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# Chemicals spill at Tinian school

By Mar-Vic C. Munar Variety News Staff

BURGLARS barged into and ransacked the science laboratory room at Tinian High School, causing a chemical spill, according to reports that reached the Public School System yesterday.

PSS Deputy Commissioner Margaret Dela Cruz said policemen and agents of the Emergency Management Office and the Division of Environmental Quality were sent to the school to clean up the room and neutralize the spill.

The chemical spill was discovered yesterday morning, Dela Cruz said.

EMO acting Director Ike Cabrera said the EMO office on



Margaret Dela Cruz

Saipan has yet to receive a detailed report.

"We're trying to assess the extent of the spill. We're still waiting for a report," Cabrera told the Variety.

"We advised them (school administrators) to call if they need us," he added.

Sketchy reports reaching PSS indicate burglars broke into the chemical room at Building K of Tinian High School. The room contains various substances used for students' science experiments.

It was not known as of press time what materials the thieves have carted off.

The burglary has been reported to the police, Dela Cruz said.

PSS Commssioner William Torres, meanwhile, appealed to parents and students not to be alarmed.

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# Justice tells lawyers: 'Improve on image'

By Ferdie de la Torre Variety News Staff

SUPREME Court Associate Justice Ramon G. Villagomez yesterday told the CNMI Bar Association to look at ways to improve the "bad" reputation of lawyers in the islands.

Villagomez suggested that the Association do more community activities as one way of improving its members' image and to make the profession respectable and enjoyable.

"With more lawyers we have now, the more we can do," said the associate justice in his remarks during the swearing-in ceremony for the 11 new lawyers who passed the February CNMI Bar Examination.

According to Villagomez, he is aware of how people have become critical of lawyers and



Ramon G. Villagomez

of "how expensive they change."

"They're expressing their views. Of course I'm unhappy a lot of people see them (lawyers) that way," he said.

Villagomez pointed out that it is important for lawyers to be conscious about public opinion because that will affect their reputation in the community.

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## Gov't sues 2 businessmen over wastewater discharge

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff

THE CNMI government has sued two businessmen for allegedly allowing a commercial building to discharge wastewater from the septic tank onto the ground surface.

The government asked the Superior Court to issue an injunction enjoining defendants Chung Mao Tsai and Fang Wu Nie from using the Taiwan Center for business or lodging purposes until they are in compliance with the Division of Environmental Quality septic

tank and wastewater regulations.

Taiwan Center is a threestory commercial building located in As Lito. Tsai reportedly owns the 2nd and 3rd floor of the building while the first floor belongs to Nie.

Special Assistant Atty. Gen. Richard Folta, counsel for the government, said despite a DEQ administrative order and notice of violation letter sent last March 10 and numerous meetings and follow-up inspections, the defendants still

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Eight of 11 new CNMI lawyers oblige for a group photo after they were sworn in for admission to the CNMI Bar yesterday. Standing from left are Daniel Furrh, Matthew Gregory, John Chambers, Timothy Farrell and Cindy Adams. Sitting from left are Carol Kerr, Elaine Paplos and Sheila Bowman.

## New DPW division mulled to deal solely with garbage

By Jojo Dass

Variety News Staff

THE DEPARTMENT of Public Works is set to create a new division that will solely handle the



Edward M. DL. Guerrero

garbage problem on the island. In an interview, Public Works Secretary Edward M. DL. Guerrero said his office is now

hiring an environmental engineer and another official tasked to oversee the government's solid waste management program.

"They (new hires) will be in charge of monitoring the Puerto Rico dump... of the incinerator and the construction of the new landfill among others," said Guerrero.

The creation of a new division, he explained, was called for by a compliance order issued recently by the US Environmental Protection Agency.

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#### MTC's Internet service still down

By Mar-Vic C. Munar

Variety News Staff

GOOD news: Internet users subscribing to Micronesian Telecommunications Corp. will get a \$45 credit on their bills for this month.

The real bad news: They will have to wait for "several more days" to get back on line.

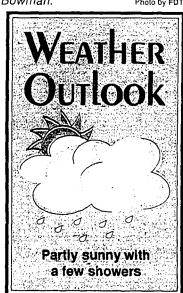
MTC's Internet service has been off for almost two weeks now, and subscribers expected the resumption of online services yesterday, but MTC said repair work on its system has failed.

Repair and diagnostic work on the system "revealed additional hardware failure," MTC said in a press statement.

"We are treating this situation very seriously and are committed to doing whatever it takes to get our customers back on line as soon as we can," MTC general manager Del Jenkins said.

The company, Jenkins added, "has ordered duplicate sets of the necessary hardware replacement to be shipped here the fastest way

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# China warns Philippines

MANILA, Philippines (AP)- China warned the Philippines Tuesday against making any moves in disputed areas of the South China Sea that could jeopardize bilateral ties.

The warning followed a series of incidents between the two countries arising from territorial disputes in the area.

"We hope that the Philippine side will refrain from any move to complicate the situation so as to maintain the overall Sino-Philippine friendly relations," the

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Chinese Embassy said in a statement. The statement cited an incident April 30 in which Philippine naval ships drove away Chinese fishing boats from Scarborough Shoal in the South China

It accused the Philippines of "unjustifiably" disrupting "a joint international amateur radio exploration activity."

It said Filipinos later landed on the shoal, about 250 kilometers (155 miles) off the western Philippine province of

Workers make a copy of a Beretta handgun in a clandestine factory in Danao City in central Philippines.

Despite a crackdown on illegal gun manufacturing, an estimated 5,000 gunsmiths in this city labor to make

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Zambales, to hoist a Philippine flag and erect markers. The embassy'said the Philippine ac-

tion "constituted a serious violation of China's territorial sovereignty," and

Chinese sovereignty over the shoal, which it calls Huangyan Dao, had long Early last month, five armed Chinese ships and two smaller boats were sighted been recognized internationally, includnear two Philippine-held islands in the ing by Manila. China's ambassador to the Philip-

pines, Guan Dengming, lodged a protest

in Manila last Friday over the incident.

The Philippine government protested their presence as a provocation, and the ships later left the area.

President Fidel Ramos said the Phil-

ippines will look into the protest but

urged China to also investigate incur-

sions by armed Chinese ships last month

near two Philippine-held islands in the

disputed Spratly group, also in the South

protestbut issued a statement explaining the ships were in the area on a technical

The Philippines and China are among six countries with overlapping claims to the Spratlys, a chain of atolls and reefs believed to be rich in oil and natural gas.

In another recent incident, the Philip pine navy arrested 18 Chinese fishermen in mid-April when their two boats entered Philippine waters without permitsontheirwaytothePacific'sMarshall

#### Taiwan ruling party narrowly survives 'no confidence vote' TAIPEL, Taiwan (AP) - Taiwan's rulplanned state of the nation address, demanding he fire his premier and apolo-

ing party on Tuesday narrowly defeated a no-confidence motion brought by opposition legislators capitalizing on a public outcry over rising crime.

The Nationalists won the vote 78-76 with one abstention.

The opposition Democratic Progressive Party and the New Party proposed the motion in hopes of toppling Premier Lien Chan.

The legislature doesn't have the power to vote down the premier and the motion wouldn't have been binding. But it was seen as a serious attack on the already slumping prestige of the Nationalists, who have ruled Taiwan since 1949.

Public outrage over crime was set off by the kidnap-murder of the daughter of a popular singer-actress, the latest of three recent high-profile slayings, all of them unsolved.

Four similar resolutions were also expected to be defeated, including one demanding that President Lee Teng-hui address the legislature. An initial attempt to pass a no-confidence motion last Friday also failed.

Meanwhile in the National Assembly, New Party deputies disrupted Lee's

gize for the decline of law and order.

Waving banners and wearing smocks festooned with protest slogans, they occupied the podium, forcing the session to be adjourned. Lee had to leave without delivering his speech, which was to have been televised live.

"Public safety has reached such a stage that we had no choice but to hold this protest to reflect the anxiety of the people," said New Party Deputy Wang

Lee has issued an apology through his spokesman, but the opposition wants him to apologize in person.

The turmoil in the law making legislature, and in the National Assembly which oversees the provincial government, are indicative of the pressure the Nationalists are facing.

A public perception has taken that the once omnipotent party is powerless to root out corruption and fight the under-

Lien's reappointment as premier in May, on top of his post as vice president, disappointed those hoping for fresh blood at the top. He offered to resign last week, but Lee asked him to stay.

## Japan envoy to Peru under fire for handling of crisis

By ERIC TALMADGE

TOKYO (AP) - Freed after four months of being held hostage by a band of heavily armed leftist rebels, Japan's ambassador to Peru might have thought his ordeal was over.

But just weeks after returning to Japan ahero, Ambassador Morihisa Aoki is under siege again. On Tuesday, the foreign minister accepted

"I am painfully aware of my esponsibility," Aoki told a committee in Parliament, adding that he offered to resign last week.

Foreign Minister Yukihiko Ikeda, speaking before the same committee, said he intended to accept the resignation.

It was not yet clear who Aoki's replacement would be. Ikeda said he intends to let Aoki step down before the results of a government investigation into the incident are released. The investigation is expected to conclude next month.

Aoki was called before the committee to answer to a barrage of attacks on his handling of the crisis, which began last December when the leftist rebels stormed a gala reception Aoki was holding to celebrate the birthday of Japan's Emperor Akihito.

Aoki and 71 other hostages were freed by Peruvian commandos four

months later. He was injured in the raid and still uses crutches to walk.

Though all the rebels, two soldiers and one hostage died after being freed in the final raid, none of the 24 Japanese hostages was killed or seriously injured. Aoki's role in keeping the situation from leading to more bloodshed was initially hailed by Japan's government and

That praise, however, was quickly replaced by a series of angry attacks in Parliament and in the

The accusations range from the serious to the silly.

Critics have slammed Aoki for everything from not ordering enough security before the attack to chainsmoking through a news conference held shortly after his release.

Over the past week, popular weekly magazines have quoted unidentified former hostages as saying Aoki was a coward who treated them with a mixture of rudeness and arrogance.

According to one weekly, the Shukan Bunshun, Aoki drank copiously throughout the crisis, prompting the Japanese hostages to secretly write a letter to the government requesting he be replaced by a Japanese diplomat tasked with observing the negotiations.

# House commends Tenorio

Variety News Staff IN A RARE display of support, the Republican-dominated House of Rep resentatives recently adopted a resolu-

tion commending Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio for his efforts in promoting the CNMI in Washington, D.C. Though introduced by Tenorio

partymate Minority Leader Dino M. Jones (D-Saipan), House Resolution 10-107 was signed by Tenorio critic Rep. Stanley T. Tones (Ind.-Saipan) and adopted by the entire House. The resolution noted the governor's

consistent efforts in the past three years to improve CNMI-federal relations, and mentioned U.S. House Majority WhipTomDeLay's(R-Texas)speech defending the CNMI's control over its minimum wage rate and immigration.

DeLay's speech, according to the resolution, was a direct result of

A KNIFE-wielding man reportedly

sexually assaulted a 14-year-old girl

inside a residence in Chalan Kanoa

Acting Public Safety Information

OfficerPO2AmoldK.Semansaidthe

victim was taken to the Common-

Initial investigation showed that at

3:22 a.m., the suspectreportedly broke

into the victim's house through the

The suspect entered the bedroom

.When the suspect fled, the victim

THE power-installation project in

Kagman III homestead is slated to be

completed by December, it was

The project costs \$2.8 million, ac-

cording to Pamela A. Mathis, public

information officer of the Common-

She said the project consists of 353

It is considered one of the biggest

power-line poles and 3.5 miles of

and sexually assaulted the victim.

By Ferdie de la Torre

Variety News Staff

before dawn yesterday.

wealth Health Center.

By Rick Alberto

learned vesterday

wealth Utilities Corp.

high-voltage wires.

Variety News Staff

back door.

Dino M. Jones

Tenorio's meeting with DeLay and other U.S. House leaders, among them Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia). "(D)espite party differences, all the

mother about the incident.

edly armed with a knife.

Armed man 'sexually assaults' teener

went to the next room and told her The government will recommend Seman said the suspect was alleg-The case was placed under further

investigation. Meanwhile, a former administrative officer for the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation in Rota who was charged for embezzling government funds entered a plea agreement with

Defendant Joaquin S. Quitugua agreed to plead guilty to the ft by failure to make required disposition of funds received, theft, forgery, and embezzle-

The installation of power is going

According to the status report as of

April 30 from the Governor's Water

Emergency Task Force, the targetted

completion date of the waterline

The \$1.670-million water project

includes the installation of fire hy-

drants, valves, service laterals, and

The report said the actual trenching

meters for each homestead lot.

project is Jan. 5 next year.

on simultaneously with the installa-

tion of underground water pipes.

the Attorney General's Office yester-

20 years' imprisonment, all suspended except for the first two years without

Stanley T. Torres

elected representatives of the Com-

monwealth have a common interest in

seeing that we improve relations with

the federal government, and most par-

According to Assistant Atty. Gen. Ross Buchholz, Ouitugua while employed at CUC, stole \$114,000 from daily deposit collections of CUC on or between Oct. 1, 1990 and April 30.

At separate incidents, Quitugua also took \$17,600 from septic tank pump services, \$2,000 from power plant emergency fund from CUC and illegally reimbursed \$1,400 in

Kagman III gets power December At one time, the report said, the trenching machine broke down after hitting a hard rock. The machine has

> since been repaired, it added. The Pacific Drilling Ltd. is the contractor for the project.

Mathis said wells will be drilled in Kagman III for its own use.

The Kagman III homestead has 1,136 lots. An estimated 314 houses are ready to be hooked up to the power lines, according to Mathis. Mathis added that these houses can be hooked up soon and need not wait tion states. The CNMI has been frequently sub-

jected to heavy criticism of national newspapers and U.S. Rep. George Miller (D-Califonia).

Citing the need for a more aggressive lobbying efforts, Tenorio hired Washington-based consultancy groups that invited U.S. congressmen and staffers to visit the CNMI, and arranged meetings between the governorand U.S. congressional lead-

Some CNMI House members have

Support obtained for Governor's lobbying efforts in D.C. ing "too expensive," but according to ticularly with Congress," the resolua Variety source, "legislators can't denythat the continuing publication of pro-CNMI articles in national news-

> congressman regarding the CNMI's 'economic miracle' were the result of Tenorio's efforts." CNMIpolitical leaders all agree that the federalization of the CNMI's minimumwage and immigration would be

efforts as aimed against such a take-

papers and magazines, as well as the

glowing remarks given by some U.S.

disastrous to the local economy.

Tenorio has described his lobbying

# Top police, fire officers got hefty OT pay in '96

By Mar-Vic C. Munar

Variety News Staff HIGH ranking officials and several police officers of the Department of Public Safety received huge overtime compensation -- some two to three times bigger than their base salaries--in fiscal year 1996, according to an Overtime Analysis Report on DPS.

Department of Finance records obtained by the Variety showed that of the total \$7 million overtime payments to government agencies for FY 1996, \$3.8 milion went to DPS. This amount far exceeded the department's overtime ap-

propriation of \$262,624. In FY 1994, appropriation for DPS was \$165,450, and its overtime record registered

t \$2.463 million. In FY 1995, it had an of appropriation \$271,697,

while overtime expenditures totalled \$2.8 million

The report indicated that in FY 1995, Compact Impact funds of \$1.432 million were used to offset police over-

"The expenditures were ransferred out to DPS into the grant account," the report said.

Records obtained by the Variety, however, do not indicate the source of extra overtime money paid to DPS employees.

Finance Secretary Tony Cabrera, and Office of Budtor Ely Cabrera were not available to give comments.

Under the law, reprogramming of funds from unused accounts is allowed to offset unforeseen expenses.

Based on the Overtime Analysis Report on DPS, the top 10 officers who received the biggest take home, including base salaries and overtime pay, for the subject fiscal year were:

·Lt. Antonio Kaipat, \$127,864 (base salary:

•Rota Fire Chief Roberto Hocog, \$102,463 (base: \$44,685);



Jose Castro

\$95,332 (base: \$44,685);

·Tinian Police Capt. Vicente Borja, \$93, 680 (base: \$44,685);

· Asst. Police Chief Raymond Camacho, \$89,643 (base: \$46,920);

· Asst. Traffic Chief Joaquin Castro, \$80,358 (base: \$46,920);

· Lt. Francisco Cruz,

\$80,135, (base: \$33,345); ·Capt. Manuel Mangero,

\$77,825, (base: \$44,685) ·Capt. Edward Flores, \$7776,707 (base: \$44,685);

• Asst. Chief of Logistics, Santiago Tudela, \$75, 431 (base: \$46,920).

Among the 11 divisions of DPS, Saipan Police-which had an overtime budget of \$52,123--had the biggest overtime expenditures which registered at \$1.2 million.

DPS Commissioner Jose get and Management Direc- Castro, in a telephone interview, defended the excess ex-

"The public should consider the services we render. There are unexpected events and situations that we have to respond to," Castro said.

DPS does not have enough personnel to attend to the needs of the community, he said.

"That's why we're using our available men, and it's not fair for them to work extra hours without getting overtime pay,' Castro said.

"If the Legislature responds to our request for additional FTEs, then there wouldn't be a need for our employees to work •Asst Chief of Tinian Po- extra hours," he added.



OCULAR INSPECTION. Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio confers with Emergency Water Task Force chair Timothy Villagomez recently on the status of the waterline and power-installation projects at the Kagman III Homestead. At background is the trenching machine used for the waterline project.

#### Camacho on debate over new lands law:

# 'I'd like to be optimistic'

following the enactment of Public

Law 10-57. The new law transfers

authority over public lands from the

governor to a still to be created Board

Transactions awaiting action in-

clude some 150 cases involving land

acquisition and exchange deals; some

200 homestead lottery applicants for

the Kagman Phase IV program; close

to 100 village and agricultural home-

stead applicants and "very urgent"

of Public Lands.

By Jojo Dass Variety News Staff

PUBLIC Lands Director Bertha Camacho yesterday expressed hopes a solution may finally be arrived at on the stand-off between Gov. Froilan Tenorio and the Legislature regarding the creation of a public lands

"I would like to be optimistic about getting things resolved for the benefit of these people waiting (for their land deals to be done)," said Camacho in a phone interview.

She said it is fortunate that those with ongoing transactions with DPL were "patient enough to wait" and not resort to drastic and regrettable mea-

"I guess they understood that there will be no point in trying to tear my office down or in picketting. The only



surest thing for them to do is wait," Camacho said.

There are close to 500 pending land transactions with DPL that had to be momentarily thrown in limbo

The CNMI Public School System is soliciting proposals from firms interested in con

ducting impact studies on the Year Round Education versus Traditional Education and

an impact study on the Implementation of the Multi-Track System to affected schools.

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Variety News Staff PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL** 

Alfred Quintanilla, through lawyer Timothy Skinner, sued Sun In in the U.S. District Court on July 11, 1996 in connection with his accident

Quintanilla had complained of the

The hotel's facilities, he said, were

Quintanilla is suffering from mytonic dystrophy, a condition associated with "weakness and wasting of

sternocleadimastoid and girdle muscles and which causes a slow deterioration of the brain cognitive

Those with pending village and

homestead transactions, Camacho

said, already have their permits and

were just waiting for the issuance of

The Kagman lottery, for its part,

was scheduled last month but had to

"These are things we critically need

Tenorio has refused to name ap-

pointees to the BPL saying he op-

Sun Inn Hotel, injured man

be postponed following the bill's en-

to address," stressed Camacho.

land deeds.

actment into law.

He checked into Sun In on Aug. 17, 1995 along with five other members of his family.

Aside from Quintanilla, three others are also suffering from similar disabilities, according to court records. Onthenight of Aug. 18, Quintanilla was getting out the shower area when

toilet bowl. "Due to his fall," the complaint said, "Alfred sustained a contusion on his scalp, tendemess at the posterior portion of his skull, and temporary visual and speech problems, gen-

he slipped, fell and hit his head on the

eral weakness and numbness." The fall also caused him to sprain both his feet and to suffer a fracture on

to settle case involving ADA his right shin, the complaint said.

poses giving a board authority over

The Senate, for its part, has passed

Bill 10-87 that would allow for a

temporary appointment of BPL mem-

bers, a move described by Tenorio's

Tenorio has said he will not sign

He vowed to contest the law's

constitutional mandate before the

any amendment to the new public

PIO as "kind of ridiculous."

public lands.

Skinner and David Banes, lawyer for Sun Inn, said both parties have agreed to settle the case "without admission of liability or wrong doing on the part of the defendant.

Banes said settlement was reached last week but written agreement has yet to be signed.

The lawyers said they would keep the settlement amount confidential.

"Both parties have come to conclusion that the case should be resolved. There's no reason why lawsuit could not be settled." Skinner said.

Banes, for his part, said the defendant hotel maintains it was not liable for Quintanilla's injuries.

"If there was any ADA violation, the hotel is now in full compliance,"

SUN INN Hotel has reached a settlement agreement with a disabled man who had sustained injuries after slipping in the hotel's bathroom.

on August 1995.

hotel's alleged failure to comply with the American with Disabilities Act.

not accesible to people with disabilities. Its bathroom, for example, did not have handrails to assist disabled persons while entering and exiting the shower area.

# MVB pays tribute to pioneers of Marianas tourism industry

By Rick Alberto

Variety News Staff THE managing director of the Marianas Visitors Bureau paid tribute to the people who pioneered in the local travel and tourism industry, thanking them for

transforming the CNMI into one of the top travel destinations in the Pacific. Speaking during the Recognition Night last week honoring outstanding tourism employees, Anicia O. Tomokane described the industry pioneers as "brave

souls who recognized our potential for tourism, and who matched their convictions with hard work in a locale that, back then, was regarded as remote if not downright mysterious."

Ten years ago, Tomokane noted, the CNMI was host to only 157,000 tourists. Last fiscal year, 722,000 visitors came.

Tomokane said the pioneering industry workers surmounted such challenges as uncertainties and doubts to "put us on the world's stage as one of the Pacific's leading vacation destinations."

"The time has come for you to

tude, and to be recognized for your success," Tomokane said in

Addressing those who joined the industry more recently and made remarkable accomplishments, she said, "You certainly have a high standard to match. and I congratulate you on your achievements. We are fortunate to have you in our local industry, and we hope that you will be with us for many years to come."

The MVB honored seven "ou standing" employees representing different tourism-related establishments and 14 others who A. Lee of Korean Airlines. have been in the industry for 10 vears or more during the Recognition Night held Friday at the Diamond Hotel. The Recognition Night was part of the CNMI Tourism Week celebrations.

The honored employees of the year were Fernando V. Espiritu of Aqua Resort Club; Mr. Lee, Tae Young of S.R. Coco Tour; Liezel Alajaga of Hafa Adai Beach Hotel; Antonio Ichiuo of Tasi Tours & Transportation; Juliano Matsutaro of Dai-Ichi Hotel; Ms. Choi, Eun Sook of ters, and Ellen Q. Camacho of take the center stage of our grati- Asiana Airlines; and Mrs. Moon RIC Tours Saipan.



Anicia Q. Tomokane

The industry "pioneers" who were honored were Thomas Dela Cruz, Teresita Matsumoto, Tadao Kumagai, Juliana Cabrera, Toshiichi Kase, Osamu Kobayashi, Franklin Encio, Marcial Quintero and Maria Eugenio, all of Hafa Adai Beach

Jesus Hocog of Tasi Tours and Transportation, Luisa C. Camacho of Japan Airlines, Johnsen Shiprit of Saipan Sea Ventures and Pelley Boat Char-

# Cing bares BPL choices

Variety News Staff

SENATOR David M. Cing yesterdayrevealed the names of the Senate's nominees for the Board of Public Lands submitted recently to Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio.

The list, which includes wellknown political and business leaders and a nun, contained 17 nominees from Saipan, 5 from Rota, and 1 from

Public Law 10-57 requires that the BPL board be composed of 3 directors from Saipan, 1 from Rota and 1

The governor will make nominations to the board, subject to Senate confirmation.

By Jojo Dass

Variety News Staff

access to the firearm.

person or property.

As earlier reported by the Variety, former Supreme Court chief justice

REPRESENTATIVE Rosiky F.

Camacho has filed a bill that

would penalize gun owners

found to have allowed minors

House Bill 10-413, or the "Mi-

nor Firearm Control Act,"

Camacho said, seeks to civilly

hold any person who allow mi-

nors access to guns liable for any

damage that the gun may cause

whether to the minor, another

It also seeks to impose a fine

of \$1,000 and 30 days imprison-

ment on persons who deliber-

ately give a gun to a minor for an

Those who fail to reasonably

secure their guns and have it

stocked away from minors will

be slapped a \$500 and a three-

day imprisonment also for mis-

Camacho, in his bill said, the

move was made after the Legis-

lature found that there is a prob-

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From Tinian: Richard U.

Cing (D-Tinian), who chairs the Senate Committee on Executive Appointment and Government Investigation, yesterday told the Vari-

ety that the nominees are all "very credible and well respected" individuals.

Governor Tenorio on Monday confirmed receiving the list of nominees, and said that he has sent letters to all

He said he will nominate those · who will express willingness to serve sulted in P.L. 10-57, Tenorio said he will not make any appointments to BPL, which the law created.

He added, however, that he would appoint whomever the Legislature

In last week's Senate hearings on public lands, Cing told Tenorio that the Senate will "follow" the governor's advice, and will soon submit names for BPL.

Tenorio on Monday said though he will appoint BPL board members, he will soon challenge the constitutionality of P.L. 10-57.

The governor said he remains convinced that an elected official is more accountable to the people than an autonomous board.

## Bill requires pet owners to leash dogs

By Zaldy Dandan Variety News Staff

SENATE Majority Leader Thomas P. Villagomez has filed a bill that would require all dog owners or caretakers to keep their dogs on a leash while at public places.

Senate Bill 10-82, or the "CNMI Leash" legislation, states that the leash should be no more than six feet. Violators would be fined \$75.

The bill states that many dog owners and caretakers bring dogs to pub-

lic places without placing the dogs on

Allowing dogs to run freely in public places "intrudes on the rights of others in the use and enjoyment of the public areas, and places others at risk of being attacked and bitten by the dogs."

The bill states that banning unleasheddogsin public places is needed to protect the public.

Meanwhile, the Senate Select Committee on Salary Adjustment created by Senate President Jesus R. Sablan will hold a public hearing today on three wage hike bills.

Invited to testify are the directors of the Office of Personnel Management and the Office of Management and Budget, the Finance secretary, the public auditor, the mayors of Saipan and the Northern Islands, other department heads and interested individuals.

The hearing will be held at the Senate chamber on Capitol Hill, and will start at 10:30 a.m.



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# CRM hits coral poaching

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agement has expressed concern about the taking of live corals by some people from the Saipan

was aired by several participants in the recently two-day forum/ Financing Available workshop on the Saipan Lagoon. take the live corals for use as with approved lime by betel nut chewers. credit

"I'm very concerned with that thing," Sablan told the Variety, although he claimed this matter is under the jurisdiction of the CNMI Division of Fish and He said no one should be al-PEU model

lowed to get any live coral.

At the same time, Sablan pointed out the problem of determining whether a certain coral is dead and therefore can



Manuel C. Sablan

be taken.

"I believe it is the responsibility of the Fish and Wildlife to make that particular designation that it is dead coral and that

it is all right to pick it up for the traditional purpose of coverting it into lime," Sablan said.

Sablan said the participants who expressed their concern pointed out that the people they saw were mining live corals.

Live corals are usually found in shallow waters, Sablan said. "So they are always inside the lagoon, never outside the lagoon."

These live corals being picked, Sablan said, usually look ike sprouting horns or fingers.

"These are the ones they (pickers) collect for the lime, he said. "That's calcium car-

The corals are usually turned into lime by burning them.

# Senate eyes legislative solutions to ongoing public lands standoff

Variety News Staff SENATORS yesterday announced that legislation for pending land transactions will be filed whenever the Senate holds a session.

In the resumption yesterday of the Senate Committee on Executive Appointment and Government Investigation hearing on public lands, Sen. David M. Cing (D-Tinian) said a bill on the land lease in Chalan Kanoa has already been prefiled.

The U.S. Postal Service wants to lease the land for a \$2 million postal facility, but with the ongoing deadlock on public lands, Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio has said that the CNMI is danger of losing the federal funds

He said the land lease should be signed this week.

Cing, the committee chair, yesterday said if the lease agreement is really urgent, we'll request the Senate president to call for a session so we could pass the bill for it immediately.'

He said the bill would allow the governor to sign the land lease

Even with the standoff between the Legislature and the governor over the management of public lands, Cing said the Legislature will "set a direction."

Senate Vice President Paul A. Manglona (R-Rota), in an interview before the hearing, said the governor has been blaming the Legislature for the current deadlock, "when it's him (Tenorio) who will not appoint members to the Board of Public Lands." (see related story)

Division of Public Lands Director Bertha T. Camacho yesterday handed to the committee a list of

pending land lease transactions which needed only the signature of the governor for approval.

Public Law 10-57, the bill for which Tenorio vetoed but became law after the Legislature's veto override, transferred authority over public lands from the governor to a vet to be formed Board of Public

Tenorio said he will veto any amendments to the law, and will even challenge its constitutionality

Tenorio and Lt. Gov. Jesus C. Borja were invited in yesterday's hearings, but did not show up.

However, Borja's special assistant, Jack C. Muna, testified on behalf of the lieutenant governor, while acting Attorney General Robert Dunlap II answered questions for Tenorio.

Without Borja and Tenorio, who have opposing views on public lands management, discussions during yesterday's hearing were mainly about homestead lots.

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Mr. Juan S. Tenorio, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC), announces that NMHC will be conducting a Home Ownership Seminar on Wednesday, May 21, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library. The purpose of this seminar is to provide information and the practical aspects in obtaining an ideal house. The event marks another step where the government agencies and private sectors working together to share the important functions and responsibilities in dealing with prospective homeowners.

NMHC anticipates to have speakers who will present topics on choosing a house, energy efficiency, fire safety, selection of contractor(s), construction methods, appraisal, shopping for a residential loan, title examination and insurance, project inspections, budget and house maintenance, permits (Building Safety office, Division of Public Lands and Environmental Quality, and Coastal Resources Management Office), etc...

Prospective homeowners who have yet to commence or complete construction of their house are encouraged to participate in this event. Anyone interested in receiving more details concerning the above, is encouraged to contact the NMHC at telephone numbers 234-7689/7690/6866/9447.

"NMHC is an equal employment and fair housing public agency"

## Many alien nurses not keen on NCLEX policy

By Ferdie de la Torre Variety News Staff

MANY alien nurses at the Commonwealth Health Center are not interested in taking up the required National Council Li-

Judith Avery, director of public health nursing development. disclosed that currently only eight nurses have sat for the NCLEX test.

"There are many who feel that they will not pass the exam so they are not spending the hundred plus dollars for the costs of the exam. They plan to return to the Philippines when their contract is up," Avery said.

The Filipino nurses who consist majority of nursing staff in the hospital, the director said, would agree to stay longer if allowed to practice without having to first pass the NCLEX.

"Those who pass the NCLEX will leave for work on the U.S. Mainland where salaries are higher and there is a greater chance for advancement," she said.

Avery said six have passed and of those, one already left the CNMI and three others have asked for letters of reference.

About 150 trained nurses will be replaced as a consequence of the requirement that all nurses pass the NCLEX by June 1, 1997.

The recruitment agencies claimed they cannot find qualified replacements for that large number of nurss in such a short

Avery explained that from the beginning of the NCLEX'application process until the test results arrive can take over six months.

# 2 missing Kiribati Rewhere in the Pacific fishermen found

TARAWA (Pacnews)—Two missing mayor before taken to Majuro where I-Kiribati fishermen have been found in the Marshall Islands after drifting in the open sea for about 5 months.

Taku Katatia, 38 from Tarawa and partner, Tamango Teitikai 24, from Maiana, landed safely on Mili Atoll in the Marshall Islands last Thursday, Radio Kiribati reported.

Reports from Mili said they were in good health and were looked after by the

that I-Kiribati fishermencontinue to prove themselves as great survivors at sea.

arrangements are being made to repatri-

ate them to Tarawa, the capital of Kiribati.

The two were first reported missing on

December 24 last year on an aluminium

boat with a 15 horse power engine, but

rescue boots and planes never spotted

Radio Kiribati says the incident shows

## PNG director arrested

PORTMORESBY (Pacnews)—The director of the Individual Rights Community Advocacy Forum in Papua New Guinea, Powes Parkop has been arrested and charged by police.

He was charged with two counts of unlawful assembly - relation to the

Parkop's arrest brings to four the number of non-government organisation activists arrested by police for their involvement in the Sandline issue.

#### Sandline issue, NBC reported.

Parkop will appear before the District Court yesterday.

# INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL

The NAURU COUNCIL is inviting qualified, interested firms to submit a proposal for management of the Nauru Building, Susupe Village, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana

Proposals are sought for management, under contract, of the building and its environs, including marketing, leasing and maintenance, in exchange for a management fee.

Proposals may be submitted, in writing, by mail to Nauru Council, Post Office Box 590, Saipan, MP 96950, or by personal delivery to the Nauru Office. Sixth Floor, Nauru Building.

Arrangements for inspection of the Nauru Building and for obtaining information about the current status of building operations may be made by calling 234-6941 or by visiting the Nauru Building

The Nauru Council reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to engage a management firm by means of a negotiated contract.

# Solomon Islands, PNG formalize trade accord

SUVA (Pacnews)—Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands have signed a bilateral technical cooperation agreement that will foster trade be-

The agreement was signed at Valavala Estate, Savusavu in Fiji's northern Vanua Levu island, where the two leaders attended the 11th Summit of the Melanesian Spearhead Group,

#### Tonga hotel project to begin soon

NUKU'ALOFA (Pacnews) -Extension work for the International Dateline Hotel in Tonga will begin in August this year as planned despite the change over in the financial backing of the project.

One of the directors of the National Development Corporation Limited (NDCL), the agent for the Dateline project, leaves for the United States this month for signing of a new contract with a number for financial groupings in Los Angeles, Radio Tonga reported.

The NDCL recently suffered financial confusion when the chairman, Clare Morse, who held 35 percent shares of the funds for the hotel project, filed for business bankruptcy towards the end of last year in the state of Utah.

The NDCL has since recruited new financial partners. The Dateline Hotel extension

completed in July 1999.

project covres the construction of 124 new rooms a restaurant and conference rooms plus the remodelling of the present hotel structure. The project is expected to be

PNG acting prime minister John Giheno and his Solomon Islands counterpart, Solomon Mamaloni said the agreement sets the framework for the two governments to formalise existing bilateral cooperation in various areas including education exchanges, provision of judges, magistrates and other technical experts and facilitate coop-

In a joint statement the two leaders said the agreement would complement

the framework treaty guiding relationships between PNG and Solomon Islands signed in Port Moresby on September 16, 1995.

This, they said, was in line with their governments' intention to strengthen and diversify their bilateral relationship.

# Official: Illiteracy a problem in Vanuatu

PORT VILA (Pacnews)— Vanuatu's deputy prime minister and minister of education, Donald Kalpokas, says illiteracy is a problem in the country and the government is devoting all possible resources to eliminate the problem. He said this year approximately 20

percent of the national budget has been allocated for this purpose, the Trading Post reported.

Kalpokas said with the support of

emment organisations, the government is working to eradicate illiteracy, by improving the training of pre-school teachers to ensure that all children receive a thorough grounding in the skills of reading and writing; and supporting a review of the work of the Vanuatu Teachers college to ensure that the general teaching of English and French is im-

international donors and the non-gov-

# Visitor arrivals to Fiji show strong growth

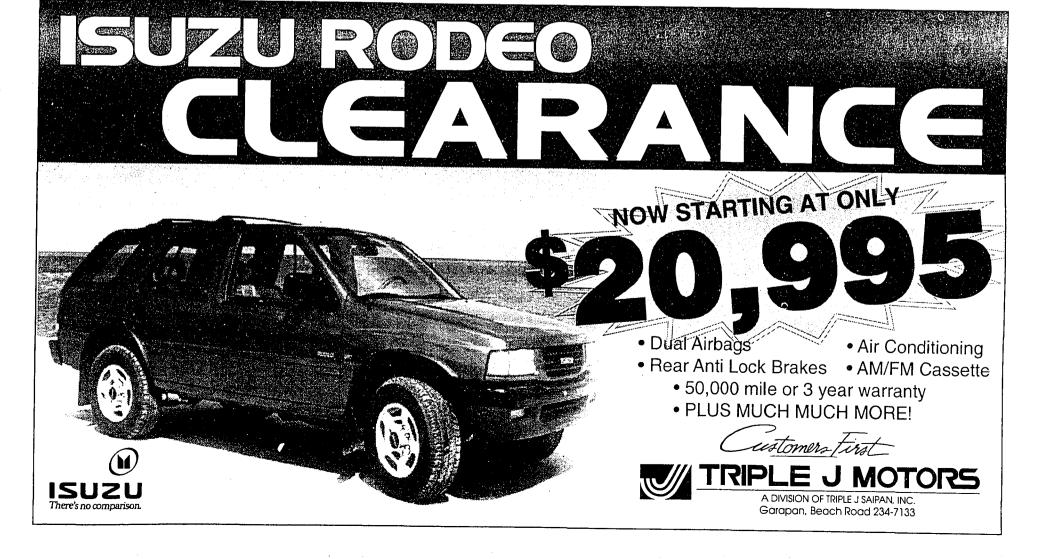
SUVA (Pacnews)—There's been a other record year of visitor arrivals. strong growth in visitor arrivals to Fiji in the first two months of this year, continuing atrend experienced

The 26,000 visitors for February is a record for the month and represents a 17.7 increase over the same period n 1996 the Fiji Times reported.

But preliminary results indicate that the increase in March and April was more modest.

However, even though the two months indicate there will be anaccording to industry sources, the results so far show strong overseas demand for tourist services.

But the problem, they say, continue to be on the supply side with shortage in up-markethotel accommodation and insufficient airline seats to meet potential demand from some areas. Fiji's Bureau of Statistics attributed much of the boost in arrivals for February to the hosting of the World Festival of Praise in



# JAL: Osaka-Saipan flight Governor guests on to depend on load factor

Variety News Staff

THE continuance of Japan Airlines' direct flight service between Osaka and Saipan will depend on the average load factor, the airlines' Saipan station manager said.

"We need over 80 percent load factor in order to continue this direct flight service," Hideo Tomioka told the Variety in an interview. This means that a direct flight plane should have an average of over 80 percent seat

JAL inaugurated the Osaka-Saipan five-times-weekly direct flight last April 2. On Tuesdays and Fridays, the flights remain by way of Guam.

Prior to this, tourists originating from the Kansai International Airport in Osaka came here via Guam where they had to make a one-hour stopover.

A review of the April passen-



Hideo Tomioka

ger record provided by JAL showed that 3,033 passengers took the Osaka-Saipan direct flights, or a load factor of 74 percent.

Tomioka said they were satisfied with this first-month figure, but pointed out that it should go up further to make the service viable in the long run.

# Jon Anderson Live

once again sits down and discusses the issues of the day on tonights Jon Anderson Live. The topics highlighting Tenorio's guesting may include the Governor's recent choice of Saipan Mayor Jesus S. Guerrero as a running mate for the fall elecion, the recent agreement with the Chinese government, and the state of the island's labor situation.

Both the Governor and Jon will be taking your calls and comments on this edition of Jon Anderson

Jon Anderson Live is a talk show where viewers can call in with their comments and questions on the is-



sues that matter in the CNMI. Jon Anderson Live airs every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. on KMCV Channel 7.

## During the same month last year, JAL carried 2,047 Japanese cular concrete subterranean gun emplacements and one partially completed bunker with a 6 inch British Whitworth Gun.

The April 1997 figure repre-

sents a 48 percent increase over

But if the 827 passengers who

flew in via Guam are to be in-

cluded, the total number of 3,860

represents a hefty 88 percent in-

crease over the total arrivals a

year ago, when there were no di-

rect flights from Kansai Airport

"We want to continue-this di-

rect service as long as possible. It

depends on the results this year,"

Tomioka said, at the same time

urging JAL riders to patronize

what he calls the Paradise Direct.

to Saipan.

the same period last year.

Bitter adversaries in a lawsuit involving local government powers, Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio (right) and Rota Mayor Joseph S. Inos (left) greet each other during last Saturday's Democratic Party fundraising dinner. To the governor's right is OMB Chief Eli D. Cabrera (center).

## Activities being planned for Historic Preservation Week

GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio is set to proclaim May 18 to 24 1997 as Commonwealth Historic Preservation Week, the Historic Preservation Office said.

The event is held annually to promote greater awareness about the program and to stress the need to preserve and protect the Commonwealth's irreplaceable historic and cultural resources, HPO said in a news release.

To mark the week, the HPO has scheduled several activities which are open to the public.

Historic Preservation Week activities will begin on Monday, 19 May, with an artifact display and open house at the HPO's office at the Saipan International Airport.

The open house runs from Monday until Friday.

On Tuesday, there will be guided tour to historic and prehistoric sites in the Naftan area of Saipan.

A number of features will be cleared which until recently was not accessible to the general public. This includes a Japanese Shinto Shrine underneath a limestone outcrop cave, four stone lined circular open gun emplacements, three cir-

On Wednesday, the HPO will take senior citizens (man am'ko) on a guided tour of several historic sites on Saipan while on Thursday. the public is invited to participate in the archaeological recording of an ancient Latte site in Kagman.

Historic Preservation Week activities will wrap up on Friday with an excavation at the Agingan archaeological site.

HPO offices on Rota and Tinian will also conduct events to mark preservation week.

These activities are scheduled to take place from 8:30 to 11:00 in the mornings and 1:30 to 4:00 in the

On Saipan interested individuals, or teachers who wish to have their classes participate in any of the proposed activities are invited to contact the HPO at telephone # 664-2120 to sign up and get more information about these events. On Rota contact Pete Duenas at 533-0818 and on Tinian, Carmen Sanchez at 433-0220.

#### ABC reminds on renewals

THE Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Office reminds all licensed business establishments that applications for Alcoholic Beverage Control license renewals are now being accepted at the ABC Office located at the Department of Commerce Building on Capitol Hill.

The deadline for filing of renewal applications, including payment of fees, is June 30, 1997, a notice from ABC said.

All licensees whose renewals fees remain unpaid as of June 30, 1997 will automatically be suspended pursuant to 4 CMC Section 5528. Licenses which remain suspended as of July 31,

fees, will automatically be revoked and the Secretary of Commerce shall not issue a renewal license.

If a license is revoked as of July 31, 1997, a new application must be submitted for consideration by the Secretary of Commerce, the notice read.

available and may be received from the ABC Office anytime between 7:30 am and 4:30 pm on weekdays except on holi-

For more information please call the ABC Office at telephone numbers 664-3060 or 664-3065.

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#### is representing Bellas' wife in the judge divorce case. Following the recusal of Bellas, Castro tossed the case to Associate Judge Miguel Demapan. Castro said the jury trial in the case is still currently set for Nov. 24, 1997. Sidney Camacho and his cousin Alex Agulto Camacho were charged

# with murder in the second degree and aggravated assault and battery. relief goods

By Jojo Dass Variety News Staff

Pohnpei

landslide

still pour in

By Ferdie de la Torre Variety News Staff

SUPERIOR Court Associate Judge

Timothy Bellas has disqualified him-

self from presiding the case of two

suspects in the fatal mauling of a

Filipino security guard at Nikko Ho-

Presiding Judge Alexandro Castro

said in his order issued yesterday that

Bellas has been forced to recuse him-

Theodore R. Mitchell, counsel for

defendant Sidney Tenorio Camacho,

self due to an on-going conflict.

THE DEPARTMENT of Community and Cultural Affairs has raised close to a hundred boxes of relief goods and an estimated \$4,000 in cash for last month's victims of the Pohnpei landslides.

"And we're still getting more," said DCCA Secretary Thomas A. Tebuteb.

"We have a lot more than what we had earlier sent... we're receiving a very positive response from the community" he added.

Among the donors, he said, are Pacific Islands Club which donated a truckload of relief goods; Saipan Stevedore Inc. which issued \$2,000 and the Tan Holdings Corp. which gave out \$1,000.

"It (donations) just keep coming in," Tebuteb said.

A shipment of about 28 boxes of relief goods and \$6,000 were sent to Pohnpeion May 1 as part of CNMI's efforts to assist the island state in recovering from the landslides which buried houses and left about 20 persons dead last April 20.

Thesecondshipment, Tebutebsaid, is scheduled to be sent on May 30. The relief drive came in the mids

of calls made by Senate and House leaders who urged CNMI citizens to assist the victims.

"Withouthelpof caring neighbors, it will take the remaining family members a long time to restore what was lost," said Senate President Jesus SablanandSpeakerDiegoBenavente in a joint communiqué.

"It is not right that in the midst of their mourning for lost loved ones, they should have to (be) alone (in bearing) the burdenofseekingtorebuildtheirhomes and lives," they added.

Extending assistance to neighboring islands, the leaders said, "is keeping with the highest Pacific traditions of hospitality, caring and community support."

# Judge recuses self Mitsubishi allows new CUC from murder case Scheme for loan payments

Variety News Staff

to make its payments.

wealth Utilities Corp. to buy a

higher-interest-earning time

certificate of deposit, or TCD,

from which the CUC withdraws

According to CUC's finan-

cial report as of Feb. 28, which

was submitted to the board of

directors early this month, the

TCD was earning a 4.9375 per-

cent interest per annum.

cent interest p.a.

Court information showed that the two defendants mauled Bernardo M. Tique, who was on duty at Nikko Hotel last Dec. 1. Tique then died in a Philippine hospital as a result of the

The defendants reportedly got irked when the victim asked them to leave the poolside where they and other companions were swimming. The pool was closed at the time.



Timothy Bellas

scheme for loan payments power plant project.
Since 1992 Mitsubishi has re-CREDITOR Mitsubishi Corp. quired the CUC to deposit has allowed the Commonmonthly \$200,000 with the Asahi

> Bank, Ltd. in an escrow account. From this account the CUC withdraw its amortization payments to Mitsubishi every March and September.

Because of the bank account's low interest, CUC Executive Director Timothy Villagomez and Comptroller Yenny Tom requested Mitsubishi last February to change the escrow account requirement.

Before this the CUC had only One option the officials reone option: to deposit its semiannual payments in an escrow quested was for the CUC to make direct payments to Mitsubishi and account that earned only 1 pernot through a Japanese bank.

CUC made a loan with Apparenty the direct payment Mitsubishi in the amount of scheme was not granted. \$15.9 million for the Saipan According to the financial re-

agreed to the purchase of a

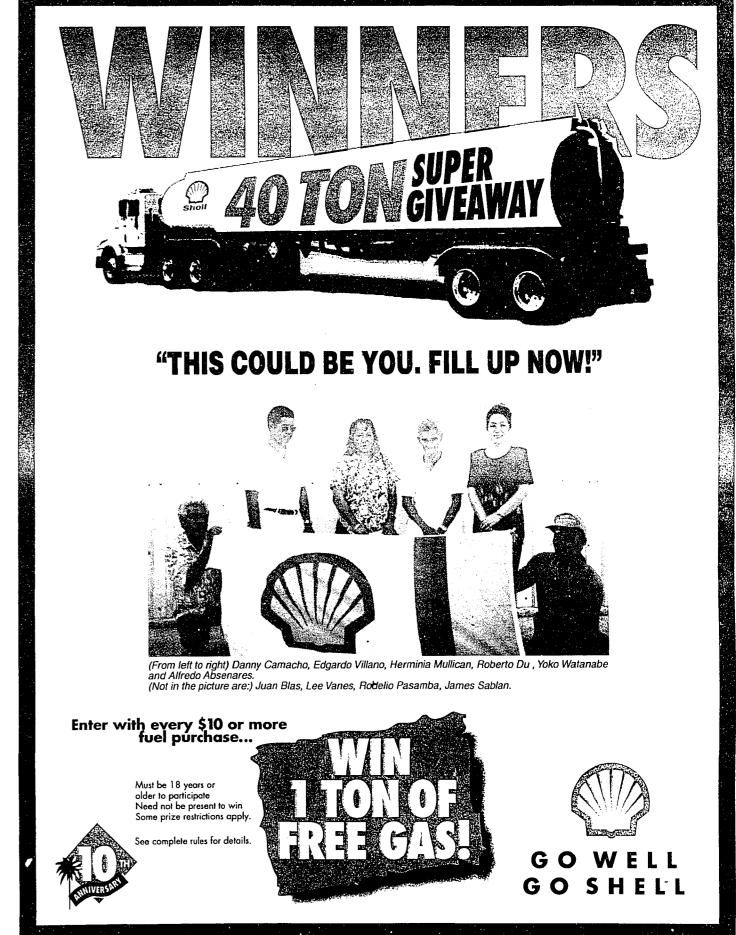
"When a payment is due, CUC will transfer funds from the escrow account and/or time certificate of deposit to Mitsubishi's

account," the report explained. The report said the CUC first purchased a 31-day TCD last Feb. 28 for \$155,000 with an interest rate of 4.75 p.a.

When this matured one month after, the CUC added another \$155,000 to the maturity value for another purchase of a 30day TCD for \$310,634, with a 4.9375 interest p.a.

CUC's debt as of Feb. 28 stood at about \$6 million, the report said.

CUC's escrow account had a balance of over \$2.3 million, the report also said.





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April 14 Placement Testing: English at 1:00PM & Math at 5:00PM	July 9	Last Day for 40% Refund
April 15 Placement Testing: Math at 1:00PM & English at 5:00PM	July 25	Last Day to Withdraw
May 19 Placement Testing: English at 1:00PM & Math at 5:00PM	August 8	Last Day of Instruction/Final Exams
May 19-20Registration for Ongoing Students (for all Summer Sessions)	August 11	Grades Due
May 20 Placement Testing Last Day: Math at 1:00PM & English at 5:00PM		
May 20 Orientation for New Students (for all Summer Sessions)	R	egular Session: May 27-July 25
May 21 Registration for New Students (for all Summer Sessions)		First Day of Instruction
,	May 27-30	Add/Drop/Late Registration
Session 1: May 22-June 27		Last Day for 80% Refund
May 22 First Day of Instruction		Last Day for 40% Refund
May 22-23	June 27	Last Day to Withdraw
May 26 Holiday-Memorial Day	July 4	Holiday-Independence Day
May 28 Last Day for 80% Refund	July 25	Last Day of Instruction/Final Exams
June 2 Last Day for 40% Refund		Grades Due
June 13 Last Day to Withdraw	•	
June 27Last Day of Instruction/Final Exams	Exte	ended Session: May 27-August 8
July 3	May 27	First Day of Instruction
	May 27-30	Add/Drop/Late Registration
Session 2: July 2-August 8		Last Day for 80% Refund
June 30 English Placement Testing at 1:00PM	June23	Last Day for 40% Refund
July 1 Registration		Holiday-Independence Day
July 2 First Day of Instruction		Last Day to Withdraw
July 2-3 Add/Drop/Late Registration		Last Day of Instruction/Final Exams
July 4 Holiday-Independence Day	•	Grades Due
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Official/Certified transcript	Non-Degree International
Immunization record	<ol> <li>Admissions application with \$15 fee</li> </ol>
International	Copy of valid passport
Admissions application with \$15 fee	<ol><li>Copy of entry permit (permit must be valid for th</li></ol>
Health evaluation	duration of the semester)

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Official/Certified copy of transcript GPA of 3.0 or above (counselor's recommendation if GPA is below 3.0) Parental permission

#### Registration Procedures

Registration is by appointment ONLY. Appointments are based on the date of your submission of Request for Registration Packet. If you have any obligations that have not been cleared, or you did not request a registration packet, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REGISTER. Registration is from 08:30AM-12:00PM and 01:30-06:30PM. Detailed registration procedures will be posted during the registration period.

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II.	Student Activity Fees	*		Adult Basic Education		Office Technology	
	1-11 credits	\$8		Computer Courses	\$50	(Except OT120 & OT206)	\$35
	12 or more credits	\$10		Applied Music	\$75	PE Course Activity Fee	\$10
	Student ID card	\$3		Computer Lab		Science Lab	\$50
III.	Special Fees*			(All CS Courses and AC 226)	\$75		\$100
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	Re-admission	\$5		Construction & Carpentry Trades	<b>\$</b> 75	*Student activity fees, special fees, la	ih and
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EN074-1 Writing/Grammar Study I	6NDU		09:30-11:00AM	A-2B	A. DiGiacomo	EN071-1	Beg. English: Reading/Writing	6NDU	M-F	08:00-09:30AM	A-4	Staff
	&	M-F	02:30-03:55PM	A-2B	A. DiGiacomo			&	M-F	01:00-02:25PM	A-4	Staff
EN074-1L Lab		TBA	TBA	A-1		EN071-1L	. Lab		TBA	TBA	A-1	
EN083-1 Reading/Vocab, Dev. II	4NDU	M-F	03:00-04:55PM	A-4	F. DiGiacomo	EN073-1	Reading/Vocab, Dev. I	6NDU	M-F	08:00-09:30AM	A-2B	R. Newport
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EN084-1 Writing/Grammar Study I	I 4NDU		10:00-11:55AM	A-4	B. Johnson	EN073-1L	. Lab		TBA	TBA		A-1
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EN093-1 Reading/Vocab. Dev. III	4NDU		04:00-05:55PM	A-2B	B. Johnson	EN083-2L	Lab		TBA	TBA	A-1	
EN093-1L Lab		TBA	TBA	A-1		EN084-2	Writing/Grammar Study II	4NDU	M-F	04:00-5:55PM	A-4	L. Roach
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EN094-1L Lab		TBA	TBA	A-1		EN093-2	Reading/Vocab. Dev. III	4NDU	M-F	06:00-07:55PM	A-6	R. Newport
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AN101-1 Intro. to Anthropology	093/094	3	M-TH	03:00-04:15PM	K-2	L. Hacskaylo					
GE201-1 World Regional Geo.	093/094	3	M-TH	11:00-12:15PM	N-5	J. Smith					
HI122-1 Hist, of World Civs. II	093/094	3	M-TH	08:00-09:15AM	K-2	J. Smith					
HI122-2 Hist. of World Civs. II	093/094	3	M-TH	12:30-01:45PM	K-2	J. Smith					
HI255-1 History of the NMI	093/094	3	TTH	05:30-08:00PM	A-7	N. Taisacan					
PS110-1 Prin. of Democratic Instris	. 101	3	MW	05:00-07:30PM	A-7	E. Camacho					
PY101-1 General Psychology	093/094	3	M-TH	11:00-12:15PM	K-2	V. Uludong					
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*SO297-1 Current Issues in the CNM	1 202	3	MW	10:00-11:15AM	A-7	L. Hacskaylo					
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	CS103-2	Intro. to Computers	083/084	3	M-TH	02:00-03:15PM	W-2	S. Mensah
	CS103-3	Intro. to Computers	083/084	3	M-TH	03:30-04:45PM	W-2	S. Mensah
	CS103-4	Intro. to Computers	083/084	3	M-TH	05:00-06:15PM	W-3	F. Hill
	CS131-1	Microsoft Word /Mac	083/084	3	M-TH	09:30-10:45AM	W-1	B. Sablan
	CS132-1	Word Perfect/IBM	083/084	3	M-TH	01:00-02:15PM	W-4	B: Sablan
	MG231-1	Intro. to Business	083/084	3	M-TH	06:30-07:45PM	V-215	Staff
	OT120-1	Business Math	083/084	3	M-TH	05:00-06:15PM	V-215	Y. Rich
	TS101-1	Intro. to Travel & Tourism	083/084	3	M-TH	03:30-04:45PM	N-5	Y. Rich
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ED195-1	Preparation for CDA	093/094	3	M-TH	10:00-11:15AM	A-7	L. Bames
ED201-1	Human Growth & Dev.	093/094	3	M-TH	10:30-11:45AM	C-4	R. Fua
ED215-1	Intro. to Excep. Indivs.	093/094	3	M-TH	03:00-04:15PM	A-7	Staff
ED280-1	Intro. to Multicultural Ed.	093/094	3	M-TH	01:00-02:15PM	A-7	L. Bames
ED300-1	Educational Psychology	202	3	M-TH	05:00-06:15PM	C-4	R. Fua
ED324-1	Integrating Curriculum III	202	5	M-TH	03:00-04:15PM	FS-7	H. Jung
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RS330-1	Strategies for Rel. Servs.	093/094	3	TBA	TBA	CDAC	N. Flood
RS389-1	Rel. Servs. Prac. II	093/094	2	TBA	TBA	CDAC	N. Flood
SL101-1	Intro. to Sign Language	093/094	3	M-TH	05:30-06:45PM	FS-1	A. Yamada
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Ì	HE230-1	Nutrition and Health	101	3	MWF	03:00-04:30PM	C-4	TBA

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ı	CJ209-1	Concepts of Pol. Opns.	093/094	3	TTH	06:00-08:30PM	N-5	F. Babauta
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BI101-1 BI101-1L	Principles of Biology Lab	093/094	4	M-TH F	09:00-09:55AM 08:00-10:30AM	B-4 B-4	R. Masga R. Masga
BI120-1 BI120-1L	Human Biology Lab	093/094	4	M-TH F	05:00-05:55PM 04:30-06:30PM	B-2 B-2	R. Church R. Church
BI201-1 BI201-1L	Natural History of the NMI Lab	093/094	4	M-TH F	03:00-03:55PM 02:00-04:30PM	B-1 B-1	R. Church R. Church
CH100-1 CH100-1L	Basic Chemistry	093/094	4	M-TH F	11:00-11:55AM 11:00-01:30PM	A-8 B-3	L. Seaver L. Seaver
NS101-1 NS101-1L	Intro. to Physical Scis.	093/094	4	M-TH F	09:00-09:55AM 08:00-10:30AM	A-11 B-1	L. Seaver L. Seaver

#### Adult Education Program

COURSE COURSE TITLE

June 2-August 22
ABE Registration: May 20-22
Student Orientation: May 23 Pre-registration: May 7-9

BASIC LEVEL DAYS TIME ROOM INSTRUCTOR
TTHS 05:00-06:00PM K-1 Staff
MWF 04:00-5:00PM K-1 Staff ABE052 Advanced ESL ABE065-069 All Subjects Integrated

PRE-GED LEVEL MWF 05:10-06:10PM K-1 Staff MWF 06:20-07:20PM K-1 Staff MWF 07:30-08:30PM K-1 Staff ABE075 Pre-GED Reading ABE076 Pre-GED Writing ABE079 Pre-GED Math

GED LEVEL TTHS 07:30-08:30PM K-1 Staff TTHS 06:15-07:15PM K-1 Staff ABE086 GED Writing ABE089 GED Math

GED HOME STUDY PROGRAM GED Home Study Program for five basic subjects via Distance Education on MCV cable channel 98. M-TH 12:00-12:30PM channel 98 M-TH 03:00-03:30PM channel 98

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Education Human Growth & Dev. 093/094 3 M-TH 06:30-07:45PM B-1 J. Taimanao Intro. to Multicultural Ed. 093/094 3 M-TH 05:00-06:15PM B-1 Staff

Public Safety Administration Intro. to Criminal Justice 093/094 3 M-F 05:00-05:55PM B-3 F. Mendiola First Responder 093/094 3 M-F 06:00-06:55PM B-3 D. Hocog

Visual Arts 073/074 3 M-TH 06:30-07:45PM AG M. Hartsock

Extended Session: May 27-August 8 Mathematics

MA090 Intensive Learning Math. 083/084 4NDU M-F 09:30-10:30AM A-1 Staff Sciences

Environmental Science 093/094 4 M-TH 05:00-05:55PM B-2 Staff Lab F 05:00-07:30PM

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Regular Session: May 27-July 25

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GE201-1 World Regional Geo. 093/094 3 M-TH 11:00-12:15PM C J. Smith

Business & Hospitality TS101-1 Intro. to Travel & Tourism 083/084 3 M-TH 03:30-04:45PM C Y. Rich

Education 093/094 3 MTH 06:00-08:30PM E R. Quitano ED146 Ad. in Early Chidhd. Humanities

CM101 Elementary Chamorro I 083/084 4 M-TH 04:30-06:00PM E A. Cing

PI201

Intro. to Philosophy

Physical Education & Health PE125 Beginning Basketball 073/074 1 S 06:00-09:30PM GYM R. Fore

101 3 MW 06:00-08:30PM E D. Williams

Public Safety Administration CJ200 Criminal Law 093/094 3 WF 06:00-08:30PM C L. Rowe CS209-1 Concepts of Pol. Opns. 093/094 3 TTH 06:00-08:30PM C F. Babauta

Session 1: May 22-June 27 Business & Hospitality
083/084 3 M-F 06:00-07:30PM A A. Perez

Session 2: July 2-August 8

Business & Hospitality
083/084 3 M-F 06:00-07:30PM A A. Perez

Extended Session: May 27-August 8 Mathematics MA090-2 Intensive Learning Math. 083/084 4NDU M-F 05:00-08:00PM C B. Torres

Mexico's President Ernesto Zedillo, left, and Philippines President Fidel Ramos inspect an honor guard during Ramos' official reception at the National Palace Monday, in Mexico City. Ramos, on a five-day visit to Mexico, will travel on to Panama. AP

# Philippines, Mexico share 'experience of rebellion'

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Philippine resident Fidel V. Ramos has pushed for trade, investment, and cultural and technological exchanges during

his five-day state yisit here. But in a brief private meeting Monday, Ramos and Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo talked about another area of mutual interest: fight-

ing guerrilla uprisings. "Our president said the most important thing is patience, constructive patience," Philippines government spokesman Hector Villanueva said.

Both countries have faced ethnic, peasant and religious rebellions. The Philippines has largely resolved its problems; Mexico hasn't.

In Mexico, a mostly Indian rebel group, the Zapatista National Liberation Army rose up in the southeastern state of Chiapas 3 1-2 years ago.

In 1996, the Marxist group Popular Revolutionary Army, or EPR, appeared for the first time in several southern states.

A few other armed, clandestine

groups are believed to be operating in Mexico as well.

Negotiations with the Zapatistas have foundered and a partial accord on Indian rights and limited autonomy continues unimplemented.

Meanwhile, dozens of suspected EPR leaders have been iailed on sometimes questionable charges. Mexican human rights workers have criticized the militarization of peasant communities throughout the country and of police forces in Mexico City.

In the past decade, the Philippines has faced rebel movements from both the far right and the far left, as well as a Muslim separatist movement on the

Similar to the Zapatistas and hundreds of unarmed peasant movements in Mexico, the issue behind the Muslim separatist movement was the recuperation of ancestral lands, Villanueva said.

But now, the former leader of the separatist movement governs the Mindanao Muslim Autonomous Region, and negotiations continue with leftist groups, Villanueva

Ramos encouraged Zedillo to continue on the path of seeking accommodation with rebel groups within legal frameworks, Villanueva said.

# RP to look into Chinese protest over 'incursion'

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - The Philippines will investigate a protest by Beijing over the Philippine navy forcing Chinese boats from an area

claimed by both countries, according to President Fidel Ramos.

But Ramos urged China to also probe incursions by armed Chinese ships last month near two Philippineheld islands in the disputed Spratly Islands, said a presidential office statement issued in Manila.

The Chinese protest is the latest in a series of spats between the two countries arising from territorial disputes in the South China Sea.

"There's really no need for protest and counter-protest if we only follow the code of conduct that already has been agreed to by both governments," the statement quoted Ramos as telling reporters in Mexico, where he is making a state visit.

He was referring to a bilateral code of conduct in the Spratlys, which prohibits "provocative" actions such as sending armed ships into the area without prior notice.

China protested after Philippine navy ships on April 30 drove away a Chinese speedboat and two fishing boats from Scarborough Shoal, about 250 kilometers (155 miles) off the western Philippine province of Zambales, the statement said.

It said Beijing claimed that Filipino fishermen later landed on the shoal.destroyedChinese markers and hoisted a Philippine flag.

News reports said Chinese Ambassador to the Philippines Guan Dengming lodged the protest in Manila last Friday, explaining that the Chinese ships were in Scarborough for an unspecified "youth activity."

Early last month, five armed Chinese ships and two smaller boats were sighted near two Philippineheld islands in the Spratlys. The Philippine government protested the stay of the seven Chinese ships as a provocation, and the ships later left the area.

Chinaneverresponded to Manila's protest but issued a statement explaining the ships were in the area on a technical mission.

The Philippines and China are among six countries with overlapping claims to the Spratlys, a chain of atolls and reefs believed to be rich in oil and natural gas.

Marshall Islands.

In another incident, the Philippine navy arrested 18 Chinese fishermen in mid-April when their two boats entered Philippine waters without permits on their way to the Pacific's

# Battle for Kinshasa looms

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) - A U.S.backed effort to avoid a final battle for Zaire's capital appeared to waver Monday, with the rebel alliance calling a general strike to coincide with pivotal peace talks in Zaire's civil war.

Should there be a breakdown of talks Wednesday between President Mobutu Sese Seko and rebel leader Laurent Kabila, the two sides may have to fight it out, said mediator Thabo Mbeki, South Africa's deputy president.

"If agreement is not reached, in reality, it opens the way to a military solution being the only thing on the cards," Mbeki told reporters in Capetown. Mbeki leaves Tuesday to help set up the talks aboard a South African ship off the coast of Congo.

Other signs indicated fear of an impending battle for Kinshasa. The U.S. Embassy cut its staff from 37 to 25 people on Monday, and U.S. officials stepped up preparations for evacuating an estimated 300 American citizens from the city.

Local newspapers and leaflets distributed in Kinshasa warned residents to stay home and soldiers to remain in their barracks during the three-day strike, called by the rebels and political opposition groups beginning Wednesday.

Wednesday's talks, backed by the United Nations and South Africa, must overcome deep divisions between Mobutu and Kabila before they can even take place.

Agreement on two major issues must be reached - the composition of a transitional authority and when Mobutu will retire as president and leave the country.

The rebels insist Mobutu must resign immediately and surrender power toatransitional authority led by Kabila, orface are belattack on Kinshasa. But Mobutu has refused to quit, saying he would give up the presidency only after elections to choose a new leader.

Kabila's rebels have rejected the election of Roman Catholic Archbishop Laurent Monsengwo Pasinya as president of parliament, the constitutional successor to Mobutu. One scenario for ending Zaire's conflict had involved Mobutu resigning for health reasons, and Monsengwothen handing power to a transitional leadership led by Kabila.

But a rebel spokesman said Monsengwowastoocloseto Mobutu, and the rebels intend to continue their advance on Kinshasa even if Wednesday's talks proceed.

Kabilaclaimshisfightersarewithin 30 miles (50 kilometers) of Kinshasa. Mobutu's elite forces, allegedly aided by former Angolan rebel fighters, are likely to put up stiff resistance.

Information Minister Kin-kiey Mulumba told reporters Monday that fierce fighting continued near Kenge, 120 miles (200 kilometers) east of Kinshasa, and go

vernment soldiers were making a defensive stand.

But others in the capital, including military sources, said the defensive line was shaping up much closer, along the main road that runs past the capital's airport.

There are also fears that Zairian army soldiers will rampage, repeating the pillaging sprees of 1991 and

Meanwhile, another 6,000 malnourished, sick Rwandan refugees were found in a camp previously sealed off by Kabila's rebels, U.N. officials said Monday The U.N. team said more people were emerging from the dense tropical forest near Obilo, 50 miles (80

kilometers) south of Kisangani,

Zaire's main city in the northeast. The

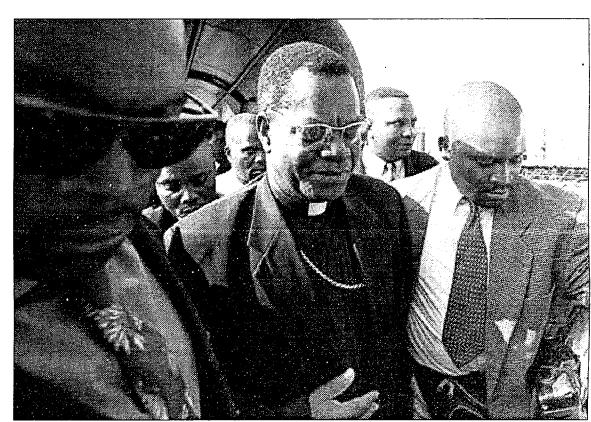
rebels had blocked access to Obilo

since May 2, after reports of attacks

on refugees by Zairian villagers and

rebel soldiers. "The people were clearly in a desperate situation," U.N. refugee spokesman Julian Fleet said by telephone from Kisangani. 'They seemed exhausted. There were corpses lying around the camp, next to where people were cooking and sleeping.'

The estimated 80,000 Rwandan refugees in central Zaire are part of the 1.2 million Hutus who fled to eastern Zaire in 1994 fearing retribution for the slaughter of 500,000 minority Tutsis, organized by the extremist Hutu government.



Archbishop Laurent Monsengwo, center, arrives in Kinshasa with bodyguards Monday. Monsengwo could become interim leader of Zaire in case President Mobutu Sese Seko steps down. Rebel leader Laurent Kabila refuses to accept Monsengwo's nomination. AP



COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS Commonwealth Development Authority

# PUBLIC NOTICE

(MAY 8, 1997)

#### **CDA Lifts Moratorium on Commercial Loans**

Pursuant to Public Law 8-41, Section 11, Governor Froilan C. Tenorio and Lt. Governor Jesus C. Borja through the CDA Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, Juan S. Tenorio announced today that the Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA) Board of Directors approved by Resolution to conditionally lift the moratorium on commercial loans. Commercial loans such as commercial buildings/apartment rentals can only be entertained via commercial banks' participation with a 90 percent guaranty from CDA. All others will be entertained, directly or via commercial banks' participation.

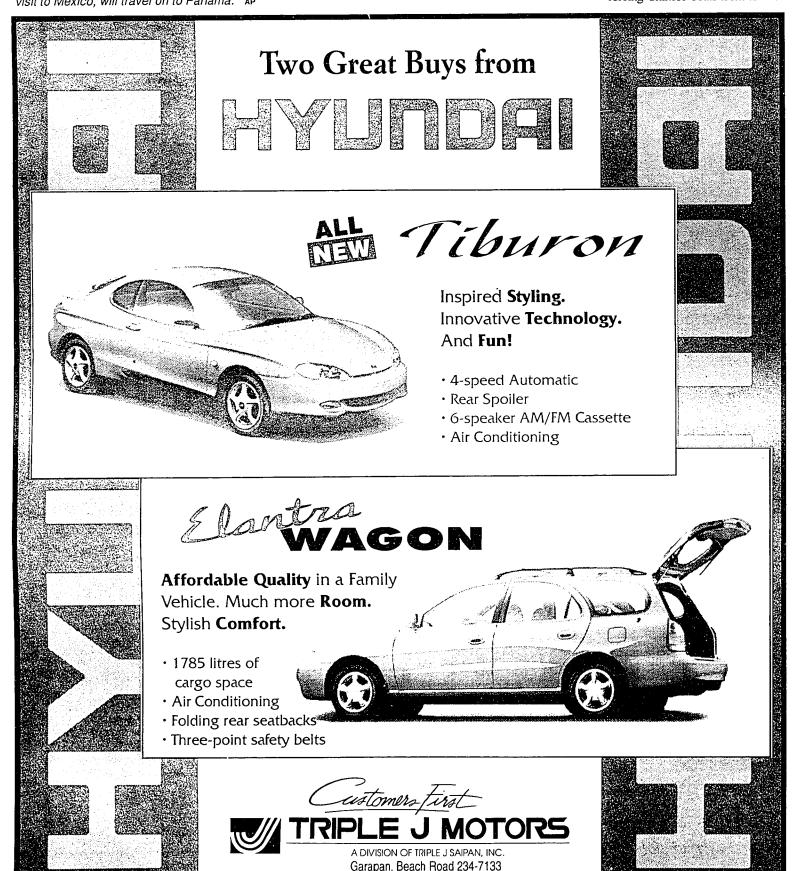
The CDA Board determined it necessary and appropriate to place a moratorium on commercial loans for apartment buildings and commercial buildings. The moratorium was made necessary first by the reduced demand of apartments and commercial space and the subsequent lower prices lessees (renters) were willing to pay in some cases less than the cost of the space. CDA by its Act cannot compete with commercial banks and its lower interest rates could be considered as a form of competition.

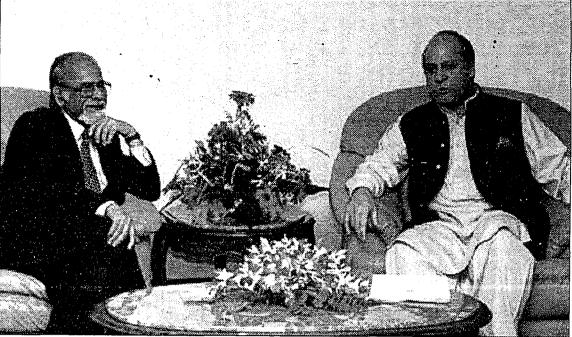
The CDA Board has determined that in specific areas there exists the need for apartments and/or commercial space, therefore, CDA plans to lift its moratorium and will commence when required by a commercial bank at 90 percent guarantee of loans to qualified borrowers.

The potential borrowers are advised to contact his or her commercial bank and apply for a commercial loan under the terms and conditions of the particular bank. The Bank officials will determine whether or not a CDA guarantee is needed to improve the borrowers credibility and will so advise the borrower and CDA. At which time, the borrower may make an application to CDA for said guarantee. All guarantees are subject to the terms and conditions of CDA and subject to CDA Board approval.

The CDA will begin accepting applications May 15, 1997.

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





Indian Prime Minister I.K.Gujral, left, chats with Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif at the Kurumba Island resort Monday, a first meeting between leaders of two hostile nations in four years. AP

# Pollution causes huge fish kill in China lake

BEIJING (AP) - More than 500,000 kilos (500 tons) of carp were found dead and floating on a lake in central China, killed by heavy pollution, a Chinese newspaper reported Monday.

The dead carp covered the surface of Moshui Lake in an area 10 meters (three yards) wide stretching several kilometers (more than a mile), the Economic Daily (Jingji Ribao) reported.

A photograph showed a rowboat surrounded by floating fish so dense the surface of the water could not be seen. The stench was overpowering when a reporter visited the lake on May 6, the report said.

It quoted a local official as saying the fish kill was caused by heavy

pollution. The economic loss was estimated at at least 2 million yuan

Moshui is one of three large lakes in Wuhan, one of China's main industrial cities.

Before the 1980s, clear water in the lake sustained many kinds of aquatic life, including soft-shelled turtles, silver carp and clams. But as Wuhan's development speeded up under national economic reforms, the lake became a cesspool of sewage and industrial waste, the report said.

Recently, only two kinds of common carp survived in its waters. There has been much talk about cleaning up the lake, but it was "all thunder and little rain," the report

#### Food, poetry ease tension at India-Pakistan PMs' meeting

By RANJAN ROY MALE, The Maldives (AP)

Their nations are hostile, but that didn't make for a cold, businesslike first contact between the prime ministers of India and Pakistan.

India's Inder Kumar Gujral and Pakistan's Nawaz Sharif spoke in Urdu, Pakistan's main language, Punjabi, spoken in both countries, and English during their 1 1/2-hour meeting Monday.

Punjabi is the mother tongue for Gujral, born in Jhelum and Sharif who is from Lahore. Both men were born in towns barely 200 kilometers (124 miles) apart in Punjab, a province now divided between the two nations.

A Chinese lunch from the Ming Court restaurant of the Kurumba Island resort was "spiced up" by their casual exchanges.

Gujral underscored the need to continue contacts, citing a couplet written by Faiz Ahmed Faiz, a famous Pakistani poet. "Guftugu bandh na ho, Baat se baat chale," he told Sharif. It means, "Talks should not end, one should lead to an-

Indian Foreign Secretary Salman Haider said the two leaders displayed a "great deal of explicit and implicit under standing of each other. There was a strong human element in the talks.

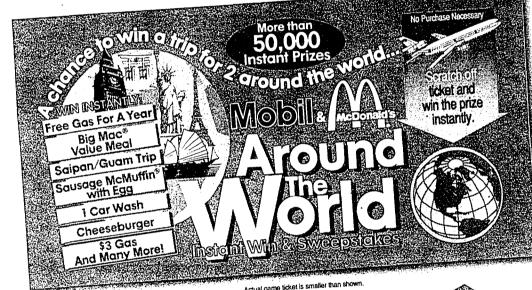
When asked his impressions of Gujral. Sharif replied: "I like the man very much."

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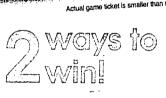
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# Int'l relief reaches Iran

HAJIABAD, Iran (AP) - The first international aid supplies trickled into Iran's earthquake-devastated northeast on Monday, and the government vowed to help survivors of last weekend's 7.1 magnitude quake help rebuild their homes and their lives.

Trucks rumbled into the devastated mountain villages carrying tents, blankets, clothes and food for many of the 50,000 people made homeless by the disaster, which the government said killed at least 2,400. A progovernment newspaper in the capital, Resalat, put the death toll at 4,000.

Survivors cheered and mobbed the motorcade of President Hashemi Rafsanjani when he toured the area. At one point, he climbed out of his car to hug an elderly woman who lost her husband. He promised the crowd he would start rebuilding homes within a month and pledged interest-free loans and grants to surviving fami-

"We have no other choice but to surrenderto our fate," Rafsanjani said. "There are some things that we can do. But there are things that we cannot do, like compensate (for) the lives of your relatives."

Searches for loved ones often ended in grief, as villagers in northeastern Iran continued to dig through the dusty wreckage that once was their homes.

One rescue worker in the village of Ardakul switched off his bulldozer when its bucket hit something soft.

huts that dot the region collapsed in the quake or during the scores of

Officials estimate earthquake damage at \$67M

aftershocks. Rafsanjani, who must by law step down at the end of his second fouryear term in August, interrupted a trip to Turkmenistan to visit the stricken

Thousands of people mobbed his motorcade, some clinging to his car. Others chanted the traditional greeting, "Khoshamadi," or

Rafsanjani's envoy, Jalil Besharati, promised 500,000 riyals or \$ 167 - to each person who lost a News Agency reported.

A successor to Rafsanjani will be chosen during May 23 elections, but all four candidates in the tightly controlled race support Iran's funda-

mentalist Muslim establishment. Iranian officials estimated the damage at \$66.7 million, but there were conflicting reports on the number of casualties. Iranian state TV said at least 4,000 people were killed or injured. Earlier, the government said 2,400 people died and 6,000 were injured. The progovernment newspaper Resalat put the death toll at 4,000. The differing

figures could not be reconciled. Hundreds of thousands of dollars in blankets, tents, clothes and food from Japan, France, Britain, Italy,

Russia and neighboring Gulf coun-

tries began reaching the victims. The United States contributed dlrs 100,000 to the Red Cross on Monday to assist victims of the Iranian earthquake.

"We've had our disputes with the government of Iran for many. many years, but we don't have any arguments with the people of Iran," U.S. State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said. "The people of Iran obviously are in need of support."



Hundreds of passengers, including the Barcelona soccer team, evacuate an Iberia jet at the Barcelona airport

## Gadhafi backed 'holy war' in Nigeria, says archbishop

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) - Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi's visit to Nigeria last week promoted religious bigotry and persecution, a Roman Catholic archbishop con-

Olubunmi Okogie, the archbishop of Lagos, accused Gadhafi of encouraging "jihad," or holy war, against Christians by telling Nigeri-ans that "Muslims all over the world should reject all things that were not Islamic."

Such statements "could threaten the peaceful coexistence of all religions in Nigeria," Okogie said at Sunday worship services.

The west African nation's population of 100 million includes large Christian and Muslim minorities.

In a jab at Nigeria's autocratic Muslim leader, Gen. Sani Abacha, Okogie said that permitting Gadhafi to arrive in Nigeria with 700 body-

i wani to ask our leaders that if other African leaders come to Nige-

guards was a provocation.

ria, will they be allowed such an unusual privilege?" Okogie said. Nigeriahas formed new alliances since Western nations imposed sanctions for its execution of hu-

Hashemi Rafsanjani

Digging with a shovel for a half-hour.

Hossan Horshaster uncovered the

body of a 27-year-old man clutching

his dead 3-year-old son to his chest. The man's wife was found dead on

There also were moments of great joy. In Abiz village, Alireza Rayee,

32, was pulled from the rubble Sun-

day after being trapped for 27 hours.

Intears, his mother, Fatemeh, cradled

herson's head inherarms and shouted:

"God has given my son a second

Hardest hit by the quake was a 60-

mile(100-kilometer)stretchbetween the towns of Birjand and Qaen, near

the Afghan border. Many of the mud

Sunday.

man rights activists in 1995. Gadhafi's flight to the Nigerian city of Abuja on Friday violated a United Nations ban on flights out of

The U.N. Security Council imposed the ban to force the surrender of two Libyans wanted in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, which killed 270 people.

Eager to flout American attempts to isolated Gadhafi, Abacharefused a U.S. request to detain the aircraft on which Gadhafi flew. He also awarded the Libyan leader Nigeria's highest honor, calling him a true African leader.

Gadhafi told a crowd of 50,000 Nigerians that he wanted to show and America.

# Rebels kill 11 villagers

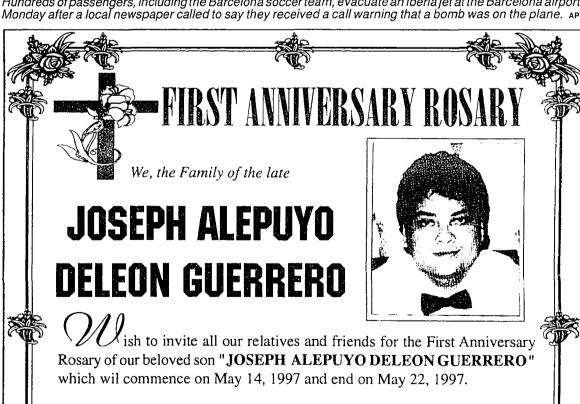
PATNA, India (AP) - Leftist rebels shot to death 11 villagers in a jungle of eastern India on Monday, police said.

Guerrillas from the Maoist Communist Centre kidnapped the villagers as they traveled in a jeep in the Kodarma area of the state of Bihar, a mica producing region.

They were bodies were discovered in a jungle area 250 kilometers (155 miles) south of Patna, the Bihar state capital.

Police are searching for the rebels in nearby forests, said a police official, who spoke under customary condition of anonym-

The Maoist Communist Centre is one of many groups that broke away from India's main communist party in the 1960s. It says it fights for a redistribution of Bihar's land from upper-caste landlords to low-caste peasants.



Nightly rosary is being said at the residence of Mayor and Mrs. Jesus S. Deleon Guerrero (GERE) in Kagman at 8:00 p.m.

On the final day, Thursday, May 22, 1997, rosary will be said at 12:00 noon

and Mass will be at 5:00 p.m. at San Vicente Church. Dinner will follow right after the Mass at the above said residence.

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May 12, 1997

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#### AGENDA:

- Roll Call
- Adoption of Agenda
- III. DCD Matters

(Pursuant to Public Law 8-41, Section 13(a)(7) and Section 13(c), the Board may vote to meet in executive session)

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

#### Please Don't Drink and Drive

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possible." But due to possible delay in shipping, Jenkins said, "it may take several more days to get the Internet service restored."

MTC, in an e-mail message to subscribers last week, said it has installed "a new better network router," and its servers "have been upgraded."

MTC offers its customers a \$45 credit on their bills for the month of May.

"We are doing everything we can to improve our service," said Virginia Tellei, MTC's marketing administra-

MTC is the biggest telecommunications company in the CNMI, but two other other companies, the Saipan DataCom and IT&E's Talaya 2000, are competing for a small market.

Asked if there were MTC customers who have cancelled subscription as result of its system's failure, Tellei replied: "I'm not aware of any."

"We have received very few complaints. We have been updating our customers on the development of the system's repair," Tellei said.

MTC also announced yesterday that, by July 1, it will be installing a new digital access switch from Ascend, a networking product manufac-

"This will more than double the number of access lines available," MTC said.

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#### New DPW... Continued from page 1

"The EPA compliance order directs us to create a division for solid waste management," he

The division, he said, is expected to be operational by next year.

"We are requesting that the new division be included in the 1998 budget. We'll probably have the persons on board before that but the actual division's operation will be based on the Legislature's actual appropriation," Guerrero

Meantime, DPW has began implementing measures meant to prevent the outbreak of another fire at the Puerto Rico dump as well as "reduce" the "eyesore" it is creating, Guerrero said

Guerrero failed to release an estimate on the resources being spent by government on the matter but stressed that the fund used "is not much."

tors," he explained.

#### Gov't sues... Continued from page 1

violate DEO regulations.

Folta said in the complaint that the defendants continue to release or allow the flow of wastewater from the Taiwan Center onto an adjacent lot, which contains a failed septic system drainage field and ponds of wastewater.

The lawyer pointed out that the release of water creates an imminent and immediate danger to the public health and welfare.

Justice...

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The associate justice recalled

that during the time he and fellow

Associate Justice Pedro M. Atalig

were in private law practice, there

was "more respect" among law-

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a permanent injunction against them with sanction. Villagomez at the same time. urged the new lawyers to perform their job professionally as he

junction is heard.

practice in the future." Eight of 11 lawyers took their oath before Chief Justice Marty

wished them a "wonderful law

W. K. Taylor yesterday. The successful candidates are Cindy L. Adams, Shiela N. Bowman, Elizabeth B. Brooks, John M. Chambers, Timothy M. B. Farrell, Daniel L. Furrh, Mathew T. Gregory, Carol R. Kerr, Elaine A. Paplos, Glenn W. Robles, and Danilo T. Aguilar.

Aguilar, Brooks and Robles failed to attend the ceremony.

A total of 15 lawyers took the bar exam last February.

There are at least 65 practicing lawyers in the CNMI.

#### Chemicals... Continued from page 1

"Everything is being taken care of. We have not received any advise to close down the school, Torres said.

Earlier this year, parents, students, and teachers at Marianas High School were alarmed by a report from the Department of Public Health's sanitation office warning of the continuous hazards posed by a mercury spill at an MHS storage room three years ago. This prompted PSS to hire chemical experts from Guam to do an emergency cleanup of the

#### Under the project, a day's trash is buried on the following day through materials dug from the ongoing construction

at the Charlie Dock and Saipan International Airport. The dumpsite is also being fenced-out to further discourage scavengers which already

are banned from entering the area following the fire that broke out early this year.

Guerrero said that fire may have been caused by scaven-

"The project does not cost much because we are utilizing all the backfillings from the ongoing dredging activity at the seaport and excavation at the airport

"We're not purchasing any material. We're using our equipment with the exception of at least two rented trac-

The project, he said, will continue until the incinerators have been built, the scheduled operation of which has been set for early next year.

#### Folta requested the court to issue a Temporary Restraining Order against the defendants, their agents, servants, relatives, lessees and all persons in active participation with them from all operations

or use of the building until

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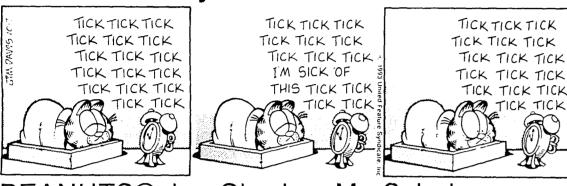
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#### By Stella Wilder

Born today, you are a versatile individual, and though you may seem to others to be without direction, the fact is that you are the maker of your own aesthetic; you will no doubt forge a career for yourself that defies description and yet gives you precisely what you want out of life. It could be said, then, that you're not one to follow the rules, but neither are you the kind to turn your back on tradition simply for the sake of rebellion. You have a reason for everything you do, but you don't feel the need to share that reason with anyone else at any given time. You can be rather secretive.

You like to have things your way more often than not, but not because you are selfish, rather because you know what is best for you. Indeed, you know what is best for others, too, most of the time and others usually know it!

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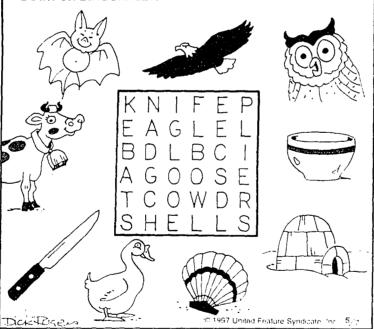
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points while MBA can only show

In the girls' action, Nicole Wabol wontheshotputanddiscuseventswhile school mate Eun Jung Lee took the 400 m to keep GCA within contention for the title

Olivia Tebuteb won both the 100m and 200m sprints to complement the runner-up finishes of Vanessa Mobel in the discus and shotput to give the

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Hop. Jr High School Saipan Comm.School

PSS Interscholastics Jr. High School Track & Field Results

Lady Dolphins a slim 28-22 lead over the Lady Eagles.

MBA is third in the overall standings with zero points.

SCS is enjoying a 22-point advantage over second running HJHS in the boys' junior high school division after Wantai Lee, Ben Ayres and Hugh Tait scored wins in the shotput, 100m and 200m, and 400m events. The SCS relayteamalsoprevailedinthe4x100m

Hopwood, on the other hand, denied SCS a sweep in the junior high school division after taking the lead in the girls' side with a slim 25-23 advantage

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Clara Planas in shotput, Lupe Guerrero in 400m and the 4x100m relay team gave. HJHS the important wins while SCS relied on Momoko Kobayashi, Davina Palacios and Jake Acacio's triumphs in the discus, 100m and 200m events to remain in conten-

MBA is third with a total of 10 points Jonathan Camacho scored

"double" in the softball throw and 100m sprint while Maynard Duenas and Joe Almond took top honors in the 400m and 800m as Tanapag

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Elementary School leads the boy's elementary competitions with 66

Garapan Elem. School is a distant second with 41 while SCS is third with

its 31 points.

double bagging the long jump and 200m events while Winkfield GES won two events courtesy of Marvin Cruz in the long jump and Andres Kennedy in the 200m run.

copped the 800m and 1,500m runs. Tanapag is second with 38 points while Gregorio Elem. School is in third with a 34-point total.

school a 13-point lead in the girls'

elementary division after victories

by Somia Quan, Kwon Narim, and

Tamiko Winkfield. Quan scored a

#### **Sportsbits**

ICBL 2nd Tournament The Inter Commercial Basketball League is set to hold its second tournament on May 24 at the CMS Basketball

SCS' tally of 51 points gave the

Entry fee is pegged at \$900 per team. For more information, please contact ICBL president Abner Venus at 234-5911 or Archiedel Rosario at 234-

SSA Coed League The Saipan Softball League will have a meeting today, 5:30 p.m. at the Gilbert C. Ada Gym Conference Room.

The agenda will be on SSA's forthcoming first ever 1997 Co-Ed Softball Night League. Allteams who have submitted their rosters and other interested individu-

For more information, please SSA president Joe Torres at 234-6098.

als are encouraged to attend the meet-

#### LL Division Managers and Coaches Meeting

The CNMI Little League Baseball will have a managers and coaches meeting today, 6 p.m. at the Gilbert C. Ada Gym Conference Room.

Playoff games format and schedule will be discussed during the meeting. Attendance is mandatory.

For more information, please contact Michael Evangelista at 664-5103 or 664-5104.

#### Youth League Meeting Organizers of the 1997 Youth Basketball League will have a meeting

today, 12 noon, at the Gilbert C. Ada

Gym Conference Room. Coaches, team managers and interested individuals are encouraged to come and take part in the planning of

For more information, please call Elias Rangamar or Ray Kapileo at 234 1001 or 234-1002.

the forthcoming youth basketball

#### Swim Classes

The Saipan Swim Club will be offering beginner to advanced swim lessons to children from school age and to

Two sessions are scheduled at the Kan Pacific Swimming Pool: Session 1 (June 2-June 13) and Session 2 (June 18-July 1). Classes will be from Monday to Friday starting at 8 until 9 a.m. All classes are American Red Cross certified.

The cost will be \$35 per child with each additional member of the same family will be charged \$30.

Pre-registration is needed for classes are limited.

For more information, call Bill Sakovich at 234-1001; Jean Sakovich at 234-6323; and Jess Ronquilo of Kan Pacific at 322-5226.

#### **SAVA Tournament**

The Saipan Amateur Volleyball Association will hold an islandwide volleyball tournament on June 2. The tournament will feature competitions in the Men's, Women's,

Boys' and Girls' divisions. For more information, please con-

tact Tonie Taitano at 234-6170 or Tony Rogolifoi at 234-1001. (EAC)

#### All Stars...

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despite going for just 1 of 3 attempts at bat by scoring three runs off several Brunei errors.

Mark Toves kept his consistent play by going 2 of 3 with three

The team was scheduled to play a double header yesterday.

#### NMI... Continued from page 20

sian bet.

Winkfield, on the other hand, came up with the third CNMI silver medal of the competitions after checking in second in the 50m breastroke.

Ben Tongia of Northern Territory won the gold with a time of 32.30 seconds while Winkfield was a close second clocking 32.77 seconds. Winkfield also placed 4th, 6th and

7th in the 50m freestyle, 100m freestyle and 50m backstroke with times of 26.35; 25.29; and 58.92 seconds. Keoni Ichihara wound up fifth in

the finals of the 50m breastroke with a time of 36.12 seconds while finishingasanalternateinthe 50m freestyle clocking 29.73 seconds. At least 16 countries, including

Tahiti, Fiji, Papua New Guinea. Guam, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, and Australia, are seeing action in the swimming competitions.

#### 1997 Mens Major Baseball League Compiled by Francisco D. Palacios for the Variety

#### **Batting Leaders** Based on 22 or more times at bat

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Frances George	Brewers	27	12	.444
lohn Reyes	Wheels	28	12	.429
ony C. Camacho	Brewers	26	11	.423
Ralph Yumul	Brewers	26	10	.385
d Kapileo	Aces	34	13	.382
ony Dela Cruz	Wheels	22	8	.364
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(17) J. Callahan, (12) R. Yumul, G. Palacios, B. Lizama, (11) J. Reyes, Ed Kapileo, (10) T. Cruz, G. F. Camacho

(4) John Acosta, (3) T. C. Camacho, R. Yumul, G. Palacios, Ed Kapileo, Joio Attao, Jerome Attao (2) Fifteen players Triples:

(5) John Reyes, (2) V. Sablan, B. Mesa, T.C. Camacho, M.C. Guerrero, S. Ngiraidong

(2) Paul Camacho, (1) L. Guerrero, B. Lizama, B. Ngewakl, N.C. Guerrero, T.C. Camacho, G. Palacios, S. Ngiraidong, R. Yoshino, W. Ada, S. Pua, Jojo Attao, M. Sakisat

(13) J. Reyes, Ed Kapileo, (11) N. C. Guerrero, (9) T. C. Camacho, F. George Pitching Leaders:

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Player .	Team	G	lnn	ER	Hit	W/L	ERA			
Chris Nelson	Aces -	5	30	6	22	3-0	1.80			
Jeff Callahan	Aces	5	15	3	14	2-0	1.80			
Roy Magofna	Glazers	5	15	4	17	0-0	2.40			
Ryan Kenen	Palau	6	24	8.	19	1-2	3.00			
Elmer Sablan	Wheels	7	43	21	55	3-2	4.39			
Ted Ngewakl	Typhoons	5	11	8	17	0-1	5.45			
Everette Ngiraidong	Palau	5	25	16	39	3-2	5.76			
Mel Sakisat	Sunrisers	3	12	8	18	0-0	6.00			
Kaleb Dulei	Palau	5	16	12	21	0-1	6.75			
Strike-Outs:										
(41) Chris Nelson, (3	41) Chris Nelson, (31) Elmer Sablan, (30) Ryan Kenen, (28) Joe Guerrero									

#### Callahan.

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Yumul of Miller Lite are in fourth and fifth spots with their .423 and .385 averages respectively. Camacho hit the ball 11 times in 26 swings while Yumul connected 10 in 26 attempts.

Ed Kapileo, Tony Dela Cruz, Glenn Camacho, Wilber Ada and Jojo Attao are also in the top 10 batters of the league.

Kapileo is norming a .382 for the Aces after going 13 of 34 while Dela Cruz averages .364 on 8 of 22 performance at the plate for the Wheels.

Glenn and Ada are tied with similar 8 of 23 tallies for an identical .348 hitting norms.

Attao, on the other hand, is hitting a .346 after tallying nine hits in 26 attempts at bat for the Sunrisers.

In the pitching category, Callahan managed to grab a piece of the lead with his earned run average (ERA) of 1.80, a mark that his teammate, Chris Nelson matched.

Nelson gave up 22 hits and six earned runs in 30 innings while Callahan yielded 14 hits and three earned runs in 15 innings.

The two UMDA ace pitchers are both undefeated so far in the season. Nelson has three wins so far tucked in his belt while Callahan has two in leading UMDA to a league's best 7-0 win loss slate.

Nelson also leads the strikeouts race with 41, 10 in front of second running Elmer

Kautz Glass Glazers' Roy Magofnais in third with his ERA of 2.40 while Ryan Kenen of Team Palau is one step behind with an ERA of 3.00.

Magofna gave up 17 hits and four earned runs in 15 innings.

Kenen, on the other hand, surrendered 19 hits that resulted to eight earned runs in 24 innings he mannedthe mound for Team Palau. 1996 Playoffs MVP Elmer Sablan is in fifth as he continues to

struggle for the defending champi-The Wheels' heart and soul gave up 55 hits that led to 21 earned runs in 43 innings for an ERA of 4.39

good for fifth spot in the overall standings. Ted Ngewakl, Everette Ngiraidong, Chris Camacho, Mel Sakisat and Kaleb Dufei round up the current top 10 pitchers of the

In the other categories, Callahan paces the most runs department with 17 while John Acosta leads the doubles with four.

J. Reyes tows the rest of the field in two departments, triples with five and his 13 runs batted in gave him a two RBI lead over Nick C. Guerrero.

Paul Camacho is still the man to beat in the homerun derby with his two homers.

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# SPORTS CO

Pierce, Smith strike in Arafura Games

# NMI bags 2 gold, 3 silver

By Erel A. Cabatbat

Variety News Staff

JUSTIN Pierce broke John Sakovich's 200m breastroke record en route to winning the gold medal while Stuart Smith won his age group in the triathlon as CNMI raised its medal haul to five in the ongoing 1997 Arafura Games in Darwin, Australia.

Pierce clocked two minutes and 36.74 seconds to spark the medal rush for the swimming team. Moreover, Pierce erased the old mark of 2:37.51 set by Sakovich.

He also broke the old mark in the 15-16 agar bracket set by David Palacios by 7.01 seconds.

The 15-year swimmer likewise finished with a personal best time of 1:10.89 in the 100m butterfly in gaining an alternate spot.

Smith, on the other hand, gave

CNMI its second gold medal in the games by topping the 35-39 year age bracket in the triathlon.

Smith submitted an accumulated time of one hour and seven minutes to finish eighth overall in the ironman event.

The triathlon featured a 1.5 kilometer lake swim, 40km bike run through Darwin and a 10km run. The event attracted more than 80 entries.

Tracy Feger, Jennifer Pierce and Jacoby Winkfield hauled one silver medal apiece in their respective age divisions to provide the other highlights of the swimming team's 1997 campaign.

Feger battled Darlene Rahmawati to a neck-to-neck race in the 100m backstroke before yielding the gold to her Indonesian rival by 1.01 seconds.

Rahmawati bagged the gold with a time of 1:13.50. The 14-year old Feger timed in 1:14.51 for the silver.

In her other events, Feger wound up fourth in the 200m backstroke chopping five seconds off

her personal best as she checked in behind Indonesia, Fiji and Northern Territory.

She also finished sixth and seventh overall in the 100m freestyle and 50M butterfly with clockings of 1:06.97 and 34.90 seconds.

Jennifer won the silver medal in her favorite event, the 50m breastroke, clocking 37.82 to wound up second behind Zima Peni of Papua New Guinea. The bronze medal went to an Indone-Continued on page 19

1997 Arafura Games' softball tournament

## All Stars repeat over Brunei, 15-3

By Erel A. Cabatbat

Variety News Staff

PETE ROBERTO slammed a grandslam in the top of the fifth inning to lead the CNMI All Stars to a repeat win over Brunei, 15-3 in just five innings in the softball competitions of the 1997 Arafura Games in Darwin, Australia.

Roberto went 2 of 3 with three

runs and knocked in four RBIs while Greg Camacho scored twice and drove in one rbis after connecting two hits in three attempts at bat in leading the All Stars to their third win in four starts.

In their previous encounter, CNMI prevailed over the same Brunei squad with a 3-2 decision.

Jess Manibusan took the win after pitching for four strong in-

nings.

Manibusan gave up five hits, three runs (one earned) as he struck out three batters without issuing a walk in the All Stars' abbreviated win over Brunei.

Ray Seman also had big game for the All Stars going 2 of 2 from the plate. Ben Cabrera also turned in quality numbers

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#### 1997 SML's statistical race

## Callahan keeps batting; ties Nelson in pitching

By Erel A. Cabatbat Variety News Staff

JEFFCALLAHAN kept his hold of the batting category while teammate Chris Nelson tied him in the pitching race as the two UMDA Aces dominated the major individual categories in the ongoing 1997 Men's Major League Baseball at the Francisco M. Palacios Ball Field.

In the latest statistics compiled by Frank D. Palacios, Callahan is norming a league's best .565 batting average after going 13 of 23 attempts at bat to keep the leadership among the league's top batters.

Miller Lite Brewers' Frances George is in second with a .444 average after he belted the ball 12 times in his 27 appearances at the plate.

John Reyes is running third with a .429 norm after connecting 12 hits in 28 attempts at bat for the defending champion Toyota Wheels.

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Houston Rockets' Matt Maloney looks for a place to pass from the floor, as Seattle SuperSonics' Hersey Hawkins looks on from behind in the second quarter Sunday, May 11, 1997 in Seattle. The Rockets won in overtime. 110-106. AP

China's Wang Guohua prepares to snatch 150 kilograms in the men's 64-kilogram class event on his way to break his own previous record of 148.5 kilograms at the East Asian Games in Pusan, southern South Korea. Wang, 22, also lifted 150 kilograms in the clean and jerk for a gold medal-winning total of 300 kilograms.

#### 1997 PSS Track and Field Championships

# Dolphins set pace in HS division

By Erel A. Cabatbat Variety News Staff

MARIANAS High School took the lead in the girls and boys division in the high school category based on the latest results in the ongoing 1997 PSS Interscholastic Track and Field Championships at the Susupe Sports Complex.

In the elementary competi-

tions, Tanapag Elem. School is pacing the boys' bracket while Salpan Community School is in front in the distaff side.

SCS made it a double kill by taking the driver's seats in the boys and action in the junior high school while Hopwood Junior High School (HFHS) took the frontseat in the g. s' side with a slim two point lead.

The Dolphins, behind the first place efforts of Sidro Tebuteb, Glenn Nunez, Antonio Piteg, Wayne Pua and the 4x100 relay team, garnered a total of 95 points in the boys' category to pull away from Grace Christian Academy (GCA) and Marianas Baptist Academy (MBA).

GCA could only muster eight

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