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# 1,500 jobs for Tinian

By Mar-Vic C. Munar

Variety News Staff

THE CASINO project to be put up on Tinian by a Hong Kongbased investor is expected to create 1,500 jobs but the number of available local workers may not be enough to fill the positions, government officials said yester-

At any rate, Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio reminded the project deTenorio tells casino developer to hire locals veloper and contractor to give hirinterview with reporters.

ing priority to local workers. "I want to make it very clear to the developer that they have an obligation to recruit local people and unless they hired the ones available locally, we won't be able to issue work permits for them to bring in people from other islands," Tenorio said in a brief

Tenorio met yesterday with Tinian Mayor Herman Manglona, members of the Tinian delegation

and representatives from the contractor Hong Kong Entertainment Overseas Investment Inc. to discuss how to go about the potential problem of lack of workers.

The governor admits that job opportunities outnumber the local workers available on Tinian and Saipan.

Tinian has a population of 3,000.

Sen. David Cing said the project would certainly need to bring in

nonresident workers to the island since the number of jobs that the project would yield "is more than the (number of) people on Tinian."

"We understand we would get the rest from Hong Kong or China," Cing told reporters. "There are minute jobs that we can take care of but we don't have an architect and we can come up with an outsider."

Government officials and executives of the contractor company broke ground last week to mark the start of the construction of the Tinian Palace Casino and

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Froilan C. Tenorio

### Apatang to Torres: We must look for investors'



David M. Apatang

By Zaldy Dandan Variety News Staff

INSTEAD of criticizing the recent trip abroad taken by House members, Rep. Stanley T. Torres (Ind.-Saipan) should venture out himself and invite foreign investors to the CNMI, Rep. David M. Apatang (R-Saipan) said yester-

"As members of the Committee of Commerce and Tourism...I think we did what we were supposed to do. We got out and encouraged investors to come to the Commonwealth," Apatang said.

Torres, last July 10, called the trip taken by Apatang, Representatives Ana S. Teregeyo, Karl T. Reyes and House Vice Speaker Jesus T. Attao a "junket."

The four were joined by Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio and two of his special assistants.

"It's a waste of taxpayer money.... I think it's nothing but a vacation, an early legislative break," Torres told the Variety.

But according to Apatang, the trip was "very productive."

"It was a learning issue for us, and not only that but we met a lot of possible investors for the CNMI," he said.

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### Even if US takes over immigration

### Alien workers here won't get US citizenship-- Aloot



Sebastian Aloot

By Rafael H. Arroyo Variety News Staff

EVEN IF the United States takes over control of CNMI immigration, it is very unlikely for nonresident workers here to achieve US citizenship, or even permanent resident status.

According to acting Attorney General Sebastian Aloot, highlyplaced officials in the federal government have told him that length of stay in the Commonwealth could not be a criteria for US citizenship eligibility among alien workers here.

"I'm of the opinion that work-

ers here could not get US citizenship based on the length of time they spent here. I have been informally advised that the US is of the same opinion," said Aloot in an interview Monday.

"I've been also told that even if US takes over immigration, though there's no threat of that right now, they would not apply the same rules they apply in the mainland," he added.

According to Aloot, a takeover by the US of local immigration here would require the repatriation of all non-resident

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### Sale of Hillblom's RP golf memberships being sought

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff

WILLIAM I. Webster, special administrator for Larry Hillblom's estate, has sought the Superior Court's permission to sell the late multimillionaire's golf memberships in the Philippines.

In his petition for instructions and monthly activity report, Webster said Hillblom had memberships to two golf clubs in the Philippines-Tagaytay Highlands International Golf Club Inc., and Baguio Country Club.

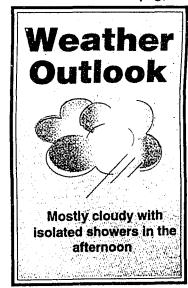
Joe Waechter, representative of Hillblom's suspended estate executor Bank of Saipan, reportedly said these memberships are freely transferable, with current market prices quoted in Manila newspapers.

Permission is sought to sell these memberships at current market price, said Webster, through counsel Richard W. Pierce, in the petition filed Fri-

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Outdoor learningThird graders from San Vicente Elementary School experience the outdoors during a class session at the nearby San Vicente Ballfield. Such sessions are common especially in the afternoons when schoolkids are brought outside by their teachers to flex their muscles and enjoy nature.



# Federal deficit dips 40%

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. government posted a \$ 34.1 billion surplus in June, helping to reduce the fiscal 1996 deficits of ar by 40 percent below a year ago and setting course for a fourth straight annual decline.

The Treasury Department said Monday the gap between revenues and expenditures totaled \$ 75 billion since the fiscal year began last Oct. 1, compared with \$123.7 billion during the first nine months of fiscal 1995. In its midvear review last week, the

Clinton administration forecast the fiscal 1996 deficit would total \$116.8 billion, down from its original \$160.6 billion forecast and from \$ 163.9 billion in 1995.

If so, it would be the fourth consecutive drop since the gap reached a record \$ 290.4 billion in fiscal 1992.

But total national debt grows to \$5.08 trillion The deficit totaled \$ 255.1 billion

> in fiscal 1993 and \$203.2 billion in fiscal 1994. But even as the size of the annual deficits goes down, the total national debt continues to grow. That debt currently stands at \$

> > 5.08 trillion.

Economist Stephensen of Donaldson, Lufkin

of course. We said it wouldn't.

And that was the extent of our

Hill said the ballfield "was our

main topic of conversation that

Hill and Branscum are charged

with misapplying bank funds and

conspiring to use the money to

reimburse political donations.

The indictment accuses them of

submitting phony expense youch-

ers and using that money to pay

for contributions by themselves,

They also are accused of con-

cealing from the Internal Rev-

enue Service cash withdrawals

by Clinton's 1990 gubernatorial

campaign: \$ 30,000 in May that

year and \$ 22,500 in November.

Federal law requires reporting

cash transactions of more than \$

10,000.

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family members and others.

discussion on it."

and Jenrette Securities Corp. said the June improvement was due to continued spending cuts and a stronger economy that has boosted income tax collections.

Contributing to the June surplus was the deadline for filing quarterly individual and corporate tax returns. Also, the Treasury had shifted some payments due on June 1 to May 31 to avoid a weekend delay.

Revenues in June totaled \$ 151.9 billion, up from \$90 billion in May and \$ 147.9 billion a year earlier. Outlays totaled \$ 117.8 billion, down from \$143.3 billion in May and \$ 135.1 billion in 1995. So far this year, receipts totaled \$ 1.09 trillion, up from \$ 1.02 trillion during the same period last year. Outlays totaled \$

1.17 trillion, up from \$ 1.14 trillion in June 1995. Once again, the biggest spend-

the national debt, Social Security, Department of Health and Human Services programs and the

Debt interest amounted to \$59.7 billion for the month and \$279.1 billion so far this year. It was projected to total \$ 344.5 billion for the entire year.

Social Security payments amounted to \$32.7 billion for the month and \$ 280.5 billion for the year. They were expected to total \$ 376.7 billion for the year.

Payments by the Health and Human Services Department, including Medicare and Medicaid totaled \$23.7 billion in June and \$ 237.9 billion for fiscal 1996 so far. They were projected to total\$ 324.5 billion this year.

Military spending totaled \$18.8 billion and \$ 189.1 billion so far this year. It was predicted to total \$254.8 billion for the entire fiscal

### Whitewater defendant says Clinton poll funds unrelated to appointment

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas (AP) -Developing the defense's version of his delivery of \$ 15,000 in campaign checks to Bill Clinton, an Arkansas banker says the 'main topic' of the 1990 meeting was a new ballfield for Perryville, Arkansas.

Aprosecutor began a hostile stream of cross-examination after Robert M. Hill, a Whitewater trial defendant. asserted that the appointment of his business partner to an important state position was only incidental to the

W. Hickman Ewing Jr., a top deputy to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, was continuing his crossexamination Tuesday after serving notice in questioning Monday that more testy exchanges are on the way.

Before Hill and an associate delivered the money to Clinton, then governor of Arkansas, on Dec. 14, 1990, a staffer for the governor wrote in a memo that the meeting had two purposes: delivery of contributions and discussion of naming Herby Branscum Jr. to the Arkansas High-

way Commission Branscum, Hill'sco-defendantand his partner in owning Perry County Bank, was named to the post five



weeks after the meeting in the office of Clinton - who was trying to retire a large campaign debt.

Hill testified the campaign checks and the appointment "were not connected at all" - echoing testimony Clinton gave on videotape last

According to Hill, Clinton "said something like, 'It won't make y'all mad if I appoint Herby to the Highway Commission will it?' Jokingly

### Proposition to ban sale of property to 'illegal aliens'

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Illegal immigrants, already on the cusp of losing access to most public services, would find it difficult, if not impossible, to rent orbuy property under an initiative some Californians hope to put on the state

The measure also would allow Califormia businesses to sue competitors whoknowingly hireillegal immigrants.

Hill denied he ever used the The proposed ballot initiative is supbank's money to pay for political contributions and did not waver ported by the backers of the anti-illegal in his story when Ewing showed immigrant Proposition 187, which would deny illegal immigrants access that the amount of contributions to most publicly funded benefits. Voton several occasions equaled exers approved Proposition 187 in 1994, pense checks just received from but its enforcement has been blocked Perry County Bank. by court challenges. Stuart Stitch,

one of five Orange County residents who are leading the latest initiative campaign, says it "will take care of illegal immigration in California.

This initiative will move them back to their own country, into another state or into a box."

Scholars, immigrants rights groups and public health officials have attacked the proposal.

"It's fraught with risk for anyone who looks like an illegal alien," said Juan F. Perea, a University of Florida law professor. "A landlord is like anyone else-they're risk-adverse, they don't want to break the law. So they're going to err on the side of caution and avoid anyone who looks like an illegal alien."

· The new measure also attacks the sanctuary movement led by clergy who have opened their churches to undocumented immigrants. The initiative calls for them to face a punishment double that of ordinary citizens. Advocates of the measure, dubbed the California Lawful Employment and Residency (CLEAR) initiative, have begun collecting the approximately 435,000 signatures of registered voters necessary to qualify for this November's ballot.

### Lormanus congressman enters prison

ROCHESTER, Minnesota (AP) - Former U.S. Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, once one of the most powerful members of the

U.S. Congress, has entered a prison hospital to begin serving his 17-month sentence for mail fraud. Rostenkowski pleaded guilty in

April to two counts of mail fraud. admitting he used House of Representatives money to pay employees for personal or political

The longtime chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee also admitted sending a check to Lenox Chinatopay for gifts for friends and political cronies.

# Senate to 're-do' housing loan bill

Variety News Staff

THE SENATE approves of the concept, but House Bill 10-238 will have to beamended first, Senate Vice President Paul A. Manglona (R-Rota) told the Variety yesterday.

HB 10-238 authorizes the Marianas Public Land Trust (MPLT) "to secure and finance loans for single family homes, to provide financing to lowincome home purchasers, and to extend the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth to secure the Marianas Public Land Trust."

The MPLT chairman, the Senate legal counsel and the Office of the Attorney General have all advised the committee to redraft the bill.

Manglona, in an interview, said the Senate Committee on Health, Education and Welfare, which he chairs, will work immediately on the bill in consultation with the House of Represen-

"Maybe in our next session we will have a new version to present on the floor," Manglona said.

The Senate Committee on Health, Education and Welfare yesterday conducted its first and, according to Manglona, last public hearing on the

If signed into law, the bill authorizes MPLT to pledge assets of up to \$10 million as security for housing

#### Substitute bill

During the hearing, MPLT Chairman Juan S. Torres submitted a draft of a substitute bill which, he said, "took care" of the issues that might be raised against HB 10-238.

He later told the Variety that MPLT was still drawing up its proposed amendments to the bill when the House approved unanimously last May 28 the version discussed in yesterday's Senate hearing.

Torres said the original version gives the MPLT trustees the final approval on all loans granted by the proposed

"Wedon't want that. That's not our



Paul A. Manglona

provide home loans to CNMI resi-

'Unclear'

Senate's legal counsel, Steve Woo-

druff said HB 10-238 "needs to be

Citing "legal and policy problems'

with the bill, Woodruff said the lan-

guage in most of the proposed law's

Woodruffalso pointed out to "com-

peting applications" for MPLT funds

HB 10-238, he said, does not repeal

Public Law 9-39, which authorizes

MPLT to invest \$10 million in the

Commonwealth Development Au-

thority for "financing real estate

projects of significant economic im-

MPLT's proposed substitute bill

Assistant Attorney General Elliot

pact undertaken by local resident."

has a section repealing PL 9-39.

sections is "unclear, ambiguous."

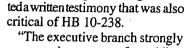
completely rewritten."

the bill did not consider.

In a memorandum dated July 9, the

A. Sattler, during the hearing, submit-The proposed substitute bill does not give MPLT such authority, he

The substitute bill provides that MPLT loan the \$10 million to the Northern Marianas Housing Corp. (NMHC), a subsidiary of the Commonwealth Development Authority. In turn, NMHC will use the fund to



Juan S. Torres

supports the concept of providing adequate funding to permit low income families to construct housing on either homestead lots or other property they own," Sattler said in his testimony.



"However...it is the belief of the Attorney General's Office that HB 10-238...is unconstitutional."

Sattler said the bill's section limiting MPLT's low income home financing loan interests to "only" 3 percent per annum is "a violation of a constitutional mandate.' MPLT should "make reasonable, careful and prudent invest-

fund to act according to strict standards of fiduciary care," he said.

A loan program generating return of capital of only 3 percent is "too low," particularly when a Triple-A bondyields returns of 8 percent, Sattler told the Senate committee.

But Torres, in response to Sattler, said the proposed law will create ripple effects beneficial to the local economy. MPLT's substitute bill provides that

MPLT will loan up to \$10 million to NMHC at an interest rate of 6 per-

NMHC corporate director MaryLou Ada-Sirok testified favorably for the bill [see story on this page].

"(NMHC) supports the intent and the spirit of the proposed legislation. There is no better investment that the government can make other than for the well being of families," she said in her written testimony.

Most of the witnesses representing banks and other financial institutions also expressed support for the bill.

## NMHC says housing loan measure to stir up economy

By Zaldy Dandan Variety News Staff

NORTHERN Marianas Housing Corp. (NMHC) corporate director MaryLou Ada-Sirok yesterday said the passage of House Bill 10-238 "will stir neighborhood revitaliza-

tion and economic development." "The availability of \$10 million or the construction of new houses...will create home ownership opportunities for hard working low and middle income families. We can use home constructions to attract private investment, fosternew growth and general economic de-

elopment," she said. Sirok was one of the witnesses who testified for the bill in esterday's Senate Health, Education and Welfare Committee hear-

HB 10-238 proposes to provide the Marianas Public Land Trust with \$10 million for housing loans particularly to low-income families.

"(NMHC) supports the intent and the spirit of the (bill). There is no better investment that the government can make other than for the well-being of families," she said in a written testimony to the committee.

There are still a lot of families in the CNMI who are "in dire need" of housing, Sirok said.

She added that because of the usually limited funding for its loan programs for moderate to low income families. NMHC cannot meet the increased number of housing appli-

"NMHC is making home ownership more affordable. We have simplified the home application process. We have enhanced our programs and administered them. However, the demand for residential financing exceeds our availability," Sirok said.

A majority of the CNMI's 59,913 population as of 1995, or 87.9 percent, resides on Saipan, 4.4 percent are on Tinian, and 5.9 percent are on



MaryLou Ada-Sirok

In 1995, according to Sirok, 81.3 percent of the population resided in 11,805 housing units while 11,195 lived in 202 group quarters or "barracks."

Over the five-year period from 1990-95, the number of occupied housing units has increased to 71.8

#### from US ship crewing law ing boats does not cover the CNMI, which has control over its immigration. "The language I've gotten into the Coast Guard bill makes the federal government treat aliens who enter the CNMI under our immigration law in the same way as aliens admitted to the U.S. un-

CNMI may yet be exempt



Juan N. Babauta

THE COAST Guard authorization bill filed in Congress now contains a provision allowing the local fishing industry to have nonresident workers as crew members, it was learned yesterday.

Washington Rep. Juan N. Babauta, in a media release, said the U.S. House and Senate conferees on the bill have agreed to include the "legislative fix" he requested.

The current federal law that permits aliens to work on U.S. fish-

Babauta said. The new "language" requested by Babauta amends Section 8103 of Title 46 of the U.S. Code and would alines admitted under the CNMI immigration law to serve aboard U.S. fishing crew within the CNMI's exclusive economic zone, the media release saiid.

der U.S. immigration law,"

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii) introduced the "language" for Babauta as part of an amendment to the U.S. Senate version of the bill.

The U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, Transportation and the U.S. House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure have been working for several months to resolve differences in the versions approved by



Two Japanese tourists pose for a photo with a Jelly Belly mascot during a promotional stint for Jelly Belly, a new product marketed in the CNMI by Sun Dance Marketing Inc. Scene was at Joeten Susupe last Saturday.

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# A Meeting Place For Our Opinions. . And Yours. . .



#### If government agencies were private retailers SINCE retiring from government some four years ago, I've had the rare

opportunity to look at our governmental institutions from the other direction. Definitely, the performance of each government employee isn't necessarily measured in terms of profit margins individually or collectively. Theirs is providing public services in the best way they know how.

Therein lies the question: Do they know how and have they given it their best shots to assist taxpayers from all walks of life better their lot? Maybe. And just maybe! In my 23 years of government service, I've run into situations where service is taken by employees to mean arrogance or lordy attitude. For instance:

A woman from San Roque took off from work to follow-up papers for her live-in-maid. She lined up at twenty after eleven. When her turn came, it was lunch time. She was told to come back in the afternoon.

A young mother (a secretary at a private company) signed leave to bring her toddler to the hospital on an appointment. She waited two hours beyond her appointment before she saw a doctor. By the time she exited the hospital, it was around three in the afternoon.

A homestead applicant submitted her application for a residential lot three years ago. She was told she's a second priority for being an unwed mother. When she got married, she's told that she's now on the waiting list. She still is on that list as do many other applicants.

A young commercial farmer applied for a large tractor service. He was told to come back in about three weeks because the tractor is under repair. He came back three weeks later and the equipment is still in the shop. It's the

A man lodged a complaint with DPS about threats made to members of his family. He asked the officer for some police protection. Said the officer on duty: "You'd have to clear that request with my superior, sir". Wow, we have a brain dead receptionist!

Imagine if each case involves selling products or services as a retailer. The woman from San Roque would be attended to regardless of the time. The mother with the toddler would have cleared the doctor's office in less than

The homestead applicant would have received a solid yes or no answer. The tractor service would have been rendered without any delay and the citizen asking for police protection would have been assigned a security guard instantly.

If you're a government employee (civil service, appointed, elected) think for a minute whether the level of service you personally render to the taxpaying public is worth the taxpayers money you collect every ten days.

Think for a minute too whether the level of service you render the taxpayers daily would translate into profit or loss for the department or agency you work for. I am sure that in strict honesty the answer favors the negative rather than the positive. You're supposed to facilitate the delivery of public services just like businesses do everything they can to ensure that their products move off the shelves. If the agency you represent is in the retail business, you'd lose your job in less than a year's time because profit margin would be swimming in red ink!

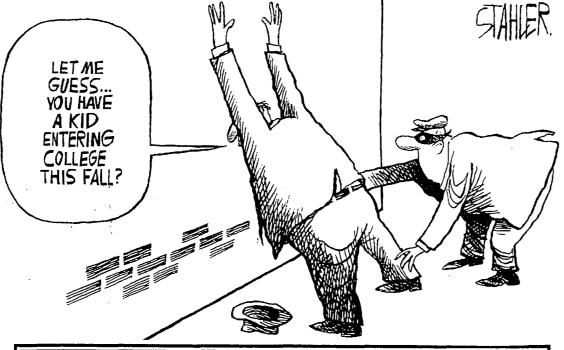
It is no secret that public sector employees are better paid than those in the public sector. The fringe benefits too are far more attractive than you would find in the private sector. The system somehow rewards drone workers rather than industrious employees. I am quite certain too that the annual Employee of the Year Award is a laughing stock among private sector employees who know they work harder than public sector employees.

Perhaps there's a need to reprogram the requirements for working in the public sector. Qualifications should include two years experience as a private sector employee. Employment in the public sector must come with a strong recommendation from the company manager that in fact you're worth the job and pay in the public sector. This requirement ought to change work ethics and force an understanding and appreciation for hard earned paychecks.

I've helped quite a number of employees secure government jobs. Their chief complaint is the lackadaisical work attitude of drone co-workers. Sure, the pay and job permanence is better than in the private sector. Such is the case not because most of them have worked for it, but because the system allows for both a deterioration in work attitude and the "oh, it's the government" so kick back, why worry syndrome. It never dawned on them that they too are the government.

Then there's the group of employees who secure high paying jobs through political patronage. No qualifications nor anything to hang on except being faithful cheerleaders, canopy and picnic table troops. It's the group that bewilders the educated sector about the value of education. They are better paid than most nurses aides, dental assistants, teacher aides and other deserving middle management people. It's a clear illustration of the cliché "It isn't what you know, but who you

Well, I'm not about to discourage you either. But never forget that unless you chipin your share of responsibility in strengthening accountability in government, you'd lose your job if the department or agency you represent is in the retail business. I suppose this is one of the fallacies or fringe benefits of American Democracy or the spoiler system. Now that I've got you all riled up, start working the clock. Our taxes pay for your salaries! That goes to the 27 men of wisdom and their staff on the other side of the street.



### LIETTIERS TO TI-IE EDITOR

### Principal's wife defends her husband

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, July 10, an article appeared in your newspaper entitled "Hopwood teachers speak about 'low morale' in school." My husband, David Borja, Principal of HJHS is currently off-island for training, and has not had the opportunity to respond publicity, in print, to the petition/letter. However, as his wife, a MHS teacher and a parent with children in the Public School System, I would like to make several comments about

Whenever there are great changes made, particularly when it has been said it cannot be done, it is human natur to rebel and fight the action. The year-round system and middle school concept are both changes implemented at Hopwood, both were controversial in the past, but are necessary and successful. The person implementing those changes bears a great burden, always receiving criticism until all the wrinkles to the new system have

Secondly, mention was made that the "school was being run like a military camp." Yes, my husband proudly served his country and is retired from the U.S. Army. However I question how these teachers know how a military camp is run, if many have not served their country in this manner. One should not make derogatory remarks about the millions who have willingly put their life on the line to protect us and have experienced the "military camp," if they have not done the same. In addition, the same practices used in the military are also found in most businesses in the private sector in U.S.

It was further stated that "by attaching their

signitures...the 26 teachers took a big risk of losing their iobs." I have been on island for two years, and have never seen a teacher "lose" their job for voicing their opinion or standing up for what they believe in. I have, however, seen teachers reprimanded for failing to do their job, not teaching, not doing lesson plans, leaving students unattended, being unable to control their class, hitting a student, absenteeism, failing to call in to work, alcoholism, etc. We must all show professionalism, doing the job we were contracted for. If we are providing quality education for students and following BOE and PSS policies, as a teacher myself, I have nothing to fear.

Lastly, Davidand I came to the island as teachers. After one year, he was promoted to principal. However, to date, my husband has not received any compensation for this promotion. Contractually, new teachers hired today are given compensation for all their teaching experience.

At the time we were hired, this was not the case. David has worked many long hours, has born the responsibilities and headaches of managing a school particularly during a time period of change, has given up all his vacation normally afforded a teacher, but has done so because of his desire to give something back to his home-Saipan. At times I become frustrated with my husband's devotion to the school, an say "You're not being paid for your services, Let's go back to the States." But my husband's constant reply is "This is home. This is where we're

Hopefully, the public will review both sides of this story, before making a judgement.

Karen L. Borja

### MVB staffer parries Reves criticism

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This is in regards to a certain Mr. Charles Reyes' a personal attack from this scholar from the otherside of the universe. It has come to my attention that this is what this person is actually looking for, ATTENTION.

Mr. Reyes were are not overpaid. I wonder who or what gaove you that impression. All the money that we earn are well accounted for. Tell me, have you ever had to work 16 hours in one day and this is after your regular 8 hour working day? Or have you ever been in a situation where things have to be done in a very critical manner that you loose sleep over it? If you have, then I respect your judgement of us MVB staff. If you haven't, then please keep your opinion to yourself and who ever gave you that impression of us.

The Marianas Visitors Bureau is here to promote abroad as well as within our region. We have whole bunch of activities for our local community as well as other residents set up during the year that no other agency has and in order to accomplish all this you need staff and if I am not mistaken, the MVB staff and management is one of the best in doing so.

I do believe that MVB has put the CNMI in the map. "where the hell is Saipan". Do you think you can come up with a better plan to promote our Islands? If you can then maybe you can open up your own tourism office and leave us alone. This is like a sporting event, you don't stop practicing because you've won a championship, you have to keep going and stay on top of every other opponent. Yes, the tourist will still come to Saipan, but without improving our facilities and upgrading our accomodations, why keep coming to the same thing every time. Changes are always in order and MVB can help by providing our tourism industry with the changes that tourist themselves ask for. All the staff (Office and Field Operations) and Management of MVB are good hard working people, and they deserve every penny they

So please, lets just all get along.

Jack V. Diaz

# One of 2 suspects in robbery seeks trial

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff ONE of two suspects in the armed robbery at a store in Kannat Tabla who earlier expressed intention of admitting participation to the crimes has changed his mind.

During yesterday's hearing in the Superior Court, Long Zhen Nan, through counsel Chief Public Defender Dan DeRienzo, said he now wishes to set the case for trial.

Last July 8, Assistant Atty. Gen. James Norcross told the court that a plea agreement was in the works for Nan.

The defendant was represented at the time by Deputy Public Defender David Juarez.

Associate Judge Miguel Demapan set the change of plea hearing yesterday. Following Nan's wish,

Demapan ordered the defendant to appear today in court for preliminary hearing.

Nan is still in the police's

The court set \$10,000 cash bail for his release.

Demapan ordered last July 8 the release of Nan's codefendant, Gang Zhi Han (not Hang as earlier reported), on a \$10,000 unsecured bond, as the victim, Eun Chang, could not be cross-examined because she left for Korea.

Han was charged with robbery, two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, carrying a firearm, and illegal possession of firearm and ammunition.

Nan was charged with robbery and complicity to assault with a dangerous weapon.

Court information showed that last June 10 Han and Nan, both armed with guns, entered the Clara Market and forcibly took money from Chang's control.

Han allegedly threatened to cause bodily injuries to two men with a .22-cal. rifle, the complaint stated.

### Korean sues co-investor over 'forced' buy-out deal

By Ferdie de la Torre Variety News Staff

A KOREAN sued yesterday his business partner who allegedly "detained" him for 12 hours and forced him to sign documents in order to take control of their joint business.

In a civil lawsuit filed before the Superior Court, Geon S. Lee demanded damages, the amount to be proven at trial, from Sung Kyu Lee for alleged false imprisonment.

Geon, through counsel Michael W. Dotts, asked the court to terminate the partnership and order Sung, to pay to him his share of the partnership assets misappropriated by the defendant.

Geon also demanded for a formal account as to partnership affairs and attorney's fees and costs of action.

The complaint stated that Geon and Sung, also a Korean, entered into a partnership for the purpose of constructing, managing and renting space in certain building. Last June 18, Sung, accompanied by one Kee Hong Kim, came

to plaintiff's office. Sung and his companion,

threat of violence, persuaded Geon to sign certain assignments of lease and false confession of wrongdoing, said the complaint.

The signing of the assignments of lease caused the transfer to the defendant of Geon's ownership interest in the buildings which they both owned.

Sung submitted the assignments of lease to the Office of the Commonwealth Recorder.

The defendant has assumed the full management and control of the buildings and has retained for his own use all of the rents and profits generated since last June 18, the complaint said.

Atty. Dotts said that during the term of Geon's detention, the plaintiff was aware that he was being confined and had no opportunity to escape.

Dotts said the defendant is liable for damages to Geon for false imprisonment.

The lawyer contended that Sung's conduct in forcing Geon to relinguish his share of the management and profits of partnership assets makes it impracticable for plaintiff to carry on their part-

#### Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands COMMONWEALTH **DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 7/22/96

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WILL RECONVENE ITS MEETING OF JUNE 6TH ON THURS-DAY, JULY 25, 1996 AT 10:00 A.M. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CDA CONFERENCE ROOM, WAKIN'S BUILDING, GUALO RAI, SAIPAN.

GENERAL MATTERS WILL BE DISCUSSED.

/s/JUAN S. TENORIO Chairman, CDA Board of Directors

# Rehiring of displaced RP teachers unlikely--Torres

Variety News Staff THE PROSPECT of rehiring the Filipinos teachers whose contracts were not renewed by the Public School System may not be legally possible, education commissioner William Torres said in an interview Monday.

The commissioner's statement came after the District Court dismissed last week the lawsuit filed by 62 nonresident teachers—60 Filipinos and two Indians—who received their notice of nonrenewal last April.

"From the very beginning, our action was based on the law,' Torres said.

A total of 87 teachers received walking papers. Some of them decided not to contest the nonrenewal of their employment. During a meeting with President Ramos in Manila last month. Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio spoke of the possibility of rehiring

some of the Filipino teachers concerned since government's plan to construct more public schools would entail a demand for additional teaching staff.

William Torres

Torres, however, is skeptical of the governor's plan.

"I'm not sure if the governor was advised by the Attorney General on this matter." Torres

PSS had repeatedly invoked Public Law 10-4 in not renewing the contracts of the nonresident teachers.

Judge Alex Munson, in a decision issued July 18, upheld the PSS action saying the commissioner could not be faulted "for following a Commonwealth that

has granted preference to the hiring of teachers of US citizenship."

Meanwhile, Virgilio Abueme, president of the Marianas Association of Filipino Educators Inc., said the teachers might either appeal the US Court's ruling or simply amend some of their claims.

"This is not the end of the world," Abueme said. "We can always pursue various options." From the start, Abueme said, the teachers saw the case dismissal

"We had expected it to be an uphill battle judging from the initial rulings of the court," Abueme

One of the major issues dismissed by the court was the teacher's claim the agency's move was a "retaliatory action" against those who fought PSS in a previous case in 1994.

Munson has said the teachers failed to present a proof of this

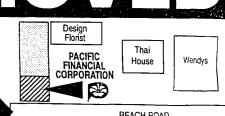
Abueme admitted their legal shortcomings.

"It was really hard to cite particular instances of retaliation, but we knew it and we felt it," he said.

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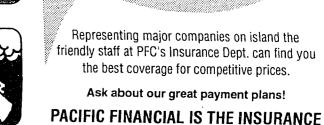
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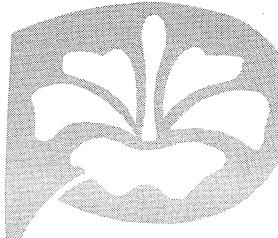


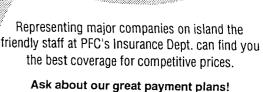




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# Imelda may sue ex-US envoy



MANILA, Philippines (AP) -Imelda Marcos on Tuesday threatened to sue a former U.S. ambassador and others for participating in her husband's ouster in 1986 and contributing to hardships her family has borne since then.

Mrs. Marcos' threat was in response to a Honolulu court's decision Friday that the estate of her husband, the late President Ferdinand Marcos, should pay \$ 22 billion for allegedly seizing a priceless golden Buddha from a Filipino treasure hunter.

"This time, I must do what I should have done 10 years ago," she said. "I intend to use every-

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thing that was said and done against us as evidence against all those who libeled us, slandered us, stole from us, convicted us. condemned us, and have now convicted even our dead."

She said that for the past decade she has suffered in silence about claims that she and her husband stole billions of dollars from the national coffers during his 20year administration.

But she said she could not accept the Honolulu court's ruling. "The American judicial system

has just sentenced a dead man, my husband Ferdinand Marcos. who during his life was denied a just and fair trial and now still suffers the same oppression in the silence of his death." she told reporters while choking back tears.

Mrs. Marcos said she intends to sue a number of people, including former U.S. Ambassador Stephen Bosworth, who she would charge. claimed "orchestrated and imple-

mented the conspiracy against Marcos."

Bosworth was U.S. ambassador to the Philippines during the "people power" revolt that ousted Marcos and catapulted Corazon Aguino to the presidency in 1986. He helped arrange for the Marcoses to fly on U.S. aircraft out of the presidential palace into exile in Hawaii.

Mrs. Marcos maintains that the Marcoses were tricked by the United States and thought they were being taken to the northern Philippines, not to Honolulu.

Bosworth has retired as a diplomat and is now working with the Twentieth Century Fund, a Washington-based think tank.

Mrs. Marcos said her lawyers are preparing charges against Bosworth but did not say what they are. She also refused to say whether Mrs. Aquino would be among the Filipino officials she

The saga of the Golden Bud dha began in 1971, when treasure hunter Rogelio Roxas said Marcos' soldiers confiscated a gold Buddha statue stuffed with gems which he found in the northern Philippine mountains.

Roxas, a locksmith, said the soldiers later replaced the statue with a bronze one.

Roxas fled to the United States Before his death in 1993, he turned over his claim to the treasure to an Atlanta-based group, the Golden Buddha Corp.

The corporation filed a lawsuit in Hawaii, originally seeking \$ 1 trillion.

The Golden Buddha company, the Marcoses, the Philippine government, and about 10,000 victims of human rights violations during Marcos's rule are all battling in the courts over billions of dollars of alleged "ill-gotten wealth" accumulated by the late

### Former sex slaves say they still want compensation from Japan

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - A group of Filipino women forced into sexual slavery by Japan in World War II will not with draw a court case demanding compensation from the Japanese government even if some accept money from a private fund, a spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Nelia Sancho, coordinator of Lila Pilipina, a group of former Filipino sex slaves and their supporters, said four of 86 former Filipino sex slaves say they will accept money from the Asian Women's Fund.

The private fund, created by the Japanese government a year ago, will start distributing \$ 18,500 to each of about 300 former sex slaves in the Philippines, Taiwan and South Korea later this month or in August, a fund official said.

But many in Lila Pilipina continue to oppose the private fund, saying the Japanese government is using it to avoid taking direct responsibility for having forced women into sexual slavery, Ms. Sancho said.

"The survivors will not withdraw the lawsuit demanding an official

apology and state legal compensation," she said.

Hundreds of women from Indonesia. China, the Netherlands and North Korea also claim to have been forced into sexual slavery by the Japanese. Ms. Sancho said her group, in co-

operation with those in other countries, will continue to press for direct Japanese government compensation and an official apology because "this is a campaign for peace, to make it difficult for governments to make

The Japanese government has refused to provide any direct compensation to the former sex slaves, saying all obligations were settled by postwar treaties.

Rosa Henson, 68, the first Filipino woman to publicly acknowledge having been a sex slave, has said she would be willing to accept money from the private fund.

"But without the letter of apology from the Japanese government, I will not accept it," she said in a letter to Japanese friends and supporters. "I will continue to pursue our court suit."

Henson says she was abducted

15 years old and kept as a sex slave for nine months. She was rescued by Filipino communist guerrillas in January 1944.

Gertrude Balisalisa, 75, who was abandoned by her husband and her children following her wartime ordeal as a sex slave, bitterly opposes the private fund.

She says she was 23 years old and athird-year law student when a Japanese officerseizedher from herhouse and kept her for 14 months as a sex slave for Japanese officers. She now limps from a violent kick she says she received in the back from one

"I would be a hypocrite if I tell you I don't need money. I need it badly for my medical care," she said. But she said the private fund is "an insult added to all my injuries and sufferings. I'dratherdiethan receive that money."

The two women are among 46 former Filipino sex slaves who filed a lawsuit in April 1993 in Tokyo demanding \$200,000 in compensation and an official apology from the Japanese government.

### Philippines draws security priorities, defense program

FOUR years after the departure of US military forces, the Philippines is coming to grips with the need to maintain a credible external defense.

The defense department is readying a "white paper" defining security priorities and has drawn up a list of weapon systems needed for a planned military modernization program.

"The immediate need is control and protection of our borders," Defense Secretary Renato de Villa told AFP in an interview, referring to increasing reports of foreign incursions into the country's maritime territory.

The appropriatios for military modemization have been stalled in Congress despite appeals from President Ramos and even if approved, the govemment lacks the funds for any massive purchases.

De Villa said the government hopes to get at least P5 billion (\$192 million) for the first year of modernization when the appropriations are approved.

In the past, the Philippines hosted US air and naval bases which took care of its external defense. But the Senate voted to expel those bases in 1991 and all US forces withdrew in

Both de Villa and Foreign Secretary Domingo Siazon said the country faces no external threat from a foreign

De Villa said the Spratlys incident was not a security threat but merely showed "the need for surveillance and control of our borders."

Philippine Daily Inquirer

### Cavite tops in human dev't.

A UN-commissioned study of Philippine provinces ranked Cavite tops in the realization of human development, followed by Laguna and Pampanga. Other provinces in the honor roll are

Rizal, Batanes, Bulacan and Batangas. The Human Development Network, which conducted the study, said it found these provinces with the best achievements of "Mataas na Kaunlarang Pantao" fterranking them on a scale that combined life expectancy which reflects overall health,

literacy and income. These components were computed into the human development index or the HDI, following the UN Development Program's Formulation for the World Human Development Reports.

# CNMI taken to task on education

Variety News Staff

THE LEGISLATURE as well as the entire community should take part in the task of improving the quality of education in the CNMI, according to the Accrediting Commission for Schools.

"The commission commends the Public School System...for embracing accreditation as its vehicle for all school improvement in this critical time of ensuring quality learning for all students and values the support from the legislators and the community in this endeavor," wrote the commission's associate executive director Marilyn S. George to PSS Commissioner William

At least eights public schools in the CNMI have completed full "self-study", a prerequisite to accreditation.

### Stipulation for pregnant woman OK'd

THE SUPERIOR Court granted yesterday a stipulation signed between the government and one of the suspects in the karaoke club robbery requesting to take a deposition from an alleged material witness in the

Associate Judge Timothy Bellas approved a joint request to get the deposition from Li Juan Shen.

Assistant Atty. Gen. James Norcross and defendant Gong Gui Shi, represented by Tred R. Eyerly, entered into a stipulation agreeing that exceptional circumstances exist in the case and it is in the best interest of justice that Shen's testimony be preserved by deposition.

Presiding Judge Alexandro Castro dismissed with prejudice the criminal charges against Shen following the government's motion to depose the defendant.

Norcross and Eric Smith, counsel for Shen, agreed that due to the medical condition of the defendant the best resolution of the case is her immediate departure from the Commonwealth.

Shen is pregnant.

The defense counsels (except Chief Public Defender Dan DeRienzo) for Shen's alleged companions in the incident, expressed their desire to avail themselves the opportunity to hear and preserve Shen's testimony.

The court then issued an order giving Shen 30 days to stay here in order to complete her videotaped deposition to determine if she is a material witness.

Shen and Shi together with Sheng Long Chen, Xuan Ren Huang and Fang Li were charged in connection with the robbery at Sweetheart Karaoke Club in Garapan last May 5. (FDT)

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without an adequate and reliable flow of resources," George said, "it is essential that the PSS, the legislators.

nity work together to ensure there are the resources needed to meet the demands that are critical to quality learning."



Saipan Unity Lions Club Lion Tamer Mauricio Oliquino, left, holds the banner as the Saipan Unity Lions Club members' march during the July 4th Independence Day parade. Other Lions Club in attendance were the Saipan Fil-Am Lions' Club. The Saipan Unity Lions' Club has recently elected and inducted a new set of officers for the year 1996-1997.



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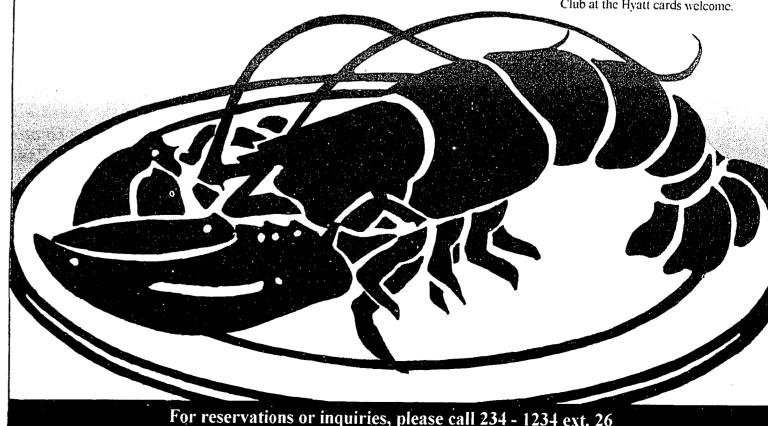
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#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

Pursuant to Section 11 of Public Law 8-41, The Open Government Act of 1992, the Board of Directors of the Commonwealth Ports Authority hereby serves notice that it will hold its regular Board Meeting on Friday, July 26, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. at the CPA Seaport Office Conference Room, Charlie Dock, Puerto Rico, Saipan.

The following items are on the agenda for the above-referenced meet-

- PRELIMINARY MATTERS
  - 1. Call to Order
  - Roll Call
  - 3. Adoption of Agenda
- 4. Adoption of Minutes (June 14, 1996)
- CORRESPONDENCE
- COMMITTEE REPORT
- 1. Adoption of Financial Statements
- 2. Other Committee Report
- **EXECUTIVE REPORT**
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- **NEW BUSINESS** PUBLIC COMMENT(S)
- (Executive Session) LÉGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT
- All interested persons are welcome to attend and to submit written or oral testimony on the above agenda items.

/s/ Victor B. Hocog Chairman, Board of Directors

### **NOTICE TO INSURANCE CARRIERS CANCELLATION OF INVITATION TO BID** (BID NO. IFB96-0079)

Pursuant to P.L. 10-19, the CNMI Group Health and Life Insurance plans are now administered by the NMI Retirement Fund. In the interest of the government, its employees and retirees, the Board of Trustees has decided to undertake a review of the existing group life insurance plan to determine the need for the bid invitation. Accordingly, the Invitation for Bid (bid number 96-0079) published in the local papers is cancelled until further notice. Please direct any questions regarding this notice to the Administrator, NMI Retirement Fund.

/s/ Edward H. Manglona Administrator

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## PNG, Solomons officials agree on border security

PAPUA New Cuinea and Solomon Islands senior security officials have agreed on security mechanisms for their common border at a meeting Monday.

The meeting was held and concluded onboard Solomon Islands patrol boat Auki at Oema Bay in the Shortland Islands, Western Province, SIBC reports.

Director of Information Johnson Honimae reported from patrol boat Auki that the meeting looked at ways in which security along the common border can be enhanced by both the Papua New Cuinea defense force and Solomon Islands police field force.

It the meeting senior security offi-

cials agreed on setting up of communication links at Lofung and Taro in Solomon Islands territory and Toarato on the PNG side of the border.

The officials also agreed to defer the joint surveillance by patrol boat of both countries until the next operational liaison meeting is held.

However they agreed that the exchange of information will continue until the signing of the Basic Border

They also agreed to hold consultation talks once amonth and for ground commanders of both forces at the border will meet as many times as required.

Monday's meeting was chaired by

### Fiji political parties hit Constitution Day plan

THREE political parties in Fiji on Monday condemned the idea of celebrating Constitution Day saying it was unnecessary and untimely in the present political and economic situation of the country.

They said it would be better to elebrate a Constitution which was liked by a wider cross-section of the community and not a particular ethnic group, the Fiji Times reported.

Fiji Labour Party parliamentary leader Mahendra Chaudhry said the Constitution Day holiday was totally unnecessary because there was nothing to cel-

National Federation Party parliamentarian Sayed Khaiyum said that although the pary had ruled against the Constitution Day it would still declare it as a public holiday.

Fijian Association Party general secretary Josaia Cucake said the holiday would be seen as an unnecessary public holiday because it was mean-

Hesaidthat to create a new holiday when there was a downtum in the economy was a waste of production for an entire day to the business com-

But he said that with the multiracialism stand recently put forward by the ruling Soqosoqo ni Vakavulewa ni Taukei Party there were some indications that the Constitution would be favourable to all races in the near future.

But General Electors Party secretary Craham Rouse said the concept of celebrating a Constitution Day with a public holiday was quite acceptable and even worthy. Rouse said the idea of celebrating the 1990 Constitution for over half of Fiji's population must be insensitive even grotesque....Pacnews

the Solomon Islands Assistant Commissioner of Police National Reconnaisance and Surveillance Force, Michael Wheatley.

The ten-member PNG delegation was led by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Ludwig Kembu....Pacnews

### Fishing union issues notice of a strike

PACIFIC Fishing Company Employees Union in Fiji on Monday issued a 72 hours strike notice after management failed to reach an agreement on the reinstatement of the suspended workers.

The 52 workers were suspended last week after they refused to follow a new 12-noon lunch hour timetable which was set down by the management, the Fiji Times reported.

The union had said on Friday that 74 workers had been suspended. Union officials including their legal adviser Apaitia Seru hadto adjourn Monday's meeting in Levuka to allow the management to consider the union's claims.

When the meeting reconvened in the afternoon there was still no positive

Union general secretary Iona Waloki says they had written to the ministry of labour to report a trade dispute in accordance with the provisions of the Trade disputes Act.

He says the suspension of the workers was done illegally because they were not given the required three-

Waloki says the union was disappointed about such decision because most of them were permanent workers. He says out of the 26 workers suspended last Thursday only 22 received their suspension letters.

Of the 26 workers suspended on Friday only one had received his

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# Tuvalu's phone sex calls hit

SUVA, Fiji (AP) - Tuvalu's powerful national church is outraged that the tiny central Pacific island has boosted government revenue 10 percent by leasing its international telephone code to be used for phone sex services.

"If it is true then this is the most degrading thing that has ever happened to Tuvalu," said The Rev. Rosette Alefaio of the Ekalesia Kelisiano, the church that dominates the lives of 90 percent of the nation's 9,000 Polynesian

Alefaio had received faxed pages from a British magazine, Men Only, displaying numerous ads offering "Live One to One" sex conversation to callers who dial a number prefixed by Tuvalu's country code,

"Tuvalu is a Christian country and things advertised in the magazine do not, and never will happen in Tuvalu," he

Prime Minister Kamuta Latasi has denied knowledge of the nature of the calls.

Lopati Tefoto, director of Tuvalu Telecommunications Corp., said that since April Tuvalu has been paid at least US \$50,000 a month and was being equipped for TV on its nine atolls by Asia Pacific Telecommunications, which has bought rights to use excess capacity on Tuvalu's international telephone exchange.

Tefoto said he understood

### Law students say allowances for books are insufficient

FIJIAN law students studying in Vanuatu say their studies are being affected because their book allowances are insufficient to buy all the books they require.

The students say that 500 Fiji dollars (US\$358) in book allowance from the Fijian Affairs Board (FAB) is just not enough for one semester, Radio Fiji reported.

According to one student they were given 1 thousand dollars (US\$717) each for two semesters and some of them have already spent all of it for the books they needed for in semester one.

The third year law students claim they have written to the FAB and have received a reply promising them their problems would be looked into.

However, the students says it's over two months now and there still been no word from the Fijian Affairs Board.

Part of their allowances, the students say is used on the stationery they require which is very expensive in Vanuatu. The students say they hope

the FAB will urgently address their grievances...Pacnews

the calls were for "marketing" purposes, and said he was un-

cent of Tuvalu's national bud-

get of US \$ 4 million to 5.

aware of sexual calls. "We were told that this is purely for data transmission," he said. Revenue received for the calls amounts to about 10 per-

Tuvalu, which has only 10 1/2 square miles (27 square km) of land, relies on foreign license fees, remittances from Tuvaluans working on foreign ships, foreign aid and revenue from a national investment fund of about US \$ 30 million.

The Pacific Islands regional news magazine Islands Business said in its July edition that at least three other Pacific Island countries — Niue, Tokelau and Fiji — had also received foreign offers for the use of their telephone country codes from firms

operating from or linked to New

Zealand, Hong Kong, the United States and Gibraltar.

Fiji rejected a deal with Asia Pacific Telecommunications due to the obscene nature of the calls involved, said Mohammed Farouk, general manager of Fiji International Telecommunications Ltd.

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TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) - Shimon Peres, out of office and facing an uncertain political future, sees Syria behind his misfortunes.

Peres faulted Syrian President Hafez Assad for being too cautious and too slow and failing to pick up on his proposal to speed up negotiations with a summit.

"When you have a horse race, you cannot have the mentality of a turtle and say the armor on my back will replacethespeedofmylegs.Itdoesn't make sense," Peres told The Associated Press in an interview Monday.

Had Assad agreed to meet often enough in direct negotiations with Israel, instead of by proxy through American mediation, Peres said he would not have called early elections. And he would still be prime minister.

Peres spoke in a borrowed office, with an imitation oak desk spotted by coffee cup rings and most of his bookshelves empty \_ a sign of the hard fall from power. Many of his former allies in the Labor Party now want Peres, who has lost four elections since 1977, to step down as party leader.

In a voice tinged with sadness but noanger, the 72-year-old Nobel Peace Prize laureate said he would not go easily into political exile. He said he planned to be an active opposition leader and that he had not given up his quest for Mideast peace.

"Winners don't quit, and quitters don't win. Surely, I wouldn't like to become a quitter and lose." he said.

Peres said right-wing rival Benjamin Netanyahu came to power partly because Labor had not built a bridge to Israel's Orthodox religious community and also because of outside influences such as Assad's "overcarefulness."

Peres recalled writing to Assad early this year, urging him to speed up the process and join in a peace making To make his case, Peres

Assad, a former air force chief, and quoted the French author Andre Malraux, himself a pilot.

"Malraux says mothers whose children are pilots are praying all the time that they will fly low and slow. They don't understand that to fly high and fast is safer. So I told (Assad): Let meknow-do you want to fly low and slow or do you want to fly high and fast? If you want to fly high and fast, I am a partner.

"I got a reply: 'I am ready to meet, but I cannot quote a date," Peres quoted Assad as saying.

Calling elections in the midst of negotiations with Syria would have been politically unwise, Peres said. But with talks going nowhere, there was no reason not to advance the date from November to May 29. At the time, Peres was 16 points ahead in the polls, riding a wave of sympathy after the assassination of his predecessor, Yitzhak Rabin, by a right-wing ex-

Faulting Assad was an unusual move for Peres, who while in office tried to avoid jeop

ardizing peace negotiations.

But on Monday, Peres said he saw a Syrian hand in the shelling of northem Israel by the Shiite Muslim Hezbollah guerrillas in April, which set off a chain of events he felt contributed to his defeat.

Peres recalled turning to Syria via American mediators to halt Hezbollah attacks. "The Syrians said, 'OK, there will be a ceasefire.' And on the next day, instead of a cease-fire, they continued to

This, Peres said, left him no choice but to launch "Operation Grapes of Wrath," the air and artillery blitz of Lebanon that led to Israel's shelling of the U.N. base and the deaths of 91 Lebanese civilians.

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# Christopher slams Burma

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)

- The military regime in Burma is violating basic human rights and the deterioration of the rule of law there increases the threat from its drug trade, U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Tuesday. Christopher's assessment of conditions in Burma was made in remarks prepared for the ASEAN Regional Forum, a consultative body concerned with political and security issues under the auspices of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

In a move opposed by the United States, ASEAN granted Burma observer status on Saturday and has promised full membership to Rangoon's repressive junta, known as the State Law and Order Restoration Council, or SLORC.

ASEAN insists that its "constructive engagement" with Burma's military leaders will encourage it to relax is repression of pro-democracy activists, led by 1991 Nobel Peace laureate Aung San Suu Kyi. Indonesian Foreign Minis-

ter Ali Alatas says that while ASEAN acknowledged that a resolution of Burma's problems was needed, it could not be achieved by isolating the

"The SLORC's refusal to heed the desire of a majority of the Burmese people for a transition to democratic ruler and its increased harassment of the democratic opposition not only violates basic, universal human rights but raises the chances of instability, bloodshed and migration within Burma and across its borders," Christopher said.

The United States and several European nations contend that ASEAN's embrace helps entrench SLORC, which seized power after Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy scored a landslide victory in 1990. SLORC refused to accept the outcome and nullified the vote.

"The steady deterioration of the rule of law has increased the threat that Burma's burgeoning drug trade poses to citizens from Bangkok to Berlin and from Shanghai to San Francisco," he added.

Christopher told the forum that their individual approaches to Burma may differ but all sought a meaningful political dialogue that leads to greater stability and open-

"It is important that we use our engagement with Burma to promote concrete results, especially after these meetings in Jakarta. Burma's participation in the ARF and its closer relationship with ASEAN make it especially important that the process of reconciliation move forward, not backward.

### Over military regime's human rights record

rial claims in the South China Sea and the Spratly Islands. Ensuring freedom of navigation in sea lanes that carry 25 percent of the world's ocean freight is vital to the security and prosperity of the Asia-Pacific region," he said.

The two-year-old forum in-

cludes the seven ASEAN

members - Brunei, Indonesia,

Malaysia, the Philippines,

Singapore, Thailand and Viet-

nam - plus the United States,

Australia, New Zealand,

Canada, South Korea, Russia,

China, Japan, Laos, Papua

New Guinea, Cambodia and

The forum expanded to 21

members with the inclusion

Tuesday of Burma and India.

Alatas said he was "confident

that their participation will en-

our discussions and contrib-

Christopher praised the only

region-wide, government

moting dialogue, encouraging

transparency and expanding

that the ASEAN Regional Fo-

rum can continue to play a

constructive role in defusing

tensions surrounding territo-

"The United States believes

level security forum for pro-

ute to the achievement of

ARF's key objectives."

cooperation.

the European Union.

Brunei, Malaysia, Taiwan, the

Philippines, Vietnam and China have overlapping claims to the Spratlys, one of the region's potential flash points. On relations with China, Chris-

topher said Washington recog-

nizes "that we continue to face areas of difference, which we must seek to manage constructively.

believes in the need to ensure a stable environment for the peaceful resolution of the issues between China and Tai-

We encourage both sides to continue taking steps to reduce recent tensions in the Taiwan Strait, including a resumption of cross-strait dialogue."



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# US-Japan ventures spur hope

### New era of trade peace forseen

By YURI KAGEYAMA

TOKYO (AP) - Japan's giant NTT Corp. was in search of a technologically savvy partner to help create its experimental digital video-on-demand project.

But it didn't look to any of its local counterparts for assistance. Instead, it headed across the Pacific to California-based Silicon Graphics, the company that brought dinosaurs to life in the movie hit "Jurassic Park."

Now, 300 homes can access the system, which includes a graphically advanced video-game channel, cable TV and on-line information.

Such U.S.-Japanese cooperative projects may be an indication that a new era of peace \_ or at least a solid cease-fire - in bilateral relations may be here and worries of an imminent trade war can be put aside for the time being.

"I honestly believe it is to some extent a new ballgame," said War-

ren Day, of the American Chamber of Commerce in Tokyo, who has served as a consultant for U.S.-Japanese business partnerships. "There's a whole new era in U.S.-Japan relations."

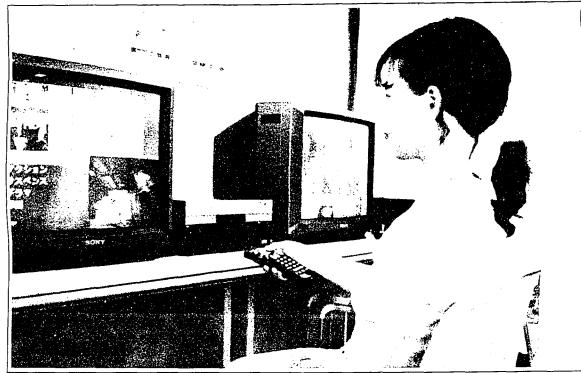
U.S. and Japanese trade negotiators clashed last year over opening the Japanese auto market. And tensions still linger over boosting sales of foreign computer chips and film in Japan.

But there is some indication that Japan is starting to show a friendlier side to U.S. businesses.

"Alliances are definitely increasing," says George Mu, a U.S. Embassy official in Tokyo overseeing business. "It's just the way the world economy is evolving."

Especially in high-tech areas, the costs and risks of doing business are so great that strategic alliances are almost a necessity, Mu said.

Other examples of some recent alliances:



A Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT) employee searches a program through a video-on-demand system at NTT's Urayasu office near Tokyo last Wednesday. Silicon Graphics Inc. of the United States produced the segments for NTT's experimental digital video-on demand project for about 300 households. Such U.S.-Japanese cooperative projects are growing at such a peace they may even herald a new era of peace - or at least a solid cease-fire - in bilateral relations that have often been marked by imminent trade wars.

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Ford Motor Co. increased its stake in Mazda to 33.4 percent from 24.5 percent, taking virtual control of Mazda.

Packard Bell Electronics Inc. acquired the personal computer operations of NEC Corp. outside of Japan.

Japan Airlines and American Airlines have agreed to share computer-reservation information on flight bookings, rental cars and hotels.

Anheuser-Busch Inc. and Kirin Brewery Co. help distribute each other's beer in their respective home markets. Kirin is now having Anheuser-Busch produce more types of Kirin brand beer in the United States.

The cutthroat nature of Japanese market can work as a leverage for American companies seeking to set up shop here. Often, "Made in U.S.A." can offer variety, a new technology or some other edge that helps the Japanese maker one-up its domestic rivals.

America Online is poised to start a Japanese-language version of its U.S. on-line computer service by late this year or early next year. It's teamed up with Nihon Keizai Shimbun, a leading economic newspaper, and major trading company Mitsui Inc.

It's hoping that its service, used by some 6 million subscribers back home, will prove equally appealing to Japanese discovering the Internet.

Japanese buyers have started to embrace U.S. products - Compaq computers and Chrysler Jeeps - shedding their famous loyalty to Japanese brands.

But much more needs to change if Japan's markets are to become truly open, starting with the easing of the countless regulations that block outsiders, said Tomoharu Washio of the Japan External Trade Organization, a government organization that promotes trade.

"We can say we are heading toward a new era," he said. "But it's hard to say whether we're really there yet." Large piece of TWA jet wreckage retrieved

# More crash fatalities found

By LARRY NEUMEISTER
EAST MORICHES, New York
(AP) - Divers have reached a large
section of downed TWA Flight
800 on the ocean floor, pulling out
six bodies from their watery tomb
and searching for clues to what

caused the disaster.

"This is a big step forward," said
FBI Assistant Director James
Kallstrom.

"We predicted this would be a good day, and it was."

National Transportation Safety Board Vice Chairman Robert Francis said the fuselage section was found Monday in a "wreckage field" of airplane parts scattered along the ocean floor below 120 feet (36 meters) of water.

"There are literally hundreds of objects down there," he said. After removing any more bodies that might be found, investigators will analyze and prioritize the objects to bring up.

The discovery, which came after several days when searchers were hampered by bad weather and equipment glitches, was announced at an emotional seaside memorial service.

President Clinton asked Americans to sympathize with the crash

# Homeless camp out to protest

By DANA CALVO

SAN DIEGO (AP) - About two dozen of the city's homeless marched from Balboa Park to City Hall Monday night to launch what one organizer called an "extended campout."

They are demanding that city officials stop trying to sweep them off the streets in preparation for next month's Republican National Convention. About 30,000 guests are expected for the convention.

"This is not a protest, this is an extended campout," said march organizer Larry Milligan. "People are being taken to jail not because of alcohol and drug problems, but simply because they're homeless, because they're too tired to move anywhere."

Milligan, who used to be homeless, now operates a food truck at Balboa Park two nights a week.

Among some of the protesters' demands are a 24-hour "safe-site" where people can sleep and leave their belongings, more public restroom facilities and hotel vouchers.

The demonstrators said they would sleep at City Hall, less than two miles (three kilometers) from where the Republican delegates will meet, throughout the convention.

There are an estimated 4,000 homeless in the downtown area, Milligan said.

victims' families, who are frustrated at the slow pace of the investigation and the recovery of the bodies.

Clinton is sending Federal

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aboard. Inv

Emergency Management Agency
Director James Lee Witt to New
York as his representative.
"The president wants his own

eyes and ears in place," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said. The bodies were found underneath the 30-foot by 60-foot (9-meter by 18-meter) piece of fuselage sticking about 10 feet (3 meters) off the sea floor, Francis said.

Any more bodies found will be removed before investigators try to bring up wreckage, which is strewn in a fairly dense trail about 500 feet (150 meters) long.

. The Paris-bound flight exploded

in a fireball and plummeted into the sea Wednesday about 10 miles (16 kilometers) offshore, killing all 230 aboard. Investigators are still unsure what caused the catastrophe, but suspect terrorism or an un-

precedented mechanical failure.
Investigators say clues might be lost the longer the wreckage remains in the water. Surging salt water can destroy or sweep away chemical signatures on bomb materials or pieces of evidence.

Even the smallest items could prove important. It was a fingernail-sized fragment of a timing device found embedded in clothing that determined that a bomb blew Pan Am Flight 103 out of the sky over Lockerbie, Scotland.

CNN reported Monday that

chemical traces had been found on the trailing edge of a wing. Francis told The Associated Pre

he wasn't aware of any traces found.

The Boeing 747's two black boxes still haven't been found, and investigators said they haven't heard the telltale "pings" the boxes emit, possibly because they are buried or covered with certain types of metal.

Francis said the boxes' batteries had been recently replaced and the boxes should be working.

Francis said Monday that the search for the boxes was being temporarily suspended so workers could focus on retrieving the fuselage.

The equipment used to look for the main piece of wreckage interferes with the electronics of the device needed to locate the signal from the boxes, he said.

Of the 107 bodies recovered by

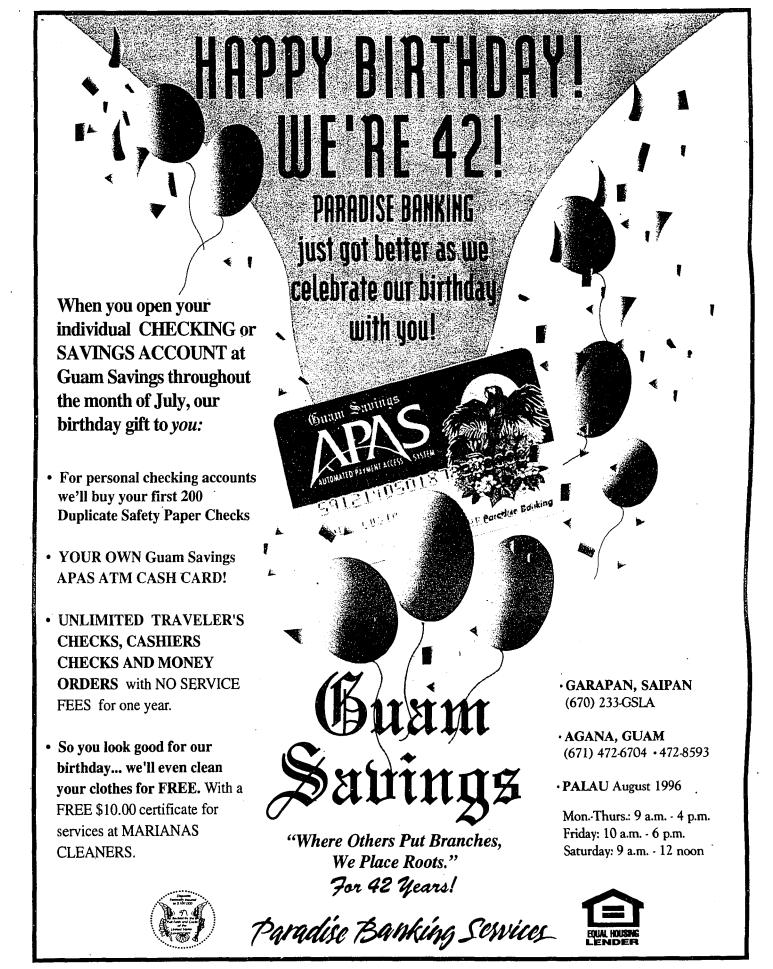
Monday, 64 had been positively identified.

The search Monday was made easier by the best weather conditions since the crash - 2 foot (60-centimeter) swells and moderate winds.

The Coast Guard collected debris on the surface near the crash site, about 12 miles (20 kilometers) off Long Island.

Kallstrom said that if the crash was determined to be an act of terrorism, the FBI was ready to begin analyzing any information with hundreds of agents around the world.

"There are terrorist states, Syria, Libya, North Korea, Iraq, Iran. We know who they are," he said. "It's not like we're blind, it's not like we don't know what's going on."



## Business/Trade

# Microsoft profits up 52%

SEATTLE (AP) - Strong sales of programs that are pre-installed on personal computers helped Microsoft Corp. to a 52 percent jump in profit during its fiscal fourth quarter, the

Microsoft earned \$559 million, or 87 cents per share, in the quarter that ended June 30. Its profit for the same period a year ago was \$ 368 million, or 58 cents a share, when it had a 5

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Last respect will be on Saturday, July 27, 1996 from 7:30AM to 2:30PM.

Christian Mass will be held on the same day at 3:00pm at San Roque Church. Burial will follow immediately at the Tanapag (Lower Base) Cemetery. Si Yuus Maase.

cent per-share charge for calling off an acquisition of Intuit Corp.

Revenuerose 39 percent to a record \$2.3 billion, from \$1.6 billion a year

The company released the results after stock markets closed. Microsoft closed down \$1,23 at \$119.75 on the Nasdaq Stock Market during a day when technology stocks broadly were

Earnings were just above analysts' consensus of 84 to 85 cents a share.

"The year's been a CFO's dream," said Mike Brown, vice president and chief financial officer for Microsoft. Costs came down, revenues rose and sales remained strong throughout all

"All of our major revenue-generating engines were in great shape," Brown said.

Brown said sales of software through PC makers, or pre-installed on new machines, reached \$ 650 million in the fourth quarter and a record\$2.5 billion in fiscal 1996, a 52 percent increase.

Revenue from desktop applications such as word processors and spreadsheets exceeded \$ 1 billion for the second consecutive quar-

Brown said research and development costs, which totaled \$ 1.4 billion in fiscal 1996, may exploit the success of the Internet. But he said he sees nothing ominous for the coming months. "Most of the patterns for the next fiscal year are the same," he said.

Results for the software company are closely watched by the financial markets, which have swung widely in the past week over worries about technology stocks.

For the fiscal year that ended June 30, Microsoft had record profits of \$ 2.2 billion or \$ 3.43 a share, up 51 percent from \$1.5 billion or \$2.32 a share last year.

Annual revenues was up 46 percent, to \$8.7 billion from \$5.9 billion.



Rev. Jesse Jackson waves as he takes a taxi to leave Tokyo headquarters of Mitsubishi Motor Corp. after a meeting last Wednesday with its executives to discuss alleged sexual harassments at its U.S. subsidiary Mitsubishi Motor Manufacturing of America Inc.'s plant in Normal, Ill.

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# Stocks rebound, dollar finishes lower in Tokyo

TOKYO (AP) - Tokyo stock prices ended higher Tuesday, with the benchmark index rebounding on last-minute purchases following a three-day loss. The U.S. dollar traded lower against the Japanese yen at mid afternoon.

The 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average gained 158.06 points, or 0.75 percent, ending the day at 21,163.69 after losing 52.66 points, or 0.25 percent, in the morning session. On Monday, the index shed 2.19 percent.

In the morning session, the Nikkei fell below the key psychological 21,000-point level as investors bailed out of the market because of concerns about oossible higher interest rates.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all issues listed on the first section was up 6.47 points, or 0.40 percent, to 1,609.70. The TOPIX was down 27.37 points, or 1.68 percent, the day before.

Volume on the exchange's first section was estimated at 300 million shares, almost unchanged from Monday's 318 million. Declining issues outnumbered advancers 579 to 463, with 177

In currency dealings, the dollar weakened as the market continued to focus on a possible interest rate hike by the Bank of Japan. Traders said the market suspected that rates could be raised as early as next week.

At 3 p.m. (0600 GMT), the dollar was trading at 107.13 yen, down 0.63 yen from late Monday in Tokyo and also below its late New York level overnight of 107.44 yen.

Also weighing on the dollar was Monday's 35.88-point fall in the Dow Jones industrial average, which revived currency market fears of a continued selloff in U.S. capital markets.

Since last week's wide fluctuations in the Dow, dealers have been worried about a flight from dollars into other major curren cies, including the German mark, yen and Swiss franc.

The benchmark No. 182 10year Japanese government bond was sold at 97.41 yen, down from Monday's finish at 97.62 yen. Its yield, which moves in the opposite direction, rose to 3.370 percent from 3.340 percent.

# Gov't troops prepare to attack

Beach assault readied on camp overrun by rebels

lometers (170 miles) north of the

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) -

The Sri Lankan army on Tuesday massed new troops on a northern beach to prepare for an assault on a military base which Tamil rebels say they have overrun after wiping out its 1,200-man garrison.

day, while naval landing craft set off from the nearby port of Trincomalee with more infantrymen to be beached a few kilometers (miles) south of the Mullaittivu army base, military officials said. government belittled the importance of the battle, which is turn-

and has reaffirmed the Tamil Tiger guerrillas as a military force. Three helicopters shuttled Mon-

US reaffirms position

against Boutros-Ghali

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - The United States reaffirmed its

opposition to U.N. chief Boutros Boutros-Ghali on Monday, saying

diplomats who believe the country will change its position "do not

Last month, the United States announced it would use its Security Council veto if necessary to block a second five-year term for Boutros-Ghali

Some U.N. officials have speculated that the United States might withdraw its threat if President Clinton wins re-election in November.

"The United States has taken an irrevocable position regarding the reelection of Boutros-Ghali," U.S. Mission spokesman James P. Rubin told

reporters. "Those who think we'll change our mind simply do not under-

U.S. Ambassador Madeleine Albright said she agreed with Rubin's

as U.N. secretary-general. His current term expires Dec. 31.

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ing out to be the military's biggest

debacle in the 13-year civil war, The rebels have started destroying military structures at the 8square-kilometer (3.2 square

capital, Colombo.

lost the base.

"This attack is to restore their international image after recent defeats. But this is not a big victory for them," Anuruddha Ratwatte, deputy defense minister told reporters.

But military officials said it appeared that the base had been overrun since there was no radio contact with the garrison since Friday. A handful of soldiers could be hiding in the nearby jungles, said the officials speaking on con-

There was no independent con-

firmation of either claim, since the government has barred journalists from the war zones, and there are no telephone links with miles) base, that was once the township of Mullaittivu, 275 kithe north, much of which is held

Just two months ago, the mili-The two sides gave conflicting tary expelled rebels from the casualty reports, with the rebels Jaffna Peninsula, where they had claiming 1,208 soldiers and 241 run a virtually autonomous state guerrillas have been killed. The for years. The government hoped military said about 300 soldiers then that it was almost done fighting a war that costs a billion dollars a year 400 rebels have died and it has not and has killed 42,000 people.

The biggest battle in the war was in

and sailors and 700 rebels were killed infourdays of fighting at the Pooneryn military complex in the north.

Sri Lanka marks the 13th anniversary Tuesday of nationwide anti-Tamil riots in which more than 2,000 people were killed. The riots are regarded as the start of the

On Tuesday, security was tightened in the capital, with soldiers on motorcycles hunting for rebel saboteurs, racing around Tamil neighborhoods checking people's identification. Many parents kept their children away from school.

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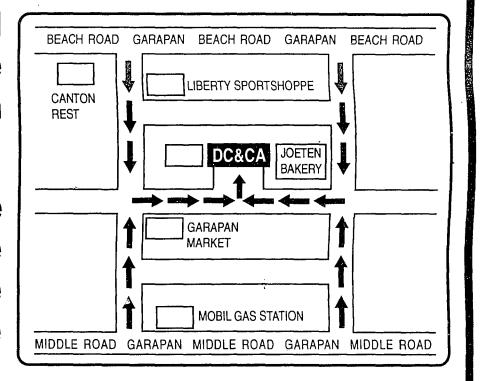
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/S/ EDWARD B. PALACIOS

Tenorio said he expects the project to be completed by March next year. "The developer wants to finish the

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He added that he is encouraging other House members to "go out and do

"Instead of sitting back and waiting for investors to knock on our door,

### Sale . . . Continued from page 1

Court documents showed that Hillblom purchased an interest in Tagaytay Highlands by virtue of a subscription agreement on Sept. 21, 1992 for net cost of P400,000 or \$15,384.

The executor earlier estimated that the minimum net proceeds from the sale are anticipated to be approximately In the Baguio Country Club,

Hillblom bought an interest through a deed of sale on Jan. 11, 1989 for a net cost of P65,000 or \$2,500. The minimum net proceeds for the

sale are anticipated approximately \$17,000.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

CIVIL CASE NO. 96-759

YNTHIA M. FLEMING,

RAYMOND M. ALVAREZ. FIRST AMENDED SUMMONS

O THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED an notified to serve any answer you wish t make to the Complaint, within (30) day after the fourth publication of this Sum nons, by delivering or mailing a copy of your answer to LONG & BROWN. Attor vs-at-Law, whose address is AA/ 797, Caller Box 10001, Oleai, Saipai AP 96950, as soon as practicable afte ling your answer or sending it to the Clerk of Court for filing. It is not neces

sary for you to appear personally unt urther notice. If you fail to serve an answer in acco dance with the Summons, judgement b default may be taken against you for the elief demanded in the Complaint. ly order of the above Court.

ATED this 27th day of June, 1996.

s/Clerk of Court

### iob as fast as possible," Tenorio said.

He said construction work would be done 20 hours a day—with two shifts of 10 hours each.

"This is the kind of project that we like because the (sooner) it opens, the more money go to people of Tinian," Tenorio said.

think they should go out and see what kind of investment we could bring into the CNMI. We'll miss a lot if we just sit aroundhere. We need to go out and find them." he said.

The Variety tried yesterday to get a comment from Torres, but we were told that he was off the island.

Webster said Waechter has the possession of documents of interests and therefore the administration of the memberships should lie with this court (Su-

The executor wanted to sell the memberships citing that these golfing interests are allegedly of no value to the

Among Hillblom's properties in the Philippines include Chateau de Baie, a condominium in Metro Manila; Tagaytay Highlands vacation residence; Baguio bungalow; and Belair Apartments, a studio in Makati City.

A paternity lawsuit is pending in the Philippine courts after a woman claimed that her daughter gave birth to Hillblom's child last Dec. 22 in

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-705 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMON

WEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA IS LANDS DOUBLE M. LIMITED, a corporation,

DANIEL C. AREGIS, and DAHLIA P. AREGIS, a Partnership, d.b.a. D. Aregis Agency,

Summons

DEFENDANTS ABOVE-NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and notified t file any answer you wish to make to the Complai on file herein, a copy of which is served upon yo herewith, within Thirty (30) days after service of the Summons upon you, and to deliver or mail a coof your answer to Eric S. Basse, Plaintiff's attorn hose address is: PPP-395; P.O. Box 1000 Saipan, MP 96950 as soon as practicable after! g your answer or sending it to the Clerk of Cour

our answer should be in writing and filed with th Clerk of this Court at Susupe, Saipan, 96950. It may be prepared and signed for you by your counse and sent to the Clerk of this Court by messenger mail. It is not necessary for you to appear person allowed the mail further series. ally until further notice

YOU FAIL TO ANSWER IN ACCORDANG WITH THIS SUMMONS, JUDGMENT BY DI FAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR TH RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

/s/ Deputy Clerk of Court Superior Court

PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY CNMI GOVERNMENT

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP NO. 96-0115 FOR: APPRAISAL SERVICES

OPENING DATE: AUGUST 07, 1996

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

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/S/EDWARD B. PALACIOS

### LOST PASSPORT GARAPAN AREA OWNED BY LIZHONG HAS NOT BEEN FOUND THEREFORE **DECLARED NULL & VOID.**

### Alien . . . Continued from page 1

workers in the Commonwealth with reentry possible only after compliance with a strict US visa require-

But even if workers obtain visas and were able to stay and work here after a US takeover, Aloot still finds it very unlikely they could obtain residency status or citizenship.

"They could stand a chance only if the US applies the same rules as in the mainland. But I've been advised that in all likelihood, the US will apply separate rules here in the CNMI," said Aloot.

Aloot, who was in Washington D.C. recently to discuss CNMI issues with US officials and lawmakers said immigration is currently a hot topic of discussion both on the local and federal level.

"When I was in the US it became clear that there's a massive immigration fraud scheme through certain Central American countries and officials of US Immigration in Hong Kong," he

He added that the federal government is currently very much concerned about finding solutions to immigration problems so tighter policies may be in order.

Aloot declined to name the US officials he consulted with on the matter but he maintained the information he got "was from a very high source.'

While in the US, Aloot said he has been told of how the federal government takes a view that the CNMI is a different jurisdiction from other parts of the US.

In particular, he said, the rule about permanent residency eligibility after completion of at least five years spent in any US jurisdiction would not be applicable to workers in the CNMI

"Here's the scenario. If the US took over immigration here and applies the US rule, any time spent here before the takeover would not count. The US applies the five-year rule, it would also have to apply the US rules on who's allowed in," he said.

According to Aloot, the US government is not liberal anymore about letting foreign workers or immigrants into the US. So if US immigration applies, many of the workers would not be here as they'll be sent home.

He added that for anyone to be able to come back to work in the CNMI, they would have to get in line like everybody else at the US Embassy in the Philippines for

"That will be the situation. All would have to go through the process, get the visas, as the US H-1, H-2 programs are very restrictive and would get even more restrictive," said Aloot.

According to the acting AG, there is even a proposal now in US Congress about a \$10,000 fee for anybody in the US who wants to hire a foreign worker.

He said if that were to be enacted and applied here, it would be very unlikely for CNMI employers to hire non-resident work-

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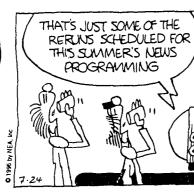
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By Stella Wilder

Born today, you are destined to be one of the most memorable individuals born under your sign. However, you may not always be spire others to work toward their remembered for the same thing from group to group. Indeed, you are so skillful at so many things that you will make your supporters and critics wonder what you will do next. Even though a sense of adventure is present in everyone, this quality is your greatest single motivator. You thrive on things that provide excitement, mystery, intrigue and a healthy dose of dan-

Although you have a great deal of panache, you are much more than a pretty face. You devote your time to all kinds of charitable causes. You have definite ideas about the workings of the world, and you always strive to improve

Also born on this date are: power Alexandre Dumas, author; Amelia Earhart, pioneer aviatrix; Ruth Buzzi, actress and comic; Lynda Carter, actress; Robert Hays, actor.

To see what is in store for you to be. tomorrow, find your birthday and

graph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.
THURSDAY, JULY 25

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today, your accomplishments will ingoals. Do not rest on your laurels because people are watching you

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — It will be essential to stay in touch with people who have business to conduct with you today. Do not lose sight of common goals or

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — You will be called on to substitute for someone who couldn't handle the pressure of an important project. Fortunately, you have prepared for this development.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Strength is something that you may want to understand to a greater extent, and if you study harder, you can increase your

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — As always, appearances can be deceiving. However, today you will have to trust that one thing in particular is exactly what it seems day, and you will have a chance to

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. read the corresponding para- 19) — Longevity and stamina will

be issues throughout the day. If you pace yourself, you will not run

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today, some of your friends may think that your behavior is not quite up to par. You will know that you're saving yourself for

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Avoid any behavior that migh be seen as too aggressive today. It will be important to strive for harmony in all areas of your life.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — With repetition, you will become more and more proficient at something which has proved more difficult than you expected it to be.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) look back will help you to get a clearer view of what lies ahead, provided you can interpret the signals you receive with accuracy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It won't take you long to fulfill a romise today, and then you can get on to things which will be more important to you personally. CANCER (June 21-July 22) -You will see how things started to-

improve projects which are not quite up to snuff. Copyright 1996, United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

### CLOSERS

Red and beige used cars tend to sell more easily than their darker coun-

President James Garfield could simultaneously write Latin with one hand and Greek with the other.

The idea that fat people are jolly can he found as early as Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar," which describes a lean and hungry Cassius as one who "thinks too much: such men are dangerous."

Earth Tip: A special "Endangered Collection" edition of Animal Crackers is being released, containing the shapes of 16 endangered animal circumference of the earth 17 centuries species, including the jaguar, giant panda and peregrine falcon. The back of the box features a picture and description of one of the species and the familiar string is green to represent the environmental message behind the collection. Perhaps more importantly, five cents will be donated to piece of silicon from three to six the World Wildlife Fund for every box

Bonus Earth Tip: May 9 is National Bike to Work Day. Save the planet while you burn calories and have fun.

By measuring shadows at different points on the same day, the Greek mathematician Eratosthenes calculated the

before it was circumnavigated. Seals depend mainly on muscle to move around on land and travel much like earthworms.

The basic material in a microchip is called a wafer — a 1/30-inch thick inches in diameter.

A recent survey of 5,000 Lutherans revealed that 75 percent believed that Jesus Christ did not tell jokes.

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**Answer to Previous Puzzle** 

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# Sumo champs hit with taxes

of Japan's top sumo wrestling family have been hit with about \$ 1 million in back taxes for failing to report more than \$3 million in income, reports said Tuesday.

Yokozuna (grand champion) Takanohana, who won his 14th tournament Sunday, along with his older brother Wakanohana, who holds the rank of ozeki (champion), and their father

Irish . . .

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under a four-year suspension for

steroid use. They since have mar-

There has been speculation that she

"You can't stop people making alle-

gations," she said. "Iam happy with my

In the 100 freestyle, world-record

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Jr. to win in 48.74, just .07 ahead of

the American. Brazil's Gustavo

Borges, who won the silver medal

in the 200 freestyle, was third in

medal and that is what is important."

may have used performance-enhanc-

Futagoyama paid the back taxes and submitted revised tax reports, reports in local media said.

Both wrestlers are members of cient sport of sumo wrestling.

An official with the Japan Sumo

bronze in 1:02.12.

not comment on specifics of the

the Futagoyama sumo stable, run by their father, which is one of the most successful in Japan's an-

Association confirmed the gist of the reports, which appeared in several local media, but would

toughest races in my career," Popov

In the 100 backstroke, Botsford of

happened to me. I knew me and

And four more American women

Whitney could do it," Botsford said.

"It was probably one of the

authorities would not comment The reports said most of the 370 million yen (\$ 3.45 million) that went unreported in the three

years up to 1995 stemmed from a (\$ 2.8 million) that supporters of

case. The wrestlers could not be reached for comment, and tax

senior membership in the Sumo Association worth 300 million yen

the stable bought for Futagoyama. The coveted senior memberships guarantee retired sumo wrestlers a living after they step down from active roles in sumo.

Futagoyama told Japanese reporters that his failure to report the membership as income was an oversight and that he had no intention of evading taxes.

The case has put a spotlight on cash contributions to popular

offer. We compromised our position

and they haven't compromised theirs.

"Until there is movement, there is

Krause has said only that the two

There are no timetables. We want

nothing you can do. Dennis has refused

to play for the amount they've offered.'

Dennis back. It's just a matter of agree-

from fan clubs. Those contribu tions often go unreported to tax authorities.

Sumo observers said the move by the Tokyo Regional Taxation Bureau against one of the most popular stables was meant to put the sumo world on notice that wrestlers and stable masters should properly report all their income, not just their official

Manley says Rodman could go to

Europe, he could play for a smaller

salary for another NBA team or he

could retire and then return for the

He would prefer to return to the

"It's about feeling wanted," Manley

Coach Lenny Wilkens had planned

to use all 12 players in different starting

lineups throughout the opening round,

which includes matches against Angola,

beat us - Croatia, Lithuania and Yugo-

slavia,"Barkley said. "The rest of them,

no matter how bad we play, we'll beat

"There's only three teams that can

Lithuania, China and Croatia.

big fan favorite in Chicago.

### Rodman ... Continued from page 20

agent signings it's tiny."

ery good excuse."

Baltimore and Hedgepeth posted ca-Manley spent two days in Chicago reer best times of 1:01.19 and 1:01.47. Marianne Kriel of South Africa took "This is the best thing that's ever

jected their offer, they've rejected our

put a triumphant climax on the night as Angel Martino, Amy Van Dyken, Catherine Fox and Jenny Thompson won the relay in an Olympic record

China finished in 3:40.48 and Germany was third in 3:41.48.

### Man . . .

Continued from page 20 sures following the explosion of a Paris-bound TWA jetliner Wednesday soon after takeoff from New York.

It also occurred just hours before President Clinton arrived for

the ceremony with first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and daughter Chelsea.

Atkins was placed in the custody of Atlanta police after the Secret Service questioned him and determined he didn't pose a threat to the president, the newspaper

### Saipan Major League Basebal

Individual Batting Record Compiled By Francisco M. Palacios

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\* The second by the second was the second

last weekendtalking with Bulls general manager Jerry Krause and the two continued to talk over the weekend.

"Isaid my story, I made my pitch and told them where we're at. The ball's in their court," Manley said. "We've re-

ing on a salary," Krause said.

sides continue talking.

The 35-year-old forward has won

five straight rebounding titles and is a

said. "The Bulls with what they have on the table, there's not the feeling they really want him.'

#### Barkley . . . with the international officiating. He also complained the U.S. coaches failed to notify players about who would start Continued from page 20 the match

"None of us had played together and tage," Rivas said. "Everybody's playing with the same ball, so that's not a practiced together (as a unit). That's something we asked the coaches to change," said Barkley, who started with Scottie Pippen, David Robinson, John

There are a few physical differences between the two balls. The Olympic ball is almost an inch (2.5 centimeters) smaller in diameter than the NBA ball, and the Spalding ball is treated with a special finish that makes it stickier. The NBA ball also has deeper chan-

nels around the seams. "In the NBA, they get get their fingers in that channeling and grip it better," Krieger said. "Our balls take longer to break in, and they are very slippery when they come out of the

"We never had any complaints before, and it's the same ball that was used in 1994, 1992, 1988 and 1984," Krieger

Barkley, speaking at a news conference, said the Dream Team had trouble

With two outs and the game tied 1-1 in the fourth, Morris badly missed Choi Man-ho's first pitch, a breaking ball in

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Stockton and Reggie Miller.

US...

the dirt. The next pitch came in belt high and went out with a loud crack, landing in the seats in center field. Seth Greisinger repeatedly pitched out of trouble-he gave up seven hits and

couple of outstanding defensive plays to hold the lead.

two runs over six innings -and got a

The most devastating came in the

fifth, when Greisinger's batterymate blocked Korea from snatching back the momentum. Chea Jong-kook tried to score from second on Jason Williams' fielding error, but the shortstop retrieved the ball and threw to catcher A.J. Hinch. Chea beat the throw, but Hinch threw

his left leg out to block the plate. After the call at home ended the top of the fifth inning, manager Kim Choongnam kept his team in the dugout for about a minute in protest. The Koreans took the field only after the umpires

walked over to the dugout and waved

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# nker nets 2 go

ATLANTA (AP) - Ireland's Michelle Smith became the first double gold medalist of the Summer Games on Monday night, hours after being in suspense over whether she would be allowed to race.

Russia's Alexander Popov became the first repeat winner in the 100 meters freestyle since Johnny Weismuller capturedswimming's blue-ribbonevent in 1924 and 1928.

Smith scored a decisive victory in the 400-meter freestyle, two days after she won the 400 individual medley. Following a strategic blunder, U.S.

veteran Janet Evanseven failed to make the final.

The United States had a big night even without Evans, winning two gold medals and three silvers. It leads the competition with 12 medals-fourgold, seven silver and one bronze.

Beth Botsford and Whitney Hedgepethfinished 1-2 in the 100 backstroke and the women's 400 freestyle relay team beat runnerup China.

Evans, the world record holder in the 400 freestyle, has four Olympic golds, oneless than speedskater Bonnie Blair's record for U.S. women. Evans can tie

that in the 800 freestyle Thursday night.

But she didn't get to the 400 final because she finished ninth in morning qualifying heats, when only eight got

"Iam very disappointed Janet wasn't in the final," Smith said. "She is a really good swimmer and I am sad she wasn't here because she's a great champion."

Smith is an unlikely champion. She entered the Olympics ranked 41 st in the 400 IM and out of the top 50 but can end up with fourgold medals if she wins the 200 IM and 200 butterfly.

Early Monday, the Court of Arbitra-

tion for Sport rejected an appeal by the United States, Germany and the Netherlands of an International Olympic Committee decision allowing Smith to compete.

"Once I was told you could swim and then I was told you can't swim and it was going backwards and forwards," she said. "I didn't let it bother me. I just thought if I swim, then I'll just do my best and if I can't, then I'll concentrate on my other events."

Smithpulled in front midway through the race and kept stretching her lead to win in 4:07.25 seconds. Dagmar Hase of Germany, who edged Evans for the gold medal at the 1992 Olympics, was secondin 4:08.30. Kirsten Vlieghuis of the Netherlands took third in 4:08.70.

Evans won in the 1988 Olympics when she was 17, setting a worldrecord of 4:03.85 that still stands.

Smith swam her qualifying time for the Olympics on July 6, one day after the deadline. Smith said the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games provided incorrect deadline informa-

Smith swam a Olympic qualifying time of 4:08.64 that day. The time was faster than any swimmer had achieved in competition this year and Smith's best previous time was 4:26.18.

Her dramatic improvement in many events began about three years ago when she began training under Dutch discus thrower Erik de Bruin, who is

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## Aces outlast Wheels, 7-6

By Francisco M. Palacios For the Variety

MARK Toves went 3-for-4 and knocked in four runs and Chris Nelson went the distance pitching seven hitter with ten strike-outs as the League leading U.M.D.A Aces outlasted second place Toyota Wheels 7-6 in ten minutes and remained perfect with a 11-0 record.

The victory almost certainly assured the Aces their second pennant in-a-row with just three games remaining. The Aces were in full com-

mand in the first 7 1/2 innings with a 5-Olead, but the Wheels came back strong to tie the game up at 5-all with three runs in the bottom of the eight highlighted by Bill Quitano's two-run single and two in the ninth to force the game into extra inning.

A costly error by the Wheels in the top of the tenth resulted in Mark Toves two-run single to give the Aces back the lead, 7-5. The Aces committed two errors in the bottom of the tenth that put the tying run on third and the winning run on second but the Wheels couldn't shake off Nelson as he retired the last three batters for the win.

Winning Pitcher: Nelson (7-0) Losing Pitcher: Tony Benavente

Elmer Sablan pitched the first five innings for the Wheels; gave up 3-runs on six hits, walked none and four strike-outs.

Tony Benavente pitched the last five inning, allowed four runs, on four hits, walked two and seven strike-outs.

### Rodman, Bulls still apart

CHICAGO (AP) - Dennis Rodman will be back in town this weekend and he'll be signing. Cards, that is. But how about a new contract?

We've got some ground that needs to be made up," Rodman's agent, Dwight Manley, said Monday night from his California office.

The Bulls and Rodman are still in disagreement over his worth. Reports say that Rodman initially asked for \$14

million and has dropped his demand to \$11 million. The Chicago Sun-Times reported the Bulls have raised their offer from \$5 million to \$7 million.

"We haven't gotten down to the fine print. We're still stuck on money," said Manley, adding that the difference, to him, didn't seem that large. "With a scale of nearly a billion dollars in free

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### 1996 Men's Major League Baseball Team Standings as of Friday, 7/22/96

Compiled By Francisco M. Palacios For the Variety

Team	Win	Loss	Pct. GB
U.M.D.A. Aces	10	0	1.000 -
Toyota Wheels	9	1	.900 1
Ngerbeched Chiefs	8	3	.700 21/2
Miller Lite Brewers	4	5	.444 5 1/2
Kautz Glass Glazers	4	5	.444 51/2
San Vicente Sunrisers	3	8	.273 7 1/2
Air Mike Flyers	2	9	.200 8 1/2
Kiyu Elite	0	9	.000 91/2

BATTING LEADERS :		or more		t bat)
Player	Team	AB	Hit	Batting
Manny Evangelista	Wheels	39	20	.513
Reno Celis	Wheels	36	17	.472
Frank Pangelinan	Wheels	33	15	.455
Bill Quitano	Wheels	40	18	.450
Ken Kalen	Glazers	38	17	.447
Brady Ubedei	Chiefs	33	14	.424
Steve Coleman	Aces	33	14	.424
Frank Torres	Sunriser	36	15	.411
Mabel Ngimgemelas	Aces	32	13	.406
Mike C. Guerrero	Glazers	35	14	.400

RUNS: (18) Inosuke Yamada, Bill Quitano, Manny Evangelista, (16) Ken

Kalen, Reno Celis Rasco Yamada, (15) Jerome Salas, Ben Hocog DOUBLES: (4) Frank Pangelinan, Glen Palacios, Mike Guerrero, (3) Brady

Ubedei, Everett Indalesco,
Sherman Ngiraidong, Wilber Ada, Ed Kapileo
TRIPLES: (5) Jerome Salas, Greg F. Camacho, (3) Ben Hocog, Bill Quitano,
HOMERUNS: (7) Greg C. Camacho (1) Frank Pangelinan, Ken Kalen,

Nick Guerrero
RBIS: (13) Frank Pangelinan, (12) Reno Celis, Brady Ubedei, Inosuke
Yamada, (11) Greg F. Camacho,
(10) Bill Gultano, Mike Guerrero, Ken Kalen, Frank Torres, Jerome Salas,
Larry Guerrero, Ed Kapileo, Mabel Ngirangemelas

#### "PITCHING LEADERS"

PLAYERS	TEAM	G	INN	ER	HIT	W/L	ERA.
Tony Benavente	Wheels	5	.12	0	9	1-0	0.00
Chris Nelson	Aces	7 .	46	2	15	6-0	0.39
Eddle Santos	Wheels	2	10	٦ <u>.</u>	4	2-0	0.90
Elmer Sablan	Wheels	9	48	5	1/3	6-1	0.96
Ben Aguon	Aces	4	10	2	8	1-0	1.80
Albert Castro	Glazers	7	29	6	21	1-1	0
<b>Everett Ngiraidong</b>	Chiefs	7	35	9	46	3-0	2.51
Roy Magofna	Glazers	8	41	15	46	4-3	3.21
Eddie Diaz	Aces	. 4	16	8	13	3-0	3.38
Alfonso Abraham	Brewers	6	15	6	21	1-1	3.60

STRIKE-OUTS: (60) Chris Nelson (49) Elmer Sablan (36) Albert Castro (32)

## Barkley blames slippery ball for 20 turnovers in Argentina game

ATLANTA (AP) - Now it's the tall's fault

Making yet another excuse for the U.S. men's basketball team's poor showing in its opening game, forward Charles Barkley said Monday the slippery basketballs used at the Olympics helped cause 20 mmovers against Argentina.

"I know that might not sound like a big deal, but the ball we're playing with is one we hadn't seen until we got here," said Barkley, who is known for his outspokenness. 'It's a totally different leather than the NBA's (U.S. National Basketball Association). We're playing with a Molten, and we practiced

the last month with a Spakling. We had 20 tumovers, and that was one of the bigger reasons."

The U.S. squad, known as the Dream Team because it includes the world's top professionals and is considered a sure bet for the gold medal, struggled against Argentina before pulling away late to win 96-68. It was the smallest margin of victory by any Dream Team, which first appeared at the 1992 Barcelona Games.

, the governing body of world basketball, uses a leather ball made by Molten - the same ball used in the European leagues. In the NBA, a Spalding ball is used.

Molten shipped 700 balls to Atlanta

in early May, and the organizing committee scrambled to distribute the balls to summer leagues and camps so they could be broken in

"They were broken in for at least a week, and they were used all day long," said Dan Mannix, the competition manager for Olympic organizers. The ones that were broken in the most are being used in the compention.

Mike Krieger, sales manager for Molten, said it takes almost a month for a ball to be properly broken in. Ramon Rivas of Puerto Rico agreed the balls might be a little underused.

"Butwhat sequal is not an advan-Continued on page 19

### **USremains** unbeaten in baseball

ATLANTA (AP) - Warren Morris hit a three-run homer to center field, breaking open a tie game Monday night and keeping the U.S. baseball team undefeated in Olympic play with a 7-2 victory over South Korea.

The United States improved to 2-0 and remained at the front of the pack in theseven-gameround-robintournament, which cuts the field to four teams for medal play. South Korea, projected as one of the medal-round teams, fell to 0-

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### Man with gun slips thru Olympic security ATLANTA (AP) - A man carry- uniform carrying a weapon but

ing a gun and a knife slipped past looked suspicious," the newspa security at the Olympic Stadium less than two hours before the Opening Ceremony, Atlanta police said Monday.

The man, wearing a security uniform, was arrested inside the stadium Friday night after he failed to show an identification badge when asked by security officers, police spokesman John Quigley told The Atlanta Journal-Constitution newspaper.

"One Atlanta Police Department officer noticed he was in per quoted Quigley as saying.

Roland Atkins, 55, of Aurora, Colorado, has been charged with carrying a pistol without a license, carrying a dangerous weapon, criminal trespassing and theft of service.

Police said he was carrying a knife and a semi-automatic .45caliber handgun loaded with 11 rounds.

The breach came after Olympic organizers tightened security mea-

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