufficient evidence that Villanueva committed the crimes, citing inconsistencies of the government's witnesses.

Villanueva, through an interpreter, denied during his testimony he was involved in the crimes, saying "it's not me. God is my witness."

"The jury decided," Atalig told reporters after the decision was handed down.

Superior Court Presiding Judge Alexandro Castro set the sentencing on Nov. 12.

CRM to take part in 2-day Maui meeting

THE DIRECTOR of the Coastal Resources Management left for Maui, Hawaii, to attend the three-day 15th Annual Pacific Island Coastal Zone Management Conference slated for tomorrow until Thursday.

The conference, sponsored by the Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Program and the Pacific Basin Development Council, will tackle such subjects as the natural resources economics and eco-accounting, economics of ocean and coastal industries, public-private partnerships in sustainable coastal resource management, traditional/local stewardship, economics of coastal erosion, and the 1997 International Year of the Reef.

Manuel C. Sablan said the conference should be helpful to the CNMI in terms of managing marine sports activities since Hawaii "has a lot to offer us" since it has more experience in managing recreational water sports.

"They (Hawaii) have been in this business for a long time," he said.

The Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources, for example, will present a paper on the state-wide partnership for its reef protection.

Saipan has had headaches with marine sports operators who have contributed to the deterioration of the coral reefs. —**Rick Alberto**

JAL to start Osaka-Saipan direct flights

By Rick Alberto
Variety News Staff

JAPAN Airlines will increase its Osaka-Saipan direct-flight frequency from five times weekly to daily, it was learned Friday.

In an interview Friday, Hitoshi Kamiya, manager for administration of the JAL district office on Saipan, said the daily direct flights will start on Oct. 1.

The Osaka-Saipan direct flight was inaugurated in April to tap the travelers from the Kansai area.

The opening of the direct flights has led to the increase in Japanese travelers from Osaka.

Last month, according to Kamiya, there was a 35 percent increase in the number of visitors from Osaka.

The launching of the daily, daytime and nonstop Osaka-Saipan flights coincides with the 20th anniversary of the JAL's Japan-Saipan route.

A ceremony will be held on Oct. 1 to welcome the passengers arriving early afternoon from both Tokyo and Osaka.

Officials said the average load factor, or percentage of seat occupancy per flight, of the Osaka-Saipan route is 70 percent, which they said is not so bad but not so good either.

The desirable load factor is over 80 percent, they said.

The plane being used for the direct Osaka-Saipan flights is Boeing 767, which seats 150 passengers.

The direct flights from Osaka are on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

On Tuesdays and Fridays, the flights are via Guam.

Officials said the continuance of the Osaka-Saipan flights will depend on the passenger demand or load factor.

Community pays tribute to Carolinian Chief Aghurubw

By Gerr R. Cayabyab, Jr.
Variety News Staff

A BIG crowd of tourists and guests made the annual trek to Managaha Saturday to join the local community in paying tribute to Carolinian folk hero, Chief Aghurubw.

Chief Aghurubw Day capped the Carolinian community's yearly celebration of Cultural Heritage Month.

The program was attended by CNMI government officials led by Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio and Lt. Gov. Jesus C. Borja.

"We gather on this small-island to remember our Carolinian cultural roots and renew our commitment to nurture those roots and keep them vital," said Tenorio in a speech before the big crowd that gathered around Aghurubw park.

"As we remember Chie Aghurubw, let us follow his footsteps and dedicate ourselves to keeping our Carolinian culture strong in our daily lives," the governor said.

Chief Aghurubw of the Ghatoliyool Clan is remembered as the chief of Satawal who led his people to the distant Marianas isles after storms devastated his village some 175 years ago.

"He is known as a great navigator and a man of great courage and humility," said Chief Aghurubw Foundation President Daniel R. Ogumoro.

"He braved unpredictable weather and uncertainties ahead to bring his people to a land of refuge," he added.

The voyage was in 1815, when Aghurubw and his people in Central Carolines were faced with imminent starvation after a big typhoon.

Folklore has it that "Chief Aghurubw was buried on Managaha Island where monument now stands in his honor.

Every year, people trek to Managahato pay respects to the Carolinian hero.

Tasi Tours, concessionaires for Managaha services, as well as other ferry operators offer trips to Managaha on Chief Aghurubw Day for free.

Ogumoro said he is happy about the growing participation of the people every year.

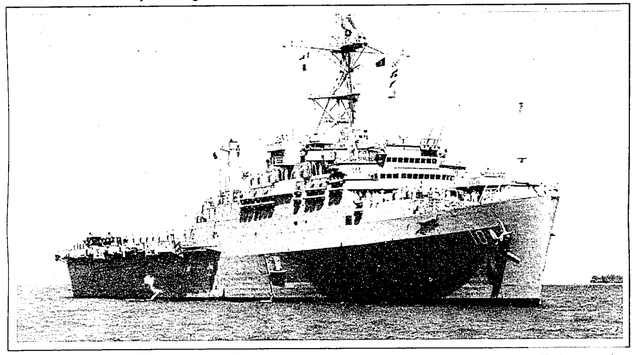
Elementary students participate in one of the parlor games during Chief Aghurubw day Saturday.

Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio, 3rd from right, with First Lady Grace, listens attentively to sermon delivered by Rev. Sid Ogumoro Saturday during mass at the Aghurubw Park in Managaha Island. Photos by: Gerr R. Cayabyab, Jr.

CNMI welcomes USS Juneau, crew

ISLAND SMILES. *1997 Miss CNMI Universe Melanie Sibetang and volunteer Hiromi Enomoto practice island greetings before the arrival of "USS Juneau" Friday morning.*

From left: USS Juneau Commanding Officer Captain J.J. Quinn, Gov. Froilan Tenorio and a marine official pay tribute to the CNMI National Anthem during a welcoming ceremony Friday morning.



A SIGHT TO SEE. *USS Juneau, a U.S. loading transport dock, pulls into Saipan Seaport Friday morning. About 900 military personnel visited over the weekend and are scheduled to depart today.*

Saipan Community School Band members practice a couple of songs before the arrival of "USS Juneau" last Friday. **All photos by Laila C. Younis**

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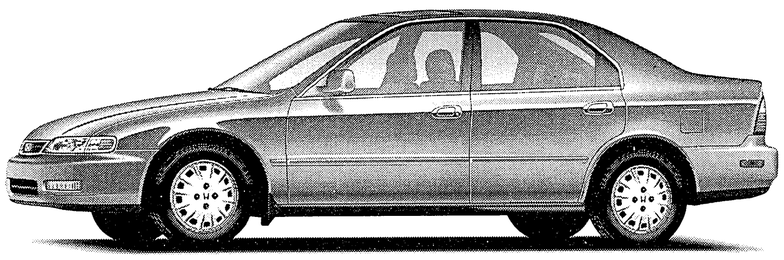

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KRNM-FM 88.1 holds its soft opening

THE PUBLIC is invited to attend the "soft" opening of KRNM-FM, 88.1, Public Radio for the Northern Marianas, all day Monday, today, the station said in a news release.

"We'd like the community to see what we have available and consider becoming part of modern FM broadcasting," Station Manager Perry Jeter said.

"While we will be making good use of programming from National Public Radio and the BBC, we are very interested in working with residents to develop a variety of multi-lingual programs involving all types of conventional and cultural music," Jeter said.

The manager said the "soft" opening would provide an opportunity for interested persons to learn more about public radio and how they can be a part of it.

"Public radio depends on community support," Jeter said, "and that means people who provide their time as well as those who provide financial support.

"KRNM is here to provide new programming options for the people of Saipan and Tinian and to shape that programming to their tastes; to do that, we need community involvement and this opening is the first step in encouraging that relationship," he said.

Persons interested in attending KRNM's "soft" opening should go to the NMC As Terlaje campus and look for the radio tower. the station is right below it.

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Judges beg off Taylor case

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By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

SUPERIOR Court judges have refused to touch the $2.1 million lawsuit filed against Chief Justice Marty W. K. Taylor and his wife Celina.

Presiding Judge Alexandro Castro in his letter Friday asked Taylor to appoint a special judge who will handle both the procedural and substantive aspects of the suit.

Castro underscored the need for a special judge to preside over the case "to avoid any appearance of favoritism or partiality."

Castro and Associate Judges Miguel S. Demapan, Edward Manibusan, Timothy H. Bellas, and Virginia Sablan Onerheim recused themselves from handling the matter.

"A motion has already been filed in this case, therefore, expeditious handling of this request would be appropriate," said Castro in his letter to the Chief Justice.

Amalia De Leon Guerrero Diaz, through counsel Ted Mitchell, sued Taylor and Celina for allegedly deceiving her into signing false land documents, "theft of electricity" and breaching Chamorro customs and tradition.

Diaz is Taylor's mother-in-law.

Castro made the request for a special judge after Taylor and Celina filed last week a motion to strike alleged immaterial and scandalous statements in the complaint.

The Taylor couple, through counsel Rexford Kosack, said the drafting of the complaint against them is an abuse of the judicial processes as it reads more like a "press release" intended to publicly tarnish their good reputation.

Mitchell in a press statement said Taylor and Celina are just wasting court's time and parties' money by filing such "contradicting" motions.

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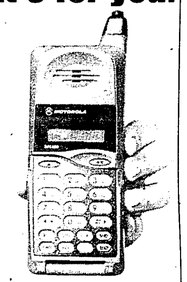

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Separate Department of Lands needed-- Aldan

By Jojo Dass
Variety News Staff

THE DIVISION of Public Lands should be transformed into a department or an autonomous agency.

Tomas Aldan, Chair of the Board of Public Lands, said this will enable the office to effectively accomplish its "gargantuan" task of addressing every land-related concerns in the Commonwealth.

Such set up, he said, will also clear the air of "confusion" that has stemmed from DPL having become accountable to BPL and the Lands and Natural Resources Secretary Maggie Wonenberg, who also has jurisdiction over it.

DPL is under Wonenberg's supervision. At the same time, it takes "direction" on land matters from BPL.

"We should create a new department or an autonomous agency that will handle public lands," said Aldan.

"The problem regarding having DPL under DLNR is that there's a lot of confusion in the former's operation. The budget is paramount."

Aldan said Public Lands Director Bertha Camacho is currently "serving two captains."

"And it is very hard. It is not the best situation to be in. I hope the Legislature can move and address that problem," he said.

"The (DPL) Director, for instance, may want to do something about her office. But she (Camacho) will have to ask BPL and the (DLNR) Secretary's approval.

"What if BPL agrees and the DLNR Secretary disagrees ?" Aldan raised.

BPL was created by virtue of Public Law 10-57, which was enacted after the Legislature succeeded in overriding Gov. Froilan Tenorio's veto on the matter, April.

The law gave the Board authority on the management of public lands while directing duties and responsibilities to DPL.

BPL started convening in Aug. to tackle a host of land-related concerns among which include the status of the estimated 3,000 pending homestead applicants as well as land exchange deals.

CUC counsel: Interisland calls should not be costly

By Rick Alberto
Variety News Staff

THE ASSISTANT attorney general assigned to the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. says customers availing themselves of inter-island telecommunications services in the CNMI should should not be charged higher than the costs for intra-island services.

William J. Ohle, in an opinion submitted to CUC board chair Benjamin A. Sablan and CUC cable television and telecommunications committee chair John S. Dela Cruz last Sept. 10, said a local exchange service provider which has installed a submerged fiber-optic cable connecting Saipan, Tinian and Rota, has the "contractual responsibility" to provide telecommunications services on a "non-discriminatory basis.

This means, he said, that rates should be uniform throughout the islands "without additional charges or tolls for services connecting one island to another."

Ohle's opinion on the legal effect of the uniform rate requirement under Public Law 10-14 was made on the request of Sablan.

Ohle cited a section of the Commonwealth Code which states that the contractual obligation of a local exchange carrier calls for the provision of "uniform services at uniform rates throughout the islands."

He said the carrier cannot include additional charges or tolls for calls "between the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota over and above those charged for intra-island calls."

At present, the Micronesian Telecommunications Corp. is the only local exchange carrier that has a submerged fiber-optic cable connecting the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota.

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Pete A. Tenorio blasts feds

FORMER lt. governor Pedro A. Tenorio, one of the negotiators of the Commonwealth Covenant, has defended the Tenorio administration position of unrelenting opposition to federal takeover of CNMI labor and immigration controls.

And Tenorio has blasted one of the major arguments of takeover supporters—that the federal officials who negotiated the Covenant agreement never expected to see large number of alien workers brought in on a continuing basis to help build the CNMI economy under the Covenant.

During the appearance on "Island Issues," on Saipan Cable TV, Tenorio told host Charles Reyes Jr. that present actions of federal officials meet the test for interfering with CNMI self-government.

Pedro A. Tenorio

"If someone in the US Congress or the bureaucracy there is telling us, 'legislate this law, otherwise you don't get the money' or, 'do this, otherwise we're not going to release the $17 million that is authorized by Congress and already appropriate' and that is coercian and the worst kind of relationship I can think of," Tenorio said.

"That impacts immediately on self-government and we should not allow that to happen."

Tenorio suggested that some officials in the Clinton administration don't know the history and that some negotiators on the U.S. side may have deliberately forgotten discussions of Headnote 3A and manpower shortages in the CNMI.

He said that the absence of a labor force to build the CNMI's nearly non-existent economy in those days led to the exemption.

"There was no question in anybody's mind and don't let anybody fool you about this," Tenorio said.

"There was no question in the minds of the Marianas Political Status Commission members and the United States Representatives that we discussed and agreed that these people were needed in order to jump start the economy."

Rep. George Miller (D-Cal) is only one of many CNMI critics in Washington who have described the Commonwealth's exemption from the provisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Service as intended only to keep down the arrival of outsiders and to preserve the local culture.

"Now all of a sudden everyone's jumping up and down, saying, 'we didn't agree with this, that it's your fault that you've got so many people, that we told you so.' That's *not* true. They don't understand the environmental and the economic conditions under which the Covenant and this particular issue was negotiated, so they should just shut up," Tenorio said.

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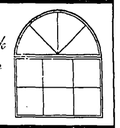

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DLNR after boats over docking fees

By Jojo Dass
Variety News Staff

THE DEPARTMENT of Lands and Natural Resources may have to seize at least10 private vessels docked at the Smiling Cove marina over its owners' failure to pay berthing dues for the past several months.

"If it gets down to that kind of measure (seizure), then I'm all for seizing vessels because the Fish and Wildlife Division needs it," said DLNR Secretary Maggie Wonenberg.

"I am looking at this possibility."

MaryannConcepcion, DLNR Special Assistant to Wonenberg, said at least three of the boats are owned by ranking government officials.

She however refused to identify them pending completion of notification procedures.

Wonenberg said she is giving the owners at least 30 days to comply with DLNR's order for them to pay their dues, which totals around $49,000.

"I think that is a reasonable time," she said.

The 10, it was gathered, were part of about 25 boat owners found to have delinquent payments.

The 15 others have complied with the DLNR directive.

The marina, which has a maximum capacity of 65 small- and medium-sized boats, can no longer accomodate other boat owners because of the overcrowding that has resulted from the non-payment of the berthing fees.

A copy of the delinquent payers' list showed that fees haven't been paid for a range of eight months to almost four years.

Fees that can be collected from each owners run from as low as $504 to $16,312.

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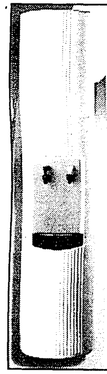

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During the appearance on "Island Issues," on Saipan Cable TV, Tenorio told host Charles Reyes Jr. that present actions of federal officials meet the test for interfering with CNMI self-government.

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"If someone in the US Congress or the bureaucracy there is telling us, 'legislate this law, otherwise you don't get the money' or, 'do this, otherwise we're not going to release the $17 million that is authorized by Congress and already appropriate' and that is coercian and the worst kind of relationship I can think of," Tenorio said.

"That impacts immediately on self-government and we should not allow that to happen."

Tenorio suggested that some officials in the Clinton administration don't know the history and that some negotiators on the U.S. side may have deliberately forgotten discussions of Headnote 3A and manpower shortages in the CNMI.

He said that the absence of a labor force to build the CNMI's nearly non-existent economy in those days led to the exemption.

"There was no question in anybody's mind and don't let anybody fool you about this," Tenorio said.

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Rep. George Miller (D-Cal) is only one of many CNMI critics in Washington who have described the Commonwealth's exemption from the provisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Service as intended only to keep down the arrival of outsiders and to preserve the local culture.

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DLNR after boats over docking fees

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MaryannConcepcion, DLNR Special Assistant to Wonenberg, said at least three of the boats are owned by ranking government officials.

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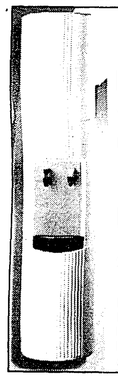

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What martial law is in the Philippines

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By Mar-Vic C. Munar
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A few houses away, Carolina "Bobbie" Malay and two companions waited anxiously, resigned to their own inevitable arrest.

"This is my last day of freedom," Malay told herself. The owners of the house where they had been hiding for days were themselves ready for arrest—a consequence of their harboring "communist rebels" long-wanted by the authorities. To the surprise of the people inside the house, however, the village intruders simply marched past the residence.

Malay heaved a sigh of relief. "*Hindi nila ako nakilala. Hindi nila alam ang hitsura ko,*" she said.

Two nights before the Pampanga raid, Malay spent the night in the very house where Ka Dante was arrested.

"That was one time that the *masa* literally had my fate in their hands," Malay said in Filipino. "They could have told the soldiers where I was, but they kept quiet."

The morning after, the house owners and other sympathizers in the village compounded their own danger by escorting Malay and her companions to another village.

Now chairman of the University of the Philippines's journalism department, Malay's memory of her narrow escape 21 years ago remains vivid.

More than thoughts of her own welfare, however, the episode also brings back memories of the third invisible player in that tense dawn. Not the military, and not the people they were after, but the people who hid them.

Hundreds of people from various sectors of society—students, labor leaders, politicians, businessmen, and of course, mediamen like Malay—were literally scattered by the imposition of martial law. For them who were not arrested on the first night, the instinct was to hide.

But for an equivalent, if not greater, number of Filipinos, the equally crucial instinct was to take them in. In convents, seminaries, and ordinary houses, Filipinos throughout the reign of martial rule protected fellow Filipinos on the run from the government.

The worst crisis, they say, brings out the best in people. And in the most desperate days of martial law, "the best protection was found in people, not physical structures," Malay said. "People who believed in the vision and objectives of the movement."

Or not even.

"We were not necessarily ideologues," one man who opened his Quezon City house to a rebel-leader on the run stressed. "She [the woman wanted for rebellion] was simply referred to us by a common friend. All we knew was that she needed help."

And, like many other Filipinos, they simply helped. But, he said, they drew the line at assisting the rebel to bring in and hide armaments. "We said, you can stay for as long as you're safe here, but no guns," the man said.

There were many other such people, who, while not part of any organized network, wittingly or unwittingly became part of the support systems for people wanted by the military. Student activists fled to the provinces, to live with friends of their parents. Nuns smuggled labor leaders in and out of Metro Manila.

In Mindanao, Muslims opened their doors to Christians. Archbishop Romeo Intengan was harbored by members of the Moro National Liberation Front in Jolo.

Intengan, active in social democractic activities, was arrested in 1978 inside the Loyola Jesuits' compound in Quezon City. "We had been holding meetings in the compound until I was arrested. After that, the place was unsafe for meetings," Intengan said. Released that same year, Intengan didn't wait long to resume his involvement in social democractic groups. The government thus started hunting him down again, pushing him underground.

Moro rebels offered to give him refuge in Busbus, Jolo. Guised as a merchant, he lived in the village while awaiting chances to flee to Sabah. "They gave me food, and shelter. I lived with them. They would give me warnings when government agents were nearby, and then they took me somewhere else," Intengan said.

People of two different religious beliefs, Intengan said said, "were united by the same objective. Both the Koran and the Christian Bible espouse protection of human rights."

Many Filipinos, in their own little ways, subscribed to the same thought.

"Our order had its own network of friends to whom we could refer people who came to us," one nun said. "And they all had houses that were absolutely not special in any way. They were common houses in common streets of common neighborhoods. It was just that the people inside were willing to open their doors to strangers in need if even for a few days."

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The following items are on the agenda for the above-referenced meeting:

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   2. Roll Call
   3. Adoption of Agenda

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      a. possible grounds for termination
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III. PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT

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All interested persons are welcome to attend and to submit written or oral testimony on the above agenda items.

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Filipinos launch protest

David Thurber
MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Yellow ribbons — the symbol of the Philippines' successful struggle for democracy a decade ago — are back on the streets of Manila, tied to everything from trees to car antennas.

Corazon Aquino, the homemaker-turned-president who led that struggle, is warning once again that democracy is threatened. This time, she says, the culprit is the man she backed as her successor, President Fidel Ramos.

Mrs. Aquino and Catholic Cardinal Jaime Sin are led a massive rally Sunday against a high-stakes plan by Ramos' supporters to amend a clause in the constitution that limits presidents to one term.

Businesses, media outlets and Sin's office have received dozens of bomb threats in recent weeks in what is generally believed to be attempts to frighten people from attending the protest.

Police discovered at least two suspected bombs in metropolitan Manila Saturday. Police detonated a booby-trapped bomb found in a crowded church. Experts were examining a suspected bomb found later in another church, police said. No arrests or injuries were reported.

Ramos' six-year term expires next June. After insisting for months that he would step down as scheduled, Ramos did a sudden about-face early this month, saying he plans to keep his options open until a party convention in November.

Yesterday, he again said he is not running anymore.

If he does, Ramos, once massively popular, could win a second term. But rapidly growing public anger over the plans for constitutional change could overpower his considerable achievements, damage his historical legacy and even leave him so unpopular that he would be unable to endorse a candidate for next year's election.

Already, his credibility has been badly hurt by his ambiguous statements about his political plans.

"The problem here is when he says one thing, nobody believes. That is what is very, very sad," Sin said last week.

Several major Protestant organizations also oppose a second term for Ramos, the predominantly Catholic nation's first Protestant president.

The political unrest has battered the Philippine peso, propelling it to a record low this past week and sending stocks sharply lower.

Ramos vows not to run

By Claro Cortes
DAVAO, Philippines (AP) — President Fidel Ramos said Saturday he will not run for re-election, but stopped short of halting a campaign by supporters to change the constitution so he could serve a second term.

Ramos' pledge not to run, made on the eve of a large-scale protest against the charter changes, was a reversal of his earlier commitment to keep his options open until a party convention in November.

The Philippine constitution, written after the 1986 ouster of the late strongman Ferdinand Marcos, limits presidents to a single six-year term to discourage dictatorships.

"I will not run for re-election — period, period, period," Ramos said Saturday after returning from a 10-day overseas trip.

He told supporters in two southern cities that he will "see to it that there will be an orderly transfer" of power in next year's elections, but did not order a clear halt to efforts to amend the charter.

The amendment plans have provoked widespread popular anger against Ramos, with protests almost every day over the past week.

Two of the country's best-known democracy activists, former President Corazon Aquino and Catholic Cardinal Jaime Sin, planned to lead a rally Sunday that organizers said would be the largest since the "people power" protests against Marcos.

A spokesman for Sin said plans for the protest would continue despite Ramos' remarks.

"The rally is against charter changes before 1998," Father Aris Sison said. "He has not made any statement ruling that out."

Ramos' supporters say he should be allowed another term to continue popular economic and political reforms that have saved the country from years of stagnation.

Opponents of charter change say the amendments threaten the Philippines' young democracy by setting a bad precedent, opening the democratic constitution to other changes, and distracting the government at a time when it needs to respond to an Asia-wide currency crisis.

Some opposition politicians also claim that Ramos, whose term expires next June, is laying groundwork for the imposition of martial law, should constitutional steps fail to ensure his hold on the presidency.

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Authorities say they will mobilize nearly 7,000 police and soldiers, backed by five navy ships, bomb-sniffing dogs and snipers, to guard Sunday's protest.

Ramos' popularity has badly suffered under the charter controversy, raising questions of whether he would even be able to endorse a candidate for next year's election.

"The problem here is when he says one thing, nobody believes. That is what is very, very sad," Sin said.

If he does not run again, Ramos will have a hard time finding a candidate in his party to replace him. Although seven party members say they want to run for the presidency, none has broad popularity.

All are likely to lose in a contest against populist opposition candidates like Vice President Joseph Estrada, Sen. Gloria Macapagal Arroyo or Sen. Miriam Santiago.

President Fidel Ramos waves a bouquet of flowers as he is greeted by a raucus crowd of supporters upon arrival at the Air Force base in Manila Sunday from southern Philippines. Ramos reiterated he will not run for reelection next year but is proposing constitutional amendments after his term. AP

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28th SPF conference ends

RAROTONGA (Pacnews)—The 28th South Pacific Forum in Rarotonga, CookIslands has ended after discussing a wide range of issues. These included the environment, and trade and security concerns. For the first time, since the 9-year secessionist rebellion on Bougainville, the Communique at the end of the Forum meeting mentioned the Island.

Pacnews correspondent in Rarotonga reports the communique says the Forum noted with appreciation the valuable briefing by Papua New Guinea prime minister Bill Skate on progress made towards restoring peace to Bougainville. It also noted the PNG government's appreciation for assistance provided by neighbouring countries, including Australia, and particularly New Zealand for facilitating the Burnham talks and preparing to host the second round of peace talks in October.

The Forum endorsed the recommendation of a report by the ministerial committee on New Caledonia. The leaders were pleased that all parties to the Matignon Accord in New Caledonia appeared generally satisfied with the progress being made in implementing the accords.

The leaders adopted and issued the Aitutaki Declaration on Regional Security Cooperation to further strengthen the region's security environment. The Forum agreed that the shipments of plutonium and radioactive wastes through the region posed a continuing concern and agreed to adopt a consistent policy on the issue.

It re-iterated its concern that despite the long standing regional opposition to the use of the Pacific as a dumping ground for other wastes, the proposals for creating storage sites for nuclear waste on Palmyra and Wake Islands are still to be discussed by private concerns. The Forum welcomed constitutional developments in Fiji and agreed to fully support the re-admission of Fiji into the Commonwealth.

The Forum also welcomed the indication of interest by the government of Mexico in participating in the Post-Forum Dialogue process as a dialogue partner.

The Forum approved the inclusion of the Marshall Islands in the Smaller Island States sub-group of the Forum. And it has welcomed Australia's support for sports in the region and its offer to bear the cost of sending the Olympic Torch relay through the South Pacific Olympic member countries on its way to the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games.

The 3-day Post-Forum Dialogue session opens Saturday morning (Cook Islands time) at the Rarotongan Hotel. The session will be held between the Forum members and the Forum partners, United Kingdom, China, European Union, Japan, Canada, Malaysia, France, South Korea and United States. And on Monday the non-government organisations Forum will open also in Rarotonga, hosted by the Cook Islands NGOs.

Faleomavaega eyes bill to address global warming

Eni Faleomavaega

PORT VILA (Pacnews)—The United States congressman Eni Faleomavaega has announced that upon his return from the South Pacific Forum meetings in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, he will introduce a legislation in Washington stressing the deleterious effects of global climate warming, greenhouse gas emissions and rising sea levels.

Faleomavaega's resolution notes that the United States with its advanced technologies and comprehensive studies on global climate conditions, should view global warming as a very serious problem to Pacific island countries.

The congressman says the leaders of the five smaller island states, including Cook Islands, Kiribati, Nauru, Niue and Tuvalu forcefully argued that global warming and rising sea-levels threaten the very existence and survival of their people and nations.

Vanuatu backs independence for N.C., Tahiti

RAROTONGA (Pacnews)—Vanuatu's deputy prime minister Barak Sope says his country will continue to support independence moves for New Caledonia and Tahiti.

Speaking in Rarotonga, Sope says Vanuatu will continue its support for the Matignon Accord which calls for a referendum on the future of New Caledonia next year.

Sope says many people in France would like New Caledonia, Tahiti and Wallis and Futuna to become independent, but it's the few "colonisers" in the region that are blocking this ultimate cause.

Forum registers worry on greenhouse gas emissions

RAROTONGA (Pacnews)—The South Pacific Forum says it recognised and endorsed the deep concerns over the impact of greenhouse gas emissions on rising sea levels and changing weather patterns on all Forum members especially the Smaller Island States.

The leaders released a statement following their retreat Thursday because of the contentious issue of Australia's stand on greenhouse gas emissions.

It says the Forum particularly recognised the concerns of the low-lying island nations as recorded in their statement following last week's summit of Smaller Island States.

The group comprises Nauru, Niue, Cook Islands, Kiribati and Tuvalu. Speaking to journalist in Rarotonga today (Cook Islands time Friday), Australian prime minister John Howard said he is very happy with the concensus decision reached by the Forum leaders to recognise the concerns of SIS.

Howard denied that he had threatened the smaller member countries into accepting the decision.

Inside Edition: 'Journalists' who think the Hong Kong Bank is a garment factory!

FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK
I MANAHANTE PARA HAMYO/LEADERSHIP FOR THE PEOPLE

After all the fuss that was made about it in the newspapers, I would guess that not all that many people locally got around to watching the *Inside Edition* tabloid TV segment that focused on a local garment factory.

By now, we are accustomed to reporters and "human rights" activists who parachute in to our islands with their story already written, just needing some images and quotes to finish the job.

Someone once wisely advised: "Don't pick a fight with a man who buys ink by the barrel." That of course was in the days when the newspaper was the king of these media. These days, I guess, it would be a good idea to avoid becoming the subject of paparazzi TV shows anchored by Deborah Norville that will do or say anything for Nielsen TV rating points.

It turned out that doing this story was probably a little tougher than *Inside Edition* anticipated. If they really spent five months as they claim, then they got very little for their work, that is, if they were approaching it as old-fashioned journalists would. But *Inside Edition* was more creative than that.

They couldn't find any sweatshops in the garment industry which was supposed to be the point of the story. In fact, their own reporter described the factories as 'clean and modern.' Instead the choice was to look at worker barracks and to give the impression, without actually saying it, that workers are being held prisoner in them. Any TV professional knows that a close-up shot of a barbed wire security fence followed by pictures of workers filing by will do the trick.

Add in some Bangladeshis and Chinese swindled or abused in their own countries before they came here--pretty hard for us to control--and suggest that this is normal practice here and you've got a story that meets the standards of *Inside Edition*, if not the truth. And most would probably agree with me that showing a picture of the Hong Kong Bank construction site while saying that "more and more prison like barracks" are being built is pretty dishonest.

All right, so tabloid TV shows these days are careless with the truth. But if bad things are being done, our local government as well as federal officials on island have responsibilities and although this is probably too boring for *Inside Edition* to report, most of them are being met these days.

If, for example, any of the workers pictured are being forced to work 12 to 18 hour days, that's in violation of federal law. Ditto if they're not being paid or underpaid. I am sure the Department of Labor will be looking into this. Interestingly, *Inside Edition* didn't say one word about the federal role in all this, which suggests to me that our friends at the Interior Department or Congressman George Miller's office put them onto this big 'scoop.'

If the barracks in question are overcrowded or violate regulations of the CNMI Department of Labor and Immigration we are going to find out about it. If anyone looked the other way on enforcement in this case, they are going to regret it. If workers are being locked up against their will, that's a violation of the CNMI and US Constitutions and local law and it will be dealt with severely.

There will never be an *Inside Edition* follow-up on this story, so the national audience will never learn there is a lot more that doesn't fit in the neat package. One of our local "human rights" advocates repeated once again for the camera the story that MGM, Inc. is owned by the People's Republic of China. Now that the CNMI has won a nearly $1 million settlement for former workers there, it turns out that's not true.

As I have said many times before, we need and respect our labor force. We must resolve the problems and we're working on it, regardless of whether the Interior Department refuses to recognize it or their friends in the national media choose not to report on our efforts.

It's too bad for the Hong Kong Bank, the CNMI government and our citizens, but I don't think *Inside Edition* runs corrections.

Si yuuse maase.

Reno mulls Clinton probe

By Ron Fournier

SAN CARLOS, Calif. (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno has taken a first step toward naming a special prosecutor to investigate President Clinton's 1996 fund-raising activities. The president's lawyers insisted Saturday no laws were broken.

The Justice Department opened a 30-day review of Clinton's involvement in campaign money-raising irregularities in the last day or two, officials said. The White House was notified on Friday.

Reno must now determine whether to launch a more extensive, 90-day investigation that could lead to her requesting the appointment of a special prosecutor.

During this 30-day review, Clinton's attorneys hope to convince the Justice Department there is not enough evidence against him to even begin the 90-day review.

"The Justice Department is reviewing whether allegations that the president illegally solicited campaign contributions on federal property should warrant a preliminary investigation under the independent counsel act," Justice Department spokesman Myron Marlin said.

A similar initial review is already under way in the case of Vice President Al Gore.

"We understand the Department of Justice is in the process of determining whether a preliminary investigation is warranted," said White House attorney Lanny Davis. "We are cooperating and will continue to cooperate with the Department of Justice to ensure that it has all the information it needs.

"We are confident that no laws were broken," Davis said.

Word of Reno's action came one day after officials told the AP that Gore had hired two defense attorneys to try to head off the appointment of a special prosecutor. Clinton already retains defense attorney David Kendall for Whitewater counsel.

Kendall said he expected Justice to resolve the matter speedily, and used language similar to Davis: "No laws were broken and any kind of enforcement action would be absolutely unprecedented."

Janet Reno

Congressional and FBI investigators have been conducting a sweeping inquiry into the actions of Clinton, Gore and senior White House officials to raise money for the 1996 presidential election, including allegations that foreign donations were funneled to the campaign.

Although White House officials said they did not know how Reno reached her decision, congressional and Justice Department investigators have been studying whether Clinton made fund-raising calls from the Oval Office. The president has said he does not remember making any fund-raising calls, and White House officials contend he and Gore are exempt from the law that prohibits fund raising in government buildings.

A federal law enforcement source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the initial inquiry was opened this week and deals with whether the president violated a statute against raising campaign funds on federal property by making telephone calls from the White House.

Former White House chief of staff Harold Ickes told Senate investigators last June that Clinton made several fund-raising calls at his request. Ickes said he asked Clinton to make such calls on two to four occasions, and he subsequently learned the president had made several calls.

Time magazine reports in its current edition that Reno acted after a Justice-FBI task force review of the president's telephone calls showed some that appeared to have generated donations that landed partly in so-called hard accounts, rather than soft money contributions that Reno had suggested earlier would be exempt from the ban on raising money on federal property.

The magazine said that shortly after The Washington Post's disclosure that donations solicited by Gore had been moved to hard-money accounts, authorities agreed the task force also should analyze Clinton's calls and subsequently determined that Clinton's calls raised the same legal question that prompted Reno to trigger the 30-day clock for the Gore calls.

The law at issue traditionally has been enforced against federal officials collecting donations from co-workers or subordinates to protect civil service workers from political pressure, according to the Congressional Research Service.

If Reno eventually names a special prosecutor, it would be the second active investigation of Clinton. Special prosecutor Kenneth Starr already is investigating Clinton and his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, in the Whitewater affair, a catchall term covering actions that began as a result of the Clintons' investment in an Arkansas land development in the 1970s.

Bill Clinton

Reno's decision was disclosed while Clinton was in California for three fund-raising events to collect $1 million for the debt-ridden Democratic Party. Aides said Clinton had no plans to comment to reporters traveling with him.

Although the Justice Department informed White House counsel Charles F.C. Ruff about Reno's decision Friday, Clinton wasn't told until Saturday morning. The president spent the day Friday dropping off his only daughter, Chelsea, at Stanford University.

Just last week, Reno replaced the lead prosecutor and top FBI investigator and added additional staff on her campaign-fund raising task force. Reno was said to be unhappy with the pace of the probe. The new prosecutor is Charles La Bella, a veteran white-collar prosecutor from San Diego.

Republicans have clamored for an independent counsel since the first disclosures last fall. Thus far, Clinton's standing in polls has not been harmed, though Gore's ambitions to succeed him in 2000 are threatened by the cloud hanging over the administration.

MARIANAS PUBLIC LAND TRUST
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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 hold a special board meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 1997 at 10:30 a.m. at the Division of Lands conference room.

The following items are on the agenda for this meeting:

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS
1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Adoption of Prior Meeting Minutes

II. FINANCIAL MATTERS REPORT BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
1. Presentation and review of unaudited interim financial statements.
2. Presentation of amended FY 1996 budget and proposed FY 1997 budget.
3. General report of current administrative matters.

III. LEGAL REPORT

IV. NMHC LOAN MATTERS

V. ADJOURNMENT

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 body.

All interested persons are welcome to attend and to submit written and oral testimony on the above agenda items.

/s/ JUAN S. TORRES
Chairman, Board of Trustees
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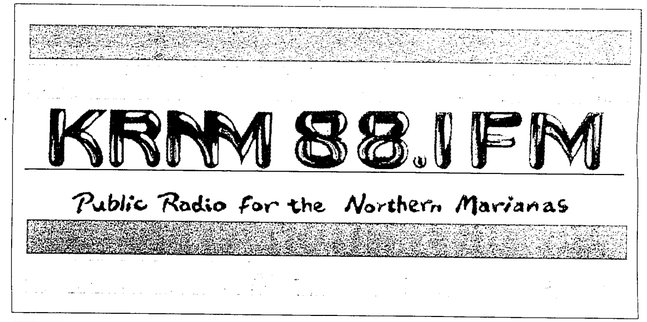
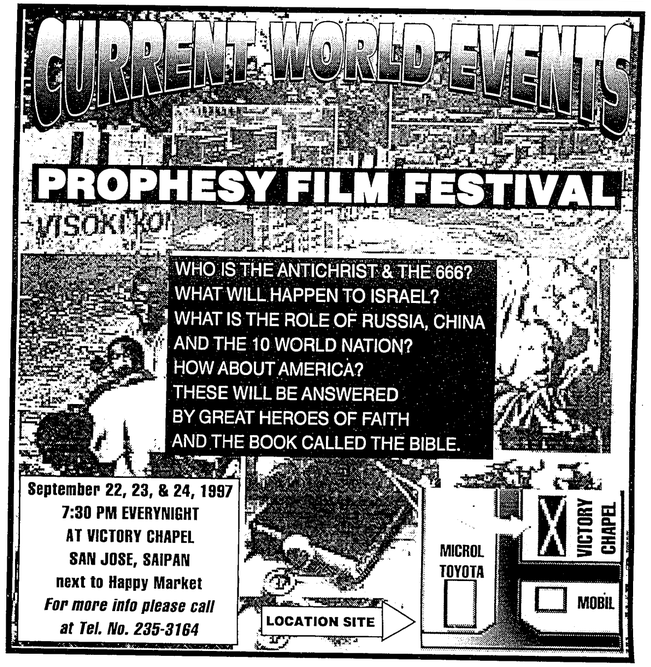
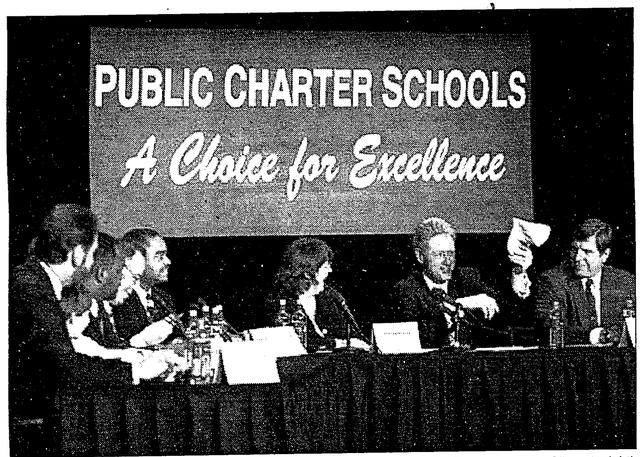




Clinton makes education pledge



President Clinton tips his hat to the crowd after it was presented to him by Sue Bragato (to Clinton's right), President and co-founder of the Accelerated Charter School during a round table discussion on education in San Carlos, Calif. Saturday. AP

By Sonya Ross

SAN CARLOS, Calif. (AP) — Foreshadowing their next budget battle, President Clinton told congressional Republicans on Saturday to expect a veto if they pass an education bill that lacks student testing standards.

"I'll have to give it the failing grade it deserves," Clinton said. "We all know we have to do more to improve the quality of public education."

But Republicans held firm, with House Speaker Newt Gingrich of Georgia saying Clinton is wrong to suggest testing that would duplicate the work of the National Education Assessment Program.

"It's a very unusual place for the president to draw the line," Gingrich said. "It does zero to help schools."

"We don't need any great sophisticated test to tell us ... the kids aren't learning. It's posturing. It's one more gimmick," Gingrich said.

At a Saturday night fund-raiser in San Francisco, Clinton said it does not make sense for Congress to try to set educational standards if there is no test to measure whether those standards are being met.

"I personally think that is crazy," he said.

Clinton threatened the veto during his Saturday radio address, and upped the ante later in the day when he spoke at a San Carlos charter school, promising a veto if Congress also converts money intended for charter schools into block grants to states.

"I'm not running for office anymore. I have no political interest in this," Clinton said. "If we want to preserve excellence, ... every school in the country has got to become like this one."

Clinton, in a discussion at the charter school, said most public schools are structured for a bygone era and should be geared more toward the future.

"A lot of our middle schools ... are organized for when families were like Ozzie and Harriet," he said. "There are a lot of organizational problems."

Between verbal swings, Clinton stopped by Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital in Stanford, Calif., to visit Patty Sturtevant, 11, an outpatient who is being treated for terminal leukemia.

Afterward, he announced $40 million in grants for charter schools. Education Secretary Richard Riley said more than 420 charter schools nationwide receive federal support.

Charter schools — public schools run under contract by teachers, parents or community leaders — are a part of Clinton's education strategy. The grants announced Saturday would provide first-year costs for charter schools in Pennsylvania, South Carolina and two schools in Hawaii, and second-year or third-year costs in 20 additional states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico.

The 20 additional states are Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oregon, Texas and Wisconsin.

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton weighed in on the issue, saying charter schools have been effective in educating children ill-served by standard schools.

"The charter school movement should not be seen as a threat to public schools. They should be seen as a liberation of public schools," she said.

The president's education plan also establishes testing standards for fourth-grade reading and eighth-grade math, an idea opposed by conservatives who argue that it creates an avenue for federal control of local schools.

In his address, Clinton defended testing standards as a way to "ensure that no child leaves our schools without mastering the basics." He promised a veto if Congress passes "partisan legislation that denies our children high national standards or weakens our national commitment to stronger schools."

Sen. Slade Gorton, in the GOP radio address, said Clinton essentially is telling parents and teachers "I don't trust you" to make sure that American children are learning.

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Millionaire missing -- FBI

By Amy Westfeldt

EDGEWATER, N.J. (AP) — A millionaire developer who once led the state's Republican party and served as a key state contact for Richard Nixon before being convicted of illegal fund raising has disappeared and police reportedly think he was kidnapped.

Nelson Gross, 65, vanished Wednesday morning after leaving the Binghamton Ferryboat, his family's floating restaurant in Edgewater, Bergen County Prosecutor William H. Schmidt and FBI Special Agent William C. Megary said in a statement Friday.

Gross' wife, New Jersey Racing Commission Chairwoman Noel Gross, reported him missing Wednesday when he failed to show up at their summer home in Bridgehampton, N.Y.

Law enforcement officials wouldn't say whether they believe Gross was kidnapped, a victim of foul play or had willingly vanished. According to a local newspaper, however, officials aren't optimistic.

Gross was last seen driving his BMW around an Edgewater parking lot with two men, unidentified sources told The Record of Hackensack. Then, the paper said, he went to the bank and withdrew $20,000.

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The apparent low proposer and any known first tier subcontractor will be subject to a pre-award, equal opportunity compliance review by representative 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 proposer and/or his subcontractors are able to comply with the provisions of the equal opportunity clause.

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

A proposer or prospective prime contractor or proposed subcontractor shall be required to submit such information as the Office of Federal Contact Compliance may 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 requested.

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 payment of FIFTY DOLLARS ($50.00) for each set of plan documents. This amount is nonrefundable. Payment shall be made by check payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-proposal conference will be held at the CPA HARBOR PROJECT SITE OFFICE, at **10:00 a.m. on Friday, September 26, 1997**, to explain and clarify any questions regarding this project. Questions should be submitted to the Consultant, Efram F. Camacho Engineers and Architects, in writing, at least five (5) days in advance for answers at this pre-proposal conference, with a copy of same mailed simultaneously to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority. Attendance at the pre-proposal conference and site visit are considered essential to the potential contractor's understanding the project elements.

Each prospective proposer shall file with the Commonwealth Ports Authority, a notice of his/her intention to propose in a form substantially similar to that supplied in the specifications, not less than six (6) calendar days prior to the date hereinabove designated for opening of proposals.

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

/s/ CARLOS A. SHODA
Executive Director

Dated: September 9, 1997

FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVERTISING (INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL/NOTICE TO PROPOSERS)

1. The proposed contract is under the subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended of September 24, 1965, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor provisions.
2. All labor on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rates established by CNMI law.
3. Each proposer must supply all the information required by the proposal documents and specifications.
4. The (EEO) requirements, labor provisions and wage rate are included in the specifications and proposal documents and are available for inspection at the Commonwealth Ports Authority.
5. Each Proposer must complete, sign and furnish, prior to award of the contract (at submission of the proposal), the Proposer's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause, and the "Certifications of Non-Segregated Facilities" as contained in the Bid Proposals.
6. A contractor having 50 or more employees and his subcontractors having 50 or more employees and who may be award a contract $50,000 or more will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the specifications.
7. To be eligible for award, each proposer must comply with the affirmative action requirements which are contained in the specification.
8. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award of any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.
9. Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards of requirements for this employment of minorities.

MARIANAS VISITORS BUREAU

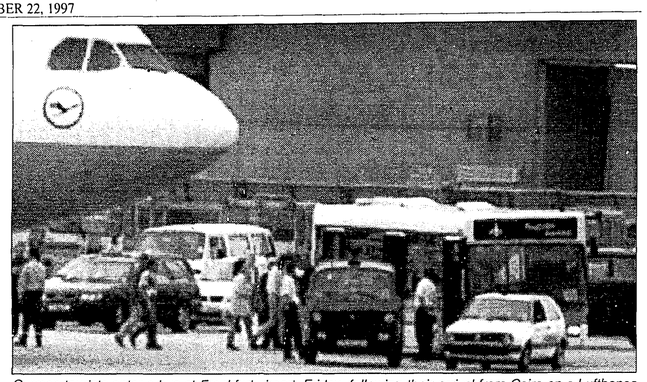
PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Public Law 8-41, Section 11, Governor Froilan C. Tenorio and Lt. Governor Jesus C. Borja, through the Marianas Visitors Bureau, hereby give notice that a Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 25, 1997, 10:00 a.m., at the MVB Conference Room, Professional building in San Jose.

AGENDA

I. **Preliminary Matters**
   a. Roll Call
   b. Adoption of Agenda
   c. Oath of Office - Director Kaishun Nishigaya
   d. Adoption of Minutes - August 8, 1997 and August 15, 1997
II. **Chairman and Committee Reports**
   a. Chairman
   b. Public Relations and Advertising (Dir. J. Ayuyu)
   c. Budget (Dir. R. Hocog)
   d. Policy (Dir. D. Dela Cruz)
III. **Managing Director's Report**
IV. **Old Business**
V. **New Business**
   a. Tour Guide Certification Program Resolution (Director Abraham)
   b. Visitor Complaint Card (Review and Action)
   c. Request for Support - American Memorial Park (Action)
   d. Bonding Insurance Coverage
VI. **Miscellaneous**
VII. **Adjournment**

/s/ ANTONIO S. GUERRERO
Chairman of the Board



German tourists enter a bus at Frankfurt airport, Friday, following their arrival from Cairo on a Lufthansa plane. They were among a group of tourists that were attacked by Islamic radicals outside the Egyptian Museum in Cairo on Thursday. Nine Germans and their bus driver were killed in the attack. AP

Suspect reenacts bus bombing

By Tarek El-Tablawy

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — The man accused of fire bombing a tourist bus outside the Egyptian Museum, killing 10 people, reenacted the attack for prosecutors on Saturday and said he "always wanted to be an actor."

Saber Abu el-Ulla, an escapee from a Cairo mental hospital, returned to the scene of the crime with his alleged accomplice, his brother Mahmoud, prosecutors told The Associated Press.

Prosecutors asked el-Ulla to demonstrate how he and his brother had attacked a tour bus in the parking lot outside the museum in central Cairo on Thursday.

As officials videotaped his every move, the smiling el-Ulla quipped: "I have always wanted to be an actor."

The brothers allegedly threw fire bombs and shot at the bus, killing nine German tourists and their Egyptian driver, and wounding 24 others before police officers and museum guards overwhelmed them.

"We saw that bus, and I climbed up the stairs, shot the driver once and attacked the tour guide who tried to intervene," he said.

El-Ulla then opened fire on the tourists and hurled three Molotov cocktails down the bus's aisle, prosecutors said. His brother lobbed eight petrol bombs under the bus, which filled with dense black smoke.

The pair then headed to the museum to find more tourists, but police intercepted them.

Prosecutors stressed the two brothers were the only assailants, contrary to earlier reports. But witnesses told reporters they had seen a third man running from the scene with an assault rifle.

Police confirmed this Thursday, but the Interior Ministry issued a statement denying the existence of a third gunman the following day.

The prosecutors, speaking on condition of anonymity, told the AP Saturday that no assault rifle had been used in the attack, only regular handguns.

El-Ulla has a history of violence against foreigners. Police said he attacked Cairo's Semiramis Hotel on Oct. 26, 1993, killing two Americans and a Frenchman.

He then spent two years in the Khanqa Asylum, a hospital for the mentally ill. Police say he escaped from the asylum three days before the latest attack.

The Tourism Ministry said Saturday that the asylum's administrators were being questioned about the escape.

The ministry's statement said it "firmly denied" news reports that the attack was a case of "organized terrorism."

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COMMONWEALTH UTILITIES CORPORATION

POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

It is the policy of the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation that the CUC Human Resources System shall be applied and administered according to the principle of equal opportunity for all citizens and nationals as defined by the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Constitution regardless of age, race, sex, religion, political affiliation or belief, marital status, handicap or place of origin. The Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) Lower Base, Saipan is looking for applicants for the following position:

COMMUNICATION OPERATOR I (Dispatcher)

Under the general supervision of the Radio Control Maintenance Manager, the incumbent in this position is responsible for receiving and disseminating radio and telephone messages to appropriate personnel affected. Assists receiving and relaying specific information, direction and instructions to affected personnel on the fields. Receives phone messages and relays to appropriate division of personnel affected. Receives phone messages/requests and furnishes appropriate information. Assists in performing operation maintenance on all types of available communication equipment. Performs other related duties as assigned. Minimum qualifications are any combination equivalent to high school diploma with one (1) year experience in the field of communication or related work.

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This announcement closes on September 23, 1997. Applications are available at the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation, Lower Base, Saipan, the CUC Rota or Tinian office. Applications must be accompanied by a copy of the degree or official transcript and most recent police clearance. Successful applicants are subject to drug testing per CUC's policy.

/s/ TIMOTHY P. VILLAGOMEZ
Executive Director
Commonwealth Utilities Corporation

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Workers hurt as roof of factory collapses

GENEVA, N.Y. (AP) — Steel roof beams at a construction site collapsed in gusty winds Saturday, throwing two workers 60 feet to the ground and leaving two others dangling from the rafters. A woman died in an unrelated workplace accident nearby.

About six beams at the $120 million Guardian Industries Corp. factory collapsed at 10:30 a.m. Winds were estimated at 30 mph.

"They were just putting the beams in place and apparently the wind caught one of the beams at the north end and had a domino effect," Sgt. Ron Passalacqua said.

Ricky Sepulveda, 23, of Madera, Calif., and Eric Taylor, 33, of Silver Springs, Nev., fell to the ground and were hospitalized in guarded condition.

The other two — Jeffrey Howard, 36, of Rolling Heights, Calif., and Omar Mendez, 26, of Madera — "were hanging from the rafters" before they were rescued, Passalacqua said.

"I'm not sure if they were pinned or if they were being held up there by safety straps," he said.

Howard was critically injured, while Mendez was in guarded condition.

A few hours earlier at a food processing plant less than half a mile away, Robin Copp, 28, was killed when her clothing became entangled in a labeling machine.

UN General Assembly opening this week

Annan making reform pitch

By Robert H. Reid

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. secretary-general plans an unprecedented, personal appeal to member states to endorse his program for U.N. reform when the annual General Assembly debate opens this week in New York.

Reform will be the major issue facing the 185-member gathering during the two weeks of speeches and closed-door meetings that begin Monday.

Traditionally, the U.N. secretary-general does not deliver substantive speeches to the General Assembly debate, deferring instead to leaders of member states.

But in a departure from tradition, Secretary-General Kofi Annan will open the debate with what is expected to be a personal appeal for his reform plan.

Last July, Annan unveiled a plan calling for staff reductions, consolidation of various U.N. operations, abolition of the U.N. Department of Humanitarian Affairs and a one-third cut in overhead costs, with savings allocated to development projects.

He also wants the General Assembly to create a new post of deputy secretary-general to assume many of the administrative burdens. Sadako Ogata of Japan, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, is considered the front-runner.

President Clinton is also expected to address the opening session Monday. Clinton probably will repeat his pledge that the United States will pay the $900 million which Washington acknowledges it owes to the world body.

But the United Nations estimates the U.S. bill at more than $1.3 billion. And the United States has made payment conditional on stringent streamlining measures, some of which other member states find unpalatable.

On Friday, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said the Clinton administration and the United Nations were near agreement on a "grand bargain" to reduce waste and have the United States pay what Washington says it owes.

The deal would limit the U.S. contribution for U.N. peacekeeping operations to 25 percent and the U.S. share of the U.N. budget to 20 percent.

"The grand bargain we have long sought on U.N. reform and U.S. arrears is in sight, but it is not yet in hand," the former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations said.

But U.N. officials and diplomats of several countries, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Albright's remarks downplayed the difficulties Washington still faces in selling the "grand bargain" to the member states.

In a clear reference to the United States, the outgoing General Assembly president, Razali Ismail, said "attaching arbitrary conditions to payments and using the media to cast a different version do not reduce what is simply a solemn treaty obligation."

"Members should consider very seriously whether this 'half a loaf' is acceptable or not," Razali, a Malaysian diplomat, added.

Virtually every U.N. member state supports "reform." But the definition differs widely.

For the United States, reform means cutbacks. But African states want more money spent on development. Developing countries, which form the majority in the General Assembly, want to increase the membership of the Security Council, effectively the U.N. board of directors.

Japan and Germany are willing to spend more on U.N. operations but want permanent seats on the 15-member council. The United States supports permanent seats for Japan, Germany and three developing countries.

But Italy and other countries oppose adding permanent seats. Others want curbs on the veto power of the current five permanent members — the United States, Russia, France, Britain and China. Washington strongly opposes any curbs on the veto.

Ukraine's foreign minister, Hennadiy Udovenko, right, the new General Assembly president, receives the gavel from outgoing president Razali Ismail, second right, of Malaysia. The 52nd session of the U.N. General Assembly opens with Annan's reform proposals the dominant issue. AP

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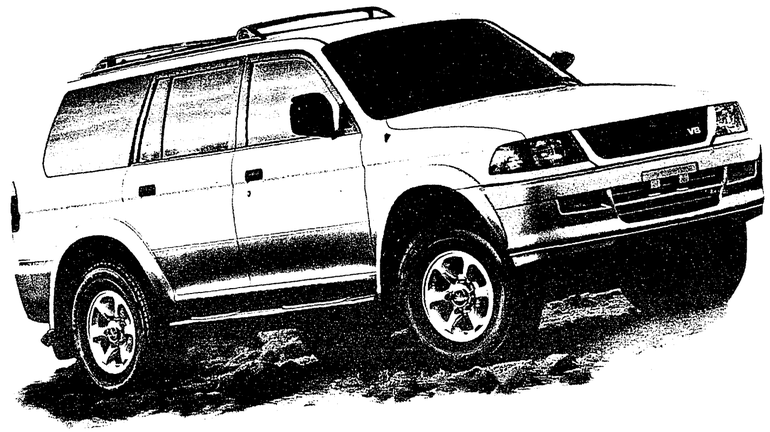

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Si Yu'us Ma'ase.

MAGDALENA TUDELA ARRIOLA FLORES & Family

DEATH & FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

JOSEPHA CEPEDA SANCHEZ

Born on May 10, 1910
Familian "Josepha Goyu"
was called to her eternal rest on Monday, September 15, 1997, at the age of 87.

In her death, she now joins her:
Husband: Nicolas Aguon Sanchez; **Mother:** Soledad Torres Cepeda;
Daughter: Margarita Sanchez Castro; **Grand Daughter:** Dolores Sanchez.

She is survived by her:
Children & Spouses: Catalina & Juan Dela Cruz;
Peding & Franz Reksid;
Reared: Maria & (Kaleb Dembei-deceased);
Son-in-law: Thomas B. Castro

She is additionally survived by 24 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Nightly Rosary is being said at 8:00PM at Peding C. Sanchez Residence in Chalan Kanoa District 3. Last respects will be held on Tuesday, September 23, 1997 at the Chalan Kanoa residence from 9:00AM to 3:30PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on the same day at 4:00PM. at the Mount Carmel Cathedral, and Burial will follow thereafter at the Mount Carmel Cemetery.

UN staffers evacuated

By Anwar Faruqi

ISLAMABAD, Pakistani (AP) — International aid agencies evacuated most of their foreign staff Saturday from the northern Afghan city of Mazar-e-Sharif, the opposition stronghold looted by renegade defenders and threatened by the advancing forces of the Taliban religious army.

A U.N. plane, the first to land, brought 15 U.N. employees and three aid workers to the Pakistani capital, Islamabad.

A Red Cross plane landed later in the day with 17 workers from the Geneva-based humanitarian agency, then went back for 17 more.

The evacuees were the first foreigners out of the city which fell into chaos earlier this month when the Taliban appeared close to capturing Mazar-e-Sharif, the largest city in northern Afghanistan and the headquarters of an alliance opposed to the Taliban.

Aid workers bound for Islamabad, some with their families, were flown Friday by helicopter to Sheberghan, a city west of Mazar-e-Sharif. Then U.N. and Red Cross planes carried them to Pakistan on Saturday.

In all, 52 aid workers were expected in Islamabad.

The United Nations said the evacuees were non-essential staff, and that two expatriates remained behind. The Red Cross said it would carry on its normal duties in Mazar despite the evacuation.

"About 13 to 15 workers from the Red Cross, the United Nations and other aid agencies will remain in Mazar," said Olivier Durr, the representative of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Islamabad.

The Taliban control the southern two-thirds of Afghanistan, where they have imposed a strict brand of Islam that has stanched endemic corruption in many regions but has barred most women from working and deprived girls of basic education.

In fighting two weeks ago, the Taliban briefly seized the airport but were driven back over several days. Their forces bombed and shelled Mazar-e-Sharif, but more damage was caused by renegade soldiers inside the city who seized on the chaos to loot aid offices and homes, carrying off computers, generators and even faucets.

Cesar Dubon, a U.N. official who arrived on the first flight to Islamabad, said the looting started after leaders of the opposition militias fighting the Taliban lost control of their men.

"To some extent we felt that there was a systematic and perhaps even planned looting," said Dubon, representative of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Mazar-e-Sharif.

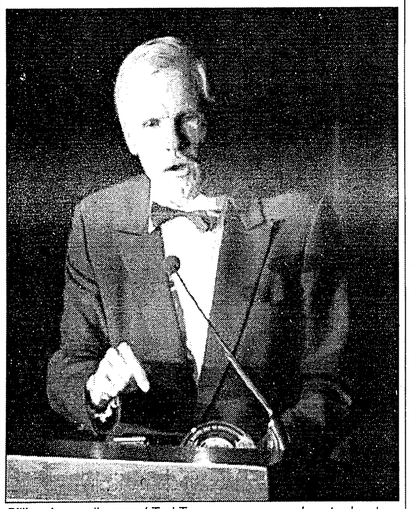
He said that at least 90 percent of the aid agencies and their workers had had possessions or money stolen.

Sarah Russell, the spokeswoman for the U.N. Development Program for Afghanistan, said that losses could run into the millions of dollars.

The airport near Mazar-e-Sharif has remained closed, and Taliban forces on Thursday seized a town near the border of Uzbekistan that straddles a main highway carrying supplies into the city.

The Taliban seized Mazar-e-Sharif in May, almost completing their conquest of the country. But two days later, they were driven from the city in a retreat that cost them hundreds of soldiers.

Turner donates $1B to UN



Billionaire media mogul Ted Turner announces plans to donate a billion dollars to a foundation to benefit United Nations causes Thursday in New York. During a dinner speech at an awards ceremony at a Times Square hotel, Turner said he would give $100 million a year for the next 10 years to U.N.-approved programs, including those helping refugees, fighting diseases and cleaning up land mines. AP

NMI. . .

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the positive side," she said.

"It is not (merely) to reimburse insurance companies and states for the costs they incurred.

"It's more on the future, on huge changes in advertising and marketing. (For example), it would no longer allow billboards, it would restrict vending machines, and impose stricter penalties for selling to minors. There would be no more tobacco advertising on the Internet, where you can buy cigarettes," McDevitt said.

She added that if the CNMI gets it share of the settlement, the funds would be used for health and anti-tobacco education programs.

Nothing's final

But the whole deal could still fall through, McDevitt said.

"There are tobacco manufacturing states dead set against it, and there are some in the anti-tobacco (camp) who say the settlement isn't strict enough, and the money not enough to compensate the (victims of nicotine addiction)."

Further, a recent Associated Press report states that the chances of Congress passing a settlement this year is "all but dead."

McDevitt said momentum would be lost if Congress fails to ratify the settlement.

"It's either going to be approved this year or it will die," McDevitt said. "If it dies, we'll have to consider if we want to sue (the tobacco companies)."

However, the costs of litigation are expected to be "very high."

Dunlap, in a letter to the Legislature last July, said tobacco litigation would be "enormous," citing as an example the 30 million tobacco-related documents compiled by the attorney general's office of Minnesota alone.

He said in California, the state's attorney general has requested funding for the 34 attorneys, 40 paralegals and 20 other staff members needed to pursue the lawsuit.

McDevvit said the CNMI's investigation will not be on the same scale as in California.

"But we would have to go through all the medical billings filed in the last 40 years and try to link the use of tobacco to the deaths and the (illnesses)," she added.

"It's not impossible, but the question is 'Do we have the resources to do it?'"

McDevitt said there is no guarantee that the states themselves can recoup attorneys fees if Congress ratifies the settlement.

Meanwhile, she said, "We thought it advisable to wait a little while how this national settlement comes out."

As reported by the Variety last July 9, the Legislature has urged the Attorney General's Office to file a tobacco lawsuit.

Dunlap, in his letter to the Legislature, said his office has already drafted a complaint, but is awaiting Congress' action on the proposed settlement.

Settlement. . .

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and that "the big fight will be over."

Dotts confirmed information gathered by the Variety that under the proposed agreement, Nocasa will get $3 million net.

"She (Nocasa) should get more money. But we don't want to be greedy. It's fair. We believe that Hillblom's Charitable Trust should get more," Dotts said.

Nocasa will be the first to receive the money in because the executor is treating her case differently from the "children."

A source said that under the proposed agreement, the Trust would get $240 million or 40% of the total $600 million assets.

The remaining $360 million will be divided among the eight alleged Hillblom's children, the source said.

Out of $360 million, the same source pointed out, the Internal Revenue Service will take 55 to 64 percent.

In short, over $120 million will be divided among the eight kids, the source said, adding that only children whose blood samples will match the DNA tests will get their share.

The source said blood samples taken from the children and their mothers were already sent last week to a laboratory in California for DNA testing. The results will be out after three weeks.

After the settlement is over, the source added, the executor will be negotiating with the IRS whether the latter will get 55 or 64 percent from the assets or impose a penalty.

"When the tax issue will be settled, Hillblom's probate is closed and it is only that time the claimants will get their money," the source said.

DLNR. . .

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She said DLNR is also finding out "who and what agency besides the U.S. Navy is involved in the agreement."

The Covenant which turned the NMI into a Commonwealth under the U.S government stipulated military lease agreements which include part of Tinian, the Tanapag Harbor area covering the American Memorial Park in Garapan and the Farallon de Mendinilla island.

A lease-back agreement on Tinian has been worked out in 1994 and on Tanapag Harbor more recently.

"We hope to eventually stop the bomb runs," Wonenberg said.

"I think it is reasonable that we ask for the bombings to stop because we have natural resources over there and we want to make sure that those resources are not bombed to pieces."

The island has the biggest coral bed in the Pacific. Its reefs are being used for simulated bombing and strafing activities by U.S. war planes.

Daniel Quitugua, Director of DLNR's Division of Fish and Wildlife, in an earlier interview, had said government staff will go the island to assess damages done by the military exercises.

The Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council, which is based in Honolulu, has reportedly called for a halt on the bombings.

It noted a July survey of the island which showed damage on the reef brought about by the bombs.

WPRFMC warned that the bombing runs could threaten sea birds, including the threatened Micronesian megapod.

The U.S. Navy is reportedly increasing its use of the island as it is gradually being forced out of other practice bombing and strafing sites.

Tenorio. . .

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will be "obsolete" once the new federal standards take effect in the coming years.

Tenorio's Public Works acting secretary, Martin Manglona, resigned earlier this month, citing, among other things, the health hazards that would result from the incinerators.

But Tenorio said the incinerators have met federal standards, "and were even modified at our request so as not to endanger the health of our people."

Workers. . .

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worked 12 hours a day, six or seven days a week, the human rights groups said. Besides the regular hours, they reportedly put in 2 to 5 hours of forced overtime, in violation of Chinese law mandating a 44-hour week. Anyone who refuses overtime could be fined, docked an entire day's pay or even fired, the report said.

The biggest of the four plants is Yue Yuen Industrial Holdings Co. Ltd. in Dongguan, which employs about 50,000 workers, most of them women 18 to 22 years old, making both Nike and Reebok products.

The study said Yue Yuen did not provide social security benefits, medical insurance or bereavement leave, although they are mandatory by law.

Nike condemned the study as "erroneous."

The study "incorrectly states the wages earned by workers, (and) makes irresponsible accusations about worker health and safety," said Dusty Kidd, director of labor practices for the company.

After Nike first came under criticism last year, the company hired Young, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, to help monitor its factories in Asia.

"I didn't see sweatshops, or hostile conditions," he said Friday, five months after a tour of several factories that make Nikes in Vietnam, Indonesia and China.

"I saw crowded dorms," he said in a telephone interview, "but the workers were eating at least two meals a day on the job, and making what I was told were subsistence wages within those cultures."

The civil rights leader and former mayor of Atlanta said he had made "no attempt to whitewash the situation, nor did Nike."

"I didn't say that there were no violations, but I didn't see systematic abuses. ... Nike was trying to avoid the problems. And I helped them realize these are questions that can't be avoided."

Reebok said the China plants making its shoes are not "Reebok factories."

However, Doug Cahn, director of the company's Human Rights Program, said "any violations are unacceptable to us and we demand that factories take corrective action if the charges are found to be true."

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

(Amended 9/12/97)

SEALED PROPOSALS for the APRON EXPANSION AT ROTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ROTA, MARIANA ISLANDS, AIP PROJECT NOS. 3-69-0003-08 & 3-69-0003-10 will be received at the office of the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY, Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 1055, Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950. Proposals will be received up until **2:00 P.M., Friday, October 24, 1997,** at which time and place the sealed proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The project, in general, consists of unclassified excavation, subbase and base course filling and grading, construction of apron (asphaltic concrete pavement or alternate portland cement concrete pavement), striping, drainage, and miscellaneous electrical including flood lights, location and guidance signs, and apron edge lights. All work will take place at Rota International Airport, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

The project is being financed by funds from the Commonwealth Ports Authority and from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration. The contract award, if it is to be made, will be made within sixty (60) days from the receipt of bids. Depending upon availability of funds, CPA reserves the right to hold such bid in effect for ninety (90) days 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 bid documents.

All mechanics and laborers on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rate established by the CNMI or the U.S. Secretary of Labor, whichever is higher. A copy of the Department of the Federal Wage Rate Determination is included in Section 70-24 of the specifications.

Each bidder must complete, sign and furnish, prior to award of the contract (AIP No. 3-69-0003-08 & 3-69-0003-10) the "Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause," a "Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities" (See Proposal).

Required Notices for All Contracts.

a. The bidder must supply all the information required by the proposal forms and specifications.

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, 1997, 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 Sat. 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 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.

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 nonrefundable. Payment shall be made by check payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the CPA CONFERENCE ROOM AT ROTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, on **Friday, September 26, 1997 at 9:00 A.M.** to explain and address 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 the 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
Executive Director

September 9, 1997
Date

FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVERTISING
(INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL/NOTICE TO PROPOSERS)

1. The proposed contract is under the subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended of September 24, 1965, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor provisions.

2. All labor on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rates established by CNMI law.

3. Each proposer must supply all the information required by the proposal documents and specifications.

4. The (EEO) requirements, labor provisions and wage rate are included in the specifications and proposal documents and are available for inspection at the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

5. Each Proposer must complete, sign and furnish, prior to award of the contract (at submission of the proposal), the Proposer's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause, and the "Certifications of Non-Segregated Facilities" as contained in the Bid Proposals.

6. A contractor having 50 or more employees and his subcontractors having 50 or more employees and who may be award a contract $50,000 or more will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the specifications.

7. To be eligible for award, each proposer must comply with the affirmative action requirements which are contained in the specification.

8. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award of any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.

9. Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards of requirements for this employment of

Saipan Cable TV 5:00AM—4:00PM **Monday TV**

TV SAIPAN LOG

5 AM

3 CBS Morning News (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 World News This Morning (30m)
8 KRCA: Terry Cole Whitaker (30m)
20 30 31 34 36 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
24 Bloomberg Morning News
25 Dick Van Dyke - Sitcom
26 Bloomberg Information Television
29 Walk-Ons - Variety
32 *Flintstones (CC)*
35 Tales of Tomorrow - Science Fiction
39 Little Flower
40 Flex Appeal
46 Classroom "The Trail of Tears"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
49 Petticoat Junction - Sitcom
51 Shopping Channel
54 Rooms for Improvement

5:01

18 MOVIE - Comedy (((' Heaven Can Wait 1943 (2h)

5:15

19 Ready, Get Set, Go

5:30

3 CBS Morning News (CC)
4 NBC News at Sunrise (CC)
7 Eyewitness News (30m)
8 KRCA:W. R. Portec (30m)
15 SHO: MOVIE ((Hackers 1995 (PG-13-1h44m) (CC)
20 30 31 34 36 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
24 Humanities Through the Arts
25 Rhoda - Sitcom
32 Jetsons
35 Invisible Man - Science Fiction
39 Way Home
40 Bodyshaping
49 Ed Sullivan - Variety
54 Help at Home

5:35

14 Goof Troop (CC)

5:45

8 KRCA: Happy Saturday Night (Korean) (45m)

6 AM

3 CBS Morning News (CC)
4 NBC News at Sunrise (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (30m)
8 ICN: SBS Drama (Korean)
10 World News
14 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
16 TMC: MOVIE (((The Big Picture 1989 (PG-13-1h39m)
19 Asap
20 Marvel Super Heroes
21 MBC News From London
22 Crack of MTV - Rock
23 To Be Announced
24 Sesame Street (CC)
25 Gullah Gullah Island
26 Bloomberg Information Television
29 Number Ones - Rock
30 Viewer's Forum Host Peter Kessler chats with viewers about the latest in the world of golf. (Repeat) (1h)
31 34 35 55 59 Paid Program
32 Scooby and Scrappy Doo
36 Great Books "Gulliver's Travels"
37 America's Castles "The Astors"
38 Wild Guide/Spirit Of Adventure
39 Divine Mercy Chaplet
40 Crunch Fitness
46 History Showcase
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Assignment Discovery "Hidden Worlds"
49 White Shadow - Drama
50 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
54 Carol Duvall
56 Fit TV Sampler
58 CMT Morning
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

6:15

2 HBO: MOVIE (((Clueless 1995 (PG-13-1h37m) (CC)
39 More Reflections

6:30

3 CBS Morning News (CC)
4 NBC News at Sunrise (CC)
7 Eyewitness News (30m)
10 Insight
12 Saipan Cable News (Sunday Edition)
14 Donald's Quack Attack (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE ((' The Face of Fu Manchu 1965 (1h34m) (CC)
20 X-Men (CC)
21 Scandinavian Programming
25 Blue's Clues
29 Pop-Up Video - Rock
31 34 35 59 Paid Program
32 New Scooby Doo Mysteries
38 In Care Of Nature/Wildlife Journey/Profiles Of Nature
39 Rosary International
40 Co-Ed Training
54 Sew Perfect
55 Essence of Emeril

6:45

39 Loretto Litany

7 AM

3 This Morning (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Good Morning America (2h)
10 Early Prime
12 Animals at Large
14 Aladdin (CC)
20 Bobby's World (OC)
21 Good Morning, Doctor
22 Grind - Dance
24 Barney & Friends (CC)
25 Arcade
26 Mighty Max (CC)
29 Hollywood & Vinyl - Variety
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (30m)
31 35 59 Paid Program
32 Swamp and Tad
34 Gallagher: Stuck in the '60s Comedy concert performance. (Repeat) (1h)
36 Great Books "Great Expectations"
37 MOVIE - Drama (((' A Walk in the Sun 1946 (2h)
38 Animals At Large
39 Closer Walk
40 Perfect Parts
46 War and Remembrance
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Home Matters
49 St. Elsewhere - Drama
50 Trapper John, M.D.
51 Shopping Channel
53 Fishing With Roland Martin Bass fishing on Lake Baccurac in Mexico. (Repeat) (30m)
54 What's Your Hobby?
55 Essence of Emeril
58 Nonstop Country

7:01

18 MOVIE - Drama (((' Julia 1977 (2h)

7:10

32 Fat Cats

7:20

32 Bloo's Gang

7:30

8 ICN: Arabic News
14 Timon & Pumbaa (CC)
15 SHO: MOVIE ((Cop Hater 1958 (1h15m)
20 Bobby's World (CC)
22 Hip Hop - Rock
24 Storytime (CC)
25 Inspector Gadget
26 Gargoyles (CC)
29 8-Track Flashback - Variety
31 35 59 Paid Program
32 Johnny Bravo
39 *Stories of Hymns*
40 Bodyshaping
54 Awesome Interiors
55 Bakers' Dozen - Cooking

7:45

16 TMC: MOVIE ((The Baby-Sitters Club 1995 (PG-1h34m) (CC)
19 Blast From The Past

8 AM

2 Inventors' Special A courageous boy comes to Leonardo da Vinci's rescue when the renowned Renaissance inventor almost gives up on his dream of flying. (Repeat) (CC) (1h)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 ICN: Asia Business News (Mandarin)
10 WorldView (CC)
11 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
12 Wild About Animals
14 Goof Troop (CC)
20 Mummies Alive!
21 Asia Business News from Singapore
22 Popular Videos People Prefer - Variety
23 To Be Announced
24 To Be Announced
25 Doug (CC)
26 Gargoyles (CC)
29 FT -- Fashion Television - Fashion
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (30m)
31 35 Paid Program
32 Cow and Chicken
34 MOVIE - Comedy ((' Hold That Ghost 1941 (2h)
36 Great Books "Catch-22"
38 Animls A-Z
39 Image of God
40 Gotta Sweat
46 War and Remembrance
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Housesmart!
49 Cannon - Crime Drama
50 Eight Is Enough - Drama
54 Decorating With Style
55 Three Dog Bakery - Cooking
56 Father Dowling Mysteries "The Moving Target Mystery" (CC)
59 BRV: MOVIE (((Through a Glass Darkly 1960 (1h31m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

8:15

17 MAX: MOVIE (((Breaking Up 1978 (1h40m)

8:30

8 ICN: May Ngan News (Vietnamese) (30m)
10 Style - Lifestyle
11 Local News (15m)
12 Amazing Tails
14 Little Mermaid (CC)
20 X-Men (CC)
21 Tea Time
24 Arthur (CC)
25 Muppet Babies
26 Sailor Moon
29 Best of American Bandstand - Variety
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (30m)
31 35 Paid Program
32 Dexter's Laboratory
39 Gerbert
40 Flex Appeal
54 Dream Builders
55 Cooking Monday to Friday

8:45

11 Local News (30m)
15 SHO: MOVIE: Soul Survivors 1997 (PG-13-1h55m)

8:55

14 Circle Time

9 AM

2 HBO: MOVIE: Coyote Summer 1996 (G-1h33m) (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Live! With Regis And Kathie Lee (1h)
8 ICN: Arabic Programming
10 World Report
12 Petcetera
13 Gym Team
14 New Adventures of Winnie the Pooh (CC)
20 Fox After Breakfast (CC)
21 Taiwan News
22 Music Videos - Variety
24 Barney & Friends (CC)
25 Tiny Toon Adventures
26 To Be Announced
29 Top 10 Video Countdown - Rock
30 Senior PGA Golf Bank One Classic -- First Round. From Lexington, Ky. (Repeat) (2h30m)
31 Paid Program
32 Addams Family
35 MOVIE - Science Fiction (((The Venus Wars 1989 (2h)
36 Great Books "Le Morte d'Arthur"
37 Biography for Kids "Frederick Douglass"
38 Wild Guess
39 Union With God
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Start to Finish
49 Flip Wilson - Variety
50 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
51 Shopping Channel
54 New Yankee Workshop
55 Chef du Jour
56 Waltons "The Hot Rod"
58 Signature Series

9:01

18 MOVIE - Adventure (((The Frogmen 1951 (2h)

9:15

11 Drama Serial: Futarikko (15m)

9:25

14 Circle Time
16 TMC: MOVIE ((Ice Castles 1979 (PG-1h53m)

9:30

11 Fishing In North America (1h)
12 Pet Connection
13 Asia Business News (1h30m)
14 Katie and Orbie (CC)
19 Ipaglaban Mo
21 News Express FCI
24 Puzzle Place (CC)
25 Tiny Toon Adventures
26 To Be Announced
31 Paid Program
32 Jonny Quest
38 In Care Of Nature/Wildlife Journeys/Profiles Of Nature
39 World Over: Catholic News
48 Interior Motives "Friendly Style"
49 Petticoat Junction - Sitcom
54 House Doctor
55 Dining Around

9:35

11 Have A Good Day! (55m)

9:45

59 BRV: MOVIE (((' Othello 1952 (1h32m)

10 AM

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Caryl And Marilyn: Real Friends (1h)
8 ICN: Good Morning Doctor (Korean)
10 Prime News
12 Jim Henson's Animal Show
14 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE (((Country Life 1994 (PG-13-1h54m) (CC)
20 Home Team
23 Drama: Iduyan Mo Ang Duyan Ko
24 Sesame Street (CC)
25 Rugrats (CC)
26 29 To Be Announced
31 Paid Program
32 Valley of the Dinosaurs
34 Make Me Laugh
36 Great Books "Gulliver's Travels"
37 Voyages "Earthquake Alert"
38 Paid Program
39 Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Daily Mass
46 Movies in Time: Das Boot Director Wolfgang Peterson discusses the making of and the problems addressed by his 1981 film "Das Boot." (Repeat) (30m)
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Home Matters
49 That Girl - Sitcom
50 Dynasty - Drama
54 Breaking Ground
55 Michael's Place - Cooking
56 700 Club
58 Big Ticket
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

10:30

10 Global View
11 News: Good Morning, Japan (Repeat) (30m)
12 Shamu Tv
14 Adventures in Wonderland (CC)
19 Showbiz Linggo
21 Kamaai Kombination Zee Tv
25 Angry Beavers
26 46 To Be Announced
31 Paid Program
32 Godzilla
34 Make Me Laugh
38 Blossom
49 Sonny and Cher - Variety
54 Victory Garden
55 Molto Mario

10:45

2 HBO: MOVIE ((' First Knight 1995 (PG-13-2h12m) (CC)
15 SHO: MOVIE (((' Wild River 1960 (1h50m)

11 AM

3 Price Is Right (CC)
4 Sunset Beach (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 The City (30m)
8 ICN: Asia Business News (Mandarin)
10 CNN Presents (CC)
11 News At 10 A.M. (5m)
12 Acorn The Nut
13 Hanna Barbera Specials (Part 1)
14 Chip 'n' Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
20 Computer Man - Computers
21 The Usha Uthup Show, Zee TV
24 Storytime (CC)
25 Hey Arnold! (CC)
26 Wings - Sitcom (CC)
31 Three Blind Dates - Lifestyle
32 Young Robin Hood
34 Saturday Night Live - Variety (CC)
35 V - Science Fiction (CC)
36 Great Books "Plato's Republic"
37 Icebreaker to the North Pole A chronicle of the 1994 Canadian and American expedition to the Arctic Ocean to investigate global warming and contamination. (2h)
38 Paid Program
39 Pillars of Faith: The Catechism Explained
46 Why We Fight "The Nazis Strike"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Housesmart!
49 Addams Family - Sitcom
50 Picket Fences - Drama (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
54 Carol Duvall
55 Taste
58 Nonstop Country

11:01

18 MOVIE - Drama ((' The Only Game in Town 1970 (2h)

11:05

11 Cooking For Today (25m)

11:20

16 TMC: MOVIE (((Inside Moves 1980 (PG-1h53m)

11:25

14 Disney Short

11:30

7 Eyewitness News (30m)
8 ICN: Tea Time (Mandarin)
11 Hobby Lecture: Gardening (25m)
12 Jim Henson's Animal Show
13 Sine Skwela
14 Madeline (CC)
20 Paid Program
21 Andaz, Zee Tv
24 Shining Time Station (CC)
25 Aaahh!!! Real Monsters (CC)
26 Wings - Sitcom (CC)
31 Wire - Lifestyle
32 Don Coyote
38 Three's Company
49 Hogan's Heroes - Sitcom
54 Sew Perfect
55 Cooking Monday to Friday
56 Fit TV Sampler
59 BRV: MOVIE (((' Distant Voices, Still Lives 1988 (PG-13-1h24m)

11:35

11 Whiz Kid TV (25m)

11:45

17 MAX: MOVIE ((' Grumpier Old Men 1995 (PG-13-1h40m) (CC)
19 Mel And Jay

11:55

11 World Music Album (5m)
14 Circle Time

NOON

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 All My Children (1h)
8 ICN: Taiwan News (Mandarin) (30m)
10 World Today
11 Mini Program (5m)
12 Saipan Cable News (Sunday Edition)
13 A.T.B.P. (At Iba Pa)
14 Little Mermaid (CC)
20 Judge Judy - Reality (CC)
21 Hungary 97'
22 Music Videos - Variety
23 To Be Announced
24 Puzzle Place (CC)
25 Rocko's Modern Life (CC)
26 MOVIE - Comedy ((' Uncle Buck 1989 (CC) (2h)
30 Viewer's Forum Host Peter Kessler chats with viewers about the latest in the world of golf. (Repeat) (1h)
31 Men's Room - Lifestyle
32 Thirteen Ghosts of Scooby Doo
34 Daily Show
35 Mission Genesis - Science Fiction (CC)
36 Great Books "Native Son"
38 Deep Space Nine
39 Miracles of the Eucharist
40 Auto Racing NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series -- Virginia Is For Lovers 200. From Richmond International Raceway, Va. (Repeat) (2h)
46 War and Remembrance
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Interior Motives "The Art of Display"
49 Green Acres - Sitcom
50 Life Goes On - Drama (CC)
54 Decorating With Style
55 Entertaining - Cooking
56 Rescue 911 (CC)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

12:05

11 Japan's Famous Mountains (10m)

12:15

11 All Around Japan (15m)

12:25

14 Circle Time

12:30

3 Young and the Restless (CC)
8 ICN: Fujisankei News (Japanese With English Subtitles) (1h)
11 Health For Today (15m)
12 Amazing Tails
13 Ang Alamat Ni Snow White
14 New Adventures of Winnie the Pooh (CC)
20 Judge Judy - Reality (CC)
21 Russian Television Network (RTN) Potpourri
22 Indie Outing - Music
24 Mister Rogers (CC)
25 Ren & Stimpy (CC)
31 Our Home
32 Flintstones (CC)
34 Daily Show
35 Sci-Fi Buzz - Entertainment News
39 Rosary in the Holy Land
48 Start to Finish
49 Phil Silvers
53 My Classic Car Robert Bourke, classic Studebaker designer; the first Tucker offered for sale. (Repeat) (30m)
54 Awesome Interiors
55 Quench - Cooking

12:45

11 T.V. Calisthenics (10m)
15 SHO: MOVIE (((Window to Paris 1994 (PG-13-1h30m)
39 Faith Matters

12:55

11 Weather Report (5m)
14 Disney Short

1 PM

2 A Kill for a Kill The family members of two young murder victims await the convicted killer's execution. Narrated by Carroll O'Connor. (Repeat) (CC) (1h)
4 Days of Our Lives (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 One Life To Live (1h)
10 World News
11 News At Noon (15m)
12 Human Nature
13 Teysing Tahanan
14 Jungle Cubs (CC)
19 The Sharon Cuneta Show
20 Martha Stewart Living (CC)
21 Vremya News from Moscow
22 Music Videos - Variety
24 Reading Rainbow (CC)
25 Looney Tunes
29 To Be Announced
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (30m)
32 Space Ghost
34 Gallagher: Stuck in the '60s Comedy concert performance. (Repeat) (1h)
35 Crash of 2000 (Repeat) (30m)
36 Great Books "Frankenstein – Making of a Monster"
37 America's Castles "The Astors"
38 Star Trek: Next Generation
39 Abundant Life
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Great Chefs – Great Cities
49 St. Elsewhere - Drama
50 Pet Department - Pets (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
54 Rooms for Improvement
55 Tamales World Tour - Cooking
56 Home & Family
59 South Bank Show - Profile

1:01

18 MOVIE - Musical ((' Orchestra Wives 1942 (2h)

1:15

11 Japan At Noon (30m)

1:20

16 TMC: MOVIE (((' Julia 1977 (PG-1h56m) (CC)

1:25

14 Disney Short

1:30

3 Bold and the Beautiful (CC)
8 ICN: Kamaai Kombination Zee TV (Hindi) (30m)
14 Tale Spin (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE ((Food of the Gods 1976 (PG-1h28m)
20 Gayle King
21 Polish News
24 Magic School Bus (CC)
30 Paid Program
31 Main Ingredient
32 Space Ghost
35 SF Vortex - Entertainment News
48 Great Chefs – Great Cities
50 Fix-it
54 Help at Home
55 Chef du Jour

1:45

11 Drama Serial: Futarikko (Repeat) (15m)

2 PM

2 HBO: MOVIE ((' Coneheads 1993 (PG-1h28m) (CC)
3 As the World Turns (CC)
4 Another World (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 General Hospital (1h)
8 ICN: The Usha Uthup Show Zee TV (Hindi) (30m)
10 World News
11 With Mother (25m)
12 Zooventure
13 Sang Linggo Napo Sila (1h30m)
14 Donald's Quack Attack (CC)
20 Real Stories of the Highway Patrol - Reality
21 ART Programming
23 To Be Announced
24 Growing Old in a New Age - Lifestyle (CC)
25 What Would You Do? - Comedy
26 MOVIE - Comedy ((' National Lampoon's Vacation 1983 (CC) (2h)
29 Hard Rock Live - Rock
30 European PGA Golf European Masters -- Second Round. From Crans-sur-Sierre, Switzerland. (Repeat) (3h)
31 Handmade by Design
32 Space Ghost
34 MOVIE - Comedy (' Transylvania 6-5000 1985 (2h)
35 Time Trax - Science Fiction (CC)
36 Great Books "Beyond Genesis: The Origin of Species"
37 20th Century "Life or Death: The Battle Over Capital Punishment"
38 Dinosaurs
39 Way Home
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Travelers "Semana Santa: Ayacucho, Peru"
49 Hill Street Blues - Crime Drama (CC)
50 Hart to Hart - Adventure
52 *Sarimanok Network News (Live) (1h)*
54 Gardener's Journal
55 Essence of Emeril
58 Nonstop Country
59 BRV: MOVIE (((The Last Wave 1978 (PG-1h45m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

2:25

11 I Can Do It Myself! (15m)

2:30

8 ICN: Andaz Zee TV (Hindi) (30m)
10 Insight
12 Buck staghorn's Animal Bites
14 Chip 'n' Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
15 SHO: MOVIE ((' The Day of the Dolphin 1973 (PG-1h44m)
19 Midday Report (Live)
20 Paid Program
25 Wild & Crazy Kids
31 Debt
32 Space Ghost
38 Bananas In Pajamas
40 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
54 Breaking Ground
55 Taste

2:40

11 Children's English Lesson: Fun With English (15m)

2:55

11 Let's Meet The Animals! (5m)

3 PM

3 Guiding Light (CC)
4 Leeza
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Oprah Winfrey (1h)
8 ICN: ATV Drama (Cantonese) (30m)
10 World News
11 News (5m)
12 Petcetera
14 Tale Spin (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE (((Threshold 1981 (PG-1h46m)
19 Patok Sa Takilya (2h)
20 Adventures of Batman and Robin (CC)
21 Bete Pas Bele
24 Newshour With Jim Lehrer (CC)
25 Inspector Gadget
29 FT – Fashion Television - Fashion
31 Unsolved Mysteries - Reality
32 Space Ghost
35 MOVIE - Science Fiction: Ravager 1997 (CC) (2h)
36 Great Books "The Scarlet Letter"
37 Investigative Reports "The Secret Life of a Serial Killer"
38 Darkwing Duck
39 Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Daily Mass
46 Movies in Time: Das Boot Director Wolfgang Peterson discusses the making of and the problems addressed by his 1981 film "Das Boot." (Repeat) (30m)
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Movie Magic "The Panoramic Art"
49 Gunsmoke - Western
50 Vega$
51 Shopping Channel
52 Kang Kinsa Isabwabg Ang Mga Bulak (30m)
54 Victory Garden
55 Molto Mario
56 New Shop 'Til You Drop

3:01

18 MOVIE - Comedy (((' A Guide for the Married Man 1967 (2h)

3:05

11 Easy Japanese (30m)

3:25

16 TMC: MOVIE (((The Big Picture 1989 (PG-13-1h39m)

3:30

2 HBO: MOVIE (((Clueless 1995 (PG-13-1h37m) (CC)
8 ICN: International Report News
10 Global View
12 Pet Connection
13 Christy Perminute
14 Goof Troop (CC)
20 Eek!stravaganza (CC)
21 Paris Lumieres
25 Hey Dude - Sitcom
29 Pop-Up Video - Rock
32 Space Ghost
38 Gargoyles
40 Glory Days 1967 year in review. (Repeat) (30m)
46 To Be Announced
48 Beyond 2000
52 Maayong Buntag Sugbu (1h)
53 My Classic Car Robert Bourke, classic Studebaker designer; the first Tucker offered for sale. (Repeat) (30m)
54 Dream Builders
55 Quench - Cooking
56 Shopping Spree

3:35

11 Weather (5m)

4 PM

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (1h)
8 ICN: CCTV Drama
10 World News
12 Wild About Animals
13 Mara Clara
14 Timon & Pumbaa (CC)
20 Big Bad Beetleborgs (CC)
21 Journal Televise De France
22 Grind - Dance
23 To Be Announced
24 Wishbone (CC)
25 Global G.U.T.S.
26 Big Date
29 Movie
31 MOVIE - Drama ((Love, Honor & Obey: The Last Mafia Marriage 1993 (4h)
32 Thundercats
34 Absolutely Fabulous - Sitcom
36 Great Books "Moby Dick"
37 American Justice "Von Bulow: A Wealth of Evidence"
38 Aladdin
39 Eternal City The history of Rome, Byzantium, the Papacy and the church. (Repeat) (Part 1 of 2) (1h)
46 Why We Fight "The Nazis Strike"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Wings of the Luftwaffe "AR-234: The Blitz"
49 Cannon - Crime Drama
50 Fall Guy - Adventure
53 Shadetree Mechanic
54 House Doctor
55 Dining Around
56 Animal Adventures "Mating Games"
59 Jerry Herman's Broadway at the Bowl A tribute to composer and lyricist Jerry Herman. (2h)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

4:30

12 Amazing Tails
13 Ang TV
14 Aladdin (CC)
15 SHO: MOVIE (((' The Producers 1967 (1h28m)
20 Round the Twist (CC)
21 SBS Drama
22 Hip Hop - Rock
24 Where in Time Is Carmen Sandiego? (CC)
25 Adventures of Pete and Pete
26 Big Date
38 *Timon & Pumbaa*
32 Super Adventures
40 Soccer World Cup Qualifier -- Belgium at Netherlands. From Rotterdam, Netherlands. (Taped) (2h)
52 Siya Ug Ako Sa Kangitngit (30m)
53 Hot Rod TV (Repeat) (30m)
54 New Yankee Workshop
55 Two Fat Ladies - Cooking
56 Animal Adventures

4:40

34 Absolutely Fabulous - Sitcom

4:45

17 MAX: MOVIE: Superfights 1995 (NR-1h34m)
32 Voltron: Defender of the Universe

Monday TV 5:00PM—4:30AM Saipan Cable Tv

5 PM

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (1h)
8 ICN: World Report News (30m)
10 World News
12 Zooventure
13 Sari-Saring Sine: Babae (2h)
14 Dinosaurs - Sitcom (CC)
19 P & A
20 Saved by the Bell - Sitcom (CC)
22 Live - Rock
24 Bill Nye the Science Guy (CC)
25 Are You Afraid of the Dark? (CC)
26 Saved by the Bell: The New Class - Sitcom (CC)
30 Paid Program
35 Mystery Science Theater 3000 - Comedy
36 Great Books "Huck Finn"
37 Grand Tour "Palm Beach: The Gold Coast"
38 Hangin with Mr. Cooper
39 Best of Mother Angelica Live
46 In Search of History "The Five Points Gangs"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Wild Discovery "Rhino!"
49 Mannix - Crime Drama
50 A-Team - Adventure (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
52 Maayong Buntag Mindanao (1h)
53 Opry Backstage - Entertainment News
54 At the Auction
55 Ready... Set... Cook!
56 Highway to Heaven "The Good Doctor" (CC)
58 Big Ticket

5:01

18 MOVIE - Drama ((' The Only Game In Town 1970 (2h)

5:15

2 HBO: MOVIE: In the Line of Duty: The Price of Vengeance 1994 (1h36m)
32 Super Adventures

5:20

16 TMC: MOVIE ((' Ferris Bueller's Day Off 1986 (PG-13-1h43m)
34 Absolutely Fabulous - Sitcom

5:30

8 ICN: The Philipines Tonight (30m)
12 Buck Staghorn's Animal Bites
14 Growing Pains - Sitcom (CC)
20 California Dreams - Sitcom
21 Antenna Satellite News
24 Home Cooking
25 Tiny Toon Adventures
26 USA High - Sitcom (CC)
30 Paid Program
32 Real Adventures of Jonny Quest
38 Full House
53 Grand Ole Opry Live
54 Collectible Treasures - Collectibles
55 Entertaining - Cooking

5:45

10 Feature Segment

6 PM

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (30m)
8 ICN: Mara Clara (30m)
10 World News
12 Saipan Cable News (Live)
14 Growing Pains - Sitcom (CC)
15 SHO: MOVIE: Soul Survivors 1997 (PG-13-1h55m)
20 Beverly Hills, 90210 - Drama (CC)
21 ATV Drama
22 Afternoon Jams - Rock
23 To Be Announced
24 Nightly Business Report (CC)
25 Figure It Out
26 Renegade - Adventure (CC)
29 Behind the Music - Profile
30 Golf Academy Live Scheduled: Janet LePera. (Repeat) (1h)
32 Acme Hour
34 Make Me Laugh
36 Great Books "Walden"
37 Home Again
38 Simpsons
39 Book of Genesis: Joseph
46 Rockets!
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Jaws in the Mediterranean
49 Sonny and Cher - Variety
50 21 Jump Street - Crime Drama (CC)
52 Milyonaryong Mini (30m)
53 Statler Bros. - Variety (CC)
54 You're Home
55 Emeril Live - Cooking
56 Carol Burnett and Friends
58 Signature Series
59 BRV: MOVIE ((' Sweet Liberty 1986 (PG-1h46m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

6:30

3 CBS Evening News (CC)
4 NBC Nightly News (CC)
7 ABC's World News Tonight (30m)
8 ICN: May Ngan News (30m)
10 Newsroom (CC)
14 Brotherly Love - Sitcom (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE ((Airplane II: The Sequel 1982 (PG-1h25m) (CC)
21 International Report News
24 Newshour With Jim Lehrer (CC)
25 Aaahh!!! Real Monsters (CC)
34 Make Me Laugh
37 Home Again
38 Mad About You
40 X-Games
49 Hogan's Heroes - Sitcom
52 Hoy Gising! Cebu (Live) (30m)
54 Homewise
56 Carol Burnett and Friends

7 PM

2 Addicted
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Jeopardy! (30m)
8 ICN: Vietnamese Drama (30m)
10 World News
11 News At 6 P.M. (30m)
12 Bud Sportscall (Live)
13 Hoy Gising
14 DISN: MOVIE: Escape to Witch Mountain 1995 (1h36m) (CC)
19 Hoy Gising (Live)
20 Cops - Reality (CC)
21 CCTV Drama
25 Doug (CC)
26 Highlander: The Series - Fantasy (CC)
29 Storytellers - Profile
34 Paul Reiser: 3 1/2 Blocks From Home The actor-comic performs at New York's Palladium nightclub. (Repeat) (1h)
35 MOVIE - Fantasy
36 Great Books - English
37 Mysteries of the Bible - History
38 In The House
22 Oddville, MTV
39 Spirit of John Paul II
46 Trains Unlimited - History
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Treasures of the Earth
49 Addams Family - Sitcom
50 Miami Vice - Crime Drama (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
52 TV Patrol Cebu (Live) (1h)
53 This Week in Country Music
54 Victory Garden
55 Tamales World Tour - Cooking
56 Waltons - Drama
58 Nonstop Country

7:01

18 MOVIE - Comedy

7:10

11 Holiday Japan (35m)

7:15

16 TMC: MOVIE ((The Baby-Sitters Club 1995 (PG-1h34m) (CC)

7:30

7 Wheel Of Fortune (30m)
8 ICN: Rai News (30m)
12 Human Nature
20 Access Hollywood - Entertainment News (CC)
22 Singled Out
24 Bench - Profile
25 Angry Beavers
38 Malcolm & Eddie
39 Say Yes
49 Mister Ed - Sitcom
54 Gardener's Diary
55 Taste

7:45

10 Features
11 To Be Announced (10m)

7:55

11 Weather Report (5m)

8 PM

2 HBO: MOVIE ((The Crossing Guard 1995 (Repeat) (1h54m)
3 Cosby - Sitcom (CC)
4 Jeff Foxworthy - Sitcom (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Movie (3h)
8 ICN: Sima Y Ashena
10 World News
11 Evening News At 7 P.M. (Japanese With English Subtitles) (30m)
13 TV Patrol (Live)
15 Stargate SG-1 - Science Fiction
17 MAX: MOVIE (((' Atlantic City 1980 (Repeat) (1h44m) (CC)
19 TV Patrol (Live)
20 Melrose Place - Drama (CC)
21 World Report News
23 To Be Announced
24 Evening at Pops - Variety
25 Rugrats (CC)
26 Walker, Texas Ranger - Crime Drama (CC)
29 RuPaul
30 Golf Talk (Live Phone-In) (1h)
31 MOVIE - Drama: Time to Say Goodbye? A doctor diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease asks his wife to assist in his suicide, much to their son's disapproval. 1997 (CC) (2h)
32 Rocky & Bullwinkle
34 Dana Carvey: Critic's Choice The former "Saturday Night Live" star presents his stand-up comedy and biting impersonations. (Repeat) (1h)
36 Great Books - English
37 Biography This Week - Profile
38 Sparks
39 Glory of the Papacy
40 X-Games Scheduled: street luge, barefoot jumping, in-line skating, and bicycle stunt. From San Diego. (Repeat) (1h30m)
46 Victory at Sea - History
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Wild Discovery - Nature
49 Petticoat Junction - Sitcom
50 X-Files - Science Fiction (CC)
52 Hoy Gising! Davao (30m)
53 Opry Backstage - Entertainment News
54 At the Auction
55 Quench - Cooking
56 Rescue 911 - Reality (CC)
59 BRV: MOVIE (((After Dark, My Sweet 1990 (Repeat) (1h54m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

8:30

3 Everybody Loves Raymond - Sitcom (CC)
4 Fired Up - Sitcom (CC)
10 American Edition
11 Short Drama Serial: Itsuka Mita Sora (20m)
12 Pet Connection
21 The Philippines Tonight
22 Indie Outing - Music
25 All That - Variety
29 Sex, Lives & Videoclips
32 Freakazoid!
38 Goode Behavior
39 Crisis in Culture II
46 Victory at Sea - History
49 Green Acres - Sitcom
52 TV Patrol Davao (1h)
53 Grand Ole Opry Live
54 Collectible Treasures - Collectibles
55 Dining Around

8:35

14 DISN: MOVIE ((The Dirt Bike Kid 1985 (PG-1h30m) (CC)

8:45

10 Q & A

8:50

11 Mini Program (10m)

9 PM

3 Cybill - Sitcom (CC)
4 MOVIE - Drama: The Accident, a Moment of Truth Movie
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 ICN: Emshab with P. Afshar (30m)
10 World News Asia
11 Beloved Places, Far Away (45m)
12 Saipan Cable News (Repeat)
13 Regal Presents (2h)
15 SHO: MOVIE ((' Judge Dredd 1995 (Repeat) (1h36m) (CC)
16 TMC: MOVIE ((' Father of the Bride Part II 1995 (PG-1h46m) (CC)
19 TFC Forum
20 Ally McBeal - Drama (CC)
21 Mara Clara
22 Music Videos - Variety
24 To Be Announced
25 Kenan & Kel - Variety
29 Top 10 Video Countdown - Rock
32 Space Ghost: Coast to Coast
34 Young Comedians Dennis Miller introduces David Spade, Rob Schneider and Fred Stoller. (Repeat) (1h)
36 Great Books - English
37 Investigative Reports - Investigative
38 K5 News at Nine
39 Lives of the Saints: St. Francis The life of St. Francis, founder of the three Franciscan Orders. (Repeat) (30m)
46 In Search of History - History
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Jaws in the Mediterranean Shark attack expert Ian Fergusson heads an investigation into why sharks appear to be more aggressive in the Mediterranean than anywhere else. (Repeat) (1h)
49 Bosom Buddies - Sitcom
50 NYPD Blue - Crime Drama (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
53 Statler Bros. - Variety (CC)
54 You're Home
55 Two Fat Ladies - Cooking
56 Hawaii Five-0 - Crime Drama (CC)

9:01

18 MOVIE - Drama (((' Julia Three Oscars went to this account of Lillian Hellman's involvement in the European Resistance movement of World War II. 1977 (2h)
35 MOVIE - Science Fiction ((The Lifeforce Experiment A CIA agent infiltrates the research team of a scientist who seeks to capture the essence of a dying leukemia patient. 1994 (CC) (1h59m)

9:30

3 Murphy Brown - Sitcom (CC)
8 ICN: English Program (30m)
12 Guam Cable News (Sunday Edition)
21 May Ngan News
25 Kablam!
32 Roger Ramjet
38 Cops
39 Visionaries, Mystics and Stigmatists
40 Auto Racing PPG CART World Series -- Monterey Grand Prix. From Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey, Calif. (Taped) (2h)
49 Flip Wilson - Variety
52 TV Patrol Zamboanga (1h)
54 Homewise
55 Three Dog Bakery - Cooking

9:45

11 Mini Program (15m)
21 Vietnamese Drama

10 PM

2 Mr. Show - Comedy
3 Chicago Hope - Drama (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 KRCA: Super Music (30m)
10 World News Asia
11 News And Weather (15m)
12 Guam Cable Forum (Sunday Edition)
17 MAX: MOVIE ((' Passenger 57 1992 (Repeat) (1h23m) (CC)
19 Stock Market
20 F/X: The Series - Adventure
22 Road Rules - Reality
23 To Be Announced
25 I Love Lucy - Sitcom (CC)
29 Hard Rock Live - Rock
30 Golf Talk Scheduled: Tom Lehman. (Repeat) (1h)
31 MOVIE - Comedy
32 Super Friends
34 Dream On - Sitcom
36 Great Books - English
37 MOVIE - Comedy
38 Mad About You
39 Divine Mercy Chaplet
46 Rockets!
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Treasures of the Earth
49 Hogan's Heroes - Sitcom
50 In Living Color - Variety
53 This Week in Country Music
54 Victory Garden
55 Molto Mario
56 700 Club
58 Nonstop Country
59 BRV: MOVIE ((' Sweet Liberty 1986 (PG-1h46m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

10:10

14 DISN: MOVIE: Kids of the Round Table 1995 (NR-1h29m) (CC)

10:15

11 Talk Variety (45m)
39 More Reflections

10:30

2 Chris Rock (CC)
8 KRCA: ACTV Children's Program
10 Business Asia
21 Rai News
22 Daria - Comedy
24 Disaster - Science
25 Lucy and Desi Comedy Hour - Comedy
34 Viva Variety - Comedy
39 Rosary in the Holy Land
49 Phil Silvers
50 In Living Color - Variety
52 TV Patrol Cagayan De Oro (45m)
54 Gardener's Diary
55 Taste

10:45

15 SHO: MOVIE ((Blood In... Blood Out: Bound by Honor 1993 (Repeat) (3h) (CC)
39 St. Joseph Litany

11 PM

2 HBO: MOVIE: First Time Felon 1997 (1h50m) (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (35m)
8 KRCA: Paid Program
10 World Headlines
11 In-Depth Report (30m)
12 The Vet
13 Abangan Ang Susunod Na Kabanata (1h)
16 TMC: MOVIE (' The Scarlet Letter 1995 (Repeat) (2h15m) (CC)
20 Keenen Ivory Wayans
21 Sima Y Ashena
22 Oddville, MTV
24 Charlie Rose
26 Silk Stalkings - Crime Drama (CC)
29 Dance Machine - Dance
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (30m)
32 Speed Racer
34 Best of Comic Relief - Comedy
35 Mystery Science Theater 3000 - Comedy
36 Great Books "Great Gatsby"
38 Word Of Life
39 Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Daily Mass
46 Trains Unlimited "Stokin' the Fire: What Makes Trains Go?"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Movie Magic "Fright Factories"
49 Mannix - Crime Drama
50 X-Files - Science Fiction (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
53 Hee Haw - Variety
54 Victory Garden
55 Dining Around
56 Three Stooges

11:01

18 MOVIE - Adventure (((The Frogmen 1951 (2h)

11:15

52 Tunog 'n Tunawin (TNT)

11:30

8 KRCA: Paid Program
10 World Headlines
11 To Be Announced (15m)
17 MAX: MOVIE: Danger Zone 1996 (Repeat) (1h32m) (CC)
22 Loveline
25 Happy Days - Sitcom
29 Insomniac Music Theater - Rock
32 2 Stupid Dogs
34 South Park - Sitcom
38 Paid Program
40 RPM 2Night (Repeat) (30m)
48 Beyond 2000
52 Sarimanok Network News (1h)
54 Gardener's Journal
55 Chef du Jour

11:35

3 Late Show (CC)
4 Tonight Show (CC)
7 Nightline (30m)

11:40

14 DISN: MOVIE: Windrunner 1994 (PG-1h49m) (CC)

11:45

11 Who's Who In Asia (15m)

MIDNIGHT

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 KRCA: Little Saigon TV News
10 World News
11 NHK News At 11 P.M. (25m)
12 Saipan Cable News (Repeat)
13 The World Tonight
19 Hirit Again (4h)
20 Strange Universe - Reality
21 Emshab with P. Afshar
23 To Be Announced
24 Bench - Profile
25 Taxi - Sitcom (CC)
26 Renegade - Adventure (CC)
29 Crossroads - Variety
30 Golf Talk (Repeat) (1h)
31 Women of the Night III Sandra Bernhard hosts this comedy special featuring female stand-up comics Laura Kightlinger, Kathleen Madigan, Carol Henry, Susie Loucks and Diane Nichols. (Repeat) (1h)
32 Space Ghost: Coast to Coast
34 MOVIE - Comedy (' Transylvania 6-5000 1985 (2h)
36 48 54 Paid Program
37 Biography This Week
38 Jerry Springer
39 Best of Mother Angelica Live
40 College Football Southern Mississippi at Illinois. (Repeat) (3h)
46 Victory at Sea "Design for War"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
49 Petticoat Junction - Sitcom
50 NYPD Blue - Crime Drama (CC)
55 Ready... Set... Cook!
56 Carson's Comedy Classics
58 Nonstop Country
59 BRV: MOVIE (((After Dark, My Sweet (Left in Progress) 1990 (Repeat) (1h54m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

12:05

7 Politically Incorrect (30m)

12:15

8 KRCA: Theme Game (Korean) (45m)

12:25

11 Human Map (25m)

12:30

8 Little Saigon TV News
10 World Sport (Repeat) (30m)
12 Human Nature
13 Special: Martin & Pops: Twogether 1995 (1h30m)
20 36 48 54 Paid Program
21 English Program
22 Adult Videos - Rock
24 Eyewitness - Nature (CC)
25 Dick Van Dyke - Sitcom
29 Number Ones - Rock
32 Roger Ramjet
46 Victory at Sea "The Pacific Boils Over"
49 Green Acres - Sitcom
52 The Morning Show (1h)
55 Bakers' Dozen - Cooking
56 Carson's Comedy Classics

12:35

3 The Late, Late Show With Tom Snyder (1h)
4 Late Night With Conan O'brien (1h)
7 Late Report News Repeat (35m)

12:37

3 Late Late Show (CC)
4 Late Night (CC)

12:50

2 HBO: MOVIE ((The Craft 1996 (Repeat) (1h40m) (CC)
11 Mini Program (20m)

1 AM

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 KRCA: Prime News
10 World News
17 Marilyn Chambers' Bedtime Fantasies
20 Baywatch - Adventure (CC)
21 The Philippines Tonight
22 M2
24 Classic Arts Showcase
25 Bob Newhart - Sitcom
26 C-Net Central - Consumer
29 Insomniac Music Theater - Rock
31 36 48 54 55 56 Paid Program
32 Rocky & Bullwinkle
37 Investigative Reports "Father Gigante"
38 Animals A-Z
39 Life on the Rock
46 In Search of History "The Five Points Gangs"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
49 That Girl - Sitcom
50 Miami Vice - Crime Drama (CC)
51 Shopping Channel
58 Nonstop Country
59 BRV: MOVIE (((After Dark, My Sweet (Joined in Progress) 1990 (Repeat) (1h54m)

1:01

18 MOVIE - Drama ((' The Only Game In Town 1970 (2h)
35 Trailer Park - Entertainment (CC)

1:10

7 Movie (2h)
11 Famous Products (20m)

1:30

8 KRCA: Spring Breeze Knows Own Way
10 Business Asia
11 NHK News Japan Update (English With Japanese Subtitles) (25m)
12 Animals A-Z
16 TMC: MOVIE ((' Carrington 1995 (Repeat) (2h)
21 MBC News from London
25 Newhart - Sitcom (CC)
26 Magnum, P.I. - Crime Drama (CC)
31 36 48 54 55 56 Paid Program
32 2 Stupid Dogs
49 Flip Wilson - Variety
52 Hoy Gising! Bacolod (30m)

1:31

35 MOVIE - Science Fiction ((The Lifeforce Experiment 1994 (CC) (1h59m)

1:35

14 DISN: MOVIE (((' A Passage to India 1984 (PG-2h43m)

1:36

4 Later (CC)

1:45

15 SHO: MOVIE ((Last Man Standing 1996 (Repeat) (1h36m)

1:55

11 Weather Report (5m)

2 AM

3 CBS Up to the Minute (CC)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
6 To Be Announced
10 World News
17 MAX: MOVIE (' The Donor 1995 (Repeat) (1h34m)
20 Cops - Reality (CC)
21 Vremya News
22 Music Videos - Variety
23 Drama: Gumapang Ka Sa Lusak 18
25 Rhoda - Sitcom
30 Golf Talk Scheduled: Tom Lehman. (Repeat) (1h)
31 36 48 50 54 55 Paid Program
32 Cartoon-A-Doodle-Doo
34 South Park - Sitcom
37 MOVIE - Comedy (((Married to the Mob 1988 (2h)
39 St. Francis: Mirror of Christ
46 America's Most Endangered The National Trust for Historic Preservation offers its 1996 list of the 11 Most Endangered Historic Sites. (Repeat) (1h)
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
49 Hogan's Heroes - Sitcom
56 700 Club
59 South Bank Show - Profile
60 Cable Karaoke

2:05

4 NBC News Nightside

2:30

10 Q & A
12 The Vet
20 Real Stories of the Highway Patrol - Reality
21 Journal Televise De France 2
25 Lucy and Desi Comedy Hour - Comedy
26 13 6 48 50 54 55 Paid Program
34 Tick (CC)
39 Scriptural Rosary
49 Phil Silvers

2:35

2 Comedy Hour

3 AM

5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 KRCA: KTAN Local News
10 World News
20 Computer Man - Computers
21 Asia Business News
26 29 31 36 48 50 54 55 56 Paid Program
32 Smurfs
34 Dr. Katz, Professional Therapist - Comedy
39 Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Daily Mass
40 Perfect Parts
46 History Showcase
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
49 Gunsmoke - Western
51 Shopping Channel
58 CMT Morning
59 Champlin on Film

3:01

18 MOVIE - Musical ((' Orchestra Wives 1942 (2h)

3:10

7 ABC's World News Now (1h50m)

3:15

3:25

15 SHO: MOVIE (((Boxcar Bertha 1972 (Repeat) (1h28m)

3:30

20 26 29 31 36 48 50 55 56 Paid Program
21 May Ngan News
25 Happy Days - Sitcom
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (30m)
32 Smurfs
34 Critic - Sitcom
35 MOVIE - Comedy ((Jekyll and Hyde... Together Again 1982 (2h)
40 Co-Ed Training
54 House Doctor
59 National Arts Calendar

3:35

2 Sex Bytes 2.5 - Adult (CC)
4 NBC Nightside (25m)

3:40

17 MAX: MOVIE ((Mischief 1985 (Repeat) (1h37m) (CC)

3:45

10 American Edition
16 TMC: MOVIE ((' Dolores Claiborne 1995 (Repeat) (2h11m) (CC)
21 Vietnam Performing Arts

4 AM

4 NBC Nightside (30m)
5 Saipan Mabuhay (1h)
8 KRCA: Town Guide
10 World Business Today
19 TFC This Week
20 Strange Universe - Reality
21 Discover Europe
23 To Be Announced
24 Classic Arts Showcase
25 Taxi - Sitcom (CC)
26 31 34 36 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
29 New Videos - Rock
32 Small World
37 MOVIE - Drama (((' A Walk in the Sun 1946 (2h)
39 Woman Clothed With the Sun Sightings of the Virgin Mary in Beauraing, Belgium in 1932. (Repeat) (30m)
40 Gotta Sweat
46 Year by Year "1962"
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
49 Mister Ed - Sitcom
54 Victory Garden
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

4:05

8 KRCA: The Doctor Brothers

4:20

2 HBO: MOVIE (((Personal Best (Left in Progress) 1982 (Repeat) (2h4m) (CC)
14 DISN: MOVIE: Escape to Witch Mountain 1995 (1h36m) (CC)

4:30

4 This Morning's Business (30m)
8 KRCA: Prime News (Mandarin) (30m)
10 World News
20 Hitchhiker - Suspense

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

UNION BANK,
Plaintiff,
-vs-
GUADALUPE P. MANGLONA,
Defendant.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-520

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to a First Amended Writ of Execution issued by the Court in this matter on August 7, 1997, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the terms and conditions set forth hereinbelow, all of the right, title, and interest of Defendant in and to the following property: Lots 330, 347, and the northern portion of 349, situated in San Jose Village, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, together containing an area of 3.16 hectares, as shown on Sketch No. 41 of Asia Mapping, Inc.; and Lot H-3-1, As Falipe, Saipan, containing an area of 5,500 square meters, more or less.

Date, Time and Place of Sale. The sale will be held on Friday, October 3, 1997, at the hour of 1:00 p.m., at the law office of the White, Pierce, Mailman & Nutting, Joeten Center, Susupe, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The sale will be open to the general public.

Inspection of Property. It is the responsibility of the bidder to inspect the property. Failure to inspect the property or any portion thereof will not constitute ground for any claim, adjustment, or rescission by any buyer.

Warranties and Covenants. All property listed for sale in this Notice will be sold in its current condition, and at its current location. The sale will be held without any warranties or covenants whatsoever, whether express or implied, including but not limited to warranties of title, merchantability, and/or fitness for any purpose whatsoever, all of which warranties and covenants are hereby expressly disclaimed. Neither the undersigned nor the Plaintiff may give any warranty or covenant, express or implied, with respect to the property listed for sale in this Notice. Neither the undersigned nor the Plaintiff shall be liable for the quality of the property listed for sale in this Notice, or for any fault or defect in the description thereof. Buyers shall not be entitled to rescission, damages, or any other remedy on account thereof.

Conduct of Sale.

a. Reserve. The auction sale may be held with reserve. The reserve price on any property offered for sale may or may not be disclosed to bidders, in the sole discretion of the undersigned.

b. Rights and duties of auctioneer. Consistent with the laws, customs, and usages of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands governing auctions sales, the undersigned shall have the following rights and duties in conducting the auction sale: (1) to withdraw the property listed for sale in this Notice before sale or before a bid for such property is accepted: (2) to adjourn the sale without notice at any time before any specific property is struck off, without incurring any liability whatsoever thereby; and (3) to reject, on behalf of the seller, any or all bids, for any reason.

c. Bids. Bids may be submitted in advance for any or all of the property listed in this Notice. The highest of such bids will automatically be considered the opening bid for the item. Advance bids may be submitted only in writing, signed by the bidder, and delivered to the law offices of White, Pierce, Mailman & Nutting, Joeten Center, Susupe, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The bidder assumes all risk of non-delivery, late delivery, or mis-delivery of bids. Any person, including the Plaintiff, may bid in person at the auction sale, whether or not such person has submitted an advance bid.

d. Disputes. The undersigned may resubmit any property listed in this Notice if a dispute arises as to any bid thereon.

Enforcement of Auction Sale.

a. Deposit. Every successful bidder shall pay to the undersigned a deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price immediately after the sale is consummated. Payment shall be in cash or by certified check. The balance must be paid to the Plaintiff, in care of White, Pierce, Mailman & Nutting, within three (3) days from the date of sale, in cash or by certified check. If the balance is not so paid, Plaintiff will retain the deposit as liquidated damages, and will again offer the property for sale.

b. Memorandum of Sale. If requested by the undersigned, every successful bidder must sign a Memorandum of Sale, immediately after the sale of any property is struck off at auction.

c. Court Approval Required. Every sale is subject to approval by the Court. The auctioneer makes no warranties or promises with respect to court approval of the sale, including but not limited to the time in which such approval may be granted. No delay in the granting of court approval shall be ground for any claim, adjustment, or rescission by any successful bidder. The successful bidder will be promptly notified if and when court approval is granted.

d. Removal or Storage of Personal Property. The successful bidder shall have one (1) working day after court approval of the sale to remove any personal property purchased from the place of sale. After the expiration of this 24-hour period, the successful bidder shall bear the entire risk of loss of or damage to such property, and shall be liable for all expenses of caring for and/or storing such property.

Change of Terms and Conditions. The undersigned and the Plaintiff reserve the right to change any of the terms hereof by announcement, written or oral, made before the auction sale or at the commencement thereof, and such change or changes, by virtue of this clause, shall be binding on all bidders by constructive notice.

DATED, this 3 day of September, 1997.

/s/ JOHN B. JOYNER, Auctioneer

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY,
Plaintiff.

vs.

JANET U. MARATITA
Defendant

CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-0024

NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE

The Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, hereinafter referred to as auctioneer, and the Development Corporation Division of the Commonwealth Development Authority, hereinafter referred to as CDA, hereby give notice of the auction sale of all of the right, title, and interest of defendant Janet U. Maratita in the following described real property:

REAL PROPERTY - Rota, CNMI

Tract No. 22089-1-4 (part of Tract 22089-1 was described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 3005/89, the original of which was recorded on January 17, 1989 as Document No. 89-164 at the Commonwealth Recorder's Office) containing an area of 929 square meters. Tract 22089-1-4 is shown as the shaded portion on the preliminary map attached, as Exhibit A, to the January 8, 1994 Warranty Deed to Janet U. Maratita.

The auction sale will be open to the general public and will be held at the Department of Public Safety Office, Susupe, Saipan, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, October 8, 1997, subject to the following announced terms and conditions:

SECTION ONE
INSPECTION OF PROPERTY

The real property described above is situated on Rota, CNMI, and may be viewed and inspected at all reasonable hours.

All inspections of the real property must be coordinated with Joaquin G. Dela Cruz, CDA Loan Manager. Failure to inspect the real property will not constitute a ground for any claim, adjustment, or rescission by any buyer.

SECTION TWO
WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Neither auctioneer nor CDA may give any warranty, express of implied, as to quality or description of the property listed for sale in this announcement. Neither auctioneer nor CDA shall be liable for the quality of the property listed for sale in this announcement or for any faulty description thereof, in any catalogue, advertisement, or other medium employed for announcing this sale. Buyers shall not be entitled to rescission, damages, or any other remedy on account of the quality of the property listed for sale in this announcement, or the faulty description thereof.

SECTION THREE
CONDUCT OF AUCTION SALE

A. Reserve. **The auction sale shall be held with reserve.**

B. Rights and Duties of Auctioneer. **Consistent with the custom and usage and applicable law of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands governing auction sales with reserve, auctioneer shall have the following rights and duties in conducting the auction sale:**

(1)To withdraw the property listed for sale in this announcement before sale or before a bid for such property is accepted.

(2)To adjourn the sale without notice at any time before any specific property is struck off, without incurring any liability whatsoever thereby; and

(3)To reject, on behalf of the seller, any and all bids.

C.Bids. **Tentative bids may be submitted in advance for any and all of the property listed in this notice. Such bids shall not be binding, except that the highest of such bids will automatically be considered the opening bid for the item. Bids may be entered in person, in writing, or by telephone to the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, Saipan, MP 96950; or to Tred R. Eyerly, Law Offices of Vicente T. Salas, P.O. Box 1369, Saipan, MP 96950, Phone 234-7455, Fax: 234-7256. CDA may bid at the auction sale.**

D. Minimum Bid. **The minimum bid for the real property listed in this notice shall be the total amount of principal, interest, attorney's fees and costs of sale due and owing CDA by the defendants, or the appraised value of the real property, whichever is greater.**

E. Disputes. **Auctioneer may resubmit any property listed in this announcement if a dispute arises as to any bid thereon.**

SECTION FOUR
ENFORCEMENT OF AUCTION SALE

A. Deposit: **Payment. CDA shall collect, and buyers shall pay, a deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price immediately after the sale is consummated, in cash or by certified check. The balance must be paid to CDA within ten (10) days from the date of sale, in cash or by certified check, otherwise CDA will retain the deposit and resell the property.**

B. Memorandum of Sale. **Auctioneer shall require, and all buyers must sign, a memorandum of sale immediately after the sale of any property is consummated.**

SECTION FIVE
CHANGE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Auctioneer and CDA reserve the right to change any of the terms of conduct and enforcement of sale by announcement, written or oral, made before the auction sale or at the commencement thereof, and such change or changes, by virtue of this clause, shall be binding on any buyer by constructive notice.

Dated this 5th day of September, 1997.

/s/ JOSE M. CASTRO
Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY,
Plaintiff,,
vs.
AUGUSTIN M. TAGABUEL and
MARGARITA S. TAGABUEL, Defendants.

Civil Action No. 96-907

NOTICE OF SECOND AUCTION SALE

Following an unsuccessful first auction sale in this matter,the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, hereinafter referred to as auctioneer, and the Development Corporation Division of the Commonwealth Development Authority, hereinafter referred to as CDA, hereby give notice that all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants - Augustin M. Tagabuel & Margarita S. Tagabuel - in the following described real property, located in As Teo, Saipan, will be sold at a second auction sale:

TRACT NO. 22805-R1 (part of Tract 22805 formerly A.H. 194) and containing an area of 29,051 square meters, more or less.

Beginning at a corner which is designated as Corner No. 1 having plane rectangular coordinates of 52,951.391 meters N and 56,760.571 meters E of the Mariana Islands District Coordinates System of 1966.

Thence, S 18° 14'44" W, 47.97 meters to Corner 2; Thence, S 70° 27'54" E, 112.02 meters to Corner 3; Thence, S 34° 47'53" W, 77.07 meters to Corner 4; Thence, N 68° 35'28" W, 265.50 meters to Corner 5; Thence, N 16° 35'05" E, 125.79 meters to Corner 6; Thence, S 66° 39'54" E, 179.90 meters to Corner 1, to the point of the beginning;

The auction sale will be open to the general public and will be held at the Department of Public Safety Office, Susupe, Saipan, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, September 24, 1997, subject to the following announced terms and conditions:

1. Reserve. The auction sale shall be held with reserve.
2. Rights and Duties of Auctioneer. Consistent with the custom and usage and applicable law of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands governing auction sales with reserve, auctioneer shall have the following rights and duties in conducting the auction sale:

a) To withdraw the property listed for sale in this announcement before sale or before a bid for such property is accepted.

b) To adjourn the sale without notice at any time before any specific property is struck off, without incurring any liability whatsoever thereby; and

c) To reject, on behalf of the seller, any and all bids.

3. Minimum Bid. The minimum bid for any property listed in this notice shall be the total amount of principal, interest attorney's fees and costs of sale due and owing CDA by the defendants or the appraised value of the property - whichever is less.
4. Deposit: Payment. A deposit of ten percent 910%) of the purchase price must be paid on the day of the auction sale. The remaining balance will be due within ten 91) days of the auction sale. Failure to make payment of the remaining balance within ten 91) days will result in forfeiture bu the buyer of the ten percent (10%) deposit, and any and all of the buyer's rights, title and interest in any of the aforementioned property will revert to CDA.
5. Change of Terms. Auctioneer and CDA reserve the right to change any of the terms of conduct and enforcement of sale by annoucement, written or oral, made before the auction sale or at the commencement thereof, and such change or changes, by virtue of this clause, shall be binding on any buyer by constructive notice.

Dated this 29th day of August, 1997.

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Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety

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Palau National Communications Corporation PNCC

PNCC RFP NO.: 97-05
CLOSING ON: 10/3/97

REQUEST FOR BID PROPOSALS

FOR LANDSCAPING PLAN FOR PNCC HEADQUARTERS

Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC) is now accepting bid proposals from an Entity or an Individual to provide landscaping design services for its Headquarters located in Airai, in particular, to provide a landscape design and then assist in the implementation of that design. Proposals should include (1) Cost of the proposed Design, (2) hourly rate for design implementation (specify maximum hours) (3) Time frame for completion of project, (4) An example of the specific plants, trees, grass, flowers, etc. to be planted, (5) Specify years of experience in this specific area, (6) List of references, and (7) List of specific projects and, if available, photos of completed projects. Bidder is responsible for all necessary state and national permits, taxes and fees. Interested bidders may contact O'Brien O. Ngemaes, Purchasing Manager, for more details and more information.

PNCC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. A submission of an offer or proposal gives PNCC the right to solicit recommendations and references from previous and present employers as to reliability and competence among other qualifications.

Proposals must be received no later than **Friday, October 03, 1997 at 4:00 p.m. Palau Time** at PNCC Headquarters Building located at Ngerusar, Airai State. All proposals must be sealed and addressed to O'Brien Ngemaes, Puchasing Manager, P.O. Box 99, Koror, Palau 96940 with RFP Number written outside the envelope.

Proposals will be opend and reviewed on Monday, October 6, at 9:30 a.m. at PNCC Headquarters Building, Airai. Bidders need not be present at the Bid Opening. All bidders will be informed of the results.

/s/ **Matthew Link**
General Manager
Date: 9-18-97

Palau National Communications Corporation PNCC

PNCC RFP NO.: 97-06
CLOSING ON: 10/3/97

REQUEST FOR BID PROPOSALS

FOR SECURITY GUARD SERVICE

Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC) is now accepting bid proposals for Security Guard Service for its Headquarters Building in Airai. Security Guards services will be required ffrom 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. on work days and 24 hours on week-end and holidays. Proposals should include expected annual service fee, years of experience in this area as well as list of at least 3 references. Prospective contractor will need to be bonded. Bidder is responsible for all necessary state and national permits, taxes, and fees as well as transportation to the work site. Interested bidders may contact O'Brien O. Ngemaes, Purchasing Manager, for more details and more information.

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Contact: JOSE T. TAROPE dba Chemiboy Enterprises Tel. 322-4919(/29)M23904

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01 BUILDING MAINTENANCE REPAIRER-Salary: $3.05 per hour
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05 ELECTRICAL ENGINEER-Salary: $1,500.00-2,600.00 per month
Contact: FLETCHER PACIFIC CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD. (CNMI) Tel. 234-3301(9/29)M67997

01 ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER-Salary: $4,500-6,650.00 per month
Contact: HOTEL NIKKO SAIPAN, INC. Tel. 322-3311 Ext. 2020(10/3)F234007

01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary: #1,000.00-1,200.00 per month
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01 WAITRESS-Salary: $3.05-3.30 per hour
Contact: RODRIGO DELA CRUZ PEREZ dba RP Enterprises (10/3)F239955

01 ABLE BODIED SEAMAN-Salary: $3.05-5.00 per hour
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01 SALES MANAGER-Salary: $600.00 per month
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02 BUILDING MAINTENANCE-Salary: $3.05 per hour
02 MASON-Salary: $3.05 per hour
02 COMMERCIAL CLEANER-Salary: $3.05 per hour
Contact: NENITA VALDEZ MARQUEZ dba N.V.M. Enterprises Tel. 235-7564(10/6)M24003

02 MAINTENANCE WORKER (BUILDING REPAIR)-Salary: $3.35-3.75 per hour
01 MAINTENANCE ELECTRICIAN-Salary: $3.35 per hour
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01 PRODUCTION/OPERATION MANAGER-Salary: $3,000.00 per month
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01 METAL FABRICATOR WELDER-Salary: $3.75 per hour
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Contact: LEI'S CORPORATION Tel. 233-3268(10/6)M24012

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Contact: U.S.A. FANTER CORP., LTD. dba G.C. Construction Contractor Tel. 233-0775(10/6)M24013

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01 GENERAL MAINTENANCE (REPAIR)-Salary: $3.25 per hour
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01 ELECTRICIAN-Salary: $3.05 per hour
Contact: ARTURO C. TRAVILLA dba Owen's Enterprises Tel. 235-3580(10/6)M24016

01 ACCOUNTANT-Salary: $700.00 per month
Contact: RODORA R. TORRES dba NPJ Brothers Ent. Tel. 235-0379(10/6)M24017

01 CHINESE COOK-Salary: $3.05 per hour
Contact: U.S.A. NEW CENTURY COMPANY, LTD. dba Grand Cycle Store Tel. 235-6565(10/6)M24018

01 CHOREOGRAPHER-Salary: $3.25-3.50 per hour
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Contact: STAR FOUR CORPORATION Tel. 234-5520(10/6)M24020

01 MARINE MECHANIC (BOAT REPAIR)-Salary: $1,300.00-1,500.00 per month
Contact: CHARM INC. dba Matsuda Marine Service Tel. 233-9391(10/6)M24021

02 FISH SALES CLERK-Salary: $3.05 perhour
Contact: BERNADITA DELA CRUZ TAITANO dba J&B Fish Mobile Tel. 288-6011(10/6)M24022

01 CARPENTER-Salary: $3.05 per hour
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Contact: JOSE SABLAN BASA dba Joe and Sons Construction Tel. 234-7686(10/6)M24024

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Contact: EIGHT CORPORATION dba EC Communications Tel. 235-8373(10/6)M24025

01 COMMERCIAL CLEANER-Salary: $3.05 per hour
02 WAITRESS/RESTAURANT-Salary: $3.05 per hour
Contact: MR. & MRS. FELIPE SN. CAMACHO dba Camacho Enterprises Tel. 322-3017(10/06)M24033

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL GUARDIANS FOR
JENNY A. RICARTO and JUSTIE A. RICARTO,
minor children,

by

AMALIA A. RICARTO and JIMMY M. RICARTO
Petitioners.

FCD GU Civil Action No. 97-0063

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that Petitioners Amalia A. Ricarto and Jimmy M. Ricarto have petitioned the above Court to appoint Juan Guillis Muna and Myrna Ricarto Muna the general guardian of the above-mentioned minor children. The hearing on this petition has been set before the Superior Court, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, for the 16th day of October, 1997 at 10:00 a.m.

Any person who may have any interest in the matter may file his or her objection with the Superior Court at any time before the hearing, or may appear at the time set for hearing to present such objection or interest in the above captioned matter.

Dated this 16th day of September, 1997.

/s/ DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
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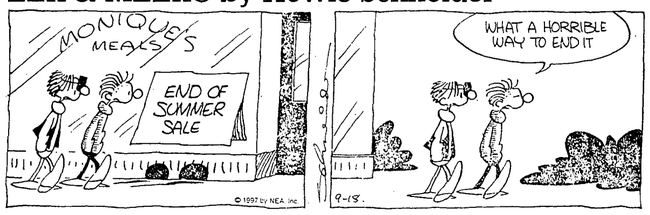

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YOUR BIRTHDAY

By Stella Wilder

Born today, you are one of the most stylish and original individuals born under your sign, and you combine many traits that are usually assigned to those born under other signs as well. It is not easy for others to determine just what you are like upon first meeting you; getting to know you takes some time, but it is certainly time well spent! You know how to make friends and keep them, and those to whom you have pledged loyalty can count on you through thick and thin. You are idealistic and realistic, and you know how to work hard and play hard, too.

You think of coworkers more as friends than as partners; for this reason, others are eager to work with you on any kind of project, at any time. You inspire others to achieve more than expected, and you are capable of doing more than you have suggested you will do at any given time.

Also born on this date are: **Shari Belafonte-Harper, model and actress; Debby Boone, singer; Joan Jett, singer and musician; Tommy Lasorda, baseball manager; Mike Sullivan, Wyoming governor.**

To see what is in store for you tomorrow, find your birthday and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 23

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — A promise made today can pay off for you in unforeseen ways in the near future. Be sure that you know just what you are pledging to do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — A surprise is in store for you, but you can get back on top in no time if you are willing to do more than you had planned.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You will have a chance today to surround yourself with only the best, but you're going to have to make a sacrifice in the process.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Seeking something more than what you have will take some time — and perhaps a good deal of money. The status quo isn't that bad!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — An insight into a difficult domestic situation will have you working hard to correct what needn't have happened in the first place.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You may decide today that you're fed up with the way things are — but how can you make them better? Take time to think things through completely.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You must remind yourself today of those things that are most valuable to you in order to get yourself firmly back on track.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Tend to one thing at a time today for best results. You will want to steer clear of situations that are too complex to assess accurately.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You will have to be more generous and sociable than expected today. You can do it, and impress others in the process as well.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — What begins as a difficult day may turn out to be memorable for all the things that come to you as if by luck. There is more to it!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You may want to lie low today. Energy and enthusiasm may be waning dramatically at this time, and you can't afford to make a costly error.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today you'll enjoy an awakening of sorts that should enable you to see things as they really are. Judgment has been rather faulty of late.

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DATE BOOK

Sept. 22, 1997

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Today is the 265th day of 1997 and the second day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1776, Nathan Hale was executed by the British for spying for George Washington.

On this day in 1789, Benjamin Franklin became the country's first postmaster general.

On this day in 1964, the musical "Fiddler on the Roof" starring Zero Mostel opened on Broadway.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Michael Faraday (1791-1867), scientist; Erich von Stroheim (1885-1957), director-actor; John Houseman (1902-1988), actor-producer-director; Tommy Lasorda (1927-), baseball manager, is 70; Debby Boone (1956-), singer, is 41; Joan Jett (1960-), singer, is 37; Scott Baio (1961-), actor, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1968, the Minnesota Twins' Cesar Tovar played all nine positions in a 2-1 victory over the Oakland A's.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Those whose cause is just will never lack / good arguments." — Euripides

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1993, 12 football players in Shawnee, Kan., were injured by wind-driven hail the size of golf balls.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day before last quarter.

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13 "— Maria"
14 Director Kezan
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17 Insect eggs
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24 Form of self-defense
27 Eagles' nests
31 Bank book entry (abbr.)
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42 "Die Hard" actor
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56 — -do-well
57 Court matter
58 "Simon —"

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10 Flying object
11 "— of Eden"
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25 Part of Q&A
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30 "Desk —"
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37 Spooky creatures
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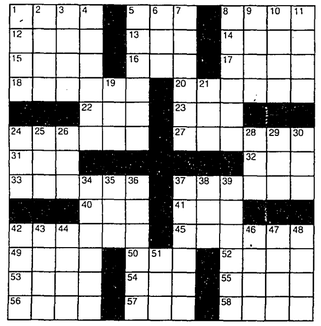

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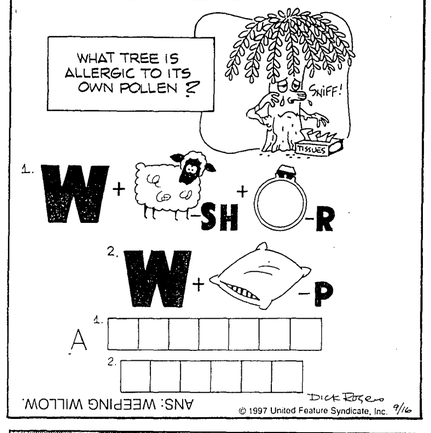

No trade at NBA meet

By Chris Sheridan

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The NBA meetings have featured get-togethers, golf outings, speeches, caucuses and everything else — Goofy or not — that is standard fare for a three-day convention at Disney World.

But as the meetings went through their final full day Saturday, everybody was still waiting for the first official trade.

A deal that would have sent Dennis Scott from the Orlando Magic to Dallas for Derek Harper and Ed O'Bannon was squashed at the last minute by Mavericks ownership, sources told the Associated Press.

Another deal that would send oft-injured swingman Scott Burrell from Golden State to Chicago for Dickey Simpkins was expected to be finalized early next week.

Perhaps the biggest prize in all the trade talks — Shawn Kemp of Seattle — was still a member of SuperSonics by the time general manager Wally Walker departed the meetings Saturday afternoon.

"I'm a popular guy, but we're in no hurry to do anything," Walker said.

Still, Walker conceded that he is talking to several teams and would like to trade Kemp to the Eastern Conference.

"We'd much rather see him two times a year that four times," Walker said.

One general manager and one coach — not from the same team — said they had heard that the Chicago Bulls were again floating the idea of trading Scottie Pippen.

"I'm not going to comment on that," Bulls general manager Jerry Krause said early Saturday evening.

Pippen, who was nearly dealt to Boston on the night of the draft for three No. 1 picks and Antoine Walker, did not play in his All-Star exhibition game at the United Center in Chicago on Saturday night.

Pippen, still bothered by a bone spur in his left foot, had said he would use the charity game to test his injury, then decide whether to have surgery that would sideline him for about two months.

"I don't think I'll be playing, guys. Sorry to disappoint you. It's no test at all," Pippen said. "I find I'm not going to push myself. We'll just have to wait and see."

Other teams active in trade talks are the Milwaukee Bucks, Golden State Warriors, Cleveland Cavaliers and Atlanta Hawks.

The Bucks, still thought to be pondering a Vin Baker-for-Kemp offer, were said to be shopping Elliot Perry, Andrew Lang and Armon Gilliam. One rumor had Milwaukee sending Lang to the New Jersey Nets, who are desperate for a center, in exchange for Jayson Williams.

Gilliam was rumored to be headed to Golden State for B.J. Armstrong.

Other teams were checking with the Warriors on the availability of Joe Smith, one of the marquee members of the draft class of 1995 who is slated to become a free agent next summer.

Also in that category is Antonio McDyess of Denver, who met — along with his agent, Arn Tellem — with Nuggets executives and ownership last Thursday. Tellem said no financial issues were discussed.

There were rumors last week that the Lakers were considering an offer of Eddie Jones for McDyess. And another Jones rumor — to Sacramento for disgruntled Mitch Richmond — made its way through the lobby at the Dolphin Hotel.

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and Larry Guerrero's solo homers blew out the Aces in game two, 16-2, to tie the series 1-1.

It was all Wheels in the first three innings with a commanding 11-0 lead with six runs coming in the bottom of the second on Pangelinan's lead-of homer and John Reyes and Greg F. Camacho two rbis, and five in the third led by D/H Tony DL Cruz's two-run single.

They extended it to 14-0 with three more runs in the sixth highlighted by Guerrero's lead-off homer before the Aces finally got on the scoreboard with a run in the top of the seventh when Glen Palacios singled and plated on a throwing error.

The Wheels are looking for their fourth straight championship, while the Aces are looking for their first since 1982.

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weeks ago that they were bowing out of the tournament.

Jama now has 28 points and can tie Fortune if the latter loses all its game in the last round, provided that Jama scores a shut out.

In other round 14 games, Bigi Bar & Restaurant shut out K Boys, whose boards 1 and 2 players did not show up.

Defending champion Yana Law Office is tied with National Office Supply after a draw on board 2 and rescheduled games for boards 1 and 3.

Kim Enterprises, for its part, smashed J&Y Tours 2.5-.5, while Owens Enterprises dished out a 3-0 drubbing of the "never say die" Pale Blue team.

Nagoya Star notched a 2.5-.5 win against Chargualaf & Associates, and Geonel Enterprises kissed its title hopes goodbye after losing 1-2 to Essence Boutique which scored wins on boards 2 and 3.

Geonel's only point was scored by board 1 player Almer Santos against Junnel Lomantas.

The top 5 teams after 14 rounds: 1st—Fortune, 31 pts.; 2nd—Jama, 28pts.; 3rd—Geonel, 26.5 pts.; 4th—Kim, 24.5 pts.; 5th—Owens, 24 pts.

Ali hosts amateur boxing tribute

By Steve Bailey

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The Muhammad Ali Tribute to Amateur Boxing on Saturday drew a cadre of famous professional fighters, including the honoree, Evander Holyfield, Ken Norton and Jimmy Ellis. Missing, however, were Mike Tyson, Joe Frazier and George Foreman.

A planned "healing ceremony" between Holyfield and Tyson set up by Ali never materialized because Tyson couldn't make it to the event because of problems with his charter flight from the New York metropolitan area.

One of the highlights of the star-studded gala was expected to be the meeting between Holyfield and Tyson, who last met in their June title fight in which Tyson was disqualified and later had his boxing license revoked for twice biting Holyfield's ear.

Promoters of the event had announced that Frazier and Foreman — former heavyweight champions and two of Ali's most memorable foes — also would attend, making it the most impressive gathering of heavyweights ever. But on Friday, organizers said there had been a mixup and that neither Foreman nor Frazier would be able to attend.

As Ali and Holyfield stood together in the ring, a spokesman for Tyson read a statement from the boxer:

"On this wonderful evening, I'm very, very sorry I could not be with you. Problems with our charter flight would not allow me to be with you and Evander tonight.

"As you know, I planned for weeks to be in Louisville. ... I wanted to shake hands with Evander Holyfield so that everyone could see for themselves how badly I feel about what happened in our last fight in Las Vegas.

"Don King has asked me to announce to you, Muhammad, a pledge of several hundred thousand dollars to the Muhammad Ali Cup youth charities in your name."

After the statement, Holyfield pledged his support to Ali and his efforts with amateur boxing and left the ring without commenting on the absence of Tyson.

The tribute also included a mini-concert by Natalie Cole and appearances by actor James Earl Jones and comedian Jeff Foxworthy.

Jones contributed his familiar baritone to deliver a poetic tribute to amateur boxing written by Ali.

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lost to her in last year's final.

But Sanchez Vicario started the second set by holding serve with the help of two winning drop shots and then immediately breaking Seles, thanks to an accidental drop shot — a blocked serve return that landed just over the net. That saved a game point, and Seles then double faulted and missed a backhand.

Although she was broken twice herself in the second set, Sanchez Vicario gained two more breaks, first by stretching Seles too far wide to use her two-handed backhand effectively, and then with a backhand winner down the line and a net charge that pressured Seles into an error.

"She started to make less errors. ... I got tired more mentally and let her back into the match," Seles said.

Errors by Seles let Sanchez Vicario take a 1-3 first-set lead.

But Seles got the break back in the sixth game after six deuces and four game points for Sanchez Vicario. At the end, Sanchez Vicario missed two backhands.

Royals. . .

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while warming up in the bullpen and fell to the ground in pain.

Flanked by two trainers and in obvious pain, he slowly walked in and was immediately taken to a hospital. Officials said the arm appeared to be broken, another in a long list of injuries that have dogged the Indians this season.

Smiley had figured in manager Mike Hargrove's postseason rotation plans, but the Indians have had terrible luck with pitching injuries. At one point in July, Cleveland had five pitchers on the disabled list.

Jeff Juden, who made the emergency start in Smiley's place, took a two-hit shutout into the seventh but Jay Bell singled and Jeff King tied it 2-2 with his 24th homer.

Albie Lopez (3-6) started the eighth for Cleveland and gave up a single to Yamil Benitez before Rod Myers walked. Damon followed with his triple before scoring on Lopez's wild pitch.

Gregg Olson (4-3) pitched one inning for the win and Jeff Montgomery got three outs for his 14th save.

McGwire. . .

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third inning. He stayed in the game, but was lifted in the eighth after striking out for the second time.

"I have no clue," McGwire said of his Sunday status. "I'll find out how it feels in the morning."

Griffey went 1-for-5 with two walks in Seattle's 4-3, 15-inning loss to Oakland and has seven remaining.

"Did I know Mark had hit one today?" Griffey said after his ninth-inning homer at Oakland on Friday. "There were 16,000 fans out there telling me that every inning."

"I don't think he pays much attention to me, and my job is to help us win games, not catch him."

Make no mistake, though. McGwire knows exactly where Griffey stands.

"It's hard not to if you're watching TV. It's usually the first thing on 'SportsCenter,' isn't it?" McGwire said earlier this week.

"He's an outstanding player. I've always admired him playing in the American League," he said. "He's situated in an outstanding lineup and they're in first place and probably going to the playoffs. I'm happy for him and his team."

The Mariners lead the AL West, meaning this might be the year that Griffey finally gets to play in the World Series. McGwire made it three times with Oakland in 1988-90.

And, despite the big homer totals for each, Griffey is quick to point out there's a big difference between him and McGwire.

"Hit them off scoreboards," Griffey said. "Mark hits them over scoreboards."

"You can't explain home runs. Mark hit 49 his rookie year, then y'all said he dropped off when he hit 30 or 40 after that. You hit the ball hard, you can't control where it goes when it leaves the bat," he said.

And, no matter how much both players try to turn aside mentions of Maris, it's just not possible these days. Not since Maris and Mickey Mantle (54) in 1961 had anyone hit more than 52 until this season, and now all of baseball is focusing on where McGwire and Griffey will finish.

"That's the one everybody talks about," Griffey said. "Sixty-one is what everybody wants to hear about."

Everywhere they play, the people follow.

At Wrigley Field this week, Chicago Cubs pitching coach Phil Regan was among those who made sure he saw McGwire take his swings before a game. McGwire did not disappoint, launching several shots onto Waveland Avenue beyond the left-field bleachers, along with a drive near the center-field scoreboard.

"One of the reasons we had such a nice crowd was him," Regan said. "You don't see many people who attract people to come watch guys hit.

"You used to see a Mickey Mantle, a Ted Williams, a Hank Aaron do that. But today, even the (Cubs) coaches said, 'I'm going to go out and watch him in batting practice,'" he said.

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SPORTS

SML Best-of-5 Championship series:

Aces, Wheels split wins

By Ray Palacios
For the Variety

GOOD pitching prevailed over good hitting in the Saipan Major League best-of-five championship series between the pennant champs U.M.D.A. Aces and runner-up Toyota Wheels as they split the first two games played Saturday and Sunday.

Aces bagged game one, 13-4 while the Wheels took game two, 16-2.

This latter game was the Aces first loss after winning 15 games in a row.

Cris Nelson went to distance striking out 14 Wheelers and the Aces outhit the Wheels 16-8 in game one enroute to the win.

The Wheels drew first blood with two runs in the top of the first but the Aces retaliated with the next twelve runs highlighted by Steve Coleman's solo homerun off starter and loser Elmer Sablan in the bottom of the fifth that put the Aces on top, 4-2.

Ahead by five, 7-2, the Aces continued to pour in some more runs including five in the seventh off two Wheels reliever for a 12-2 lead.

The Wheels cut the lead to 12-4 with two runs in the top of the eight but that is all they could muster as Nelson struck out the side on the ninth for the win.

After a terrible game one outing, the Wheels behind Tony Benavente's four hitter with nine strike outs and Frank Pangelinan

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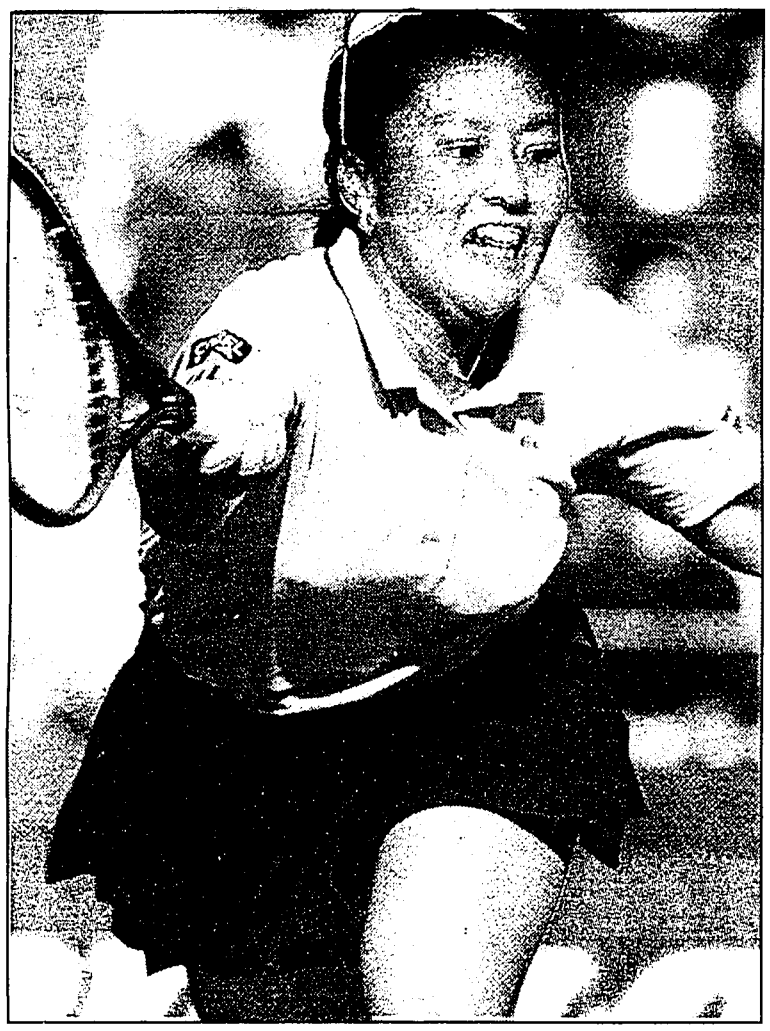

Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan dashes to return the ball against No. 3 seed Conchita Martinez of Spain in the quarterfinals of the Toyota Princess Cup tennis tournament in Tokyo Friday. Sawamatsu upset Martinez 7-6 (7-4), 6-4 in a nearly two-hour battle. AP

With one more round to go:

Fortune clinches chess title

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

FORTUNE International yesterday held Owwa/Philippine Consulate to a draw after it won on board 3 by default, enabling it to maintain its commanding lead in the default-marred 1997 Allied Insurance Cup Team Chess Championship.

With 31 points and one round left, Fortune can lose all its games on Sunday, Sept. 28, and still end in a tie for first place.

Prior to yesterday's match, Fortune has lost two of its earlier round assignments, but scored a "shut out" last week after the opposing team failed to show up.

In yesterday's round 14 match, Fortune's Ely G. Buenaventura lost to Owwa's rampaging John Villamin on board 1, but a draw on board 2 and a win by default on board 3 leveled things up for Fortune.

It was Villamin's sixth straight victory since rejoining the tournament, showing once again why he is the CNMI's leading chess player.

Fortune's nearest pursuer, Club Jama, collected three points by default against Hotel Nikkō Saipan which should have been removed from the list of participating teams after its team players announced

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McGwire-Griffey rivalry heats up

By Ben Walker

KEN GRIFFEY JR. doesn't need ESPN, the Internet or a newspaper to tell him where he stands in the home run race. He's surrounded by people giving him minute-by-minute updates on Mark McGwire.

The most riveting race in baseball — yes, more than the Giants-Dodgers chase in the NL West — took another step toward historic proportions Friday night when McGwire hit his 54th homer and Griffey hit his 53rd. The duel shots left both stars within range of Roger Maris' record of 61 in 1961.

McGwire was 0-for-4 with two strikeouts in the Cardinals' 10-1 loss at Pittsburgh on Saturday and has eight games left. But he jammed his back while being tagged out at home plate in the

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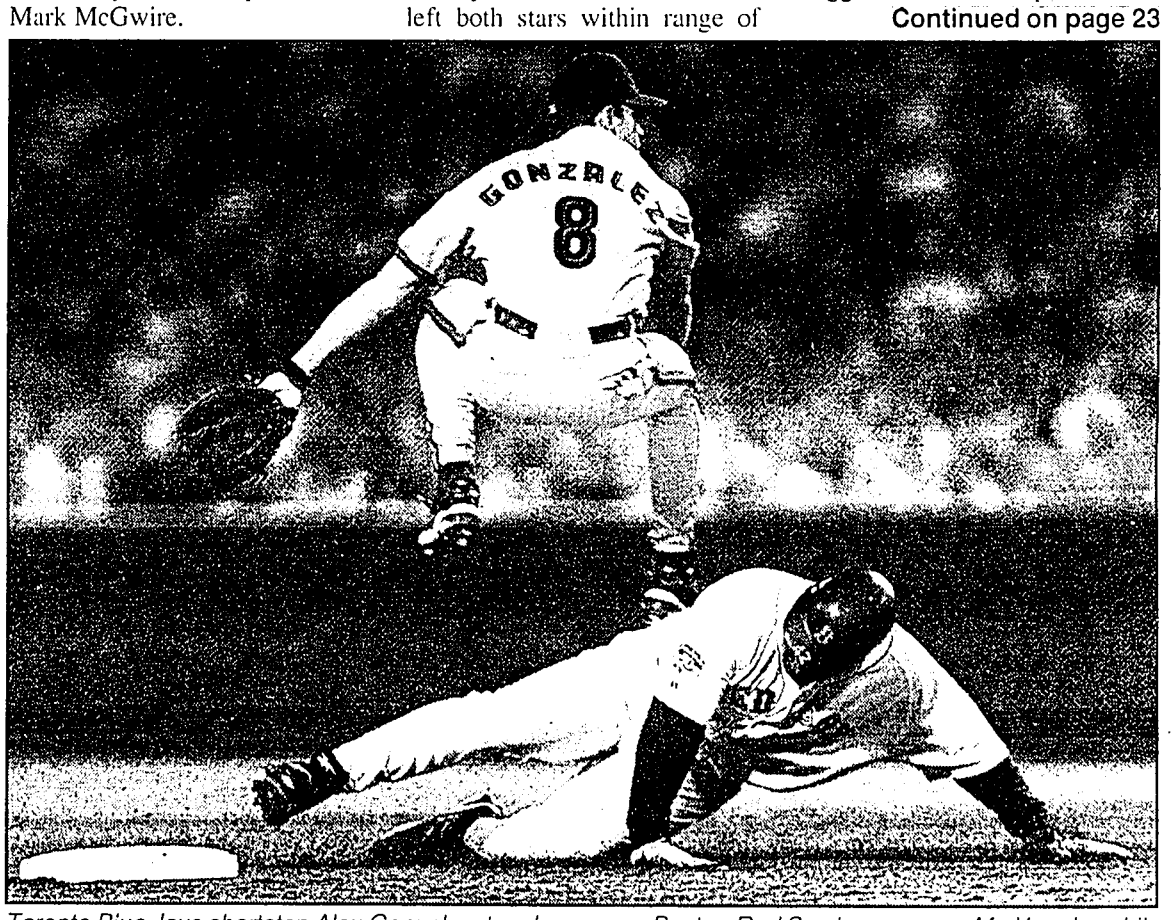

Toronto Blue Jays shortstop Alex Gonzalez, top, leaps over Boston Red Sox base runner Mo Vaughn while turning a double play on a ground out by Reggie Jefferson in the fourth inning of American League action at Fenway Park in Boston. AP

Seles wins in Tokyo

By Phil Brown

TOKYO (AP) — Monica Seles, rebounding from a 1-3 deficit in the final set, defeated Arantxa Sánchez Vicario 6-1, 3-6, 7-6 (7-5) Sunday for her fourth consecutive championship in the Toyota Princess Cup tennis tournament.

Sanchez Vicario, who frustrated Seles with impressive retrieving, counter-punching, slices, drop shots and good serving, saved one match point at 4-5 in the final set and two more in the tiebreaker before finally losing on one of Seles' few successful drop shots.

It all came down to "just a little bit of luck on key shots, the same thing that brought Arantxa back into the match in the second set," said the top seed, who has lost only once to Sanchez Vicario — that in 1992 — in 15 meetings.

Seles had little trouble in the 23-minute first set against the Spanish No. 2 seed, who also

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Royals defeat Indians

By Doug Tucker

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Johnny Damon's tie-breaking triple in the eighth inning sent the Kansas City Royals to a 5-2 win over Cleveland, which lost starter John Smiley before the game with a possible broken arm.

The Indians' magic number for clinching their third straight AL Central title stayed at four, pending the outcome of Milwaukee's game in Minnesota.

Smiley, a left-hander sidelined since Aug. 30 because of tendinitis in the left shoulder and elbow, screamed after delivering a pitch

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