

'Rayphand no standing to sue'

Governor says plaintiff is not of NMI descent

By Rafael H. Arroyo
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GOVERNOR Froilan C. Tenorio has chided lawyer Jeanne Rayphand and her counsel Theodore Mitchell over Rayphand's latest taxpayer lawsuit questioning the administration's disposition of public lands.

In an interview, Tenorio said Rayphand and Mitchell have no standing to argue the case as they are both not of Northern Marianas descent.

"Rayphand and Mitchell do not have a standing to sue on public lands. They are not NMI descent," said the governor.

"They don't have any business telling us how we run our public lands over here," added the chief executive.

Both Rayphand and Mitchell could not be reached for comment.

Earlier this month, Rayphand, through counsel Mitchell, sued the governor alleging he has breached his fiduciary duty to the people of the Commonwealth by

leasing a parcel of land at an unreasonably low price and on terms which are unreasonably favorable to businessman Willie Tan.

Mitchell also represents Rayphand in an earlier taxpayer suit that questions Tenorio's spending of public funds.

Named in the new Rayphand suit aside from Tenorio are Lands & Natural Resources Secretary Benigno M. Sablan, Public Lands Director Bertha T. Camacho and Tan's L&T Group of Companies.

The new lawsuit challenges L&T Group's lease of a property located at the corner of Chalan Pale Arnold and Navy Hill Road in Garapan for a commercial complex development.

The lease, which consists of 38,574 square meters of land was entered into on February 10, 1995 between the Tan Group and the government.

The Tan conglomerate is said to be eyeing commercial development in the area consisting of a gasoline service station, a depart-

ment store, a bank, a supermarket, a 5-plex movie theater, a multi-vendor food cafeteria, and offices all on the leased property.

The lease is to run a period of 25 years with total project cost estimated at \$26.65 million.

The 22-page complaint filed by Mitchell said the governor leased the property to L&T Group for a total rental of \$3 million, payable in installments spread over 25 years.

Lately, Rayphand was joined by Representative Stanley T.



Froilan C. Tenorio



Jeanne Rayphand

Torres in the lawsuit as co-plaintiff.

"As trustee of public lands, the governor owes a duty of complete and undivided loyalty to the beneficiaries of the public land trust, the people of the Commonwealth," said the complaint.

"It is a breach of the governor's fiduciary duty to the people of the Commonwealth to dispose of pub-

lic land in a manner and on terms which are unreasonably favorable to a private lessee," read one of the causes of action included in the complaint.

Asked if he considers Torres a rightful co-plaintiff, the governor said, "How could he be a co-plaintiff when the other one is not a plaintiff," obviously referring to Rayphand.

DOT dismisses airline's complaint against CPA

THE U.S. Department of Transportation dismissed Continental Micronesia Inc., (CMI) complaint against the Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) in a recent ruling, noting that the fees charged at the Saipan International Airport (SIA) are both legal and proper.

Continental Micronesia, one of the major tenants at the Saipan International Airport, filed a complaint against the CPA in October 1994 challenging the landing, ar-

rival and departure fees imposed as "unreasonable, excessive, and otherwise unlawful." The CPA responded that the complaints should be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction because the fees were imposed according to a written agreement.

CPA Board Chairman Victor B. Hocog hailed the decision as an affirmation that the Authority's fees are imposed according to a federal statute. "All along I was confident that the CPA's fees are

legal and are within the federal statutes. Our attorneys carefully reviewed the issues before the fees were imposed. The Board of Directors ratified the fees only after a careful review to see that it complies with applicable guidelines," Hocog pointed out.

In his 14 page ruling, Patrick V. Murphy, Acting Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, deny "all other complaints, petitions or motions" against Continental Micronesia and noted that the Department of Transportation "will not accept petitions for reconsideration" of his Order.

The Department of Transportation reviewed the complaint and determined to dismiss it on "jurisdictional grounds. After carefully considering the CMI's arguments that the new statutory procedures should apply to its com-

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Cecilia Remedio Taitano smiles while looking at her trophy after she was chosen as best in national costume. Taitano, a Carolinian, won the "1995 Miss Teen CNMI" title during the annual pageant held at Saipan Grand Hotel's Madonna Hall Friday. (See story on page 3).

Armed man robs clinic in Garapan

By Ferdie de la Torre
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AN UNIDENTIFIED man, brandishing a knife, robbed the Tanaka Acupuncture Clinic in Garapan of cash and other items Thursday.

Department of Public Safety Information Officer Cathy Sheu said the suspect, armed with a knife, entered the clinic and took a woman's purse.

The robber managed to escape, Sheu told reporters during Friday's regular press briefing.

The purse contained \$900 cash, keys, and other items.

It was not indicated in the report whether the 40-year-old woman was the owner, employee or customer of the clinic.

The incident was reported to DPS Central Thursday at 9:31

a.m., the information officer added.

Meanwhile, police arrested a man in As Lito Thursday night for kidnapping, assault and battery, and assault with a dangerous weapon.

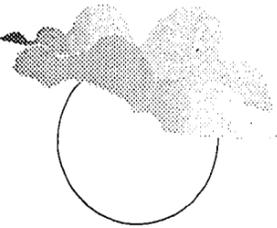
Assistant Attorney General Nicole Forelli filed one count of kidnapping against the suspect, Albert R. Cepeda, for allegedly removing Denita S. Naputi "a substantial distance from the vicinity where he found her and unlawfully confined and terrorized her."

For assaulting Naputi, Forelli also charged Cepeda with one count of assault with a dangerous weapon to wit a knife, and assault and battery.

Superior Court Associate Judge Marty W. K. Taylor set a

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Weather Outlook



Partly cloudy

Report has Iran denying US charges

NEW YORK (AP) - Iran says it intends to build about 10 nuclear power plants in the next two decades but denies it is trying to develop nuclear weapons, The New York Times reported Sunday.

The Times, reporting from Tehran, quoted Iran's top nuclear official, Reza Amrollahi. He said the nation signed a contract with China last year for two nuclear reactors and has already made a down payment for the project, which will cost between \$800 million and \$900 million.

Amrollahi, director of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization, said the project also will involve training of Iranian scientists by Chinese experts.

The United States has led a worldwide push to prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons technology be-

cause of its suspected weapons program.

At a summit meeting in Moscow last week, President Clinton failed to persuade Russian President Boris Yeltsin to scotch a nuclear energy project with Iran.

Yeltsin did agree to halt a less important sale of equipment that could be used to convert nuclear fuel to weapons-grade materials.

As for Beijing's assistance to Iran, Secretary of State Warren Christopher couldn't budge China's Foreign Minister Qian Qichen when they met last month.

Amrollahi said the contract with Moscow consists of a \$780 million deal in which Russia will complete one of two reactors in the southern port city of Bushehr. That deal also in-

cludes training. If the project goes well, Russia will finish the second reactor, Amrollahi told the Times.

Construction of the reactors was halted after the 1979 Islamic revolution.

What makes Iran's move toward

nuclear power suspect, U.S. officials say, is its vast oil supply and its significant natural gas reserve, which is the second-largest in the world.

Natural gas is much cheaper to develop than nuclear energy, which leads U.S. officials to believe Iran

wants nuclear power so it can obtain fuel for nuclear weapons.

Amrollahi cited another motive.

"Natural gas is one of the best fuels, and many countries at the moment need it. So we think it is better to sell it," he told the Times.

Army captain found guilty for Haiti prison probe

By WILLIAM KATES

FORT DRUM, New York (AP) - An Army captain who left his post to investigate reports of human rights abuses at a Haitian prison was found guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and three other charges Saturday but innocent of dereliction of duty.

Capt. Lawrence Rockwood, a counterintelligence officer with the 10th Mountain Division, was also convicted of failure to report assigned duty, being disrespectful of a superior officer and disobeying a superior officer.

Rockwood, 36, was impassive as the jury of five officers announced its verdict.

He faces at least six years and three months in prison, along with the prospect of a dishonorable discharge, a fine, and loss of his veteran's benefits.

Had he been convicted on all counts he would have faced up to 10 years in

prison.

The jury was to begin sentencing deliberations Sunday.

After the verdict, Rockwood quoted from what he called "A Soldier's Poem."

"I am what others fear to be. I went where others fear to go. And I did what others should have done," Rockwood read.

The 15-year veteran left his base on Sept. 30 without authorization to inspect the National Penitentiary in Port-au-Prince, where he feared inmates were being tortured, even executed.

He accused his superiors of ignoring reports of abuses, and said it was his duty to act because further delay could cost lives.

The Pentagon's inspector general is investigating Rockwood's allegation that Maj. Gen. David Meade, commander of the 10th Mountain Division, and his staff failed to address

alleged human rights abuses.

Rockwood's lawyer, former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark, has compared the case to that of an officer who sees a pit bull attack a child outside the gate but lacks permission to leave his base.

"What's he going to do... just stand there and let it happen?" Clark once asked.

While the military has said that the issue is obedience, not rights abuses, Rockwood does not view himself as a disaffected officer, telling The Associated Press earlier this month, "This is the biggest weakness in our military culture - senior military officers have contempt for international law on human rights. This is something that has to be addressed."

In his closing statement earlier Saturday, Army Trial Counsel Charles Pede called Rockwood "arrogant" and "contemptuous."

Six die in crash of Air Force plane

BLISS, Idaho (AP) - An Air Force C-130 transport plane crashed Saturday and killed all six people aboard during a routine training mission in remote desert foothills.

The plane was returning to Petersen Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, Colorado, from training at Boise's Gowen Field, said a spokeswoman at Mountain Home Air Force Base, which was sending personnel to the scene.

The four-engine plane went down about 12 miles (19 kilometers) north of the small town of Bliss, which is 80 miles (130 kilometers) southeast of Boise.

The wreckage was scattered over three miles (five kilometers), sheriff's Sgt. Curt Kaneaster said.

The plane's crew members were Air Force reservists in the 302nd Airlift Wing, said Staff Sgt. Tim Taylor, a spokesman at Petersen. The Air Force was investigating.

Bill to enforce ABA ethics rules

REPRESENTATIVE Stanley T. Torres has submitted a bill before the House of Representatives seeking to give American Bar Association (ABA) Rules of Ethics the force of law in the Commonwealth.

House Bill 9-417, which was co-sponsored by five other Representatives was prefiled last week.

It seeks to institutionalize US ethical standards within CNMI jurisdiction to make sure the local legal system adheres to standards that are at par with those on a national level.

"It is in the best interest of the people of the Commonwealth, as consumers of private legal services, as taxpayers for the services of government attorneys, and as persons who desire protection from crimes, to provide for ethical standards for the Commonwealth Bar Association to enforce," read part of Torres' bill.

Torres has been a top critic of the CNMI's legal system and has recently brought up serious concerns about the conduct and actions of certain government attorneys.

In a previous session of the House, Torres asked that an oversight investigation be initiated on alleged instances of misconduct allegedly committed by certain lawyers under the AG's Office.

Only recently, Torres was designated by House Speaker Diego T. Benavente to chair a special oversight committee on the Attorney General's Office.

In House Bill 9-417, Torres noted that the greatest majority of lawyers in the Commonwealth are educated in or admitted to US mainland jurisdictions such that they would have reason to ex-

pect similar ethical standards here as they would in the US.

The Commonwealth Bar Association is affiliated with the ABA. Torres wants a law to make sure the complete text and all ethics opinions and case law interpreting the ABA Model of Professional Responsibility and the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct are codified as law through the enactment of the legislation.

This is to enable the local bar association to address concerns about perceived deviations from legal ethics.

"This (deviation) leads to the complete breakdown of the criminal justice system and a severe erosion of the people's rights to sue the government for wrongs done them and rights denied them," Torres said in his bill.

Torres noted that currently, the statutes and the local bar rules do

not clearly prohibit perceived misconduct by government prosecutors.

He noted that there may be other areas of attorney misconduct that are not covered by the current Commonwealth Bar Rules.

"It is the intent of this act to protect the public from questionable practices by its legal profes-

ion by taking advantage of legal 'loopholes' which should not exist here," said Torres.

In a related development, Congressman Torres last Friday announced that Saipan attorney Pam Brown has been selected as Lead Legal Counsel for the Special Committee on the Attorney General's Office.

"I am pleased that Ms. Brown will assist us because of her experience and knowledge," said Torres, who was appointed by Speaker Diego T. Benavente to chair the special committee.



Stanley T. Torres

Other members of the committee include Vice-Chairman Vicente T. Attao, Heinze S. Hofschneider, Jesus T. Attao, Oscar M. Babauta, Pete P. Reyes, and Ana S. Teregeyo.

The special committee will investigate and report on various aspects of the Attorney General's office.

Cecilia R. Taitano crowned '95 Miss Teen CNMI

By **Ferdie de la Torre**
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CROWD favorite Cecilia Remedio Taitano won the "1995 Miss Teen CNMI" title during the annual beauty pageant held at Saipan Grand Hotel's Madonna Hall Friday.

Aside from capturing the crown, the 17-year-old Taitano was chosen as best in national costume.

Another equally charming student, Carla Muna Agnon, received a loud applause for bagging the "1st runner runner up" title.

From the very start, Taitano, daughter of Jose and Leolina Taitano of Tanapag, was easily a standout, receiving wild cheers from the audience particularly during the question and answer portion.

The Carolinian beauty said she joined the pageant to be able to open up and overcome her shyness.

"Crowned or not, being myself and doing my best in this event would mean much more than the title itself," said the 5'5" tall Taitano. Her ambition is to become a CNMI educator.

On the other hand, 1st runner up Agnon, 15, also won the "Miss Sweetheart" title.

The 5'4" tall Chamolinian beauty of Papago, is the daughter

of Francisco and Tina Agnon. She wants to be lawyer someday.

The "Miss Congeniality" title was awarded to another "darling" of the crowd Vanessa Delos Reyes Flores.

The 16-year-old Flores also won the "Miss Photogenic" title. Her parents are John and Ladonna Flores of San Vicente. She wants to be part of the tourism industry in the future.

The three other beautiful candidates were Larisa Claire Castro Boyer, Ann Margarit Castro Borja, and Lana Marie Santos Agnon. All were given trophies.

Pageant judges were composed of Lino Olopai, community specialist; Roya Mahmodi, Whispering Palms School teacher; John Joyner, PriceCostco marketing manager; Carmen Gaskins of Gaskins and Associates, and Gerald Salas of Tasi Tours.

Mr. David Borja, an MHS teacher, served as the tabulator.

In his message, Education Commissioner William S. Torres said with the Third Annual Miss CNMI Teen Pageant, many student participants will gain valuable leadership and organizational skills while they work with many supporting community members and agencies.

The young ladies, Torres said,

will gain self-confidence and self-esteem, and they will form important networks of friends and contacts which will be integrated into their personal and professional lives.

Marianas High School Principal Doris T. Thompson said the pageant, organized and directed

by a committee of the MHS Senior Class, is an excellent example of the successes the youth are capable of achieving if provided with quality learning opportunities and support.

Thompson lauded the members of MHS class of 1995 led by their president Marlene R. Sablan for

accepting the challenges in organizing the special event.

The pageant committee was chaired by Anita Ayuyu. The co-chairs include Amy Bartlett, Weena Camacho, Francella Mangar, Franklin Pangelinan, Grace Sablan, Marlene Sablan, Arlene Suda, and Zarrin Suda.



Contestants Ann Margarit Castro Borja (left) and Larisa Claire Castro Boyer show their poise during the evening gown showcase.



1994 Miss Teen CNMI Cecilia Masga waves to the audience during her farewell walk.



Cecilia R. Taitano gets warm greetings from two CNMI beauties and Education Commissioner William Torres after she was crowned "1995 Miss Teen CNMI" during the annual pageant held at Saipan Grand Hotel Friday. Also in photo is Board of Education Chairman Daniel Quitugua (extreme right).

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by John S. DelRosario, JR.

The future need not be Bleak

The economic future of paradise need not be bleak nor should policymakers be fearful of taking the bull by the horn to institute lasting policies over the usual ad-hoc manner with which we try to resolve problems and concerns.

Indeed, we're now at a juncture in our developmental history where we're trying to sift through the maze of confusion in an effort to comprehend and understand the concerns of all sectors of the Northern Marianas Community on issues like the minimum wage, labor laws and tax system.

This task is made more difficult by the insistence of the 103rd Congress that we change paradigms in the way we conduct business. This, coupled by the Marianas from both the 103rd US Congress and the national media did nothing except pile-up one confusion after the other. It's been difficult sailing trying to figure out national determination to sink the local garment industry here in order to give the Caribbean Nations a chance of survival at our expense! Is the fate of non-Americans more important than Americans?

Perhaps we have been lackadaisical in exerting reasonable efforts to help ourselves in the exercise of self-government or in defining what this concept entails. Coincidentally, the 104th Congress's "Contract with America" gave us the opportunity to review proposed changes in the wage, labor and tax laws of the CNMI.

These issues call for critical analysis and I am confident that our lawmakers, in concert with the administration and all pertinent sectors of the Northern Marianas Community, can positively consider each issue with a commitment to ascertain that final policy decisions promote rather than inhibit economic sustainability.

Our lawmakers must work together with all sectors of the Northern Marianas Community to strike a happy medium on all three major legislation. While I may have been impatient and occasionally critical, I am equally wary that the resolution of these issues take a process which sometime need a little more time than what we can tolerate.

Be that as it may, I am optimistic that these issues can and will be resolved soon. Their careful and thorough consideration is important in order to continue providing the current level of public services. We should also be equally wary that our economy continues to slide, destination unknown, not to mention external influences at the global level which also impinges upon an already difficult situation.

Furthermore, it is important to understand the critical relationships of these measures. Policymakers must avail themselves of the opportunity to see them from the standpoint of the larger picture. A glimpse of the entire forest would enable you to understand and appreciate the intricacies and inter-relationships of the wage, labor and tax issues. In other words, all these issues are so linked as to make it vital that they be considered in their totality.

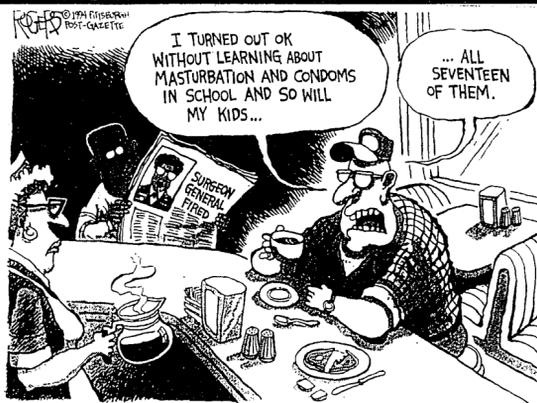
We all know that we cannot now afford to lose the contributions of any sector of the local economy, i.e., the \$300 Million garment industry. Therefore, the US Department of Interior must steer clear of advocating federalization of the current minimum wage especially when it has no basis to push for such a policy. To force federalization of the current minimum wage is to attempt bankrupting the private sector as has happened in American Samoa in recent years. Let us forget, that territory was at the brink of bankruptcy twice as a result of federal insistence that the federal minimum wage be implemented. I hope the Department of Interior's OTIA isn't advocating bankruptcy of the CNMI private sector.

Given the national GOP's commitment to institute major reform in how and where federal dollars are spent, the more compelling a reason for Interior to refrain from taking a position on an issue that is too complex and too far reaching. If it (Interior) wishes to dictate policy in the absence of a comprehensive study to support its position, then it must be willing to accept full responsibility of the consequences of bankruptcy of the CNMI Government. In other words, you must be willing to rescue the CNMI from the elimination of thousands of jobs and loss of revenue. I am sure you know that you have a fat chance at providing such financial cushion.

The more practical alternative is to rally support behind the Omnibus Territories Bill which include, among others, for the establishment of a Wage Review Board to work in concert with the CNMI in the establishment of an industry wage patterned after American Samoa. There's also House Bill 9-411 already introduced in the legislature which addresses the controversial minimum wage issue. It is a measure that offers the most realistic approach to resolving this issue.

Of course, I can understand the frustrations of Interior in the apparent lack of leadership among local policymakers. But this doesn't legitimize Interior's position. The very essence of representative democracy is the privilege to elect representatives. We have a second chance to boot them out of office when they do not perform. We do not have this privilege with Interior when policies they've pushed through to fruition end up creating economic hardships of seismic proportions.

As much as we wish to inflict bold resolve to see that these issues are addressed on a timely manner, this too takes a process in terms of growth and maturity—the very essence and fallacy of American democracy. Like fruits, it must be allowed to ripen on a natural basis. To force it is to squeeze and drink sour juice! Give us the chance to grow for I am still convinced that this is the very essence of self-government. Thanks.



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Byrd, Dodd and Daschle come together

WASHINGTON - When Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., paid a surprise visit to Senate Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle's Capitol office on March 15 - the infamous Ides of March - it may have seemed like a bad omen.

The anniversary of Julius Caesar's stabbing death on the floor of the Roman Senate was a curious day for a history buff like Byrd to drop in on Daschle - especially with a speculation swirling about bad blood between Byrd and Daschle. Byrd campaigned against the South Dakota Democrat in the leader's race, and has sometimes appeared to be upstaging him.

But Byrd's visit marked the day Daschle earned his senatorial stripes from one of its most venerated members. In fact, after a shaky start, Daschle has won converts by making war with Republicans while making peace with two earstwhile rivals: Byrd and Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn.

On the Ides of March, Byrd received the initial copies of his latest book, "The Senate of the Roman Republic." The 77-year-old Byrd walked from his Appropriations Committee office on the first floor of the Capitol up to Daschle's suite on the second floor to hand-deliver the very first copy he gave away.

It was a short trip that has helped bridge much distance. At a dinner in January, for example, observers noted that Byrd conspicuously sat at Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole's table instead of Daschle's. Dole, however, received the second copy of Byrd's new book.

During an interview Daschle jumped to his feet to show off the book on his desk that Byrd hasn't inscribed yet. "He said, 'It's more important to me that you have the book the day that I receive it than it is that I put an inscription in it today,'" Daschle recalled. He rejects talk about how he needs to shove Byrd out of the way in order to solidify power and says the key is to work in "tandem."

That opportunity came during the debate over the balanced budget amendment: Byrd ground down the GOP with long, impassioned speeches, while Daschle deployed his troops against the Republicans' failure to protect Social Security.

"I feel as if each week gets a little better, a little more steady," Daschle told us. "There's just a sense of...momentum. Our caucus is as unified as I think it's ever been."

Early diplomatic overtures to Dodd may be one reason for the unity. Dodd was seen as a more seasoned candidate for the minority leader's job than Daschle and lost it by only one vote. Daschle turned around and pushed for Dodd to become chairman of the Democratic National Committee - despite the fact that the two men would be vying for the spotlight.

Daschle says that when he called President Clinton to support Dodd, "it took the president a back a little bit." Dodd later thanked Daschle with a note joking that he wasn't sure whether either man really had won a prize given the task ahead.

The knock on the soft-spoken South Dakotan during the leaders' race was that he wasn't aggressive enough for that task. But one of Daschle's top lieutenants, Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., illuminates another side of the Daschle demeanor. Rockefeller recalls that he was out of town when former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell announced his retirement last March. But less than two hours after the announcement, Daschle located Rockefeller and was already lobbying for his support.

Daschle was headed for South Dakota when he heard the news. He secluded himself in his parents' home that weekend and called every Democratic senator in what he describes as one of the "critical moments in my campaign....I was going to be inclusive, I was going to be aggressive and I wasn't going to delegate this to other people."

CABINET MINUTES - Call it Defense Secretary William Perry's revenge.

Perry was reluctantly saddled by President Clinton with the chairmanship of the 1995 Interagency Savings Bonds Committee. Treasury officials recently called Deputy Secretary of Defense John M. Deutch to ask him to ensure Perry was "tuned up" for his first big sales pitch on savings bonds before the Cabinet.

When urgent business forced Perry to miss the meeting, Deutch was forced to pinch-hit. "Perry thought it was good justice," one official told us. Deutch, however, got the last laugh: He brought a mock-up of a savings bond showing the name of a Cabinet member on top with his own name on the bottom listed as co-beneficiary.

Counsels analyze constitutional issues

THE lead counsel for the Third Constitutional Convention recently issued a preliminary analysis on constitutional provisions that may be legislative in nature. Howard P. Willens and Deanne Siemer issued their analysis at the request of the Delegates during last week Thursday's briefing (May 4) at the Joeten Dandan Center.

"Constitutional provisions may be 'legislative' in nature because (1) they are a very detailed treatment of a subject expected to change over time, or (2) they require regulation or enforcement which is not easily provided through a constitutional mechanism, or (3) they include the proviso 'as provided by law' in a way that delegates the essential decision-making process to the Legislature," according to Willens' and Siemer's briefing paper.

They include:

- * Article I, Section 9 dealing with Clean and Healthful Environment. The 1985 amendment also include a total ban in nuclear or radioactive waste. "The storage of nuclear or radioactive material is subject to federal authority under the Covenant, and thus is not a subject on which the Constitution can include a total ban," the briefing paper stated.

- * Article II, Section 17, regarding the Legislative Bureau. "Even though it was proposed by the Legislature and accepted as a constitutional provision, the organization of the legislature's staff is not a constitutional matter. The Legislature should be free to organize its staff as it determines most useful without restraints imposed by the Constitution that may not withstand the test of time," Willens and Siemer stated.

- Turning to specified budget amounts for the Legislature, Willens and Siemer noted that this is also a legislative matter in a sense that they require periodic amendments of the Constitution to adjust dollar amounts for inflation.

- "The provision of adjustment for inflation or substitution of a ratio or percentage would allow flexibility without periodic constitutional amendment.

- On the other hand, a fixed dollar amount ensures that the activity will not grow beyond its current size without increased efficiency," the briefing paper noted.

- Regarding Women's Affairs, Willens and Siemer noted that it is the responsibility of the Legislature and the Governor to provide for such specialized offices as are needed to protect the interests of the minorities and to deliver services to the public.

- "To the extent that the Legislature or Governor fails to do so, the electorate may choose to vote them out office," said the paper.

- * Article III, Section 20, the Retirement System. The 1985 Concon added a section to give those employees who have less than 20 years of service five years of service credit.

- The lead counsel stated that the retirement system, just like the Social Security System, requires periodic adjustment and reevaluation.

- "Because any government retirement system is a large factor in the economy, the judgments of elected officials should be reflected in its expansion and operation," the counsel noted.

- * Article III, Section 21 on the boards and commissions which govern their appointments and removal from office. Willens and Siemer pointed out that the Legislature can deal with such issues when it creates the boards and commissions.

- * Article VII, Section 3 directing the Legislature to provide criteria for domicile and residence for voting purposes. This provision was included in the 1976 Constitution to ensure that it be done and is no longer required in the Constitution.

- * Article VIII, Section 3 regarding election procedures which the Legislature has already provided and no longer needed to be in the Constitution.

- * Article X, Section 1 regarding "public purpose" which prohibits levying of taxes or making an appropriation of public money except for a public purpose.

- The 1985 Convention directed the Legislature to provide the definition of "public purpose" which Willens

and Siemer stated was "unnecessary" because the U.S. Supreme Court has long ruled that public funds derived from tax revenues cannot be expended for private purposes.

- * Article X, Section 8, control of public finances. That section directs the Department of Finance to control and regulate expenditure of public funds.

- "This provision is a directive to the Department of Finance that does not add to what this department, subject to the law and the direction of the Governor, would have as its duty," Willens and Siemer pointed out.

- * Article XII, Section 3, permanent and long-term interest in real property. The 1985 Convention added a language about interest acquired above the first floor of a condominium building be restricted to private lands. This also, according to Willens and Siemer, may be more appropriate for legislative acts.

- * Article XII, Section 6, directs the Registrar of Corporations to issue regulations to ensure compliance and state that the Legislature may enact enforcement laws and procedures. The lead counsel indicated that the directive may be a legislative provision.

- * Article XV, Section 1, Elementary and Secondary Education which is also legislative in nature. Although the language inserted by the 1985 Convention is "praiseworthy", Willens and Siemer stated that it may not cover all the goals of the educational system and that the delegates will have to consider whether the long-term goals will necessarily change over time. This section does not have any enforcement mechanism.

- * Article XV, Section 2(b) which outlines the direction to the Northern Marianas College, may also be better left to the Legislature.

- * Article XIX, Section 1, contains a code of ethics which is applicable to elected and appointed officials, including boards and commissions, This is a direction to the Legislature

about a legislative subject, according to the lead counsel.

- "The delegates have the option to substitute specific ethical standards that must be followed by all public employees at certain levels," Willens and Siemer stated in their briefing.

- "This is usually addressed by legislation, however, because judicial interpretations and changing circumstances and public demands often require reexamination of ethical standards and practices."

- * Article XXI, Section 1, Prohibition regarding gambling. This provision enables the Legislature to define the terms under which gambling can be conducted within the Commonwealth.

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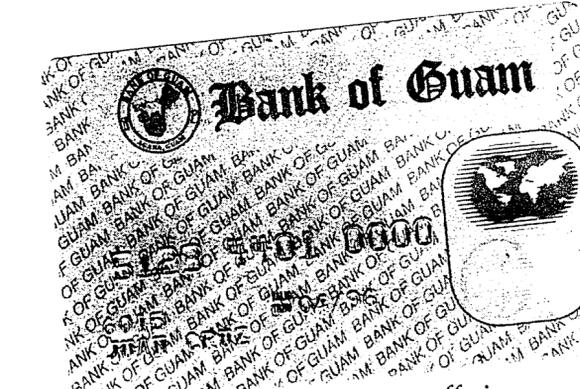
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Japanese Society elects Board

THE Japanese Society of the Northern Marianas, held its regular meeting on May 8, 1995, at Saipan Grand Hotel, and unanimously re-elected the following Board of Directors:

President: Mr. Koki Narita (President/General Manager of Tasi Tours)
1st Vice President: Mr. Hisashi Baba (Assistant General Manager of Hotel Nikko Saipan)

2nd Vice President: Mr. Minoru Harada (Assistant General Manager of Saipan Grand Hotel)

Treasurer: Mr. Koji Otani (General Manager of Pacific Development Inc.)
Secretary: Mr. Tatum Kobayashi (President of Midoreeno Corp.) newly elected as secretary.

Also elected on same day, the Head of Each Department as follows:

Cultural and Welfare Department: Mr. Takeo Kitami

Public Relation & Liaison Department: Mr. Kaishun Nishigaya

Youth Group Department: Mr. Hiroshi Koda

Educational Department: Mr.

Willie Matsumoto
Female Group Department: Mrs. Nobuko Takahara

Term of the newly Board of Directors will be for one (1) year, effective on April 1, 1995 through March 31, 1996. Term of office coincides with Japanese Government and all Japanese Companies Fiscal Year.

The main objectives of the Japanese Society is to continue the developments of acquaintances and opportunity for our services: to develop ethical standards in businesses and professions; and to promote the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and friendships amongst the people of the Commonwealth, and as well as business acquaintances.

The Japanese Society's involvement with the local community last year was when they participated with The July 4th Liberation Parade, a very colorful float, staged the annual Autumn Festival at the Sugar King Park, Donation of monetary through Saipan

Red Cross for the Kobe Earthquake Rehabilitation Funds. There are the few accomplishments for the year 1993-94. The Society members hopes to do even more things this year.

Rota, Tinian food monitors attend nutrition workshop



The personnel who attended the May 3 nutrition workshop at the Commonwealth Health Center.

FOOD MONITORS from the PSS Food Services programs on Rota and Tinian visited Saipan recently to attend a workshop on the basics of nutrition.

The workshop, held at the Commonwealth Health Center on Wednesday, May 3, 1995, featured registered dietitian Elizabeth Maginn, who works for the Division of Public Health.

Attending the workshop were Joel Untalan from Tinian, and Rose Mesngon, Sarita Jacob, Alice Hocog and Felicidad Manglona from Rota. Also on hand was Ben Sablan from the PSS Central Office.

Maginn said that the main purpose of the workshop was to "update the PSS food monitors on the principles of good nutrition, safety and sanitation, meeting federal guidelines for the school lunch program, planning and recognizing a balanced diet, and personal nutrition."

In addition, the workshop featured a review of various nutrients, and their functions and sources, as well as a look at cooking methods that can help preserve nutrients.

She said that this workshop, and the one held for Saipan-based PSS food monitors last month, were the first time that this kind of training has been offered to the PSS Food Services personnel.

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Gina Dela Cerna

CONGRATULATIONS to Ms. Gina Dela Cerna for being awarded Employee of the Month for April, 1995.

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Her previous work experience was a Guest Relations Officer assigned in the Front Office of the Pryce Plaza Hotel, Cagayan de Oro City, and once a sales representative of Polynesian Resources, Angeles, Pampanga, Philippines.

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US Navy Seals 'invade' Rota

(Office of the Mayor - Rota - May 10, 1995) - Navy Seals Invade Rota)

Radar equipped, rigid hulled inflatable boats, crashes through the high seas of Rota's coast. Six-hundred horsepower engines pushed the boats to speeds up to

45 mph, throwing spray high into the moonlight. The 30 ft boats, with their deadly equipment, closed on Rota's darkened shore. While Rotanese slept, professional soldiers prepared to carry out military mission: insert and extract highly trained, special forces Navy SEALs onto Rota's beaches.



Mayor Joseph S. Inos with Special Forces U.S. Navy SEALs aboard specially equipped seacraft for military mission.

tachment, Perry Navarro, told Mayor Inos, "The highlight for me were the friendly people on Rota. They offer you rides and wave at you all the time. The people were just great here."

Activities for Historic Preservation Week set

ON Wednesday, May 10, Governor Froilan C. Tenorio proclaimed May 14th to the 20th as Commonwealth Historic Preservation Week. To commemorate this important week, the Division of Historic Preservation (HPO) has organized several activities including a tour of historic sites for the man'amko, archaeological training for a class of grade school students, a display of World War II memorabilia and a tour of the site of the Commonwealth Museum.

According to Historic Preservation Officer Joseph Guerrero, Historic Preservation Week activities will kick off with a tour of World War II sites on Saipan for senior citizens on Tuesday, May 16. The one-day tour, which is being undertaken in conjunction with the Office on Aging, will begin at 8:30 and will visit a number of World War II sites around Saipan.

The following day, six graders from Mt. Carmel School will visit a prehistoric latte site in Kagman and receive training in archaeological field techniques. Training will be provided by professional archaeologists with the assistance

of HPO staff. Guerrero stated that his program is intended to educate our youths in archaeological field methods and promote the appreciation of cultural sites. "The students will not only get instructions on how a latte site is documented but will actually be performing the task themselves", Guerrero added.

On Thursday, May 18, students of Northern Marianas College will be given a tour of the proposed site of the Commonwealth Museum in Garapan. Guerrero said that the old Japanese hospital site will soon be renovated to serve as the new museum facility. The tour of the facility will begin at 9:30 a.m. This tour is open to the general public and interested individuals are invited to participate.

Guerrero said that in addition to these activities, there will also be a display of World War II artifacts and memorabilia at HPO office throughout the week. Historic publications will also be available for purchase. Guerrero invites interested persons to call the HPO for additional information at 664-2120-5.

Water quality report

THE Division of Environment Quality (DEQ) analyzed water samples collected from Saipan's recreational beaches and storm water drainages this week. None of the samples collected contained excessive concentration of fecal coliform bacteria, which exceeded the CNMI Marine Quality Stan-

dards. * SOUTH FINGER OF TINIAN HARBOR DOCK To adequately address public health concerns, DEQ maintains its policy of advising the public not to fish or swim within 300 feet of this location until further notice.

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Part of the release conditions, Taylor ordered Cepeda to stay away from the victim and surrender all his travel documents to the court.

Preliminary hearing was set on May 19.

In San Jose, a 17-year-old boy was

arrested after he reportedly damaged a car from another person at the Ada gym parking lot Thursday night.

When the boy was taken to DPS, police officers seized in his possession a substance believed to be marijuana, according to police report.

In San Antonio, a 12-year-old boy was nabbed for burglary and indecent exposure Thursday afternoon.

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May 5, 1995

OPEN LETTER TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

The Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention will convene a month from now on June 5, 1995, at the House of Representatives chamber on Capitol Hill. The sessions of the Convention will be open to the public. Schedules will be published periodically.

The delegates welcome suggestions and proposals from the general public as to amendments to our Constitution that would make it better for the benefit of all our people. If you or your organization have a suggestion or proposal, bring it or mail to the Pre-Convention Committee, Second Floor, Joeten Dandan Center, Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950, or send us a fax at 235-0842, or take it to one of the elected delegates.

The Pre-Convention Committee is recommending to the Convention that some of its work be done in committees that will cover particular subjects. The Pre-Convention Committee is also recommending that these committees provide for public hearings so that interested citizens and groups can present their views to the Convention. If you or your organization wish to appear, please call the Pre-Convention Committee at 235-0843.

The work of the Convention must be completed within 60 days after convening, or sooner if possible, and within a very restricted budget. For this reason, we are doing advance planning, and we urge the public to continue participation in the constitutional amendment process as we do our work.

Sincerely,

Herman Guerrero

Herman T. Guerrero, Chair

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PUBLIC NOTICE

May 12, 1995

The Board of Directors of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC), a subsidiary corporation of the Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA), is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, May 17, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. at the NMHC Conference Room in Garapan, Saipan.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Adoption of Previsions Minutes: March 28, 1995
- IV. Financial Reports
- V. Mortgage/Loan Reports
- VI. Program & Housing Reports
- VII. Technical/Maintenance Reports
- VIII. Other Matters
- IX. Adjournment

/s/ MARYLOU CONCURRED: /s/ JUAN S. TENORIO
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Date: May 11, 1995

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Marshalls nuke cleanup bid backed

By Giff Johnson
For the Variety
MAJURO - Pacific island leaders are backing a Marshall Islands campaign to get the United States to take responsibility for nuclear test contamination on many islands in this central Pacific country, according to Marshalls U.N. Ambassador Laurence Edwards. But the leaders, meeting in New York, did not support the Marshalls' proposal to import nuclear waste for disposal in the islands.

The Marshall Islands took the opportunity of Pacific representatives being in New York for the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty talks to brief island leaders earlier this month on nuclear waste repository, led the briefing of island leaders in New York.

The meeting - attended by the

secretary of foreign affairs from Tonga and the ambassadors from Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia, Papua New Guinea, Samoa and the Solomon Islands - "came to a firm consensus that the Pacific Islands should back the Marshall Islands 100 percent trying to achieve a successful cleanup of the northern Marshall Islands," Edwards said.

The U.S. tested 66 nuclear weapons at Bikini and Enewetak atolls in the Marshalls. Recently declassified documents indicate that nuclear fallout is more widespread in this country than previously known. Marshalls officials say that while the U.S. cleanup up parts of Enewetak, and has provided a \$90 million cleanup trust fund for Bikini, these cleanup efforts are not adequate - and do not address the many other down-

wind islands in the vicinity of the test site that are seriously contaminated. U.S. officials have responded that the U.S. has already provided adequate compensation and cleanup funding to the Marshalls.

The Pacific leaders encouraged the Marshalls to continue to press the United States on the cleanup issue through diplomatic channels, and "they all pledged to support the Marshalls in that field," Edwards said.

In a related effort to get support for nuclear cleanup efforts in the Marshalls, Edwards introduced an amendment to the Non-Proliferation Treaty that "attempts to put pressure on those responsible for (nuclear) testing contamination to cleanup the mess".

The draft received initial support from the Micronesian, Australian, and Kyrgyzstan governments but the U.S. expressed reservations, according to Edwards. An information group, including the Marshalls, chaired by Uruguay will work on the draft to come up with an agreed text, he said.

While the Marshalls seeks cleanup of its nuclear-contami-

nated islands, the central Pacific nation is also pursuing a feasibility study for nuclear waste disposal.

However, the Pacific island leaders group was "not convinced that the way to achieve this (nuclear cleanup) would be through bringing in more nuclear waste to the region," Edwards commented after the meeting. The group of Pacific leaders also expressed concern over the accident liability question.

Kendall said he welcomed the views expressed by the other island leaders, and "assured them that the whole process (of investigating the nuclear waste storage option) would be transparent, serious, deliberate and disciplined."

Any results from the preliminary feasibility study would be completed public and available to the countries concerned, Kendall said.

"If there is a successful cleanup funded by the U.S., then of course there would be no further need to have a storage facility in the Marshall Islands," Kendall said.

But Kendall stressed that urgent measures were needed to address the current nuclear con-

tamination problem in the Marshall Islands, and detailed positive aspects of the planned nuclear waste feasibility study.

The Marshalls amendment to the NPT makes note of the "special responsibility toward those people of former United Nations Trust Territories who have been adversely affected as a result of the nuclear weapons test conducted during the period of the Trusteeship." The Marshalls was a U.N. trusteeship governed by the U.S. during the time of the nuclear testing program at Bikini and Enewetak.

The amendment "calls upon the International Atomic Energy Agency and the former administering authority for those Trust Territories, in particular, to extend to those people and their governments such technical and other appropriate assistance as they may request and require, and that the appropriate organs and specialized agencies of the U.N. maintain a continuing review of the progress of cleanup and disposal of radioactive contaminants, the resettlement of displaced populations, and restoration of economic productivity in the affected areas of the former Trust Territories."

ADB sets \$8M for Majuro projects

By Giff Johnson
For the Variety
MAJURO - The Asian Development Bank is preparing to inject more than \$8 million into fresh and waste water improvements in Majuro, the capital of the Marshall Islands, where frequent droughts have caused hardship to its 26,000 residents and impeded development projects.

A memorandum of understanding was signed by Minister of Public Works Hiroshi Yamamura and ADB consultant Gordon Fox earlier this week in Majuro outlining the plan that will now go to the ADB board for approval. A final agreement is expected to be signed later this summer, so the project can commence by 1996.

The MOU commits the ADB to lending about \$8.23 million and the Marshall Islands government to providing about \$2.75 million for a total improvement plan of \$11 million.

As Majuro's population had burgeoned to an estimated

26,000 - almost 50 percent of the total population - the capital has had frequent water shortages. From February into April, water was tightly rationed because there was almost no rainfall and Majuro depends on rain for about 90 percent of its fresh water. Public water was pumped only once every fifth day at the height of the drought in March and early April. But each year, Majuro goes through similar periods of dry spells.

Bill Roberts, the manager of the electric and water utility companies, said the major developments planned for Majuro with the ADB loan include:

- *increasing the size of the airport reservoir to 33 million gallons by adding a new eight million gallon reservoir, and increasing the height of the walls at the current reservoir to add four million gallons.
- *building a separate, direct pipeline from the airport reservoir to the middle of downtown, a distance of eight miles, that will, for the first time,

provide balanced water pressure for consumers living near the reservoir as well as those at the end of the pipeline.

*rehabilitating the four sewer pump stations in downtown Majuro by installing new and standardized pumps and related equipment. This is expected to end the loss of pressure a low tide and minimize maintenance problems that are complicated now because each station has different equipment.

*extending the salt water sewer line from the bridge out to the

airport, heavily populated area that does not have a sewer system.

Also being proposed is the addition of two new pumps at Laura to increase the volume of fresh water pumped from the fresh water lens from 400,000 gallons a day to 600,000 a day.

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Tonga Finance minister quits

TONGA'S disgraced finance minister, Cecil Cocker, resigned today, according to a statement from the Prime Minister's Office.

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Mr Cocker's resignation followed a formal complaint from New Zealand's acting prime minister, Don McKinnon, about his behaviour at last week's Asian Development Bank meeting in Auckland.

Mr Cocker was reported to have been drunk during his address to the ADB meeting and to have sexually harassed three women, including his official New Zealand government driver.

Mr McKinnon personally reprimanded Mr Cocker and said his actions were "ill-befitting a representative of his government" and "seriously undermined the valid and useful reasons for his being in New Zealand."

Tonga's pro-democracy movement had also demanded Mr Cocker's resignation saying

they would act if the king did nothing.

The Tongan cabinet met on Wednesday and made a unanimous decision about Mr Cocker's future that was not made public.

However, when Mr Cocker arrived at Fua'amotu airport in Nukua'alofa last night, Pacnews understands the prime minister, Baron Vaea, was at the airport to tell him of the cabinet decision.

Mr Cocker resigned this morning with a statement from the Prime Minister's Office saying he was leaving under "sad conditions" PacNews.

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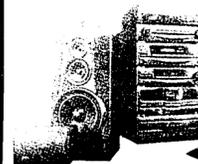
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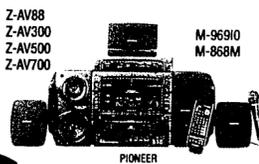
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation will, on **June 2, 1995**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (formerly MIHA), Garapan, P.O. Box 514, Saipan, MP 96950. Under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **\$68,000.00**, total amount due to REDCS loan and NMHC'S expenses.

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The Northern Mariana Housing Corporation reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

DATED this **5th** day of **May, 1995**

/s/ MARYLOU ADA SIROK
Corporate Director
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN
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On this **5th** day of **May, 1995**, before me, a Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, personally appeared **Marylou Ada Sirok**, duly authorized representative for the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, known to me as the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER OF SALE IN DEED OF TRUST, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same on behalf of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day year first written above.

Crime increases as police budget drops

By Giff Johnson
MAJURO - Arrests in Majuro and the outer islands of the Marshall Islands grew 39 percent from 1993 to 1994, according to statistics released Wednesday (May 10) by the national government's Public Safety Department.

National police made a total of 628 arrests during 1994 compared to 452 in 1993. And with crime increasing, the Marshalls' police commissioner expressed concern about budget cuts imposed on his department. All government offices have been instructed to cut their budgets by 10 percent for fiscal year 1996.

"Adult crime is up, but police funding is being cut," Commissioner Norman Jennings said. "There comes a point when you cut the police budget that it costs you more then if you didn't make the cuts."

Chief of the criminal investigation division, Captain George Lanwi, said that 90 percent of the violent crime cases involved alcohol use by the perpetrators. The national police figures actually under estimate the crime picture for Majuro, since they do not include arrests by the police force operated by Majuro's local government, Lanwi said.

The Marshalls has an estimated population of 56,000, with Majuro, the capital, having 26,000 or about 46 percent of the total.

The number of Marshallese women arrested increased by 30 percent, from 54 in 1993 to 70 in 1994. The majority of women were arrested for drunk and disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace.

The statistics show that six men were arrested for murder in 1994, but none in 1993. Rape arrests also increased in 1994, six compared to one the year before. The number of arrests for assaults actually dropped slightly, from 95 in 1993 to 85 last year.

A 119 percent increase in the number of arrests for burglaries occurred in 1994 when 188 men were arrested compared to 86 in 1993. There was also a rise in the number of arrests for drunk and disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace from 160 in 1993 to 238 last year.

While there were four women arrested for larceny in 1993, all the arrests in this category in 1994 were of men. The same number of women - seven - were arrested both years for assaults. Drunk and disorderly arrests of women rose from 35 in 1993 to 51 last year.

As crimes against government and

personal property pile up, the dollar value of these crimes may well exceed the money "saved" by the budget cuts, Commissioner Jennings said. The difficulty is once the police descend to a budget position where they do not have the ability to investigate crimes or apprehend criminals, the message goes out to criminals and the community that there is no deterrent to lawlessness.

The commissioner pointed out that when public safety is operating properly, it brings in revenue to the government and can be at least partly self-sustaining from fines.

Jennings said that he's concerned with rising crime and budget cuts that limit police ability to investigate and address crime.

"Crime is escalating each year," he said. "If the police get cut 10 percent, I expect crime to increase more, maybe 20 percent a year. If we can't investigate complaints, people won't report crimes. We can't do more with less."

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plaint about the fees, we have concluded that the complaint is not covered by the statute," Murphy stated in his ruling. Murphy was referring to the Department of Transportation's statute covering airline fees.

Continental Airlines, Inc. (CAL) has been, for many years, the principal carrier at the Saipan International Airport and had been a signatory to an Airline Use Agreement (AUA) since 1983. After CMI took over CAL's routes in 1993, it requested the CPA to amend the AUA by lowering the fees and cross-subsidizing CMI's fees from the CPA's surplus. Since 1987, the CPA had been charging a departure facility service charge per revenue passenger of \$5.79; an international arrival facility service charge of \$2.20; and a landing fee of 85 cents per thousand pounds certified maximum gross landing weight. The CPA made slight modifications in the AUA but keep the fees at the same level they had been since 1987. CMI signed the AUA on July 1, 1993 which established CMI's fees on the basis of the rates and fees that had been in place at the CPA since 1987. The agreement also stated that fees for non-signatory airlines at the Saipan Airport would be 50 percent higher than those for signatory airlines.

Murphy stated that while Continental Micronesia contends that the fees contained in the Airline Use Agreement were excessive, and the non-signatory fees were also too high, it could have 1), requested a lowering of the non-signatory fees; 2), refused to operate out of the Commonwealth; 3), signed the agreement and brought the matter before the Department of Transportation/Federal Aviation Administration in an administrative proceeding; or 4), sought judicial relief from the contract on the grounds that it was entered into under duress upon a misrepresentation by the CPA. Murphy noted that Continental Micronesia did not pursue any of the four courses of action.

Accordingly, the Department of Transportation dismissed the complaint of Continental Micronesia against the CPA; granted the CPA's motion for dismissal; dismissed as moot the motion of Airports Council International to intervene in the proceeding in this docket.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

FENCING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands is soliciting bids from qualified individuals or business to maintain the exterior fencing at and surrounding the Saipan International Airport. The CPA shall receive sealed bids at the Office of the Commonwealth Ports Authority at the Saipan International Airport until 4:30 p.m. on the 22nd day of May, 1995.

The perimeter and interior fencing to be maintained extends a distance of approximately five miles and maintenance shall be performed at least every month and shall include at a minimum:

1. Mowing of all grass and weeds for a distance of at least two feet on both sides all exterior fencing.
2. Spraying with weed killer for a distance of at least two feet on both sides of all exterior fencing. Any and all chemicals to be used must be certified and approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and the CNMI Division of Environmental Quality. Bidders shall submit a listing of proposed chemicals intended to be used.

All bids shall be made in accordance with this notice to bidders, and the specifications of areas to be maintained, and contract on file with the Deputy Director of the CPA. All bidders should include a list of references and a copy of the bidders current business license. Any questions and further information concerning the specific areas to be maintained may be obtained from the CPA Deputy Director, Mr. Jose B. Aldan at the "Saipan International Airport Fencing Maintenance Contract." All bids must be received by the CPA On or before the above stated time and date.

Bids shall be opened by the Executive Director of the CPA at the closing time stated above and shall remain on file until a final contract is entered with the lowest successful bidder.

The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids pursuant to CPA Procurement Rules and Regulations Section 3.2(7).

/s/ CARLOS A. SHODA
Executive Director

Date: 2/4/95

Marcos warns disaster if she loses

By ROBERT H. REID
MANILA, Philippines (AP) - Election officials confirmed irregularities Sunday in returns from Marcos family strongholds, and Imelda Marcos warned of a "national disaster" if she and her son are denied congressional seats.

With 60 percent of the precincts reporting from last Monday's nationwide balloting, the National Movement for Free Elections - NAMFREL - reported President Fidel Ramos' candidates still leading for 9 of the 12 contested seats in its unofficial count.

But the Commission on Elections, conducting the official canvass, reported discrepancies of thousands of votes in tallies from Ilocos Norte, home province of the late President Ferdinand Marcos.

Provincial certificates showed three Ramos candidates receiving up to 30,000 more votes than the figures showed in statements of votes from each of the province's towns.

The provincial summaries are supposed to match the town-by-town totals. The chairman of the province's election commission was summoned to Manila to explain the discrepancies.

Opposition candidates immediately charged that the Ilocos Norte discrepancies proved their allegations of fraud. "There is a massive fraud committed and being committed to ensure the victory of administration candidates," Miriam Defensor Santiago, the best performing opposition Senate candidate, said.

NAMFREL Chairman Jose Concepcion urged sobriety during the long, cumbersome counting and called on losers to accept the popular will. "We must prove to our people and the rest of the world that our democratic process has triumphed once more despite outside views that we can only be rescued by an authoritarian grip on our lives," he said. But in another development, Bishop Teodoro Bacani, spokesman of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines, claimed unnamed government officials spent more than \$15 million to influence the outcome.

"There is a current move to rig the outcome of the elections



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and tamper with the will of the people," Bacani told reporters without elaboration. Bacani has been a critic of Ramos.

Mrs. Marcos was leading by a wide margin in the race for a House seat to represent a district in central Leyte island. But election officials have disqualified her for not having lived in Leyte for the required one year. She has appealed to the Supreme Court.

Her son, Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr., was trailing in 16th place in the Senate race. Marcos Jr., was running first in Ilocos Norte, which he represented in the House.

"I demand a canvassing since the vote padding that happened in Ilocos Norte must have been done as well in all the 20 areas where canvassing has been

completed," Marcos said Sunday. "It now turns out that the administration was bent on doing widespread fraud in my region." Mrs. Marcos on Saturday accused unnamed persecutors of carrying out "all kinds of sinister plans" against her, but said the vote count "is a great source of fulfillment and vindication for me."

Mrs. Marcos said her son could only lose if there was massive fraud, and warned of disaster if she and her son were not seated in congress.

"This is very dangerous," she said of the possibility. "We are courting national disaster. It might be very painful to the country."

At least 40 people have been killed this week in election-related violence.



Imelda R. Marcos



Bongbong Marcos

Joint First Anniversary Rosary

We, the family of the late
**-Vicente Magofna Amirez and
- Jose Satur Fitial (Naghabey)**

Would like to invite all our relatives, and friends to join us in our Joint Anniversary Rosary for Our Beloved Ones.

Nightly Rosary will start on Tuesday, May 9th at 8:00 p.m. at the family's residence in Quarter Master, Middle Road, next to Garden Motel.

On the final day, Wednesday, May 17. Rosary will be said at 12:00 noon. Mass of intention will be offered at 6:00 p.m. at San Jose Church in Oleai. Mass of intention will be offered every morning, commence on May 9th thru May 17th at 6:00 a.m. at Kristo Rai Church.

Dinner will follow immediately at the family's residence in Quarter Master, Middle Road next to Garden Motel.

Kindly Join Us
The Family

PUBLIC NOTICE

The NMI Retirement Fund Worker's Compensation will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 1995, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fund's Conference Room, located on the first floor of the Nauru Building, Susupe, Saipan. Interested persons are welcome to attend. For more information, please call 234-7228.

AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- C. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES: May 3, 1995
- D. REPORT OF THE HEARING OFFICER
- E. REPORT OF THE LEGAL COUNSEL
- F. REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR
- G. CORRESPONDENCE
- H. OLD BUSINESS
 1. CPA-Update
 2. Commonwealth Credit Union-Update
 3. Fund's Office Building-Update
 4. WCC-Proposed Regulations
 5. Resolution
 6. I.A. Sablan-Decision
 7. Final Adoption of Amendments
 - a) MHL-Section 14(b)
 - b) WCC-Part 27.107
- I. NEW BUSINESS
 1. CBP-Proposed Service Agreement
 2. GSLSA-Proposed Loan Service
 3. Fund Member Appeal-F. Crisostomo
 4. Fund Member Appeal-A. Salas
 5. Request for Concurrence-P. Ilibus
- J. MISCELLANEOUS
 1. Merrill Lynch-Financial Markets Update
 2. Money Managers Reports
 3. Palley-Needelman Asset Management-Visit
 4. House of Representatives-Meeting
- K. NEXT MEETING
- L. ADJOURNMENT

15 YEARS DEATH ANNIVERSARY ROSARY

We, the family of the late
HERMAN TENORIO VILLAGOMEZ

better known as
"Herman Kiyu"



Mrs. Andresina C. Villagomez, together with her children, grand children, daughters and son-in law would like to invite relatives and friends to join them in commemorating the anniversary rosary of her beloved husband, their father and grandfather.

Nightly rosary will be said at the family residence in As Perdido, Saipan, commencing Monday, May 15, 1995, at 8:00 p.m. On the final day May 23, 1995, rosary will be said at 12:00 noon.

Daily mass is being offered at Mt. Carmel Cathedral at 6:00 a.m. from May 15 to May 22, 1995.

Mass of Intention will be offered at St. Jude Church on May 23, 1995 at 5:00 p.m. After the mass you are all invited for dinner at the family residence in As Perdido.

Thank You and Si Yous Maase.

Mrs. Andresina C. Villagomez
Mr. & Mrs. Jesus C. Villagomez
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph C. Villagomez & Family
Ms. Antonia C. Villagomez
Ms. Rita Villagomez & Children
Mr. Frank C. Villagomez
Mr. & Mrs. Luis Mendiola & Family (Pai)
Mr. Ray C. Villagomez

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Coastal Resources Management Program (CRMP) will be holding a public hearing regarding Coastal Permit Application No. SMS-95-X-93 submitted by Ms. Elizabeth Salas-Balajadia of ESB Consulting Engineers on behalf of Hyun Dai Saipan Resort for the construction of the Hyun Dai Resort in San Vicente Village, Saipan.

The proposed project calls for the construction of a three (3) storey resort with fifty-four (54) units, coffee shop, swimming pool, office spaces and conference room.

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.

The public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, May 31, 1995 at 6:30 pm at the San Vicente Elementary School Cafeteria. A second and final notice will be published at a later date.

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

MANUEL C. SALBAN
Director
Coastal Resources Management

THIRD AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER OF SALE IN DEED OF TRUST

Bernadino C. Duenas and Ana Duenas on or about **June 14, 1982** gave and delivered to the Mariana Islands Housing Authority (MIHA), now known as the Northern Marianas Islands Housing Corporation (NMHC) acting on behalf of the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), now known as the Rural Economic and Community Development Services (REDCS), United States of America, a Deed of Trust, upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on **June 14, 1982** under **Document 14725** to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the said Trustor to the MIHA, now known as NMHC, acting on behalf of the REDCS, United States of America.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

LOT NUMBER 002 I 05, AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 1, 472 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 022 I 00, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND REGISTRY AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 713, ON THE 1ST DAY OF MARCH, 1971

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation issued its Notice of Default on **January 3, 1995**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation will, on **June 2, 1995**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (formerly MIHA), Garapan, P.O. Box 514, Saipan, MP 96950. Under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **\$74,000.00**, total amount due to REDCS loan and NMHC'S expenses.

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property of the Deed of Trust, other than that the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check and shall be paid within 72 hours from the time of sale.

The Northern Mariana Housing Corporation reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

DATED this **5th** day of **May, 1995**.

/s/ MARYLOU ADA SIROK
Corporate Director
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS)
) ss.

On this **5th** day of **May, 1995**, before me, a Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, personally appeared **Marylou Ada Sirok**, duly authorized representative for the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, known to me as the person show name is subscribed to the foregoing NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER OF SALE IN DEED OF TRUST, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same on behalf of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day year first written above.

5/10/95

SJ CONSTRUCTION CO. POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

SJ Construction Co. is seeking TWO experienced, Construction Foremen to supervise and coordinate laborers activities on various projects. Experienced U.S. Citizens required. Salary will commensurate with experience. Qualified candidate Fax resume to (670) 433-0069.

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PUBLIC NOTICE 5/12/95

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DIVISION (DCD) OF THE COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY POSTPONED ITS MEETING SCHEDULED ON MAY 11, 1995 UNTIL WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1995 AT 10:00 A.M. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CDA'S CONFERENCE ROOM, GUALO RAI, SAMPAN.

LOAN APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DCD MATTERS WILL BE DISCUSSED.

/S/JESUS D. SABLAN
CHAIRMAN

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS ISLANDS PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 95-441

N RE THE ESTATE LINO P. DEL ROSARIO DECEASED
NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR
TO: ALL HEIRS, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, AND CREDITORS OF LINO P. DEL ROSARIO. DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jose M. Rosario has filed with the Clerk of this Court a Petition for Appointment of an Administrator for the Estate of Lino P. del Rosario, deceased. The hearing on the Petition is set for 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 1995, 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. Manglona, P.C., located at MSV Bldg. II, Second Floor, Garapan, Saipan.

Dated this 17th day of May, 1995 /s/ Dep. Clerk of Court

PUBLIC NOTICE 5/12/95

THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MAY 11, 1995 IS POSTPONED UNTIL WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1995, 1:30 P.M. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CDA'S CONFERENCE ROOM, WAGIN'S BUILDING, GUALO RAI, SAMPAN.

THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- ADOPTION OF MINUTES
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS:
 - REQUEST FOR GRANT FOR INTERNSHIP BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NMC).
 - LOAM MATTERS
- REPORTS:
- OTHER MATTERS

/S/ JUAN S. TENORIO
CHAIRMAN

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Employment Wanted



1 GENERAL MANAGER - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$1,500-\$1,800 per month.
1 OFFSET OPERATOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: HERS CORP. dba Design Studio Corp., Caller Box PPP 586, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 233-7177(5/15)M/19170

1 MANAGER - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$5.80 per hour.
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1 ACCOUNTANT - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$4.50-\$7.00 per hour.
1 MAINTENANCE WORKER - High school equiv., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75-\$3.00 per hour.
Contact: JOYCE K. SHIN dba LA Department Store Company, Caller Box PPP 471, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-1999(5/15)M/19171.

2 FINISHING CARPENTERS - High school equiv., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: HILTON ENTERPRISES, INC., P.O. Box 3040, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-1115(5/15)M/19169.

Miscellaneous

1 CRANE OPERATOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$3.00 per hour.
Contact: HONG SUP LEE dba H.S. Lee Equip. Rental, P.O. Box 440, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-5201(5/15)M/2487.

2 SALESPERSONS - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 up per hour.
2 ACCOUNTANTS
1 COMPUTER OPERATOR
1 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$500 up per month.
Contact: HAKUBOTAN SAIPAN ENT. INC., P.O. Box 127, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-7362(5/15)M/2485.

1 SALES PERSON - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: RONG-YAN ENTERPRISES dba Ming Ming Store, P.O. Box 3052 PRR 261, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 235-2019(5/15)M/19161.

2 AUTO BODY REPAIRERS - High school equiv., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
2 AUTO PAINTERS - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75-\$3.00 per hour.
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3 AUTO BODY REPAIRERS
3 AUTO PAINTERS
1 AIRCON MECHANIC - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75-\$3.00 per hour.
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1 NEON-TUBE PUMPER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
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1 MOTOR REWINDER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75

1 ELECTRONIC PARTS, SALES & SERVICE - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$4.50 per hour.
Contact: ENRIQUE SARALU dba Pacific Electronic Shack, AAA Caller Box 2090, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 288-0814(5/22)M/19256.

1 STOCK CONTROL CLERK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75-\$4.00 per hour.
Contact: ACORN S.J. KIM CORPORATION dba New Olympic Market, Caller Box PPP 222, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 322-6858(5/15)M/19165.

1 SUPERVISOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
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1 CARPENTER
2 MASONS - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: MR. & MRS. VICENTE C. BARGIAS dba RM Enterprises, P.O. Box 3167, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 233-2054(5/15)M/19167.

10 SALESPERSONS - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: JOYCE K. SHIN dba LA Department Store Company, Caller Box PPP 471, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-1999(5/15)M/19171.

2 FINISHING CARPENTERS - High school equiv., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: HILTON ENTERPRISES, INC., P.O. Box 3040, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-1115(5/15)M/19169.

1 WAITRESS (RESTAURANT) - High school equiv., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: JOY ENTERPRISES, INC., P.O. Box 155, Box 10000, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 233-1332(5/15)M/19168.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$500 per month.
Contact: AZUCENA R. SALAZAR dba Grand Star Ent., P.O. Box 2750, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 235-5002(5/22)M/19259.

1 WATCH REPAIRER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$3.00 per hour.
Contact: LUCKY CORPORATION dba Lucky Star, P.O. Box 1817, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-5844(5/22)M/19262.

3 WAITRESSES
1 HOUSEKEEPING CLEANER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
2 FRONT DESK CLERK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$3.00 per hour.
Contact: PARADISE CORPORATION dba Paradise Hotel, Caller Box AAA 976, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-8225(5/22)M/19266.

3 AIRCONDITION REFRIGERATION MECHANICS - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: REMEDIO S. BUNIAG dba Marfan Enterprises, P.O. Box 1465, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 322-0414(5/22)M/19248.

2 GAS ATTENDANT - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
1 CARPENTER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$4.05 per hour.
1 CASHIER (GAS SERVICE STATION) - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.95 per hour.
Contact: V.C. ENTERPRISES, INC., P.O. Box 1595, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 322-1262(5/22)M/19264.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75-\$3.05 per hour.
Contact: MICRONESIA MEDIA DISTRIBUTOR, INC. dba Bestseller, P.O. Box 236, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 235-7612(5/22)M/19257.

1 MOTOR REWINDER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75

1 GRAPHIC ARTIST - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: KANG CORPORATION dba Kangs General Auto Repair Shop, P.O. Box 3053, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 288-9367(5/22)M/19258.

1 OFFSET OPERATOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$3.50-\$3.60 per hour.
Contact: PACIFIC PRINTING PRESS, INC., P.O. Box 1447, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-1917(5/22)M/19252.

5 WAITRESSES, NIGHT CLUB
2 WAITERS, NIGHT CLUB - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75 per hour.
Contact: GIS ENTERPRISES, INC. dba Maharaja Night Club, PPP 143, Box 10000, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 287-7884(5/22)M/19253.

1 TRAVEL COUNSELOR - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$625-\$700 per month.
Contact: INTERKAM CORPORATION dba Interkam Travel Agency, P.O. Box 3397, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 235-5555(5/22)M/19255.

1 TOUR GUIDE - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$1,000 per month.
1 ACCOUNTANT - College grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$1,100 per month.
Contact: SAIPAN KORESCO CORPORATION, P.O. Box 3013, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 288-6001(5/22)M/19251.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$3.00 per hour.
Contact: C & R PROPERTIES, INC. dba M. Celis Store, P.O. Box 1281, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 234-5844(5/22)M/19267.

1 QUALITY CONTROL CHECKER - High school grad., 2 years experience. Salary: \$2.75-\$3.00 per hour.
Contact: SAIPAN INSPECTION SERVICES, INC., PPP 225 Box 10001, Saipan, MP 96950. Tel. No. 235-5223(5/22)M/2512.

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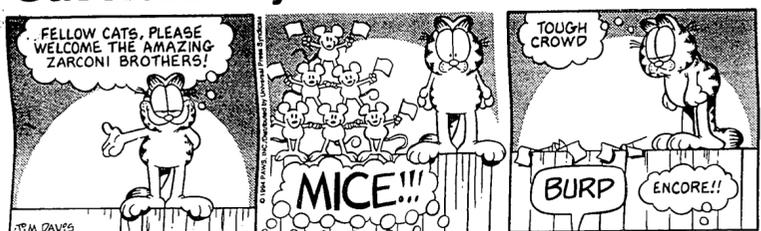
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Advertisement for Marianas Variety newspaper with a rocket launch illustration and contact information.

Els leads 3 strokes in Nelson Classic

By BOB GREEN
IRVING, Texas (AP) - A minor record escaped Ernie Els, but the lead did not. And the rejuvenated U.S. Open champion, fresh after a three-week break, is confident the title in the dlr 1.3 million GTE-Byron Nelson Classic will not escape him, either.

Bud...

Bud Light now stands with a 5-1 card in third spot of the latest overall standings, while Budweiser slipped to eighth spot. Ol' Aces demolished the Sharks in the second game which ended with a 28-point margin, 103-75.

Budweiser basketball results (as of Saturday & first 2 games Sunday)

Table of BIFBL Game Results for May 13th and 14th, 1995, listing teams like Bud Light, Pepsi, Ol' Aces, and their scores.

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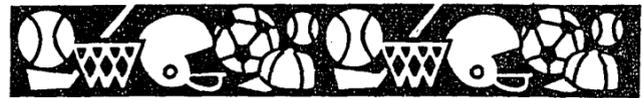
The most deadly explosion in American history occurred on March 18, 1937, at a school in New London, Texas. Four hundred thirteen people were killed.

A Minnesota company has developed a window that uses liquid crystal technology to alternate between clear and opaque "privacy" glass.

The term hot dog emerged because cartoonist Ted Dorgan wanted to capture the feeling of the New York Polo Grounds, where vendors were barking, "Red hot dachshund sausages." Unsure of the spelling of dachshund, Dorgan wrote "hot dog" instead.

Earth Tip: One 15- to 20-year-old tree makes enough paper for only 700 grocery bags. Yet the alternative, plastic bags, are not degradable and are made from petroleum, which is nonrenewable. Bring your own reusable bag when you shop.

SPORTS



Budweiser league:

Bud Light wins over Budweiser

BUD Light proved itself stronger in court than Budweiser by defeating the latter in the continuation of the Budweiser basketball league Saturday at the Ada gym in Susupe.

The Budweiser team bowed to the pressure of coach Danny Cabrera's Bud Light team in the opener, 99-86.

The Bud Light win was followed by an overwhelming victory by coach Elias Rangamar's Ol' Aces team over the Sharks in the second game.

Bud Light set the tone of the game right in the first half. Lloyd Hartman led his team to close the top of the game with a 19-point lead, 51-32.

Hartman powered his team with three triples and six baskets for 21 points in

the first half, overshadowing the combined 17 points of Budweiser first half top scorers Tolentino and Margasino.

Budweiser went on high gear in the last half with Enrile sinking five triples for fifteen points — his only score for the night — supported by Margasino's 12 points in a losing effort.

Budweiser loaded 54 points into the basket in the last half but not enough to hold back the tide of the advancing Bud Light cagers who exploded 48 points in the same period.

Top scorers for the Budweiser team were Margasino 20, Enrile, 15, Trampe 12, and Caimol 11.

Acuyan, Tolentino, and Pilado combined 15 points.



Hip Ripken. Baseball stars Cal Ripken Jr. of the Baltimore Orioles, left, and Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants admire Ripken's earring in a mirror during a scene from a commercial for Franklin batting gloves.

Top scorers for the Bud Light team were Hartman with 38 points, Oscar Masga 11 points, and Jay Moreshita 10 points.

George Masga and Felix Palacios posted 8 points each, Benavente, Cabrera, and Frank Iglesias had 6 points apiece, while Tony and Charlie

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China bids to host 2004 Olympics

BEIJING (AP) - International Olympic Committee president Juan Antonio Samaranch said Sunday he expected to discuss a possible bid by Beijing for the 2004 Olympic Games with Chinese sports officials.

Samaranch arrived in Tianjin, China, Sunday to attend the closing ceremony of the 43rd World Table Tennis Championships.

"We would discuss in this place the possibility that Beijing can bid for the Olympic Games of the year 2004," the official Xinhua News Agency quoted Samaranch as saying.

Chinese officials viewed Beijing's narrow loss to Sydney, Australia, in voting for the 2000 Olympic host as a national disappointment. Since that Septem-

ber 1993 vote, they have made no secret of their desire to make another bid at the earliest opportunity.

Samaranch also told reporters in Tianjin that he would raise the issue of adding more table tennis events to the Olympic schedule with other Olympic officials.

The Games now include men's and women's singles and doubles, but exclude team events.

Tagaman wins Japan triathlon

HONDO, Japan (AP) - Michael Trees of Britain edged Australian Chris Hill by less than 20 seconds to win the men's race in the 11th Amakusa International Triathlon Sunday.

Japan's Ayako Suzuki won the

women's event.

The 32-year-old Trees swam 1.5 kilometers (0.93 miles), bicycled 40 kilometers (25 miles) and ran 10 kilometers (6.2 miles) in a total time of one hour, 54 minutes, 42 seconds. The 19-year-old Hill finished in

1:55:00.

American Glynde Mangum finished third in 1:56:30.

Takumi Obara of Japan was fourth in 1:56:51.

Suzuki covered the same distance in 2:13:56 in the women's race, in which Japanese took the top 10 places.

Sasaki wins Japan PGA

HIRANAI, Japan (AP) - Hisayuki Sasaki shot the best round of his career Sunday, a 9-under-par 63 with two eagles on the back nine, and won the Japan PGA Championship by four shots.

Starting the final round five strokes

off the pace, Sasaki sank a chip-in eagle on the 490-yard, par-5, 10th. He sank his second shot with a pitching wedge for another eagle on the 359-yard, par-4, 15th.

He also birdied Nos. 2, 5, 11, 16 and 17 en route to a 16-under-par 272 total. "I was surprised with my final round 63. It's the best in my career. I gained my rhythm after scoring the eagle on the 10th," said the 30-year-old Sasaki, who received 18 million yen (dls 212,000) from a total purse of 100 million yen (dls 1.2 million).

It was his first triumph of the season and second of his career.

Kazuhiro Takami was even with Sasaki until the 15th, where he suffered

a double bogey while Sasaki eagled the hole.

Takami shot a 71 and finished second at 276.

Toru Suzuki, who led for the first three rounds, shot a one-over-par 73 and placed third at 277.

At 278 were Frankie Minoza of the Philippines and two Japanese - Tateshi Ozaki and Yoshinori Mizumaki. Minoza tshot a 69, Ozaki a 68 and Mizumaki a 72 Sunday on the 7,058-yard, par-72 Natsudomari Golf Links in northern Japan.

Masashi "Jumbo" Ozaki, a five-time winner, sat out the tournament because of illness. Two other Japanese stars, Tsuneyuki Nakajima and Isao Aoki, also did not compete.

SSA women's softball registration, meeting

THE Saipan Softball Association wishes to announce that all Island-Wide Womens Softball Teams need to register before May 24, 1995. Interested teams can contact Association Secretary Howard

Markley at 234-5588, or Bertha Sablan at 288-8805 through 8808. A meeting will be held on May 25th at 5:30 p.m. to discuss fees and other items. The meeting will be at the Ada Gymnasium.

Battle for SABA title starts tonight

PRESSURE mounts in the Saipan Amateur Basketball Association as the race in the playoff series for the 1995 men's and women's Lite cage league crowns rolls off tonight at the Ada gym in Susupe.

In the opener, pennant winner All Star Pepsi team will take on 8th placer Spalding team, followed by the clash between fourth placer Sharks team and elimination round fifth spot placer Ol' Aces in the second game.

The playoff in the women's division will start Thursday with pennant winner Bud Dry team playing against last placer Ricochet. Third placer Unified team will face Pepsi Co. Team in the second game.

Meanwhile, the elimination period officially ended Thursday with Alu'u forfeiting its incomplete game in favor of San Vicente Sunrisers.

The game forfeiture placed Alu'u in a 2-way tie at the bottom

of the standing with a 1-9 win-loss card with Hi-Five which lost its last game to Team Joeten the same night.

The forfeiture also placed the Sunrisers in sixth place with a 5-5 slate at the end of the elimination round.

Joeten, in the second game, closed the league with a win — its second in ten games — and managed to improve its standing a notch higher by defeating Hi-Five with a 13-point margin, 88-75.

Early in the game, Joeten had a convincing 17-point lead at the end of the first half.

Led by Gary Lashley, George Rasa, and George Poquiz in the last half, Hi-Five team exploded with 51 points and managed to trim the lead down to 13 points as Joeten unleashed 46 points and maintained a comfortable lead. (AAPD)

Moorer, Foreman rematch

SACRAMENTO, California (AP) - Michael Moorer kept alive his hopes for a rematch with heavyweight champion George Foreman by pounding out a unanimous decision against a game but outclassed Melvin Foster on Saturday night.

The 10-rounder was a co-feature with Lennox Lewis' successful return to the ring after losing the WBC heavyweight title to Oliver McCall. Lewis, 26-1 with 22 knockouts, stopped a sluggish Lionel Butler, 23-11-1, with five seconds left in the fifth round.

Despite his record and the 261 pounds he carried on his 6-foot-1 frame, Butler was ranked third by the WBC behind Lewis after the organization decided this week to make Mike Tyson its No. 1 contender.

Moorer, 36-1 with 30 knockouts, punished Foster with shots to the head and body, but Foster weathered them. Neither fighter went down, although Foster came close.

Moorer became the first left-handed heavyweight champion in April 1994 with a 12-round decision over Evander Holyfield. He lost the WBA-IBF title in November when a battered Foreman took him out in the 10th round.

Despite his southpaw style, Moorer's

snapping right jab seemed to do the most damage to Foster, 19-2-1. Moorer seemed to have Foster close to hitting the canvas at times, but he couldn't finish the job and, at one point, inexplicably stepped back from a wobbling opponent.

The three judges gave Moorer nine rounds to one for Foster.

"I guess some people think I could have done more, but sometimes it looks different when you're in the ring," Moorer said.

Foster, who was breathing heavily after the second round and bleeding from the mount following the fifth, said a body shot broke a rib in the second and slowed his punching ability.

"I did get hurt in the 10th round, but what boxer doesn't get hurt?" he asked.

Foster was a late replacement for Tim Puller, who broke his hand in training and had to withdraw. Foster said the short time to spar against a left-handed boxer hampered him.

"The jabs threw me off a little bit," he said.

Moorer's victory came under the watchful eyes of Foreman, who was telecasting the fight for HBO. Foreman has promised Moorer a rematch.

Sports Date

May 16, Tuesday
7 p.m. Budweiser-Remington 8-ball tournament, Remington Club pool hall, Garapan

May 21, Sunday
6 p.m. Lite-Chemiboy billiard tournament, Chemiboy pool hall, Dandan

May 23, Tuesday
7 p.m. Budweiser-Remington 8-ball tournament, Remington Club pool hall, Garapan

May 28, Sunday
6 p.m. Lite-Chemiboy billiard tournament, Chemiboy pool hall, Dandan

May 30, Tuesday
7 p.m. Budweiser-Remington 9-ball tournament, Remington Club pool hall, Garapan