

Torres faces ouster

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
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THE BOARD of Education is seeking the ouster of Education Commissioner William S. Torres from the Public School System.

The board has voted to terminate the commissioner's contract, a decision which according to BOE chairman Don Farrell, was triggered by the Office of the Public Auditor's draft report faulting PSS for alleged mismanagement of the Marianas High School gym project.

Farrell said the vote was made at the board's executive session

held on Rota last week.

The final outcome of the board's preliminary decision will depend, however, on the OPA's final report, Farrell said.

"The board recognized that it was a draft audit and we should give the commissioner an opportunity to respond to the allegations in that audit report," Farrell said.

"However," the BOE chief added, "in light of other continuing problems with the administration of public education...the board voted unanimously to terminate the contract of Commis-



William S. Torres

sioner William S. Torres if the final report substantiates the draft

report."

In its report, OPA said public funds have been wasted because of PSS's alleged "negligence and mismanagement" of the \$1.21 million MHS gym project.

OPA rebuked PSS for allowing the contractor, B&R Construction, to continue its contract despite the company's "overall poor performance" and "inadequate financial resources."

"I was outraged that somebody leaked the report. It was not sup-

posed to be out yet," Farrell said.

OPA has recommended that "adverse action" be taken against the Commissioner and the "responsible PSS CIP staff members."

"That is being considered by the board," Farrell said of the OPA's recommendation.

"After lengthy discussion, the members of the board who were present made the motion (to terminate the commissioner's con-

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Lower phone rates start today

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
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LONG-DIS-TANCE rates for calls from the CNMI to the United States mainland drops to 40 cents per minute

Rates of US mainland calls per minute

Carrier	Peak	Off Peak	Guam
GTE/MTC	40 cents	40 cents	27 cents
IT&E	55 cents	55 cents	35 cents
PCI	40 cents	25 cents	40/25
Sprint	42 cents	32 cents	42/32
AT&T	35 cents	23 cents	35/23

markets, they must bring their rates fully in line with mainland U.S. rates," Ecret said.

Sprint did not submit a proposal to FCC, but FCC

today courtesy of the rate integration scheme.

The Federal Communications Commission issued the rate integration ruling the other day, along with its dismissal of the petition by some carriers for reconsideration of rate integration.

"The bottomline line is, after three and a half or almost four years of struggling to bring the costs to a reasonable rate, we won," said Dave Ecret, the

governor's special assistant for telecommunications and utilities.

Interstate rates has gone down from \$1.85 to 65 cents and then to 40 cents. (See box for rates.)

Two orders by FCC rejected the bids by Sprint and IT&E, and MTC and other service providers to be exempted from the rate integration requirement.

"These FCC decisions should make it absolutely clear to carriers that if they wish to serve the CNMI and other U.S. Pacific Rim

ordered the company to implement integrated rates between the CNMI and Guam by Aug. 15.

In another petition, IT&E had asked that it be allowed to charge CNMI subscribers more than Guam subscribers pointing out that costs in the Commonwealth are higher.

IT&E's petition was rejected. Under the FCC rulings, the principle is established that rate

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CNMI sues US gov't over submerged lands

By Zaldy Dandan
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THE TENORIO administration has sued the U.S. over ownership of submerged lands within 12 miles from the CNMI's coasts.

Filed yesterday at the U.S. District Court, the lawsuit named the federal government as respondent.

Acting Attorney General Robert Dunlap, in an interview, said yesterday was the last day for the CNMI to stake its claim on the issue.

"We have to bring it up," he said. "If we don't we may lose our rights to our submerged lands."

He said the lawsuit will establish ownership of the coastal waters that the CNMI



Robert Dunlap

and the federal government are both claiming jurisdiction and control of.

The issue of submerged lands is one of three issues discussed in the Covenant Section 902 talks by represen-

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Borja: Firing of DFW chief could be 'illegal'

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

ACTING Gov. Jesus C. Borja on Wednesday called the firing of

Roque A. Santos as Fish and Wildlife Division director as "playing with people's lives," and may be in violation of the ethics code.

Citing the Public Auditor's Office (OPA) pamphlet on "political harassment," Borja said that Santos should take legal action if he has evidence that he was fired by Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio for political reasons.

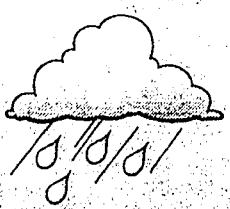
"I sympathize with Mr. Santos and his family," Borja said.

He added, "While you may not agree with a person's political beliefs you should not use your influence with regard to (that person's) employment."

Santos is a political appointee who can be hired and fired at the will of the governor.

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WEATHER Outlook



Widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorm



CHAMORRO SOVEREIGNTY. Members of the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians are on Saipan to discuss common grounds with their Chamorro counterparts. From right, Guam Chamorro Tribal Marianas Chair Patrick San Nicolas, Cabazon Chair John James, Cabazon CEO Mark Nichols and GCTM Enrollment Officer Severina A. Ogo after a meeting with CNMI officials yesterday.

Photo by Lalla C. Younis

Deadly bomb attack

By HILARY APPELMAN

JERUSALEM (AP)- Israel blockaded Gaza and the autonomous West Bank towns after a twin suicide bombing by Islamic militants killed at least 14 people and dealt the hobbled Israeli-

Palestinian peace process a devastating blow.

Throughout the Palestinian areas, leaders of the militant Hamas movement that claimed the attack were preparing for a massive overnight arrest sweep

by Arafat's forces early Thursday.

In Jerusalem, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Cabinet decided to suspend peace talks with the Palestinians - which had only this week resumed af-



Israelis evacuate an injured man at the Mahane Yehuda outdoor market after a double suicide attack in Jerusalem. At least 14 people died and over 150 were injured in the attack. AP



Crying family members stand above the grave of Sami Malka at the Jerusalem cemetery Thursday. Sami Malka was among the victims of Wednesday's double suicide blast at Jerusalem's Mahane Yehuda open air market. AP

Land fund bill passes

By Zaldy Dandan
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THE Senate yesterday passed an amended version of a bill that would appropriate \$2.5 million for the government's land purchases.

House Bill 10-440, which now returns to the House of Representatives, allots payments to more than 100 individuals, including Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio, whose lands were acquired by the government for public purposes.

The Senate, in passing the bill, attached the names of individuals and families whose lands were acquired by the government.

Sen. David M. Cing (D-Tinian), who insisted that the lists should be attached to the bill, said without the attachments "the \$2.5 million would be flying in all direction."

At the same time, an amendment offered by Senate Majority Leader Thomas P. Villagomez (R-Saipan)



Jesus T. Attao



Thomas P. Villagomez

will allot any remaining funds for those not included in the list and whose lands were acquired for less than \$200,000.

However, a House member yesterday told the Variety that most of the land deals in the lists have yet to be "consummated."

Introduced by Vice Speaker Jesus

T. Attao (R-Saipan), H.B. 10-440 would earmark funds from the more than \$9 additional revenues for fiscal year 1997 Governor Tenorio recently identified.

Tenorio, in his "wish list" submitted to the Legislature, allotted \$1.8 million for the land purchases, but Attao said he proposed \$2.5

million to include the government's land acquisition on Rota involving 22 individuals, including Mayor Joseph S. Inos, former Lt. governor Benjamin T. Manglona and Rep. Vicente M. Atalig.

In the past, the CNMI government exchanged public lands for private properties, but Governor Tenorio and some legislators have said that the policy has been "abused."

Cing 'changes his mind,' says Wonenberg to be confirmed

By Zaldy Dandan
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SENATOR David M. Cing yesterday said he has "changed his mind" on Margarita DLG Wonenberg's being named as Lands and Natural Resources secretary, adding that he now sees no reason why the Senate should not confirm her nomination.

"I changed my mind," Cing (D-Tinian) said. "The governor changes his everyday, so let's just say I finally learned something from him."

Cing said the Committee on Executive Appointment and Governmental Investigation (EAGI), which he chairs, will take up Wonenberg's nomination in a meeting before the Senate holds a session next week.

But as Wonenberg is from Saipan, Cing said her nomination depends on the Saipan senators who, he added, "have no problems with her."

Cing on Tuesday said the Senate will only "waste its time" if it confirms the political appointees of a "lame-duck" governor.

He said Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio, whose term will expire in January, will not be re-elected.

Wonenberg, in an interview with the Variety Wednesday, said she hopes the Senate will judge her nomination solely on



Margarita DLG Wonenberg

her merits and integrity.

Since 1995, Cing has been at odds with the governor, a fellow Democrat, and is openly supporting the Republican Party's standard bearer, former governor Pedro P. Tenorio whose running mate is Senate President Jesus R. Sablan (R-Saipan).

Describing her as "extremely qualified," the governor nominated Wonenberg last week, and has designated her as acting Lands and Natural Resources secretary.

The 34-year old former Arts Council executive director is the first woman to head the Department of Lands and Natural Resources.

Her predecessor, Benigno M. Sablan, was asked to resign after he agreed to become Lt. Gov. Jesus C. Borja's running mate.



SVS students watch their fellow classmates receive awards during a ceremony on campus Tuesday. Photo by Laila C. Younis

DHL sued to stop 'sham' Hillblom settlements

By Ferdie de la Torre
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DAVID Moncrieff has sued DHL Corporation and DHL International in an attempt to stop alleged "sham" settlements between the two firms and Larry Hillblom's estate executor.

Moncrieff, guardian for Hillblom's alleged daughter Jellian Cuartero, asked the Superior Court to permanently enjoin Hillblom's estate executor Bank of Saipan and the plaintiffs from purporting to transfer DHL and DHLI stock.

Moncrieff, through counsel Randall T. Fennell, requested the court to prevent plaintiffs DHL, and DHLI, and the executor from executing the "sham settlements" as well as any further agreements. Cuartero has not approved.

According to Moncrieff's cross-complaint filed Wednesday, Hillblom owned a significant amount of stock in DHL and DHLI.

Fennell said DHL and the executor are currently involved

in litigation in the US District Court for the Northern District of California regarding Hillblom's DHL stock.

Fennell said DHL and the executor are also currently involved in litigation in the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce regarding Hillblom's DHLI stock.

"Since the same individuals control, and/or controlled DHL, DHLI and the executor, those lawsuits are a sham," said Moncrieff's counsel.

Under both California and Commonwealth law, Fennell pointed out that upon Hillblom's death, his entire right, title and interest in the DHL and DHLI stock is vested in Cuartero.

Prior to his death, Hillblom entered into separate Shareholder's Agreements (SA) with the shareholders of DHL and DHLI, respectively, Fennell said.

Under such agreements, DHL and DHLI and their shareholders had certain rights to purchase the stock owned by a shareholder who died if those rights were ex-

cised within 120 days with respect to DHL (30, 60, or 75 days with respect to DHLI) of notice of that death ("Repurchase Right").

Fennell said DHL and DHLI had actual notice of Hillblom's death more than 120 days prior to DHL's and DHLI's purported notice of their respective intent to exercise repurchase rights.

Fennell stated that the executor, DHL and DHLI conspired to delay "formal" notice of Hillblom's death until DHL and DHLI arranged for financing to purchase Hillblom's DHL and DHLI stock.

Fennell said since DHL, DHLI and their shareholders did not exercise their rights to purchase Hillblom's stock within the time allowed by the SA, DHL, DHLI and their shareholders have waived any and all rights to purchase Hillblom's stock.

When DHL instituted its action in California in 1996, Fennell said DHL had actual knowledge of the rights and ownership interests of Cuartero and other pre-

mitted heirs, it was said.

"Despite the pendency of proceedings in the CNMI involving both DHL and Cuartero, DHL brought that action at a venue remote from Cuartero for the purpose of preventing her participation and preventing her from protecting her ownership interest in the DHL stock," he said.

In June 1997, Fennell said the executor notified Cuartero that it intended to enter into an agreement with DHL for which the executor would seek approval of the Superior Court (DHL Sham Settlement).

On information and belief, Fennell said the purported DHL "sham settlement" seeks to transfer Cuartero's DHL stock for a consideration which is substantially less than the stocks' fair market value.

The lawyer said prior proceedings in the Federal District Court for California, undertaken without Cuartero's participation or representation, are null and void.

Fennell said Cuartero is the sole and exclusive owner of Hillblom's

DHL stock (subject to the rights of other true pretermitted heirs) as of the date of Hillblom's death.

He said DHL in concert with the executor, conspired to deprive Cuartero of her ownership interest in DHL stock by, among other things, agreeing to the DHL settlement "in an attempt to avoid public disclosure of DHL's and the Executor's fraudulent, illegal and unethical actions."

On the other hand, the complaint stated that DHLI instituted its action in the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce in 1996.

Fennell said the executor entered into a DHLI Sham Settlement without presenting it to the court and without obtaining court's approval.

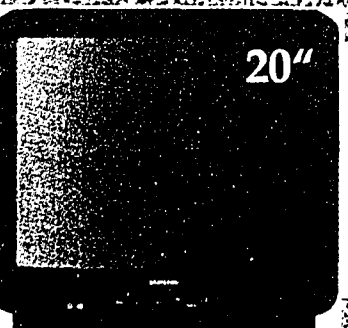
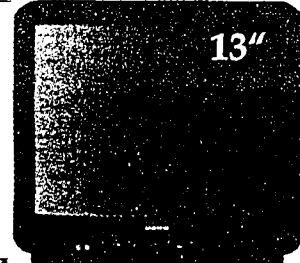
Fennell said in the alternative Moncrieff's sought damages if the "sham settlements" are realized for the fraudulent transfer of Cuartero's DHL and DHLI stock for an amount significantly less than the fair market value.

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ter a four-month crisis -until Arafat crushes the militants.

Netanyahu spokesman Shai Bazak said the government decided on "a series of security measures against the Palestinian terror organizations," but would not elaborate.

One senior Israeli official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the options included commando strikes or limited military incursions into Palestinian-controlled areas.

For now the attackers - whose overall aim has been to scuttle the peace process - achieved a short-term goal: U.S. President Bill Clinton postponed a new initiative by envoy Dennis Ross, who was to arrive in the region Thursday. No new date for the trip was set.

Reports said the two bombers apparently drove to the Mahane Yehuda market together in black coats with white shirts and ties - perhaps in an effort to look like ultra-Orthodox Jews.

Each carried a briefcase packed with 10 kilograms (22 pounds) of explosives, police said. They set them off some 50 meters (yards) apart at 1:15 p.m. "People flew in the air without legs, without arms, without clothes," said Sarah Yamin, 43, her turquoise makeup streaking her cheeks.

Soot-covered bodies lay on the ground, their blood mixing with smashed watermelons, torn clothes and shredded newspaper on the gray asphalt. Green awnings covering the alley were torn apart and vegetable stands and clothing displays overturned, scraps of clothing hanging from telephone lines.

Dozens of Israelis gathered near the site of the attack shouting, "What kind of peace is this? Who needs this peace?" Dozens of ambulances lined up along Jaffa Road, one of Jerusalem's busiest streets, to carry away the dead and injured. A 14-year-old boy was seen with a badly mangled leg. Half a corpse, ripped apart by the force of the blast, lay covered with a blanket - apparently one of the bombers.

Israeli TV said that beside the suicide bombers, eight men and four women were killed.

The attack put Netanyahu on the spot - coming days after he stressed in a TV interview his success in preventing the kind of grisly bombings that bedeviled his predecessors and led to his election.

Netanyahu said Israel now expected Arafat's government "to begin fighting terror as it was supposed to and hasn't done until now."

Arafat, speaking in Jericho, said he "strongly and completely" condemns the attack. He added that he hoped Israel would not use the attack as a pretext for further delays in the peace process, however. Shortly after the bombing, Arafat called Netanyahu to express his condolences, resulting in what Bazak termed a "tough conversation." Palestinian police sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Arafat declared a state of emergency and canceled all police leaves Wednesday night.

Israeli TV reports said Arafat was expected to stage mass arrests of Islamic militants in the

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EDITORIAL

Let's strengthen our EMS

THE WEEKEND passing of five people followed by more fatalities the days after, is quite odd.

It is very seldom that Saipan sees such a "big" number of people dying in such a given period.

Equally amazing is the cause of these individuals' deaths.

One fatality, a worker by the name of Alex Vergara died when he was electrocuted apparently while working on the first floor of the new judicial complex building in Susupe.

Another worker, by the name of Renato Villavilla, also perished over the last weekend, the apparent victim of an assault that proved fatal.

On the other hand, a man reportedly fishing near Obyan Beach drowned and was found under water shortly after.

While the said deaths are regrettable, what was more devastating was the news about the drowning of the two Japanese kids at the Plumeria Resort pool. The two children were reportedly vacationing with family when tragedy struck.

What makes the incident unbearable is the premise that there could have been a way for such incidents to be avoided.

True, accidents can happen, and nobody likes things like that to occur. But the thing is, they can happen and Saipan as a community can only look back at the incident with utmost grief and remorse.

But the thing is, it could have been a lot different had a number of things been observed.

Reports indicate there was no lifeguard in the pool area when the hotel drowning incident happened.

There was only a security guard, it was alleged.

This is especially disturbing in as much as CNMI authorities have in fact come out with a reminder earlier this month about the requirement under the law that there be life guards on duty in hotel pools during established hours for swimmers.

It is funny how it had to take a tragic accident like the Plumeria drowning to draw the attention of concerned individuals on the lifeguard requirement.

On the other hand, there is also the concern raised over the effectiveness of the Emergency Management Services in quickly responding to incidents like the weekend deaths.

It appears there may still be room for improvement, as acting Gov. Jesus C. Borja noted this week. Perhaps the CNMI could use a little evaluation on the state of the EMS to find out if there could be some more ways on how make it as effective as it should be.

Maybe also, it would be an opportune time for government to increase its support for the program, not only in terms of logistics but also in terms of administrative and organizational improvement.

For quite some time already, the EMS has been awaiting the realization of plans to have the largely medical function to where it is said to belong, that is, under the Department of Public Health Services.

However, there should be no room now for bickering on this issue.

Maybe, it is not going to hurt if the pros and cons of such a proposal is given the needed attention, regardless of its merits.

Bottomline is, the importance of emergency medical services should be stressed, if we are really intent on saving the lives of our residents and our guests.

We need positive action.



Full of it

INSTEAD of sending over a Caucasian to tell the brown people of their hopeless incompetence, the Office of Insular Affairs last week dispatched one of its own brown bureaucrats to tell us the bad news. And how.

Deputy director Danny Aranza, who reminds Filipinos of a used car sales executive back home, not only valiantly presented to the CNMI government the report whose recommended measures would disrupt thousands of lives here, he also likened the Commonwealth to one of the worst cars ever manufactured in the U.S.

To Aranza's credit, he said this during a press conference and not, as some feds are more likely to do, during the flight back home to the mainland, in a conversation with other ts-k-tsking, chuckling feds.

And just to make sure that the local media got his point, Aranza even explained what he meant by comparing the CNMI to a car that blows up everytime the owner starts its engine: "The body of this car is so dented, rusty and ugly," he said, shortly before vowing to "look forward working with" CNMI's leaders "in a reasonable" manner. Aranza then flew back to the mainland to be a guest speaker in a convention of human rights advocates who discussed the "widespread labor abuses" in the CNMI without even bothering to invite a representative of the CNMI government, or someone who could offer something that some of these human rights advocates have a particular loathing for—a dissenting opinion.

Be that as it may, the Clinton administration has finally spelled out its position, with Aranza's kick-to-the-teeth remarks for a touch of flourish.

They want a federal takeover of immigration and wage policies. A 10-year phase out of alien workers who will not, repeat, will not be given green cards. The report says some categories of alien workers might still be hired even after the 10-year transition period. It doesn't mention, however, if there would be companies left to do any hiring once the higher wage rates and immigration restrictions are implemented.

But not to worry, the feds say. Their recommendations will "address the problems." Twenty years ago the feds, as they themselves admit, failed to foresee what the CNMI would eventually become, but now they're sure that by choking the free flow of alien labor and doing away with low wages, an economy dependent on both would be better off 10 years from now...

As a whole, the Clinton administration in its report offered no new arguments to support its position, but it has painstakingly stressed two key issues that may draw the attention of not-so-conservative Republicans in Congress—the putative damages caused by CNMI garment products to the mainland garments industry, and the CNMI's growing number of U.S. citizens born from alien parents.

Protect U.S. workers and whip up nativist sentiments. It never fails. It is, in fact, the good fortune of the Philippines that its people's clamoring for independence from the U.S. during the 1930s and 40s coincided with the interests of the influential labor and farm groups in the U.S. that were complaining about the cheap labor from the colony and its duty-free exports.

Anyway, it would not be a surprise if those agitating for a federal takeover would make "full use" of the CNMI's garment products and new U.S. citizens.

But what are we to make of OIA's and Aranza's saying that the money spent by the CNMI on lobbying Congress should have been used for reforms?

Like similar discharge from the alimentary canal, we flush it in the toilet bowl.

The CNMI government should continue with its lobbying efforts in Congress where any federal takeover legislation would have to go through.

Moreover, because the Republicans are likely to retain control of Congress in 1998, it is a sound policy to enlist conservative members of Congress to the cause of an insular area whose economic policies are premised on low wages, low taxes, few regulations and an almost religious faith on free enterprise.

Perhaps herein lies one of the Clinton's administration's sources of dissatisfaction with the Northern Marianas—instead of putting its money in the Democratic National Committee, the Tenorio administration spent it on cultivating friendship with Republican House leaders. The CNMI's \$1 million would have probably lessened the DNC's reliance on its Asian friends and Vice President Gore's telemarketing abilities, for which the Democrats are now being panned in the media and Congress. But instead of doing what Guam did by pouring it on DNC's coffers, the CNMI brought in Republican congressmen and got the attention of Speaker Gingrich and his

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Fed-up reader raps 'Fed incompetence'

THE FEDERAL Government, for years, has belittled the Chamorro people's intelligence and integrity. I feel it is time for the indigenous people to stop accepting the will of a nation capitol 10,000 miles away from our islands. Part of the problem is ourselves for tolerating a double standard dictated on us by the Federal Government.

Our fault over the years has been our dedication to the United States and our tolerance for the ill treatment the Federal Government has imposed on us.

Until we stand united against their incompetent handling of our affairs they will continue to stumble over themselves trying to save us from ourselves. The Interior Dept. demands the Federal takeover of our Immigration service. I am absolutely against the Federal

Immigration service controlling our points of entry when they themselves cannot control the thousands of illegal immigrants entering the U.S. daily across their own borders right now. Why should we even consider they could improve the immigration situation we have here.

Al Stayman recently said that the CNMI Immigration should not allow the migration of FSM people into our islands. He says this after his government authorized their free access into our islands. He stated this so that the federal government would not have to reimburse the island for the impact these migrants have caused the CNMI.

Would the Federal Immigration be able to stop these migrants the same way Stayman has stated to resolve our

problems initiated by the Federal Government?

No, because they would have to follow the Federal mandate themselves. This is double talk coming from a Federal Agency that is supposed to ensure that our interests are protected.

This is blatant Federal Incompetence and we should not tolerate it anymore. You have to understand the way the Federal Government operates, as long as things work in their favor, it is okay, as long as they can claim exemption to federal laws, it is okay. Well it is no longer OK with me. During Trust Territory Administration of our islands, it was okay for the Federal Government to practice discrimination and pay local workers a fraction of what the American workers were getting for the same job, but I'm sure they were exempt

from any wage practices then. As long as the advantage goes to the Federal Government everything is OKAY.

Now the Federal Government wants to take away the duty free status from the garment industry. The same Government that gives China "Most Favored Nation Status".

China, the nation that kills pro-democracy peaceful demonstrators, is getting better treatment from the Federal Government than we do. It would seem the Federal Government condones the actions taken by the China government for the Tiananmen Square Massacre.

Al Stayman may tell us that the international problems of the world are too complex for Chamorro people to understand and we should just shut up and be good little second class citizens

of the U.S. and succumb to whatever decisions they feel are being decided with our best interests in mind. I ask you Mr. Stayman to please do us no more favors, we cannot afford them.

I understand why Mr. Stayman attacks the CNMI the way he does, he has to justify his job's existence and his department's budget so they may continue year after year fixing all problems that we locals have no concept to do ourselves.

I apologize for the length of this letter, but these issues brought up only scrapes the tip of the iceberg. The Federal Government is far from being efficient and without problems, they live in a mansion of glass so they should not throw stones at our little grass shack. By the way, I think the Federal Government

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Island Voices

WHAT DO you think about the proposed hotel development in Tanapag and the recent objection made by Tanapag residents about it?

Summary: Last Friday, Tanapag residents submitted a packet of petitions and letters to Coastal Resources Management to officially register their objection to a proposed hotel development in their village.



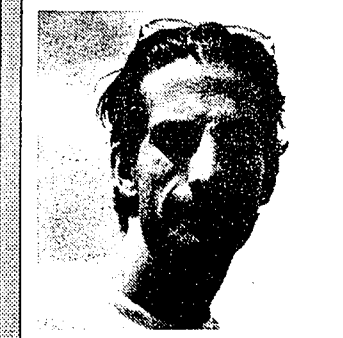
"I think that it is up to them. If the community does not want it, then it shouldn't be there. The government should go with what the community wants."

-JACK DIAZ



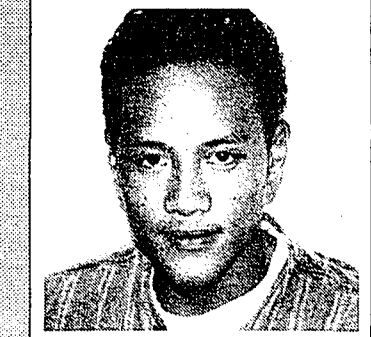
"Tourism is inevitable, but we have to make it work for the people. If the hotel can work together with the community they can help each other out."

-DOUG RANKIN



"The business leaders have to take into account the needs and voices of the community, because without the community the business cannot survive. They must work together."

-KOSTAS POULIKIDIS



"My concern is the problem with compatibility with the development and the residences. CRM has to weigh the circumstances and follow the basic requirements and not waive any regulations due to the concerns raised by the community"

-DIEGO BENEVENTE

"I'm against it if it is not in a good location where it harms residential areas. I'm for it in that it can provide jobs and benefit Saipan."

-ANGELINE

100th Anniversary of Spanish-American War

Dear Editor:

NEXT YEAR is the one hundredth anniversary of the Spanish American War. It is the war that made Teddy Roosevelt famous. My grandfather who fought in the war at San Juan Hill said he was a bully with a big stick.

Already a special television program about his "Rough Riders" has been aired on the local cable stations.

America went to war with Spain after the battleship Maine blew up in Cuba's Havana harbor on February 15, 1898.

This was the first battleship ever constructed in an American shipyard. It took nine years to complete after being authorized by Congress on August 3, 1886.

The construction of the ship was really "screwed up." The forward tur-

ret was located off center to the starboard with the result that it could not fire to port. The aft turret was located on the port side and could not fire to starboard.

When launched it was discovered that the bow had a draft three feet greater than the stern. Forty eight tons of valueless ballast had to be installed to place the vessel on an even keel.

It was said at the time that the ship represented a great step forward in American naval technology. The ship blew up in Havana harbor and many thought at the time that it was an act of sabotage and America went to war with Spain. The war cry of the day was "Remember The Maine."

This was in reference to the ship - not the state after President McKinley decided to intervene militarily in Cuba

against Spain. After all at a distance of 90 miles from Florida Cuba was our nearest neighbor.

On the other side of the world Captain Henry Glass of the U.S.S. Charleston sailed into Apra Harbor on June 20, 1898 and fired his guns.

The Spanish Governor, dispatched an aid to inform Captain Glass that he had no gun powder to return what he thought was a courtesy salute.

Upon being informed the two countries were at war the Governor promptly surrendered Guam. When the war ended the United States acquisitions from Spain included, Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Philippines and Guam.

Cuba and the Philippines later achieved independence and some in Puerto Rico now advocate separation

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EMS Administrator sets it straight

Dear Editor:

I WOULD like to clarify statements made by me that were misrepresented in the Wednesday (July 30) and Thursday (July 31) editions of the Marianas Variety.

As is often the case, interpretation and communications barriers change the meaning of much of what is needed.

The Wednesday article quotes me as saying that "lives would have been saved if EMS resources would have been used." In Thursday's edition I am quoted again as saying that "DPS had de-

clined to use EMS resources when drowning and electrocution accidents took place..." and that "EMS, which operates under the DPS Fire Division, was not notified about the weekend accidents."

First of all, I wish to make it clear that DPS dispatched ambulances, police, and other personnel to the drowning at the Plumeria, the electrocution, and each of the emergency incidents. At no time did I imply that DPS failed to dispatch medical and rescue personnel.

The correct statement I made regarding the incidents over the

weekend were that "I was not notified and therefore I could not provide any information to them regarding these incidents. It is true I have not been involved in the day-to-day activities of the EMS since being reassigned by the Commissioner of Public Safety last January. There are also personnel in the Fire Division who could be providing some of the programs which I am providing, and at a more economic cost to the Government. I am not "deplored", I just believe system resources could be used

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Drug policy in effect soon



Luis S. Camacho

By Jojo Dass
Variety News Staff

GOVERNMENT has finalized a drug policy giving random tests, granting treatment, and terminating employment of public sector employees found engaged in substance abuse.

The policy, said Personnel Management Director Luis S. Camacho, will be integrated into the Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations.

"It (drug policy) pretty much outlines the conduct to which drug abuse prevention is to be done," said Camacho.

The creation of an anti-substance abuse policy, observers noted, speaks of how prevalent drug addiction and alcoholism have become within the public sector.

"I don't have statistics.... but everyone is saying it (substance abuse) is serious. It has reached a point where this regulation is needed," said Camacho.

The policy is patterned under the one being implemented by autonomous government agencies like the Commonwealth Ports Authority and the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation.

"We'll regulate and govern the behavior of government em-

ployees as far as drug abuse is concerned," said Camacho.

A total of 46 out of the CUC's 393 employees have turned out positive for drug use in 575 tests conducted from July 1995, acting CUC Personnel Director Kay Dellafield had said.

At least eight of these, including three who tested positive during second drug tests and one who refused to take it, were terminated from work while 35 others have been reinstated following treatment, she said.

Two more, she said, have resigned after they were asked to undergo tests.

The most recent positive drug test result was on May 28 this

year.

Under CUC's Employee Drug and Alcohol Policy, an average of 25 random drug tests are conducted monthly with those found engaged in substance abuse automatically given drug treatment and follow-up tests.

Among those required to undergo testing include employees performing hazardous duties and operating machines or vehicles; and those who have just figured in accidents.

Employees may also be subjected to tests if there is "reasonable suspicion" that they may be under the influence of some drug or alcohol.



Upward Bound students learn how to weave baskets at the Manamko Center as part of a cultural awareness program on Tuesday.

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2 accused of child abuse

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

THE ATTORNEY General's Office has charged two persons for allegedly inflicting injuries to two children.

Emilio M. Deleon Guerrero and Felicidad G. Deleon Guerrero were charged with two counts of child abuse before the Superior Court.

According to the complaint filed Wednesday by Assistant Atty. Gen. Nicole Forelli, a 12-year-old kid was abused beginning Aug. 1996 to July 1997.

The second minor was abused during the same period, the complaint stated.

The defendants were summoned to appear in court to answer the charges on Aug. 11.

Meanwhile, a man was convicted Wednesday for assaulting a woman with a coffee cup.

Associate Judge Timothy Bellas ordered that the imposition of sentence for Marco S. Kaipat shall be suspended for a period of one year.

Kaipat will be placed on probation. Bellas asked Kaipat to pay \$400 fine.

The defendant is required to seek an initial evaluation from the Commonwealth Health Center as to whether he is an appropriate candidate for family/marital counseling.

Kaipat was charged with assault and battery. He signed a plea agreement with the government represented by Forelli.

The complaint stated that last Jan. 12 the defendant threw a coffee cup, hitting the victim on the arm.

Borja 'not keen' on Willens

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

ACTING Gov. Jesus C. Borja said Wednesday that Howard Willens is "too far away" from the Northern Marianas which would have to pay for his travelling expenses once the Washington, D.C.-based lawyer is designated to handle a local case.

"I've no problems with his qualification," Borja said, "but I won't hire anyone too far away from us."

He said Willens' appointment will cost the CNMI "a lot of money," adding that there are sufficient lawyers in the CNMI, Guam and the Federated States of Micronesia to fill up any need for special judges.

"It would cost us less," he added.

Meanwhile, Willens' nomination still has a "50-50" chance in the Senate, accord-

Man mugged by two men near Afetnas Square in San Antonio

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

A 25-year-old man was robbed by two unidentified men in San Antonio Sunday, the Department of Public Safety said yesterday.

Police said it was reported at 12:53 a.m. that the victim was walking near Afetnas Square when two men approached.

The two men then physically assaulted the victim.

After taking the victims' wallet, the suspects fled, police said.

The victim said his wallet contained \$70 cash.

No arrest was made yet.

Meanwhile, a 37-year-old man was arrested for allegedly stealing watch from a woman at a barbecue house in Chalan Kanoa Wednesday afternoon.

Arrested for theft was Ray Martinez Ngrirkebai of San Antonio.

Initial investigation showed that the woman left her watch in the counter while she was cooking an order of a customer.

The suspect, who was known to the woman, allegedly took the watch.

In another incident, unidentified person/s broke into the barracks of L&T in Gualo Rai Wednesday and carted away items belonging to two women.

Among the items taken away were a leather bag, walkman, shoes, and \$159 check.

At Pau Pau Beach, a person sought police's assistance after unidentified person/s broke into a vehicle and took a wallet containing \$35, identification card, and other items.



Jesus C. Borja



Howard Willens

ing to the chair of the Senate Committee on Executive Appointment and Governmental Investigation (EAGI).

Sen. David M. Cing (D-Tinian) yesterday said his committee has been getting "mixed feedback" from the people regarding Willens.

He said, at the very least, EAGI will conduct a public hearing on the constitutional lawyer's nomination.

Those lobbying against

Willens as a special judge "without hesitation."

"It is my strong belief that his decisions will be non-partisan and non-political," Tenorio added, "and I seriously question anyone (who says) that Mr. Willens is too political."

Considered a constitutional

expert, Willens was the legal counsel of the Marianas Political Status Commission whose negotiations with the federal government resulted in the creation of the Commonwealth.

Willens was also a legal counsel for the 1976 and 1995 Constitutional Conventions.

NMPASI wheelchair race Aug. 30 at AMP grounds

THE NORTHERN Marianas Islands Protection and Advocacy Systems, Inc. yesterday announced it will hold a gala fund raiser to be held on August 30, at the American Memorial Park Parking lot.

Teams of two will race against each other in manually propelled wheelchairs through an obstacle course designed to replicate real life circumstances in our community, the NMPASI said in a

news release. Each racer is contributing \$300.00 for the privilege of competing, the funds to be used to support NMPASI programs.

Others who do not wish to compete may contribute in whatever amount they feel is appropriate, the release added.

Whether you are a contributor or not we invite you to come and cheer your favorites on," said NMPASI.

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MVB to send delegation to Awa-Odori event

By: Laila C. Younis
Variety News Staff

MARIANAS Visitor's Bureau was invited for the first time to attend the Awa-Odori Dance Festival in Tokushima, Japan from August 11th to the 16th, according to Coordinator Jack Diaz.

"We will have 20 delegates to represent the CNMI, who will be musicians and performers," said Diaz.

"The performances will be televised, so it will be a great promotion for the CNMI. MVB is only sponsoring airfare expenses and the accommodations and meals are taken care of by the Tokushima hosts," he said.

According to Diaz, the Awa-dori Dance Festival has several countries from all over the world participating in the performances.

"We have students from NMC who will do a stick dance, and I am looking for more delegates to participate. The Awa-Odori coordinators requested to have performers from ages 18 to 25 years old," said Diaz.

The participants from NMC are: Katie Williams, Tania Chong, Francella Reyes, Zilah Waboh, Naomi Tagabuel, Jaime Mettao, Alvin Atalg, Chris Romolar, Mark Hardei and Jeff Libokneto.

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Cabazon Indians visit to discuss sovereignty

By Laila C. Younis
Variety News Staff

MEMBERS of the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians travelled all the way from Palm Springs, California, to meet with Saipan senators and discuss a proposed "Sovereignty for the Chamorro Tribal of the Marianas."

The band's chair, James John, and other mission delegates were joined by Patrick San Nicolas, chair of Guam's Chamorro Tribal of Marianas and other members for a meeting with Senate President Jesus R. Sablan and Vice-speaker Jesus Atiao to discuss "establishment of official protocol" between the two tribal groups.

"We see our the struggles of the American Indians as parallel to what is going on with the Chamorros here in the Marianas. It is like looking at a

mirror," said John.

"We have a 'lost brotherhood'. Our encounters and experiences are the same and we can help each other. We could have a brother to brother relationship," he said.

San Nicolas, for his part, said, "As an organization, we are working to find common ground for the Chamorro people and to be recognized as a nation of Chamorros."

"We are also enrolling members across the Marianas. We are planning to have offices in Saipan, Rota, Tinian, California and Washington," he said.

According to Cabazon Chief Executive Officer Mark Nichols, the Indians of Cabazon achieved sovereignty in 1987 and now is a six billion annual industry in California. There are now 550 federally recognized

tribes in the U.S. and the Cabazon Indians are members of one of the tribes. They live on "traditional lands and are autonomous as a band" he said.

"I think that it is really nice that they come this far to help us Chamorros," said GCTM Chair San Nicolas.

"This is a critical point for us. We need to be recognized as a Chamorro people in order to move forward," he said.

The group plans to hold meeting in Rota and Tinian during their stay. They will be here to August 02.

Interested persons are encouraged to enroll in the Chamorro Tribal Marianas through "open membership," according to San Nicolas. For more information, contact the Guam office at (671) 646-2346 or 2311 or fax at (671) 646-2364.

Odds of winning in annual Club 200 'high,' says Red Cross

WHILE THE exact number of tickets to the 1997 American Red Cross Club 200 event be sold is unknown, the odds of winning are "high" organizers of the biggest annual raffle are saying.

"Even if the Northern Mariana Islands Chapter of the American Red Cross achieves its goal of 900 tickets sold, the odds of a ticket having the winning number are fairly good," the Chapter said in a news release.

According to basic calculations and based on the minimum number of prizes that are planned, each ticket buyer (couple) would have at least a one (1) in thirty (30) chance of winning if 900 tickets are sold.

The Red Cross said the range and value of prizes have also increased this year.

The GRAND PRIZE of \$25,000 Cash is followed by a 1997 Toyota Rav 4; 1997 Mazda B-Series Pickup; \$10,000 cash; \$5,000 cash; and packages that include business equipment, home furniture, entertainment sys-

tems and computers.

All prizes are valued well over the cost of a ticket which also includes the meal and entertainment from Hawaii, the chapter pointed out.

The proceeds from the event go to the Northern Mariana Islands Chapter of the American Red Cross and are used in the local community to provide Disaster Relief, Armed Forces Emergency Communications, and Health & Safety Courses such as Adult CPR, Infant & Child CPR, Water Safety, First Aid and HIV/AIDS education sessions.

Peleliu Governor to hold meeting at Carolinian Ut

PALAU citizens in the Northern Marianas from Peleliu State are being informed of a special meeting this coming Sunday, August 3, at the Carolinian Ut in Garapan to start at 12 noon.

The meeting will be attended by Peleliu Gov. Jackson R. Ngiraingas who will be on-island to hear and speak with his constituents residing on Saipan, it was learned.

DEQ water report

THE DIVISION of Environmental Quality (DEQ) analyzed water samples collected from Saipan's recreational beaches and storm drainages this week. None of the samples collected contained excessive concentrations of fecal coliform bacteria or had chemistry parameters which exceeding the CNMI Marine Water Quality Standards.

The Division of Environmental Quality analyzed samples of marine recreational and storm drainage water from 13 locations on the west side of Saipan island this week due to low tide. DEQ welcomes all inquiries as to the quality of the beach water. The public is encouraged to contact DEQ at 234-6114 with any questions concerning this matter.

Public Announcement

The Class of 1992 will be having a general meeting for the upcoming 5th year reunion at the Garapan Central Park on August 2, Saturday, at 10:00 a.m. Your presence will be greatly appreciated.



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MVB Sapporo seminar held to attract tourists



Anicia Tomokane

By: Laila C. Younis
Variety News Staff

WINTER is closing in the area of Sapporo, Japan, and although that means cold and harsh days for its residents, it will mean an opportunity, for the CNMI to attract more tourists.

This is the reason why Marianas Visitor's Bureau Executive Director Anicia Tomokane and a team of travel agents sponsored a promotional seminar for a few days on Japan's most northern city.

"It is one of the greatest things (seminar) for our tourist agencies to take advantage of. We organize the meetings and provide the meals. All they have to pay for is air fare and hotel accommodations which we can offer at discount rates. It is a low-cost opportunity for businesses to participate," said Tomokane.

"We shared general information about our destinations. The industries

that were present, like the golf courses, made presentations to the agents there," she said.

The seminar is part of a continuous effort of MVB to start "aggressive promotion" especially when "competition is stiff," said Tomokane.

"Competition with a brand name like Hawaii is tough. Now that their industries have teamed up we are losing out to the cheaper packages they are offering," said Tomokane.

And the expectations that pressure MVB does not make the job easier, she said.

"People expect after seminars like these for results to be immediate. But it is like planting a seed and giving it time to germinate and grow. We have to make our presence continuous there. And the larger the presence with more participation, the bigger the impact we will make," said Tomokane.

That concept is working as the CNMI's promotions in Russia is paying off with a good number of Russian tourists coming.

MVB has plans to start a direct flight connection from Russia to Saipan.

According to Tomokane, however, it is not a pressing matter as Russian tourists "seem to be happy with the current flight route".

"It is 2 and a 1/2 hours from Eastern Russia to Seoul, Korea and the 4 hours to Saipan. For Russian tourists, it is not a 'humbly'," she said.

"We are the closest U.S. destination and because of our unique immigration situation, they don't need a visa, so travel here is easy," she added.

US Academy hopefuls recognized



The management of 3's Inc., owners of Hula Hut, Island Souvenirs and Coconut House recently recognized two CNMI students who have been nominated to attend prestigious US military academies, for their achievements. Photos show 3's Inc. official Mac Chagualaf presenting Francis Q. Tomokane (top photo) and Jerome C. DL Guerrero (above) gift certificates at the Island Souvenir's Garapan shop.

PSS to defer US loan repayment

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff

THE PUBLIC School System has been allowed by the U.S. Department of Education to defer repayment of federal loans for teachers who work at CNMI schools, according to Education Commissioner William Torres.

In a memorandum dated July 28, Torres said the department's

decision provides "a substantial benefit which makes teaching in the Commonwealth that much more attractive."

The loan is being made available through the Federal Family Education Loan or the Stanford Loan, to jurisdictions identified as Teacher Shortage Areas.

The loan is being offered to finance a teacher's post-secondary education.

Director Jowava Legget wrote to Torres that upon evaluation, the CNMI was found to be qualified for the loan offer.

Among the academic disciplines that need more teachers include lower and upper elementary education, special education, English, Math, vocational education, physical education and language arts.



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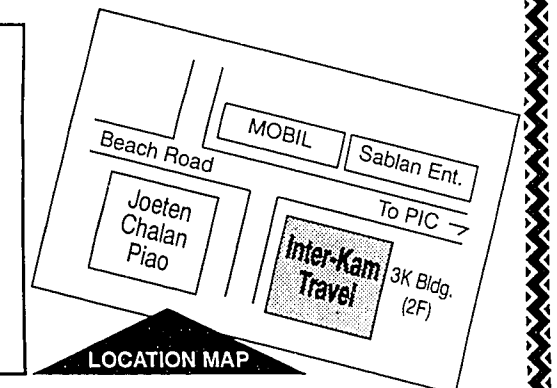
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If US were to do it all over:

Will NMI get same status?

By William Stewart
Military Historical Cartographer
Part 1 of a series

DO THE new geopolitical relationships which have evolved around the Pacific rim since 1976 between the United States and other countries still exercise the same degree of influence on the political relationship with the Northern Marianas today as in the previous period of the Trust Territory administration? A brief review of the past is necessary to place the question in perspective.

At the end of World War II there

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were eleven United Nations trusteeships that evolved from the flames of the holocaust. Ten of these possessions of former adversaries of the Allied powers were administered through the United Nations General Assembly.

Only the islands of Micronesia, of which the Northern Marianas was a part, were considered a strategic trust and placed under the administration of the U. N. Security Council where the

United States had veto power.

Before exploring this question it is necessary to look back in time to a period just after the conclusion of hostilities.

Those were the days before widespread use of commercial jet aircraft when travel from Hawaii to Saipan required many exhausting hours.

In the early fifties a flight from Honolulu to Wake Island took about nine and one half hours from Wake to Saipan was still eight hours further. To consider the islands as being isolated in those days would be an understatement.

The appeal of the islands of Micronesia was to military planners and political strategists. Long before the flames of World War II engulfed the world, the use of a nation's resources was directly affected by its trading opportunities.

With few exceptions among the great trading nations of the world, the full benefit of possessing exploitable resources or colonies only came with transport across the oceans.

Sea routes are valuable national assets and the power to control or influence these traffic lanes is a matter of importance to all nations which border the sea.

The ocean, and today the air, are avenues of commerce — lifelines to carry a nation's industrial blood, whether it be raw materials or its processed products to world markets.

It was opportunities for commerce that first opened the vast expanse of the Pacific. Later sea power was brought to bear to protect these trade routes. All navies depend upon bases of fixed facilities for replenishing, repairing and refueling their vessels and the islands

in the Pacific have frequently played a major role. To keep such bases operational a navy must strive defensively to maintain control of those sea lanes leading to its base of operations and keep them open.

To wage offensive warfare a navy must have sufficient power to close off the trade routes of any adversary. These units must have a secure base preferably near or within the sea lanes they are to protect. Before the Second World War both the United States and the Japanese appreciated this.

It is because of geography that the Pacific Islands have always figured prominently and importantly in the affairs of western hemispheric nations in a measure far beyond their size and resources would seem to warrant.

It is frequently because of an isolated but strategic location that some islands are considered to be of military and political importance far in excess of their economic value. Indeed, those islands situated relatively near the coastline of continents make ideal bases for extending the national will of one country over another. Rarely do such islands owe any allegiance to the country which controls the nearby mainland.

Guam is a classic example. Not only is it relatively near the Asian continent but from the time the Japanese moved in to control the *Nanyo* (Mandated Islands) it was an American enclave within a Japanese military and economic sphere — a virtual thorn in the side of the Japanese military planners.

Islands most prized by the military are frequently those which can provide a navy with a protected deep water anchorage.

In former times islands served as coaling stations, relay stations for transoceanic cables, locations for radio transmitters, etc. Today they are sites for radar, earth satellite communication systems and fueling stops for the jet "clippers" of the skies, which more often than not land on air strips which were first constructed to service the military.

Extreme geographic, cultural, historical, economic and political contrasts face each other across the Pacific Ocean. The oldest civilization on earth faces the youngest.

The most overpopulated continent lies opposite the most sparsely populated. The richest country is in stark contrast with some of the poorest.

The most modernized and industrially advanced nation faces some of the most technologically backward. The nation with the highest standard of living stands in contrast to a continent with the lowest. But this is changing rapidly.

The Pacific is the ocean where east meets west — ancient civilizations with cultural and ancestral stability and with reverence for the past are juxtaposed with the restlessness of the West and its obsession with the future. So it was in the early forties and so it remains today.

As the strategy of the Pacific is examined it becomes abundantly clear why Guam, Saipan and Tinian are so important to the United States.

Before the war the Japanese developed the economies of the mandated islands to the extent possible. After the war the United States elected to wait

until the Micronesians themselves were the rulers of their own economy and America adopted a policy of providing funds for public works projects which ironically, to date, benefit Japanese investors and at some future date possibly the U. S. military.

Curiously, the islands were never administered by the U. S. Department of State which carries out America's foreign policy since to do so would be tantamount to admitting they were "foreign." Instead, the newly "associated" Pacific islands were, for a period, administered by the United States Navy until June 30, 1951 after which responsibility passed to the Department of the Interior, Office of Territorial and International Affairs where many United States domestic policies and programs could be applied regardless whether they were appropriate for Pacific societies and, indeed, many were not — but others were quite beneficial.

Eventually the people of Micronesia (including the Marianas) were encouraged to choose their future political status from three options. These included selecting independence or becoming affiliated with the United States, either through a relationship of free association or a commonwealth status based upon a negotiated agreement which later became known as the Covenant. The Covenant describes the relationship agreed upon between the people of the Northern Marianas and the

No other United States territory or insular possession has a similar relationship. Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam and other Pacific possessions were all acquired under circumstances far different than that of the Northern Marianas.

This unique relationship between the United States Government and the Commonwealth stems from the fact that the islands were never recognized as a permanent possession of any nation since they were taken from defeated Germany by the Allied Powers during World War One.

Subsequently assigned to Japan under a mandate from the League of Nations, the status of the islands did not change after they were occupied by United States armed forces in 1944.

Indeed, since their purchase by Germany from Spain in 1899, and their assignment to Japan for administration in 1920 by the League of Nations, the Northern Marianas had no political identity among the countries of the world. From the time of Germany's loss of the islands they were never regarded as a permanent colony within the exclusive sovereignty of any nation, except, of course, by Japan when it left the League before the outbreak of World War II.

For a nation to acquire additional territory a government must either annex an area by force of arms or by purchase from a sovereign government. The Northern Marianas was not a permanent legal possession of Japan at the time of the war as it had only been entrusted to Japan under a mandate by a group of countries through their organization — the League of Nations. Therefore, the United States could not strip territory from defeated Japan at the conclusion of hostilities since the islands were never recognized as a permanent legal possession of Japan in the first place.

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MHS students give up on gym

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff

STUDENTS of Marianas High School have given up on the long delayed completion of the gym project.

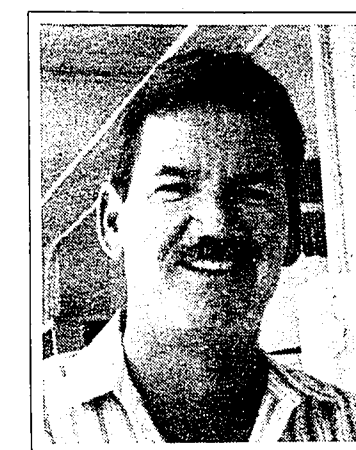
"The students are developing cynicism. Most of them have come to a conclusion that it will never happen," said MHS principal Jim Denight.

When Denight once pleaded for students' patience with assurance that the gym would be completed eventually, he got this response from one student: "Probably, when I already have three grandchildren."

The \$1.21 million project began on Aug. 2, 1993 and was originally scheduled for completion on Aug. 17, 1994. However, the project remains unfinished and is not expected to be completed soon. The project is being hounded by funding and technical problems. It is the subject of a recent draft audit by the Office of the Public Auditor.

"We are fed up with all their words and promises. We're tired of our officials blaming one another," said Winfred Camacho, president of the MHS Student Council.

Such frustration has been inherited by currently enrolled students from their seniors, who were freshmen when the gym was conceptualized.



Jim Denight

Graduates of class 1997, though frustrated, managed to joke their way out of the school by making humor of the gym. During their graduation ceremony last June, the graduates posted a banner that read: "We made it, but the gym didn't."

At present, Camacho said, the students currently enrolled at MHS do not see any sign that the gym would ever be finished.

"We have no hope of seeing the gym. Officials are blaming one another," Camacho said.

Students don't need that, he added.

"They should give what the school needs. If the means is there, we would be able to move on with our projects. We have a campus cleanup project. We want to see our facilities fixed," Camacho said.

And there should be no more excuses, he added.

"Many of us may not be able to see the gym, but at least this should be completed for the new students who are coming in," said Camacho who is on 12th grade.

Denight is equally frustrated. "My only involvement in this project is to keep pushing for it," Denight said, deploring the growing cynicism among his students.

Denight said the school plans to expand its Physical Education programs, but the lack of

facilities is hampering the plan. "We want to develop a life-long leisure activities for students. We want to expand our P.E. program to include table tennis, and weight-lifting, but we have no adequate facilities for these activities," Denight said.

The project is being hounded by funding, and technical problems.

The Office of the Public Auditor, in a draft audit report, mentioned the "slow pace progress" of the project, as well as the "poor" quality of construction.

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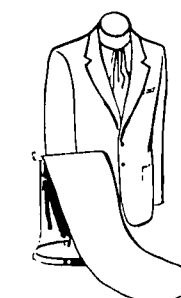
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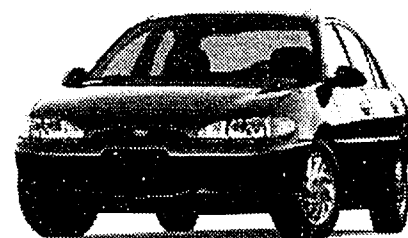
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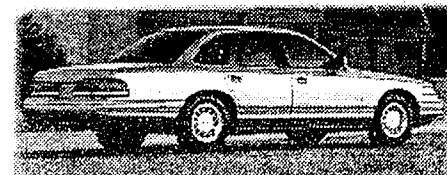
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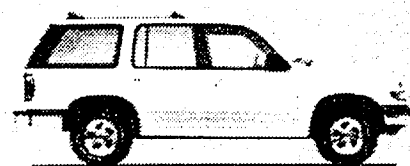
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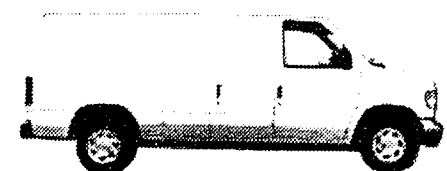
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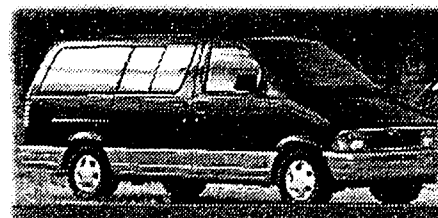
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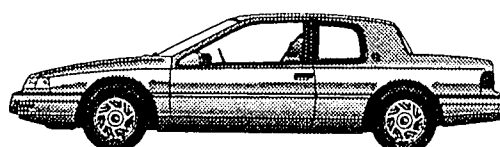
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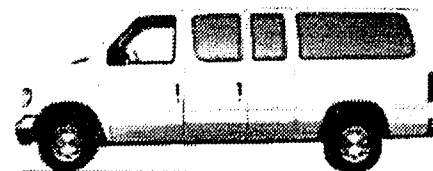
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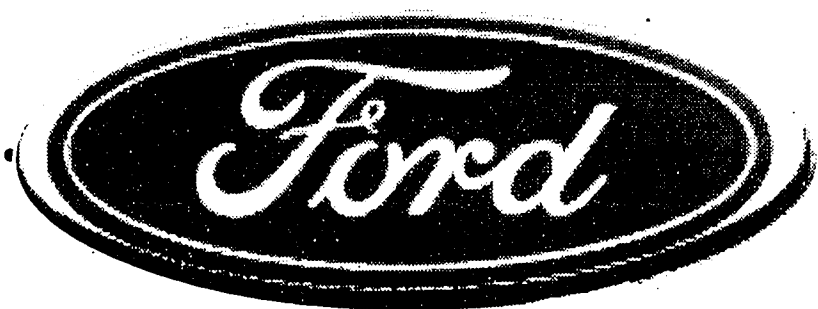
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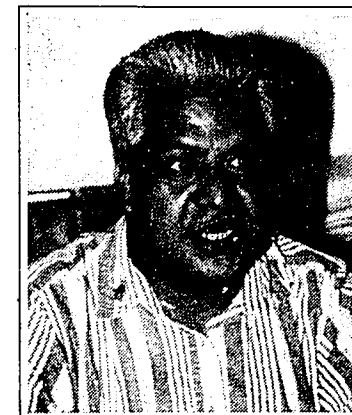
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By Gerr R. Cayabyab, Jr.
Variety News Staff

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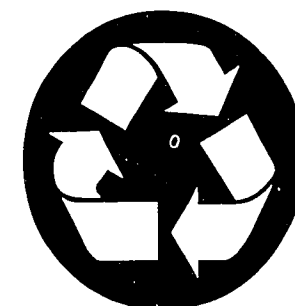
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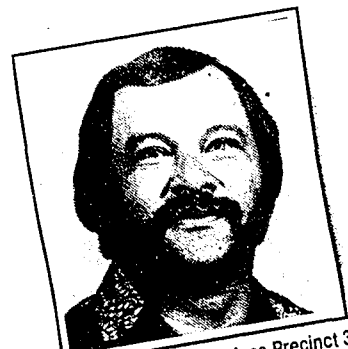
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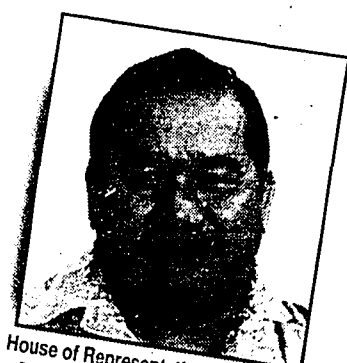
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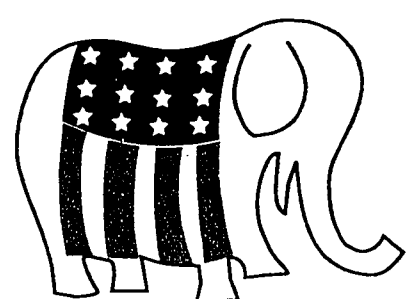
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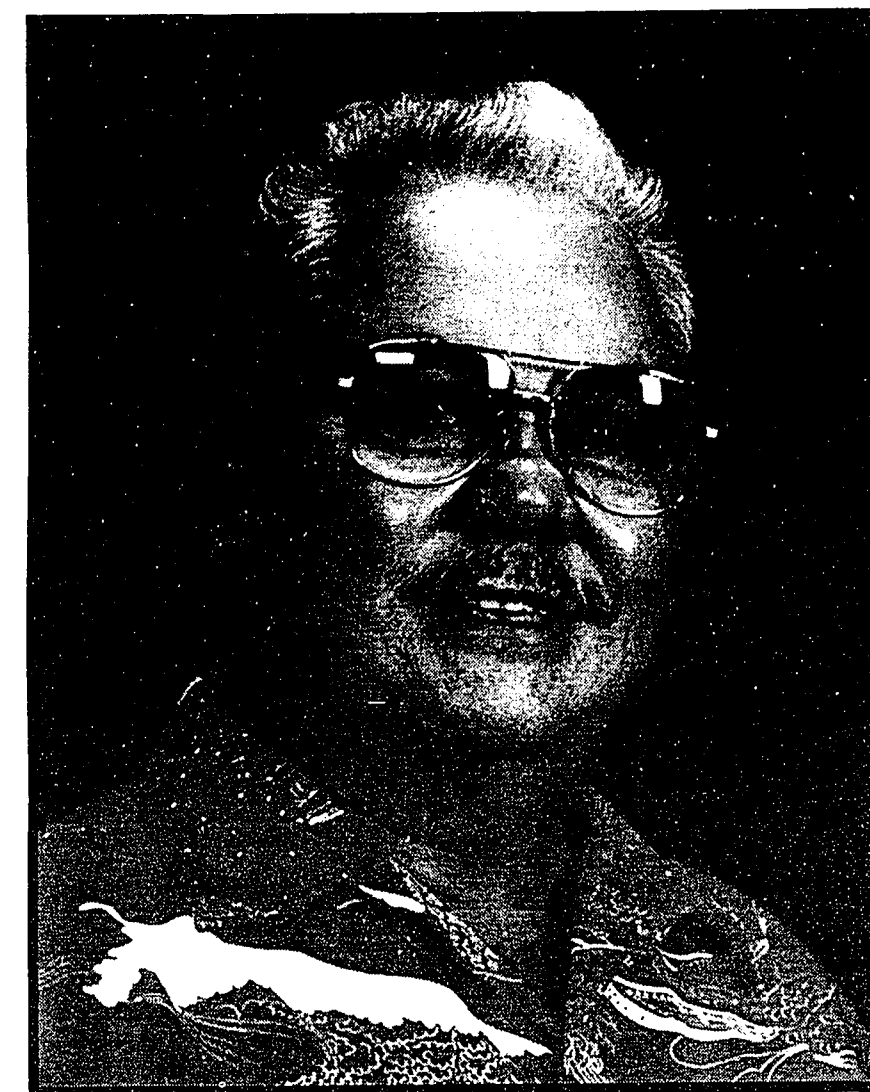
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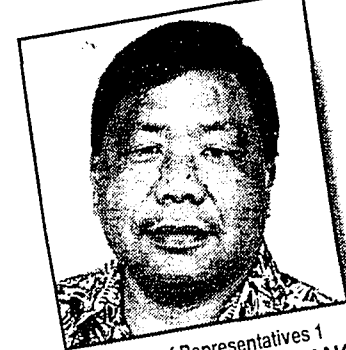
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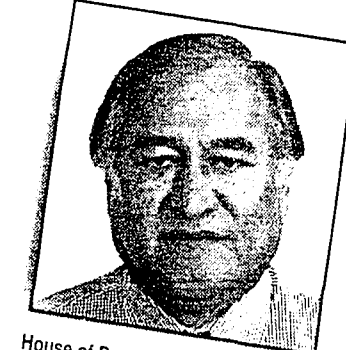
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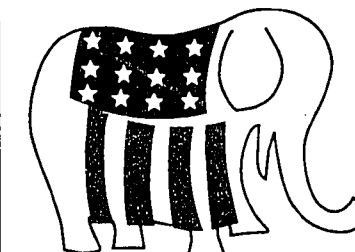
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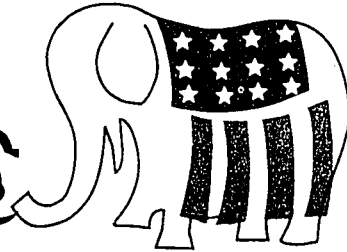
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I realize fully that being a member of the Board of Education carries a heavy responsibility because the quality of education for thousands of children of the CNMI depends on the ability, foresight, integrity, and dedication of each Board member. The decisions of the Board not only affect the education of the children but the parents and the community as well. As a result the Board must work closely with everybody to insure that educating children becomes everybody's business.

At present there are many finger pointing accusations as to how the problems in the school system arose. The community has become divided against itself. Parents are frustrated because they feel that their children are not getting a good education. The Executive Branch is chastising the Public School System for not upgrading the educational system. The Legislature is reluctant to appropriate more money to the PSS until they are assured that it will be more wisely spent. The Public School System feels that it is an autonomous organization and should be allowed to run the school system in whatever way it pleases without interference. Meanwhile the children are pawns in all this turmoil.

At first appearance all the above problems seem insurmountable. But if we discuss each one sanely and quietly, solutions will appear. We must work together toward solving them.

As a member of the Board I will strive to bring everyone concerned to a roundtable for discussions and settlements.

The PSS has many problems and no one person can solve them. But when everyone realizes that educating children is everyone's business, the problems can be solved. Everyone must be held accountable for the education of children. Quality education does not mean throwing more money at problems. Quality education needs the complete support of everyone involved.

The entire community must become involved. Parents must demand better education. The PSS must sit down with the Executive Branch and the Legislature and talk and talk until all agree on solutions to better the present system. Schools are the training arena for the types of community we desire. Let's all pitch in. Educating children must be everyone's business.

Please call me to express what you feel the Board of Education should do to improve the educational system. I want to hear your concerns. They are real and important and must be listened to. What do you feel are the real problems? I am ready and willing to meet with any group to discuss these problems and listen to your suggestions. My telephone number is 233-3973 and my fax is 233-9297.

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- A. High School Graduate - 1948
Reading, Penna.
- B. Bachelor of Science in Education 1954
Kutztown, Penna.
- C. Master of Arts in Liberal Arts - 1958
Temple University, Penna.
- D. Graduate Courses in Business - 1975-1980
University of Hawaii, Hawaii

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

- A. Teacher in three high schools: 1954-1958
Philadelphia, Penna; Camden County, New Jersey;
Centerville, Maryland
- B. Teacher for U.S. Navy Dependent High School - 1958-1964
Yokohama, Japan
- C. Instructor for University of Maryland English Department
Far East Extension, Tokyo, Japan - 1958-1964
(evening courses for military personnel)
- D. Instructor in English 1964-1966
Yokohama National University
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- E. Instructor in English: 1984-1985
Northern Marianas College, CNMI
- F. Taught "How to Start a Small Business" course for the CNMI
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- C. Constantly promoting Literacy Programs for children and adults.
- D. Constantly trying to foster better cooperation between the private and public sector.
- E. Consultant for San Vicente Elementary School Planning Committee
- F. Vice-President of the Saipan Chamber of Commerce
- G. Served on various PSS research committees.

PUBLICATIONS:

- A. HOW TO START A SMALL BUSINESS, published in Japan - 1970
- B. Numerous articles in newspapers

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 - 5. Built the first deluxe health fitness gym in Japan
- B. Hawaii: 1974 to 1984
 - 1. Owned and operated a home improvement company
 - 2. Owned and operated a scuba dive shop
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 - 1. Built the 85 foot sailing catamaran "The Love Boat"
 - 2. As contractor built the Horiguchi Building
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HOBBIES: Reading, conducting business, spending time with family

RP Consulate prepares to repatriate the remains of deceased Filipino workers

THE PHILIPPINE Consulate is making arrangements for the immediate repatriation of the remains of two nonresident workers who died over the weekend.

"We are now trying to contact the workers' kins in the Philippines," said Consul Julia Heidemann.

"We are arranging for their repatriation."

The workers' relatives are entitled to a minimum of \$400 in burial allowances among other benefits from the Philippine Department of Labor and Employment.

The remains of Alex Vergara and Renato Villavilla, it was gathered, is expected to be repatriated early next week.

Vergara, 27, died after he

was electrocuted at the Judicial Complex construction site in Susupe.

Vergara, police said, was working on the first floor of the building when the incident happened.

Villavilla, 39, for his part, had seizures following a fight with a certain Berlin Sedurante, 38, a carpenter who tried to wrestle him while inside a running van along Middle Road.

Villavilla, a stevedore was with three co-workers of the Saipan Stevedore Co., Inc. on their way to their jobsite at the Charlie Dock when the incident happened.

Sedurante is now facing charges of second degree murder before the Superior Court.

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Wonenberg on Quitugua:

'Give him a chance'



Margarita DLG. Wonenberg

By Jojo Dass
Variety News Staff

ACTING Lands and Natural Resources Secretary Margarita DLG. Wonenberg has asked the Department's staff to give newly-installed Fish and Wildlife Director and Democratic Party Chair Daniel Quitugua "a chance to prove his worth."

The appeal was made following reports of disgruntlement among DLNR ranks opposed to Quitugua's assumption of the post formerly held

by Director Roque Santos.

Santos was terminated last week by Gov. Froilan Tenorio allegedly to accommodate Quitugua whose ouster from the Department of Public Works has been sought by acting DPW Secretary Martin Mangiona for alleged absenteeism and incompetence.

"I respect the employees' position. But I urge them to give him (Quitugua) a chance. He hasn't been in the post for very long at all to give a good and sound evaluation of his performance. So far, I believe he's doing fine," said Wonenberg.

"We all work for the public. This is a government office and we are all accountable to the public. It doesn't make Mr. Quitugua less accountable because he's DFW Director."

Santos, disappointed over his dismissal, has said he is pursuing legal actions against Tenorio.

He said his "obvious" support to Lt. Gov. Jesus Borja's and former DLNR Secretary Benigno Sablan's electoral bid may have precipitated his ouster.

"It (removal from office) was improper. I was doing my job. He (Tenorio) has no other reason to terminate me..."



Daniel Quitugua

(than) my obvious support to the Borja-Sablan team," Santos said in an earlier interview.

Wonenberg said Santos' ouster was "appropriate... legally speaking."

She said Santos, appointed by Tenorio as DFW Director on Dec. 23 last year, "serves at the pleasure of the governor."

"It (ouster) was appropriate because it was the governor's prerogative."

Quitugua is off-island on a DFW trip.

DFW off to Sariguan next week for 'feral cleansing'

By Jojo Dass

Variety News Staff

AT LEAST 10 Fish and Wildlife staff will go to Sariguan Island next week to install two more cargo containers of equipment and supplies needed for the planned "feral cleansing."

In an interview, Richard Seman, DFW acting Director said the staff will be assisted by the US Navy in bringing in the containers.

"DFW is now trying to secure a vessel for the purpose," said Seman.

"This is the final phase of equipment mobilization," he added.

With staff and necessary supplies in place, Seman said the actual hauling off of wild goats may soon commence.

He said DFW is coordinating with Northern Islands Mayor Joseph T. Ogumoro who has requested that the goats be turned over to him.

There are an estimated 1,000 wild goats on Sariguan, all of which, studies established, pose a threat to the island's top soil and vegetation.

The goats, said Seman, will be transported to Saipan where Ogumoro can have it.

"Basically, we are accommodating his (Ogumoro) request (to have the goats)," said Seman.

A first batch of DFW personnel, also

assisted by the US Navy, has gone to Sariguan last month supposedly to bring in all four cargo containers.

"But only two (cargo containers) were put in place because we had a problem with the helicopter lifting it from the boat to the island," explained Seman.

DFW is now set to install fences on the island, a method that will be used in herding the goats before they will be

hauled off.

The plan to rid Sariguan of wild goats has been in the works since last year.

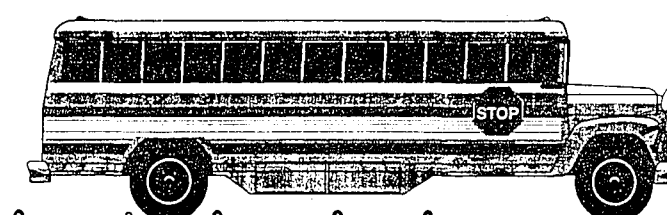
The delay was caused by the Emergency Management Office's and DLNR's failure to agree on a confirmed schedule for the use of the Challenging which is under the former's care.

The original plan was to give away the goats to livestock raisers on Saipan.

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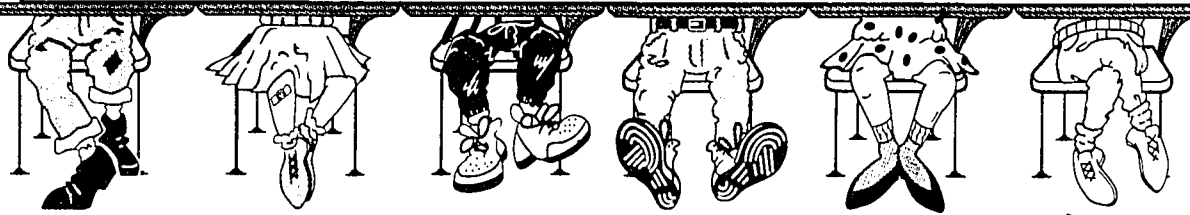
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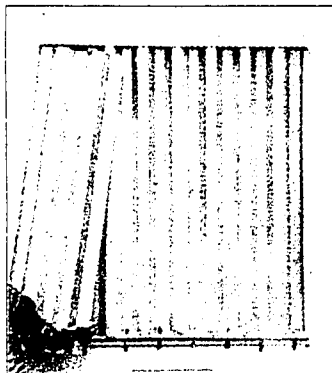
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I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- Call to Order
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- Adoption of Minutes
 - July 25, 1997

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- Decision on Appeal
 - Coastal Permit Decision SMS-97-X-01 (Lucky Resort Hotel, DAB 97-02)
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/s/ JOSE P. CRUZ
Chairman

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff

THE DEPARTMENTS of Public Health Services and Labor and Immigration have reached an understanding regarding the implementation of alien health screening rules, DPHS Secretary Dr. Isamu J. Abraham said yesterday.

At this time, Abraham said DPHS is relying solely on section 4438 of the Nonresident Workers Act to enforce the requirement that nonresident workers and their immediate relatives obtain health certificates upon entry into the CNMI and then yearly thereafter.

Section 4438 of the Nonresident Workers Act requires DPHS to report to the Director of Labor the names of nonresident workers who are not fit to remain in the CNMI because they have a communicable disease that poses a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and resident of the Commonwealth.

DPHS has suspended the implementation of the health screening regulations which were adopted in Feb. 1997 following Gov. Froilan Tenorio's recommendation to "pause and evaluate."

Based on DPHS's understanding with Tenorio, Abraham said he is requesting DOLI not to collect the \$20 administrative processing fee as re-



Isamu J. Abraham

quired by the Memorandum Of Understanding.

Abraham told DOLI Secretary Thomas Sablan that when Tenorio and the DPHS later agree it is appropriate to begin enforcing the alien health screening regulations, he will advise that collection of the \$20 fee should commence.

The regulations were submitted to the regulation review committee in December 1996, but were not approved for publication at that time following a request for a public hearing from Hotel Association and private health clinics.



Thomas Sablan

As a result of the Jan. 1997 hearings, Abraham said the rules and regulations were modified in part to address the concerns raised.

The modifications provide that the regulations no longer contain restrictions preventing private clinics from processing their own laboratory and x-ray results.

Another modification is that private clinic physicians are not required to submit physical examination and screening test results directly to the Division of Public Health, this will be the responsibility of the employers.

PSS staff backwages assured

By Jojo Dass

Variety News Staff

THE GOOD news is that hundreds of employees under the Public School System may soon get their backwages as mandated by a 1991 law granting a 14 percent across-the-board salary hike.

The not so good one is that it is not immediately clear just how soon will the employees be paid.

The Board of Education has sought assistance from the Office of Personnel Management on the necessary documents and computation needed to finally release funds for the employees' backwages.

"BOE, through their representative, has indicated to me that they have approved the payment of the legal obligation," said OPM Director Luis S. Camacho in an interview.

"But as to when the payment will take place is up to PSS since they are an autonomous agency."

Camacho said OPM has provided BOE with "samples" on how the computation will be done.

PSS, he said, comprise the bulk of government employees who have yet

to receive their six-year old backwages.

"It (PSS) has the most number of government employees from school supervisors to school bus drivers," he said.

There are an estimated 1,400 government employees, employed when the law was enacted on May 19, 1991, who have yet to receive some \$8.4 million in retroactive salaries mandated under Public Law 8-6 which amended Public Law 7-31, the 1991 Commonwealth Compensation Adjustment and Salary Act.

Camacho has earlier expressed confidence the money will be issued this election year owing to the employees' capacity to muster close to 5,000 votes.

Camacho has sought the Attorney General's opinion on whether legislation is required to disburse the amount.

In his recent letter to acting Attorney General Robert B. Dunlap II, Camacho argued that no additional legislation was called for when initial payments were made in 1993 and 1994 under the authorization of P.L. 7-31.

"My question is whether this (PL

7-31 and its amendments under PL 8-6) is also sufficient for authorizing the retroactive payments, or if further legislation is required," said Camacho in the letter.

Camacho, frustrated over the delay, has urged the affected employees to file a class action suit against the Legislature for failure to appropriate funds.

He has warned that such "approach" may "materialize if nothing happens by the end of the year."

Camacho has also proposed that government be charged at least 10 percent in interest for every month's delay of the fund's release.

"Government charges employees one percent a month for delayed or delinquent payment of loans. So why not reverse matters and this time have government pay interest rates?" he raised in an earlier interview.

Tax deductions too, he said, can be an option in offsetting the delayed payment.

A cost impact analysis done by OPM placed at \$5,700 the amount each of the 1,400 government employees may receive.

2 more members of US Immigration Reform Commission coming Monday

TWO MEMBERS of the U.S. Commission on Immigration Reform will arrive on Saipan on Monday, according to a press release from the governor's public information office.

Commissioners Dr. Michael S. Teitelbaum and Robert Charles Hill will be accompanied by commission staffer John Spiegel and Executive Director Susan Martin.

Two staff members are already on island, and have started have collecting information.

David Levy and Monica Heppel have been on island for four days and have met with ranking CNMI

officials including Labor Secretary Thomas O. Sablan.

The two have also met with officers of the Hotel Association of the Northern Mariana Islands, Saipan Chamber of Commerce, and the Saipan Garment Manufacturers Association.

"An even more intensive schedule awaits the Commission members, with special emphasis on bringing out the history and present state of labor and immigration policy in the CNMI," the press release said.

Commission delegates will be given tours of government facilities related to immigration, as well

as local garment factories.

They are also set to meet CNMI residents—US citizens and non-resident workers—and ask them about the different experiences they had during their time spent here.

The Commission is scheduled to make its final report to the U.S. Congress in two months.

"Since its mandate is to make recommendations concerning U.S. immigration law presently inapplicable to the CNMI, it is unclear how much of the report will reflect knowledge gathered about the Commonwealth's immigration practices and policies," the government's press release said.

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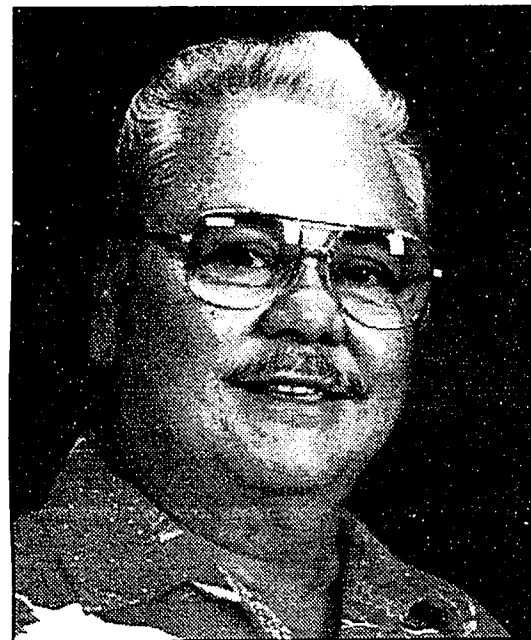
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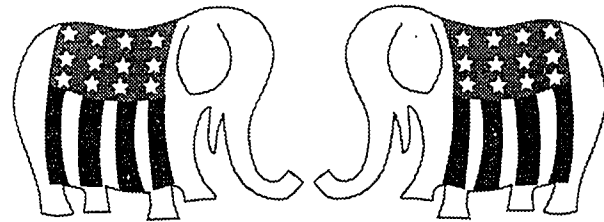
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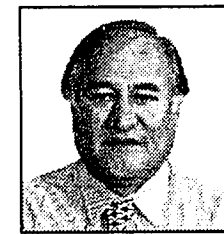
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Karl Oscar Tudela Reyes
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Born: December 29, 1941

Wife: Virginia Barto Reyes

Sons: Sean Spencer Reyes, Reinold Reid Reyes, Karl T. Reyes II

Daughter: Rheta Ines Reyes

Mother: Ines DeLeon Guerrero Tudela

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Ana Sablan Teregyo
(INCUMBENT)

Born: February 9, 1948, Saipan

Residence: San Vicente Village

Children: Irene (Gil San Nicolas), Geraldine, Donald, Dennis (Lynn), Catherine, and Derek

Parents: Benigno O. Sablan (Tun Benigno'n Ka'ingting) and Consolacion H. Atalg (both dec.)

In-Laws: Enrique P. Teregyo (Nang Ke'ta) and Odoriko Serman (Tun Odo) (both deceased)

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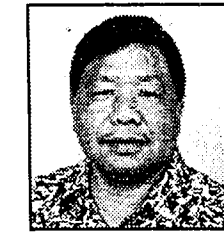
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David Mundo Apatang (Dave)
(INCUMBENT)

Address: San Antonio Village, Saipan MP 96950

Date of Birth: July 10, 1948

Place of Birth: Tolo, Guam

Spouse: Tina Cooper Tenorio (Deceased)

Children: Elaine M. Apatang & Peter Richardson

Velma M. Apatang & Charles Mendiola (David Peter)

Kimberly Ann Apatang & Ben Acabo (Kevin & Jackie)

Victoria Ann Apatang

Deyna Rose Apatang

David John R. Apatang

Mother: Rosa Altig Mundo Castro

Father: Ronaldo Dela Cruz Apatang (dec.)

Stepfather: Gregorio Palacios Castro (dec.)

Mother-in-law: Victoria Reyes Pangasinan Concepcion (Tali)

Stepfather-in-law: Jose Aguin Concepcion

Father-in-law: Juan Rios Malinas (dec.)

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Manuel Agulto Tenorio (Brown)
(INCUMBENT)

Date of Birth: December 23, 1944

Place of Birth: Chalan Kanoa, Saipan

Spouse: Tina Cooper Tenorio (Deceased)

Children: Cathy, Frances Anthony, Sofia, Michael, Dianne, & Manuel Tenorio, Jr.

Brothers & Sisters: Jose A. Tenorio (Pinkie), Rosalia T. Sablan, Joaquin A. Tenorio (Ph.D.), Pedro A. Tenorio (Former Lt. Governor), & Frank C. Agulto

Parents: Francisco Pangasinan Tenorio & Magdalena Concepcion Agulto (dec.)

Stepfather: Vicente Salas DeLeon Guerrero (dec.)

Grandparents: Joaquin Torres Tenorio & Juana Campos Pangasinan

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Herman Tudela Palacios

Wife: Joycelyn Cave Palacios

Parents: Joaquin Muna Palacios/Francisco Muna Tudela Palacios (both dec.)

In-Laws: Clifford Williams Cave (dec)/Rosario San Nicolas Cave

Brothers, Sisters & Spouse: Augustin Tudela Palacios (dec) & Esperanza Ulloa

Daniel Tudela Palacios & Maria Ada Muna Palacios

Rosario Tudela Palacios

John I. Schwarz & Susan Palacios Schwarz

Estevan I. Pangasinan (dec) & Connie Palacios Pangasinan

Children & Spouses: Katrina Palacios Tagabuel & Hillary Cabrera Tagabuel

Troy Murphy Palacios & Tim Palacios

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House passes budget bill

By Alan Fram
WASHINGTON (AP)—With President Clinton poised to sign his name, the House ended years of partisan deadlock Wednesday by overwhelmingly approving a bill aimed at balancing the budget by 2002. The measure would retool Medicare and spend billions generated by the hale economy for children's health and welfare.

In testament to the spoils it bore for both parties, lawmakers whipped the package through the House by a surprisingly one-sided 346-85 bipartisan margin. The measure was backed 193-32 by Republicans and 153-52 by Democrats; the one independent voted "no." House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., announced the vote from the speaker's chair, basking in a moment he helped create by leading the Republican take-over of Congress in the 1994 election.

The Senate was debating the same bill, which claims to save \$130 billion over five years, and planned to pass it by Thursday. Also Thursday, both chambers plan to begin pushing the biggest tax cut since 1981 to Clinton, who is expected to sign both measures next week.

"It really represents the dawning of a new era," said Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, the House Budget Committee chairman, who helped craft the legislation and the bipartisan balanced-budget deal in May that it tracks. "It's an era where we recognize the limits of government."

The tax measure reduces levies by \$152 billion through 2002, establishing a \$500 tax credit for millions of children, new credits and deductions for college students, lower capital-gains tax rates and a slew of savings incentives. It simultaneously raises \$56 billion in other taxes, mostly on airline travelers and smokers.

The effort gives supporters from both parties a chance to claim credit for erasing federal red ink for the first time since 1969, even as the soaring economy by itself is pushing this year's deficit down toward \$40 billion for the first time in 23 years.

"This bill says 'I love you' to our children," said Rep. Anne Northup, R-Ky., referring to future taxpayers' savings. There were other victories for both parties. Republicans won tax cuts, spending restraints plus Clinton's support for Medicare savings similar to those that he bashed them for in the last election.

Democrats gained hope that their "tax-and-spend" label would be erased. They also captured a \$24 billion initiative to provide health insurance for uncovered children, restored welfare benefits for thousands of legal immigrants, and added Medicare coverage for

mammograms, prostate and colorectal cancer screening and some diabetes treatments.

Opponents included conservatives angry that spending would be left too high and liberals saying the poor were being socked while taxes were being pared for the wealthy.

"A low-income veteran who took a bullet or two at Iwo Jima or Vietnam has to make another sacrifice to help an investor who wants to take a profit on Wall Street," said Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill.

But even liberals were split. House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., was opposed but Sen. Edward

Senate panel OKs new France, Russia envoys

By SLOBODAN LEKIC
WASHINGTON (AP) - The organizer of President Bill Clinton's favorite winter retreat won approval from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to become then new U.S. ambassador to Britain.

Philip Lader, a longtime friend and political supporter of the president, was among 19 diplomatic nominees cleared by the Senate panel. All of the nominations now go to the full Senate for confirmation. No date has been set for the vote, normally considered a mere formality.

Other nominations approved were James Collins, a career diplomat who would become ambassador to Russia, and Felix G. Rohatyn, a New York investment banker and major Democratic donor, who would go to Paris.

Stanley Roth, formerly head of the Asia desk at the National Security Council, was approved to re-

place Winston Lord as assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

Richard Kauzlarich, the current envoy to Azerbaijan, is slated for Bosnia, while James Pardew, the special representative for military stabilization in the Balkans, is being elevated to the rank of ambassador.

John Komblum, the former assistant secretary for European and Canadian affairs, would become ambassador to Germany. Marc Grossman replaces him as assistant secretary.

Lader is a former White House deputy chief of staff and director of the Small Business Administration. He is best known as host of the annual "Renaissance Weekend," a social seminar held at Hilton Head, an island off the South Carolina coast. Clinton has attended for years as Arkansas' governor and as president.

Lader replaces William Crowe Jr., a retired chairman of the Joint Chiefs

of Staff. The London and Paris posts nearly always go to political appointees rather than career diplomats.

Favorable action on the nominations was voted as the panel's chairman, Sen. Jesse Helms reiterated his intent to block Clinton's choice of former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld to be ambassador to Mexico.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright welcomed the committee's action Wednesday, calling its handling of Clinton's nominations "expeditious, thorough and fair."

"This action reflects the continued excellent working relationship that has developed between the executive branch and the Senate in the handling of diplomatic nominations," Albright said in a statement.

Other nominations approved by the committee Wednesday:

Japan court sentences US soldier to 3 years

TOKYO (AP) - A Japanese court Thursday sentenced a U.S. serviceman to three years in prison for the attempted rape of a Japanese woman in March, a court official said.

Chief Petty Officer Raymond A. Cunningham, 39, was found guilty and given the prison term by a three-judge panel at the court in Hachinohe in northern Japan, the official said. There are no jury trials in Japan.

Prosecutors had asked for a sentence of four years for the attack, which took place in a parking lot in Hachinohe on Mar. 20, said the official, who gave only his surname of Kanazawa.

Cunningham will receive credit for 60 days spent in detention toward the sentence, Kanazawa said.

Cunningham is stationed at Misawa Air Base, near Hachinohe, a fishing port located about 575 kilometers (357 miles) northwest of Tokyo.

The military was unable to confirm Cunningham's hometown in the United States, a spokeswoman at Misawa said.

Presiding Judge Kazuhiko

Kinugasa, in meting out the sentence to Cunningham, described the crime as "malicious and vicious," Kyodo News reported.

The woman, 31, was pushed to the ground from behind and struck in the face during the attack, which resulted in injuries that took two weeks to heal, local media quoted the ruling as saying.

A series of violent crimes by U.S. servicemen in recent years has damaged the reputation of American soldiers in Japan.

Landslide in Australia: 20 feared dead

By ALAN THORNHILL
THREDBO, Australia (AP) - The desperate voices of victims trapped in a landslide faded Thursday while frustrated rescuers had to wait more than 10 hours to move in equipment to begin the dangerous operation.

The landslide struck at 11:40 p.m. Wednesday and smashed through two ski lodges, burying 20 people under tons of rubble. Ten hours later, crushed cars were perched precariously on teetering piles of rubble.

"We've got a lot of rescue personnel at the scene but it is so unstable that it is not possible for us to put people right down in there," Police Superintendent Charlie Sanderson said.

He expected many deaths at Thredbo, a popular resort in New South Wales about 185 miles (300 km) south of Sydney. Thredbo Village has a winter population of about 2,000.

Police said Thursday afternoon that a sweep of the field of debris with sensitive sound detecting equipment found no signs of any survivors.

FedEx plane crashes, five aboard safe

NEWARK, New Jersey (AP) - Five people climbed through a cockpit window to safety early Thursday after a Federal Express cargo plane crashed, flipped onto its back and burst into flames at Newark International Airport.

No one on the ground was hurt, authorities said.

The MD-80 plane was about to land at 1:35 a.m. when the accident occurred, according to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which manages the airport.

With flames spreading around them, "the five FedEx employees inside were able to climb out a cockpit window to safety. Officers were then there to help them. They all walked away from it," said Allen Morrison, a Port Authority spokesman. "All reports so far indicate the injuries were minor."

The National Transportation Safety Board will investigate.

The airport was immediately shut down and no flights were taking off or landing as authorities tried to put out the flames on the aircraft lying on its back, its landing gear pointing toward the sky.

The plane originated at Anchorage International Airport in Alaska, a FedEx manager there said.



Raymond helps her mom sell fishes, with prices ranging from \$2 to \$4, in the Muslim community in Manila Thursday. Muslims do not eat pork because it is not allowed in their religion of Islam, the locals in the community eat fish to get protein. AP

Japan, S.Korea hold trade talks

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Japan and South Korea agreed Thursday to hold working-level talks aimed at greater Japanese imports of South Korean fish, textiles and shoes, officials said.

For years, Seoul has demanded that Japan buy more South Korean products to help reduce a huge trade imbalance, which reached \$16.69 billion in Japan's favor last year, or more than three-fourths of South Korea's total trade deficit of \$20.38 billion.

The chronic imbalance was a

main topic when Japanese International Trade and Industry Minister Shinji Sato met with his South Korean counterpart, Lim Chang-yuel, on Thursday, ministry officials said.

Sato and Lim agreed that the two sides will meet before the end of September to discuss South Korea's demand that Japan increase import quotas for South Korean mackerel, anchovies and other fish from the current \$40 million to \$60 million a year, the officials said.

Singapore exchange to probe Yamaichi trades

SINGAPORE (AP) - The Singapore International Monetary Exchange said Thursday it will investigate trading by Japan's Yamaichi Securities Co. on the futures market during 1995.

Prosecutors in Tokyo searched Yamaichi's headquarters Wednesday to investigate suspicions that Yamaichi illegally gave about 79 million yen (\$679,000) to corporate racketeer Ryuchi Koike in 1995 to reimburse him for trading losses.

Japanese press reports alleged

Yamaichi generated the profits from trading Nikkei stock index futures at SIMEX.

"In connection with the report of alleged illegal trading by Yamaichi Securities Tokyo, SIMEX will be looking into the matter," said SIMEX spokesman Maureen Goh. She gave no further details.

SIMEX was last embroiled in controversy in 1995 when multi-million-dollar trading losses sustained by futures trader Nick Leeson bankrupted Britain's Barings Bank.

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Plane causes runway closure

TOKYO (AP) - A runway at Kansai International Airport in western Japan was briefly closed this week after a Northwest Airlines plane lost a windshield wiper, transport officials said Thursday.

The incident occurred past noon Monday, when the Northwest flight from Manila was about to land. The pilot notified airport officials that he noticed the 60 centimeter (2-foot) wiper was missing.

No injuries or damage was reported, and it was not known why the wiper fell off.

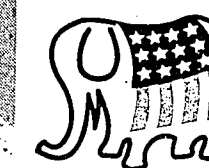
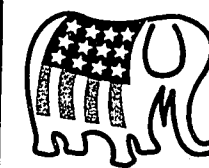
Northwest has faced complaints from Japanese aviation authorities about a high number of flight disruptions here due to planes needing repairs. Northwest protested the complaints, and the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration called the Japanese criticisms unfounded.

Shortly after the plane landed the

Kansai airport, officials went out onto the 3,500-meter runway and found the wiper sitting in the middle of the tarmac.

The runway was closed for five minutes, said Shinji Iwashita, an official with the Transport Ministry's Osaka Aviation Bureau.

Washita said the airport authorities has asked Northwest officials to explain the accident, while requesting efforts to prevent a recurrence.



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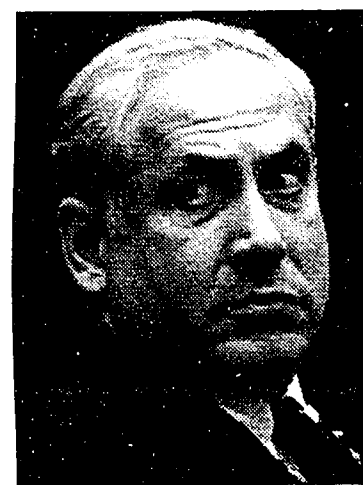
Hamas claims bombing

By Gwen Ackerman
JERUSALEM (AP) — Carefully synchronizing their attacks, two men carried briefcases packed with explosives and nails into Jerusalem's most crowded outdoor market Wednesday and blew themselves up, sending body parts and blood-soaked vegetables flying.

The double blasts killed 14 people — including the two bombers — and injured more than 150, striking at the teetering Mideast peace process at a time when renewed progress seemed plausible.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Cabinet met in emergency session to suspend peace talks with the Palestinians — which resumed this week after a four-month deadlock — until Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat acts against the militants "with determination," Israel TV said.

A leaflet claiming to be from



Benjamin Netanyahu

the militant Islamic group Hamas took responsibility.

Mahane Yehuda, Jerusalem's main fruit and vegetable market, was packed with shoppers when the two bombs went off in an alley, about 50 yards apart, at 1:15 p.m.

"People flew in the air without

legs, without arms, without clothes," said one witness, 43-year-old Sarah Yamin.

Soot-covered bodies lay on the ground, their blood mixing with smashed watermelons, torn clothes and shredded newspaper. Green awnings covering the alley were torn apart and vegetable stands and clothing displays overturned; scraps of clothing dangled from telephone lines.

The market has been the site of a dozen bombings and attempted bombings since the 1960s, but the latest assault was the deadliest.

The attackers — whose overall aim has been to scuttle the peace process — achieved a short-term goal: President Clinton postponed a new peace initiative by U.S. envoy Dennis Ross, who was to arrive in the region Thursday. No new date for the trip was set.

The attacks came just days

after Netanyahu appeared on TV to highlight his success in preventing the deadly suicide bombings that bedeviled his predecessors and led to his election last year.

Shortly after the bombing, Arafat called Netanyahu to express his condolences, resulting in what Netanyahu spokesman Shai Bazak called a "tough conversation."

Later, at the emergency session of the Israeli Cabinet, a said Palestinians' condolences were not enough: "What we expect is action."

One senior Israeli official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Israel might resort to commando strikes or limited military offensives in Palestinian-controlled areas to try to stop the attacks.

Arafat, speaking in the West Bank city of Jericho shortly before declaring a state of emer-

gency, said he "strongly and completely" condemns the violence, which he said "is not only aimed at Israelis but at the peace."

Arafat said he hoped Israel would not use the attacks as a pretext for further delays in peace talks, which collapsed in March over Israeli building into disputed territories and Israeli demands for a crackdown on Palestinian militants.

Israeli television reported that Arafat was expected to conduct mass arrests of Islamic militants in the West Bank and Gaza late Wednesday.

News reports said the two bombers apparently drove to the market together wearing black coats and white shirts — perhaps in an effort to look like ultra-Orthodox Jews. Each carried a briefcase packed with 22 pounds of explosives, police said.

"I heard the explosions one after another," said 65-year-old Simha Kadoori, speaking from a hospital bed after doctors removed a 1-inch black nail lodged in her chest. "I fell (and) saw blood on my chest."

Dozens of ambulances lined up along Jaffa Road, one of Jerusalem's busiest streets, to carry away the dead and injured. A 14-year-old boy was seen with a badly mangled leg, and rescue workers tried to revive a boy about 8 years old.

Half a corpse, ripped apart by the force of the blast, lay covered with a blanket — apparently one of the bombers.

Israeli TV said that beside the suicide bombers, eight men and four women were killed. Police identified two of the victims as David Nasco and Sammy Malka, both 44 years old and from the Jerusalem area.

Shopkeepers were ordered to close their stores while police searched for more explosives. Bomb squads picked up blackened screws and nails, packed into the bombs to increase their deadly impact.

Dozens of Israelis gathered near the site of the attack, and some shouted, "What kind of peace is this? Who needs this peace?"

A leaflet signed by Hamas claimed responsibility and demanded the release of the group's jailed spiritual leader, Sheikh Ahmed Yassin, and all other Palestinian prisoners.

The leaflet said the demands must be met by 9 p.m. Aug. 3, but did not say what would happen if they were not.

Sheik Abdel Aziz Rantisi, the No. 2 man in Hamas' political leadership, cast doubt on the claim's authenticity, saying "the tone of the leaflet is unusual."

In Washington, Clinton urged the Palestinian Authority to take "concrete steps" to increase security in the region.

Israel immediately imposed a closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, barring tens of thousands of Palestinians from jobs in Israel.

Clinton calls on Palestinians after bombing

'Strengthen security'

By GEORGE GEDDA
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bill Clinton condemned the suicide bombings in Jerusalem on Wednesday and urged the Palestinian Authority to take decisive steps to improve security.

He postponed a mission to the Middle East by U.S. mediator Dennis Ross until a period of mourning for the victims is over.

Calling the attack "barbarous," Clinton said, "The only answer can and must be concrete steps by the Palestinian Authority to increase security operations, and the strengthening of security cooperation between Palestinians and Israelis."

He also said there must be a "deepened determination by both Palestinians and Israelis to pursue peace." House Speaker Newt Gingrich said Yasser Arafat and the Palestinian Authority had "consistently failed to pursue and lock up terrorists."

Gingrich said the Authority "has an absolute obligation" to fight terrorism and the U.S. government should hold the Palestinians responsible for "any failure to lock up terrorists and abide by its half of the agreement."

A senior State Department official said Arafat, in a conversation Wednesday with Ross, was distressed by the bombings.

"There was a tone of shock," said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity. "He was very subdued." Arafat seemed to feel that the bombings were as much a threat to him as they were to Israel, the official said.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, returning Wednesday from a Southeast Asian trip, said she got personal assurances from both Arafat and Israeli President Benjamin Netanyahu that they were committed to the peace process. She said Arafat told her that Palestinian security officials "were doing everything they could to make sure the security situation was restored."

As for Netanyahu, she said he made similar promises.

The House expressed solidarity with the people and government of Israel and urged Arafat to "undertake immediately unequivocal action to bring to justice leaders of terrorists organizations and extremist groups."

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee passed a similar resolution.

Committee Chairman Jesse Helms said the Palestinian Authority hadn't done enough to crack down on terrorism. He said Arafat "has ample practice in issuing apologies and regrets for Palestinian attacks on Jews. But rhetoric is



President Clinton pauses in the White House briefing room Wednesday where he made a statement on Israel. The president deplored the bombings that ripped through a Jerusalem market and called on the Palestinian Authority to take "concrete steps" to increase security in the region. AP

cheap. ... There is no peace in this peace process."

Less than 24 hours before the bombing,

the White House had issued an optimistic statement about the peace process in announcing the decision

to send Ross back to the region. It said that recent discussions between Israelis and Palestinians after a long hiatus were a "step in the right direction."

Presidential press secretary Mike McCurry said the administration believes it is "most likely" that the terrorists struck simply because there was a "glimmer of hope."

Clinton said it would be inappropriate to discuss the peace process so soon after the attack.

He bristled when a reporter suggested that he and Albright had not been deeply involved in attempting to bring peace to the region.

"I believe my personal involvement has been continuing and intense in this," he said. "You should not conclude for a moment that the White House has not been intimately and intensely and continuously involved in this peace process, particularly as it has gotten more difficult."

Albright has not traveled to the region since becoming secretary of state but has maintained frequent contact with officials there.

"I am directly involved in this," Albright said, defending her long-distance role and saying she talks frequently with both sides. "You do not have to be in the region to be personally involved."

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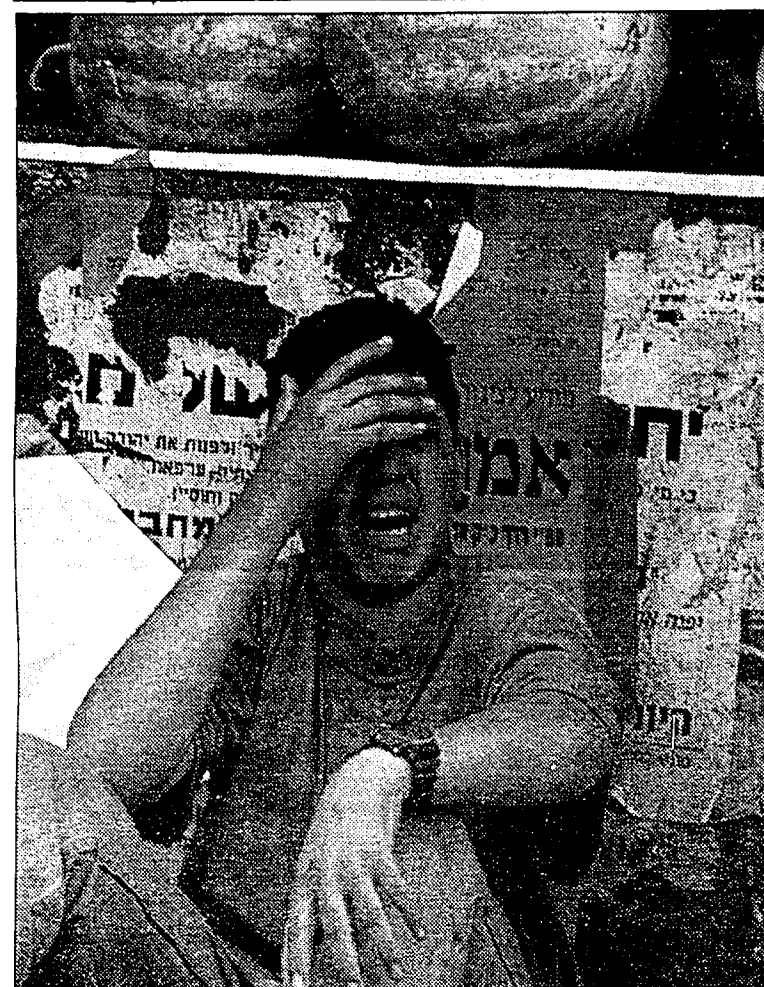
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An Israeli youth who had witnessed the double suicide attack in Jerusalem's Mahane Yehuda open market Wednesday cries. At least 18 people died and over 150 were injured in the attack. AP

Jordan also condemns bombings in Jerusalem

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) - Jordan, Israel's closest Arab ally, condemned Wednesday the two bombs that ripped through a crowded market in Jerusalem, killing 18 people and wounding more than 150.

"Jordan denounces and categorically rejects such actions and does not condone terrorist

attacks that claim innocent lives," Foreign Minister Fawzi Tarawneh told The Associated Press.

He said he believed the explosions were aimed at jeopardizing Arab-Israeli peacemaking "at a time when we started feeling positive moves in the peace process."

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the suicide bombings in the Mahane Yehuda outdoor marketplace, Jerusalem's main fruit and vegetable market.

But Muslim militants opposed to a Israeli-Palestinian peace have launched several similar deadly attacks in the past.

Terror attacks on Israel markets not uncommon

By Dafna Linzer

JERUSALEM (AP)—The outdoor market where two bombs exploded Wednesday has been the site of a dozen bombings and attempted bombings since the 1960s, but the latest assault was the deadliest.

Fourteen people, including two suicide bombers, were killed Wednesday and more than 150 injured in the vegetable-strewn stalls of the Mahane Yehuda market in downtown west Jerusalem.

In November 1968, a car bomb exploded at the entrance of the century-old market, killing 12 Israelis and wounding 53 others.

In January 1979, a bomb injured 23 Israelis.

In May 1990, a bomb killed one man and wounded nine people. In December of that year, a suicide bomber died when the bomb strapped to her body exploded prematurely in a women's bathroom in the limestone-walled market.

On several occasions, officials detonated bombs before anyone was injured. That was the case in August 1974, when police found a bomb hidden in a baby stroller in the market and defused it.

Police often stop passers-by, particularly Palestinian workers, and ask to see identification.

Still, most people casually stroll through the crowded stalls, entering through a variety of connecting streets and going about their business undisturbed.

Turkey's PM vows to pursue religion reform

By SELCAN HACA OGLU

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) - Prime Minister Mesut Yilmaz said Wednesday his government intends to push through an educational reform curbing religious schools despite a march by pro-Islam protesters.

"Those who think that street demonstrations and actions can deter the government are wrong," Yilmaz told reporters. "Our government is determined to bring about the educational reform."

Some 15,000 people rallied in downtown Ankara Tuesday to protest the reform that would increase compulsory education from five to eight years. The move would in effect close down the junior high sections of religious-oriented schools.

At least 13 people, most of them journalists, were injured in clashes which erupted after police moved in to quash the protest.

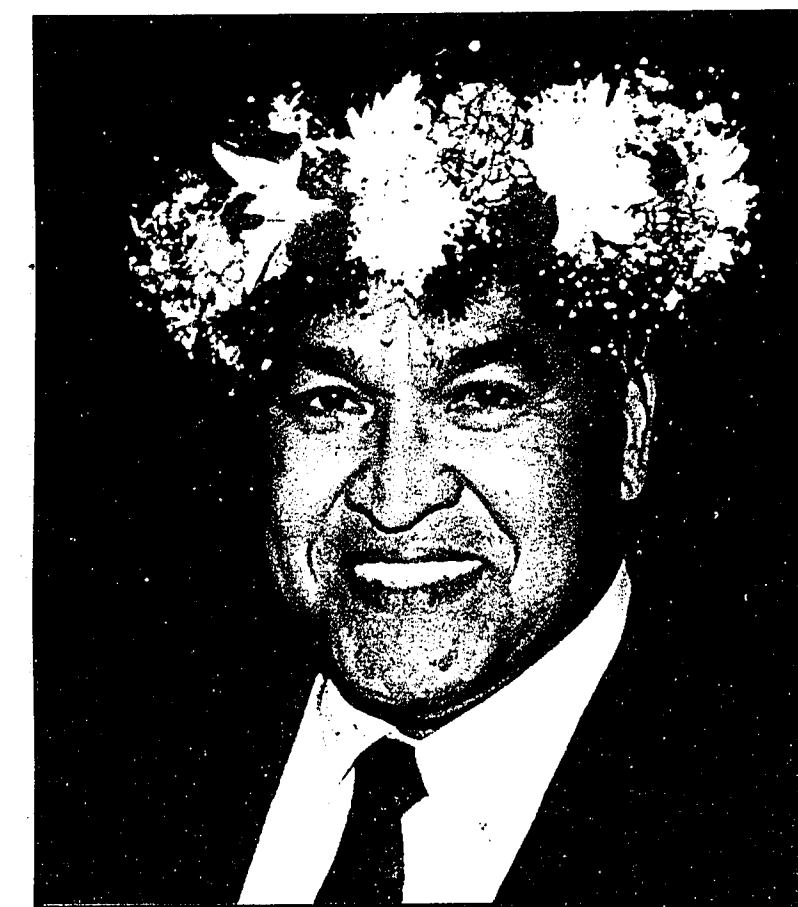
Egyptian father decapitates daughter, 4

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - A mechanic told by doctors he was sterile decapitated his 4-year-old daughter in the belief she was fathered by another man, police said Wednesday. He said Satan forced him to do it.

Ismail Mohammed Abdel-Alim, 28, confessed just after the slaying Tuesday that he took his daughter over his knee and cut off her head, said police officials.

Abdel-Alim was married three times. He had the daughter with his second wife and had gone to a doctor to inquire why his new wife was not yet pregnant after eight months of marriage, the officials said.

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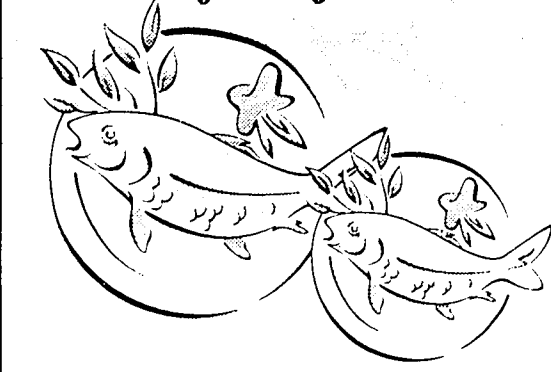
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Arafat officials rebut raps

By SAMAR ASSAD
RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) - The Palestinian health minister, his voice cracking as tears rolled down his face, defended his office against charges of mismanagement in a Palestinian parliament debate on official corruption.

"I have been swimming in a sea of pain," Riyadh Zanonun said Wednesday.

Some suspicions should be further investigated, he said, and he promised to hand over all files on a top ministry official suspected of pocketing large sums. But he added, to lawmakers' applause, "I am not and never was a greedy person."

Others appeared to have less luck convincing the lawmakers, after a parliamentary committee on Tuesday found extensive abuses in all 18 government ministries and recommended three ministers - Planning Minister Nabil Shaath, Civil Affairs Minister Jamil Tarifi, and Transportation Minister Ali Qawasmeh - stand trial.

Qawasmeh admitted his ministry committed violations but blamed the mismanagement on his predecessor, Abdul Aziz Haj Ahmad.

"Last night was the worst night of my life. Not even the



Yasser Arafat

night I spent in Israeli prison was as bad as when I was told I was accused of squandering my people's money," Qawasmeh said.

Tarifi, accused of giving illegal customs exemptions on more than 4,300 cars including a Jaguar for his father, sidestepped the charges, saying he was "not responsible for the acts of my relatives."

Perhaps the most defiant was Shaath, a prominent peace negotiator with Israel whom the report accused of setting up a secret fund for personal expenses such as telephone and electricity bills.

He accused the committee of using "innuendo and rumors."

"I am not coming to defend myself because all the charges

are lies with no documented evidence," Shaath said. "I open my ministry and files to all who want to investigate, and if they cannot find proof I shall file a slander suit against them."

Committee members were not cowed. "We have all the documents," insisted one of its members, Hatem Abdel Kader.

Their report included allegations that foreign aid had been diverted for personal use and urged Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to "form a new Cabinet made up of technocrats and qualified people."

While the bipartisan committee has no legal authority, its findings placed Arafat on the spot by fingering top political allies like Shaath.

"I am sure the president will look seriously at the report," Arafat spokesman Marwan Kanafani said. "We will not tolerate any mishandling of public funds."

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat called the report "a genuine Palestinian attempt to build a society of accountability and transparency."

The investigative committee was set up in response to a state comptroller's report two months ago that found \$326 million of the Palestinian au-



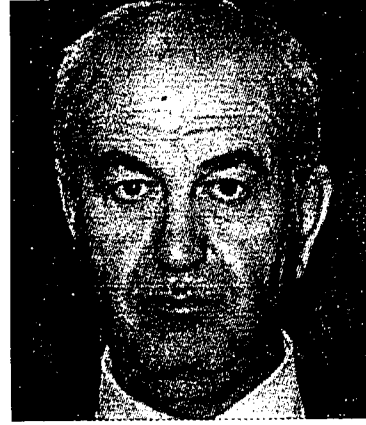
Nabil Shaath

tonomy government's \$326 million annual budget had been squandered through corruption or mismanagement.

Committee members said Tuesday that the \$326 million figure was too high, and an accurate number could only be determined after an investigation by the state attorney.

The suspicions of waste, graft and nepotism, and brazen shows of wealth by government officials with huge villas and four or five cars apiece, have raised resentment among ordinary Palestinians and concern among international donors.

But Husam Khader, a legislator from Nablus, said he was not optimistic the report would lead to significant change. "The mismanagement starts



Ali Qawasmeh

from the top - way up on top," he said.

Conspicuous in its absence in the report - as in the comptroller's audit - was an investigation of Arafat's office itself.

Kanafani, the Arafat spokesman, called the report "a good thing" and said it provides "a strong basis" for a Cabinet shakeup he said Arafat was already planning.

Arafat's government has been rocked by a series of reports in recent months alleging serious corruption and mismanagement.

In June, Attorney General Khaled Kidreh stepped down after Justice Minister Freih Abu Medein reportedly presented Arafat with evidence he pocketed bail money and took bribes from prisoners.

Over deadly Saudi bombing

Cohen faults AF general

By SUSANNE M. SCHAFER
WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. Defense Secretary William Cohen has decided to hold an Air Force general accountable for not doing enough to ensure the security of his base in Saudi Arabia where 19 airmen were killed in a terrorist bombing, Pentagon officials said.

Cohen's decision denying Brig. Gen. Terry Schwalier a promotion to major general contradicts two Air Force reports which concluded that Schwalier had done everything he could for the safety of the men and women at the Dhahran barracks where they lived.

Schwalier was wing commander for the unit, which flew flight-interdiction missions over southern Iraq, when a bomb-laden truck exploded outside Khobar Towers on June 25, 1996. He is now serving as the Air Force's director of operations and training at the Pentagon, but was not available for a comment Wednesday evening.

Air Force officials also declined to comment on the report.

Cohen was expected to announce his decision on the matter as early as Thursday. The defense secretary has been pouring over a number of voluminous and contradictory reports on the bombing issued over the past year.

"He's going to lean in the direction that more should have been done," said one official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. The official said Schwalier, the commander of the base, should have taken steps to practice evacuations and other security-related drills.

"It's not something that he (Schwalier) should be punished over, but it's something that means he shouldn't be promoted," the official said.

A second official, also speaking privately, said the secretary had decided that someone must be held accountable for the matter.

Members of Congress have pressed for some action. However, Gen. Ronald Fogleman, chief of staff of the Air Force, has argued that he believes the incident was an "act of war" and impossible for one military officer to defend against.

Fogleman announced on Monday that he intended to retire as soon as possible, saying he felt "out of step" with the Pentagon leadership on the Khobar matter.

In February, he complained before the Senate Armed Services Committee about what he described as an atmosphere of political correctness in which Washington officials want an officer to pay whenever something goes wrong in the field.

"Based on my military judgement, we have a situation where I cannot in my mind justify any kind of action against anybody in that chain of command," Fogleman said of the Khobar Towers bombing. "It was an act of war. It was an act of war after somebody had implemented 132 changes" to improve security.

A ruling against Schwalier, he said, would have a "chilling effect" on commanders in the field. "There are many commanders sitting out there in the field waiting to see what happens in this case," Fogleman said.

The Air Force has contended in



Defense Secretary William Cohen, right, and Assistant Secretary of the Navy William Cassidy listen to the Mayor of Alameda, Ralph Appezatto, during a base conversion briefing Monday. AP

two reports that Schwalier did all he could have reasonably been expected to do to protect his base.

But the reports also said military officers needed more understanding of their roles as diplomats, warriors

and intelligence officers in countries such as Saudi Arabia, where their activities are strictly limited.

Both Air Force reports followed an investigation by an independent Pentagon commission led by a retired

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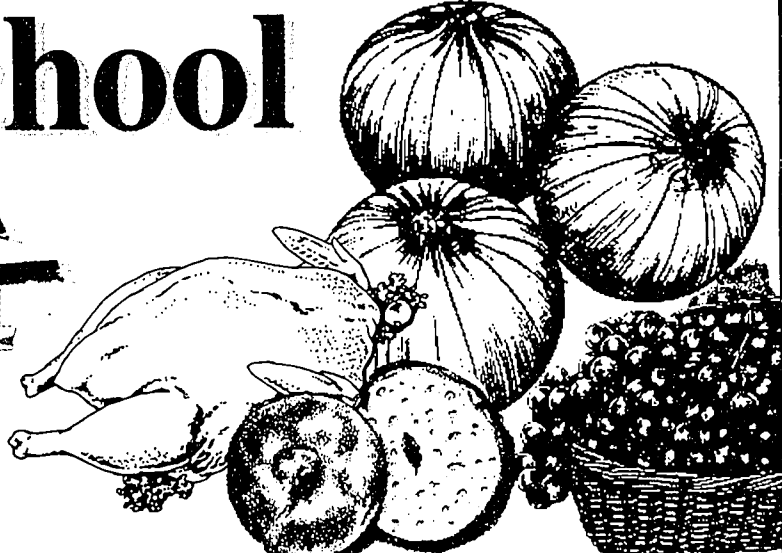
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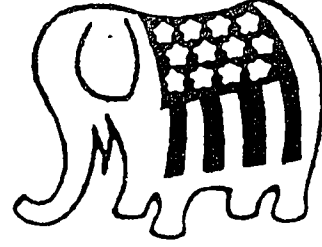
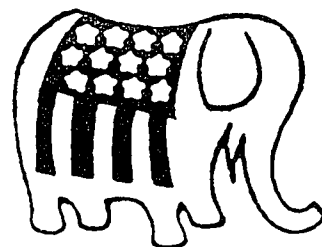
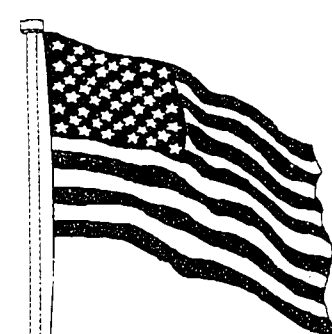
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US travel ban to Lebanon to end

By LAURA MYERS
ANDERSEN AIR FORCE
BASE, Guam (AP)—Secretary
of State Madeleine Albright
said Wednesday she is allow-
ing a 10-year-old ban on U.S.
travel to Lebanon to expire
after receiving assurances
from the government it would
cooperate "across the board"

to fight terrorism.
A representative of Leba-
nese Prime Minister Rafik
Hariri, who issued the assur-
ances to Albright in a tele-
phone conversation on Tues-
day, was traveling to Wash-
ington within the next 24 to
48 hours to discuss details of
a closer working relationship

between the two governments,
she said.
"I was very concerned
about making sure we have
been doing everything we
could to stop terrorism,"
Albright told reporters on
her way to Hawaii after a
visit to Singapore and meet-
ings with Southeast Asian

leaders in Malaysia.
"(Hariri) has committed

himself to a greater degree
of cooperation."



Madeleine Albright



Rafik Hariri

Lifting of travel ban good for US business

By SAM F. GHATTAS
BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—An
end to a 10-year U.S. State De-
partment ban on travel to Leba-
non is good for American busi-
ness and for Lebanon's recon-
struction, Lebanese and Ameri-
cans in Beirut said Wednesday.

U.S. Secretary of State
Madeleine Albright made the an-
nouncement in Guam earlier in
the day, a day before a deadline
for either retaining or lifting the
ban was set to expire. She re-
placed the blanket ban with a
travel advisory. Neverthe-
less, the American change of
heart after several years of cam-
paigning by Lebanese officials
and Lebanese-American groups
was welcome.

"It's an excellent step... born
out of conviction," Prime Min-
ister Rafik Hariri said in Beirut
as he simultaneously made pub-
lic the lifting of the ban.

"I think it's outstanding and
long overdue," said Sam
Ibrahim, manager of the Marriott
Hotel in Beirut. The American
of Lebanese descent said the
decision "eliminates a headache"
for American travelers and prom-
ises to increase business, includ-
ing his.

"We're all full of excitement
and looking forward for a bright
future," he said.

"It's better for the country,
better for the U.S. and ... a big
vote of confidence in Lebanon,"
he added.

The ban on using U.S. pass-
ports for travel to Lebanon was
imposed in 1987 after numer-
ous kidnappings and attacks
by pro-Iranian Shiite Muslim
militants. Attacks included two
embassy bombings and a
bombing of a U.S. Marine base
in 1983 and 1984, killing more
than 260 Americans. The last
American held hostage in
Lebanon, Terry Anderson of
The Associated Press, was re-
leased in 1991.

There has not been any attacks
against foreigners in Lebanon
for several years, but the State
Department had cited the con-
tinued presence of armed ex-
tremists in Lebanon as good
enough reason to renew the ban
despite the end of the 15-year

civil war in 1990.

Albright, in her announce-
ment, said she did not want to
force Americans to break the
law, which amounted to recog-
nition that many U.S. citizens
already have been traveling to
Lebanon.

A State Department's rough
estimate shows about 10,000
Americans visit Lebanon a year
and between 4,000 and perhaps
as high as 30,000 are residing
here.

Most of the Americans living
here are of Lebanese heritage
who have returned after the civil
war. They have circumvented
the ban by using a second pass-
port or getting entry stamped on
a separate sheet of paper.
Noting that Lebanon has become
safe again, Hariri said he had
told Albright that "the Lebanese
government will do what it can
to preserve the security of Ameri-
cans as it does with other foreign
nationals."

Hariri also said the lifting of
the restrictions would have a
positive effect on Lebanon's
economy and American busi-
ness.

"American business people
and those of Lebanese origin,
especially businessmen and in-
vestors, can now come without
any problems," the prime minis-
ter told reporters.

Lebanon has embarked on a
multibillion-dollar reconstruction
program in the last five
years. While Americans have
had business presence in Beirut
through partnerships with lo-
cals, the bulk of contracts went
to European and Asian com-
panies.

Hariri said one another aspect
of the travel restrictions, airline
travel between Lebanon and U.S.
airports, would be examined
next.

Under the ban, Lebanon's
Middle East Airlines was de-
nied landing rights in U.S. air-
ports and American carriers were
forbidden to fly to Beirut air-
port. That restriction was im-
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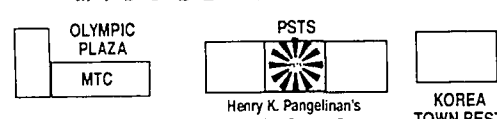
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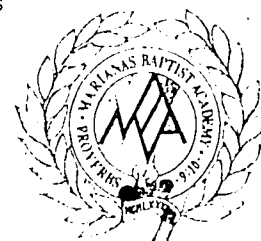


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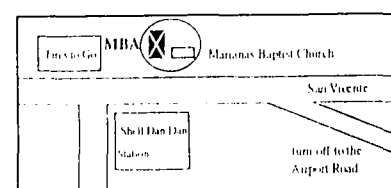
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US citizens warned that Lebanon travel unsafe

By Harry Dunphy
WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Department warned U.S. citizens Wednesday it remains unsafe to travel to Lebanon even though Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is allowing a 10-year ban on visits by Americans to expire.

A department travel advisory said expiration of the blanket travel ban "should not in any way be construed as a determination by the Department of State that it is safe for Americans to travel to Lebanon."

It said U.S. citizens who go to Lebanon despite the warning "should exercise extreme caution and avoid traveling in the southern suburbs of Beirut, the Bekaa valley and southern Lebanon."

Frequent clashes occur in the south between Hezbollah guerrillas and Israeli forces or an Israeli-supported Lebanese militia.

The advisory also said Americans working at the U.S. Embassy in the capital do not normally use Beirut International Airport because of security worries for both passengers and aircraft.

The department said it would review the situation closely, issue additional warnings and "take any other appropriate steps" needed.

Thousands of U.S. citizens with dual Lebanese citizenship and other Americans have traveled to Lebanon illegally for years.

Albright made the announcement after receiving assurances from Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri's

government it would cooperate "across the board" to fight terrorism. Albright was returning home from a trip to Asia.

"I was very concerned about making sure we have been doing everything we could to stop terrorism," Albright said. "(Hariri) has committed himself to a greater degree of cooperation."

In Beirut, where the end of the travel ban was welcomed as good for American business and Lebanon's post-civil war reconstruction, Hariri said the move was "an excellent step."

Albright said she allowed the ban on using U.S. passports for travel to Lebanon to expire on the unanimous advice of her threat assessment team.

The ban was imposed in 1987 after and hostage-taking and numerous other attacks by anti-American militants. It has been renewed on a six-month basis since 1994. Foreigners have not been attacked in Lebanon for several years.

The State Department estimates that about 10,000 Americans visit Lebanon every year, and 4,000 to perhaps as high as 30,000 live in the country. Albright said the United States worries about Lebanese-Americans who travel to Lebanon and don't check in with the U.S. embassy's "warden net" to warn Americans of potential dangers.

Wednesday's travel advisory said U.S. citizens traveling to Lebanon should register with the embassy by fax or mail as visits to the embassy are impossible for security reasons.



Iraqi athletes carrying a portrait of Saddam Hussein and Iraqi flag wait at the Lebanese-Syrian border in Masnaa for a visa to cross into Lebanon and compete in the Arab Games. Lebanon has refused to grant the Iraqis visas to avoid angering Saudi Arabia and Kuwait which have not forgiven Iraq for its 1990 invasion of Kuwait. AP

CIA-backed Iraqis may be deported

By Michael Fleeman
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Adil Awadh has spent months behind bars as a "security risk" without being told the evidence against him. Still, the 29-year-old doctor remains hopeful. For this is not a jail in his Iraqi homeland.

This is America, the country that supported his group's efforts to topple Saddam Hussein, that

helped him flee invading Iraqi troops, that granted political asylum to his wife and 3-year-old son — and that now wants to send him back to Iraq, where he claims he would be executed as a traitor.

"I got the hope," Awadh said in an interview from an Immigration and Naturalization Service jail. "Because I knew before I came to the United States the most important thing that the United States is known for is its law, and it's difficult for a person to be jailed without reason."

Awadh is among eight Iraqi members of CIA-backed resistance groups who were evacuated to the United States last fall aboard U.S. military planes but who now face deportation as a "national security risk." An administrative hearing before an immigration judge resumes Thursday.

Although U.S. officials won't disclose their evidence, the Iraqi refugees and their attorneys believe the United States thinks the men are Saddam's spies — an allegation they strongly deny.

"A spy? A spy for whom?" asked another jailed refugee, Ali Yasin Mohammed-Karim, a radiologist. "Spying is not my business. It's impossible for me. You can ask me anything about physics, chemistry and medicine — but spying? No."

The two doctors said their roles in the resistance were mostly limited to providing medical care, such as treating CIA agents' migraine headaches.

Justice Department spokeswoman Carole Florman in Washington said the men were denied asylum on the basis of information gathered by the FBI at the refugees' stopover in Guam.

"We're not necessarily saying that they are a threat to national security," she said. "During their interviews in Guam information was developed that raised the possibility that they could present a threat."

She said she couldn't discuss the nature of the evidence, citing national security.

But she noted the men represent just a fraction of the 6,000 people evacuated from Iraq last year. With only a few exceptions, the refugees

were granted political asylum.

The eight men — many of them professionals, including doctors, journalists and an airline pilot — were members of either the Iraqi National Congress or Iraqi National Accord, opposition groups operating in the No-Fly Zone in northern Iraq after the 1991 Gulf War.

The London-based groups, composed mainly of Shiites and Kurds, received money from the CIA, which had launched a reported \$20 million effort to overthrow or weaken Saddam. The opposition, however, was ineffective — hobbled by ethnic and class rifts.

Last year, Saddam crushed the opposition. His forces killed some 100 members of the INC and forced hundreds of others to flee to the mountains. The U.S. government later arranged to evacuate those people and others working for American and international aid organizations to the United States.

In hearing papers, the men's attorneys say the men were deceived by the U.S. government. Believing American authorities would continue to support them, they decided to go to the United States and declined to seek asylum in another country such as Britain, France or Saudi Arabia.

"They face a complete loss of a third-country option and are thereby exposed to forcible return to Iraq, forcible and permanent separation from family members and probable execution by Iraqi officials," their lawyers wrote.

The U.S. government said the men were never given any guarantees of asylum, and, even if they were, America isn't bound to keep them.

If the men are denied asylum by the immigration judge, the outcome their lawyers say is most likely, the case can be appealed and eventually land in federal court. If they are not, in fact, double agents, losing could prove fatal.

"I'll be executed, of course," Awadh said.

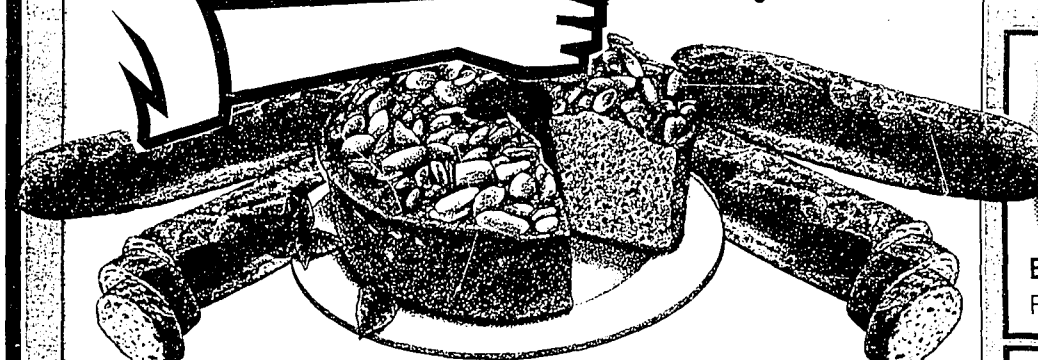
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Saudi dissident Hani al-Sayegh, right, and his attorney, Michael Wildes, are shown in this undated handout photo from the Justice Department. Al-Sayegh pleaded innocent Wednesday to plotting to kill Americans in his homeland as his attorney said an earlier agreement to plead guilty was invalid. AP

Saudi bomb suspect backs out of plea

By Michael J. Sniffen
WASHINGTON (AP) — A Saudi dissident, once thought willing to shed light on a bombing that killed 19 U.S. airmen, backed out of a plea bargain with the government Wednesday and instead pleaded innocent to an earlier plot to kill Americans in the desert kingdom.

During a 22-minute hearing before U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan, Hani al-Sayegh, dressed in a white T-shirt and dark slacks, said only "not guilty." Sullivan set trial for Nov. 3.

Prosecutor Eric Dubelier said the government considered "the plea agreement has been breached. One of our remedies is to try the case and, at least as of today, that's what we intend to do."

But al-Sayegh's court-appointed lawyer, Frank Carter, contended the agreement "was invalid to begin with."

After court, Carter complained

that al-Sayegh, a 28-year-old father of two children still in Saudi Arabia, was under duress and had inadequate legal advice when the agreement was made. He said the government's only evidence is in statements illegally obtained from his client that he would try to exclude from trial.

A Shi'ite Muslim involved in political protest against the Saudi ruling family, al-Sayegh was deported to the United States from Canada in early June after reaching a deal with U.S. prosecutors while in Canadian custody.

Government officials have said the still-secret deal called for him to tell everything he knew about last summer's truck-bombing at the Khobar Towers housing complex near Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

The FBI has been trying to corroborate Saudi claims that Iran fomented that attack.

In return, al-Sayegh was to plead guilty to one count charging a sepa-

rate, 1994-95 conspiracy — never carried out — to kill Americans in Saudi Arabia.

The Saudis have claimed al-Sayegh drove a car that signaled the bomb-laden truck when to pull up beside Khobar Towers. Since arriving in this country, al-Sayegh has claimed through lawyers that he was in Iran in June 1966 when the Khobar complex was bombed.

His former attorney, Michael Wildes, who still represents him in immigration matters, said al-Sayegh "feels he was set up by Saudi intelligence to take the fall" for the Khobar attack.

Outside court, Carter told reporters that his effort to negotiate a better agreement with the government for al-Sayegh broke down Monday.

Al-Sayegh has said through attorneys that he fears execution if he were returned to Saudi Arabia. It was not clear whether the plea agreement protected him from deportation to Saudi Arabia after serving any sentence he would have gotten had he pled guilty.

Carter said the government was scrambling to get evidence of al-Sayegh's involvement in the uncompleted 1994-95 plot.

"All they have at this time are his statements," Carter told reporters. "Those were illegally obtained. He didn't understand U.S. jurisprudence. He had only a Canadian immigration lawyer, and he was under pressure," believing he had to choose between coming to the United States or being sent to Saudi Arabia for execution.

"The government has no documentary evidence of anything involving him in this crime or any other crime," Carter said. "The U.S. government is looking for documentary evidence from the Saudi government to proceed in court."

Government officials said they also could resume plea bargain negotiations or drop the charge and deport al-Sayegh to Saudi Arabia.

A deportation case would go to an immigration judge whose ruling could be appealed to the Board of Immigration Appeals, a U.S. Circuit Court and even the Supreme Court. That process could take two years or more, during which al-Sayegh would remain behind bars, according to a Justice Department official.

Carter said al-Sayegh might seek political asylum here or in a third country. Wildes said he has drawn up an asylum application at al-Sayegh's request and was waiting for instructions from his client to file it.

But the Justice official said asylum was unlikely to be granted.

Judge Sullivan ordered that al-Sayegh continue to be held without bond at the District of Columbia Jail.

Steven Farina, representing The Washington Post, ABC, CBS, CNN and NBC, argued that Sullivan should unseal the aborted plea agreement. The government and the defense opposed that, and Sullivan ordered written arguments submitted in September.

Khmer Rouge to fight Hun Sen

By Robin McDowell
PHNOMPENH, Cambodia (AP) — The Khmer Rouge declared Wednesday it was "stronger than ever" after purging longtime leader Pol Pot, and vowed to keep fighting Cambodia's new strongman.

The declaration — made in a broadcast by clandestine Khmer Rouge radio — increased speculation that Pol Pot's former comrades sentenced him to a life of house arrest to improve the group's image as it seeks international support to confront Cambodian coup leader Hun Sen.

Also Wednesday, new details emerged of the days leading up to Pol Pot's trial, including reports that the revolutionary leader who caused the deaths of up to 2 million Cambodians wept and pleaded for his own life before being tried last week.

Extracts of an article by American journalist Nate Thayer, who witnessed the trial with a cameraman, were released Wednesday ahead of publication Thursday in the Far Eastern Economic Review, a Hong Kong-based newsweekly.

The two were the first Western journalists to see Pol Pot in 18 years.

The article quotes Khmer Rouge chief of staff, Gen. Im Ngoun, as saying Pol Pot embraced him, burst into tears and begged for his life four days before the proceedings in the Khmer Rouge's northern jungle stronghold of Anlong Veng.

"Pol Pot told me that this is the end of his life, he has nothing left, but he begged me to allow him to live," Im Ngoun was quoted as saying.

A video of the proceedings shows Pol Pot, 69, with white hair, in poor health and unable to walk without a cane.

After sweeping to power in 1975 under Pol Pot's leadership, the Khmer Rouge began implementing its radical version of communism, emptying cities and turning the country into a vast agricultural labor camp.

Apparently hoping to show a better face to the world, the Khmer Rouge is distancing itself from the man who came to symbolize Cambodia's genocidal rule. Wednesday's radio broadcast said that with the ailing leader out of its political picture, the movement will be "stronger than ever."

"Our struggle comes with the support of the international community and its pressure on Vietnamese communists and Hun Sen the puppet," a senior Khmer Rouge official, Im Sopheap, said in the broadcast.

Hun Sen launched a violent coup July 5-6 against his co-prime minister, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, shattering the tense coalition government that emerged from U.N.-sponsored elections in 1993.

Hun Sen has been consolidating power in the capital since the coup, which drove Ranariddh's forces north toward Thailand. Hun Sen is intent on preventing Ranariddh's supporters from joining forces with the Khmer Rouge.

Thayer reported in the Review that the tribunal sentenced Pol Pot for launching an abortive purge

June 9 in a last-ditch attempt to block an alliance between Khmer Rouge remnants and Ranariddh.

The guerrilla broadcast indicated that the Khmer Rouge remnants who tried Pol Pot — estimated to number about 1,000 — are ready to fight. It remains unclear, however, whether they can bring back into their camp the thousands of comrades who put down their arms or defected from Pol Pot's ranks last year.

In other developments Wednesday:

—Hun Sen freed 162 of Ranariddh's soldiers imprisoned at a military camp near Phnom Penh. Some said they were treated roughly and tortured during the coup.

—Four helicopter crew members captured by the Khmer Rouge in February during a failed negotiation mission arrived in Phnom Penh. The pilots were part of a team of 15 people sent by Ranariddh to negotiate Khmer Rouge defections. The Khmer Rouge killed 10 team members and took four crew members captive.



Prisoners alleged by the government to be Khmer Rouge soldiers wait to be released at Tang Kasaing military camp in the outskirts of Phnom Penh on Wednesday. After 5 days of re-education the prisoners are being allowed to return home. AP

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Gang violence erupts in Macau

MACAU (AP) -Three people were injured in a shooting spree and a loud blast rocked government headquarters Wednesday in a fresh outbreak of apparent gang violence in Macau, police said.

The unrest drew a warning from China to the Portuguese colony's rulers to crack down on gangs that are believed to be waging a turf war in the enclave, whose main industry is gambling.

Three to four masked gunmen

drove by the New Century Hotel early Wednesday and sprayed the entrance with automatic rifle fire, hitting a Filipino guard and two Portuguese electricians who were installing security cameras, witnesses said.

TV reports said the victims were hospitalized with leg injuries.

Police chased a suspect car and fired several shots.

The car was later found with bullet holes.

Two hours later, a loud bang was heard from the rear garden of the Palacio, the Macau government office. No damage was reported and police said it was caused by a firecracker-like device.

Meanwhile, two cars parked outside the Macau Jockey Club were torched.

The attacks came just one week after Macau's Legislative Assembly approved laws expanding po-

lice anti-gang powers.

Gov. Vasco Rocha Vieira said the latest attacks were "not very serious if compared with felonies in other parts of the world."

But China, which recovers Macau in December 1999, expressed alarm.

"We hope the Portuguese-Macau government will continue

to treat this matter seriously," said Wang Qiren, China's top diplomat in Macau.

He urged Macau authorities to strengthen their police force.



Police officers with dogs guard the Dayawan Nuclear Power Station in Guangdong province of China Wednesday. After several years earned effort the officials and soldiers from the Armed Police Schenzhen Branch have earned the praise and the honor from the local government and the people. AP

China to try re-launch of satellite

BEIJING (AP) — China plans to launch a Philippine satellite next month with a Long March 3B rocket, the first flight by that type of rocket since its debut last year ended in an explosion that killed six people.

The launch of the Mabuhay communications satellite is scheduled for some time between Aug. 10 and 12, the official newspaper China Daily reported Wednesday, citing unidentified sources in the China Aerospace Corp.

A Long March 3B launched last February veered off course 22 seconds into the flight and blew up, killing six people and injuring 57.

Investigators blamed a faulty guidance mechanism.

The disaster badly damaged the Chinese rocket industry's reputation for reliability, coming less than a year after another Chinese rocket explosion killed six people. A third rocket had exploded in 1992.

Since its first launch for a for-

eign client in 1990, China has aggressively promoted its commercial rocket industry, offering low prices and flexible terms. It has carried out more than 40 launches, and says its success rate is better than 90 percent.

The Long March 3B is the most powerful Chinese booster, capable of lifting a 5.5-ton payload into geostationary orbit.

Another Long March 3B is being assembled to launch a Hong Kong satellite in September, the China Daily reported.

Shiite Muslim leader, son gunned down in Pakistan

By MUNIR AHMED

LAHORE, Pakistan (AP) - Gunmen shot and killed a prominent Shiite Muslim activist and his son Wednesday in the latest religiously motivated killings in eastern Punjab province, police said.

Abid Hussain and his son Haider Abbas were on a motorcycle traveling through a busy market in Sahiwal, 125 kilometers (75 miles) south of the Punjab capital Lahore, when the attack occurred.

Hussain, a lawyer, was on his way to the district court when two attackers on a motorcycle and sprayed him and his son with bullets from their automatic weapons, police said.

The attackers escaped as terrified Sahiwal residents scurried for cover. Police set up patrols around the town to search for the gunmen, authorities said.

Hussain and his son were rushed to a nearby hospital where both died within hours.

Hussain was an activist with the militant Movement of Shiite Law, police said.



Volunteers carry an injured shoe factory worker Mohammad Hanif to a hospital for treatment in Fatulla industrial town near Dhaka, Bangladesh during 24-hour nationwide worker's strike on Wednesday. AP

Man holds jet at gunpoint

By JIRAPORN WONGPAITHOON BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) - A Cambodian tycoon who once shot out the tires of an airplane after his luggage was lost held up another flight Wednesday, reportedly displaying a gun to the cabin crew and demanding that the passengers disembark.

The tycoon, Teng Bunma, is Cambodia's wealthiest businessman and has close ties to strongman Hun Sen, who deposed his co-premier earlier this month in a bloody coup. Teng Bunma reportedly has said he helped finance the coup with \$1 million.

The U.S. government suspects Teng Bunma of heroin trafficking and has him on a visa blacklist barring his entry. Teng Bunma, who is also the president of Cambodia's Chamber of Commerce, has steadfastly denied any involvement in drugs.

On April 8, Teng Bunma walked off a Royal Air Cambodia jet in Phnom Penh, took a pistol from a waiting bodyguard and shot out a tire in pique over the national carrier losing his luggage.

On Wednesday, passengers and officials of Orient Thai Airlines reported that Teng Bunma boarded a flight to Bangkok, Thailand, and demanded that the pilot delay departure to await VIP friends of his who had booked seats but not yet arrived.

The crew insisted that it had a flight schedule to meet and kept up preparations to leave.

Yupaporn Saengtong, 28, a news researcher for Japan's Fuji TV network, was sitting close enough to see and hear the exchange and said she saw Teng Bunma briefly display a pistol to the crew and return it to his holster.

"He pulled out a pistol and spoke to the airplane crew and told them to take the passengers off," Yupaporn said. Yupaporn, a Thai, cited him as saying: "I will not allow the plane to take off. I will capture the plane."

Teng Bunma then descended the boarding ramp. The crew did not order the passengers off the L-1011 plane, about one-third full. Orient Thai officials arrived at the airport to break the standoff.

As two bodyguards with rifles flanked Teng Bunma, Udong Tantiprasongchai, Orient Thai's managing director, spoke to him, apologized over the necessity to depart and assured him he was an important customer.

Teng Bunma apologized and said he had been under a lot of stress lately and had a bad temper, Udong told The Associated Press.

The plane left after about an hour's delay.

Asked for comment by The Associated Press, Teng Bunma said he was free to go anywhere he wanted, an apparent reference to the airport. The French company running the airport concession, including security, refused to comment.

"People sent from Bangkok didn't know who he was," Udong said. "We have to make every-

body happy, but there are too many VIPs in this country."

Orient Thai was the first commercial company to fly charters into Phnom Penh following the violent coup Hun Sen staged against Ranariddh July 5-6.

The airport was thoroughly looted by Hun Sen's victorious

troops.

Teng Bunma has major real estate holdings in Phnom Penh, including a large shareholding in the new Intercontinental Hotel. People fleeing fighting during the coup sought refuge at the hotel, which was well-protected by Hun Sen's tanks.



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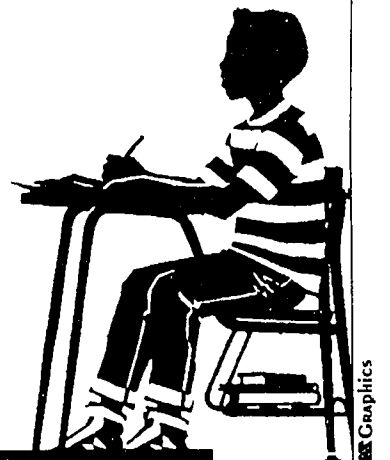
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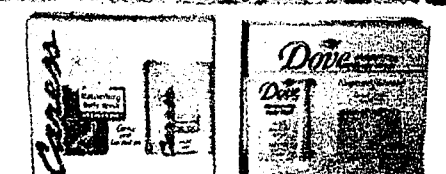
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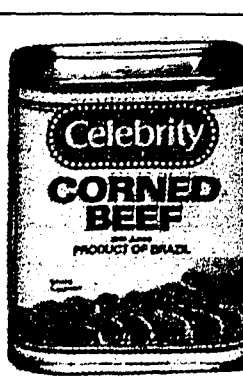
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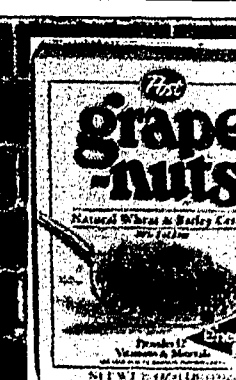
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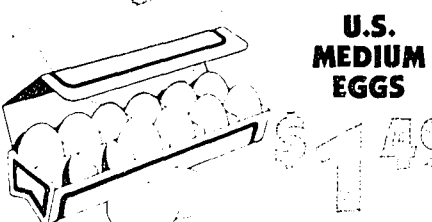
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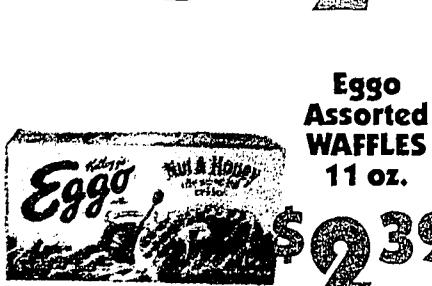
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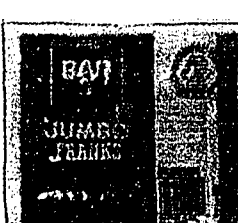
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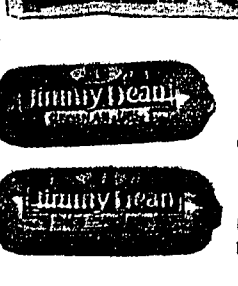
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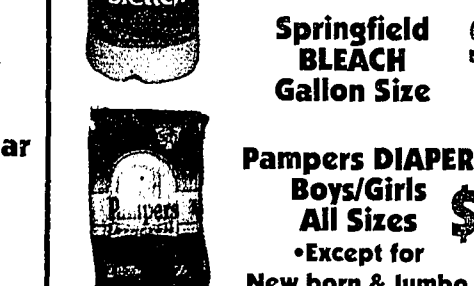
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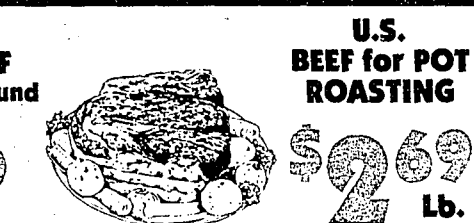
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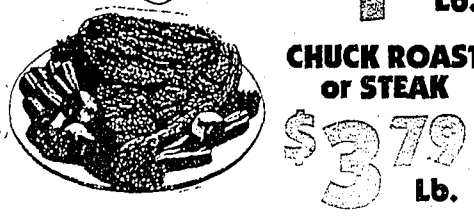
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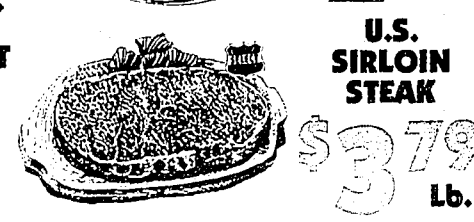
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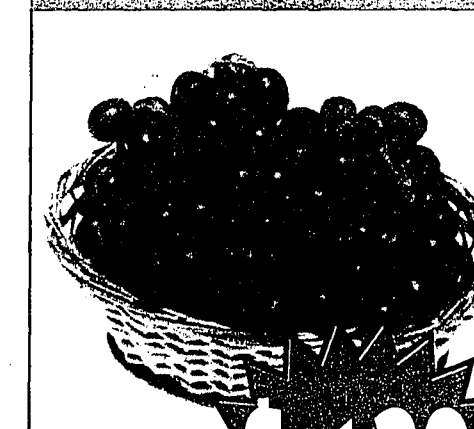
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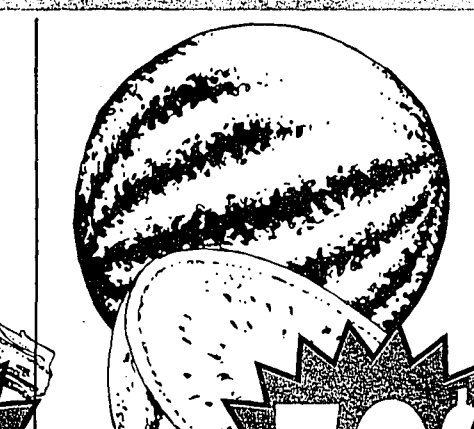
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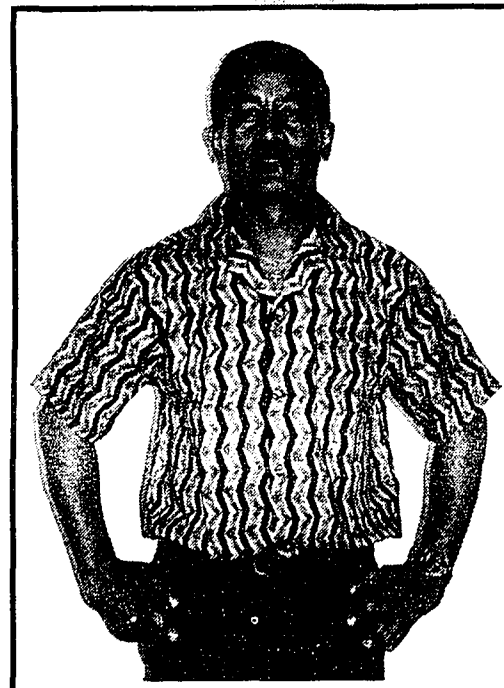
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Month-long celebration begins

J&G Payless turns 26

J&G Payless is celebrating its 26th year anniversary and will be treating their patrons with a month-long slate of activities to mark the milestone, this was learned.

To kick off the celebrations today, August 1st, Payless will feature a tent sale, pop-a-balloon special, hot dog and soda stands and free Budweiser samplings at the store.

Festivities will also be on a live remote radio cast by Power 99.

Tomorrow, August 2nd, company officials announced it will unveil a special anniversary cake for customers to enjoy with soda. Entertainment will be provided by Ken the magician & the face-painting clown from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

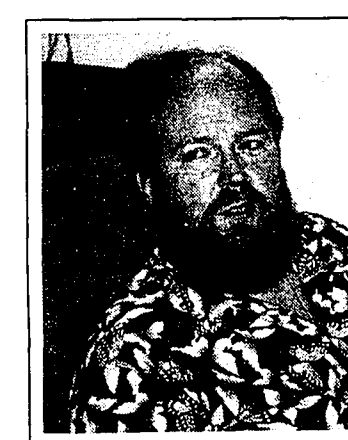
Likewise, there will be free candies for the kids; free food samplings, an outside barbecue stand (for sale by the plate), and cotton candy.

Best food selection

J&G Payless, which boasts of quality, service and selection, promises its customers the best food products and merchandise available—"everything you need, every time you shop."

Considered one of Saipan's top supermarkets, if not the top, J&G Payless has put much time and effort in bringing healthful food, low-calorie and low-fat foodstuff, and fresh fruits and vegetables in its produce section.

Payless also has a meat chilling program to bring the freshest cuts of beef, pork, fish and



Jack C. Peterson

other meat products to customers.

It was noted that normally, a supermarket in the mainland United States has around 30,000 items in its store. J&G Payless is said to currently have more than 23,000 of the top grocery brands.

With product quality a top priority, emphasis is also placed on customer service, which is being endeavored to ensure every customer's needs and preferences are attended to.

J&G Payless attributes its continued success to its staff who are "always willing, dedicated and eager to maintain the trust and confidence of their customers, the company notes."

About the manager

Behind the success of J&G Payless is its Supermarket manager Jack C. Peterson, who has been instrumental in maintaining the quality of service and products Payless offers.

Jack is an old hand in the retail store business, having

spent 16 years with Safeway Stores Inc. in Carson City, Nevada and Reno, Nevada, with 12 of those years in management.

He is also a graduate of the American School of Diamond Cutting, and taught there for one year.

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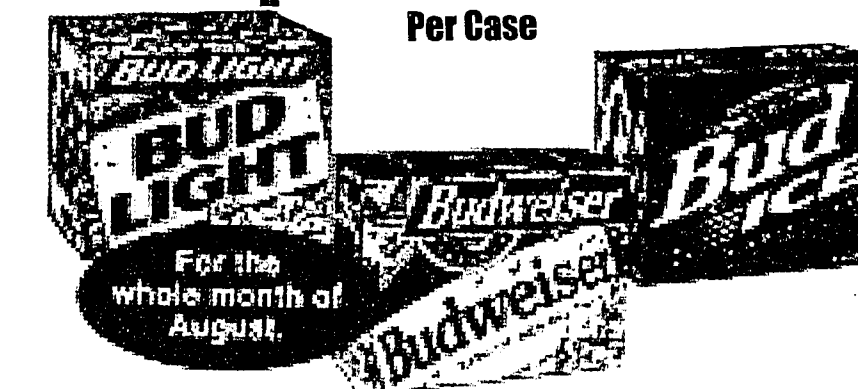
tober of 1996, Jack served as General Manager for Triple J. Wholesale in Saipan prior to his current job as Payless manager.



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Payless assistant manager Andy Nepaial checks on the stocks as the supermarket gears for a month-long celebration of its 26th year anniversary.



Produce manager Jess Manibusan at the fruits and vegetable section: Guaranteed fresh produce all the time.

ASEAN to meet Hun Sen



Hun Sen



Domingo Siazon Jr.

participate," he said.

Cambodia was to have become a member of ASEAN last week along with Burma and Laos, but ASEAN decided to postpone its admission after Hun Sen's July 5 coup against Ranariddh.

In anger, Hun Sen refused all offers of help in restoring political normalcy from an earlier ASEAN diplomatic mission by the three ministers.

But Cambodian Foreign Minister Ung Huot, who attended ASEAN's annual meetings in

Kuala Lumpur last week as an observer, told the regional group that Hun Sen had changed his mind and now welcomed ASEAN's help in reaching a peaceful political solution.

The ASEAN ministers asked Ung Huot to confer with Hun Sen after returning home and send a written confirmation of the coup leader's willingness.

A telefax arrived from Ung Huot on Tuesday, just moments before the end of the ASEAN meetings, affirming

Cambodia's welcome of the three-member delegation.

Alatas, who heads the delegation, has described the trip as "quiet diplomacy."

Siazon said Ung Huot asked the group to help in next year's election, scheduled for May 23. That help could involve voter registration and election monitoring, Siazon said.

ASEAN now groups the Philippines, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Brunei, Singapore, Vietnam, Laos and Burma.

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - Officials from the Association of Southeast Asian Nations will meet with Cambodian coup leader Hun Sen on Saturday in a renewed attempt to achieve peace and stability there, the Philippine foreign secretary said Thursday.

Domingo Siazon Jr. said he and two other ASEAN foreign ministers - Indonesia's Ali Alatas and Thailand's Prachuab

Chaiyasarn - will meet with Hun Sen in Cambodia on Saturday morning.

Siazon said they would propose a "possible scenario" for a solution that would allow deposed co-premier Prince Norodom Ranariddh to return at a later date and participate in elections scheduled for next year.

"All the people wishing to participate would have to be able to

RP intensifies drug war

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - The government is intensifying its campaign against drugs to prevent the Philippines from becoming another Colombia, where syndicates have the clout to elect political candidates of their choice, the justice secretary said Thursday.

Justice Secretary Teofisto Guingona said there are about 15 big-time drug groups in the country, some of them already capable of putting candidates into office in local elections.

But Guingona refused to say whether there are already local of-

ficials working for those drug syndicates.

"I think we are still relatively far (from becoming another Colombia)," Guingona said. "That's why we should do everything now to prevent (their growth)."

The Philippines is the biggest source of marijuana in Asia and the second largest in the world after Mexico, according to the International Narcotics Control Board.

Drug use is rising rapidly despite a tough law that provides for the death penalty for possession of more than 200 grams (7 ounces) of methamphetamine crystals or 40 grams (1.4 ounces) of cocaine, heroin, opium or morphine.

Guingona said the government is tapping all possible agencies in the campaign against big-time drug groups.

On Wednesday, President Fidel Ramos said his elite presidential security force is being used in the war against drugs because the problem has become a threat to national security.

The Presidential Security Group, which includes select troops from the army, air force, navy and national police, joined a raid two weeks ago on the house of a suspected drug lord in suburban Quezon City.

The group is responsible for providing security for the president, his family and visiting dignitaries.

Analysts, however, say the PSG and the military are being used because authorities suspect some police officers may be involved with drug syndicates. They cite the absence of the police Narcotics Group in the Quezon City raid, which was a major operation.

Guingona said international drug syndicates currently consider the Philippines chiefly a transshipment point for drugs going from several Southeast Asian countries to other destinations.

However, he said, these groups are also making money by selling drugs to local drug lords.

Also Thursday, a Philippine court stopped police from painting warnings on suspected drug dealers' homes while it hears a petition from human rights advocates and lawyers hoping to scrap the practice.

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Court stops marking of drug dealers' homes

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - A Philippine court Thursday stopped police from painting warnings on suspected drug dealers' homes while it hears a petition from human rights advocates and lawyers to scrap the controversial practice.

The controversial anti-drug campaign began July 1 on orders of tough-talking Manila Mayor Alfredo Lim, a former police chief.

Police so far have spray-painted warnings on nearly 400 houses, mostly in Manila's shantytowns.

"Warning: House of a pusher. Stay away," many of the signs say.

Judge Librado Correa of the Pasig Regional Trial Court stopped Lim's order for 20 days while the court hears a petition seeking a permanent stop to the practice, a court official said.

In their petition, Nasser Marohomsalic and Mercedes Contreras of the government's Commission on Human Rights said the

labeling violates the constitutional guarantee of due process.

They said it also degrades the dignity and integrity of the occupants of the houses and is an invasion of privacy.

Marohomsalic and Contreras told the court that at least six people whose houses were spray-painted by police claim they are innocent and have not faced any charges of drug dealing.

In a separate petition, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines, the association of all lawyers in the country, urged the court to settle the issue "immediately and with finality."

The group said it was filing the petition "in the interest of justice and order, since there is a possibility that the innocent may be the victim of vigilante violence."

Lim took the campaign a step further two weeks ago, painting the fences of at least three public schools in Manila with the words, "Drug Pushers Keep Out."

Computerized Philippine elections in '98 unlikely

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - The Philippines may not be able to hold its first nationwide computerized election as planned next year because of delays in the passage of a law that would allow it, an election official said Wednesday.

Regalado Maambong, a member of the government's Commission on Election, said the bill pending in the House of Representatives and the Senate should have been passed at least a year ago to give the agency time to prepare.

"If we don't have the law, we cannot move," said Maambong, who is in charge of the computerization project.

He said the commission has not yet decided to postpone the computerization project.

Any postponement would cast doubt on the integrity of next year's general election, said Jose Concepcion, chairman of the National Movement for Free Elections.

"If the Commission on Election gives up on the computerization then the results of the 1998 elections will be put to a severe test," Concepcion said.

Under the computerization plan, voters would mark a space beside the name of a candidate on a ballot, which would be fed into an optical scanning machine or vote counter.

In the past, it often took well more than a month for final results to be tallied in national elections because of hand tabulation and communication problems.

In the 1992 general elections, it took about 2 minutes to count each ballot, which included entries for the president, vice president, district congressman, senators and provincial and municipal or city officials, Maambong said. Filipinos will again choose as many as 30 officials in May 1998.

The counting machine, on the other hand, can count as many as 150 votes a minute.

Because of the delays, goons hired by some candidates have intimidated or harassed election officers, snatching ballot boxes or switching ballots.

Cheating also is rampant, and opposition politicians accuse the

administration party of vote shaving and vote padding to guarantee victory for its candidates.

Concepcion believes most of the election problems would be solved by computerization, partly because there would be fewer opportunities for people to have direct contact with the ballots and the counting machines.

Maambong said that if the law is approved in late August, there still would not be enough time to organize the bidding, prepare the election materials, manufacture about 4,000 counting machines and train personnel.

"That is my personal assessment of the situation," he said. "We are now preparing for manual voting and manual counting."

Opposition Sen. Miriam Defensor Santiago, who heads the Senate committee deliberating the computerization bill, has already expressed opposition to the computerized system, saying it will facilitate "high-tech cheating" at the polls.

Santiago narrowly lost to President Fidel Ramos in the 1992 presidential election.

Computerized balloting was first used in the September 1996 elections for a regional Muslim government in the southern Philippines, with moderate success.

Because of technical problems, the counting machines that were used counted an average 75 ballots rather than the ideal 150 a minute, Maambong said.

Senator launches war on 'virtual pets'

By CLARO CORTES

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - A senator on Wednesday launched a real war on virtual pets, saying the electronic screen denizens have created a time-wasting epidemic in Philippine schools and offices.

Education Secretary Ricardo Gloria joined in with a memorandum telling parents not to buy the toys, and teachers to discourage children from playing with them.

Sen. Juan Flavier said the Tamagotchi, a Japanese electronic toy that simulates taking care of a pet on an electronic screen, first got his attention after a granddaughter asked him not to go near her "because her pet might die."

"Playing with this toy will consume time which should be spent for studying," Flavier said. "The students are distracted from their regular school schedule because they have to attend to their virtual reality pets."

He said that especially in government offices where supervisors are usually not strict, workers waste hours tending to electronic pets.

The toy, which sells for about 500 pesos (dlsr 17.85), is a key-chain computer game about the size and shape of an egg.

The owner pushes buttons to feed, play with, clean up after and discipline the virtual chicken. But these pets require constant care or they will run

away or die.

Anationwide department store chain said the toys are selling briskly but refused to give sales figures. Education Secretary Gloria said the toy "is just a waste of time and it's too expensive. Anything that distracts from the studies of our school children should be discouraged."

Flavier said another concern is the toy's introduction of the concept of death to children.

"At their young age, they may not have sufficient mechanisms to cope with these situations. Psychological counseling may be needed to make sure children will react normally," he said.

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Bomb kills 5 in Algeria

By Rachid Khilari
ALGIERS, Algeria (AP)—A powerful car bomb exploded in front of a bar in the capital Wednesday evening, killing five people and wounding at least 36, hospital officials said.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, which bore the hallmarks of Muslim mili-

tants.

The bomb, felt throughout Algiers, exploded outside a bar near the residential neighborhood of El Biar, just as a bus was passing by.

Hospital officials, speaking on customary anonymity, said the death toll could rise.

More than 500 people have been

killed in attacks attributed to Islamic insurgents since early June, when the military-backed government swept the country's first ever multiparty elections with promises to crush violence connected to the bloody five-year insurgency.

Muslim militants have been trying to overthrow the government

since the army canceled 1992 parliamentary elections that Islamic fundamentalist parties were poised to win.

The insurgency has left more than 60,000 people dead.

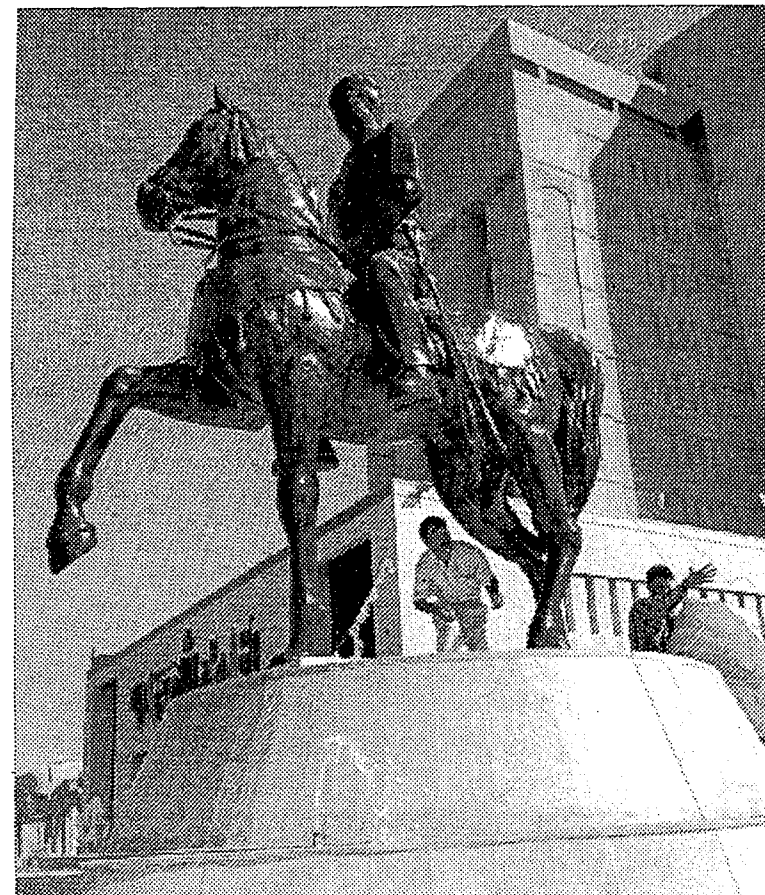
On Tuesday, one person was killed and 11 injured after a bomb exploded outside a cheese shop in Sidi Bel Abbes, 270 miles east of Algiers, the independent El Watan newspaper reported.

Government forces have cracked down on militants in at least

15 separate raids since early July.

On Wednesday, a newspaper reported that government forces had killed eight suspected Muslim militants in the latest of the raids, this time in the mountain town of Djebel Mokourmou, about 110 miles south of the capital.

In a separate incident, a suspected Muslim militant was killed Tuesday by security forces in the center of Algiers after a shootout with security forces, the Liberte newspaper reported.



Two Iraqi men on Wednesday unveiling a monument of President Saddam Hussein at the entrance of the Military Industry Commission in Baghdad to mark the 29th anniversary of the July 17-30 revolution of 1968. AP

Battle vs garbage on in Far East

VLADIVOSTOK, Russia (AP) - Sailors from the Pacific Fleet, Russian border guards and Cossacks have been drafted by authorities to rid this port city of tons of garbage left by a utility workers' strike.

The strike over unpaid wages, which included sanitation workers, began two weeks ago, and hundreds of tons of garbage has been left rotting in the streets.

City authorities called on the sailors, border guards and Cossacks to help clean the streets.

On Tuesday, they used 80 trucks and four refuse collection vehicles to pick up 300 tons of garbage, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

But, it said, another 7,000 tons remained uncollected in residential areas across the city.

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Lebed hits military reform

By SERGEI SHARGORODSKY
MOSCOW (AP) - Russia's former security chief, Alexander Lebed, assailed the country's planned military reform Wednesday and forecast that President Boris Yeltsin's government was headed for collapse.

A retired general and former presidential candidate, Lebed has seen his popularity shrink substantially since Yeltsin ousted him as the security chief last October.

Lebed has occupied himself by organizing his own political party, but there's no indication that he has improved his sag-

Says Yeltsin Gov't headed for collapse soon

ging rating. He has been a consistent critic of Yeltsin in recent months and said the president's long-awaited plan to streamline the military had not been thought through.

Yeltsin wants to cut 500,000 troops from the bloated, 1.7 million-strong armed forces by 1999. He also seeks to end conscription and phase in a smaller, professional force that would be better equipped and trained.

"The military's state of affairs makes one praise any at-



Boris Yeltsin

tempt to carry out reform," Lebed told a news conference.

But, he added, "all decisions are taken within a limited circle of trusted people... some of whom are not competent."

He said the government had no money to provide compensation for the 500,000 servicemen it plans to dismiss within 18 months. Their appearance on the streets could lead to social unrest and possibly bring down the government, Lebed warned.

"A critical mass may be formed," he said. "That would be

very bloody. That would be the end."

Lebed finished a strong third in presidential elections last summer. His popularity peaked when he negotiated a peace deal to end the deeply unpopular war in Chechnya.

But Yeltsin later ousted him amid Kremlin infighting. Lebed's new political movement, the People's Republican Party, this month scored a major success when its candidate won mayoral elections in the Volga River city of Samara.

Lebed said his party, founded in March, now has 78 regional branches and over 24,000 members.

US astronaut confident visit to Mir will be safe



NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence (left) and two Russian cosmonauts heading for the Mir next month, pose for photographers near the Mir model after the press conference at the Russian cosmonaut training center in Star City, Wednesday. AP

By ANNA DOLGOV

MOSCOW (AP) - The next U.S. astronaut to fly on the Mir said Wednesday that she trusted the veteran Russian mission commander to ensure a safe flight on the accident-prone space station.

"I have the opportunity to fly with the most experienced commander that the Russian Space Agency has - Anatoly Solovyov," U.S. astronaut Wendy Lawrence told reporters. "I'm very confident in his ability to solve any problem that may occur during our flight."

Lawrence is set to board the Mir in mid-September, and would be the sixth U.S. astronaut on the Russian

space station.

But following a recent rash of accidents, NASA will evaluate the station's safety before making a final decision on her flight.

The next Russian crew, Solovyov and Pavel Vinogradov, blasts off for the Mir on Aug. 5 and is to carry out key repairs to restore the station to near full power before Lawrence arrives.

"First and foremost we will review the safety of Mir," Lawrence said at the Star City complex where she and Russians are training.

"There is always something unexpected when it comes to flying in space, but our priority is safety," said

Lawrence, who is to replace American astronaut Michael Foale.

Both the Russians and the Americans say the Mir remains safe, though NASA officials have also said that their must be scientific value to sending up another astronaut.

Many of the U.S. science projects were ruined when the Mir collided with cargo ship on June 25, punching a hole in the Spektr module where the U.S. experiments were located.

An "internal spacewalk" into the damaged Spektr module to reattach electric cables is planned for Aug. 20, about two weeks after the next Russian crew arrives.

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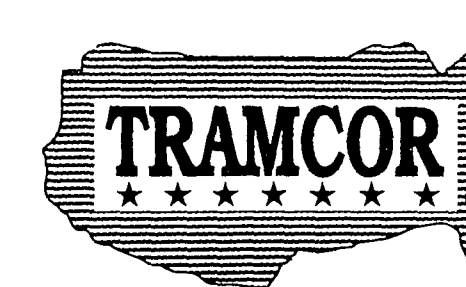
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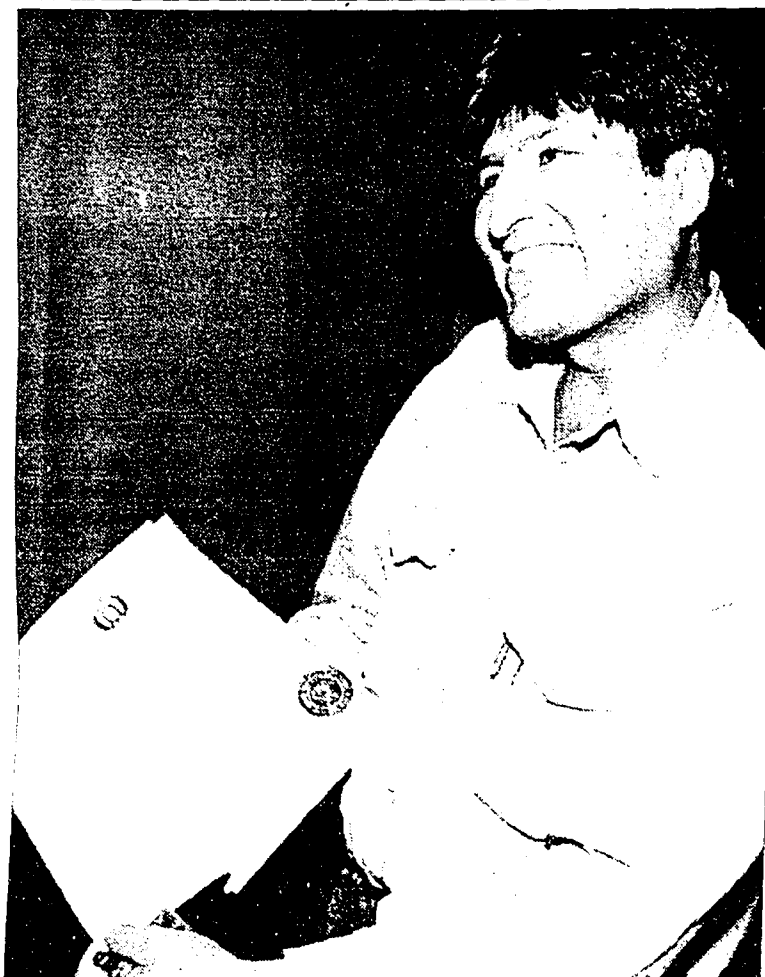
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Leader of the Cochabamba coca farmers federation Evo Morales Ayma shows his credential as a member of the Bolivian parliament after an inauguration ceremony at the National Electoral Court Wednesday, in La Paz. AP

DEA: Delta workers smuggle Cali cocaine

By MICHELLE FAUL
SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) - In raids from San Juan's airport to homes in Florida and Ohio, federal agents have arrested nine Delta Air Lines workers suspected of smuggling hundreds of tons of cocaine for the Cali cartel.

The nine were indicted Wednesday along with three other Delta workers who had not been located, said Pedro J. Janer, spokesman for the Drug Enforcement Agency in San Juan.

Janer said the government was investigating another 20 people, some now working in cities throughout the mainland United States and no longer with Delta.

"We cooperated with the DEA," Delta spokeswoman Kimberley King said from the airline's headquarters in Atlanta. She said the company was aware that Delta employees were arrested and would not comment further.

The employees worked in San

Juan as ramp, cargo or ticket agents during a three-year period during which they are accused of organizing shipments on Delta planes totaling 6,000 to 10,000 kilograms (13,200 to 22,000 pounds) of cocaine, Janer said in an interview.

Most of the drugs were flown to New York's John F. Kennedy and La Guardia airports, he said.

The nine were arrested at Delta's ticket counter and cargo area at Puerto Rico's international airport and at homes in San Juan, Orlando, Florida, and Cincinnati, he said.

The indictment was sealed but Janer said all 12 people were charged with conspiracy to possess and possession with the intent to distribute.

The arrests stem from an investigation that began after 517 kilograms (1,137 pounds) of cocaine were discovered in three wooden containers at Delta's cargo area at San Juan's Luis

Munoz Marin International Airport in 1995. Janer said the government alleges the group worked with the Cali drug cartel of Colombia.

He said he could give no more details for fear of endangering ongoing investigations.

The Drug Enforcement Administration estimates that up to 40 percent of illegal drugs smuggled from Latin America to the United States come through the U.S. Caribbean commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Earlier in San Juan, the coast guard commander said U.S. drug agents have been squeezing Caribbean traffickers.

"Today, after months of hard work... we are seeing clear indications that traffickers are moving their operations elsewhere - away from Puerto Rico," Adm. Robert Kramek said at a news conference.

Jury investigates border shooting

MARFA, Texas (AP) - A grand jury began debating Wednesday whether charges are warranted against a Marine in an anti-drug patrol who shot and killed an armed teen-ager near the U.S.-Mexico border.

The shooting has drawn criticism about the growing military presence along the border and has prompted officials to begin reviewing the use of troops for anti-drug efforts.

In the meantime, the military has suspended front-line participation in drug missions conducted with civilian law enforcement. Aerial surveillance, communication and some intelligence operations will continue.

The Presidio County grand jury is hearing evidence in the case of Esequiel Hernandez Jr., 18, who was shot May 20 after crossing paths with a four-man Marine surveillance team. The Marines were on an anti-drug mission near the teen's home in Redford, 200 miles southeast of El Paso.

Military officials contend Hernandez fired twice at the Marines with a .22-caliber rifle and was about to shoot again when Cpl. Clemente Banuelos returned fire.

"This was a tragedy, but not a criminal act," said Banuelos' attorney, Jack Zimmermann.

Civilian authorities say Hernandez may not have seen the camouflaged troops, and an autopsy report indicates he was not facing the soldiers when he was killed.

Hernandez's family says the teen-ager carried the rifle to protect his goat herd from predators and occasionally for target shooting.

Pentagon spokesman Col. Dick Bridges said the suspension of such missions should not be interpreted as a sign the military believes the Marines acted inappropriately in the Texas case.

"Our position still is that the Marines did act in accordance with the rules of engagement, that they did what they were supposed to do under their instructions, within the scope of their employment," Bridges said Wednesday. "It does not make the incident any less tragic and we've already expressed regret that the events occurred."

17 climbers die in Alps

By Joseph Schuman

PARIS (AP) - Drawn by deceptively sunny weather, at least 17 people have died scaling the snow-covered Alps since the weekend, including climbers from the United States, France, Italy, and Austria.

Two others - from the Netherlands and Britain - died in the mountains three weeks ago but their bodies were only located Wednesday.

The warm summer weather and blue skies draw thousands of tourists, hikers and climbers to the Alps every year, leading to fatalities in snowy conditions.

"Unhappily, this happens every year. In the snow they can fall, and it's always great heights, and they die," said Pierre Faussurier, a police spokesman in the French Alps.

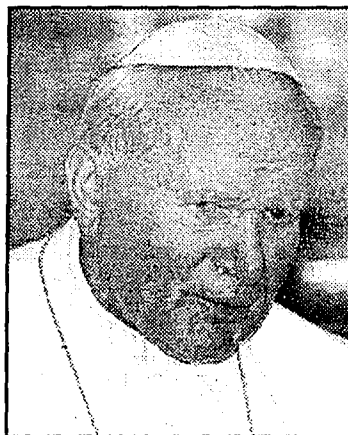
Four climbers - including an Austrian, a Frenchman and an American - died Wednesday morning in two accidents on Mont Blanc. Authorities had not yet identified the nationality of the fourth climber.

The U.S. Embassy in Paris confirmed the death of the American but would not release his name.

The 15,750-foot Mont Blanc, on the borders of France, Italy and Switzerland, is one of Europe's most visited peaks. Even experienced climbers die on its icy cliffs every year.

French rescue teams aided by a helicopter spotted and recovered the Mont Blanc victims, Faussurier said. All four climbers fell from great heights, he said in a telephone interview. Few details were available, but Faussurier said the American and the

Pope comforts the widow of executed man



Pope John Paul II

VATICAN CITY (AP) - After seeking to spare Joseph O'Dell's life, Pope John Paul II offered words of comfort Wednesday to the widow of the executed convict, the Vatican said.

John Paul's appeal to Virginia authorities helped galvanize a campaign in Italy by death penalty opponents who vainly sought to head off the execution one week ago.

Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said the pope talked briefly with Lori Urs, the woman O'Dell married eight hours before the execution, at the end of John Paul's weekly audience in the Paul VI Auditorium.

Frenchman had been climbing together.

Two other climbers died three weeks ago on Mont Blanc, and search crews spotted them from a helicopter Wednesday morning, Faussurier said.

The French daily Le Figaro, which reported them missing, identified them as Dominic Gree, 25, of England, and Arne van der Zwan, 23, a Dutch citizen.

Authorities in the French Alpine city of Grenoble said Wednesday that at least 13 other people had died since Saturday in the Alps, which span Switzerland, France, Italy, Germany and Austria.

Among them were three Italians who died after a 1,000-yard fall Sunday on the French side of Mont Blanc, Italian news media reported.

Last year, 98 people died in the Swiss Alps, according to the Swiss Alpine Club.

Alpine experts say even experienced climbers are overwhelmed by unexpectedly bad weather or difficult conditions.

"It's true, this is a lot, but it's no more than usual for this season," said Jean-Pierre Devouassoux, the head

of a guide and rescue team in Chamonix. "People go into the mountains

because of the good weather, and you can't put a policeman behind every climber," he said.



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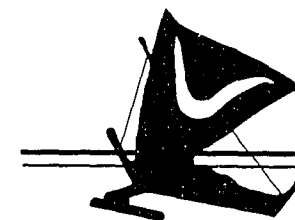
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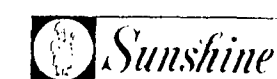
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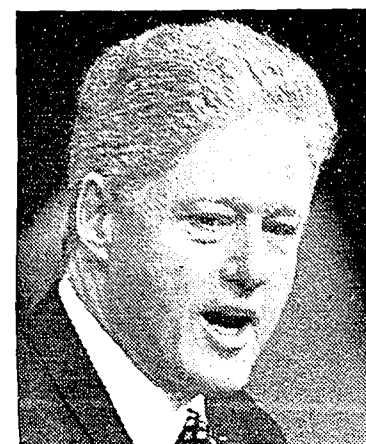
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Clinton discusses Africa aid



Bill Clinton

By Sonya Ross
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton met Wednesday with South African Deputy President Thabo Mbeki to discuss U.S. efforts to assist African nations as they take on responsibility for peacekeeping on their continent. After the meeting, Mbeki said he appreciates the United States' support in increasing Africa's "own capacity to address questions of peacekeeping," rather than relying on foreign militaries to quell African conflicts.

"There are many interventions of this kind that can be made which would help the African continent to address these issues," Mbeki said.

removing "tariff and non-tariff barriers" to give African products more access to U.S. markets.

"That's an important element in terms of opening the space for African economic growth," Mbeki said.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton applauded South Africa's emerging role as a continental force for peace, such as in its recent role in negotiating a peaceful transition of government in the Republic of Congo, formerly known as Zaire.

Mbeki said he and Clinton discussed "what more the United States can and should do" to encourage development in Africa, as well as Clinton's planned visit to the continent next year.

That visit, Mbeki said, would do much to advance efforts for democracy, sustained development and poverty eradication in Africa. "We're discussing as to what then might be done with regard to the preparation of that visit," Mbeki said.

Mbeki met earlier Wednesday with Vice President Al Gore in the fourth meeting of the binational commission, a Cabinet level group shared by the two countries. They were joined by Defense Secretary William Cohen and South African Defense Minister Joe Modise.

The two sides have disagreed over South Africa's possible sale of a tank firing system to Syria

and its cozy relationship with such states as Cuba, Libya and Iran.

Mbeki said the two countries had settled their differences over fines the United States imposed

on South Africa's previous apartheid government for illegal arms sales.

Mandela asks for Timor activist's release

By PAT REBER
CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — President Nelson Mandela said Wednesday he has written to Indonesian President Suharto to recommend that jailed East Timor independence leader Xanana Gusmao be freed.

"We can never normalize the situation unless all the leaders, including Gusmao, are free," Mandela told a news conference after meeting with Portuguese President Jorge Sampaio.

Sampaio arrived Wednesday morning from Portugal. The two leaders discussed Mandela's recent meeting in Jakarta with Gusmao.

Mandela also met Timorese Nobel Peace Prize winner Jose Ramos-Horta last week in South Africa. Ramos-Horta described Mandela's meeting with Gusmao as an unprecedented event that strengthened the jailed independence activist's status.

The United Nations is attempting to organize talks on East Timor aimed at ending



Nelson Mandela

the conflict that began when Indonesia invaded the former Portuguese colony in December 1975.

Both Mandela and Sampaio were careful to emphasize that their efforts on East Timor are occurring under the U.N. umbrella and within the framework of resolutions passed by the world body. Neither would go into detail on the status of the situation.

Mandela, asked about his meeting with Gusmao, said he had gotten "a deeper insight into the problem."

"I was struck by his out-

standing qualities and commitment to purpose and I thought I should brief the Portuguese president on this meeting," Mandela said. "I am trying to see the leaders of East Timor both inside and outside of East Timor."

Sampaio said he had met last week with East Timor's leaders in exile and thanked Mandela for his efforts. "Having met Gusmao is a very important element in the two-decade-old struggle to achieve the rights for the people of East Timor and to achieve self-determination for them," Sampaio said.

"We hope these efforts will achieve results in the future. We hope that diplomatic discussions, which will continue next week in New York at the United Nations, and ... Mandela's efforts will help the people of East Timor."

Antonio Manuel, Sampaio's spokesman, said a U.N. envoy would be coming to South Africa after the talks in New York.

Six indicted in FBI 'corruption'

By Terri Langford
HOUSTON (AP) — Two current and two former city councilmen were among six people indicted Wednesday on charges they accepted bribes from undercover operatives posing as investors wanting a piece of a downtown hotel project.

A federal grand jury returned the conspiracy and bribery indictment against former Councilmen Ben Reyes and John Peavy Jr.; current council members Michael J. Yarbrough and John Castillo; former Houston port commissioner Elizabeth "Betti" Maldonado; and lobbyist Ross C. Allyn.

If convicted, they could get 15 to 50 years behind bars.

The accused maintained their innocence.

"I'm a victim of a scam and the people who ran the scam are the federal government," said Yarbrough.

Ms. Maldonado's attorney, Dick DeGuerin, predicted that

after a jury acquits his client, "they'll be ready to lynch the FBI."

The charges were the result of a 10-month FBI sting in which an undercover agent and a unidentified person posed as minority investors looking to secure a share of the \$155 million convention center and hotel project.

Reyes was approached just a few months before term limits forced him to leave his 15-year post as Houston's first Hispanic member of City Council.

Authorities said the two Hispanic men posing as investors offered Reyes \$50,000 in cash in exchange for council votes that would ensure that their fictitious company, the Cayman Group, was the minority participant on the project.

Reyes allegedly introduced them to Ms. Maldonado, and they hired her to lobby City Council members on their behalf. Other council members accepted between \$3,000 and \$5,000, the FBI said.

Calif. faces lean budget

By Ann Bancroft
SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California's economy is booming, but budget writers are drawing up a no-frills spending plan now that Republican Gov. Pete Wilson has dropped a self-described fiscal "neutron bomb" to resolve a budget standoff with Democrats.

State Controller Kathleen Connell reluctantly agreed Wednesday to obey Wilson's order to pay \$1.36 billion in overdue pension contributions to the California Public Employees Retirement System — after Democrats refused to consider his proposal for a \$1 billion tax cut.

By doing so, he sharply reduced the options available to budget negotiators, who had been unable to decide what to do with a surge in tax revenues.

Wilson was under a court order to repay the debt, accrued several years ago when the state suspended its payments to PERS during a budget crisis. The state Supreme Court ruled in May that the diversion didn't affect employees' pension checks, but it violated their right to continuous, up-to-date funding of the pension system.

Despite the court order, Wilson and PERS had been negotiating a long-term repayment plan that would have spared most of the budget plums. But when Democrats balked at Wilson's tax proposal, he responded with his ultimatum, or in his words, a "neutron bomb."

"It is an unfortunate state of affairs when the governor of this state can use the political rhetoric of 'neutron bombs,'" Connell said. "The only people left standing after these kinds of tactics are the governor and a handful of political insiders."

The union for state employees proposed Wednesday that the governor and Legislature spread the PERS payment over three years, leaving enough to pay for workers'

raises.

"As soon as the controller cuts the (PERS) check, it's too late" for pay raises, said Craig Brown, Wilson's financial director. He added: "I think she should cut the check."

Now, rather than a bounty of new programs, pay raises for state employees, university student fee reductions and funding for trial courts, virtually all discretionary spending will likely be trimmed from the budget.

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Dems try to bypass Helms

By Sonya Ross
WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is searching for a route around Sen. Jesse Helms' blockade of former Massachusetts Gov. William Weld's nomination as ambassador to Mexico and "will fight for this



Jesse Helms

nominee," President Clinton's spokesman said Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Weld came to the White House for a meeting with deputy chief of staff John Podesta before taking his campaign to Capitol Hill. He is expected to meet with Clinton Thursday or Friday, said White House spokesman Joe Lockhart.

When asked about the idea that Helms must be won over for Weld's nomination to succeed, presidential spokesman Mike McCurry said, "Let's challenge that assumption."

"The Constitution does not grant to one individual senator the right to stand in the way of the prerogatives of a president to name foreign emissaries on behalf of the American people," McCurry said. "We will fight for this nominee, and we'll try



Massachusetts Gov. William Weld leaves a news conference at the Statehouse in Boston Monday moments after announcing he will resign as governor. Weld, who has been nominated to be U.S. Ambassador to Mexico by President Clinton, will be turning the reins of government over to Lt. Gov. Paul Cellucci. AP

to fight fairly."

Helms remained unmoved. When asked about the bill nomination, he offered a Latin expression that translates to, "The thing speaks for itself."

As chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, he has said he will not schedule a confirmation hearing, effectively blocking the nomination.

Podesta spoke for 30 minutes with Weld, who is preparing to meet with individual senators this week in search of support. Weld, who resigned as governor Tuesday to pursue the nomination, left the White House without speaking to reporters.

McCurry said that Clinton, rather than trying to persuade Helms to relent, is now hoping to sway other senators' views with public debate and "strong presentations" by the nominee.

"If Bill Weld were on the Senate floor today, he would be

confirmed overwhelmingly," McCurry said.

Helms and Weld are both Republicans. But the North Carolina senator is fiercely opposed to the nomination. He has criticized Weld as soft on drugs since the former governor supports using marijuana for medicinal purposes and distributing clean needles to drug addicts to help prevent the spread of AIDS.

But Weld contends the conservative Helms is irked with him because he isn't "the right kind of Republican." A moderate, Weld has taken positions in support of gay rights and abortion rights.

The White House effort came as Senate Democrats explored the idea of trying to override Helms' opposition by getting members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, rather than the chairman, to call a confirmation hearing.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., the committee's ranking Democrat, said a hearing could be called by a majority of the committee. The committee has eight Democrats and 10 Republicans, two of whom have indicated support for Weld.

"I haven't attempted to invoke that process," Biden said. "I haven't given up.... The chairman is still talking to me."

Sen. Gordon Smith, R-Ore., a Weld supporter, said he does not want to circumvent the chairman.

"We need to work through this with the Republican conference first," Smith said. "A lot of us have approached leadership and asked them to find a way to have this hearing without jeopardizing Senator Helms' prerogatives and feelings."

McCurry, though, said the White House is frustrated that its outreach to Helms, through Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, has not worked. "The results have been what you've seen. Or not seen," the spokesman said.

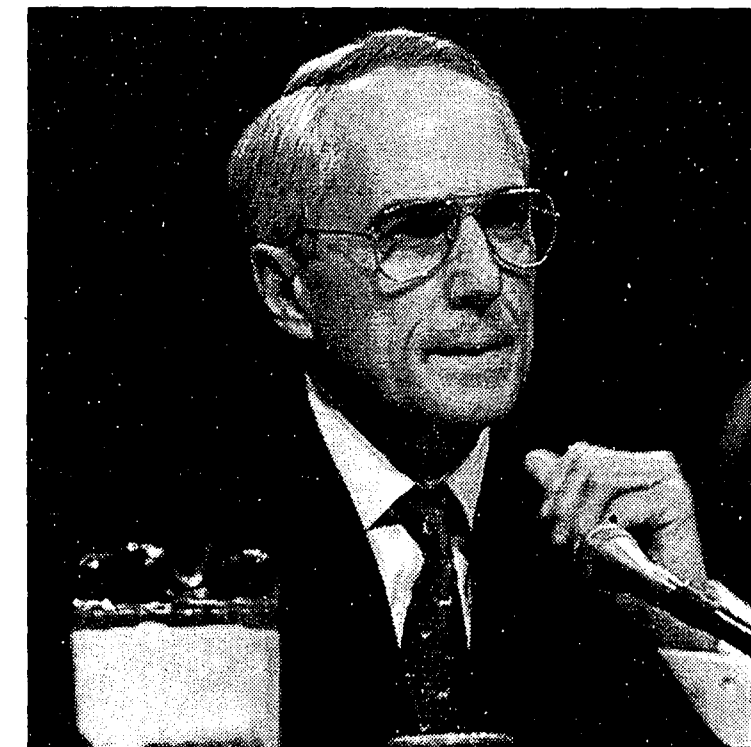
Meanwhile, in Las Vegas for their annual summer meeting, the nation's governors closed ranks behind Weld, sending Helms a letter pleading with him to at least schedule hearings on the nomination.

"We believe in an open process. He should at least have his day in court," Ohio Gov. George Voinovich, a Republican and the new chairman of the National Governors' Association, told a news conference.

Thirty six governors of both parties — plus the governors of Puerto Rico and Guam — told Helms that Weld should at least be given a chance "to explain his views."

But when asked whether Helms was likely to be swayed by the fact that the letter was signed by so many Republican governors — 23 — Voinovich said, succinctly, "No."

Trie contact visited White House



Michael Cardozo, executive director of President Clinton's legal defense fund, testifies on Capitol Hill before the Senate hearing on campaign fund raising. Cardozo told the committee that he ordered investigators looking into suspicious donations not to question Yah Lin Trie who delivered \$460,000 in a plain, brown envelope. AP

By James Rowley
WASHINGTON (AP) — Documents withheld from Senate investigators until this week show an Asian businessman who wired close to \$1 million to Democratic fund-raiser Yah Lin "Charlie" Trie visited the White House 10 times.

The documents disclosed Wednesday at Senate fund-raising hearings showed that Ng Lap Seng, a Macao businessman, once dined with President Clinton.

Another time he toured the White House along with a controversial Chinese arms dealer. He also visited five times with a top deputy to Thomas ("Mack") McLarty, former White House chief of staff and currently a presidential adviser.

An angry Sen. Fred Thompson, chairman of the Senate committee investigating fund-raising abuses, chided presidential aides for belatedly providing the information. "We are not going to tolerate that," Thompson said.

The information was surrendered Tuesday night — after the committee presented evidence that Ng, also known as Mr. Wu, wired Trie nearly \$1 million.

Ng appeared to have been by Trie during most of the visits, said White House spokesman Lanny J. Davis. Several visits coincided with donations to the Democratic Party that Trie made after receiving wire transfers from Ng.

Investigators allege Trie used the money to make more than \$200,000 in Democratic donations or to reimburse donors. But Trie's lawyer, Reid Weingarten, said in a statement that his client "never made contributions that he believed violated the law."

The "great bulk" of \$905,000 money Ng wired to Trie "was spent on routine and legitimate business expenses" for their affiliated companies, Weingarten said.

Thompson charged that the White House has been "trying to manipulate the press and us about waiting until testimony had happened before relevant documents would be produced."

funds had come from a Buddhist cult that Trie was involved with.

Michael Cardozo, the lawyer in charge of the defense fund, won accolades for his effort to return the suspicious money. But he left senators wondering when he acknowledged he instructed the investigative firm who traced the money not to interview Trie, a friend of the president.

"Mr. Trie represented himself as a friend of the president," Cardozo said. "I didn't want to launch a full-scale background investigation on him."

"Charlie Trie was not relevant to our considerations" in deciding whether the trust would accept the checks from members of the Ching Hai Buddhist sect, he said. "Mr. Trie appeared to be the messenger."

Ng's visits disclosed Wednesday included:

—A tour of the White House on Feb. 6, 1996, in a small group that also included Chinese arms merchant Wang Jun. His presence in the White House stirred controversy this year when it was disclosed he visited shortly before his Chinese government-owned arms company was implicated in smuggling guns to the United States.

—A Feb. 16, 1995, dinner for Democratic National Committee donors. Ng attended the dinner as a guest of Trie.

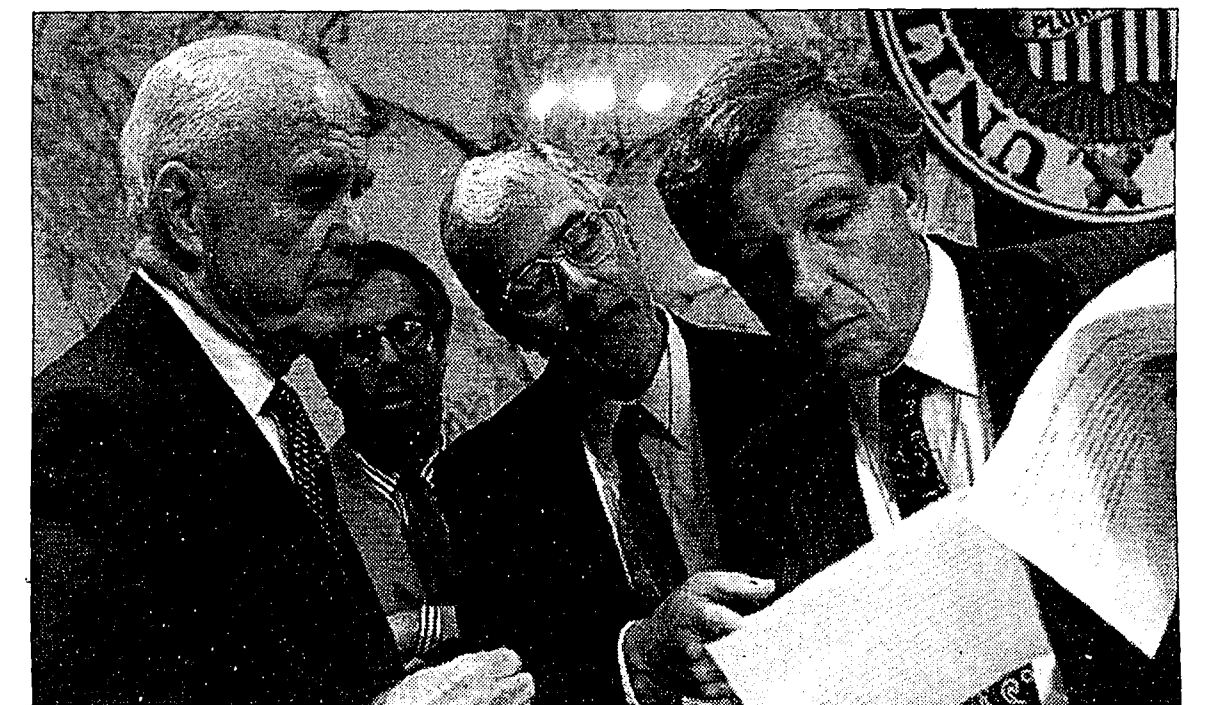
—A second tour of the White House on Feb. 20, 1996, the day after Ng attended a DNC fund-raiser featuring Clinton at a Washington hotel that raised \$1.1 million from Asian-Americans. Senate investigators said they had information that Ng also attended an event with Vice President Al Gore the day of the tour.

Two women testified Tuesday they wrote checks to the DNC totalling \$25,000 so Ng could attend the hotel fund-raiser. Ng could help "to buy a ticket to pass the gate," one of the women who signed a donation check told senators on Tuesday.

Keshi Zhan, a Ng employee who reimbursed the women for their checks, also donated \$12,500, investigators said. She accompanied her boss on the White House tour.

The donations were made five days after Trie received a \$150,000 wire transfer from Ng, investigators said.

—Five visits to Mark Middleton, an aide to McLarty who left the White House in 1995 to become an international business consultant. Middleton's activities are a focus of the committee's investigation.



Sen. John Glenn, left, confers with Minority Staff Director Len Weiss, center, and Minority Counsel Alan I. Baron before the start of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee hearing on campaign fund raising, Tuesday on Capitol Hill. AP

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Japanese International Trade and Industry Minister Shinji Sato, left, shakes hands with his South Korean counterpart Lim Chang-ryul prior to their meeting in Seoul Thursday. Sato met with Lim to promote the bilateral trade relationships at the government building. AP

WTO to decide on US-Indonesia flap

GENEVA (AP) - The World Trade Organization said Wednesday it would include the U.S. complaint against Indonesia's car import policy as it considers similar objections from Japan and the European Union.

The United States formally asked Wednesday for a panel ruling on its complaint that Indonesia's policy is unfair.

The WTO said it would include the case with those already before a panel set up last month for the Japanese and EU complaints against Indonesia's "National Car" program.

The U.S. delegation said it had been trying for nearly one year to negotiate a settlement with Indonesia and would continue that effort parallel

to the WTO procedure.

The United States maintains that the program, an attempt to create a national car industry, grants tax and tariff breaks to cars assembled in Indonesia and South Korea under the program that are "inconsistent" with global trading rules.

Likewise, both Japan and the EU have objected to the Indonesian program as unfairly favoring the selected "pioneer" company at the expense of car imports from their countries.

The program gives exclusive breaks on import tariffs and luxury taxes to PT Timor Putra Nasional, letting it sell its cars at about half the price of competing models.

The company is a joint ven-

ture between President Suharto's youngest son, Hutomo "Tommy" Mandala Putra, and Kia Motors Corp. of South Korea.

The dispute-settlement process was a key feature giving enforcement powers to the WTO when it took over in 1995 from the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

It resolves trade disputes according to deadlines, with the losing country having either to change its offending policy or face sanctions.

The panel set up on the Indonesian case will have six-nine months to decide the case. Once a final decision is made against an offending country, the government has to change the policy, pay compensation or risk facing trade sanctions.

East Timorese rebels kill three Indonesian soldiers in ambush

DILI, Indonesia (AP) - East Timor rebels ambushed an Indonesian army foot patrol Wednesday, killing three soldiers, an Indonesian security official said.

The official, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said several troops were seriously wounded in the attack near the village of Liguisa.

The wounded were hospitalized in the provincial capital Dili, 80 kilometers (50 miles) to the east. There were no reports of casual-

ties among the rebels, who fled to nearby mountains after the brief firefight, the official said.

East Timor's military commander, Col. Slamet Sidabatar, later flew by helicopter to the scene of the clash.

The official said about a dozen soldiers had been in the squad.

It was unclear how many rebels were involved in the attack, the latest in a bloody offensive by pro-independence guerrillas against Indonesia's military in recent

months.

The worst attack was on May 31, when rebels threw a grenade into a police truck, killing 17 officers. Other security personnel as well as rebels and civilians have been killed in guerrilla raids against police stations and army outposts.

Indonesia has been fighting pro-independence rebels since 1975, when it invaded East Timor, a former Portuguese colony about 2,000 kilometers (1,250 miles) east of Jakarta.

Four pilots freed by Khmer Rouge

By KER MUNTIT
PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) - Four helicopter pilots captured by the Khmer Rouge during a dangerous negotiating mission that resulted in 10 deaths earlier this year have arrived safely in the capital after being freed by their captors.

The pilots appeared at a news conference Wednesday in Phnom Penh and said they felt lucky to be alive.

"We never thought or hoped that this day would come," said Maj. Horn Sophal, the crew captain, after five months in captivity at Khmer Rouge bases in remote northern Cambodia.

Horn Sophal said that when he met his wife, who had already held a ceremony marking the 100th day of what she supposed was his death, "we just cried together. We could say nothing."

The pilots were part of a team of 15 people sent by Prince Norodom Ranariddh near the Khmer Rouge base at Anlong Veng in February to negotiate the guerrillas' defection to the government.



A boy plays in a water fountain at Taipei's Tachih Bridge Park Wednesday to avoid summer heat as the temperature in the city reached 34.8 degrees Celsius (94.6 degrees Fahrenheit) before noon. AP

'50s nuke fallout spreads in U.S.

By Paul Slocum
SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP)

The highest doses of radioactive fallout from 1950s nuclear weapons tests in Nevada were received by milk-drinking children in the farm belt and the Northwest, according to government projections obtained Wednesday by The Associated Press.

Fallout from the tests spread across much of the country, but based on mathematical models and earlier studies, exposure rates were highest in 12 states east and north of the Nevada desert, where the bomb tests were conducted. Because the total exposure was tied to such factors as weather patterns and milk-consumption rates, some hot spots were isolated.

In Montana, for example, most of the western part of the state was exposed to the highest levels of fallout, but in the eastern part of the state, only one county — Petroleum — was a hot spot.

Other states with high-dose counties were South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Idaho, Nevada, Arkansas, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah.

The data, compiled by the National Cancer Institute as part of a federal study, is the first to show high exposure rates outside Nevada and Utah.

The new information is likely to set off calls for federal compensation to some residents where the highest exposure was predicted. Some

Utah residents have already been paid by the government for living in high-exposure zones; this study shows that thousands of residents of other states may have received the same exposure.

NCI officials declined to discuss the report or the potential health effects of the fallout. But the highest average exposure in the hot spot counties — 16 rads for adults and up to 160 rads for children — far exceeds the 10-rad level at which the government recommends people be monitored by a doctor.

The exposure rates for children are up to 10 times higher than the adult rate because radioactive iodine was spread largely through contaminated milk, and children tend to drink more milk than adults.

Iodine-131 has been linked to, but not proved to cause, thyroid cancer. Activists say the suggestion of a link is strong enough that people who grew up in the hot spots need immediate medical monitoring.

NCI researchers are expected to release the report Friday, 14 years after they were asked to begin the research. The AP and other news organizations published some details of the study last week, but the specific counties that received the most radiation have not been identified publicly.

The AP received a draft version of the fallout data Wednesday from a source with access to the study who asked

not to be identified further.

The institute's decision to not immediately discuss the findings drew criticism from members of Congress.

"If the government for any reason was derelict in releasing the report, that's a very serious matter," said Rep. John Thune, a South Dakota Republican who grew up in a county that adjoins that state's two hot spots.

The delay caused concern among some people who thought they might have been

exposed to high levels of radiation as children.

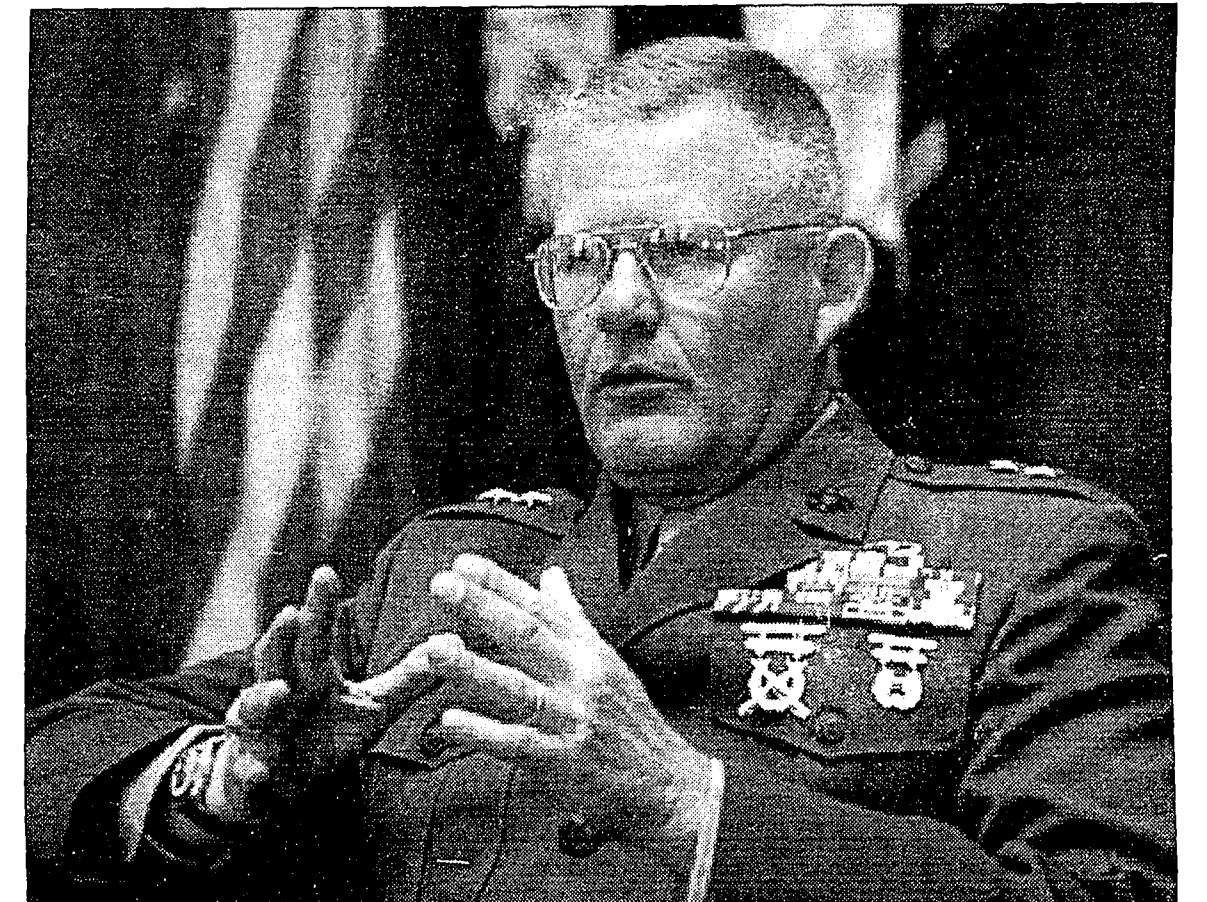
One woman who began trying to trace the fallout after reports last week that upstate New York had been contaminated said the government should have listed the hot spots as soon as the information became available.

Joy Hoagland, who now lives in Greenwood, Neb., said her father, a heavy milk drinker, died of an unusually rapid thyroid cancer. Thyroid cancer is typically slow-grow-

ing and highly curable. "It just sent chills down my back," said Hoagland, who worried that she and her sister could be at risk. "We don't want to die like our dad did."

The NCI data shows that the area around Albany, N.Y., had elevated radiation readings, but not high enough to be classified as a hot spot.

The nuclear tests conducted by the NCI were conducted from 1951 to 1958. The report totals more than 100,000 pages.



New Citadel President Retired Maj. Gen. John S. Grinalds discusses his plans for the military college in his office Wednesday in Charleston, S.C. Grinalds officially assumes his duties this Friday. AP

Homeless woman in fatal stabbing gets charged

NEW YORK (AP) - A homeless woman allegedly stabbed a man to death on the subway because she didn't like the way he was looking at her.

Zenaida Bennett, who had been arrested a week earlier for allegedly brandishing a knife outside a tanning salon, was charged with murder in the attack Monday on Edward Johnson, a 42-year-old florist and father of two.

Johnson was riding home from work when Bennett, 28, stabbed him in the neck, police said.

The train doors opened at a station, and Johnson staggered out and collapsed on the platform. A police officer arrested Bennett as she fled.

Police said Bennett told officers that she stabbed Johnson because he was looking her up and down, and that made her nervous.

"I pulled my knife and I shanked him," she said.

Her lawyer, Duane Hart, said he will ask that she be tested for competency to stand trial.

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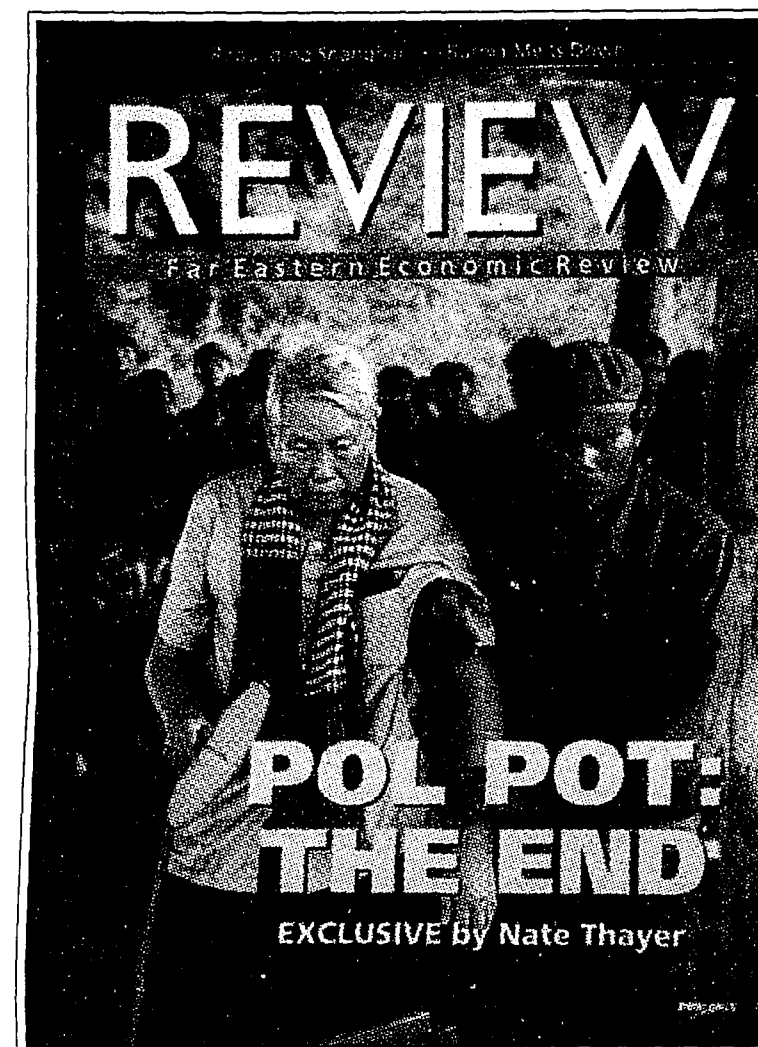
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The cover of the Aug. 7, 1997 issue of the Hong Kong-based Far Eastern Economic Review released in Hong Kong Tuesday, shows Pol Pot, left, the Khmer Rouge leader who orchestrated the death of about two million Cambodians and has not been seen in years, being supported at the Khmer Rouge guerrilla stronghold of Anlong Veng, near the Thai border.

AP Photo

Old, new leaders take helm of Khmer Rouge

By KER MUNTIT
PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) - With notorious leader Pol Pot shunted aside in a show trial, the Khmer Rouge is led by a mix of veterans and up-and-coming cadres still willing to wage war against long-time enemy Hun Sen, a magazine reported Thursday.

Nate Thayer, the journalist who became the first outsider in 18 years to see the secretive Pol Pot at last week's trial, said in the Far Eastern Economic Review that the Khmer Rouge is now led by a nine-member committee with just one old-timer, Khieu Samphan.

Khieu Samphan, long the group's figurehead president, has been presented as a moderate to shield the more blood-stained leaders from public glare.

Im Ngoun, the new defense minister and source for much of Thayer's articles, is the second-highest member. Yet some top figures of the old guard may still be pulling strings, such as Pol Pot did when he officially retired in the early 1980s.

Im Ngoun said Ta Mok, the military commander known as "The Butcher" for his revolu-

tionary brutality, and Nuon Chea, the shadowy No. 2 behind Pol Pot, still have a say "in all important matters."

Video footage of the trial indicates the movement is obsessed with secrecy. Neither Ta Mok, Nuon Chea nor Khieu Samphan appear.

According to Thayer, the Khmer Rouge has ditched the extreme Maoist ideology that led it to turn Cambodia into a vast agrarian labor camp after it seized power in 1975, leading to the deaths of as many as 2 million people.

But it retains a visceral hatred of Vietnam, which invaded and toppled its brutal regime in 1979, and of Hun Sen, a former Khmer Rouge cadre who fled bloody purges and eventually led the Hanoi-backed regime of the 1980s.

The Khmer Rouge is seeking international support to fight Hun Sen, who deposed his co-premier, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, in a coup July 5-6 and is re-emerging as a dictator.

"Our movement is pure and clean," Im Ngoun told Thayer. "I hope the international community will help us. Please ask them to stop calling us Pol Pot

and the Khmer Rouge."

The ailing, 69-year-old Pol Pot wept and begged for his life in the days before he was sentenced to life imprisonment at the group's northern stronghold of Anlong Veng, Thayer reported.

"My personal opinion is that he will never leave the jungles of Cambodia," Thayer, a former reporter for The Associated Press, told the AP in an interview.

Im Ngoun told Thayer that the Khmer Rouge in Anlong Veng numbers 10,000 fighters, higher than most estimates.

They turned against Pol Pot after he ordered purges in early June to stop a deal others were trying to reach with Ranariddh. Orders to execute Ta Mok, popular with the rank and file, sparked the revolt.

Ranariddh and Hun Sen, former battlefield enemies who shared power i

n an uneasy coalition following U.N.-sponsored elections in 1993, had vied for the loyalty of thousands of other war-weary guerrillas who defected in the past year.

Those at Anlong Veng were the last holdouts and would have significantly boosted Ranariddh's weaker military forces.

Royalist negotiators cemented a deal July 4, prompting Hun Sen to launch a violent coup the next day.

Hun Sen hopes to prevent the Khmer Rouge from allying with Ranariddh's forces against him, recreating the coalition of the 1980s that fought against his Vietnam-backed government. Vietnam is Cambodia's historic enemy.

In the days following the takeover, human rights workers estimated that at least 40 of the prince's followers had been killed in detention.

Evidence emerged Thursday that the killings were continuing. Human rights workers uncovered the body of a man identified as one of Ranariddh's bodyguards, who appeared to have been hanged four days ago.

The body was discovered in a shallow grave near the Tang Krasang military base, a royalist stronghold on the outskirts of the capital overrun by Hun Sen's forces July 6. Hundreds of royalist troops have been held prisoner there.

"This is a disturbing sign that the killings don't seem to stop," said Raja Gopal, a U.N. human rights worker.

"They keep going on and on, contrary to the official position that most deaths occurred during combat or just the coup."

On Wednesday, 162 of the prince's soldiers imprisoned at the camp were freed and told to return to their home provinces. Some said they were treated roughly and tortured during the coup.

Kenya pressed for reforms

By GENE KRAMER
WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. officials warned Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi's government to undertake "bold and substantial steps" for democratic reform or risk renewed violence.

"The demand for democracy in Kenya has not yet been met, and we are deeply concerned by the violence that this failure to reform helped produce nearly July," a senior U.S. State Department official told a packed Congressional hearing attended Wednesday by Moi's ambassador to Washington.

William B. Twaddell, acting assistant secretary of state for African affairs, said the United States is encouraged by the start of a dialogue between Moi and opposition leaders.

It amounts to "a step away from the brink of confrontation," he said. But in order to "lessen the prospect for continued violence," Twaddell added, Moi's government should act on promises of political reform, including changes to ensure free and fair elections later this year and assurance of fundamental human rights for all Kenyans.

News reports from the East African country said at least nine people were killed in seven cities where police broke up opposition demonstrations on July 7. As many as 15 died in the clashes, Twaddell said.

"The government, in particular, must overcome significant public skepticism about their commitment to reform by taking bold and substantial steps," Twaddell said.

"Political uncertainty, public corruption and recently stalled reform efforts stand in the way of faster" economic growth, he said, emphasizing that U.S. "interest in Kenya is that of a friend."

He also warned opposition leaders to halt "appeals to ethnic identification and racial prejudice... and to channel their struggle for democracy into unmistakably nonviolent efforts."

Responding to growing internal and international pressure for political reform, "President Moi has made minimal concessions and continued to resist reform," Carol A. Peasley, a top official for Africa of the U.S. foreign aid agency, told the Africa Subcommittee of the House International Relations committee.

Many in the international community will regard the conduct of forthcoming elections "as a measure of the government's commitment to the democratic process," Peasley said. It remains unclear, she said, "whether Moi has been pushed to undertake a true constitutional reform process or... simply minimal steps to quiet critics."

In a rare appearance by a foreign ambassador before a U.S. Congressional committee, Kenyan Ambassador Benjamin Edgar Kipkorir defended his government while urging the United States to "remain a true friend - give clear and consistent advice" and "respect our dignity."

"We welcome constructive dialogue," said the London-educated Kipkorir who once headed Kenya's largest bank. "That way, surely the U.S. will have the leverage to influence positive change."



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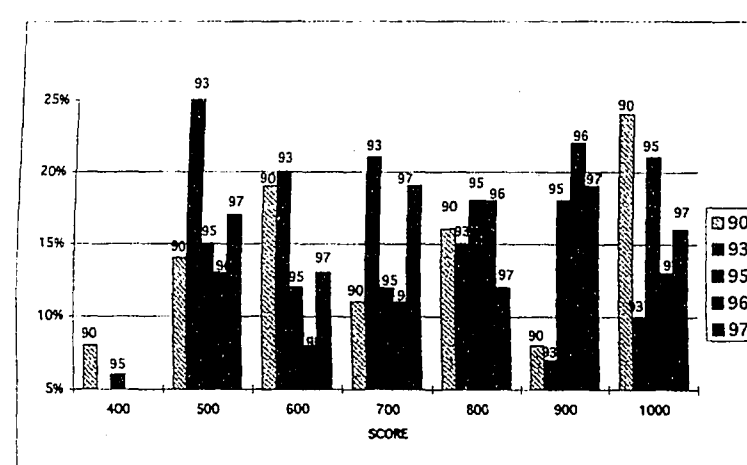
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500	14%	25%	15%	13%	17%
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700	11%	21%	12%	11%	19%
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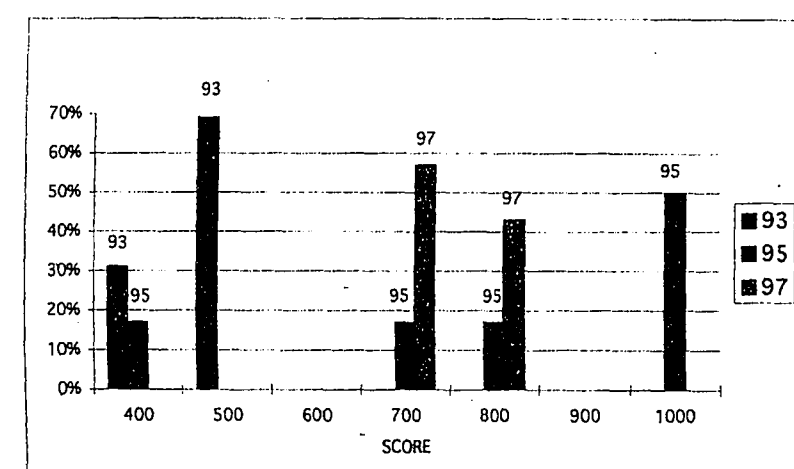
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Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Scores

Percentages of students scoring 400-1000+

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SCORE	93	95	97
400	31%	17%	0%
500	69%	0%	0%
600	0%	0%	0%
700	0%	17%	57%
800	0%	17%	43%
900	0%	0%	0%
1000	0%	50%	0%



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1993	1995	1997
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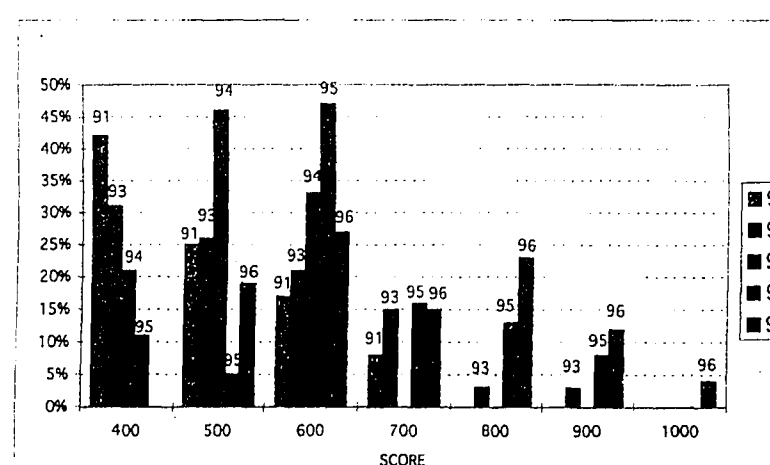
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Percentages of students scoring 400-1000+

Percentages of students scoring 400-1000+

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500	25%	26%	46%	5%	19%
600	17%	21%	33%	47%	27%
700	8%	15%	0%	16%	15%
800	0%	3%	0%	13%	23%
900	0%	3%	0%	8%	12%
1000	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%



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Children who do more homework, on average, do better in school. And, as children move up through the grades homework becomes even more important to school success.

Teachers assign homework for many reasons. It can help children

- practice what they have learned in school;
- get ready for the next day's class;
- use resources, such as libraries and encyclopedias; and
- learn things they don't have time to learn in school.

Homework can also help children learn good habits and attitudes. It can teach children to work by themselves and encourage discipline and responsibility.

FOUR THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP YOUR CHILD WITH HOMEWORK

1. Show You Think Education And Homework Are Important. Children are more eager to do homework if they know their parents care that it gets done.
 - Set a regular time for homework. The best time is one that works for your child and your family.
 - Pick a place to study that is fairly quiet and has lots of light. A desk is nice. But the kitchen table or a corner of the living room can work just fine.
 - Help your child concentrate by turning off the TV and saying no to social telephone calls during homework time. If you live in a small or noisy household, have all family members take part in a quiet activity during homework time. You may need to take a noisy toddler outside to play or into another room.
 - Collect papers, books, pencils, and other things your child needs. Tell the teacher or school counselor or principal if you need help getting your child these things.
 - Set a good example by reading and writing yourself. Your child learns what things are important by watching what you do. Encourage educational activities. Go on walks in the neighborhood, trips to the zoo, and encourage chores that teach responsibility.
 - Read with your young child. This activity stimulates interest in reading and language and lays the foundation for your child's becoming a life long reader.
 - Take your child to the library and encourage him to check out materials needed for homework. Talk about school and learning activities. Attend school activities, such as parent-teacher meetings and sports events.

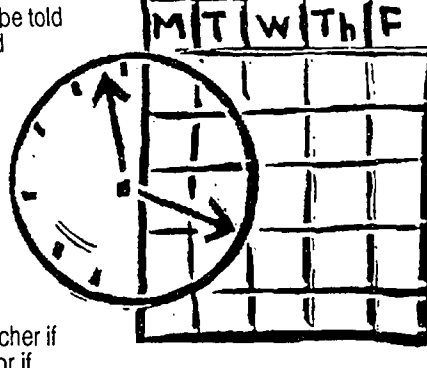
2. **Check On Your Child's Work.** How closely you watch over homework will depend on the age of your child, how independent she is, and how well she does in school.

Ask what the teacher expects. At the start of the school year, find out what kinds of assignments will be given and how the teacher wants you involved. Some teachers only want you involved. Some teachers only want you to make sure the assignment is completed. Others want parents to go over the homework and point out mistakes.

- Check to see that assignments are started and finished on time. If you aren't home when the homework is finished, look it over when you get home.
- Monitor TV viewing and other activities. In most homes, more homework gets done when TV time is limited. See that things like choir or basketball don't take too much time. If homework isn't getting done, your child may need to drop an activity.

3. Provide Guidance. The basic rule in helping with homework is, "don't do the assignment yourself. It's not your homework - it's your child's. Here are some things you can do to give guidance:

assignments and makes his own practice tests at home before a test. When a big research report is coming up, encourage him to use the library.

- Talk about assignments and ask questions. This helps your child think through an assignment and break it into small, workable parts. For example, ask if she understands the assignment, whether she needs help with the work, and if her answer makes sense to her.
 - Give praise. People of all ages like to be told when they have done a good job. And give helpful criticism when your child hasn't done his best work so that he can improve.
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4. Talk With Someone at School If Problems Come Up. If homework problems do arise, everyone needs to work together to resolve them - the school, teachers, parents, and students.
- Call or meet with the teacher. For example, get in touch with your teacher if your child refuses to do assignments, or if you or your child can't understand the instructions, or if you can't help your child get organized to do the assignments.
 - Believe that the school and the teacher want to help you and your child. Work together to fix or lessen the homework problem. Different problems require different solutions.

For example:

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- Does your child have a hard time finishing assignments ontime? Perhaps he has poor study skills and needs help getting organized.
 - Is the homework too hard?
 - Maybe your child has fallen behind and needs special help from a teacher or a tutor.
 - Is she bored with the homework? Perhaps it's too easy and your child needs extra assignments to give more challenge.
- Or perhaps she should be more interested if another way could be found for her to learn the same material. Remember that not all homework can be expected to interest your child. Most teachers, however, want to give homework that children enjoy and can finish successfully, and they welcome comments from parents.
- Check with the teacher and with your child to make sure the plan is working.

A Checklist for Helping Your Child with Homework

- ✓ A quiet place to work with good light.
- ✓ A regular time each day for doing homework
- ✓ Basic supplies, such as paper, pencils, pens, markers, and ruler.

Questions To Ask Your Child

- ✓ What's your assignment today?
- ✓ Is the assignment clear? (If not, suggest calling the school's homework hotline or a classmate.)
- ✓ When is it due?
- ✓ Do you need special resources (e.g., a trip to the library or access to a computer)?
- ✓ Do you need special supplies (e.g., graph paper or posterboard)?
- ✓ Have you started today's assignment? Finished it?
- ✓ Is it a long-term assignment (e.g., a term paper or science project)?
- ✓ For a major project, would it help to write out the steps or make a schedule?
- ✓ Would a practice test be useful?

Other Ways To Help

- ✓ Look over your child's homework, but don't do the work!
- ✓ Meet the teachers early in the year and find out about homework policy.
- ✓ Review teacher comments to homework that has been returned and discuss with your child.
- ✓ Observe your child's style of learning and try to understand how he works best (e.g., by using visual aids or by reading some material aloud).
- ✓ Contact the teacher if there's a homework problem you can't resolve.
- ✓ Congratulate your child on a job well done.

Study: Environment affects I.Q.

By Matt Crenson
NEW YORK (AP) — Nurture edges out nature in determining a person's IQ, according to a new study that also finds a surprisingly important role for prenatal development in shaping human intelligence.

In an analysis combining more than 200 earlier studies, statisticians concluded that genes account for 48

percent of the factors that determine IQ.

That's less than most psychologists would estimate, said study author Bernie Devlin, and far enough below the figure cited by the controversial 1994 book "The Bell Curve" to undercut its authors' main conclusions.

"That number is way too small for

their arguments to be of any great consequence," said Devlin, a professor of psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

Devlin's study, conducted with Michael Daniels and Kathryn Roeder of Pittsburgh's Carnegie Mellon University, also found that conditions during prenatal development significantly affect a person's intelligence.

That suggests that inadequate prenatal care may explain why poorer people and blacks generally score lower on IQ tests.

"Our study gives credence to that idea, and that in fact is something that people should be concerned about," Devlin said. "Poor prenatal care may have a negative impact on IQ."

He and his colleagues report their findings in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

The statisticians combined the results of 212 earlier studies that compared the IQs of twins, siblings or parents and their children. Then the researchers constructed a set of statistical models, or predictions, to determine which one best fit the accumulated data.

The best-fitting model was one that included genetic effects, environmental effects such as being raised in the same or different households and prenatal conditions.

Many of the 212 earlier studies had found a strong genetic component to intelligence by showing that identical twins raised apart have remarkably similar IQs. But the new study weakens that conclusion somewhat by showing that fraternal twins — who are different genetically — also have more similar IQs than siblings.

The mere fact that they occupy the same womb at the same time accounts for 20 percent of the similarity between twins, decreasing the relative significance of genes. Even for siblings who aren't twins, being carried by the same mother at different times explains 5 percent of the similarity in IQ.

"The implication would be that the in-utero environment has a profound effect on IQ in the general population," said University of Minnesota psychologist Matt McGue. "It will stimulate people to think about prenatal factors in a way they hadn't before."

It is already well-known that drinking or smoking during pregnancy

can cause decreased IQ in children, and that exposure to lead in the womb can also lead to lower intelligence. There may be other prenatal factors that are important as well, Devlin said.

McGue said the study casts doubt on the main hypothesis of "The Bell Curve." The book, by the late Harvard University professor Richard Herrnstein and political analyst Charles Murray, argues that the continued intermarriage of highly intelligent, well-educated people will lead to the development of a two-tiered American society — one rich and smart, the other poor and dumb.

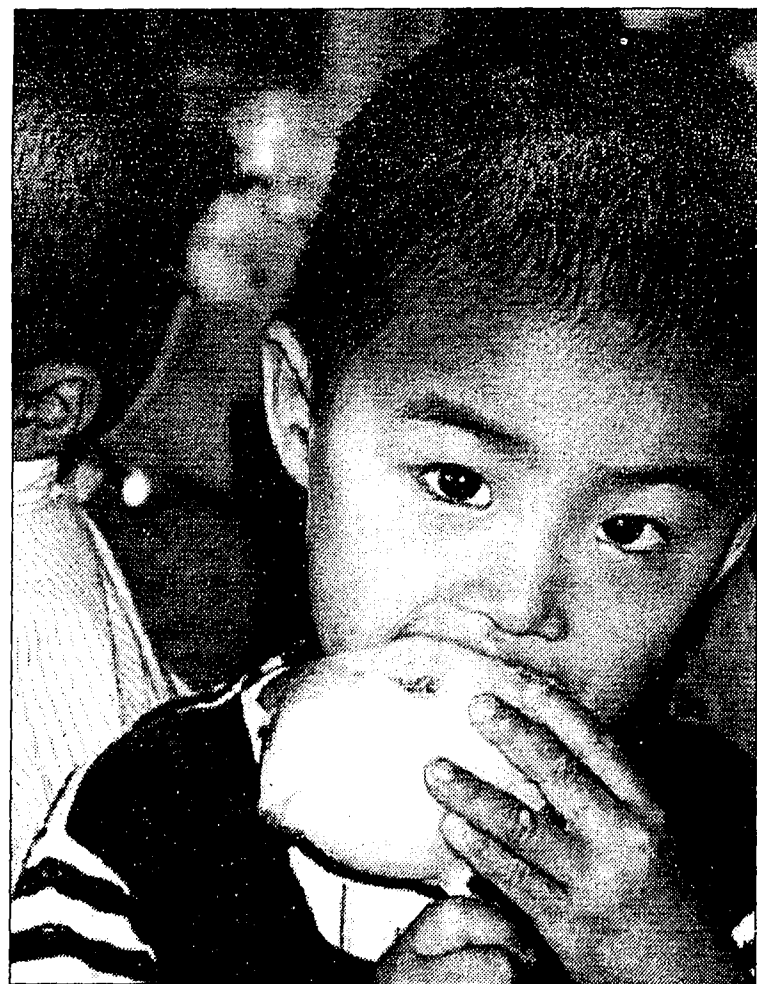
But that can't come to pass, Devlin explained, because in every person synergistic effects arise from the mixing of both parents' genes. Those synergistic effects account for about 14 percent of IQ, bringing the true inherited component down to 34 percent.

"A lot of what was in 'The Bell Curve' was premised on there being a high degree of parent-offspring resemblance in IQ," McGue said. "The parent-offspring degree of resemblance here may be modest."

Murray said in a telephone interview that he and Herrnstein had assumed in "The Bell Curve" that genes account for 40 percent to 80 percent of intelligence. But he disputed the charge that their argument depends on a connection between genes and intelligence.

Even if parents pass intelligence to their children through nurture, education and other environmental means, Murray said, a two-tiered system will develop.

"The big misconception about 'The Bell Curve' is that it's about genes. It's not. It's about the role of IQ in shaping social outcomes," he said.



A North Korean boy munches a boiled potato at a day care center in Unpa County of North Hwanghae Province Monday. This is one of photos taken during a three-day visit by Kiyomi Yoshida, leader of a Tokyo-based volunteer group to areas around the North Korean province. AP



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TIMOTHY P. VILLAGOMEZ
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India to revive missile program

By RANJAN ROY
NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Braving international pressure, India will revive development of a long-range ballistic missile that could carry warheads deep inside China, the defense minister told Parliament.

Work on the Agni missile, capable of travelling 2,500 kilometers (1,550 miles), was halted three years ago after criticism from the United States and other Western nations that India was fuelling proliferation in South Asia.

"It has been decided to accord high priority to the next phase of the Agni program," Defense Minister Mulayam Singh Yadav said in a written statement made available Thursday.

Yadav did not say what the next phase would be or when scientists would restart the Agni project.

The statement was the first confirmation of a renewal of the Agni project after weeks of speculation that had elicited no comment from Yadav or other defense officials.

The missile underwent three test flights until 1994 when international pressure forced the government to shelve it. Work continued on other missiles, however. The Prithvi, with a range of 150 kilometers (90 miles) is ready for deployment.

The Agni, which means "fire" in Hindi, has been of greater proliferation concern because of its longer range and more sophisticated guidance and delivery system. Worries have been exacerbated by India's ambiguous stand on its nuclear program.

In Wednesday's statement to Parliament, Yadav said India had no plans to develop nuclear weapons. But the government has previously said it wants to retain a nuclear option for the future. India conducted a nuclear test in 1974.

Yadav indicated that the Indian government was ready to face up to increased international pressure, including punitive trade sanctions, resulting from the decision to restart the Agni project.

New Delhi was "aware of international efforts to tighten ad hoc export control regimes for curbing export of missile-related technologies."

Earlier this month, Washington instructed U.S. companies not to export to three Indian companies suspected of participating in missile or nuclear weapons programs.

Those organizations "have been determined to be involved in developing weapons of mass destruction or the missiles used to

deliver those weapons," William A. Reinsch, U.S. undersecretary of commerce for export administration, said.

Yadav's statement also could

raise tensions in neighboring Pakistan. The two countries have fought three wars since they became independent 50 years ago and clashes along a disputed border

in the northern Himalayan territory of Kashmir are routine.

India also fought China in 1962, and is concerned over Beijing's nuclear predominance in Asia.



K.R. Narayanan, President of India waves to his well wishers on arriving at the presidential Palace, official resident-cum-office in New Delhi. This is the first time in the history of India's independent existence that a low caste Hindu was elected President by the federal and state law makers. AP

Nigeria 'worst' on survey of most corrupt countries

By PAUL GEITNER
BERLIN (AP) — Scandinavian countries scored well while Nigeria remained at the bottom of an annual survey of corruption around the world published Thursday by an independent research and advocacy group.

The report by Berlin-based Transparency International, a private group founded in 1993 to combat corruption, is a "poll of polls" on the perception of corruption in 52 countries. It is based on seven international surveys of business people, political analysts and, for the first time, the general public.

The group's chairman, Peter Eigen, said the three-year-old index is also a "measure of lost development opportunities," especially in poor countries, since evidence shows corruption deters foreign investors.

"Every day the poor scores in the Corruption Perception Index are not being dealt with means more impoverishment, less education, less health care," he said.

A study published in February by Harvard associate professor Shang-Jin Wei found a rise in corruption levels had the same effect on foreign investment as raising the marginal tax rate by more than 20 percent.

"Awareness is a first step to fighting or reducing corruption," Wei said, crediting the CPI with focusing attention on the problem. "It's not penicillin to be sure, but I think it's a very useful first step."

Eigen noted that some countries have taken steps since last year's survey to crack down on rampant corruption, most notably in Paki-

stan. New laws were passed there and several people arrested, including the father-in-law of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

Although still in the bottom five, Pakistan improved its standing from 1.00 in 1996 to 2.53 this year. In the index, a country judged to be corruption-free would be given 10 points.

Other poor scorers such as Malaysia and Argentina have started anti-corruption campaigns as a result of last year's survey, Eigen said.

The Clinton administration also has been pressing its Western partners to crack down on corruption by, for example, outlawing tax deductions for bribes paid to foreign officials.

While developing countries scored worse than industrialized ones, Eigen said it was false to presume people there were more corrupt.

"A large share of the corruption is the explicit product of multinational corporations, headquartered in leading industrialized countries, using massive bribes and kickbacks to buy contracts in the developing world and the countries in transition," he said.

The 1997 list was led by Denmark with a score of 9.94, followed by Finland at 9.48, Sweden at 9.35, New Zealand at 9.23 and Canada at 9.10.

The United States scored 7.61, slightly worse than 1996.

After Pakistan, the bottom-dwellers were Russia at 2.27, Colombia at 2.23, Bolivia at 2.05 and Nigeria at 1.76.



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10 school band members killed

By ESTES THOMPSON
PLYMOUTH, North Carolina (AP) - A tractor-trailer plowed into a sport utility vehicle carrying high school band students that had tried to pass in a no-passing zone on a wet country road, killing all 10 students.

The driver of the teen-agers' Ford Explorer lost control after crossing the center line to pass three cars in a light rain, police said.

As tractor-trailer plows into their Explorer

The Explorer "skidded sideways and was what we referred to as T-boned by the tractor-trailer rig, which means it literally hit the side of the van," said Renee Hoffman, state Highway Patrol spokeswoman.

"It's one of the worst I've ever seen in my career," said Highway Patrol Lt. Wayne Taylor. "It's

going to be one of the worst in North Carolina."

The victims belonged to the Plymouth High School band and were taking a lunch break from summer band camp at the school, said Elena Barber, a school secretary.

The only student to survive Wednesday's crash died later at a

hospital. The names of the students were not immediately released.

The truck driver, David Griffin, was treated for minor injuries at a hospital and released.

Bodies and musical instruments were strewn along the road, and the twisted wreckage of the Explorer ended up in a ravine. The truck rig

was towing a low trailer designed to carry heavy equipment.

"Everybody's devastated," said Doward Jones Jr., editor of the weekly newspaper The Roanoke Beacon in Plymouth, who was one of the first people at the scene. "The band was one of the prides of the high school."

The crash took place about 100 miles (160 kilometers) east of Raleigh on a straight, level stretch of highway.



A damaged tractor-trailer rests in the road after colliding with a Ford Explorer, killing 10 Plymouth High School students who were on their lunch break from band camp Wednesday afternoon north of the town of Plymouth, NC. AP

Residents return to twisted homes for prized possessions

FORT COLLINS, Colorado (AP) - Searchers with body-sniffing dogs made a last sweep through the twisted metal and muddy belongings of two flood-ravaged mobile home parks to make sure they hadn't missed any victims.

Five women died and 40 people were injured after a downpour Monday turned a creek into a rampaging wall of water. After early reports that all the missing had been accounted for, rescuers went back in to take another look through the 90 devastated trailers, just to be sure.

By Wednesday evening, authorities determined there was indeed no other victims, but said they needed to clear away dangerous debris and safeguard gas lines, barring residents from returning before early Thursday.

The rain forced normally docile Spring Creek over its banks, massing into a pool of water that overcame an embankment near the trailer parks and slammed into them with a 20-foot-high (6-meter-high) torrent.

The caramel-colored water was still high Wednesday, but water marks stood out on trees and railings more than 10 feet (3 meters) higher. Clothing, a muddy

mattress and other debris were still scattered in bushes along the creek's path. Piles of metal, insulation, tree branches and bicycles littered the trailer park's slowly hard-

ening goo.

Also devastated was the campus of Colorado State University, where 18 buildings had damage estimated at \$40 million.



Workers stand on a bridge littered with debris from a flash flood in Fort Collins, Colo. The flood killed at least five people early Tuesday and authorities say at least 20 others are still missing. AP

Strike paralyzes Bangladesh

By HASAN SAEED
DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) - Workers and police clashed during a nationwide strike for higher pay in Bangladesh, injuring at least 100 people, police and local newspapers reported Thursday.

Among the injured Wednesday were at least 10 people shot by paramilitary troops trying to stop over 3,000 protesters from entering a garment factory in Dhaka, the capital.

Police said workers attacked sev-

eral mills and factories in and around Dhaka, causing substantial financial damage.

An alliance of 17 unions organized Wednesday's strike, demanding a minimum wage of 3,000 taka (\$68) per month. The existing minimum wage is 1,000 taka (\$23).

The alliance, which represents 5 million workers, was also protesting the privatization of state owned mills and factories.

"The strike across the country was successful but hired hoodlums

at privately owned factories attacked the workers, injuring more than 100 demonstrators," Abdus Salam Khan, a strike leader, said Thursday.

Striking workers put up barricades on major roads, cutting off the capital, Dhaka, and the country's main port, Chittagong, from the rest of the country.

Most mills, factories and ports did not function. Road and railway traffic was halted by pickets at different places across the country.



Two of the 14 drug-traffickers listen to their death sentence under escort of armed policemen Tuesday in South China's Guangzhou city. About ten thousand citizen witness the sentence in a stadium. In background is the Chinese characters "Anti-drug gathering." AP

China executes 14 after rally

BEIJING (AP) - Fourteen drug smugglers were executed by gunshot in south China after an anti-drugs rally attended by 10,000 people who swore with fists raised not to take drugs, an official newspaper said.

Government leaders who attended Tuesday's rally at a sports complex in Guangzhou (Canton) called on the crowd to launch "a people's war to surround and annihilate the drugs menace," the

Yangcheng Evening News reported.

"The crowd of 10,000 raised their fists together and solemnly swore to stay away from drugs, not to smoke drugs, not to peddle drugs," the newspaper said in its Wednesday edition, seen Thursday in Beijing.

The Guangzhou Intermediate People's Court announced at the rally that 14 people sentenced to death for selling and transporting drugs were being

taken to an execution ground to be shot, the newspaper said.

It named just one of those executed, Wang Degui.

Gun dealer sued by man wounded in massacre

HOBART, Australia (AP) - A man who was shot in the neck during the Port Arthur massacre will sue the gun dealer who allegedly sold Martin Bryant his high-powered rifle, his lawyers announced Thursday.

Bryant shot dead 35 people and injured 19 others during a killing spree that began at the historic penal colony on April 28, 1996. He pleaded guilty and is serving a life sentence in Hobart's Risdon Prison.

Neville Quin, who was aboard a bus in the Port Arthur parking lot when Bryant shot him with an AR-15 semiautomatic rifle, will claim damages from gun dealer Terrence Hill, a statement from the Tasmanian Legal Aid Com-

mission said.

The statement said Quin would claim Hill negligently sold the military-style weapon to Bryant, who did not hold a gun license at the time.

"It will be alleged that Hill should have foreseen that the supply of a military or military-style weapon, together with military ammunition, to an unlicensed person was dangerous to members of the public," the statement said.

It said the case was the first of its type in Australia and would rely on British and Canadian precedents.

The case was listed to begin in the Tasmanian Supreme Court on Thursday.

Nooruddin Ahmed, former president of the Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, said the

strike cost the nation roughly \$50 million in lost production and export.

Bangladeshis die in factory stampede

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) - A false fire alarm at a garment factory in Bangladesh caused a stampede that killed at least 23 people and injured 100, police said Thursday.

Wednesday's stampede was followed by rioting in which 25 people were injured as angry survivors clashed with police they accused of being late to respond. Police lobbed tear gas shells and pushed back the crowd with batons. Protestors

burned three police vehicles and damaged one fire truck.

Police and other emergency workers had arrived within a half hour.

The garment factory, which was located in a high-rise building in Dhaka, lacked emergency exits.

Most of the country's 2,000 garment factories do not have adequate safety measures, a fire brigade official said.

MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION

We the family of the late

LUIS CABRERA CEPEDA

Wish to heartfelt and Na Si Ma'ase to relatives and especially the Guam, who and shared with prayers and condolences during our moments of sorrow which in many ways gave us the strength to endure

From the Family

First Anniversary Rosary

GREGORIO (EKO) M. SABLAN

We, the family of the late Gregorio (EKO) M. Sablan would like to invite all relatives and friends to join us in the Anniversary Rosary of our beloved husband, father, grandfather.

Rosary will be said nightly at 8:00 p.m., beginning August 4, 1997 (Monday) thru August 12, 1997 (Tuesday), at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Pres Sablan-Shirai, in Susupe.

On the final day August 12 (Tuesday), Rosary will be said at 12:00 noon, followed by Mass of Intention at 6:00 p.m. at San Jose Church. Dinner will be served after.

Kindly join us.

Thank you, Si Yu'us Ma'ase, & Kilisou Chapur

FROM THE FAMILY

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Under the supervision of the Deputy Director, Rota and in coordination with other Corporation management to provide technical advice and do planning for power and water projects and tasks on Rota. Performs other related duties as assigned. Minimum qualification is 2 yrs. of college and additional training in trades and technical areas. Ten years experience in electrical, power and pumps and/or generation. Five years management experience. Must have computer experience, excellent writing skills, be able to work with minimum supervision. Applicants will be tested in computer skills, math and writing abilities.

STARTING SALARY: \$30,000.00

This announcement closes on August 6, 1997. Applications are available at the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation, Lower Base, Saipan, the CUC Rota or Tinian office. Copy of diploma and/or official transcript and recent police clearance must be attached.

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Administrative Officer I

Under the supervision of the Human Resource Officer, the incumbent in this position has primary responsibility for maintenance and updating of all computer records and responsibility for recording/documenting all office procedures concerning job announcement, hiring, benefits attendance etc. Maintains the Official Personnel Files (OPF) for the Corporation. Assists in the processing of personnel documents both manually and electronically. Performs other related duties as assigned. Minimum qualification is BA + 3 yrs. experience. Applicants will be tested on computer skills and writing abilities.

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Study: Objects struck Earth

NEW YORK (AP) - Two huge objects struck Earth about 35.5 million years ago, slamming into Siberia and a site off the Virginia coast, a study concludes.

That raises the question of whether the one-two punch caused a later mass extinction.

Scientists already knew that the

53-mile-wide (85-kilometer-wide) crater near Virginia was caused by an impact around 35.5 million years ago. But the age of the 60-mile-wide (96.5-kilometer-wide) Popigai crater in Siberia, one of the biggest on Earth, has been open to dispute.

Now researchers say the Siberian crater is about as old as the other one,

based on analysis of rocks melted by the impact.

The craters could have been made anytime within a few hundred thousand years of each other, but given the uncertainty of the age estimates, "the ages are essentially the same," said Richard Grieve of the Geological Survey of Canada.

Grieve and colleagues report their results in the July 24 issue of the journal Nature.

In an accompanying editorial, Dieter Stoeffler and Philippe Claeys of the Natural Sciences Museum in Berlin suggest that the tremendous energy released by the impacts may have created long-lasting changes in the global environment. That could have caused the mass extinction that

happened within about 2 million years after the impacts, they said.

Grieve said he was skeptical. In any case, he and colleagues wrote that two such impacts within a few hundred thousand years was unusual. Normally, impacts of that size would be expected only once every 10 million years, they said.

New York State unleashes beetles to fight purple loosestrife

SCIENCE MEDICINE

New York unleashes beetles

MONTEZUMA, New York (AP) - The war against purple loosestrife is on - a dark cloud of more than 20,000 loosestrife-chomping beetles was released recently at Montezuma Wildlife Refuge. Their mission: Enjoy the meal of the wicked weed.

Loosestrife, that tall lavender plant that begins to bloom every year in late summer, is a relentless invader, covering an estimated 400,000 acres (162,000 hectares) nationwide and crowding out other wetland plants and animals.

Loosestrife is prolific in areas as small as roadside ditches and as large as the Montezuma refuge, a 6,400-acre (2,600-hectare), feder-

ally protected wildlife sanctuary at the northern tip of Cayuga Lake in central New York.

Standing as high as seven feet (2 meters), purple loosestrife grows in such thick tangles that it chokes other native plants.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has dubbed purple loosestrife "Public Enemy No. 1" on federal lands. It's estimated that it's 45 million New Zealand at both the ASEAN regional forum and its post ministerial conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, this week.

As part of the government's counteroffensive, five species of loosestrife-eating beetles have been introduced in selected areas around the nation over the past four years.

Nicotine research advances

DURHAM, North Carolina (AP) - At a school and in a city built on America's appetite for cigarettes, a researcher is unlocking the secrets needed to wean smokers off tobacco.

Dr. Jed Rose of Duke University runs one of the country's leading laboratories designed to learn exactly how nicotine grips most of the nation's 46 million smokers. Government figures indicate that 419,000 people die annually from smoking-related illnesses.

The hows and whys of nicotine addiction intrigue the lanky 45-year-old psychiatrist and impel the research at the Nicotine Research Center.

"The basic question is why people want the things they want. Why do people really pursue them," Rose said. "I got hooked on nicotine research."

Rose works at an office just a short drive from the headquarters of cigarette maker Liggett Group and for a university founded on tobacco money.

His patients are tested as they use patches and inhalers to help stop the urge to smoke. Some experiments use resolution imaging of brain receptors to determine where nicotine spreads with each puff. Rose is also working on a promising patch-and-pill combination.

"It's a hard habit to break,"

said grocery clerk Brian Tapp. "I've tried the chewing gum, and that didn't work. And I've tried the patch, and that kept falling off, so I quit that, too."

Answers are being found with patients like Tony Micale, an accountant who smoked his first cigarette at age 8. He and 400 others are part of a study combining nicotine patches and a medication called mecamylamine designed as a blood pressure controller. The drug has shown promise in reducing the satisfaction of smoking.

Micale, 41, says he hasn't lit up since the therapy began last September. "I think I've got this thing licked."

The body absorbs nicotine through receptors in places like the brain and lungs. A nicotine patch provides that chemical to the receptors without the tar and smoke of cigarettes. And according to an earlier, smaller study, mecamylamine actually blocks receptors, thereby reducing the craving to light up.

The results are encouraging. Thirty-four percent of the nation's smokers try to quit each year, but only 2.5 percent succeed. Using the nicotine patch, the cessation rate is about 15 percent. Preliminary results show that with the patch-mecamylamine combination, the success rate climbs to 40 percent.

NZ mulls live seafood ban

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) - Seafood is always better fresh, but New Zealand lawmakers are moving to ban extra-fresh — in fact, live — delicacies such as "screaming prawn" and "dancing crayfish" from the menus.

The bill would forbid restaurants to serve live seafood, sparing diners sights such as the one Cyrina Holland witnessed in a recent night out with her boyfriend in Auckland.

Holland, confused by a menu item that offered diners a chance to "check the cray dance," asked her

boyfriend to explain.

"He pointed to the table behind me and there was a crayfish cut in half and walking around the table," she said. "It was alive, and they were getting into it with their chopsticks."

The crustacean, its tail stuffed with rice and noodles, crawled around the table as the diners broke off its legs and ate them.

"That was a complete turnoff," Holland said. "There were a lot of people in there and they were watching that table very strangely."

Under the bill before Parliament, courts could impose jail terms of up to three months and fines up to \$6,400 for serving seafood alive. The bill has solid government support and is expected to pass later this year.

In Australia, the state of New South Wales passed legislation this year banning the serving of live fish or seafood, making it punishable by up to two years in prison.

Supporters hope it will stop the serving of a popular dish in

Sydney's Chinatown known as "screaming prawns," after the high-pitched squeal live prawns make when they are doused in brandy or liqueur and set on fire.

Peter Blomkamp, head of the Society for the Prevention of Cru-

elty to Animals, said the bill would put New Zealand at the forefront of animal rights — without going too far.

"People will still be allowed to swat an insect, or stomp on a cockroach," he said.



Indonesian President Suharto, right, shakes hands with visiting New Zealand Foreign and Trade Minister Don McKinnon during a courtesy call at the presidential office in Jakarta Tuesday. AP

NZ looks to improve Asian business links

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) - New Zealand had to improve its business links with Association of South-East Asian Nation (ASEAN) countries, Foreign Minister Don McKinnon said.

Although the country's trade with Southeast Asia is growing quickly it still is only about 8 percent of exports, said McKinnon, who has represented New Zealand at both the ASEAN regional forum and its post ministerial conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, this week.

"While steady progress is being made, we can and should do better," he said in a statement.

Southeast Asia has a combined population of half a billion people and annual economic growth of more than 8 percent, he said.

"Our economies are complementary. New Zealand offers one of the most open markets in the world and valuable technical expertise in goods and services. Southeast Asia is a growing and potentially unlimited export market for us."

"We owe it to ourselves and the future generations of New Zealanders to maximize the benefits of these expanding markets."

Continuing discussions between New Zealand, Australia and the ASEAN free trade area are important to improving trade among the three.

"To minimize costs and maximize profits in two-way trade, New Zealand must identify and reduce barriers to

trade and investment. Private sector involvement will be vital to give the dialogue a 'push along'."

McKinnon also praised the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) process, saying APEC was New Zealand's top regional foreign trade policy priority.

"New Zealand remains

deeply committed to encouraging free and open trade and the goals set down by APEC members in the 1994 declaration at Bogor."

The Bogor declaration outlined goals for achieving free and open trade between APEC countries. It sets targets of the year 2010 for developed countries and 2020 for developing countries.

Death & Funeral Announcement

PEDRO REYES SANTOS

Better known as "Pedron Pale, Jr." was called to his eternal rest on July 29, 1997 at the age of 48.



He is predeceased by his Mother and Brothers Rita Reyes Santos, Vicente Juan and Ricardo Santos.

Father, Mother and Brothers-In-Law Jose Taitano Quinata, Beatrice Quinata, Joseph James Quinata, Arthur Johnny Quinata I and Arthur John Quinata II

He is survived by his Wife Lucy Quinata Santos Children

Charlene S. & Benjamin P. Cruz (Beatrice Marie) Peter Q. Santos & Ellen Tebuteb (Shane Peter & Shawn Michael) Richard Q. Santos & Patricia Aquino (Richard Allan)

His Father Pedro Hocog Santos Sisters, Brothers and In Laws

Milagro Santos & Jose San Agustin, Jose Santos & Margarita Tenorio Edward Santos & Rosita Ruak, Joaquina Santos & Cristin Duenas Petra Santos & Francisco Palacios, Jesus Santos & Dolores Delos Santos Francisco and Vicente Santos all of Saipan, Vincent and Terry Quinata Elizabeth and Tomas Concepcion, Mary and Joe Baldwin Joe John Quinata & Patricia San Nicolas, Alice Quinata, Wendy Quinata, Martha & Irvin White, Anthony, Richard & Francis all of Yigo Guam Edward Quinata & Angie Borja of Saipan

He is also survived by numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and numerous close friends.

Nightly rosary is being said at his father's residence in as Mahetoc, across from Saipan Ice starting at 8:00 p.m. Last respect will be held at the above address on Wednesday, August 06, 1997 beginning at 8:00 a.m. Mass of Christian burial will be offered on the same day at Mt. Carmel Cathedral Church at 4:00 p.m. and burial will follow at Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION

We the family of the late

JUAN LG. CABRERA



Extend our sincerest appreciation to all our families, relatives and friends for your prayers and especially for your presence during the First Anniversary rosary and the Eucharistic celebration of my husband, our father and our grandfather.

In extetende un sinceru yan dañgkulu na si Yu'us Ma'ase para todo siha i familia, man parentes yan man atuñgo pot i tinayuyut yan finatun miyo gi duranten i primet kumple años na lisayo yan misan i asaguahu, tatan mame yan guelon mame. Un dañgkulu na si Yu'us Ma'ase para hamyo.

Ginen I Familia

DRIVE SAFELY

Happy 1st Birthday

LOUIE JAY EBELTE

Love: Mom & Dad

Business & Trade

KLM, Northwest push tie-up

EAGAN, Minnesota (AP) - Northwest Airlines will buy back KLM Royal Dutch Airlines' stake in the U.S. carrier but preserve their operating alliance under a new long-term deal announced Wednesday.

Under the agreement in principle, Northwest will buy back KLM's entire 19.7 percent stake over the next four years at a price that appears likely to exceed \$1.2 billion.

Northwest said the accord "clears the way for an intensification of the alliance" between the two airlines, which dates back to 1989.

While their alliance has been profitable for both carriers, their relationship had been strained for the past 3 1/2 years over KLM's efforts to increase its ownership stake in Northwest to 25 percent.

Although KLM denied it, Northwest executives had feared that the Dutch airline might eventually try to take over Northwest.

In 1995, Northwest's board adopted a so-called poison pill defense to discourage KLM from increasing its ownership stake. KLM's three representatives on Northwest's board resigned in protest.

KLM went to court in Delaware seeking to have the poison pill measure overturned.

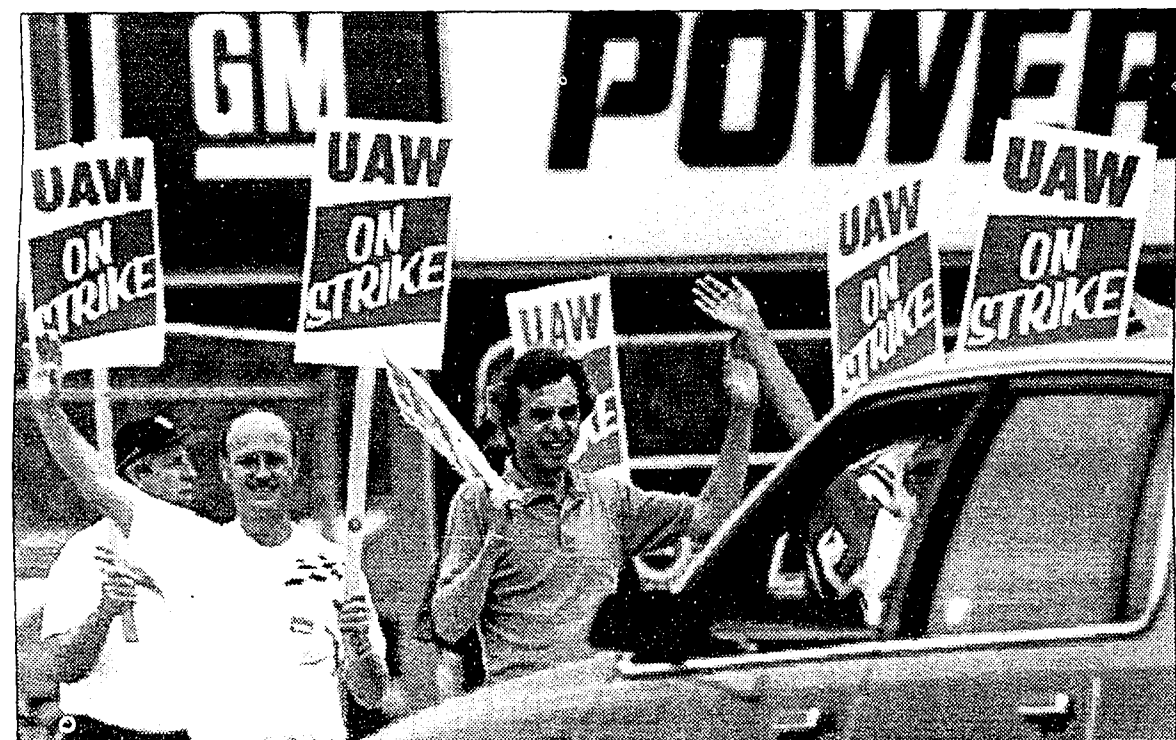
As part of the deal, KLM will withdraw its pending lawsuits, and each airline will appoint one mem-

ber to the other's board of directors.

The agreement also calls for the two airlines to expand their cooperation on trans-Atlantic routes and between Amsterdam and India to include services between Europe and Canada and Mexico. The two airlines also plan to expand cooperation between their air freight divisions and will explore extending the alliance to additional partners.

Northwest said earlier this month it expects a return of about \$1.2 billion from the alliance this year, up from \$1.1 billion last year. The alliance now contributes about 30 percent of KLM's profits, or about \$1.5 billion a year.

Northwest will purchase KLM's stake in four annual installments, with the first transaction expected within 60 days and the last in 2000.



Members of the United Auto Workers Local 909 acknowledge the honking of horns from drivers outside the General Motors Corp. Powertrain plant in Warren, Mich., Wednesday. AP

Motorola wins \$13M contract in Oman

MUSCAT, Oman (AP) - The American telecommunications giant Motorola on Wednesday won a \$13 million contract to expand Oman's Global System for Mobile Communication, or GSM.

Minister of Post, Telephones and Telegrams Ahmed bin Suwaidan Al-Balushi, who signed the contract with the American company in the capital Muscat, said he expected

the number of subscribers to increase to 50,000 from the current 42,000.

He said that following the completion of the expansion project in January of next year, which will include installing and operating new stations around the country, the network will have a capacity of 100,000 subscribers.

The GSM service was introduced in Oman in November.

Egypt, China firms in \$147M cement venture

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - Egypt and China have signed an agreement to launch a \$147 million cement factory in northern Sinai, the London-based al-Sharq al-Awsat reported Wednesday.

The factory, a joint venture between Egypt's National Sinai Company and the Chinese National Organization, will have a production capacity of 1.5 million tons a year.

Financing for the project will be split evenly between China and Egypt, with additional funding provided through loans, Hassan Rateb, head of the NSC was quoted as saying by the

paper. Meanwhile, the Egyptian Cement Production Company concluded a \$50 million agreement for the export of cement to Malaysia.

The agreements fall within the framework of a series of deals signed by Egypt with China, Malaysia and Singapore during Prime Minister Kamal el-Ganzouri's visit to China last May.

Other deals in the making include a \$250 million gas cylinder and glass factory, the agreement for which is scheduled to be formally signed in a year, said Rateb.

Kuwaiti firm's profits up

KUWAIT (AP) - The National Industries Co. said Wednesday it made 17.07 million dinars (\$56.9 million) in net profits in the first half of this year, up from 10.42 million dinars (\$34.73 million) in the same period last year.

A senior company official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the increase was mainly due to an increase in NIC's investments in Kuwait and abroad.

The company's sales also rose to 9.22 million dinars (\$30.73 million) in the first six months of

the year, compared to 7.68 million dinars (\$25.6 million) last year.

The privately owned NIC is listed on the Kuwait Stock Exchange. It manufactures concrete blocks, asbestos pipes and ready mix concrete, in addition to detergents and car batteries.

The company's board of directors has decided to increase its capital by 20 percent to 60.35 million dinars (\$201.16 million), the official said. The step has to be approved in a shareholders' meeting scheduled for Sept. 15.

Will...

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After the war the Northern Mariana Islands were sealed off to all but the military in order to provide a location for clandestine activities undertaken by the Central Intelligence Agency under the auspices of the Naval Tactical Training Unit, (NTTU).

Not much is known about the secret facility which had been established on Saipan to train certain individuals in insurgency for possible future intervention into Communist southeast Asia and elsewhere.

The island was militarily sealed off and only certain U.S. government personnel were permitted to enter and leave Saipan. The local people did not enjoy much freedom of movement and were confined to Saipan and Guam which was also closed to every-

one except military personnel.

Once the training facility on Saipan was abandoned in the 60's the island became the headquarters of the Trust Territory Government from which all the islands of Micronesia, formerly the Japanese Mandated Islands, were administered.

During this period and until 1973 it was the policy of the United States Government, as the administering authority, to continue exercising unusual influence over the development of the islands and its people. American policy was exercised on the basis of the "most favored nation" clause within Article 8 (1) of the Trusteeship Agreement For The Former Japanese Mandated Islands. From 1947 until 1973 this policy prohibited non American investment and was referred to as the "denial principle."

The United States Government was not particularly interested in the is-

land takeover legislation would, at the very least, face principled opposition.

At any rate, though the Clinton administration can cite noble aims for proposing measures that would castrate the local economy, the CNMI should not be put to task for insisting on its people's right, as Americans, to self-determination, and to aspire for self-reliance. Or even to throw up on a report that, in so many words, considers the local leaders as too inept, and the alien workers as too dumb.

A report, in short, that is so...

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lieutenants.

Guam now has nothing to show for its contributions but a Washington Post report that linked its commonwealth aspirations with its leaders' zeal to help the mainland Democrats.

The CNMI, for its part, may not be popular with the Clinton administration whose term expires in 2001, but it now has more well-entrenched friends in the U.S. House where any fed-

eral takeover legislation would, at the very least, face principled opposition.

At any rate, though the Clinton administration can cite noble aims for proposing measures that would castrate the local economy, the CNMI should not be put to task for insisting on its people's right, as Americans, to self-determination, and to aspire for self-reliance. Or even to throw up on a report that, in so many words, considers the local leaders as too inept, and the alien workers as too dumb.

A report, in short, that is so...

Fed-up...

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ment is working on their \$1,000,000,000.00 deficit (not sure if I have enough 0's).

This to me should be more of a priority to the U.S. Congress than the minimum wage issue on Saipan. If George Miller and his cohorts in Congress combined their efforts to reduce the Federal Deficit with half the intensity they are attacking the CNMI, maybe they could leave office knowing they haven't left a bill to be paid by their children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and generations not yet born.

I am also interested to know how many people the Interior Department has, to inefficiently manage the insular areas and how much taxpayers money was wasted on their incompetent dealings? It is not entirely your fault that you work for a Government that buys hammers and toilet seats for a few thousand dollars each.

I believe it is time we put the real problems in perspective and stop smoke screening your problems in America with whatever problems we may have here on our beautiful island.

Sincerely

PATRICK LEON GUERRERO

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from the United States. That leaves only Guam.

Later studies of the incident have indicated a strong possibility that it was not sabotage at all and the ship blew up as a result of a bunker fire adjacent to its ammunition magazine. Another design flaw.

If this is true should the United States consider apologizing to Spain and give Guam back.

BILL STEWART
RAILLEUR & RACONTEUR

P. S. At the time the war cost \$163 million (for \$1.2 billion in today's money - that's how much inflation has

eroded the buck's purchasing power).

The six month conflict ended when the Treaty of Peace between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain was signed in Paris on December 10 in the year of our Lord 1898.


He Majesty the Queen Regent of Spain appointed her August son, Don Alfonso XIII as Plenipotentiary, (I can't pronounce the word but that's a person that can sign on half of a government). I have never been a contract officer myself.

As a little known footnote to history, Don was also the owner of the Shroud of Turin - if you can imagine that. A little history never hurt anyone. It's only when you don't know it on examination day that's worrisome.

ness and to identify ways to prevent these occurrences from happening again in the future.

I will continue with my evaluation of the emergency medical services as directed by the Acting Governor to identify ways in which we may make improvements in our emergency medical response.

JERRY A. ALLISON,
Administrator
Emergency Medical Services



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This position performs technical functions including repair and maintenance of Electronic Digital Switching equipment, billing equipment, and related overseas and interoffice trunk and carrier equipment.

High school graduate. Technical school graduate desirable (Basic Electricity, Computer Logic, and Computer Numbering Systems). Three years or equivalent experience in one of the following areas: PABX maintenance, Central Office maintenance or installation, or carrier system, installation and maintenance. Troubleshooting experience desirable. Knowledge of electrical theory and application, electronics technology, and computer technology. Ability to use test gear, including oscilloscopes, volt ohmmeters, noise and level measuring meters, etc. Acceptable performance on job tests.

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This position installs, repairs and maintains Telex, data, and special service circuits, installs or removes, repairs and maintains PABX and associated equipment; includes station programming and basic customer orientation as required, installs or removes, rearranges, reconnects, and repairs electronic key systems and associated equipment; includes survey and planning of installation and station programming and basic customer orientation as required.

Applicant must be a High school graduate or equivalent. Technical school graduate desirable. FCC general license or 7 years installation or maintenance experience in one or more of the following: PABX, transmission, or related technical jobs. Four years of experience installing and maintaining Northern Telecom Key and EPABX systems. Five years experience with inside wiring layout and installation. Must have knowledge of electrical theory and application, electronics technology, computer technology, and good verbal communication.

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lands - except for Saipan and its training base for Central Intelligence Agency covert operations and did not wish to encourage investment from the nationals of other countries.

The administering authority interpreted Article 8 in such a manner to be an effective tool to prohibit foreign investment. This had the effect of keeping the economy of the islands in an undeveloped state.

Meanwhile, the Congress of Micronesia, a representative body whose creation was sanctioned by the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory, entered into negotiations with the United States Government for a change in political status.

Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia approached the High Commissioner and pointed out that the people who would eventually vote in a plebiscite were not aware of the ramifications of the issues involved within the various political choices and requested that a program be undertaken to acquaint them with the intricacies of the various political alternatives. The result was a Micronesian wide effort known as Education For Self Government (ESG).

I think Sam McPhetres and myself are the only non indigenous people still around who were involved in the program although at the time many participated including Chamorro and Carolinian advisors.

It was during this program that the United States "caved in" and assented to the demands of the Soviet Union's representative on the United Nations Security Council to remove all materials and withhold all information which could be construed as encouraging democratic principles or advocating

any form of relationship with the United States.

Thus, programs in the public schools teaching the concept of civics, Alexis de Tocqueville's Principles of Democracy and other works were withdrawn from the program without a whimper in deference to the Soviet Union's communist representative.

If some people within the Northern Marianas seem to be unfamiliar with the obligations and responsibilities that are inherent in U.S. citizenship, an honor bestowed upon those islanders that qualified by Presidential Order, it should be kept in mind that at the time the people of the Northern Marianas, unlike other nationalities seeking U.S. citizenship, were not required to possess any knowledge of American history or the principles of democracy as most Americans perceive them to be.

Normally immigrants seeking U.S. citizenship must study a variety of subjects related to American history, pass an examination and swear an oath of allegiance to the Constitution.

This was not required of the people of the Northern Marianas. Nor, during the period the Trust Territory Government conducted educational programs for self government, was civics and the duties of citizenship taught in the public schools.

To have done so during this period of the early seventies when political preferences were being explored - and to have openly advocated U.S. Commonwealth status from among the other remaining options available to the people of the Northern Marianas would have raised the ire of the French and Soviet delegates on the United Nations Security Council and precipitate

a charge of colonialism against the United States. The political education program had to be impartial - and it was.

The United States assured the Security Council that it would conduct political status negotiations with the Trust Territory as a whole and would not attempt to fragment the area.

This policy was later abandoned by the United States and the Marianas Political Status Commission was created to negotiate separately with the United States.

This eventually led to a plebiscite when the people of the Northern Marianas by 78.8 percent of the votes cast on June 17, 1975 elected to accept a negotiated Covenant with the United States.

This became U.S. Public Law 94-241 when enacted by the United States Congress and became effective on April 1, 1976, a little more than 30 years after the end of World War II. The people of the islands, of their own free will, desire and volition found their own way toward a close affiliation under the American Flag. Of all the entities within the former Japanese Mandated Islands they were the only people to seek and obtain such a close political relationship with the United States.

To be continued.

Editor's note: The author is a former foreign service officer, studied the "Economics of National Security", Industrial College of the Armed Forces and is the author of several books concerning the war in the Pacific as well as the economic history of the Northern Marianas. Previously he was an official of the Government of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.



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Micronesian Telecommunications Corporation (MTC) is seeking a

SUPERVISOR-MTC BUSINESS SERVICE OFFICE CENTER

Responsible to the Manager-MTC Customer Service to organize, implement, staff and supervise the business service contract center to ensure high quality customer interface and service; to protect existing, and new revenue opportunities for the company. Specifically, this includes customer contract, order processing and service activation for cellular and internet customers in addition to serving as the customer interface for major business and government accounts. Responsible to organize, control, motivate, train and coach the business service specialists to ensure a high level of productivity, morale, and sales achievement.

Bachelor's degree in business required. At least 5 years of work experience in customer service, 3 years of supervisory experience and 2 years in the telecommunications industry. Excellent interpersonal, communication, organizational, leadership, controlling, managerial and analytical skills. Demonstrated professional customer contact skills. High degree of computer proficiency, AS400 and IBM PC experience preferred.

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ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN

This position installs, operates, maintains, and repairs transmission communications equipment and systems in the Network Services section. This includes digital and analog carrier, earth station systems, cellular, microwave and associated equipment, trunking equipment, fiber optics systems, alarm systems, tests equipment, etc.

High school graduate. A FCC general Radiotelephone Operator's License (General Radiotelephone Certificate) or equivalent (NABOR or NARTE) certificate will be required within two years of job entry.

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- 4 Home Again With Bob Vila (30m)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 TV Com (30m)
7 MDC News Desk (30m)
8 World Headlines
9 Teyssi Ng Tahanan
10 31 34 35 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
11 Classic Arts Showcase
12 Bewitched - Sitcom
13 Facts of Life - Sitcom
14 Soul of VH1 - Rhythm and blues
15 Smurfs
16 David the Gnome
17 Choices We Face
18 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
19 4:30AM to 7:30AM (Event no.: 4403)
20 Midnight Obsession
21 Tinsel Town Tales
22 1:00AM to 7:00AM (Event no.: 4701)
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47 Gaea Life in Ch...
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49 Kountertalk (Event no.: 8521)
50 Ed Sullivan - Variety
51 House Doctor
52 5:35
53 Paid Program (25m)

6 AM

- 2 Tracey Takes On... - Comedy (CC)
3 Field Trip (30m)
4 The Today Show (Via Satellite Delay) (2h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Nick News (30m)
7 Nick News (30m)
8 Hodo 2001 (Japanese) (1h)
9 World News
10 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
11 Sang Linggo Kapo Sila
12 Ghostwriter
13 Music Videos - Variety
14 Concert: First Aid
15 Sesame Street (CC)
16 Beethoven
17 Bloomberg Information Television
18 New Videos - Rock
19 Golf Academy Live (Repeat) (1h)
20 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
21 Tom and Jerry Kids
22 Little Star
23 Evening at the Improv
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25 Divine Mercy Chapel
26 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
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43 Wild About Animals (30m)
44 Insight
45 Saipan Cable News
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48 Muppet Babies
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52 Rory and Me (CC)
53 Vet School/Spirit of Adventure (30m)
54 Rosary International
55 Athletes in Motion (Repeat) (30m)
56 The Mirror Has Two Faces (Event no.: 6788)
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58 Great Chefs of Hawaii
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60 In Food Today - Health
61 Sacred Heart Litany

7 AM

- 3 The Mask I (30m)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
5 The Jungle Book's Jungle Cubs (30m)
6 That Variety (1h)
7 World Business Today
8 Skippy (1h)
9 Donald's Quack Attack (CC)
10 MAX: MOVIE (The Pride of St. Louis)
11 Inspector Gadget
12 34 59 Paid Program
13 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
14 Everyday Workout
15 2 Slurp Dogs
16 Bionic Six
17 Pappyland
18 Classroom
19 Safari (30m)
20 Don Bosco (Repeat) (2h)
21 7:00AM to 1:00PM (Event no.: 4702)
22 Bedtime Stories
23 Juliette's Desire II

5:00AM-4:00PM

Saturday TV

- 3 Project GEEK (CC)
4 Adam & Eve's House...#6
5 Breakfast in Bed (Event no.: 8522)
6 Inspector Gadget's Field Trip
7 CNBC Programming (1h)
8 Home Matters
9 St. Elsewhere - Drama
10 Batman - Fantasy (CC)
11 VideoMorning - Music
12 Fix It Up!
13 Pop-Up Video - Rock
14 Cooking Monday to Friday
15 56American Baby
16 Nonstop Country
17 7:01
18 MOVIE - Drama ("Call Northside 777")
19 7:30
20 The Lion King's Timon and Pumbaa (30m)
21 Brand Spanking New! Doug (30m)
22 Good Troop (CC)
23 Valerie
24 Sweet Valley High - Drama (CC)
25 Big Comfy Couch
26 Looney Tunes
27 34 59 Paid Program
28 Crossroads - Variety
29 Degrassi - Variety
30 Daily Workout
31 Woody Woodpecker
32 Singray
33 David the Gnome
34 Spirit of Adventure (30m)
35 Water Skiing (Repeat) (30m)
36 42:30AM to 10:30AM (Event no.: 4404)
37 Beaverman's House Party
38 The Best of Missy
39 Year by Year for Kids
40 Designer's Landscape
41 Chef du Jour
42 Healthy Kids (CC)
43 7:40
44 TMC: MOVIE (The Masque of the Red Death)

- 2 Little Lulu (CC)
3 Beakman's World (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Busy World of Richard Scarry (CC)
7 Brand Spanking New! Doug (30m)
8 The Sharon Cuneta Show (Tagalog) (1h)
9 WorldView (CC)
10 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
11 Jeff's Collie (1h)
12 Chp 'n' Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
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9 AM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE (The Truth About Cats and Dogs) (1996)
3 The Mask (CC)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
5 Hydroplane Racing (Taped) (1h)
6 The Bugs Bunny and Tweety Show (1h)
7 ASAP (Tagalog) (1h)
8 World News
9 Timmy & Lasse (1h)
10 Rosary Crusade
11 Really Wild Animals - Nature (CC)
12 Mr. Cupido
13 Dark Shadows - Horror
14 Dream Living
15 Sports (Repeat) (30m)
16 Storyline (CC)
17 Little Bear
18 Paid Program
19 RuPaul
20 Golf Talk (Repeat) (1h)
21 Sisters - Drama of Mystery
22 George of the Jungle
23 MOVIE - Comedy ("The Black Bird 1975") (2h)
24 Carlo Cooks Italian
25 Lasse (30m)
26 God's Merciful Love
27 The People vs. Larry Flynt (Event no.: 6789)
28 Victory at Sea
29 CNBC Programming (1h)
30 Popular Mechanics
31 Petatoc Junction - Sitcom
32 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
33 34 59 Paid Program
34 What's Your Hobby?
35 Ready... Set... Cook!
36 9:01
37 MOVIE - Science Fiction ("Old Legends Never Die") (1966) (2h)
38 Lost in Space - Science Fiction
39 TMC: MOVIE ("Nixon") (1995)
40 9:15
41 Drama Serial: Futuriko (15m)
42 9:30

- 1:45
11 Drama Serial: Futuriko (15m)
12 Volttron: Defender of the Universe
13 2 PM
14 NFL Quarterback Challenge (Taped) (1h)
15 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
16 Sports (2h30m)
17 Asavision (Indian) (1h)
18 World News
19 Asia Now (English) (With Japanese Subtitles)
20 Sang Linggo Napo Sila
21 Torkelsons - Sitcom (CC)
22 SHO: MOVIE (Operation Dumbo Drop) (1995)
23 TMC: MOVIE ("Jumanji") (1995)
24 Comedy: Lukso Ng Dugo Bagsak Sa Estero
25 Firing Line
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13 SHO: MOVIE (Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid) (1969)
14 12:05
15 Paid Program (25m)
16 Tracey Takes On... - Comedy (CC)
17 The Today Show (Via Satellite Delay) (2h)
18 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
19 Nick News (30m)
20 Nick News (30m)
21 Hodo 2001 (Japanese) (1h)
22 World News
23 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
24 Sang Linggo Kapo Sila
25 Ghostwriter
26 Music Videos - Variety
27 Concert: First Aid
28 Sesame Street (CC)
29 Beethoven
30 Bloomberg Information Television
31 New Videos - Rock
32 Golf Academy Live (Repeat) (1h)
33 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
34 Tom and Jerry Kids
35 Little Star
36 Evening at the Improv
37 Lassie (30m)
38 Divine Mercy Chapel
39 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
40 Once Upon a Time... Man
41 CNBC Programming (1h)
42 Graham Kerr
43 White Shadow - Drama
44 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
45 Club Dance - Dance
46 House Doctor
47 Cable Karaoke (2h)
48 6:05
49 TMC: MOVIE (Hannie Caulder) (1h)
50 6:10
51 SHO: MOVIE (Operation Dumbo Drop) (1h)
52 More Reflections
53 HBO: MOVIE: A Family Divided 1995
54 P.E.T.V. (30m)
55 LPGA Golf (Same-day Tape) (2h)
56 Wild About Animals (30m)
57 Insight
58 Saipan Cable News
59 Talk Spin (CC)
60 All Dogs Go to Heaven: The Series
61 Muppet Babies
62 Bloomberg Information Television
63 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
64 Taz-Mania
65 Rory and Me (CC)
66 Vet School/Spirit of Adventure (30m)
67 Rosary International
68 Athletes in Motion (Repeat) (30m)
69 The Mirror Has Two Faces (Event no.: 6788)
70 Once Upon a Time... the Americas
71 Great Chefs of Hawaii
72 Your New House
73 In Food Today - Health
74 Sacred Heart Litany

1 PM

- 2 Little Lulu (CC)
3 Beakman's World (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Busy World of Richard Scarry (CC)
7 Brand Spanking New! Doug (30m)
8 The Sharon Cuneta Show (Tagalog) (1h)
9 WorldView (CC)
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Saipan Cable TV

TV SAIPAN LOG

5 AM

- 4 Home Again With Bob Vila (30m)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 TV Com (30m)
7 MDC News Desk (30m)
8 World Headlines
9 Teyssi Ng Tahanan
10 31 34 35 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
11 Classic Arts Showcase
12 Bewitched - Sitcom
13 Facts of Life - Sitcom
14 Soul of VH1 - Rhythm and blues
15 Smurfs
16 David the Gnome
17 Choices We Face
18 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
19 4:30AM to 7:30AM (Event no.: 4403)
20 Swissler Story 1993 (2h)
21 Tinsel Town Tales
22 1:00AM to 7:00AM (Event no.: 4701)
23 The Usual Susual...
24 Juliet and Romeo
25 Wet Dreams/Reel Fantasies
26 Flash Flood
27 Traveler
28 CNBC Programming (1h)
29 Petatoc Junction - Sitcom
30 New Yankee Workshop
31 5:01
32 MOVIE - Comedy ("Take Her, She's Mine")
33 Paid Program (30m)
34 Court T.V.: Inside America's Courts (30m)
35 Main Floor (30m)
36 Fair Program
37 World Report
38 MAX: MOVIE (Hannie Caulder)
39 Philippines Tonight
40 31 34 35 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
41 Plaza Sesamo
42 Nick News
43 Bloomberg Information Television
44 New Videos - Rock
45 Smurfs
46 Madison's Adventures Growing Up Wild
47 Gaea Life in Ch...
48 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
49 Kountertalk (Event no.: 8521)
50 Ed Sullivan - Variety
51 House Doctor
52 5:35
53 Paid Program (25m)

6 AM

- 2 Tracey Takes On... - Comedy (CC)
3 Field Trip (30m)
4 The Today Show (Via Satellite Delay) (2h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Nick News (30m)
7 Nick News (30m)
8 Hodo 2001 (Japanese) (1h)
9 World News
10 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
11 Sang Linggo Kapo Sila
12 Ghostwriter
13 Music Videos - Variety
14 Concert: First Aid
15 Sesame Street (CC)
16 Beethoven
17 Bloomberg Information Television
18 New Videos - Rock
19 Golf Academy Live (Repeat) (1h)
20 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
21 Tom and Jerry Kids
22 Little Star
23 Evening at the Improv
24 Lassie (30m)
25 Divine Mercy Chapel
26 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
27 Once Upon a Time... Man
28 CNBC Programming (1h)
29 Graham Kerr
30 White Shadow - Drama
31 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
32 Club Dance - Dance
33 House Doctor
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35 6:05
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39 More Reflections
40 HBO: MOVIE: A Family Divided 1995
41 P.E.T.V. (30m)
42 LPGA Golf (Same-day Tape) (2h)
43 Wild About Animals (30m)
44 Insight
45 Saipan Cable News
46 Talk Spin (CC)
47 All Dogs Go to Heaven: The Series
48 Muppet Babies
49 Bloomberg Information Television
50 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
51 Taz-Mania
52 Rory and Me (CC)
53 Vet School/Spirit of Adventure (30m)
54 Rosary International
55 Athletes in Motion (Repeat) (30m)
56 The Mirror Has Two Faces (Event no.: 6788)
57 Once Upon a Time... the Americas
58 Great Chefs of Hawaii
59 Your New House
60 In Food Today - Health
61 Sacred Heart Litany

7 AM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE (The Truth About Cats and Dogs) (1996)
3 The Mask (CC)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
5 Hydroplane Racing (Taped) (1h)
6 The Bugs Bunny and Tweety Show (1h)
7 ASAP (Tagalog) (1h)
8 World News
9 Timmy & Lasse (1h)
10 Rosary Crusade
11 Really Wild Animals - Nature (CC)
12 Mr. Cupido
13 Dark Shadows - Horror
14 Dream Living
15 Sports (Repeat) (30m)
16 Storyline (CC)
17 Little Bear
18 Paid Program
19 RuPaul
20 Golf Talk (Repeat) (1h)
21 Sisters - Drama of Mystery
22 George of the Jungle
23 MOVIE - Comedy ("The Black Bird 1975") (2h)
24 Carlo Cooks Italian
25 Lasse (30m)
26 God's Merciful Love
27 The People vs. Larry Flynt (Event no.: 6789)
28 Victory at Sea
29 CNBC Programming (1h)
30 Popular Mechanics
31 Petatoc Junction - Sitcom
32 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
33 34 59 Paid Program
34 What's Your Hobby?
35 Ready... Set... Cook!
36 9:01
37 MOVIE - Science Fiction ("Old Legends Never Die") (1966) (2h)
38 Lost in Space - Science Fiction
39 TMC: MOVIE ("Nixon") (1995)
40 9:15
41 Drama Serial: Futuriko (15m)
42 9:30

8 AM

- 2 Little Lulu (CC)
3 Beakman's World (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Busy World of Richard Scarry (CC)
7 Brand Spanking New! Doug (30m)
8 The Sharon Cuneta Show (Tagalog) (1h)
9 WorldView (CC)
10 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
11 Jeff's Collie (1h)
12 Chp 'n' Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
13 SHO: MOVIE (Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid) (1969)
14 12:05
15 Paid Program (25m)
16 Tracey Takes On... - Comedy (CC)
17 The Today Show (Via Satellite Delay) (2h)
18 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
19 Nick News (30m)
20 Nick News (30m)
21 Hodo 2001 (Japanese) (1h)
22 World News
23 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
24 Sang Linggo Kapo Sila
25 Ghostwriter
26 Music Videos - Variety
27 Concert: First Aid
28 Sesame Street (CC)
29 Beethoven
30 Bloomberg Information Television
31 New Videos - Rock
32 Golf Academy Live (Repeat) (1h)
33 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
34 Tom and Jerry Kids
35 Little Star
36 Evening at the Improv
37 Lassie (30m)
38 Divine Mercy Chapel
39 ESPNews (Repeat) (30m)
40 Once Upon a Time... Man
41 CNBC Programming (1h)
42 Graham Kerr
43 White Shadow - Drama
44 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
45 Club Dance - Dance
46 House Doctor
47 Cable Karaoke (2h)
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52 More Reflections
53 HBO: MOVIE: A Family Divided 1995
54 P.E.T.V. (30m)
55 LPGA Golf (Same-day Tape) (2h)
56 Wild About Animals (30m)
57 Insight
58 Saipan Cable News
59 Talk Spin (CC)
60 All Dogs Go to Heaven: The Series
61 Muppet Babies
62 Bloomberg Information Television
63 31 34 35 56 59 Paid Program
64 Taz-Mania
65 Rory and Me (CC)
66 Vet School/Spirit of Adventure (30m)
67 Rosary International
68 Athletes in Motion (Repeat) (30m)
69 The Mirror Has Two Faces (Event no.: 6788)
70 Once Upon a Time... the Americas
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9 AM

- 2 Little Lulu (CC)
3 Beakman's World (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Busy World of Richard Scarry (CC)
7 Brand Spanking New! Doug (30m)
8 The Sharon Cuneta Show (Tagalog) (1h)
9 WorldView (CC)
10 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
11 Jeff's Collie (1h)
12 Chp 'n' Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
13 SHO: MOVIE (Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid) (1969)
14 12:05
15 Paid Program (25m)
16 Tracey Takes On... - Comedy (CC)
17 The Today Show (Via Satellite Delay) (2h)
18 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)

Sunday TV

TV SAIPAN LOG

5 AM

- 4 Paid Program (30m)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Night Stand - Comedy (CC)
7 Insight (30m)
8 ICH: The D'Var Show (English) (30m)
9 CNV Presents (CC)
10 Cooking With The Bazas
20 31 34 35 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
21 Classic Arts Showcase
22 Happy Days - Sitcom
23 Facts of Life - Sitcom
24 Soul of VHS - Rhythm and blues
25 Smurfs
26 David the Gnome
42 4:30AM to 7:30AM (Event no.: 4411)
Showtime
43 Beavis and Butt-head Do America
44 On Campus
45 CNBC Programming (1h)
46 Petiscoat Junction - Sitcom
54 New Yankee Workshop
5:01
16 MOVIE - Comedy ("Tattle Tale 1992 (2h)
5:05
3 Paid Program (30m)
4 Goofy Sports Story (Repeat) (50m)
2 HBO: MOVIE: Hostile Waters 1997
5:30
4 Channel Four News Conference (30m)
7 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures (30m)
8 ICH: Talkline With Zev Brenner (English) (1h)
20 26 31 34 35 48 50 55 56 59 Paid Program
24 Plaza Sésamo
25 Launch Box
26 New Videos - Rock
27 Smurfs
28 Soccer Puppy
29 California Mass
41 Criminal (Event no.: 8536)
42 Ed Sullivan - Variety
43 House Doctor
5:35
3 Sport Fishing (25m)
5:45
16 TMC: MOVIE ("Jumanji 1995

6 AM

- 3 Singation (30m)
4 Sunday Today (1h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 This Old House (30m)
8 ICH: To Be Announced (30m)
10 World News
11 Mickey's Mouse Tracks (CC)
15 SHO: MOVIE ("Two Rode Together 1961
Sang Linggo Napa Sila (Saturday Edition)
20 Skyrunner Strike Force
21 Drama: Minsan May Pangarap 15
24 Sesame Street (CC)
25 Beethoven
26 C-Net Central - Consumer
40 Golf Talk (Repeat) (1h)
31 34 35 55 59 Paid Program
32 Tom and Jerry Kids
33 Little Star
37 Evening at the Improv
38 The Vel/Animal ER & Vet School (1h)
39 Divine Mercy Chapel
40 Christopher Columbus
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Shamu TV
49 White Shadow - Drama
50 Collectibles Show - Collectibles
53 Club Dance - Dance
54 House Doctor
56 Benny Hinn
58 Nonstop Country
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)
6:15
39 More Reflections
6:30
3 John Cherry: From The Heart (30m)
7 Your New House (30m)
8 ICH: United Nations (English) (30m)
10 Insight
12 Chamorro News (Saturday Edition) (30m)
13 PopSci
49 Mister Ed - Sitcom
54 Gardening by the Yard
55 Too Hot Tamales
20 Street Sharks
25 Muppet Babies
26 Johnny Little - Comedy (CC)
29 Dance Machine - Dance
31 34 35 59 Paid Program
32 Taz-Mania
36 Rory and Me (CC)
39 Sacred Heart Litany
40 Big Night (Event no.: 6900)
46 Once Upon a Time...the Discoverers
48 Zooventure
54 Your New
56 In Food Town...Health
58 Zola Levitt
6:45
39 Faith Matters

7 AM

- 2 Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (CC) (30m)
3 Key Of David (30m)
4 Meet The Press (1h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Eyewitness News (1h)
8 ICH: The D'Var Show (English) (30m)
10 Early Prime
12 Wild About Animals (1h)
14 Donald's Quack Attack (CC)
15 Captain Simian & the Space Monkeys
22 Music Videos - Variety
24 Kidsongs (CC)
25 Inspector Gadget
26 Mighty Max (CC)
29 Premiere Videos - Rock
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
31 Everyday Workout
32 3 Stupid Dogs
34 59 Paid Program
35 Bionic Six
36 Papyrusland
37 Classroom
38 Animals A-Z (1h)
39 World Over: Catholic News
40 Drug Racing (Repeat) (2h)
42 7:00AM to 1:30PM (Event no.: 4706)
Drama of a Gigolo
Unleashed
Bedtime Stories
First Time Ever: The New...

Inspector Gadget's Field

- 46
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Meas Movie Magic
49 St. Elsewhere - Drama
50 Supercollectors - Collectibles
53 VideoMorning - Music
54 Fix It Up!
55 Cooking Monday to Friday
56 Ben Haden
7:01
18 MOVIE - Comedy ("Up the River
7:30
2 Shakespeare: The Animated Tales
3 Sunday Morning (1h30m)
4 Discovery News
49 Admissions Family - Sitcom
54 Howie
55 Essence of Emel
56 Animal Adventures
9:40
15 Good Burger: On the Job With Kenan and Kel
Comedy
9:50
11 Mini Program (10m)

10 AM

- 3 Sports (2h)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 IAAF World Championship Highlights
7 This Week (1h)
8 ICH: CCTV Sports (Mandarin) (1h)
10 Prime News
11 Sunday Debate (1h)
12 Jim Henson's Animal Show (30m)
13 Chinese Movies
14 DISK: MOVIE ("Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July 1950
20 Home Again (CC)
21 Sports (Repeat) (30m)
22 Comedy: Cuadro De Jack
23 Life and Times (CC)
24 Busy World of Richard Scarry (CC)
25 Savage Dragon (CC)
31 Handmade by Design
32 New Scooby Doo Movies
33 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea
39 HomeWorks
37 Cosby Mysteries
38 Jumanji (30m)
45 The Mirror Has Two Faces (Event no.: 6802)
46 Weapons at War
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 What If (Repeat) (1h)
49 Love, American Style - Comedy
50 HomeWorks
51 Sports (2h)
52 Little Lulu (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Good Morning America/Sunday (1h)
WorldView (CC)
11 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
12 Amazing Tails (1h)
14 Chip 'n Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
20 Main Floor - Fashion
21 Drama: Beloved (B/W)
22 Magic School Bus (CC)
23 Action Man (CC)
24 Greatest Hits of Music Video - Rock
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
31 What Every Baby Knows (CC)
32 Bugs & Daffy
34 Dr. Katz, Professional Therapist - Comedy
35 Odyssey - Fantasy (CC)
36 Swamp Critters of Lost Lagoon
37 McMillan and Wife
38 Crocodile Hunter (1h)
39 Our Father's Plan
40 Preserving the Past: Civil War Journal
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Jaws & Claws
49 My Mother, the Carl - Sitcom
50 Eight Is Enough - Drama
51 Dallas - Drama
54 Breaking Ground
55 Pick of the Day - Cooking
56 In Touch (CC)
58 BRV: MOVIE ("Romeo and Juliet 1966 (2h2m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

11 AM

- 2 Animated Hero Classics (30m)
8 ICH: A Cable Guide To Jewish Life
10 Diplomatic License
11 Local (10m)
12 Amazing Animals - Nature (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE ("Face the Music
20 Prevention's BodySense
24 Puzzle Place (CC)
25 Rugsrats (CC)
26 Ultraforce (CC)
29 Premiere Videos - Rock
31 Kids These Days (CC)
32 Daily Show
33 Anti-Gravily Room - Entertainment News (CC)
35 Iris, the Happy Professor
45 Beavis And Butt-head Do America
46 PopSci
49 Mister Ed - Sitcom
54 Gardening by the Yard
55 Too Hot Tamales
8:31
18 MOVIE - Drama ("The Longest Day 1962 (3h)
8:40
11 Local News (5m)
8:45
11 Good Long Lives (45m)

9 AM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE ("Nighty Morphin Power
Rangers: The Movie 1995
3 Sunday Morning (CC)
4 Meet The Press (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (1h)
8 ICH: Islam (English) (1h)
10 Pinnacle
12 Buck Slagthorn (1h)
13 Sunday TV Mass
14 Really Wild Animals - Nature (CC)
20 Fox News Sunday
22 Top 10 Breakdown - Rock
24 Storytime (CC)
25 Little Bear
26 Street Fighter (CC)
27 RuPaul
31 Sliders - Drama (CC)
32 George of the Jungle
34 MOVIE - Comedy ("The Ratings Game 1984
35 Captain Simian & the Space Monkeys
22 Music Videos - Variety
24 Kidsongs (CC)
25 Inspector Gadget
26 Mighty Max (CC)
29 Premiere Videos - Rock
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
31 Everyday Workout
32 3 Stupid Dogs
34 59 Paid Program
35 Bionic Six
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10 AM

- 3 Sports (2h)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Main Floor (30m)

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- 3 Sports (2h)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Main Floor (30m)

5:00AM-4:00PM

Sports (30m)

- 4 Sports (30m)
5 Travel Guide - Travel
11 Local Train Tips (20m)
12 Audubon's Animal Adventures - Nature (CC)
19 Battle Of The Brains
20 Adventure From the Book of Virtues (CC)
25 Blue's Clues
26 Mortal Kombat: Defenders of the Realm (CC)
27 MOVIE - Comedy ("Desperately Seeking Susan 1985 (2h30m)
32 Tom and Jerry
33 Biba's Italian Kitchen
44 Ransom (Event no.: 8538)
45 Discovery News
49 Admissions Family - Sitcom
54 Howie
55 Essence of Emel
56 Animal Adventures
9:40
15 Good Burger: On the Job With Kenan and Kel
Comedy
9:50
11 Mini Program (10m)

10 AM

- 3 Sports (2h)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 IAAF World Championship Highlights
7 This Week (1h)
8 ICH: CCTV Sports (Mandarin) (1h)
10 Prime News
11 Sunday Debate (1h)
12 Jim Henson's Animal Show (30m)
13 Chinese Movies
14 DISK: MOVIE ("Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July 1950
20 Home Again (CC)
21 Sports (Repeat) (30m)
22 Comedy: Cuadro De Jack
23 Life and Times (CC)
24 Busy World of Richard Scarry (CC)
25 Savage Dragon (CC)
31 Handmade by Design
32 New Scooby Doo Movies
33 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea
39 HomeWorks
37 Cosby Mysteries
38 Jumanji (30m)
45 The Mirror Has Two Faces (Event no.: 6802)
46 Weapons at War
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 What If (Repeat) (1h)
49 Love, American Style - Comedy
50 HomeWorks
51 Sports (2h)
52 Little Lulu (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Good Morning America/Sunday (1h)
WorldView (CC)
11 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
12 Amazing Tails (1h)
14 Chip 'n Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
20 Main Floor - Fashion
21 Drama: Beloved (B/W)
22 Magic School Bus (CC)
23 Action Man (CC)
24 Greatest Hits of Music Video - Rock
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
31 What Every Baby Knows (CC)
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35 Odyssey - Fantasy (CC)
36 Swamp Critters of Lost Lagoon
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56 In Touch (CC)
58 BRV: MOVIE ("Romeo and Juliet 1966 (2h2m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

8 AM

- 2 Little Lulu (CC)
4 Today (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Good Morning America/Sunday (1h)
WorldView (CC)
11 News: Good Morning, Japan (30m)
12 Amazing Tails (1h)
14 Chip 'n Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)
20 Main Floor - Fashion
21 Drama: Beloved (B/W)
22 Magic School Bus (CC)
23 Action Man (CC)
24 Greatest Hits of Music Video - Rock
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
31 What Every Baby Knows (CC)
32 Bugs & Daffy
34 Dr. Katz, Professional Therapist - Comedy
35 Odyssey - Fantasy (CC)
36 Swamp Critters of Lost Lagoon
37 McMillan and Wife
38 Crocodile Hunter (1h)
39 Our Father's Plan
40 Preserving the Past: Civil War Journal
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Jaws & Claws
49 My Mother, the Carl - Sitcom
50 Eight Is Enough - Drama
51 Dallas - Drama
54 Breaking Ground
55 Pick of the Day - Cooking
56 In Touch (CC)
58 BRV: MOVIE ("Romeo and Juliet 1966 (2h2m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)

11 AM

- 2 Animated Hero Classics (30m)
8 ICH: A Cable Guide To Jewish Life
10 Diplomatic License
11 Local (10m)
12 Amazing Animals - Nature (CC)
17 MAX: MOVIE ("Face the Music
20 Prevention's BodySense
24 Puzzle Place (CC)
25 Rugsrats (CC)
26 Ultraforce (CC)
29 Premiere Videos - Rock
31 Kids These Days (CC)
32 Daily Show
33 Anti-Gravily Room - Entertainment News (CC)
35 Iris, the Happy Professor
45 Beavis And Butt-head Do America
46 PopSci
49 Mister Ed - Sitcom
54 Gardening by the Yard
55 Too Hot Tamales
8:31
18 MOVIE - Drama ("The Longest Day 1962 (3h)
8:40
11 Local News (5m)
8:45
11 Good Long Lives (45m)

9 AM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE ("Nighty Morphin Power
Rangers: The Movie 1995
3 Sunday Morning (CC)
4 Meet The Press (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Eyewitness News (1h)
8 ICH: Islam (English) (1h)
10 Pinnacle
12 Buck Slagthorn (1h)
13 Sunday TV Mass
14 Really Wild Animals - Nature (CC)
20 Fox News Sunday
22 Top 10 Breakdown - Rock
24 Storytime (CC)
25 Little Bear
26 Street Fighter (CC)
27 RuPaul
31 Sliders - Drama (CC)
32 George of the Jungle
34 MOVIE - Comedy ("The Ratings Game 1984
35 Captain Simian & the Space Monkeys
22 Music Videos - Variety
24 Kidsongs (CC)
25 Inspector Gadget
26 Mighty Max (CC)
29 Premiere Videos - Rock
30 Golf Central (Repeat) (1h)
31 Everyday Workout
32 3 Stupid Dogs
34 59 Paid Program
35 Bionic Six
36 Papyrusland
37 Classroom
38 Animals A-Z (1h)
39 World Over: Catholic News
40 Drug Racing (Repeat) (2h)
42 7:00AM to 1:30PM (Event no.: 4706)
Drama of a Gigolo
Unleashed
Bedtime Stories
First Time Ever: The New...

10 AM

- 3 Sports (2h)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Main Floor (30m)

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- 3 Sports (2h)
4 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Main Floor (30m)

Saipan Cable TV

CNBC Programming (1h)

- 47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Charles Manson (Repeat) (1h)
49 Daniel Boone - Western
50 Brno: MOVIE ("The True Gift 1969
17 MAX: MOVIE ("True Gift 1969
18 Magandang Gabi, Bayan
19 Hercules: The Legendary Journeys - Adventure
20 Hercules: The Legendary Journeys - Adventure
21 Hercules: The Legendary Journeys - Adventure
22 Comedy: Ober Da Bakoo 2
23 Masterpiece Theatre - Drama (CC)
24 Little Bear
25 Pacific Blue - Adventure (CC)
26 Celebrity Guests - Entertainment News
27 Martha Stewart Living (CC)
32 SWAT Kats: The Radical Squadron
34 Whose Line Is It Anyway? - Comedy
35 Ripley's Believe It or Not
36 Wedding Story
37 Quince
38 Gladiators 2000 (30m)
39 Way Home
40 Wrestling (Taped) (2h)
41 Real West
42 CNBC Programming (1h)
43 World of Discovery
44 Green Acres - Sitcom
45 Trapper John, M.D.
46 Alene's Crafts
47 Decorating With Style
48 Taste
49 ICH: KTV Sports (Mandarin) (1h)
50 BRV: MOVIE ("The Sea Gull 1968 (G-2h2m)
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)
2:15
14 DISK: MOVIE ("A Mom for Christmas 1990
(1h30m) (CC)
2:30
10 Inside Asia
11 Here Comes A Tokyo Entertainer! (45m)
12 Animals A-Z (3h)
13 80s Block - Variety
20 Looney Tunes
21 Real Adventures of Jonny Quest
22 Make Me Laugh
23 Beyond Reality - Horror
24 Home Pro
25 Auto Racing (Taped) (1h)
26 Forbidden Games II (Event no.: 8541)
27 Star Trek: The Next Generation (Event no.: 6804)
28 In Food Today - Health
29 BRV: MOVIE ("Romeo and Juliet 1966 (2h2m)

3 PM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE ("Last of the Dogmen 1995 (PG-
15) (CC)
3 Martha Stewart Living (30m)
4 To Be Announced (1h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Sportscenter (Repeat) (30m)
7 Sports (1h)
8 ICH: KTV Church Service (30m)
9 P.E. - T.V. (30m)
10 World News
11 SHO: MOVIE ("Daisies in December 1995
(1h37m)
12 Phil Silvers
13 World's Most Expensive Videos (Repeat)
(1h30m)
24 New Explorers - Profile (CC)
25 Nick in the Afternoon
26 Vegas
27 Super Friends
28 Saturday Night Live - Variety (CC)
29 Incredible Hulk - Adventure
30 Rainbow to Go
31 Conventional Mass
32 Faith Matters

1 PM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE ("Chain Reaction
3 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
4 Asian Football Show (Repeat) (1h)
10 Both Sides
11 News at Noon (15m)
12 Acorn The Nut (30m)
13 Ready, Get Set, Go
22 MTV Jams Countdown
23 Rupert
24 Wings - Sitcom (CC)
25 Number Ones - Rock
30 Paid Program
31 Supermarket Sweep
32 Thundercats
33 Saturday Night Live - Variety (CC)
34 Gardening Naturally
35 Law & Order (CC)
36 Paid Program (30m)
37 Mother Angelica Encore
38 Frugal Gourmet
39 Magic Woman
40 Cheatin' Hearts
41 Undercover
42 Erotic Nights (Event no.: 8540)
43 MOVIE - Drama ("The Juggler 1953 (2h)
44 CNBC Programming (1h)
45 In the Grip of Evil (Repeat) (1h)
46 Gunsmoke - Western
50 Picket Fences - Drama (CC)
51 Dallas - Drama
52 Ultraforce (CC)
53 Mollo Mario
54 Signature Series

4 PM

- 3 Haven (30m)
4 NFL Quarterback Challenge (Taped) (1h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 World News Sunday (30m)
7 KRCA: New Start (Korean) (30m)
10 World News
11 Baby-Sitters Club (CC)
12 TMC: MOVIE ("Cyber-Tracker 2 1995 (Repeat)
13 Sang Linggo Mapa Sila (Repeat)
14 New Explorers - Profile (CC)
15 Thriller: The Lipa Arandia Massacre 18
26 MOVIE - Drama ("The Godfather Saga (Part 2
s1) 1977 (4h)
27 RuPaul
28 Commish - Crime Drama (CC)
29 Freaxkazi
30 MOVIE - Comedy ("The Ratings Game 1984
31 MOVIE - Horror ("The Monster on the Campus
HomeTime
32 Cosby Mysteries
33 Ransom (Event no.: 8542)
34 Automobiles
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Fangsi
49 Judd, for the Defense - Crime Drama
50 Batman - Fantasy (CC)
51 Dukes of Hazzard - Adventure
52 Company of Animals - Pets
53 Cooking Live
60 Cable Karaoke (2h)
6:15
52 Esp - Zamboanga
6:30
3 CBS Evening News (CC)
4 NBC Nightly News (CC)
6 World of Rugby (Repeat) (30m)
8 KRCA: To Be Announced (30m)
10 Computer Connection - Science
11 Wild About Animals (30m)
12 Week in Rock - Entertainment News
23 Tiny Toon Adventures
31 Debt
32 Tax Avers
33 Make Me Laugh
34 Swamp Thing - Fantasy (CC)
35 Associates - Sitcom
36 BVSIM: Buena Tardes - Zamboanga (1h)
37 At the Angelika - Entertainment
6:40
32 Courage the Cowardly Dog
6:50
32 Help?

7 PM

- 3 60 Minutes - Investigative (CC)
4 Dateline - Investigative (CC)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Senior PGA Golf (Repeat) (2h)
8 KRCA: IRAH TV (Farsi) (1h)
10 World News
11 News At 6 P.M. (10m)
12 Guam Cable News (Saturday Edition) (1h)
14 DISK: MOVIE ("Ernest Saves Christmas 1988
SHO: MOVIE ("Powder 1995
44 Hot Date II (Event no.: 8545)
45 News At 6 P.M. (10m)
46 Modern Marvels - Profile
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Auto Racing (Repeat) (1h)
49 Porch: America's Window to the World
50 Essence of Emel
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Saipan Cable TV

5 PM

- 2 Lifelines: Families in Crisis (Repeat) (CC)
3 Fire Rescue (30m)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
7 Sports (2h)
8 KRCA: Paid Program (1h)
10 World News
11 Doug's Secret Christmas (CC)
20 Paid Program
21 Top 10 Countdown - Rock
22 New Explorers - Profile (CC)
23 Are You Afraid of the Dark? (CC)
24 Top 10 Video Countdown - Rock
31 Golden Girls - Sitcom (CC)
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16 MOVIE - Drama ("David Copperfield 1970 (2h)

- 14 Disney Christmas (Repeat) (1h35m)
3 CBS Evening News (30m)
4 NBC Nightly News (30m)
10 Science and Technology Week - Science (CC)
12 Profiles of Nature (30m)
20 Paid Program
21 Rock's Modern Life (CC)
31 Golden Girls - Sitcom (CC)
32 Cow and Chicken
33 Paleoworld
34 Backchat
35 Local
36 Dining Around
5:40
16 TMC: MOVIE ("Class of 1999 1990
5:45
2 HBO: MOVIE ("Mighty Morphin Power
Rangers: The Movie 1995
5:50
17 MAX: MOVIE ("Sabrina 1995
5:55
52 Opn TV (30m)

6 PM

- 3 CBS Evening News (CC)
4 Access Hollywood (1h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 KRCA: AGAPE (30m)
7 World News
12 Saipan Cable News (Live) (30m)
13 Shwob Lingo Live (1h30m)
20 Paid Program
21 Rock's Modern Life (CC)
22 Have Gun Will Travel - Western
23 Pet Department - Pets (CC)
24 Dukes of Hazzard - Adventure
25 Victory Garden
26 Recipe for Health - Cooking
28 Nonstop Country
3:01
18 MOVIE - Comedy ("Unfaithfully Yours 1948
3:15
11 China News (Chinese With Japanese Subtitles)
22 Esp - Bacolod (15m)
3 Rebecca's Garden (30m)
4 Horse Racing (Repeat) (1h)
8 KRCA: Heaven (Korean) (30m)
11 Style - Lifestyle
32 Scooby Doo
36 Renovation Guide
48 Terra X
49 Marshall Dillon - Western
50 Supercollectors - Collectibles
51 BVSIM: Maayong Hapon - Ilonggo (1h)
54 Home & Garden Almanac
55 Julia Child
6:15
52 Esp - Zamboanga
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3 CBS Evening News (CC)
4 NBC Nightly News (CC)
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9 PM

- 3 MOVIE - Drama ("In the Best of Families:
Marriage, Pride and Madness (Part 1 of 2) 1994
4 MOVIE - Suspense: Terminal 1996 (CC) (2h)
5 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
6 Sportscenter (Repeat) (30m)
7 KRCA: ARTA Network (Farsi) (1h)
10 World News
11 Historical Drama: Hideyoshi (45m)
12 Saipan Cable News (Repeat) (30m)
13 The Sharon Quetzal Show (Live Simulcast
Nationwide) (2h)
15 Hunger - Horror
16 TMC: MOVIE ("Dead Presidents
20 X-Files - Science Fiction (CC)
22 Maria - Comedy
23 Daria - Comedy
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5:00PM-4:30AM

10 PM

- 2 HBO: MOVIE ("Chain Reaction
3 Saipan Mahabuy (1h)
4 KRCA: Dadeley Rutherford (30m)
10 World News
11 HNK Special (50m)
12 Hunger - Horror
13 Morning Movie Madness
20 Xena: Warrior Princess - Adventure
22 Apt. 2F - Comedy
23 Action: Delikwente 18
24 Dream of Jeannie - Sitcom
25 La Femme Nikita - Drama (CC)
26 Legends
27 Gary Coleman Show
28 Soap - Sitcom (CC)
29 Friday the 13th: The Series - Fantasy
30 The Cape (1h)
31 Movie (2h)
12:10
17 MAX: MOVIE ("Live Nude Girls 1995 (Repeat)
(1h32m) (CC)
12:15
4 Save Our Streets (1h)
47 CNBC Programming (1h)
48 Inside the Secret Service - Fantasy
49 Daniel Boone - Western
50 In Living Color - Variety
51 BVSIM: Balita Via Satellite (Live) (30m)
52 Good Life
53 Too Hot Tamales
54 John Osteen (CC)
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6 KRCA: AGAPE (30m)
7 World News

Torres . . .

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tract) which was seconded and passed unanimously. This will take effect if the final report validated the draft report," Farrell said.

A PSS source, however, said the board is "deadset" on terminating Torres' contract.

Another source earlier told the Variety that a move to oust Torres started to be "concocted" ever since new elected board members assumed their posts.

Present at last week's executive session were Farrell, vice chair Esther Fleming, members

Marja Lee Taitano and Tom Pangelinan, the most vocal critic of Torres. Member Dan Quitugua, a known "ally" of Torres, was absent during the meeting.

Fleming, in a separate interview, confirmed that "a major part of the board's preliminary decision was based on the audit report."

In the meantime, Fleming said, the board is waiting for the commissioner to respond to the OPA's allegations.

"We will have to sit down again with other board members to be able to justify the commissioner's possible termination," she said.

Farrell and Fleming, however, declined to discuss further what transpired at the executive ses-

sion. "We can discuss the outcome of the executive session but details are confidential," Farrell said. Only elected board members are allowed to participate and vote in executive sessions.

Suspecting a "conspiracy," meanwhile, Torres lashed at the board "for hiding behind the curtain of the executive session."

He learned of the board's decision only yesterday.

"I was with the board on the day of that meeting. If they were

upfront as they should be, then I should have been informed of this decision," Torres said.

"I have sensed a conspiracy from the beginning, and this was just the right opportunity that they found. Whatever decision they make, they should live with it and hold accountable for it," Torres said.

The board's decision was "unfair," he added.

In the first place, he said, he should not be the only one to get the whip on the gym prob-

lem. The board "is equally culpable," he said.

"They should be reminded that the commissioner is only one person, and the board is also involved with all these projects," said Torres who is serving his second term as PSS chief.

Torres' contract expires on December 31, 1997.

His first four-year contract was renewed in 1995 with a stipulation that it would last as long as he has the board's confidence.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

UNION BANK, Plaintiff,

vs. ESTEVAN I. KILELEMAN and MILLAN C. KILELEMAN, Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 88-329

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to an Amended Writ of Execution issued by the Court in this matter on November 4, 1996, 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 Defendants in and to the following property: real property situated in 1 Demit, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, designated as Homestead No. H-39-NEW-3, subdivision of H-39-NEW, DLS Plat No. 2074/86, CEI Drawing No. 2122/85, containing an area of 929 square meters, more or less.

Date, Time, and Place of Sale: The sale will be held on Friday, September 5, 1997, at the hour of 1:00 p.m., at the law offices of White, Pierce, Mailman & Nutting, Joeten Center, Susupe, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands. The sale will be open to the general public.

Inspection of Property: The property described above is presently located at 1 Demit, Saipan. 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 the 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.

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 10 day of July, 1997:

/s/ JOHN B. JOYNER, Auctioneer

Seeking for \$100,000.00

(One Hundred Thousand U.S. Dollar Loan)

For a short term of 18 months. Secured by real estate property on Tinian.

Interested Parties Call: Message Center 288-0930

United States District Court District of N.M.I.

John W. Scragg, Plaintiff, v. Martin DLG San Nicolas, et al., Defendants.

AMENDED SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

Case Number: CV-96-0031

To: Bernadita S. San Nicolas

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the Clerk of this Court and serve upon Plaintiff's Attorney G. Anthony Long, Esq. Long and Brown Attorneys at Law AAA-1797 Box 10001 Saipan, MP 96950

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within twenty (20) days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Galo Perez July 16, 1997 Clerk

/s/Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE In the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Plaintiff JUAN T. GUERRERO & ASSOCIATES, INC. vs. LULU INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Defendant. CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-177

AUCTION SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to an Order After Hearing issued by the Court in this matter on June 25, 1997, and Plaintiff's perfected security under 5 CMC, Div. 9, Sec. 9504, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for current lawful money of the United States of America, all the right title, and interest of Defendant in and to Consumer Goods, located in the former premises of LULU Market, situated on Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan.

The auction sale will be open to the general public and will be held at the former premises of LULU Market, Garapan, at 11:00 a.m., on Saturday, August 2, 1997, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Inspection of Goods - The goods described above are presently at the former premises of LULU Market, Garapan, where they may be viewed and inspected between the hours of eight o'clock a.m. (8:00 a.m.) and four o'clock p.m. (4:00 p.m.) each weekday before the sale upon coordination with John B. Joyner, Auctioneer. Failure to inspect the goods will not constitute a ground for any claim, adjustment, or rescission by any buyer.

2. Warranties and Covenants - The goods listed for sale in this notice will be sold "AS IS" without any warranty or covenant on the part of the auctioneer or Plaintiff as to quality, character, or condition.

3. Conduct of Auction Sale - The auction sale shall be held with reserve. Auctioneer shall have the right to withdraw the goods listed before sale or before a bid for such goods is accepted; to adjourn the sale without notice at any time; and to reject any and all bids.

4. Enforcement of Auction Sale - The sale will be "Cash and Carry."

5. Change of Terms and Conditions - Auctioneer reserves the right to change any of the terms of conduct and enforcement of the sale by any means, before or at the time of sale, and such change shall be binding on any buyer.

DATED, this 24th day of July, 1997.

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integration applies to all providers of long distance services, regardless of whether they are major facilities-based carriers such as AT&T or MCI or smaller resellers of long distance services, Ecet said.

The inclusion of the CNMI in the rate integration plan materialized by virtue of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Meanwhile, MTC's general manager Del Jenkins said MTC has "always been supportive of rate integration policy."

However, he said, "what we wanted FCC to recognize is that we should be treated separately from our parent company, GTE since we operate independently

of them."

"The issue we've always been concerned is local control," Jenkins said in a press statement.

Jenkins warned that FCC's decision to "force" MTC to rate integration with GTE may have a "longer term negative impact" on consumers in the CNMI.

"By making it conform to the standard GTE has established to meet the needs of its primary market on the U.S. mainland, we won't be able to quickly respond to changing market forces here in the western Pacific. This is why we pushed strongly for local control rate integration," Jenkins said.

The CNMI's inclusion in the rate integration policy came after the Commonwealth's entry into the North American Numbering Plan which took effect last July 1.

mum wage laws.

But Dunlap yesterday said the filing of the lawsuit would not remove it from the 902 negotiations.

Clinton's special representative to the talks, Edward B. Cohen, in a letter to the Variety last June, said he placed on the table a proposal for clarifying that the first three miles of submerged lands surrounding the CNMI are owned and controlled by the Commonwealth.

He said the proposal would have given more authority to the CNMI than to any other U.S. territory, but "more than five months have passed and there has been no response from the governor's representatives."

with the Variety, lashed out at the governor for firing him.

He said he will sue Tenorio, who he believes, fired him for being a Borja supporter.

However, newly installed Lands and Natural Resources Secretary Margarita DLG. Wonenberg has said Santos' ouster was legally "appropriate," as he serves at the pleasure of the governor.

For his part, Tenorio spokesperson Mark Broadhurst, in a media statement, said Santos' firing stemmed from "several complaints received over a period of time."

Santos was replaced by Democratic Party chair Daniel O. Quitugua.

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tatives of the CNMI and federal governments.

Commonwealth leaders consider the issue as critical as it involves the right to control marine resources within waters of the CNMI's exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

The U.S. is insisting that the CNMI's control spans less than 12 miles off its land areas.

Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio has suspended the 902 talks after President Clinton, in a May 30 letter, proposed the federalization of local immigration and mini-

Borja . . .

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But according to Borja, a former Supreme Court associate justice, there have been two contradictory court rulings on the firing of the governor's appointees, which complicates the legal issues involved in Santos' termination.

Still, he said, Santos can take "whatever action is necessary from the point of view of the ethics code."

"I urge (him) to take action," Borja said, adding that he has heard rumors that more division directors would be fired.

"I hope it's not true," he said. Santos, in an earlier interview

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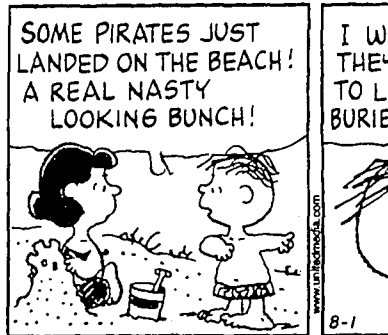
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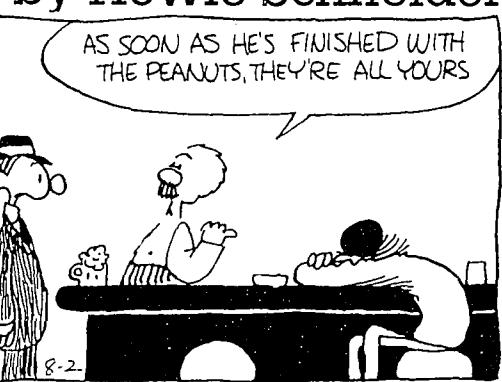
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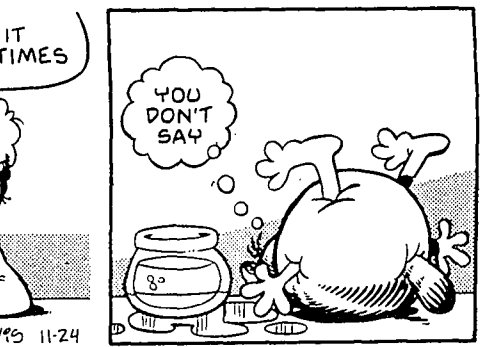
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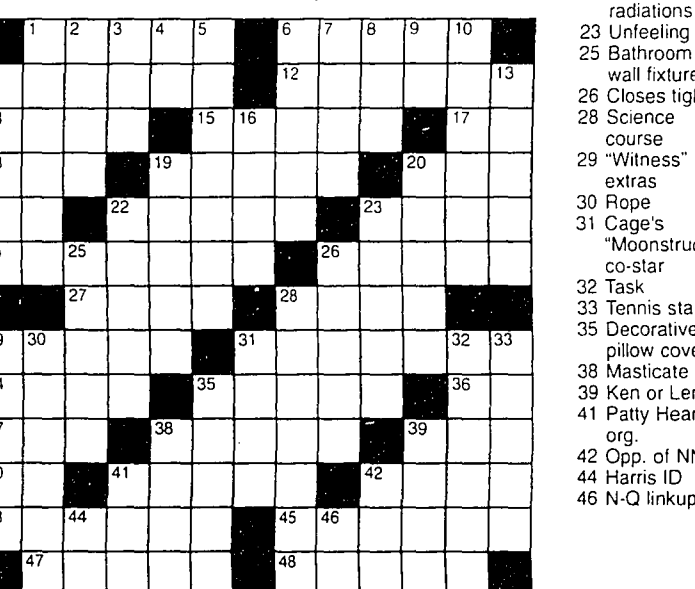
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On this day in 1981, MTV went on the air for the first time, and the first

video shown was "Video Killed the Radio Star."
TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Clark (1770-1838), U.S. explorer; Francis Scott Key (1779-1843), poet; Richard Henry Dana (1815-1882), writer; Herman Melville (1819-1891), writer; Al D'Amato (1937-), U.S. Senator, is 60; Jerry Garcia (1942-1995), musician; Gregg Jefferies (1967-), baseball player, is 30.
TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1881, the first national tennis championship was held in Newport, R.I.
TODAY'S QUOTE: "A wise skepticism is the first attribute of a good critic." — James Russell Lowell

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Yankees rout Athletics

NEW YORK (AP) - David Wells struck out a career-high 16 in a three-hitter and Tino Martinez hit his major league-leading 36th home run Wednesday, leading the New York Yankees to a 7-0 win over the Oakland Athletics. Luis Sojo also homered and went 4-for-5 as the Yankees won their third straight.

Wells (11-5) recorded his second shutout in three starts. He had struck out 11 in a game two times previously.

Wells' performance matched David Cone's 16-strikeout against Detroit on June 23, and was the second most ever in a game by a Yankee pitcher. Ron Guidry struck out 18 California Angels on June 17, 1978.

Martinez's two-run homer in

the first inning off Steve Karsay (3-11) gave the Yankees a 3-0 lead. Martinez's 36 homers are the most by a Yankee since Reggie Jackson hit 41 in 1980, and the most by a New York first baseman since Lou Gehrig hit 37 in 1937.

Red Sox 8, Mariners 7, 10 innings

In Boston, Nomar Garciaparra's bases-loaded single in the 10th inning capped another Boston rally as the Red Sox came back from a five-run deficit Wednesday to beat the Seattle Mariners.

Boston scored two runs in the eighth inning and - for the fourth time in six games - the Red Sox scored three in the bottom of the ninth. Then they scored the game-winner in the 10th, an inning in which they were forced to use

pitcher Steve Avery as a pinch-hitter, followed by light-hitting Jesus Tavarez.

Edwin Hurtado (1-2) was the loser. Jim Corsi (2-1) pitched a scoreless 10th as Boston won its fourth consecutive game.

Orioles 3, Rangers 1

In Baltimore, Scott Kamieniecki won his first start in more than a month and Geronimo Berroa drove in two runs as the Orioles capped a three-game sweep of the Texas Rangers.

Jeff Reboulet, subbing for injured second baseman Roberto Alomar, went 3-for-4 with two doubles and an RBI. Alomar was placed on the 15-day disabled list before the game with a pulled groin.

Islandwide League to start Sept. 15

THE BASKETBALL Association of the Northern Mariana Islands (BANMI) announced that the 1997-98 Island-Wide Men's and Women's Basketball Leagues will start on September 15.

The entry fee of \$1000 for men's teams and \$500 for women's teams must be turned in by Monday, September 8, BANMI said in a new release.

There will be a meeting of all team representatives on that date, at the Ada Gymnasium Conference Room, at 6:00 p.m., to finalize plans for the start of the league, it added.

League President Tony Sablan said the island's basketball players were "looking for-

ward to the start of the new league."

BANMI concluded its last league several months ago, and island hoopsters are eager to resume competition, he said.

Sablan noted that the CNMI men's team for the 1998 Micronesia Games would be largely selected from players who participate in this league.

He added that BANMI is looking forward to fielding a women's team at the Micronesia Games, and would also select players from those who participate in the forthcoming league.

For further, contact Tony Sablan at 664-3110, Eli Rangamar at 234-1001, or Mike White at 234-6547.

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inning. They were shut down in the last inning by the aggressive pitching of the hard throwing Indonesians, the CNMI delegation told island media.

Santiago Castro went 2 for 2 including a double and scored twice while teammate Johnny Jones contribute with 2 runs. Jonathan Cepeda is the losing pitcher for CNMI.

Game 2 vs Korea

On July 28th, the CNMI suffered its second loss at the hands of the host team, 8-2.

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Micronesia Games organizers, I thought there'd be nothing, but I see that there's a lot happening," he said.

Wase said that the Marshalls hasn't attended recent international competitions primarily for lack of funding. He acknowledged that the Marshalls lack of participation had hurt its IOC membership bid, but indicated that in spite of the financial difficulties, the Marshalls "still intends to find a way to participate (in

regional sports competitions)."

In recent months, Marshallese junior tennis players have been participating in regional competitions in Saipan and elsewhere, and a basketball team participated in the Oceania Basketball Tournament in Kosrae late last year.

The Marshalls is taking aim at the Palau games "which will include Kiribati, Nauru, Marshalls, the four states of the FSM, Guam, Palau and the Marianas" in 1998, Wase said. "We starting early for Palau," he said. "We want to promote people's awareness. We need a lot of help from the community to send our players."

Nicklaus...

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it. With this site, we had the opportunity to make it into something beautiful."

After the round, Nicklaus said he was pleased with the way the course evolved and played. But, he added that he also thought some tweaking on a couple of holes was needed for the good of recreational golfers and to allow for Anaconda's afternoon winds.

During a morning news conference, Nicklaus seemed to dismiss the idea that only golfers of his ability could play the course successfully.

"I don't care if you build a hole from here to across the room, you'll find people who can't play it," he said. "You build golf courses to

play golf."

Nicklaus said he became involved because it made sense.

"I saw a beautiful valley for a golf course," he said. "Nobody likes to play on an ugly golf course. People want to go out on a beautiful day to a beautiful course and have recreation."

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ket-Susupe, and Joeten Hafia Adai-Garapan.

The entrance fee is \$35.00 and the officials for the football league is requiring first time participants are to provide a copy of Birth Certificate or Passports.

For more information please contact Norbert P. Diaz at 664-1510/1500 or Joe Palacios at 288-1150.

Chang, Muster post wins



Top seed Michael Chang returns a shot from Australia's Sandon Stolle during their second round match at the du Maurier Open tennis championship Wednesday. Chang won the match after Stolle quit. AP

MONTREAL (AP) — Michael Chang breezed, Goran Ivanisevic struggled and Thomas Muster shook off some rust as the top seeds advanced Wednesday at the du Maurier Open tennis championships.

Chang, the top seed, led 6-1, 1-0 when his opponent, Sandon Stolle of Australia, retired with a shoulder injury.

The hard-hitting Ivanisevic, seeded second, wasted five match points in the middle set of a 6-3, 6-7 (8-10), 6-4 win over plucky New Zealander Brett Steven.

The third-seeded Muster showed his new-found affinity for hardcourts with a tough three-set win over American qualifier Jeff Salzenstein.

"Obviously, you try to finish as fast as you can," said Chang, who is ranked No. 2 in the world behind fellow American Pete Sampras, who skipped the du Maurier. "You know there are going to be some tough matches."

Stolle, son of former French and U.S. Open champion Fred Stolle,

injured his shoulder Tuesday night while defeating crowd favorite and top-ranked Canadian Sebastien Lareau.

It is the first time since 1985 that the top eight seeds, who have byes to the second round, have all reached the round of 16 at the Canadian event.

Chang next will play American Alex O'Brien, who beat Marcus Ondruska of South Africa, Ivanisevic plays American Jeff Woodruff and the Austrian Muster plays France's Fabrice Santoro.

Steven fought off a love-40 deficit to even the second set 6-6 and saved

two more match points in the tiebreaker. He led 3-1 in the final set before Ivanisevic fought back for his ATP Tour-leading 43rd match win this year.

Muster earned the nickname King of Clay by scoring 40 of his 44 career tournament victories on the sport's slowest surface. He had a 111-5 record on clay in 1995 and 1996, including a victory at the 1995 French Open that propelled him into the world's No. 1 ranking for six weeks last year.

Now, he's adjusting to a much quicker surface in order to make a run at the U.S. Open on hardcourts in

September. He's 22-3 on hardcourts this year, but only 9-9 on clay.

"I've changed my game in many ways," said Muster, a 4-6, 7-6, 6-3 winner over Salzenstein.

"If you win everything there is to win three or four times on clay, it's difficult to get motivated. Once you reach a certain age, you want to do other things and try to improve."

With the clay- and grass-court seasons now out of the way, Muster was playing his first hardcourt match since March 30, when he won the Lipton Championships in Key Biscayne, Fla.

Seventh-seeded Mark Philippoussis of Australia downed American qualifier Steve Campbell 6-2, 6-4, while No. 5 Thomas Enqvist won a lively 6-7, 6-4, 6-4 battle over 19-year-old German Tommy Haas.

Patrick Rafter, seeded 11th, was the only seed to tumble on Wednesday, losing in three sets to fellow Australian Michael Tebbutt.

South Africa's Wayne Ferreira, the 13th seed who won the du Maurier last year in Toronto, beat Italian qualifier Cristiano Caratti 6-1, 6-2 and next plays fourth-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia.

NHL's 81st season has international flavour

NEW YORK (AP) - With the All-Star game in Vancouver, and some regular-season games and Olympic competition in Japan, the NHL will feature a strong international flavor in the upcoming season.

In releasing its schedule for the 1997-98 season Wednesday, the NHL emphasized its first-time participation in the Olympics. The schedule includes a break from Feb. 8-24 as NHL players represent their respective countries at the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

The schedule also includes a two-game series in Tokyo between the Vancouver Canucks and Anaheim Mighty Ducks on Oct. 4-5 as a precursor of the Olympic participation.

Also on tap is the NHL All-Star game, scheduled for Jan. 18

in Vancouver.

Meanwhile, the Detroit Red Wings open defense of their Stanley Cup on Oct. 1 at Calgary when the NHL begins its 81st season with a 10-game schedule. The Red Wings will raise the Cup banner - their first in 42 years - when they host play host to the Dallas Stars on Oct. 8.

Vancouver fans get their first look at celebrated free agent signee Mark Messier the following week when the Canucks return home to face the Toronto Maple Leafs on Oct. 9. The Maple Leafs will be followed into Vancouver by Messier's old team, the New York Rangers, on Oct. 11.

This season will feature 119 afternoon games - the most ever - to accommodate the NHL's involvement with Fox television.

15-year-old wins swimming gold

NASHVILLE, Tennessee (AP) - Fifteen-year-old Jenna Street swam a personal best and won the gold medal in the 200-meter breaststroke at the U.S. Swimming Championships Tuesday night.

Street beat Olympic silver medalist Amanda Beard and Kristy Kowal - who won the 100 breaststroke earlier in the seven-day competition - with a time of 2 minutes, 28.97 seconds at the Tracy Caulkins Pool.

"I competed in this pool when I was 8 years old, and it felt good to come back here and win my first

national title," said Street, from Johnson City, Tennessee.

"Now I just want to do well in Japan at the Pan Pacific Championships in August."

Kowal was second in 2:29.03, while Beard was fifth in 2:31.94.

In the 100 butterfly, Misty Hyman claimed the gold medal with a time of 59.49. Jenny Thompson touched second, while Amy Van Dyken, who won four gold medals at the Atlanta Olympics, was seventh.

"I have mixed emotions about this swim, it feels great to win the national

Sale of L.A. Dodgers progress

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles Dodgers were given permission Wednesday by major league baseball's ownership committee to draft an agreement with Fox Group for the sale of the team to Rupert Murdoch.

Any prospective sale must be approved by major league team owners.

Owner Peter O'Malley an-

nounced in January that his family planned to sell the team they have controlled since 1950.

"This is a significant step in the process and, quite frankly, I do not anticipate any surprises down the road," O'Malley said in a statement Wednesday. "I believe Fox will be an outstanding owner of the Dodgers, they have an excellent understanding of the com-

munity and the region."

But Sheik Abdel Aziz Rantisi, the No. 2 man in Hamas' political leadership, cast doubt on the claim's authenticity. "The leaflet is very strange," he said. "The tone of the leaflet is unusual."

In Washington, Clinton deplored the bombings and called on the Palestinian Authority to take "concrete steps" to increase security in the region.

It was the first bombing since the March 21 attack on a Tel Aviv cafe in which three Israeli women and the suicide bomber were killed, and the most serious attack since the February-March 1996 wave of bombings carried out by the militant Islamic group Hamas.

Deadly...

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West Bank and Gaza overnight. In autonomous Nablus, Jamal Mansour, a local Hamas leader, said the organization expected an arrest sweep in the city.

Israel immediately imposed a closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, barring tens of thousands of Palestinians from jobs in Israel. The closure was tougher than usual, restricting even Palestinians' movements between their autonomous West Bank towns.

But Netanyahu faces pressure from right-wing allies to go further and break with the peace process he has grudgingly embraced and order a military crackdown. The United States, and much of Israel's security and political establishment, is urging restraint.

A leaflet signed by Hamas'



CNMI Senior League All Stars pose for a photo at the Far East Tournament held last month in Paseo Stadium, Guam. The CNMI took 2nd place.

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champion Mikhail Botvinnik (1911-1995). Alekhine ranks as one of the greatest players of all time.

Born in Russia, Alekhine shared equal first with the Latvian Aron Nimzovitch (1886-1935) in the 1913/14 Russian championship. Both played in the great 1914 St. Petersburg tourney eventually topped by world champ Lasker who finished half-a-point ahead of Capablanca.

Alekhine finished an impressive solo third place ahead of Tarrasch and Marshall.

Alekhine won the first USSR championship in 1920, left the Soviet Union and never returned. He was a French citizen when he edged bitter rival Capa in their epic 1927 match. After their match, Alekhine intentionally avoided playing against the Cuban in a match and, for the next nine years, even in a tournament.

In 1935, Alekhine, by then an alcoholic, defended his title against the Dutch Max Euwe and surprised everyone by losing it. In their return match Euwe granted him two years later, a more sober Alekhine regained the crown via a rout.

New chess stars have emerged during the few years before World War II—Botvinnik, Keres, Reshevsky, Fine, Flohr—but Alekhine held his own against them quite well. Only Fine and Botvinnik held a slight plus score.

A great annotator as well, Alekhine's books on his games and the 1924 New York tournament are ranked among the classics.

In describing Alekhine, Euwe noted that his tormentor reached the top by means of refined position play and a rare talent for combination that usually sprang from soundly-based but dynamic build-up of his position.

He was an outstanding authority on the openings, and was "one of the few men of his day whose preparations did include study of the opening in depth."

Game of the week. The fol-

lowing game against two-time challenger and fellow emigré Effim Bogolyubov was considered by Alekhine as one of the two best he ever played (the other was his 1925 Baden-Baden *parite* vs. Reti).

Chess writer Irving Chernev, in 1968, noted Alekhine's subtle strategy that involves maneuvers encompassing the entire chessboard as a battlefield.

"There are exciting plots and counterplots. [F]ascinating combinations and brilliant sacrifices of queens and rooks. [T]wo remarkable promotions of pawns and a third one in the offing before White capitulated."

It is, in short, "the greatest masterpiece ever created on a chessboard."

Dutch Defense Bogolyubov-Alekhine Hastings, 1922

1. P-Q4 P-KB4 2. P-QB4 N-KB3 3. P-KN3 P-K3 4. B-N2 B-N5+ 5. B-Q2 Bx6+ 6. NxB N-B3 7. KN-B3 0-0 8. 0-0 P-Q3 9. Q-N3 K-R1 10. Q-B3 P-K4!

Black insists on his share of the center—the king pawn is indirectly protected.

11. P-K3 P-QR4! 12. P-N3 Q-K1! 13. P-QR3 Q-R4!

Black mobilizes for a K-side attack. He does not fear 14. PxP PxP 15. NxP as after 15...NxN 16. QxN N-KN5! the threat of mate by 17...QxP wins the queen.

If 14. P-QN4 P-K5 15. N-K1 PxP 16. PxB RxR wins a pawn for Black.

14. P-KR4 N-KN5 15. N-N5 B-Q2 16. P-B3 N-B3 17. P-B4 P-K5 18. KR-Q1 P-R3 19. N-R3 P-Q4! 20. N-B1 N-K2 21. P-R4 N-B3! 22. R-Q2 N-QN5 23. B-R1 Q-K1!

Again with an eye to dominating the center. The immediate threat is 24...PxP 25. PxP (or 25. QxP KN-Q4) BxP winning a pawn.

Notice that Black's strategy covers the entire chessboard.

24. R-KN2 PxP 25. PxP BxP 26. N-B2 B-Q2 27. N-Q2 P-QN4! 28. N-Q1 N-Q6 29. RxP P-N5!

The beginning of a magnificent combination, in Alekhine's most imaginative style.

30. RxR If 30. Q-R1 RxR 31. QxR Q-

R1! 32. QxQ RxQ and the rook swoops down to the seventh or eighth ranks.

30...PxQ! 31. RxQ P-B7!! The point of the combination. The pawn cannot be prevented from queening.

32. RxR+ K-R2 33. N-B2 Any other move loses a piece.

33...P-B8(Q)+ 34. N-B1 N-K8! 35. R-R2 QxBP

Now the threat is 36...B-N4 37. N-Q2 (or 37. B-N2 Nx6) Q-QB8 38. N-B1 N-B6+ 36. R-QN8 B-N4 37. Rx6 QxR 38. P-N4 N-B6+ 39. BxN Px6 40. PxP

Forced. If 40. P-N5 N-N5 41. NxN (on 41. R-R3 Q-K7 wins) PxN and Black has two connected passed pawns.

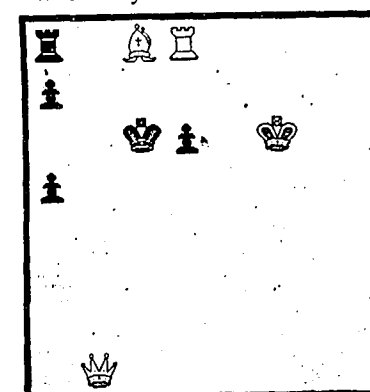
40...Q-K7!! 41. P-Q5 K-N1! 42. P-R5 K-R2 43. P-K4 NxKP 44. NxN QxN 45. P-Q6 PxP 46. P-B6 PxP 47. R-Q2 Q-K7! 48. RxQ PxR 49. K-B2 PxN(Q)+ 50. KxQ K-N2 51. K-B2 K-B2 52. K-K3

52. P-B5 K-K2 53. K-K3 P-Q4 54. K-Q4 K-Q3

52...K-K3 53. K-K4 P-Q4+ (1-0).

Bogolyubov does not care to see the continuation: 54. K-Q4 K-B4 55. KxP KxP 56. K-Q4 P-B4 57. K-Q3 K-N6 and Alekhine will soon have a fourth queen on the board.

Puzzler. Solutions have been coming in, but no one has pinned down the correct one. So one more week for this baby:



White to move and mate in 3.

Answers should be sent to "64" c/o The Marianas Variety, P.O. Box 231, Saipan MP 96950, or faxed through 234-9271.

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SPORTS



CNMI Little Leaguers lose in Korea tourney

THE CNMI All-Stars team to the Little League Far East tournament in South Korea has lost its first four games, it was announced.

The Saipan team debuted Sunday against Jakarta Indonesia with a strong start but the latter rallied for 6 runs in the top of the 6th inning.

Indonesia was to win the game in a come from behind

victory, with a score of 9-5. CNMI scored runs in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd innings while the Indonesians came alive in the 4th, 5th and 6th innings.

CNMI was in command 5-0 in three complete innings until the searing rally began.

"They had a difficult time on the field committing a total of 6 errors including 4 in the last

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WHOOPER. Greg Camacho (right, standing) and Roman Cabrera Jr. (left) pose with their catch: a 541 lbs., 11.2 foot-long Blue Marlin caught yesterday at Naftan Point. The fishermen were preparing for the upcoming Aug. 23-24 Saipan International Fishing Derby aboard their vessel, JORAYKAI when they chanced upon their catch. It took them 4 and a half hours to wrestle with the giant fish. Photo by Jojo Dass

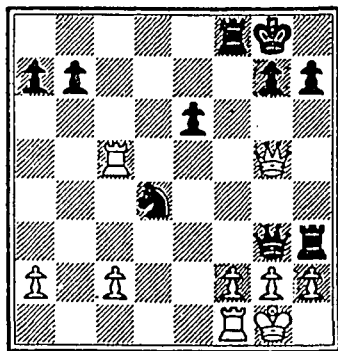
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The greatest chess game ever played

ALEXANDER Alekhine (1892-1946) is forever to be known as the man who dethroned Jose Raoul Capablanca (1888-1942), and the grandmaster whose bold, original, almost fantastic and sparkling style of play produced some of the greatest games of chess ever recorded.

Champion of the world from 1927 to 1935, and from 1937 until his death in 1946 when he was negotiating a title match against the Soviet

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Sakovich visit raises Marshalls' IOC hopes

By Giff Johnson

MAJURO-The visit to Majuro of a Saipan-based Micronesian Games Council official was "an eye opener" for the Marshalls National Olympic Committee (NOC), said NOC president Danny Wase.

William (Bill) Sakovich told the local NOC meeting Monday that the non-participation of the Marshalls in such regional sports competitions as the South Pacific Games in Tahiti in 1995 and the Mini-Games starting next week in American Samoa, as well as in regional sports meetings, has hurt this country's efforts to gain International Olympic Committee recognition.

Meeting with Sakovich "was a real eye opener for all of us," Wase said. "I'm glad that he came. It helped reinforce our plan to pursue membership in the IOC."

Sakovich, who is the program development officer for the Micronesian Games Council, said that by not gaining membership in the IOC, the Marshalls is missing funding and training opportunities for athletes, coaches and referees. The Marshalls has met all the paper work requirements, Sakovich said, but it "has to show interest in the international competitions and come to the meetings."

Even sending one or two ath-

letes to compete in individual events is better than no participation at all, Sakovich said, adding that the Federated States of Micronesia is sending a team of seven athletes and two officials to take part in the South Pacific Mini-Games in American Samoa next week.

Sakovich also briefed local sports officials on progress with preparations for the Micronesian Games that will be held in Palau in August 1998.

He said that he was impressed with the sports activities that he has seen while visiting Majuro. "From the lack of communication from the Marshalls (with

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Nicklaus breaks in course he designed

ANACONDA, Montana (AP) - About 3,000 people watched as Jack Nicklaus played for the first time on the golf course he designed on what was formerly a site polluted by toxic waste.

Nicklaus shot a 2-under-par 70 Wednesday from the championship tees of the 7,075-yard Old Works Golf Course, two strokes better than any other known score from the same tees since the facility opened in late May.

His first shot, however, was less than pretty.

Using a commemorative wooden driver destined for display in the clubhouse, Nicklaus sliced the ball into the rough.

With the ceremony out of the

way, Nicklaus attacked the course with several self-imposed distractions, including signing autographs and using a microphone to explain his shots and the intentions he had when designing each hole.

Nicklaus compared the challenge of his eight-foot putt on the last green to that of building the course on a site once polluted by toxic waste. The area was cleaned up under the federal Superfund program that allocates money to clean up badly polluted areas.

"It's an opportunity," he said. "Just like this golf course was an opportunity. This eight-foot putt gives me an opportunity to make

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RGA August Qualifier

The Refalawasch Golf Association will hold its RGA August Qualifier Tournament this coming Saturday, August 2, 1997 at Coral Ocean Point.

The RGA August Qualifier will be open to the first 16 golfers on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tee off time is set at 8:45 a.m. but golfers are requested to be at the greens no later than 8:00 a.m.

For more information, please contact RGA president Tony Rogolifoi or Joe Lizama at 234-1001 or 234-1002.

Saipan Youth Football League Registration

This is to inform all players, coaches and managers that there will be a registration on August 01, 1997, 9:00 a.m. thru 1:00 p.m. at Price Costco, Joeten Supermar-

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Greek police officers are briefed on the security arrangements at the Olympic Stadium in Athens, Thursday during preparations for the World Track and Field Championships. The Championships are scheduled to open on August 1. AP

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