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Tenorio to block NMI delegate bill

By Zaldy Dandan
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GOV. FROILAN C. Tenorio will oppose the passage of Rep. Elton Gallegly's (R-California) bill that would allow the CNMI to have a non-voting delegate to Congress.

Tenorio, in an "ambush" interview outside his office yesterday, said having a delegate might complicate the CNMI's present relationship with the federal government, and such an office might even be inconsistent with the Covenant.

"I don't see anything good coming out of (it), despite claims that supposedly the CNMI will have more influence in Washington, D.C. because of that seat," Tenorio said.

"I don't see that happening with the other non-voting delegates from the other territories."

He said Guam, despite having a non-voting delegate, could not get Washington D.C. to grant the ter-



Froilan C. Tenorio

ritory commonwealth status.

The CNMI, on the other hand, has no delegate, but its people get social security benefits that other territories don't have, Tenorio said.

"(Having a delegate) doesn't really make any sense."

He said Gallegly's claim that a

non-voting delegate would give the CNMI a direct voice in the federal government is "a farce."

Delegates have no power in the U.S. House of Representatives, Tenorio said.

"Frankly I don't see the need for it and I don't understand (Washington Rep. Juan N.) Babauta either," he said.

Babauta, together with members of the Legislature, has consistently lobbied Congress to create the office of a CNMI delegate.

But Babauta—"If he's lucky enough to get elected as delegate," Tenorio said—will get less than what his office as resident repre-

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Korean man killed in pre-dawn crash

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff

A KOREAN man died after a van he was driving veered off the highway and slammed into a flame tree along Beach Road in San Jose yesterday before dawn.

Jae Yopee Lee, 24, of Capitol Hill, was pronounced dead at 4:20 a.m. at the Commonwealth Health Center.

The fatal accident occurred a day after a four-year-old boy died as a result of Saturday's three-vehicle smashup in Dandan.

Lee, an employee at the Perfect Tour Co., is the sixth fatal victim of vehicular-related accident in the CNMI this year.

Public Safety Information Officer PO2 Arnold K. Seman said yesterday's accident which was reported at 3:47 a.m. happened near the San Jose traffic light.

Initial investigation showed that a Toyota Previa with license plate ABG-755 driven by Lee was heading southward when it veered off the highway after crossing Microl intersection.

The van then slammed into a flame tree on the shoulder of south-bound lane.

The vehicle was totally damaged. Responding emergency

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'Trespassers' NMI-wide problem, says Camacho



Bertha A. Camacho

By Zaldy Dandan
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"SQUATTING" on public lands is a problem on the three major CNMI islands, but "it appears to be more serious" on Rota, Division of Public Lands (DPL) Director Bertha A. Camacho said. Camacho, in a letter to the *Variety*, said in almost all cases, people have used public lands for their own private use without the consent of DPL.

"Trespassing," she said, is a more accurate word to use than "squatting."

If the problem is left unchecked, "(DPL) will in effect be telling the community at large

that public land is 'fair game' for anyone who wants to build home," Camacho said.

Soon, she added, there will be little, if any, public land left.

DPL, tasked by the Constitution to manage and dispose public lands for the benefit of CNMI-descent residents, "ha(s) no choice," Camacho said.

"We must take action to enforce the law."

She said DPL takes the "trespass issue very seriously," and has referred a number of cases against "trespassers" to the Attorney General's Office.

Last Wednesday, Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio said he has told Camacho to give the six Filipino-Americans "squatting" on Rota public lands "no grace period, no nothing."

"My decision is they have to get out of there. It has nothing to do with the fact that they're Filipinos. I don't care whether they're locals or what. They have no authority squatting on public lands. Former (Rota) mayor (Prudencio Manglona) and... Mayor (Joseph Inos) have no authority interfering in public lands," Tenorio said.

He added that if the six would not move out, he will likely take Manglona and Inos to court.

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A police officer views the wreckage of a Toyota Previa which slammed into a flame tree along Beach Road in San Jose before dawn yesterday. The driver of the van died as a result of the accident. Photo by FDT

MTC plans to reduce rates for calls to US, Guam and Hawaii

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
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THE MICRONESIAN Telecommunication Corp. plans to imple-



Del Jenkins

ment flat rates for long distance calls to US mainland, Guam and Hawaii, MTC's general manager Del Jenkins disclosed yesterday.

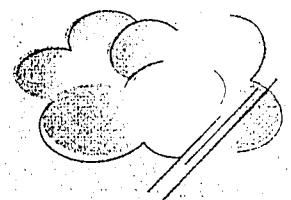
An MTC brochure indicates that the first-minute rate for calls to US mainland and Hawaii would be reduced by almost 50 percent. From \$1.85, the rate would be reduced to 99 cents.

Per minute call to Guam would be lowered to 55 cents from 75 cents.

Jenkins said MTC is awaiting the Federal Communication Commission's approval of the company's rate reduction scheme which is to take effect tentatively

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Weather Outlook



Cloudy with scattered light to moderate shower

FBI tracks bomb suspects

By CHARLES J. HANLEY
ATLANTA (AP) - Investigators tracking a host of leads have identified several Americans as potential suspects in the Olympic bombing, according to a law enforcement official.

Authorities did not indicate Monday that an arrest was imminent.

From across Georgia, meanwhile, police and National Guard reinforcements converged on Atlanta to add more eyes, ears and firepower to the security force shielding the Games from new terror attacks.

Centennial Park, closed since a

pipe bomb went off there early Saturday, will reopen Tuesday morning with a memorial service for the victims. One woman was killed and 111 people were injured, and a Turkish cameraman died of a heart attack rushing to the scene.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attack, other than the person who called 911, the police emergency number, to warn that the bomb was about to go off. "There is a bomb in Centennial Park. You have 30 minutes," was all the caller said before hanging up, the FBI said.

Investigators are confident the

caller was a white American male, with no discernible accent. That, and the crudeness of the device and method, apparently have led them to suspect a homegrown, relatively unsophisticated individual or group, not international terrorists.

Investigators have identified several potential suspects who are the focus of immediate attention, according to a law enforcement official in Washington who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The source said those suspects are not the people depicted in composite sketches developed by the FBI from witness descriptions

of suspicious people at the scene. The source would not elaborate further on the targets of the investigation.

"We do not believe any composite drawings to this point are suspects," FBI spokesman David Tubbs said in Atlanta, where about 900 FBI agents are now at work.

He said it was a "pretty strong assumption" the 911 caller placed the bomb, and that there was no evidence yet that more than one person was involved.

An FBI official told The Atlanta Journal-Constitution that two men with ties to an Alabama militia group were among those who had been questioned, but they had not been declared to be sus-

pects. After three days of scrutiny, however, the FBI shifted its focus away from the militia group, the newspaper said.

Investigators have received a flood of information - witness statements, videotapes and snapshots taken by tourists in the area before the explosion, and video from surveillance cameras in the park.

Work crews were busy Monday at Centennial Park, righting upended benches and trash cans, cleaning up and resupplying concessions and other facilities. Authorities also were installing improved surveillance technology, whose characteristics they would not discuss.

Taiwan lifts its ban on China visits by officials

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - In a goodwill gesture to China, Taiwan on Monday ended a 47-year-old ban that prevented mayors and other elected local officials from visiting China.

The officials will now be allowed to attend cultural activities or international meetings, said Kao Koong-liang, vice chairman of the Mainland Affairs Council, which handles the island's China policy.

Kao said details of the Chinese trips were subject to approval by the Cabinet.

The lifting of the ban, imposed after the ruling Nationalists fled to Taiwan to escape the Communist takeover of China in 1949, drew a mixed response.

In Quemoy, just three kilometers (1.8 miles) from China's southeast Fujian Province, County Executive Chen Shui-tsai told the county

assembly that he would visit Fujian to discuss water supply to his drought-stricken island fortress.

But Taipei Mayor Chen Shui-bian said he would only consider a visit if China permits him to visit in his official capacity as the Taipei mayor.

China regards Taiwan as a rebel province which should be reunited with the mainland, by force if necessary.

China has accused Taiwanese President Lee Teng-hui of covertly promoting Taiwan independence, and it launched nine months of missile tests and war games off Taiwanese waters in an attempt to quell the pro-independence movement.

Since the war games ended in March, both sides have attempted to mend fences, but Beijing has demanded that Taiwan first recognize it is a part of China.

The Mainland Affairs Council also decided Monday to allow Chinese reporters to be stationed in Taiwan for up to two years, officials said.

Taiwan now allows Chinese reporters to visit Taiwan only for brief trips.

45% rise seen in Singapore AIDS carriers

SINGAPORE (AP) - A total of 58 Singaporeans were found infected with the virus that causes AIDS so far this year, a 45 percent rise over the same period last year, the Health Ministry said Tuesday.

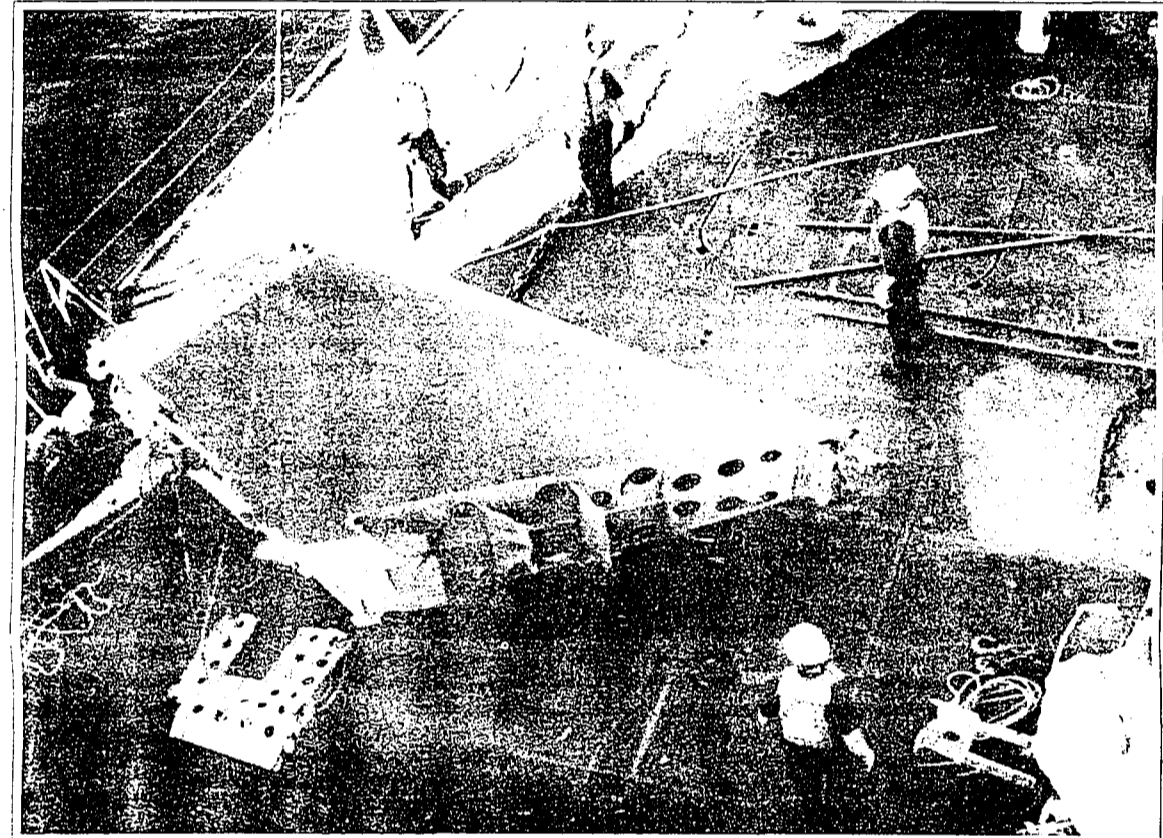
The latest findings raise to 477 the number of Singaporeans who have contracted the Human Immunodeficiency Virus, the virus that causes AIDS, since 1985.

Of them 222 have developed full-blown AIDS, including 155 who later died, a Ministry statement said in its semi-annual AIDS update.

There were 34 new cases found in April, May and June, the statement said. All of them infected by sexual means.

Three were wives of men who contracted the virus.

The infected people ranged in age from 20 to 65 and a little more than half of them are in the age group 30 to 39 years.



Crew on the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Juniper hoist a section of the TWA Boeing 747 on her deck in the Atlantic Ocean about 10 miles south of Long Island. The jet bound for Paris from New York's Kennedy Airport, exploded and crashed Wednesday evening killing all 228 people aboard.

Tenorio undecided on Eurotex



Froilan C. Tenorio

By Zaidy Dandan
Variety News Staff
GOV. FROILAN C. Tenorio said yesterday he has yet to decide what action to take against Eurotex Garments' factory in San Vicente. He may, however, allow Eurotex to "do something" about the factory's "deficiencies."

The factory, inspected last week by officials from various executive departments and agencies, was found to be in violation of labor, fire safety and building code regulations.

"I haven't decided yet (whether

or not to close down Eurotex), but I want to find out if they've done anything about the violations. I understand they're doing something about it," Tenorio said.

Eurotex, he added, have hired contractors to work on the factory's deficiencies.

He said he has not yet requested the Office of Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to inspect the factory.

In an unannounced visit to Eurotex last July 25, Tenorio said he will ask OSHA to look into the factory and find out for itself

whether it has "sweatshop" working conditions.

The next day, inspectors from the Division of Labor, Departments of Public Works, Public Safety, and Public Health submitted to Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio reports described by a government source as "all very negative."

Eurotex, the Variety learned Sunday, has more than enough labor, fire safety and building code violations that can justify the closure of its factory.

Tenorio visited the factory to

look into alleged "sweatshop" working conditions.

After visiting Saipan last February, Sen. Frank H. Murkowski (R-Alaska) told a U.S. Senate hearing that Eurotex was one of the "sweatshop" factories on Saipan.

Asked after the inspection if he would classify Eurotex's factory as a "sweatshop," Tenorio said he will ask the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) to inspect not only Eurotex but all garment factories in the CNMI.

PR consultant hired to repair NMI image

By Rafael H. Arroyo
Variety News Staff
GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio has hired a US-based public relations consultant who will be tasked with improving the CNMI's image in the nation's capital.

In an interview yesterday, Tenorio said the CNMI has gotten so bad an image in Washington, D.C. so he acquired the services of Lee Solters Inc. to counter such a bad perception of the islands.

The firm was contracted since about a week ago, said Tenorio.

"You know our problem with US Congress and the federal government is we have a bad image over there. We need a PR firm to neutralize that and present the good side of the CNMI. That's why I think we should hire a professional to do it," said Tenorio.

The CNMI has been on the receiving end of bad press in Washington, D.C. mostly due to past allegations of labor abuse and worker exploitation on Saipan and on Rota.

US Congress has since taken a critical stand on some of the CNMI's policies, most notably in the areas of minimum wage, immigration, taxation and the like.

During a recent oversight hearing at the US House and Senate, members have taken issue on alleged sweatshop conditions existing in some of

Saipan's garment factories and has taken the local government to task in rectifying the situation.

On the other hand, the Clinton Administration, through the Interior Department, has recommended federalization of the CNMI minimum wage.

Plans for an eventual takeover of the CNMI's control of local immigration, however, have been put off, at least until the next term of US Congress.

Meanwhile, the governor is pinning his hopes on an intensive PR campaign to enable the CNMI to shake off its bad image in federal and congressional circles.

Solters, according to the governor, is a reputable PR practitioner who represents a lot of big companies in the US as well as Hollywood personalities.

He did not disclose how much the contract is worth but when asked if it was big-budgeted, Tenorio said, "I guess so."

Solters will be the latest addition to a growing list of CNMI consultants in Washington, D.C.

The Commonwealth has previously hired such big name consultants as Preston Gates, Roger Stillwell and even former Interior Sec. Manuel Lujan to do work for the CNMI in the nation's capital.

No changes in MTC fiber optic cable plan-- Jenkins

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff
MICRONESIAN Telecommunication Corp.'s fiber optic project will proceed without any changes in the original plan, MTC's general manager Del Jenkins said yesterday.

"We've made no changes to the landing site. We have been moving forward to install the fiber for some years now, and we're continuing with the project," Jenkins said in an interview with reporters as he emerged from the Rotary Club's luncheon meeting at the Hyatt Hotel.

The cable project, which will land on Guam, will link Saipan with Guam, Tinian and Rota.

Under its agreement with the Federal Communications Commission, MTC will lay the fiber optic cable in Tanguison Bay.

Speaker Diego Benavente earlier said some Guam legislators were proposing an alternative landing site for

the project.

In a meeting three weeks ago with Guam Sen. Thomas Ada and Ben Pangilinan, Benavente was vaguely told about mechanical problems that might result from the laying of fiber optic in the site chosen by MTC.

Benavente and Rep. Pete Reyes had asked Guam officials to retain the agreement forged between MTC and FCC.

Jenkins said MTC had secured the proper permits, submitted the required documents to appropriate parties and paid the CNMI government the easement fees for the third and fourth quarters of 1996.

"Public Law 10-4 allowed us to go on with the project," Jenkins said. "We're moving forward with the fiber project."

PL 10-4, also known as the Submerged Lands Act, grants MTC the right to enter into a submerged lands lease agreement with the government.

Guam shuts 2 more massage parlors

By Jacob Leon Guerrero
For the Variety
GUAM—Two more massage parlors were shut down early this week on Guam to bring the total number of establishments closed down by the Department of Health and Social Services to eight.

According to the Department of Public Health and Social Services the Ginza and the Susukino massage parlors in Anigua were shut down due to health and sani-

tary concerns. When asked, Public Information Officer of the Guam Police Department Ferdinand J. Ibabao declined comment saying the matter is still under investigation.

In other developments, a potentially tragic situation ended without incident Monday night in Barrigada.

According to the Public Information Officer, the G.P.D. responded to a call about a female individual who said her husband was inside a house

looking their 5 and 7 year old children hostage with a firearm.

Immediately the officers called for S.W.A.T. and the Hostage Negotiating Team to respond to the scene.

Hours later, the husband, Francisco Solomon came out and yielded to police.

The children were not harmed. Guam police said the incident may have stemmed from a domestic disagreement earlier that evening.

Japanese tourist yields 'ice' upon his arrival at airport

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff
COMBINED agents from the CNMI Customs and Drug Enforcement Agency arrested on Monday a Japanese tourist who allegedly yielded two bags containing methamphetamine hydrochloride with an estimated street value of \$68,400.

Satoru Sasabe was charged yesterday with importation of a controlled substance ("ice), illegal pos-

session with intent to deliver methamphetamine, and illegal possession of "ice" before the Superior Court.

During yesterday's hearing, Assistant Atty. Gen. James Norcross said Sasabe was arrested upon his arrival at the Saipan International Airport Monday afternoon.

Norcross said the suspect who came from Japan brought in a total of 114 grams of "ice". Agents found one bag containing 55.33 grams of the stuff and another bag

with 55.67 grams.

The prosecutor said the confiscated drugs were field tested positive of "ice."

Norcross said Sasabe had already made 11 Japan-Saipan trips. The suspect allegedly left Saipan for Japan last July 26 and arrived here on board Japan Air Lines at about 2 p.m.

Presiding Judge Timothy Bellas set \$150,000 cash bail for Sasabe. Preliminary hearing was set on Aug. 12.

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Republican billboard on Rota endorses gubernatorial aspirants Pedro P. Tenorio and Jesus R. Sablan. With the 1997 general elections still more than a year away, candidates are slowly but surely making their campaigns felt early on all three islands.

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US sells high-tech jobs to China

The biggest giant in global trade with equally the biggest consumer population the world over has forced relocation of precious technology, production and genius from the mainland US to China.

Boeing buys parts from China to get access to a huge market, according to a recent issue of Time Magazine. "Is the US sacrificing too many workers?"

"According to the American Federation of Labor more than 500,000 US industrial workers last year had their jobs exported to China. A study by the liberal Economic Policy Institute in Washington predicts that over the next four years, 250,000 more jobs in the US aerospace industry alone will be lost to China."

"Boeing's top official for international development, Lawrence Clarkson, insists the company would have fewer jobs for Americans if it did not abide by China's demands: for example, in shifting half of the tail-section production for its 737s from Wichita, Kansas, to Xian". Said he: "If we hadn't moved to China, we wouldn't have got orders". China is expected to spend \$185 billion on commercial aircraft over the next 20 years.

"Even this trade-off may prove unyielding. Last week the state-owned Aviation Industry of China announced it was granting a contract worth an estimated \$2 billion to a Europe-Singapore consortium to build 100-seat jetliners. And in April, during a visit to Paris, Prime Minister Li Peng also snubbed Boeing by approving a deal to buy 33 French-built Airbus planes. It was a not so subtle message to the US to back off its criticism of China's trade and human-rights policies."

Other giant American companies who also felt compelled to shift American jobs to less productive employees in China in order to gain a relaxation of the country's trade barriers include General Motors, Motorola and Intel. In other words, the US really has no choice but realize that its best bet "when in China is to do like the Chinese do". One can't impose his ways in another man's palace.

"With results like this...the Chinese have little incentive to change their stance. American policymakers face strong pressure from US firms who fear that, unless the US tolerates China's cheating on trade, they will be locked out of the world's fastest growing market. Whether Clinton and Congress intend it or not, the practical effect of their trade policy toward China, at least for now, is to defend the interests of some American shareholders over the interests of some American workers."

President Clinton and Congress, with support from Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole, are renewing China's most-favored-nation trade status. There are two lessons that seemingly emerge from China's adamant attitude to play within the rules of trade: 1). We can't force a Confucianist to follow the ways of the West's Buffalo Bill. 2). With minimum skill and technology in modern global trade, the country with the lowest wage tends to get the business.

Boeing pays its expert machinists around \$50 an hour and other fringe benefits. This high hourly wage is more than what a Chinese worker is paid a month. We shouldn't be so quick trying to impose our views on a matter that is within the sovereign right of another country. This we must acknowledge as a Western inadequacy in that there's really no way that we can change a Chinese to be a White Anglo-Saxon. Never!

The predator isn't cheap labor. It's technology! US futurist Alvin Toffler noted that US manufacturing industries were warned to improve its technology in manufacturing. No one listened. Today, American workers are also being subjected to hardship out of the neglect of US manufacturing industries to go high-tech so that its workers' can enjoy less working hours for the same pay. Thousands of jobs will be lost to the Chinese as a result of this neglect. We may dislike such trend, but it seems that most giant American companies weren't willing to shift unworkable corporate culture to accommodate changes in paradigms in global manufacturing and trade.

Yes, high wages is good only for as long as it lasts. The manufacturing states need to cut long lunch hours to rechart the country's economic foundation for the 21st Century if it isn't late already. We no longer can take things for granted like we did for the last fifty years. Paradigms have changed and survival rest with countries who can shift its old ways and traditional views of world trade to new realities in global economic integration. In the words of an author "Asianization of global trade is inevitable". All roads, therefore, lead to East Asia.

The Northern Marianas, Guam and the State of Hawaii will jointly file a lawsuit against the federal government for failure to report and secure Compact impact funds. Apparently, Interior's Allen Stayman was too busy with his fault-finding mission as to forget his primary responsibility to work these funds in the US Congress.

The Compact of Free Association for the Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia and the Marshalls included a provision that their people won't be treated as aliens in any of the three jurisdictions. In other words, they're free to travel and reside in these areas. The federal government agreed to defray the cost of their use of public services such as education, health, housing, etc.

But these services cost money. The federal government seemingly reneged on its commitment to pay the three jurisdiction for these services from Compact citizens. We're not blaming our brothers and sisters from the neighboring islands. We're fully pointing our five accusatory fingers at Allen Stayman who's failed us in this regard. I suppose this is what happens when one neglects responsibility in favor of a baseless agenda like the thirty cents manifesto! Nothing can be further from the truth!



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reyes says he owes Diaz 'apology'

Dear Editor:

A Marianas Visitors Bureau employee recently complained about some remarks I made about his department and compensation. Mr. Joaquin V. Diaz, no doubt an absolutely indispensable "Research Assistant" at the MVB, apparently thinks I have no right to question the real purpose of the MVB—or his much cherished position there. No, Diaz would much rather we all just leave him alone, so he could work hard 16-hour days and promote tourism. After all, Mr. Diaz is a good, hard-working, intelligent, well-educated, highly motivated, superior government employee. (Just from reading his letter to you last week, we can all infer that Diaz is highly literate, very articulate, extremely eloquent—ble to communicate clearly and concisely. He writes: "We have whole buch of activiues for our local community as well as other residents set up during the year no other agency has and in order to accomplish all this you need staff and if I am not mistaken, the MVB staff and management is one of the best in doing so.")

Obviously, Mr. Diaz is a splendid, wonderful, first-rate writer. He must be a college graduate—an English major no doubt. He surely deserves every penny he receives at MVB. He could not possibly be overpaid.

Yes, with all the incredible skills, education and qualifications Mr. Diaz brings to the MVB, we might just wonder: Exactly how much does he make? So I checked. It turns out Mr. Diaz is enormously underpaid. To my

surprise—to my shock and dismay—this bright, energetic, outstanding "Research Assistant" only makes \$20,483.84 a year—far, far less than a man of his enormous qualifications could fetch in the private sector.

Clearly, Mr. Diaz is doing us all a great public service. Instead of working in the private sector—where we all know he could be getting much, much more—Diaz chooses instead to do us all a favor by helping to bring us more tourists. No doubt, with his vast research genius and polished prose, Mr. Diaz must have declined numerous employment offers of greater compensation from the likes of DFS, PDI, PIC, Tasi Tours, the Hyatt, etcetera.

Evidently, I owe Mr. Diaz a huge apology. I am so sorry. I didn't know Diaz was so supremely qualified to promote tourism. I didn't know he was getting so little—\$20 thousand a year—in relation to his enormous abilities and credentials (NMC courses and all). I didn't know he could write so well. I didn't realize the full significance of his government agency and his vital position there. I didn't know how much he was personally contributing to our economy and tourism industry. Indeed, without Jack V. Diaz and his beloved MVB, I am sure we would all be lost.

So, yes...let's just get along. Let's just all poor dumb bastards while Diaz and his sort sort loot off our tax dollars with no accountability.

Cordially,
Charles P. Reyes Jr.

Aldan: Why so drastic a sentence?

Dear Editor:

Allow me to raise practical concerns with Judge Timothy Bellas' recent sentencing of Mr. Jesus A. Aldan to 5 years in prison for "less than a gram" of ice and a .22 caliber rifle.

Issue No. 1: Not Being Qualified for Parole as the Charges Carry a Mandatory Sentence. If the above contention is true by Judge Bellas, then how can he explain the recent slate of convicted criminals with more serious, felonious crimes get away with much lesser sentence, imprisonment or punishment? My only conclusion is that this practice is dangerous as it may be sending a bad message and setting up a bad precedent for future convicted criminals that they are better off committing more serious crimes than they would with less serious ones because the punishment is less.

Issue No. 2: What Standard Formula or Guideline did Judge Bellas use in deciding that a crime of less than a gram of ice and a .22 caliber rifle carries a Sentence of 5 years?

I'm curious to find this out from Judge Bellas. In fact, if my cursory research serves me right, the national federal statutory guideline regarding sentencing for first time offenders involving "ice" provides for imprisonment of between 10 to 21 months. In particular, Level 12 provides for 10-16 months imprisonment for "less than 1/2 a gram" while Level 14 carries a 15-21 months for "1/2 grams to

1 gram" of ice. In comparison, 5 years which Judge Bellas slapped Mr. Jesus A. Aldan seems too drastic a punishment for such a light crime relative to those of more serious ones, such as those who were found guilty for possession of 4 grams up, but yet get away with very short "fly by" jail sentences. In fact, the pattern which seems to have developed is such that not only are their jail sentences short, most of their initial jail sentences had been suspended and replaced with either community service and/or probation.

Equally interesting is my consistent observation that most, if not all, of the recent sentencing of drug offenders who get away with such "fly by" jail sentences are foreigners. I raise this critical issue because of the implications involved. Our lax immigration policies regarding the entry of foreign nationals into the Commonwealth allows for potential criminals to commit basically any crime, and at the rate our judges have been giving lax "fly by" sentences, such foreign criminals still believe they can get away. What sad precedence indeed. What negative message, too.

Now where is social justice here? How does Judge Bellas justify his 5 years sentence for Mr. Jesus A. Aldan for the crime he committed as a first time offender? As one who is not a lawyer, but an ordinary citizen, I question such a drastic sentencing. Judge Bellas, Why?

Sincerely,
Pete A. Aldan

Guam senator questions firing of education officials

By Mary Rose S. Tigulo
For the Variety

GUAM—A Guam lawmaker is questioning the decision of the Territorial Board of Education to fire Department of Education Director Joseph DeTorres.

Sen. Judith Won Pat-Borja, chairperson for the Committee on Education, she was surprised by the action of the board since it has taken a stance to implement stability to the leadership.

She also said the termination of DeTorres in the agency can be felt throughout the whole education system.

"I have talked with many principals and teachers about the way the education system on Guam was headed by DeTorres and many of them were happy with his leadership," Won Pat Borja said.

Many principals and teachers expressed that there were positive changes that had happened since DeTorres became the director, she added.

Eileen Kupor, an elementary principal from Wettengel Elementary described DeTorres as someone who had an impact on the education system on Guam.

"He had instilled self confidence and morale among the employees,"

she said. "He made it a priority for the staff to communicate with parents and students."

Though uncertain about any plan of action on DeTorres firing, Won Pat-Borja said she may review the public law that created the elected territorial board to see if amendments are in order concerning policy making.

"We are so used to becoming managers, but we have little experience on how to become policy makers," she said.

On the other hand Tony Diaz, spokesperson for the DOE said DeTorres was fired late Friday evening when the board went into executive session.

Wilfred Aflague has replaced DeTorres as interim director and Roland Taimanglo has stepped up to fill the interim deputy director position.

He also noted there were at least ten turnovers of directorship within the last ten years.

"Change is good but too much change results in a cry-out for stability from the community as well as the system," he said.

Numerous calls have been placed to contact the board's public information officer but have not been returned.

Torres tonight's guest on Jon Anderson Live

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Your phone calls and questions are encouraged for this edition of Jon Anderson Live.

Jon Anderson Live is a talk show where viewers can call in with their comments and questions on the issues that matter in the CNMI.

Jon Anderson Live airs every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. on KMCV Channel 7.



William Torres

Veterans to be briefed on available benefits

THE DIVISION of Veterans Affairs, the U.S. Armed Forces Veterans Association and the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) are hosting all military retirees and eligible dependents, to Veterans Benefit Presentation to be held on August 15, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Joeten Kiyu Public Library in Susupe.

According to a news release from the DVA, a representative from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the

Champus Representatives from the U.S. Naval Hospital-Guam will be coming over to serve as guest speakers.

They will discuss issues and update information pertaining to VA Benefits and the CHAMPUS Program here in the CNMI.

All interested Veterans, Military Retirees and Eligible Dependents are urged to attend this important presentation.

For further information please call the Division of Veterans Affairs at telephone number 288-1150.

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AGO is now 'looking into' Perez's activities

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff

THOUGH the Attorney General's Office is not conducting a full-blown investigation, it is still, "in a way," looking into the activities of Filipino labor leader Vicente Perez, acting Attorney General Sebastian Aloat said yesterday.

Aloat was reacting to Rep. Stanley T. Torres's (Ind.-Saipan) recent comments which "lambasted" Aloat for not investigating Perez's alleged "illegal activities" while a tourist on Saipan.

Aloat, according to Torres, is now "part of the problem." "The representative has his own point of view, I understand his concerns though I may not agree with his opinion," Aloat said.

He reiterated that for the AGO to begin a full-blown investigation, there should be a "basic preliminary information."

Aloat also denied Torres's allegation that the AGO advised Perez to "take a short vacation" and thus avoid deportation.

"I never talked with Mr. Perez," Aloat said, "and I guess Mr. Torres got his information from second-hand sources. It's a misleading information anyway."

Aloat, however, said he did meet with labor union lawyer John

Cool prior to Perez's departure from Saipan last February.

He said the only thing he discussed with Cool was what Perez's rights were.

"I always deal openly with the opposing counsellor," Aloat said.

Torres, in a letter last July 25, said if only Aloat were to investigate Perez's activities, "you (Aloat) would find out he is working for the union right under your nose."

Aloat, in a July 22 interview with the Variety, said Perez is not "making a mockery" of the Attorney General's Office (AGO), as Torres has earlier alleged.

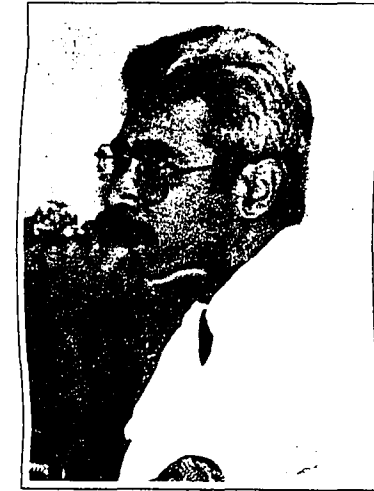
"I don't believe that you give up certain rights just because you're a tourist," Aloat said.

"You have a right not just to lie on the beach, you can also see your friends, drive them around. And nobody can say you can't look for a job."

He said the AGO is not looking into the activities of Perez due to a lack of a "basic preliminary information" that should justify initiating investigation.

The AGO has a lot of other cases that need to be looked into first, Aloat said.

Torres, in a letter to Lt. Gov. Jesus C. Borja last July 17, said



Sebastian Aloat

he has "strong evidence" showing Perez driving to barracks, picking up non-resident workers and taking them to NLRB hearings.

"How many tourists do that?" Torres said.

In an earlier letter to Gov. Froilan C. Tenorio, Torres said Perez "is not a tourist and his real purpose is to help organize union membership."

Perez, who returned to Saipan last July 2, successfully organized a labor union at Hafa Adai Hotel where he was a non-resident worker for two years.

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Tenorio to pursue FAS policy



Froilan C. Tenorio

By Zaldy Dandan
Variety News Staff
DRAWING up an official policy for it may take some time, but the administration will definitely push for the imposition of a fee on all students from the Freely Associated States (FAS) attending CNMI public schools. "I don't know how successful I would be, but I definitely will pursue this matter," Gov.

Froilan C. Tenorio said yesterday. He added that he doesn't think a legislation is needed for such a policy which, once implemented, will also reclassify the Micronesians as "aliens." Tenorio, last July 25, said the failure of the federal government to reimburse the CNMI for the costs of allowing unrestricted entry to Micronesians has forced him to take "corrective measures." One such measure, he said, is to have Micronesian students enrolled in public schools pay tuition fees. "I don't know how much at this point, but we'll come out with something," Tenorio said. Micronesian children, he added, have a "big impact" on CNMI's public school system. The governor's proposed policy will also classify Micronesians seeking employment in the CNMI as non-resident workers.

Micronesians will still be allowed unlimited entry, but companies hiring them will have to give them the same housing and other benefits provided to alien workers, Tenorio said. Under U.S. Public Law 99-239, the federal government is required to reimburse U.S. island entities for the costs involved with the free entry of Micronesians. As U.S. citizens, Micronesians qualify for free social services in the CNMI.

Governor's plans to charge Micronesians face challenge

By Mar-Vic C. Munar
Variety News Staff
GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio's plan to impose school fees on students coming from Federated States of Micronesia faces legal hurdles, a federal official and a source from the legal quarters said yesterday. "There may be some legal questions as to whether, under the Covenant and the Compact of Free Association, the governor can impose fees (on FSM students) as he said he might do," Interior Department Field Representative Jeff Schorr said. He did not elaborate, however. Under the Compact, CNMI is mandated to allow unrestricted entry to Micronesians, and the US government shall reimburse the Commonwealth for related costs. Tenorio, on the other hand, has complained that the federal government has not been reimbursing the CNMI for the costs of unrestricted entry of Micronesians. This prompted his plan to treat Micronesian as aliens and charge them school fees. (See related story). A government lawyer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the governor's plan faces constitutional questions. The issue of aliens getting education in the United States had been resolved in a 1982 Supreme Court jurisprudence in Texas, the source said. "That particular decision says that even children with illegal status are entitled to free public education," the lawyer said. The lawyer was referring to the high tribunal's decision in *Plyler v Doe*, which involved a group of Mexican children who were denied free public education by the State of Texas because of their status as illegal aliens. The Court, citing the US Constitution, said that "(w)hatever his status under the immigration laws, an alien is surely a person in any ordinary sense of the term and thus is entitled to protection under equal protection clause."

Tinian senator says 'Lone star was never serious'



Henry DLG. San Nicolas

By Rafael H. Arroyo
Variety News Staff
LONE STAR Casino, Tinian's first attempt at gaming, failed because it lacked seriousness in seeing the endeavor work for the benefit of the island community, Tinian Sen. Henry DLG. San Nicolas said. In an interview yesterday, the Tinian senator said Lone Star's failure should by no means be a gauge on the profitability of the casino business on Tinian. "In my opinion, Lone Star failed because it was not thinking about staying on Tinian. All it wanted was to profit and take off," San Nicolas said. "We accorded it all the support. The people of Tinian bent backward hoping that this infant will develop and yet they ran away from their problems rather than face them," said San Nicolas. Lone Star Casino, the first casino licensee to have started actual operations under the Tinian Casino Gaming Initiative, closed down late last year purportedly to assess its finances. Although the Texas-based firm said it will reopen early this year, it failed to do so prompting the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission

to cancel its license. "This by no means should be the measure of the casino industry. It should be profitable depending on the commitment of the investor," he said. According to San Nicolas, the thing about Lone Star was that it quit after incurring losses early in its operations when such losses are normal at the start of any business. "If they want to move out, they can do so because that's their money. But they should have shown more resolve. Any business usually incurs losses in the beginning," said San Nicolas. San Nicolas stressed casino developers should be giving some leeway for initial losses until business picks up little by little.

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Aloot says Sablan 'clearly violated' lease agreement



Nicolas C. Sablan

By Ferdie de la Torre
Variety News Staff
ACTING Atty. General C. Sebastian Aloot has asked the Superior Court to dissolve its temporary restraining order in connection with a lawsuit filed by Nicolas C. Sablan against the Department of Lands and Natural Resources. In his motion, Aloot, who represented the DLNR Division of Public Lands, said to permit Sablan to continue to enjoy possession of the land without consideration is a continued violation of the public trust. "To permit one person to occupy a parcel of public land for his own pecuniary interest without consideration deprives the beneficiaries of the value to which they are entitled and which the Legislature by statute specifically demanded the MPLC obtain," he said. Sablan, former director of Public Works, sued the Marianas Public Land Corp. and its successor, DLNR-DPL for allegedly refusing to ex-

ecute a land exchange agreement. Last July 15, Superior Court Presiding Judge Alexandro Castro granted Sablan's request for TRO. The TRO restrained DPL from entering and taking over the leased premises where the Sablan Cockpit and the plaintiff's other businesses are situated. The court also enjoined the government agency from sealing the premises and preventing Sablan from entering and using the properties. The government, through Aloot, opposed Sablan's motion for preliminary injunction. Aloot contended that Sablan cannot meet its burden of proving that a preliminary injunction should be granted because he has not demonstrated irreparable injury. The acting Atty. General added that the plaintiff can show no likelihood of success in prevailing on his claim that he is not in breach of the lease or that he has a right to have the leased property transferred to him in a land exchange. Despite plaintiff's acknowledged receipt of notice for delinquent rent and numerous follow-up demand letters sent, Aloot said Sablan has continuously failed and refused to pay rent as required under the lease to the present date. "Plaintiff, has, thus, continued in possession of public lands without payment of rent as required by statute and lease for a period in excess of four years and in excess of one year after plaintiff concedes that he knew defendant was demanding payment," Aloot said. The government lawyer said this action is a clear violation of the lease, even if the alleged oral waiver was made and was effective. Aloot said since Sablan has willfully failed and refused to make any rental payments at all times since April 1995, he has materially breached the lease and has no right to further possession.

Fleming BOE's new vice chair



Esther Fleming

ESTHER Fleming was elected yesterday as the new vice chairman of the Board of Education, BOE's administrative assistant Bobby Muna said. Fleming replaced Don Farrel, who is now the board's chairman. The restructuring of the education board was prompted by the resignation of Tom Pangelinan as chairman of the board. Fleming occupies one of the BOE's seat for Saipan. She is a former constitutional convention delegate.

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Extremists burn school in Southern Philippines

ZAMBOANGA CITY, Philippines (AP) - A rebel extortion group burned a school building on troubled Basilan island Tuesday to punish teachers for ignoring their demands for "protection money," the military said.

No one was hurt in the before-dawn attack as residents slept in Kumalarang village in the town of Isabela, said Maj. Fredesvindo Covarubbias, spokesman of the military's Southern Command.

Isabela, the capital of Basilan, is 880 kilometers (545 miles) south of Manila.

Intelligence reports reaching the command said the extortion group is part of the Abu Sayyaf, an extremist group of Muslim Filipinos fighting for indepen-

dence from the Manila-based government.

Village councilman Abdulgani Ismael said the group has been demanding a monthly payment of pesos 200 (\$ 8) from each teacher in the Kumalarang National High School.

Ismael said school officials were forced to suspend classes in fear.

Because many teachers have been kidnapped or killed by numerous bandit groups in Basilan in the past few years, the government provides special hazard pay for those assigned there.



Residents climb out from the balcony of their two-storey house into a rubber boat Friday, in suburban Quezon City as flood waters continue to rise. Typhoon Gloria continued to pummel much of the Philippines with winds of 87 miles (140 kms) per hour, killing at least 20 people and leaving six other missing, disaster relief officials said. AP Photo

Typhoon Herb gains strength

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - Powerful Typhoon Herb gained more strength Tuesday but veered away from the northern Philippines and charmed toward Taiwan, weather forecasters said.

At midday, Herb, packing sustained winds of 180 kilometers (115 miles) per hour and peak winds of up to 215 kilometers (135 miles) per hour, was located over the Formosa Strait, about 550 kilometers (345 miles) east of Batanes Island, the country's northernmost province, forecaster Winnie Mancenido said. It was moving west at 15 kph (9 mph), she said.

Mancenido said a high pressure area which had slowed Herb's movement weakened early Tuesday, causing the seventh storm to approach the Philippines this year to shift direction and head for Taiwan.

Although Herb was moving away from the country, its wide cloud area was expected to bring continued rains and isolated thunderstorms to many areas in the northern Philippines. But storm warnings for the rest of Luzon island have been lowered. Mancenido said.

MANILA NEWSBRIEFS (as culled by Philippine Consulate)

Speaker lauds US senate

SPEAKER Jose de Venecia lauded the US Senate yesterday for adopting Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 64 recognizing and giving honors to Filipino veterans of World War II.

During De Venecia's visit to the United States, he met with senior American legislators and secured their commitment for the passage of the measure that would benefit the country's estimated 100,000 surviving war veterans.

"I am happy that the US Senate swiftly acted on initiatives of Pres Ramos and myself for the final recognition of the rights of Filipino veterans," he said.

The Senate resolution was authored by Sen. Daniel Inouye (Democrat, Hawaii).

Rep. Benjamin Gilam of New York also assured De Venecia that a similar resolution he had authored would also be approved by the House of Representatives.

De Venecia said the adoption of the concurrent resolution by both chambers of the US Congress would pave the way for the approval of "The Filipino Veterans Equity Act" which provides for both recognition and benefits of World War veterans services. *The Philippine Star*

RP seen as Asian 'breadbasket'

THE Philippine can serve as a breadbasket as well as pool for skilled manpower within the emerging East Asian Growth Area (Eaga) as "growth triangles" smoothen transition towards the 21st century.

In a new study, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) sketches interlocking potentials that could be pooled by four Eaga countries: Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines.

ADB's Ernesto M. Pernia and Isabelita Z. Alba wrote the study in response to an Asean request where the Bank presents four "tranches" of 151 policy, program and project initiatives.

The Philippines "is most likely to be a breadbasket of Eaga, serving both local and export markets," according to Pernia and Alba.

Considerable skills and investment on fish processing already exist. A metal industrial cluster is also evolving in Northern Mindanao.

The Philippines will "continue supplying much needed labor and skills throughout the area." *Malaya*

Foreign debt up to \$39.3B

WILD currency fluctuations have pushed up the country's foreign debt to \$39.36 billion as of end-1995, according to Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Gabriel Singson.

Without the exchange rate revaluation, the country's foreign liabilities would have reached only \$37.77 billion as of end 1995, from \$37.08 billion the previous year.

The BSP, in computing the country's total foreign debt, excludes exchange-rate revaluations to give more accurate figure of the volume of foreign debt.

The exchange rate, particularly of the Japanese yen and US dollar is very volatile and can swing in whatever direction, depending on economic developments in the two countries.

The foreign debt figure includes loans borrowed by the government, its agencies and private firms, including Ayala Corporation, Filinvest Land and Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company. *The Manila Times*

COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) is soliciting proposals for the award of one (1) Restaurant/Snack Bar Concession at the Rota International Airport.

Proposal packages can be obtained at the Office of the Executive Director, Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 1055, Chalan Kanoa, Saipan MP 96950. The pre-bid conference will be held on August 16, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at the CPA Conference Room located on the Second Floor, Rota ARFF Building, Rota International Airport.

Proposals will be received by the CPA until 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 13, 1996 in order to be considered for the award. All proposals will be publicly opened on September 13, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at the Office of the Executive Director, Second Floor, Arrival Building, Saipan International Airport.

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

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

Rebel ambushes kill 3

PORT MORESBY, Papua New Guinea (AP) - Rebels on Bougainville island killed three troopers in ambushes, prompting the prime minister to postpone a major policy address Tuesday on the secessionist crisis.

Papua New Guinea launched a major offensive against the rebels in June, but it faltered in mid-July and hundreds of troops were withdrawn. The rebels now appear to be pressing their tactical advantage.

The prime minister, Sir Julius Chan, had been due in Parliament to outline developments on Bougainville and clarify the government's position on propos-

als for greater autonomy for the mineral-rich island.

But Chan said the statement had been delayed following two unprovoked attacks by members of the secessionist Bougainville Revolutionary Army.

Defense Force commander Brig. Gen. Jerry Singirok confirmed that three members of his security forces on Bougainville had been killed in two attacks. He had sent more than 1,800 troops to Bougainville in June.

A policeman died in an ambush Monday at the Manetai care center in an area under PNG control, north of the provincial capital Arawa.

Singirok said two soldiers died in

clashes at rebel strongholds in central Bougainville.

Bougainville, about 500 miles (800 km) northeast of Port Moresby, has been wracked by an eight-year secessionist movement sparked by landowner dissatisfaction with royalties from the Australian company CRA's giant Panguna copper mine.

Summary executions by both rebels and government forces have also been common, according to

Papua New Guinea estimates that up to 10,000 people have died in the conflict. Many deaths are due to malnutrition or lack of medicines since the government blockaded the island to hamper rebel infiltration.

Amnesty International and other human rights monitors. Estimates of the rebels' strength range from 200 fighters to as many as 2,000 partisans on Bougainville, which has a total population of about 200,000.

Some 50,000 Bougainvilleans have been relocated into government-controlled security camps.

Olter remains in ICU

HONOLULU (PNS) - The President of the Federated States of Micronesia, Bailey Olter, remains in the intensive care unit of Honolulu's Straub Clinic and Hospital recovering from a stroke and surgery.

He was flown to Honolulu for



Bailey Olter

treatment after he suffered a stroke at his Pohnpei home two weeks ago, Hawaii Public Radio reported.

Since then he has undergone brain surgery and treatments for a collapsed lung and a vein infection in his right arm. Secretary for External Affairs Asterio Takesy says that the FSM President is lucid and talking.

Doctors remain concerned about the possibility of pneumonia however, requiring that President Olter remain under intensive care.

Meanwhile, FSM Vice President Jaboc Nena has taken over the day-to-day running of the Federated States of Micronesia government.

Secretary Takesy says this is normal when the President is out of the country.

SPF condemns China's latest nuclear test

SUVA (PNS) - The Acting Secretary General of the South Pacific Forum has condemned the latest nuclear test which the People's Republic of China conducted Monday.

In a statement yesterday Nikenike Vurobaravo said it was deeply regrettable that the Chinese government saw fit to conduct the test so soon after the issue was raised at the highest political level in talks with the Beijing government only a week ago.

Vurobaravo said the South Pacific Forum has long been opposed to nuclear testing and was disappointed at the continuation of the PRC's programme of nuclear testing.

He said the Secretary General expressed the South Pacific Forum's disappointment to the Vice Premier

and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China (PRC), Qian Qichen, when he visited the South Pacific forum Secretariat in Suva, Fiji on July 19.

"We also urged the PRC to exercise the utmost efforts to ensure that negotiations on a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty reached an early and successful conclusion," he said.

Vurobaravo said while it was a welcome development that the Chinese government had indicated Monday's test was their last the fact remained that one more test was one too many.

"It is our hope that the PRC will work vigorously towards an early successful conclusion of a truly comprehensive test ban treaty," he said.

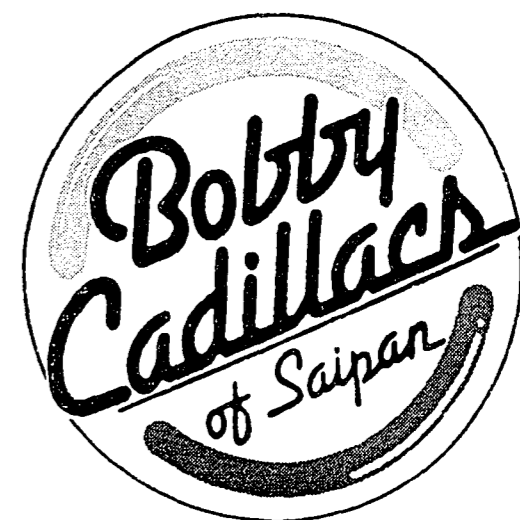
F. Polynesia, France sign financial aid agreement

WELLINGTON (PNS) - The French Polynesian president, Gaston Flosse, and French Prime Minister Alain Juppe have signed an agreement in Paris which will ensure French financial aid to the South Pacific territory for the next ten years.

Flosse says French President Jacques Chirac is aware of the economic impact of the ending of

the nuclear testing programme in French Polynesia and so has allocated 990 million French franc US \$196 million) a year, RNZI reported.

Flosse says while this may seem overly generous it is justified because French Polynesia accepted underground nuclear testing. He says this will go towards the territory's development.



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The Department of Public Works is soliciting sealed proposals for the Design-Build of the Marpi Pathways and Parking Areas Project, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Interested contractors must submit one (1) original and four (4) copies of sealed proposals to the Office of the Director, Division of Procurement & Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950 no later than 4:00 local time, August 16, 1996. A selection committee will convene soon after the submission deadline to review and select the best qualified contractor for the project.

Proposals will be evaluated by the Office of the Governor, Planning Office Committee, evaluation will be based on the following criteria:

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5. Financial and Manpower capabilities of contractor

A copy of the Scope of Work may be obtained from the Technical Services Division, Department of Public Works, Lower Base, Saipan, on or after August 1, 1996.

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

/s/ EDWARD M. DELEON GUERRERO
Secretary of Public Works

/s/ EDWARD B. PALACIOS
Directors, Division of Procurement & Supply

Hurricane crosses to Pacific

By ALFONSO ANZUETO
GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala (AP)- A Caribbean-born hurricane has jumped to the Pacific, leaving at least 35 people dead in its sweep across northern Colombia and Central America.

Renamed Hurricane Douglas from Hurricane Cesar because of the move, the storm was about 300 miles (480 kilometers) southeast of the Mexican resort of Acapulco on Monday evening.

After dissipating during its trip across the isthmus, the storm regrouped in waters considerably warmer than its Caribbean birthplace, the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said. Warmer waters mean more energy for the hurricane.

The Mexican government issued a tropical storm warning from Salina Cruz to Acapulco as Douglas headed west at about 20 miles (32 km) an hour with sustained winds of 80 mph (129 kph) and gusts of 97 mph (155 kph).

Up to six inches (152 millimeters) of rain fell over parts of southern Mexico and in some places tides were expected to be four feet (one m) above normal.

Cesar was blamed for 11 deaths in Colombia as it lashed the San Andres archipelago. The toll included eight children who died in an avalanche blamed on Cesar's heavy rains.

The storm barreled across Central America on Sunday, with Nicaragua taking the brunt.

Damage reports from Cesar were slow to come in from outlying areas without telephone and electrical service.

Costa Rica's government confirmed 11 deaths from heavy flooding in the south. The Costa Rican Red Cross said 10 other people were missing in a mudslide that buried a house in Terrazu, 40 miles (65 kilometers) south of the capital, San Jose.

"I was outside my house fixing a fence when I heard a roar and felt the ground shake. Then I saw this mountain of earth bury my house and all my family inside," Rigoberto Calderon said.

Swollen rivers jumped their banks Sunday night and left a still-uncounted number of injured and homeless.

"Dozens of homes were washed away, some with entire families inside, so we still don't know how many people were killed," said Carlos Quesada, director of the National Emergency Commission.

Much of the flooding was reported around Perez Zeledon, 70 miles (113 kilometers) south of the Costa Rican capital.

In neighboring Nicaragua, the government declared an emergency and sent army helicopters with food, medicine and blankets to flooded areas.

At least 10,000 Nicaraguans were left homeless by flooding, authorities said. Two youths drowned and a boy was asphyxiated in the chaos of an evacuation in a crowded truck, officials said.

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North Korea launches bid for more Hong Kong investments

HONG KONG (AP) - A North Korean drive to attract foreign business reached Hong Kong Monday, with a senior official urging investors to take a fresh look at the secretive hardline nation.

Kim Jong U, the head of a high-level North Korean trade mission which has already been to Japan, outlined an ambitious plan to turn a remote trade zone in the north of the country into a "mega-export center" for investors, financiers and tourists.

In a speech at the start of a two-day investment conference, Kim appealed to Hong Kong businesses to shake off "outmoded and old" views of North Korea and come looking for investment opportunities.

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Michael Jackson

South Korea to allow Michael Jackson concert despite protests

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - South Korea announced Tuesday the curtain can go up on a scheduled performance by U.S. pop star Michael Jackson, and civic groups vowed to protest the show and boycott the concert's sponsors.

"We came to the judgment that withholding permission may provoke criticism and trade friction," Culture Ministry spokesman Shin Hyon-taek said in announcing the decision to allow the concert.

Foreigners must obtain government permission to perform in public in South Korea.

Even comparatively weak hurricanes and tropical storms wreak heavy damage in impoverished Central America, where most people live in frail homes easily washed away.

Hurricane Bertha, with winds over 100 mph (160 kph), killed at least 10 people earlier this month in the Caribbean and along the U.S. eastern seaboard.

Two hurricanes and one tropical storm have hit Mexico's Pacific coast this storm season.

Netanyahu: US must lead fight vs terror

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the United States should lead an international campaign against all those engaged in terrorism.



Benjamin Netanyahu

Netanyahu, who has written several books on combating terrorism, said strong measures were needed to stem to tide, but did not elaborate.

The United States "is capable of conquering international terrorism by taking various steps, as the countries in Western Europe have done," Netanyahu said in an interview published in the Maariv daily.

"International terrorism is the most threatening," Netanyahu said. "It will grow stronger if we do not take steps against those engaged in terrorism, first and foremost countries and terrorist groups in the Middle East."

The pipe bomb exploded Saturday at Atlanta's Centennial Olympic Park, killing a woman and injuring more than 100 people.

Report: Israeli PM to lift settlement freeze

BY JACK KATZENELL
JERUSALEM (AP) - Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is ready to lift the freeze on the construction of Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a radio report said Monday.

The construction curb had been imposed by Israel's previous government in 1992 to pave the way for peace negotiations with Palestinians.

Settlement expansion will make it increasingly difficult for Palestinians to set up an independent state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip under a final peace agreement with Israel.

However, Netanyahu has said repeatedly he favored the expansion of Jewish settlements. He said that despite the policies of former Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, construction had continued in some areas and the number of settlers increased by 50 percent over the past four years. Netanyahu has said he would do no less than Rabin.

Palestinians say the construction violates the interim peace agreements because it establishes facts on the ground that prejudice the outcome of talks on a permanent peace accord.

The Peace Now group said the number of settlers increased by 39 percent, not 50 percent as claimed by Netanyahu.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Civil Service Commission will hold a board meeting on Friday, August 2, 1996, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the Commission's Office in Capitol Hill, Saipan. Additional information concerning the meeting is available at the Commission's office in Capitol Hill, Saipan.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. GRIEVANCE OF MARIA T. PANGELINAN-DELIBERATION
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
- V. OLD BUSINESS
- VI. LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

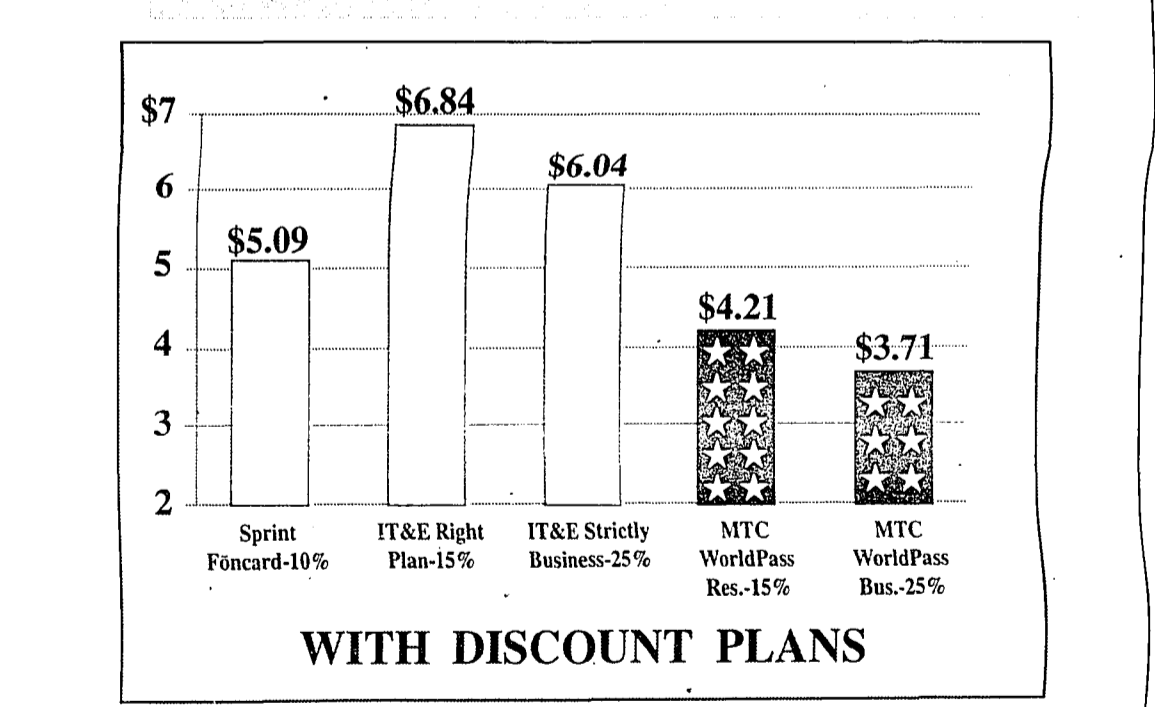
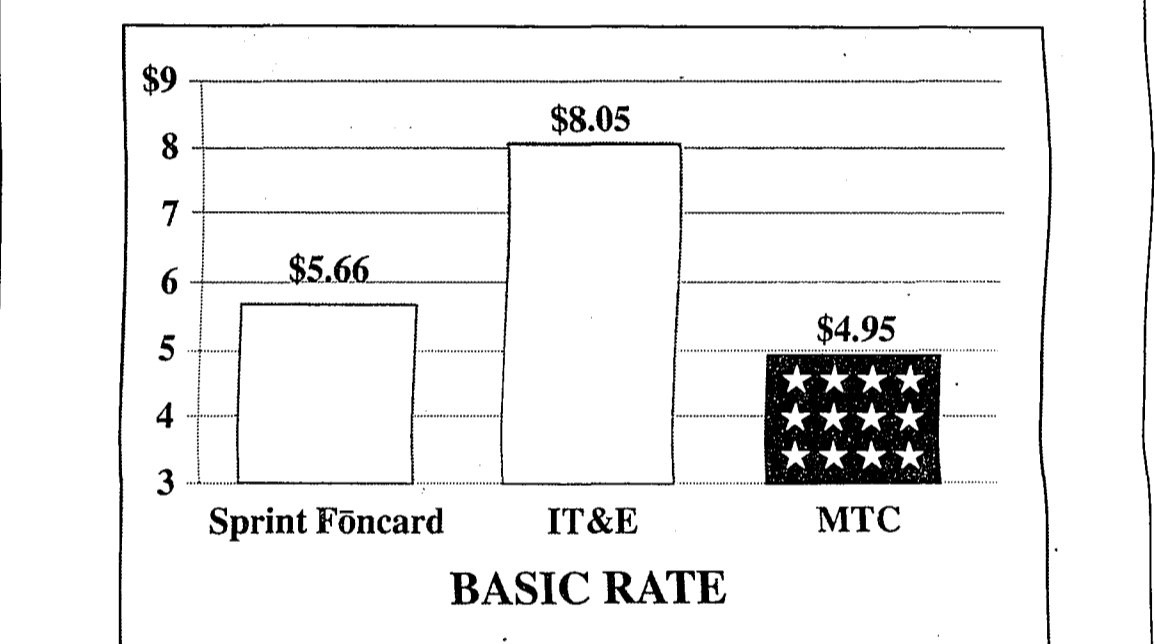
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Perry off to Saudi Arabia

By SUSANNE M. SCHAFER
WASHINGTON (AP) - Defense Secretary William Perry left Monday on a secretive trip for Saudi Arabia to discuss ways for Riyadh to help pay for increased security

measures for U.S. troops based there, defense officials said. Perry also intended to visit U.S. forces stationed in nearby Kuwait, said the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Saudi sources told The Associated Press that Perry would inspect a site where some American troops will be moved as a precaution against more terrorist attacks following one last month that killed

19 U.S. airmen. Perry will head straight for the Al Kharj air base after arriving in Riyadh, 50 miles (80 kilometers) to the north, and then meet with Saudi King Fahd in the Red Sea port city of Jiddah, said the sources, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The Pentagon's public information office declined to disclose the secretary's travel plans, as it normally does, or even confirm whether he was leaving the country.

"The defense secretary is looking after the security and welfare of the troops," said a statement issued by his office.

Perry's spokesman, Kenneth Bacon, could not be reached for comment. He was described as being out of town for the week.

Perry returned over the weekend from a four-day visit to Australia. While there, his plans to visit Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Bahrain on his way home leaked to the news media, and the Mideast portion was cancelled.

Officials privately offered the explanation that he was returning to Washington because of the bomb explosion in Atlanta's Olympic Park. But several Pentagon officials said

they were uncertain what exactly was behind the switch in plans, given the small role military officials were playing in the Olympic blast investigation. Some officials said top Perry aides were chagrined that his travels to Saudi Arabia had been disclosed.

While in Saudi Arabia, Perry planned to discuss tightening security for U.S. forces there following the June 25 bombing of a U.S. military housing complex near Dhahran in which 19 Americans were killed.

Five Americans were also killed in the November bombing of a U.S. military training mission in the Saudi capital of Riyadh. Perry has said Washington wants to move between 3,000 and 4,000 troops stationed in northern Saudi Arabia to a base outside of Riyadh as a safeguard against more possible attacks by terrorists. The troops help monitor the "no-fly zone" over southern Iraq.

Military officials have projected that moving the troops now based near Dhahran to more secure bases could cost hundreds of millions of dollars.

The Saudis so far have made no firm commitment to help defray those costs. Some 20,000 U.S. troops are in the Gulf region.



Members of the United States and Australian teams pose for a photo for the first AUSMIN joint defense talks, in Sydney, Australia Friday. In front of the Australian and American flags are from left to right, Australian Foreign Minister, Alexander Downer, US Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Australian Prime Minister John Howard, US Secretary of Defense William Perry and Australian Minister of Defense Ian McLoughlan. AP Photo

Death and Funeral Announcement

Matilde Sablan Untalan (Kilili)

Better known as "Matilde Marcus"
was called to her eternal rest on Friday, July 26, 1996



- Predeceased by her:**
- Husband: Marcus Untalan
 - Parents: Gregorio SN Sablan, Joaquina D. Sablan
 - Sisters: Rita S. Tenorio (Luis), Rosalia S. Pangelinan (Juan)
 - Brother: Vicente D. Sablan (Mayor)
 - Brothers-in-Law: Luis C. Tenorio (Rita), Jesus M. Palacios (Neni)
 - Reared Son In Law: Edward Holschneider
- Survived by her:**
- Reared Daughter: Marcela U. Holschneider
 - Children: Joaquin & Michaela U. Sanchez, Jose & Liberty Untalan, Marcus & Norma Untalan, James & Lavian Untalan, Anthony & Vivia Untalan, Elsie Untalan, Henry Holschneider, Matilde Holschneider
 - Brother & Sister: Anuncia S. Palacios (Neni)
 - Spouses: Jesus D. & Victorina C. Sablan (Kilili)
 - Brother & Sister In Law: Juan SN Pangelinan (Obu), Felicidad H. Sablan (Vicente)

She is additionally survived by numerous nephews and nieces. Rosary is being said nightly at 7:00 p.m. at the Kristo Rai Church in Garapan. Last respects may be paid at the Kristo Rai Church from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 pm on Saturday, August 3, 1996. Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 3:00 pm on August 3rd. Burial will immediately follow at the Chalan Kanoa Cemetery.

Gangster sentenced to death for slay of Japanese students

LONG BEACH, California (AP) - A gang member was sentenced to death for the execution-style murder of two college students from Japan during a 1994 carjacking.

Raymond Oscar Butler, 20, bit his lip and swallowed hard during the sentencing hearing Monday before Judge James Pierce. His sentence will be appealed automatically.

In upholding a jury's April recommendation that Butler die, the judge said Butler had showed he wants to "satisfy his lust and anger only on those weaker than himself."

Butler was convicted in February of killing Marymount College film students Takuma Ito and Go Matsuura. The 19-year-olds were attacked as they stood outside their car in a supermarket parking lot in San Pedro, a Los Angeles harbor community.

Butler stole Ito's 1994 Honda Civic after shooting the men in the back of the head as they knelt resisting. The car was later found abandoned in San Pedro.

"It was a senseless, brutal and savage killing," said prosecutor Janet Moore.

The murders shocked Japanese citizens and prompted President Clinton and Ambassador Walter Mondale to express their condolences.

Ito was a Japanese citizen and Matsuura was an American who grew up in Japan.

Another defendant, Alberto Raygoza, 20, is serving a 32-month prison term. He pleaded no-contest to receiving stolen property and being an accessory after the fact in a robbery.

The judge said he considered mitigating circumstances in decid-

ing whether to condemn Butler to death or life in prison.

Those included a poor upbringing, a history of drug and alcohol abuse and psychological problems. But, the judge said, those failed to outweigh "the revolting circumstances of the murders" and the fact that he was charged with killing a fellow inmate a year later.

Butler's mother, Donna, has said Butler's sister-in-law encouraged him to take drugs the night of the carjacking and should share some of the blame for the crime.

"This is America? There is no justice," she said outside court. "You can put my son to death, but I know what happened."

However, the prosecutor said Butler has stated he was solely responsible for the killings.

Ito's father, Akihito, received the news of Butler's death sentence from Japanese diplomats in Los Angeles. He said in his home outside Tokyo that he thought the death sentence was proper.

"A day never passes without remembering Takuma," the 51-year-old father told Kyodo News.

Matsuura's mother, Machiko, told Kyodo from her home in Kawanishi, western Japan, that she had expected the verdict.

Butler was ordered sent to San Quentin prison within 10 days, but he may have to remain at the Los Angeles County jail because he is awaiting trial for the March 26, 1995, stabbing of Tyrone Flemming.

Moore said Flemming, who was unpopular in the jail, was attacked by three men in the shower. Two other men also are charged with his death.

Sri Lankan gov't troops, rebels trade mortar fire

By OSHAN FERNANDO
COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) - Army troops and Tamil rebels traded mortar fire Monday and warplanes bombed rebel positions around a town captured by the army in its latest offensive to drive the rebels deeper into the jungle, the military said.

Troops were digging in and clearing mines around the northern town of Paranthan, and intended to advance against rebel strongholds after completing the clearing operation, said a military spokesman.

The town fell in an offensive launched four days ago when columns of infantry, armor and artillery moved out under air cover from Elephant Pass at the neck of the Jaffna Peninsula and marched six kilometers (four miles) southward.

No word was immediately available on casualties from Monday's fighting, but the military said at least 42 rebels and 17 soldiers were killed earlier in the

offensive. Paranthan is just four kilometers (2.5 miles) from Kilinochchi, where the Liberation Tigers for Tamil Eelam move their headquarters after they were evicted from Jaffna. The area is 275 kilometers (171 miles) north of the capital, Colombo.

On Sunday, the guerrillas killed 10 soldiers in the Jaffna Peninsula, a region that the military had claimed was cleared of guerrillas months ago.

Earlier this month, a woman suicide bomber in Jaffna City detonated a bomb strapped to her body, killing 23 people and wounding Housing Minister Nimal Siripala de Silva, who was visiting the peninsula.

The latest fighting came as the government laid down its conditions for negotiations with the rebels to end the 13-year old civil war.

Speaking in Colombo Sunday, Foreign Minister Lakshman Kadirgamar said the government was determined to seek a political settlement.

But he said the separatist must renounced violence, lay down a substantial quantity of arms and set a time period for political negotiations.

"But it is clear as far as the LTTE (rebels) are concerned, they have only one agenda: A separate state. That is not negotiable," Kadirgamar said.

The rebels are fighting for a separate homeland for minority Tamils in the north and east, accusing the Sinhalese majority of discrimination in education and jobs.

More than 43,000 people have been killed since fighting began in 1983.



A Sri Lankan soldier surveys the carnage in one of the two compartments where two bombs exploded while the train was at a station in a Colombo suburb Wednesday. At least 50 people were killed and 200 injured in the explosions, which are blamed on Tamil rebels fighting for a homeland. AP Photo

China's seas rise faster than others, says report

BEIJING (AP) - The seas around China are rising faster than elsewhere in the world, the state-run Xinhua News Agency reported Monday.

In the last 50 years, China's coastal waters have risen by 1.2 to 2 millimeters (0.05 to 0.08 inches) annually, compared with 1.1 to 1.7 millimeters (0.04 to 0.07 inches) in other parts of the globe, Xinhua said.

If unchecked, rising seas could threaten some of China's most prosperous areas such as Shanghai and the Pearl River Delta between the city of Guangzhou and Hong Kong, Xinhua said.

China's State Bureau of Surveying and Mapping and the National Oceanographic Information Center reported the trend after analyzing monthly data from 1,500 monitoring stations worldwide.

Sea levels around the world have been rising in part, scientists believe, because of warmer temperatures caused by a buildup of greenhouse gases in the earth's atmosphere.

Quake jolts Taiwan, no damage done

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - An earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.4 jolted Taiwan early Tuesday. No damage or injuries were immediately reported.

The undersea quake was centered beneath the Pacific 67 kilometers (40 miles) southeast of Ilan County. It struck at 4:21 a.m. (20:21 GMT), the Central Weather Bureau said.

Death & Funeral Announcement

JUAN DE LEON GUERRERO CABRERA

Better known as "Juan-Chong/Juan Prudencio"
Born: May 2, 1934
was called to his eternal rest on Wednesday, July 24, 1996 at the age of 62.

Predeceased by his:

Parents: Prudencio M. Cabrera & Maria M. De Leon Guerrero

Grand Daughter: Crystal Lynn Cabrera

In Law: Francisco C. Diaz & Maria T. Diaz

Brothers & Sisters:

Lazarus L.G. Cabrera, Antonio L.G. Cabrera, Maximo L.G. Cabrera & Martha L.G. Cabrera

Brothers & Sisters-in-Law:

Vicente D. Diaz, Nicolas D. Diaz, Antonio D. Diaz, Isabel D. Diaz, Rosa D. Gonzales, Emiliانا D. Diaz

Survived by his:

Wife: Concepcion D. Cabrera

Children: Maria D. Cabrera & Carlos Ruiz, Eliceo D. & Victoria A. Cabrera, Francisco D. & Vivian P. Cabrera, Isabel D. Cabrera, Jose D. & Gail M. Cabrera, Emiliانا C. & Alfred Montoya, Martha C. & Edward Santos, Lucia D. Cabrera, Victor D. Cabrera

Brothers & Sisters-in-Law & Spouses:

Lorenzo L.G. & Rosa S. Cabrera, Alejandra C. & Manuel P. Cruz, Anna C. & Ken Baer, Natividad L.G. Cabrera

He is additionally survived by 14 grandchildren, numerous nephews and nieces. Rosary is being said nightly at 8:00PM at the Mt. Carmel Cathedral in Chalan Kanoa. Last respects may be paid at the Mt. Carmel Cathedral following a State Funeral (9:00 a.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center) on Thursday, August 1, 1996. Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 4:00 pm. Interment will immediately follow at the Chalan Kanoa Cemetery.

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Officials searching for family of mystery boy

By SARAH CHRISTIAN
NEW YORK (AP) - Jonathan Adams is a smart little boy, he knows his numbers, his alphabet and his colors - he just doesn't know where he lives.

For more than four months, police and children's services officials have been trying to find Jonathan's family. The boy, believed to be 4 or 5, was found wandering unattended in a Toys R Us store in Brooklyn on March 21. No one came to the store to look for him.

"No one has reported him missing. There seems to be no indication, at least in New York, that someone is looking for him. It's astonishing," said Nicholas Scopetta, commissioner of the Administration for Children's Services.

Store employees called police near closing time and the next day Jonathan was placed in a foster home where he has been ever since.

No trace of his family has ever been found and no one ever filed a missing persons report on the little boy.

Abandoned children are not unusual in New York, Scopetta said, but an abandoned child like Jonathan is.

"It's sort of remarkable. He seems

to be very well taken care of. He's obviously very bright," he said.

ACS spokeswoman Maggie Lear said from the beginning of his ordeal, Jonathan has talked about a mother named Tameeka, a father Bernard, a brother Brenden and a sister Sheteria. He also talks about a grandmother, uncle and aunt who seem to have been important figures in his life.

"A lot of people have obviously loved this little boy," Lear said. "A lot of people took care of him. Where are they? It's just a strange, strange case."

Scopetta said he feels Jonathan had divided his time between his mother, who he can describe in detail, and his aunt.

What he can't say or doesn't remember is what investigators need to know most - an address, a phone number or even a city where he lived.

However on Sunday, Jonathan gave investigators a new lead.

"We showed him a globe today and a map. Twice on the globe and also on the map, he picked out North Carolina when we asked him where are we now," Lear said. "This may not lead to much, but it may be very significant."

ACS workers had already suspected that Jonathan was from the

South because of his manners. He often answers questions with "no, ma'am" or "yes, sir."

Jonathan said he is 4 years old, but may have just turned 5. On Sunday he told Lear his birthday was June 2, a fact he had not mentioned or could not remember before.

He is starting to mix reality and fantasy, Scopetta said, often telling stories that make it seem as if his mother is still with him.

"Sometimes he takes off on a story and makes it what, I think, he wishes were true," Scopetta said.

Scopetta said Jonathan never cries or complains about missing his mother - unusual for a child so young - but he has been recently throwing tantrums for no apparent reason, perhaps venting some of the stress of the situation.

Investigators are now circulating Jonathan's story around the media, hoping to find someone who knows him.

"What we're hoping is if we focus some attention on him, a neighbor, a relative, a parent, one of his friends will recognize him," Scopetta said. "He's a handsome little guy."

Just a remarkable little smile and eyes. I'm sure anyone who knows him will recognize him."



Unidentified Asian-Americans view the visit of President Bill Clinton from a balcony in San Francisco's Chinatown last week, in San Francisco. Clinton was in San Francisco to attend the Democratic National Committee dinner. AP Photo

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'Two-headed' baby baffles doctors

By DANA CALVO
TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) - If a two-headed infant survives through Wednesday, doctors say it is a good sign that a single heart can serve two sets of lungs.

But even then, doctors don't know how the child would fare as other shared internal organs attempt to work two spines, two stomachs and two hearts.

The newborn remained in critical but stable condition Monday. The infant has only one thorax, intestines and a single set of legs and arms, said Dr. Fernando Ayala, who heads the team of Mexican doctors caring for the infant.

"The baby is sleeping. It is not uncomfortable," said Luis Soleno, one of the neonatologists on the team. "But for us, the most important sign

will be if that heart starts to fail." Officially, doctors are calling the child "the two-headed baby," according to pediatric pulmonologist, Dr. Antonio Loaliza.

"They are not identical twins," Ayala said at a news conference Monday.

"They're similar looking, but not identical. And they're sort of a variety of Siamese, but in reality, this is a two-

headed baby." The rare birth occurred Friday afternoon at Tijuana's General Hospital, about 20 miles (32 km) south of San Diego.

At dawn on Sunday, the baby was moved to Notre Dame, a private 45-bed neonatal facility geared toward neonatology.

Separation surgery is out of the question, doctors said. And while two doctors from San Diego's Children's Hospital accepted an invitation to view the baby Sunday and collaborate on a prognosis, the child will remain in Tijuana for treatment.

The father, 32-year-old Otilo Angolo, told doctors he cannot afford to pay for treatment. Notre Dame has set up a fund for donations to pay for the cost of medicine and lab work, and

the doctors are donating their time.

The Otilos knew the baby was abnormal based on a sonogram taken several days before the birth. Born weighing nearly 7 1/2 pounds (3.5 kg), the Otilos gave the child two names, Maria de Jesus and Maria de Guadalupe.

On Saturday, a tall and slender Angolo emerged from General Hospital for a bit of sunshine. Quietly, he said his 25-year-old wife, whom he did not identify by name, was doing fine after the birth.

The couple and their 4-year-old son Daniel came from the western state of Sinaloa recently.

It was not clear why the Angolos were in Tijuana for the birth, but the area is known for some of the best medical care in Mexico.

Prince Charles appoints his first woman press secretary

LONDON (AP) - For the first time, Prince Charles has appointed a woman as his press secretary.

Sandy Henney, 44, formerly the prince's assistant press secretary, takes over as his 16-year marriage to Princess Diana is ending and he considers his future as a single man.

Inevitably, media attention will focus on the intensely private prince's love life.

Miss Henney, a career civil servant who has been on the prince's staff since 1993, is experienced in dealing with tricky situations.

In 1981, she handled publicity for Scotland Yard in the aftermath of rioting in the south

London suburb of Brixton.

Later, as senior spokeswoman for the Ministry of Defence, she was in charge of public relations for Britain's four astronauts.

In 1991, she was head of information at the state prosecuting agency, the Crown Prosecution Service, when its director Sir Allan Green resigned after police arrested him for soliciting a prostitute.

Miss Henney takes over from Allan Percival, 45, who has been appointed deputy press secretary to Prime Minister John Major.

Mark Bolland, 30, director of the media watchdog, the Press Complaints Commission, will



Prince Charles

replace Miss Henney.

The divorce between Prince Charles and Princess Diana becomes final on August 28.

Chinese medicines, aquarium trade threatening sea horses

BRISBANE, Australia (AP) - More than 20 million seahorses are turned into Chinese medicine each year, putting the fragile marine species at risk, British marine biologist Amanda Vincent said Tuesday.

"Several million more are sold in the aquarium trade or as dried curios, putting further pressure on their survival," she said.

Vincent, a senior researcher from Oxford University, is one of more than 900 marine scientists and fishing industry delegates at the Second World Fisheries Congress being held in Brisbane until Friday.

Seahorses are delicate marine creatures having a horse-like head on small upright bodies. The 35 known species range in size from less than

half an inch to almost a foot long (1 cm to 30 cm).

"The Chinese medicine trade sells them in powder form as aphrodisiacs and for health problems ranging from impotence to heart disease," Vincent said.

Prices paid by Chinese importers were currently US \$ 1,200 per kilo (2.2 pounds) making seahorses seven times more valuable than silver.

Vincent is conducting a single-handed worldwide research campaign into the creatures, which are thought to have evolved 40 million years ago.

"They're sexy and everybody in the world loves them," she said.

But her research suggests 70 per-

cent of the seahorse population in waters around the Philippines already has disappeared because of over-harvesting.

Seahorses sold for up to US \$ 14 each in the domestic aquarium trade and some restaurants feature wok-fried seahorse on their menus.

The World Wide Fund for Nature said Australian seahorses were being plundered because of weak wildlife conservation laws.

Vincent said a third of the world's seahorse species occurred in Australian waters, and because of the expanding Chinese economy the creatures were coming under increasing pressure.

She strongly supported calls for Australian government protection.

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The project includes a 16-story resort hotel with 504 guest rooms, restaurants, offices, coffee shops, business center, shopping arcades, swimming pool, tennis courts and a club house and other resort amenities.

The public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, August 7, 1996 at 6:30 pm at the Garapan Elementary School.

The public is invited to attend and to submit written comments and/or to make oral comments regarding this project. All written and oral comments received will be made a part of the permit application record, and will be considered in any decision made concerning the proposed project.

Please contact Coastal Resources Management at 234-6623/7320 or 3907 if you have any questions or require further information regarding this project.

/s/MANUEL C. SABLAN
Director
Coastal Resources Management

Probe continues on ship fire

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) - Investigators continued to interview crew members and examined the area where a fire broke out aboard a cruise ship this weekend, killing five people.

The cause of Saturday's fire in a

laundry room on the Universe Explorer remained undetermined. Don Tyrell, an investigator for the National Transportation Safety Board, said the laundry area was destroyed and little was left other than heavy soot.

"It appears that the fire originated in a pile of laundry," Tyrell told the Juneau Empire. Investigators said it could take a year to issue a final report on the fire's cause.

The five crew members killed were Willa Woodrow Notice of Costa Rica, and Dionisio Rosales, Epafrodito Ola, Reynaldo Gavino and Alvin Avila, all from the Philippines.

Authorities did not have the men's exact ages but said they all were between 20 and 40. Other crew members said they all worked in the ship's kitchen and had been sleeping in crew quarters near where the fire

started. Crew members recovering from smoke inhalation at Bartlett Regional Hospital told the Juneau Empire that smoke alarms in their quarters, which had sounded earlier in the cruise from cigarette smoke, did not go off when the fire broke out.

"That is a big question to some crew," one crew member, who would not give his name, told the newspaper. "We had to wake up by ourselves."

The 617-foot (185-meter) vessel remained anchored at Auke Bay just north of Juneau. U.S. Coast Guard spokesman Darrell Wilson said the ship probably would remain there at least through Tuesday.

World Explorer Cruises of San Francisco, the vessel's operator, cut short the week-long round-trip cruise from Vancouver after the fire.

The 732 passengers were ferried off and flown out of Juneau on chartered jets by Sunday.

World Explorer Cruises plans to refund half the cost of the cruise to passengers whose voyage was cut short and offer them 50 percent discounts on a future two-week cruise.

The company still has some berths open aboard its two remaining Alaska cruises this summer, Myrick said. Passengers also can use the discount on cruises the company plans to Latin American this winter, he said.

to sail another two-week cruise starting Aug. 13.

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Religious sect, animal rights activists clash

By KATHERINE HUTT MIAMI (AP) - A dead chicken lay on the sidewalk outside the courthouse in the bright sunlight early Monday in what was likely another offering meant to affect the outcome of a criminal trial.

Practitioners of Santeria and Haitian voodoo frequently leave sacrificed animals and other hexes inside and outside the justice building to try to sway the outcome of judicial proceedings.

This time it is the trial of 59-year-old Rigoberto Zamora, a Santeria priest whose religion calls for sacrifices of chicken, lambs, goats and other fowl. Zamora is about to begin trial on animal cruelty charges.

Freedom of religion is the rallying cry of the defense, which is relying on an earlier U.S. Supreme Court ruling that legalized animal sacrifices as offerings during the practice of the Afro-Caribbean Santeria religion.

"It's not abuse because it's religion," said Zamora, who was born in Cuba. "Religion isn't regulated by the government, either state or federal."

Religious expression is fine, say prosecutors and activists, but not if it involves inhumane treatment of animals as they are killed.

Zamora faces four charges of cruelty to animals. If convicted, he could face up to four years in prison and a \$

20,000 fine. The dead chicken helped fuel a protest organized Monday by the Animal Rights Foundation of Florida. The mostly Hispanic demonstrators carried banners that read, "God does not want his creatures sacrificed," and "Compassion for animals."

Miami is home to many Santeria followers, most of whom are Cuban and some Haitian.

Santeria is a mix of Roman Catholicism and religions practiced by West African slaves brought to the Caribbean.

The Supreme Court ruled in 1993 that the practice is a legitimate religion protected by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and that animal sacrifices are a part of the religion and therefore also protected. The decision did not address the issue of animal cruelty during sacrifices.

To celebrate the court decision, Zamora invited the press to his Miami Beach apartment to witness a sacrifice.

During the two-hour ceremony before television cameras, he killed five roosters, three goats, two hens, two pigeons, two guinea hens and a lamb.

Zamora switched knives midway through the slaughter of one goat, ripped the head off a pigeon and slammed a guinea hen against the floor.

School principal convicted in 1990 bacteria outbreak

TOKYO (AP) - As Japan grapples with a widespread outbreak of the deadly O157 E. coli bacteria, a court on Tuesday convicted a kindergarten principal in the deaths of two children who died of the bacteria in 1990.

Haruo Asuzawa, 69, was given a two-year suspended prison sentence for failing to clean up contaminated well water at his school in central Japan despite the warnings of health officials.

Two children died and about 50 were sickened after drinking the bacteria-tainted water. The deaths, in Shirasagi outside Tokyo, are believed to be the first attributed to the O157 strain of E. coli in Japan.

The Urawa District Court said Asuzawa's professional negligence was unforgivable, but it also criticized local health officials for not taking further steps to force the kindergarten clean up the water.

The verdict came as authorities are struggling to pinpoint the cause of a massive outbreak of O157 infections

that has killed seven and sickened more than 8,700 people over the past few months.

The current outbreak is blamed on contaminated school lunches, but officials have not been able to determine the specific food that contained the bacteria.

E. coli is spread through water as well as human contact. Symptoms include dehydration, stomach pains and bloody diarrhea. In severe cases, the infection leads to kidney failure and brain damage.

In the city hardest-hit by the outbreak, Sakai, about 480 kilometers (300 miles) west of Tokyo, more than 6,000 people, most of them school children, have been sickened by the highly contagious bacteria. More than 300 people remain hospitalized from the outbreak.

Sakai officials are facing mounting criticism that their slow initial reaction helped the spreading of the outbreak. Two of the seven victims died in Sakai.

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In re Estate VICENTE CANDELARIA DELA CRUZ. Deceased. CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-644

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TO: ALL HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, AND CREDITORS OF VICENTE CANDELARIA DELA CRUZ, DECEASED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jesus R. Cruz has filed with the Clerk of this Court a Petition for Letters of Administration for the Estate of Vicente Candelaria Dela Cruz, deceased. The hearing on the Petition is set for 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 27th day of August, 1996, at the Superior Court, Susupe, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

For further particulars, please refer to the petition on file herein, or contact the Law Office of John A. Mangiona at telephone number (670) 233-6901 or facsimile number (670) 233-6903.

Creditors of the Decedent or of his estate are hereby notified that they must file their claims with the Clerk of Court for the Superior Court within sixty (60) days of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated this 26th day of July, 1996.

/s/Dep. Clerk of Court

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-705

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS ISLANDS. DOUBLE M. LIMITED, a corporation, Plaintiff,

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

Summons

TO: DEFENDANTS ABOVE-NAMED. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and notified to file any answer you wish to make to the Complaint on file herein, a copy of which is served upon you here-with, within thirty (30) days after service of this Summons upon you, and to deliver or mail a copy of your answer to Eric S. Basse, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is: PPP-395, P.O. Box 10000, Saipan, MP 96950 as soon as practicable after filing your answer or sending it to the Clerk of Court for filing.

Your answer should be in writing and filed with the Clerk of this Court at Susupe, Saipan, 96950. It may be prepared and signed for you by your counsel and sent to the Clerk of this Court by messenger or mail. It is not necessary for you to appear personally until further notice.

IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUMMONS, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

By order of the Above Court. Date: 8/21/96 /s/ Deputy Clerk of Court Superior Court

Hunger strikes end but more deaths are likely

By ZEYNEP ALEMDAR ANKARA, Turkey (AP) - The 69-day old hunger strike at Turkish prisons has ended, but with some inmates still in critical condition, the death toll is expected to rise.

Shortly after justice officials announced they had reached a deal to end the fasting Saturday night, another prisoner died, bringing the death toll to 12. Seven of the 170 inmates who were hospitalized early Sunday were in intensive care, the health ministry said.

"It is much too late to save them," said lawyer Behic Asci,

who represented some of the protesting inmates.

Foreign Minister and Deputy Prime Minister Tansu Ciller on Monday fended off criticism from Turkey's Western allies on prison conditions and invited a European human rights committee to visit Turkish jails.

Mrs. Ciller replied to the foreign ministers of Germany, France and Italy, as well as to the European Commission and European Parliament Socialists Group who had sent letters of criticism during the prison crisis, the statement said.

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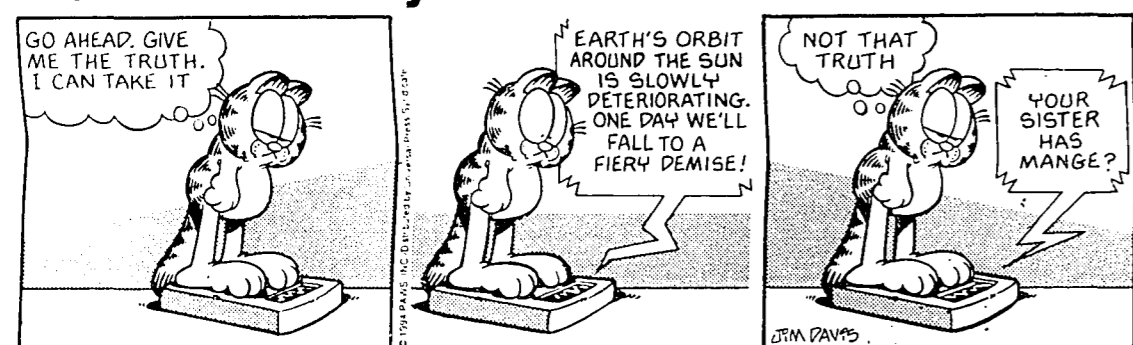
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Hong Kong celebrates 1st medal

HONG KONG (AP) — Hong Kong celebrated its first — and possibly last — Olympic medal as a British colony Monday after windsurfer Lee Lai-san clinched gold.

mountable lead Sunday over New Zealand's defending Olympic champion Barbara Kendall in the women's mistral class competition.

Hong Kong still has competitors in table tennis, athletics, cycling and yachting, they are given less of a shot.

congratulations, a Chinese news report said. Her mother, Lee Sung-choy, said a delighted Lee phoned her after her victory, asking: "Mom, I won the gold medal. Are you happy?"

Kong teenagers to use her as a role model. Her victory "shows Hong Kong can produce people with the stamina and sporting skills to rank among the world's top athletes," the newspaper said.

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"I have to hold back in the 400. But now I'll be able to do a lot of what comes natural to me, and that is to sprint and just go all out," he said.

beat because I ran the 400. That's a big mistake." There has always been some distance between Johnson and Carl Lewis, who beat Johnson's friend Powell Monday night to win the long jump gold.

the games in Barcelona and failed to make it past the 200 semifinals. "This," he said, "makes up for Barcelona."

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but I'd love to run in it." On hot, muggy evening under hazy full moon, Lewis started off slow and got better and better, soaring 8.50 meters (27 feet, 10.75 inches) on his third jump.

He lay face-down in the sand for a moment, knowing he had gotten off a possibly medal-winning jump. When he saw where he had landed he broke into a broad smile and put his hands on the side of his head as if in disbelief.

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Coach Darin Van Tassel used three pitchers Monday so he could rest his staff for the important games. They gave up six homers, but only 12 hits.

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After Monday morning's semifinals, Xiong had just a 1.71-point lead over Lenzi and Russia's Dmitry Sautin. He maintained that edge over Lenzi when both got the same score on the same dive in the first round of the final.

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in 1993. Harnisch (6-7) gave up four hits, struck out seven and walked one. He did not allow a runner past second base in his second complete game of the season and first shutout since Sept. 17, 1993.

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"I understand that Mayor Inos might want to request a five year extension period. No way," Tenorio said.

the governor has that authority," she said. Asked what DPL will do if the "squatters" refused to vacate the land, Camacho said her office will refer the case to the Attorney General's Office.

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on Aug. 9. "All rates, as far as international calling is concerned, must be approved by FCC," Jenkins said in an interview with reporters as he emerged from the Rotary Club meeting at Hyatt Hotel where he announced the plan.

gered the MTC's rate lowering plan, Jenkins said. "Rate structure is an issue of costs. If costs are reduced, then we're able to lower our rates—that's how it works," Jenkins said. "As our costs go down, we pass on our savings to our customers," Jenkins said.

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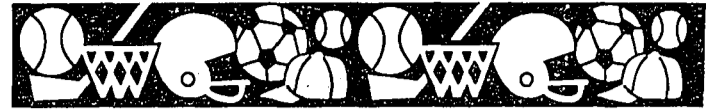
medical technicians transported Lee to the hospital. Lee was the lone passenger of the van. Lee's injuries were not indicated in the report.

living on public land in Dadang, Rota should there be legal action taken against them. Three other Rota politicians—Sen. Ricardo S. Atalg (D-Rota), Rep. Vicente M. Atalg (R-Rota) and former lieutenant governor Benjamin T. Manglona—have issued statements to the media expressing sympathy with the six residents.

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sentative receives annually. "I suppose he's going to ask us to continue giving him extra money so he could keep his 20 staffers in Washington (once he gets elected delegate)," Tenorio said.

SPORTS



Johnson wins in 400

ATLANTA (AP) - The celebration was subdued. There is still work to be done. Now, Michael Johnson moves on to the 200.

"I feel great," he said. "I've got 48 hours to get ready for the 200, and I feel like give me two hours and I'll be ready to go."

In a classic performance of methodical domination, Johnson won the Olympic 400-meter gold medal Monday night, reaching the halfway point in a quest for an unprecedented 200-400 meter double.

When it was over, Johnson almost seemed not to know how to celebrate. He tentatively grabbed an American flag and held it awkwardly above him.

Halfway around his victory lap, he stopped to lend a hand to injured U.S. teammate Mike Powell as he tried to lift himself from the sand of the long jump pit.

"I was watching him jump and it looked like he was really in pain so I just went over to see if he was OK," Johnson said. "He's a great competi-

tor and I would have liked to see him win."

This is no wild egotist. This is a man with an economics degree from Baylor University who approaches his sport with the organization of an accountant and deadly seriousness of a soldier, with just a little flair tossed in.

He had thrown his first pair of gold shoes away to the crowd after Sunday night's semifinals. But he had a new pair on Monday and they sparkled under the bright Olympic Stadium

lights.

As usual, he left the field far behind on the third 100 meters, his arms churning, the gold chain around his neck beating against his chest, his torso almost perfectly upright in a style reminiscent of Jesse Owens.

Roger Black of Britain was a distant second.

"To beat Michael I have to run a perfect race and he has to make a mistake," Black said. "And Michael doesn't make mistakes. At least I've never seen him do it."

Tens of thousands of flash bulbs went off in the stands as Johnson stretched the lead to at least 10 meters

at the finish. His time was 43.49 seconds, an Olympic record, but short of Butch Reynolds' world record of 43.29.

"I just gave it all I had coming home and it worked out as far as winning the race, but as far as breaking the world record, it just wasn't there today," Johnson said.

It was his 55th victory in a row. He hasn't been beaten since Feb. 24, 1989.

Now it's on to the 200, where it should be a lot tougher, because waiting will be Frankie Fredericks, who beat Johnson last month.

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Carl Lewis achieves record 4th long jump Olympic gold

ATLANTA (AP) - Carl Lewis soared into Olympic history Monday, landing a huge jump early and daring everyone to beat it.

No one came close. Lewis, the greatest track star since Jesse Owens and perhaps the best ever, didn't even have to jump in the last round to secure his place in Olympic lore.

A record-tying nine Olympic golds. A record-setting four straight long jump titles. One of only two athletes to win golds in four Summer Games.

Lewis, 35 and still the king of track, carried American flags on his victory lap and was embraced by a throng of athletes amid the roar of 80,000 fans in Olympic Stadium. He paused for a moment amid all the excitement and stuffed a little sand from the long jump pit into a plastic bag for one of his most precious souvenirs.

"To go from last night, almost not making it, and winning it, I don't see how I can top this," Lewis said, calling an end to his Olympic long-jumping career.

Yet no sooner had he won his ninth

gold, than Lewis left open the possibility of going for a 10th - in the 400-meter relay. Lewis didn't qualify for the race he once owned, the 100, but he thinks he's strong enough to anchor one more relay victory.

"I think I proved my fitness," he said, understating what he had done. "I'm in good shape. I would love to be in that relay. I don't want to be mean and try to take anybody's spot. I don't want to put anybody in a position where there's bickering."

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Cuba stays unbeaten in baseball

ATLANTA (AP) - Nicaragua outhit Cuba but still couldn't blemish the Cubans' perfect record so far in the Olympic baseball tournament.

Luis Ulacia doubled with two outs and Omar Linares singled him home in the eighth inning, giving Cuba an 8-7 victory Monday.

Cuba (7-0), the United States (5-1) and Nicaragua (4-3) all are assured of places in the medal round.

Japan pulled ahead in the battle for the final medal-round spot by drubbing South Korea 14-4, improving its record to 3-3. A victory over Italy on Tuesday would put it in.

The Netherlands set back Italy with an 8-7 victory Monday, leaving both at 2-4.

While Nicaragua led 13-12 in hits, Orestes Kindelan reached his Olympic record seventh homer. He also has driven in a record 13 runs.

Cuba hit six more homers Monday to finish the round-robin with 28, also a record. Cuba and Japan hit 12 each in the Barcelona Games for the previous mark.

Nicaragua has had the best pitching in the tournament. The Nicaraguans have the only two shutouts and the lowest earned run average.

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Olympics Medal Table Through 163 medals

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total					
United States	24	28	12	64	Spain	1	1	2	4
Russia	18	13	8	39	North Korea	1	1	1	3
France	13	6	12	31	Denmark	1	0	1	2
China	11	13	8	32	Slovakia	1	0	1	2
Germany	10	11	19	40	Yugoslavia	1	0	1	2
Italy	10	6	9	25	Armenia	1	0	0	1
Australia	7	8	16	31	Costa Rica	1	0	0	1
Poland	6	5	3	14	Ecuador	1	0	0	1
Ukraine	5	2	5	12	Hong Kong	1	0	0	1
Romania	4	5	6	15	Syria	1	0	0	1
Hungary	4	3	5	12	Bulgaria	0	4	4	8
Greece	4	3	0	7	Sweden	0	2	1	3
Cuba	3	5	7	15	Jamaica	0	2	0	2
South Korea	3	5	3	11	Kenya	0	2	0	2
Japan	3	4	3	10	Austria	0	1	1	2
New Zealand	3	2	1	6	Norway	0	1	1	2
Ireland	3	0	1	4	Argentina	0	1	0	1
Turkey	3	0	1	4	Croatia	0	1	0	1
Switzerland	3	0	0	3	Namibia	0	1	0	1
Canada	2	6	6	14	Slovenia	0	1	0	1
Brazil	2	2	4	8	Uzbekistan	0	1	0	1
Belgium	2	2	2	6	Georgia	0	0	1	1
South Africa	2	0	1	3	Israel	0	0	1	1
Ethiopia	2	0	0	2	Mexico	0	0	1	1
Belarus	1	4	7	12	Moldova	0	0	1	1
Netherlands	1	8	8	12	Mongolia	0	0	1	1
Britain	1	3	5	9	Morocco	0	0	1	1
Kazakhstan	1	3	1	5	Mozambique	0	0	1	1
Czech Republic	1	2	1	4	Nigeria	0	0	1	1
Finland	1	2	0	3	Trinidad-Tobago	0	0	1	1
					Uganda	0	0	1	1

Xiong takes springboard gold

ATLANTA (AP) - Three Olympics and three medals for Chinese diving star Xiong Ni - the latest one a gold. Xiong and countryman Yu Zhuocheng pulled away from defending champion Mark Lenzi midway through the springboard finals Monday night. Not even Lenzi's final spectacular dive could catch them.

Xiong won a silver medal in 1988 and a bronze in 1992, both on the 10-meter platform.

Lenzi made the last dive of his career the best of the night pressuring the Chinese. To no avail. Yu was the next-to-last diver and needed a 78.73 points to beat Lenzi for second place. He got 83.16.

Upset axe falls on Kulti at Infiniti Tennis Open

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Qualifier Anthony DuPuis of France upset seventh-seeded Nicklas Kulti of Sweden 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 to highlight opening day at the \$328,000 Infiniti Open men's tennis tournament.

Ranked 382nd in the world and making his debut on the ATP Tour, DuPuis needed almost two hours Monday to get "the biggest win I've ever had."

"He thought he would win, but he didn't," DuPuis said of Kulti, who is ranked 53rd in the world and came to the Los Angeles Tennis Center after losing in the first round of doubles at the Atlanta Olympics. "He didn't start very well."

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Kulti said Monday's loss was his first singles match since Wimbledon and he has had an injured shoulder.

"It's hard to go from grass to hardcourt," the Swede said. "I felt very insecure on the court today. I didn't know how to move. The first match is always tough."

Kulti had 12 double faults to just three for DuPuis.

"My serve let me down. That was part of my game that was not working," Kulti said.

In other first-round matches, Sweden's Jonas Bjorkman defeated Cristiano Caratti of Italy 6-2, 6-3; Martin Damm of the Czech Republic beat Morocco's Hicham Arazi 6-4, 6-2; Guillaume Raoux of France stopped David Caldwell of the United States, 4-6, 6-2, 6-1, and Australian Patrick Rafter defeated Vince Spadea of the United States, 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.