

LIBERATION Day Queen candidates visit infant at Commonwealth Health Center (from left): Janelle C. Muna, tricia C. Muna, Arlene C. Suda and Jamie I. Mettao.

## Torres proposes Garapan site for post office

SENATOR Juan S. Torres yesterday proposed that a 1.5 hectare land in Garapan be designated site of a central post office.

"A larger postal facility to accommodate the increased volume of activities at the present Chalan Kanoa is long overdue. We need to find a location for this new facility as soon as possible," Torres said during yesterday's session of the Saipan Legislative Delegation.

Saipan Delegation Resolution 8-8, authored by Torres followed a request by Postmaster John San Nicolas who said the absence of a suitable site was delaying construction of a new postal facility.

He said the US Treasury Department has indicated its willingness to build the proposed facility.

"The proposed area falls within a portion of the American Memorial Park, which is the subject of current negotiations being made between Governor Lorenzo I. Guerrero and the US military for a possible leaseback agreement. It would be a good idea to have the US build the facility in one of the areas leased to the military," Torres said.

On March 26, Edward L. Broglio, district manager for customer services, US Postal Service advised Guerrero about US plans to construct a postal service facility as soon as possible.

The facility will provide more



Juan S. Torres

than 3,000 post office boxes and will serve the residents of Garapan and the neighboring areas.

Northern Saipan has the Capitol Hill postal office to serve its residents.

"The construction of the postal facility will commence immediately once the Commonwealth government provides a parcel of land, rent-free and for a sufficiently long duration. The Commonwealth's effort to accommodate the request of the US Postal service is a step in the right direction towards improving the relationship between the Commonwealth and the federal governments," Torres said.

Although the resolution was entertained for first and final reading by the delegation yesterday, it was deferred by Delegation Chairman Pedro R. Guerrero for further study by a committee headed by Torres. (RHA)

## Benetton opens first Saipan store

BENETTON will open its first store in Saipan on April 24 at La Fiesta San Roque, a newly developed shopping mall, announced Robin Kumabe, who oversees Benetton's operations.

"As the Pacific rim is a very important market for Benetton, we are pleased to expand our operations to Saipan. We look forward to extending our commitment of being a responsible corporate citizen to the Saipan community," said Kumabe who is based in Honolulu.

The La Fiesta San Roque mall, which is a subsidiary of Japan Airlines, which also owns the adjacent Hotel Nikko Saipan, opened on Dec. 18 and is Saipan's first shopping mall. The 11,000-square-foot mall is currently home to more than 30 stores, including clothing boutiques, gift shops, and a selection of food outlets. The mall will have its grand opening on April 26.

Benetton, known for its high-fashion casual wear, is owned and operated by Marui Imai Inc., a US subsidiary of department store owner Marui Imai Inc. of Japan. The company owns 11 Benetton stores in Hawaii, three in Guam and now in Saipan.

## Nakamura: Palau nears sovereignty

KOROR, Palau (AP) - President Kuniwo Nakamura Tuesday said his small West Pacific island republic is close to achieving sovereignty.

Speaking before a joint session of the Palau National Congress, also known as the OEK, Nakamura said he plans to present the legislative body with a modified Compact of Free Association with the United States by the end of the month.

"I believe it would be appropriate to try to present the Compact to the people of Palau for their approval in July of this year, so that we could begin implementation of the Compact on Oct. 1, 1993," Nakamura said.

The nationally-broadcast State of the Republic speech was Nakamura's first formal address to the Palauan people since taking office in January.

He said US officials have already agreed to the changes made to the Compact by a committee formed by the Palauan leadership to review the document. Face-to-face meetings with US officials are ongoing, Nakamura said.

In an interview following his speech, Nakamura refused to reveal the nature of the modifications to the Compact but said "they will not require new legislation by the US Congress."

The West Pacific island nation chain of 15,000 people is the world's last United Nations trust territory. It

has maintained that status since the end of World War II.

Nakamura said seven previous proposals for a change in political status voted on by the Palauan people failed to receive the required 75 percent approval.

But, "an overwhelming majority of the Palauan voting public has consistently preferred free association with the United States over any other possible status alternatives," he said.

Ratification of the Compact will finally give the people of Palau control over their own destiny, Nakamura said.

He said the republic will be able to freely enter into beneficial agreements with other countries and acquire funding for economic ventures.

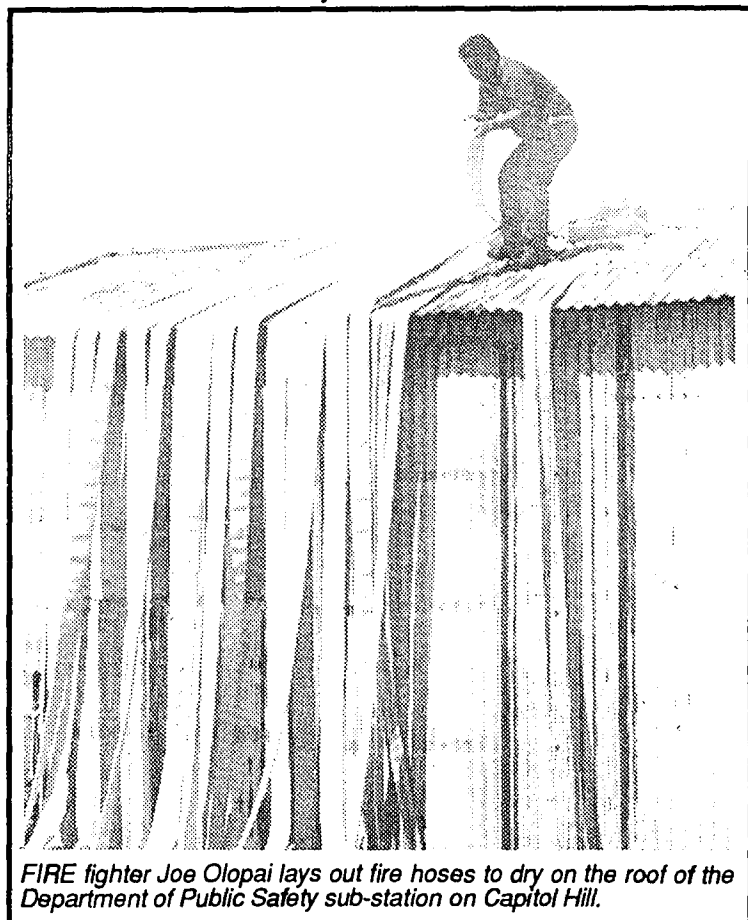
Nakamura said gaining sovereignty will present challenges as well as opportunities to the people of Palau.

"We will have to ensure that we protect our environment, preserve our cultural heritage and improve our living standards," he said.

Sen. Santas Olikong, a former Minister of State, said he was encouraged by Nakamura's declaration.

"I think the people deserve to know where the president stands on the Compact issue, and today he told them that," Olikong said.

Palau is 4,500 miles southwest of Hawaii and 900 miles east of the Philippines. It is situated west of the international date line.



FIRE fighter Joe Olopai lays out fire hoses to dry on the roof of the Department of Public Safety sub-station on Capitol Hill.

# Republicans set meet to decide date of primary

THE REPUBLICAN Party will hold a general membership meeting on April 29 to set the date for the primary, Benigno R. Fitial, party chairman, said yesterday.

In an interview Fitial said a list of candidates who have submitted declarations of intent to run in the November elections would be finalized soon.

Vying for the Republican party nomination as candidates for gov-

ernor and lieutenant governor are incumbent Governor Lorenzo I. Guerrero and Lt. Governor Benjamin T. Manglona, the team of Washington Representative Juan N. Babauta and Speaker Thomas P. Villagomez and Senate President Juan S. Demapan, who does not have a running mate.

The meeting will also determine candidates for the Legislature. (RHA)

# Woman convicted for plane bombing to be released soon

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - A woman once sentenced to death for the 1987 bombing of a South Korean airliner will soon be freed, officials said Tuesday.

Officials at the Agency for National Security Planning, the main government spy agency, said Kim Hyun-hui, a 31-year-old former North Korean citizen, will soon move from a government "safe house" to the home of a relative.

Kim has been under the protection of the agency since 1990, when she was granted a presidential amnesty and South Korean citizenship. The government said it was protecting her from possible North Korean assassination attempts.

"Our conclusion is that her life is less in danger than before," an agency official said, speaking condition of anonymity. "She is free and can do anything on her own, including marriage."

The official quoted Kim as saying she wanted to get married, and often goes out on dates or with friends.

The official said Kim has made about \$1.3 million from two best-selling memoirs she wrote. She also collects royalties on "Virgin Terrorist," an

internationally-distributed film based on her life as a North Korean terrorist.

On Nov. 29, 1987 Kim and a North Korean friend, traveling on forged Japanese passports, boarded a Seoul-bound South Korean airliner in Baghdad, Iraq. During a stop at Abu Dhabi, the couple got off the plane, which later continued its flight and disappeared near Burma.

All 115 people on board were killed when their Boeing 727 exploded in the air.

From Abu Dhabi, the North Korean couple went to Bahrain where they were stopped by airport officials and swallowed poison capsules. The man died but Kim survived and was later extradited to Seoul.

In Seoul, Kim told a televised national news conference that she planted a time bomb on the plane on orders from Kim Jong Il, son and heir-apparent to North Korean leader Kim Il Sung, to disrupt the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

She was sentenced to death by a Seoul court in 1988. The death penalty was later commuted to life imprisonment. Two years later, the life sentence was pardoned under a presidential amnesty.



JOE AYUYU (left), local franchise holder of McDonald's, welcomes Patrick Kahler, president of McDonald's Hawaii, during grand opening of Saipan McDonald's Saturday.

# Boutros-Ghali lauds Vietnam

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) - United Nations Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali said Monday he was impressed with Vietnam's economic progress and eager to see it play a more active international role.

"I can see concrete and convincing evidence of Vietnam making impressive progress in its reconstruction program," Boutros-Ghali said at a news conference.

He said he hoped Vietnam would soon be able to play "its legitimate and important role" in Southeast Asia and the world.

Boutros-Ghali arrived Sunday on his first official visit to Vietnam. He held closed-door talks with Premier Vo Van Kiet, President Le Duc Anh and Foreign Minister Nguyen Manh Cam.

He said in an interview earlier Monday that the United Nations was ready to help Vietnam become "a major force in this region" - an offer similar to one he had made to Thailand on an earlier trip.

"Whatever Vietnam requests from the United Nations in the way of economic, political, or social assistance, the United Nations will be ready to offer," he said. "It is up to Vietnam to ask."

"This doesn't mean that I am able to cope with all the demands,

but I will do my best," he added.

The comments demonstrated Communist-ruled Vietnam's emergence from international isolation after its 1978 invasion of neighboring Cambodia. Each year, the UN General Assembly adopted resolutions condemning the Cambodian occupation, which ended in 1989 as the Vietnamese leadership focused on economic reforms.

The United States, however, still maintains an economic embargo imposed against Vietnam after Communist forces completed their takeover of the country in 1975.

Within five years, Boutros-Ghali said, the United Nations might invite Vietnam to take part in peacekeeping efforts in Latin America or Europe.

Boutros-Ghali and Vietnamese leaders also discussed the recent killings in Cambodia of dozens of ethnic Vietnamese, which have scared thousands of the settlers into fleeing to Vietnam. The killings have been blamed on the Communist Khmer Rouge guerrilla faction.

UN forces are trying to keep the country stable for national elections scheduled May 23-28, but the Khmer Rouge has denounced the process.

"I assured all the leaders of Viet-

nam that UNTAC (the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia) will try its best, with the resources at its disposal, to protect the ethnic Vietnamese people in Cambodia," Boutros-Ghali said.

He said later that he had authorized a redeployment of UN peacekeeping forces in Cambodia and ordered that they take maximum precautions to protect the Vietnamese.

Boutros-Ghali said he briefed Vietnamese leaders about his own discussions last week with the Khmer Rouge but couldn't say that he was optimistic about the outcome of their dialogue.

He said he still intended for the United Nations to withdraw from Cambodia when its mandate ends in August.

Boutros-Ghali also raised the question of human rights in a prepared statement delivered at a luncheon Monday with Premier Kiet. "Development cannot fully succeed where human rights are neglected," he said. "... Human rights become a pillar of development. And democratization is the guarantee of human rights."

Despite Vietnam's zeal in embracing economic reforms, many Western observers have questioned its respect for human rights and long-term commitment to democracy.

# PIC names Flores top employee for March

P.I.C. also named Roger Flores as March's employee of the month. As the recipient of the award, he received \$100 and a deluxe overnight stay for two at the hotel.

Roger has worked in the engineering department, as an electrician, for one and half years. He can always be seen around the hotel with a smile on his face. Roger is describe by his co-workers as "a very hard worker who everyone looks up to".

Despite his full schedule, he has managed to graduate from the P.I.C. University, an educational program designed to enhance



Roger Flores employee awareness of hospitality service and hotel operations.

# Registration for July 4 parade set

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# Judge, former cop agree to settle case

A LAWSUIT for discrimination filed nearly five years ago by former police officer Dolores M. San Nicolas against then Department of Public Safety Director Edward Manibusan was recently settled out of court, Douglas Cushnie, San Nicolas' lawyer, said Monday.

Cushnie said the terms of the settlement have yet to be submitted to the District Court for approval.

San Nicolas, who claimed that she suffered discrimination at DPS because she is a female, asked for \$1 million in punitive damages.

The settlement agreement was reached before the District Court could start hearing a motion to prohibit San Nicolas and Cushnie from making references, comments and suggestions during a forthcoming jury trial that San Nicolas and Manibusan had a "personal relationship."

Court records on the case include a transcript of a hearing at the

Civil Service Commission which shows that San Nicolas admitted she and Manibusan had an affair between 1977 and the early part of 1978.

San Nicolas filed the complaint against Manibusan in June 1988, more than a year after she was terminated from DPS where she was acting chief of the division of corrections.

San Nicolas complained to the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission before filing the suit in the District Court.

Also named defendants in the discrimination complaint were the Civil Service Commission and the CNMI government.

The suit said San Nicolas was the most qualified person to hold the position of corrections chief at that time.

San Nicolas claimed her termination and the discrimination and harassment she allegedly went

through was based on her being a woman.

The former woman police officer worked with DPS for seven years before she was terminated for alleged insubordination.

DPS earlier claim that she allegedly restored certain privileges to recaptured jail escapees without authority from the DPS director and failed to detect contraband articles in isolation cells like butcher knives, sharpening stone, lead pipe, syringe with needles and pornographic materials.

In a separate case, the Superior Court ordered DPS to reinstate San Nicolas and pay all back wages and other benefits she lost since she was fired.

DPS, however, said there was no position available in the department for San Nicolas and asked the Superior Court to reconsider its decision. (GLD)

# Terlaje's lawyer withdraws; trial on bullet case suspended

THE TRIAL of Jose C. Terlaje for alleged importation of ammunition which was scheduled Monday was suspended because his lawyer withdrew from the case.

Antonio Atalig decided not to continue representing Terlaje in the case, so the defendant's lawyer in another case, G. Anthony Long, took over.

The Superior Court has yet to set a new trial date for Terlaje.

The Saipan resident was charged with importation of ammunition and conspiracy to import the contraband.

He and businessman John T. Sablan were arrested in October after arriving on a flight from Guam when a baggage they allegedly brought in yielded 347 rounds of 30-caliber bullets.

On Feb. 24, Terlaje was set to change his plea of not guilty but he changed his mind and instead asked the court to suppress the evidence in the case. The motion was denied by Presiding Judge Alex Castro.

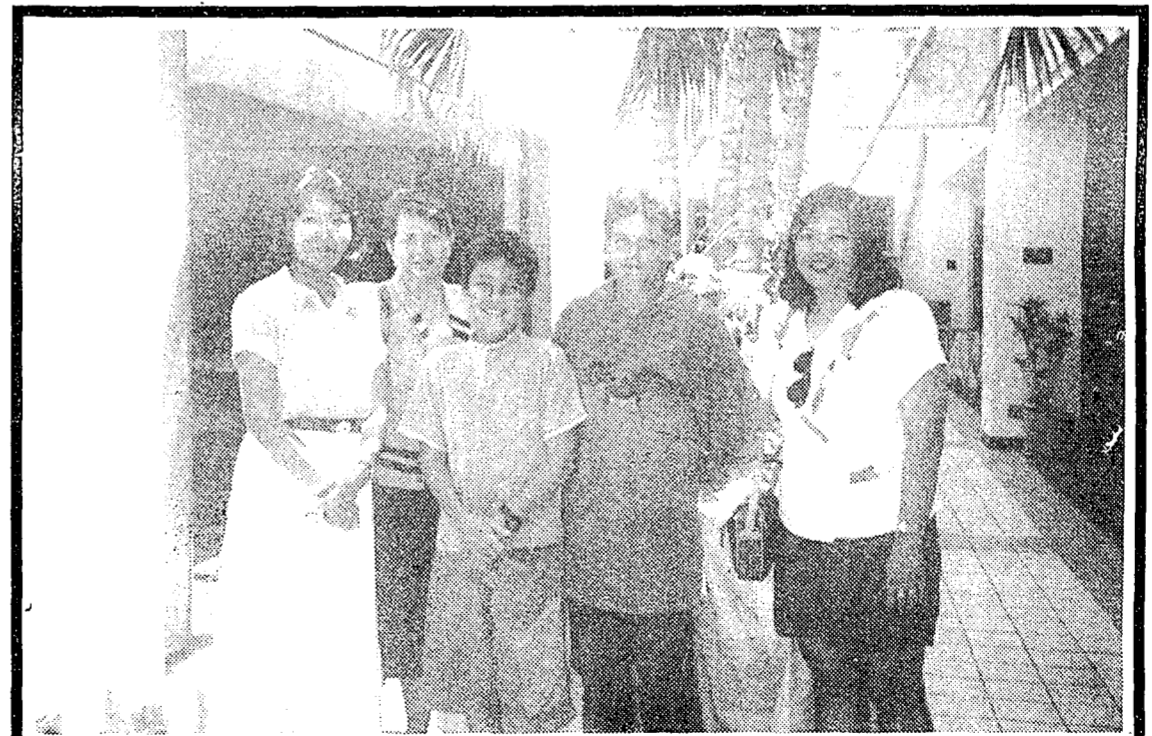
Meanwhile, Judge Marty W. K. Taylor set a June 7 trial date for the assault and battery complaint against Terlaje.

The second complaint was filed by the government after Terlaje hit a reporter of this newspaper who was taking pictures of the defendant emerging from a courtroom.

The assault was committed on



Alex Castro. Feb. 24, after Castro denied Terlaje's motion to suppress the evidence on the ammunition case. (GLD)



GREGORIO T. Camacho Elementary School recently treated two top finishers in the geography bee to a "winners' luncheon" at the Nikko Hotel. Photo shows (from left): teacher Juanita Paras, GTC Principal Anicia Dela Cruz, first runnerup Paul M. Murphy, GTC champion Dominic Pangelinan and vice principal Dellina Oco. Dominic and Paul represented GTC in the CNMI Geography Bee on April 2.

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# Health focus

By Connie Speros



WHAT is health, hinemlo', salubrity? If we are all health educators we need to understand what is health, what is being healthy, and how we can best educate others.

I asked several people what is health? And, what does being healthy mean to you? Most people responded that "health" is having no pain, having no sickness, having no restrictions to physical activity or accomplishing daily tasks. To several people "being healthy" meant to have energy, to have happiness, to feel good about oneself, to be willing, and to eat well and exercise moderately.

These responses were great. Being healthy isn't only for people who eat sprouts and tofu or are slender in shape. But, it also includes people who enjoy eating cheese balls and salami or are larger in form. "Health" and "Being Healthy" according to most individuals is a combination and balance of body, mind, and spirit.

The physical body needs a balance of foods and exercise. The mind is the will, the self control, the independence to make choices which will help us be happy and feel good about ourselves in order to accomplish tasks without restrictions and pain. The spirit is our individuality, our personality and being. The spirit is our individual expression of health.

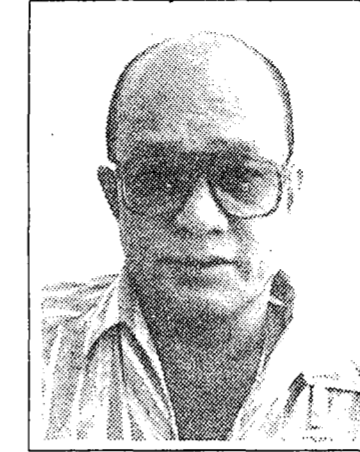
Do you remember the symbol of three concentric circles? The center is the unity and an equal

proportion of the three circles. That symbol can represent the body, mind, and spirit. The center is the balance of the three which represents a healthy person.

Although World Health Day was observed world-wide only one day, we need to practice good health behaviors daily. Let me remind you that good health behavior include nutrition care, dental care, mental care such as relaxing and showing patience, physical care like preventing accidents and being aware of environmental concerns, and spiritual care as in being content.

Only through our behaviors can we encourage others to practice good health. Being a health educator and advocate is a shared responsibility. We realize that we can not force others to practice good health and safety habits. But, we can look inside ourselves and evaluate whether or not we, as individuals, are healthy and whether we practice healthy behaviors.

# Immigration seeks \$30,000 to buy computer system



Mafnas

IMMIGRATION Service has asked for additional funds to help in increasing its capability to apprehend illegal aliens.

In a letter to Representative Pedro R. DL. Guerrero, on April 13, Immigration Chief Jose P. Mafnas said \$30,000 was needed for the purchase and installation of a computer system at the Saipan International Airport. Guerrero chairs the Saipan Legislative Delegation.

"With the ever-increasing number of visitors coming to our islands, our office is being challenged with the difficult task of monitoring and insuring that those who have exhausted their legal stay do depart from the Commonwealth. The computers will go a long way in assisting us in preventing illegal entries and monitoring illegal overstays," Mafnas said.

According to the Immigration chief, there was a three-fold increase in the number of aliens deported from the CNMI this year compared to fiscal year 1991.

Other illegal aliens were tracked down and allowed to voluntarily depart from the CNMI.

"I have to admit, however, that without additional manpower and up-to-date equipment, we will be faced with fighting a losing battle," Mafnas said.

According to the Immigration chief, the high number of visitors and non-resident workers entering the CNMI justifies investment in modern equipment.

The computer system is to be installed in arrival areas at the airport to provide background checks on visitors.

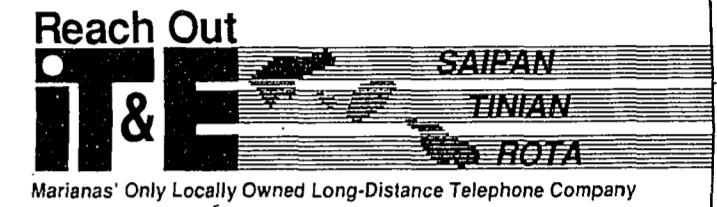
Mafnas said his office has sought additional funds and employee in the past two budget fiscal years.

"Realizing the difficulty our Legislature is having in identifying funding, our office is forced to seek the Saipan Delegation's assistance in securing funding for the purchase and installation of computers we need to install at the Saipan airport," he said. (RHA)

# ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS MEETS

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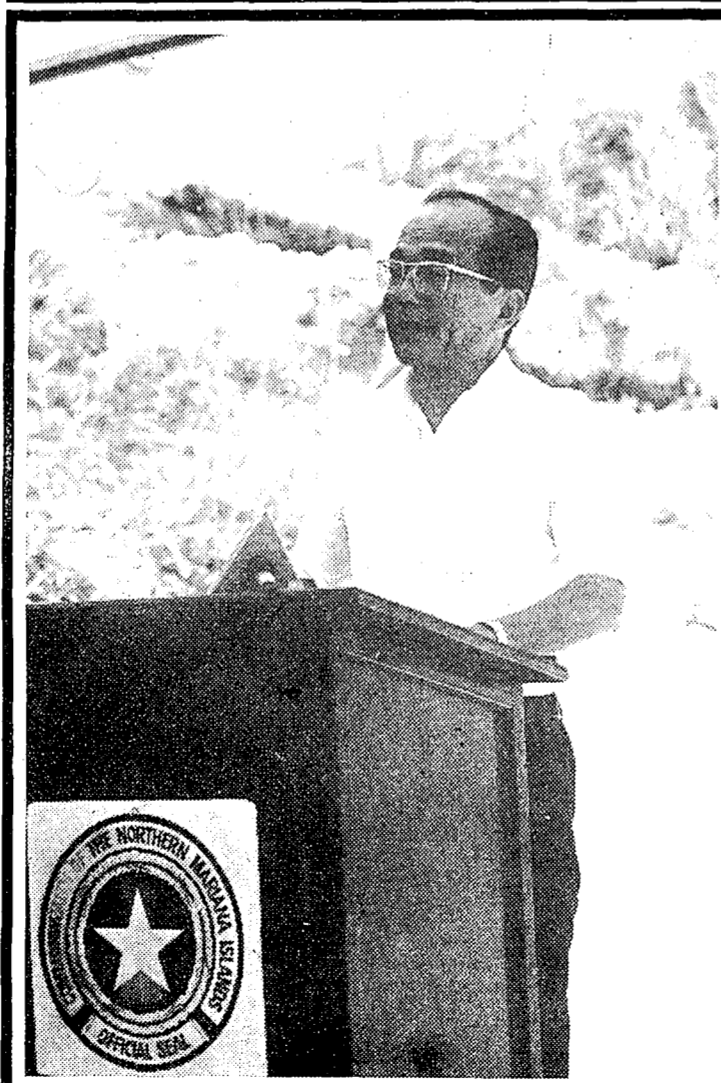
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KOKI Narita, president of Saipan Association of Tour Agents, urges improvement of the road to Mt. Tapogchau during dedication of walkway recently.

# Water report

GOOD news: none of the water samples collected from Saipan's recreational beaches and storm water drainages this week contained excessive concentration of fecal coliform bacteria, according to the Division of Environmental Quality.

Thus, it is safe to fish and swim in Saipan waters this week.

# Business/Finance

## Republicans denounced for blocking jobs bill

By Terence Hunt

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton lashed out on Monday at Republican senators for blocking action on his \$16 billion bill for creating jobs, saying that America's children who would benefit from funds in the package for immunization "are the hostages of the Senate filibuster."

"They are the hostages of the Senate filibuster," the president said. The jobs bill includes \$300 million for the immunization program. Clinton said the United States has the third worst immunization record in the Western Hemisphere.

"It's time we broke the gridlock and stop making excuses for not doing anything," Clinton said heatedly. He made his comments in the Oval Office after signing a proclamation encouraging child immunizations.

The president pointed toward thousands of children on the South Lawn taking part in the annual White House Easter egg roll, in which children collect painted wooden eggs hidden on the grounds.

Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton hosted the annual egg roll. "It's great fun," Clinton said, shaking hundreds of small hands.

Mrs. Clinton told the crowd that the tradition dates to 1809.

Clinton opened the festivities by blowing the whistle to begin the first contest.

Lines formed before 7 a.m., and extended around fenced-in the White House grounds by mid-morning.

Republicans maintain that the disputed bill is loaded with wasteful spending and that the United States should not be spending on unnecessary programs in the face of a huge budget deficit. By insisting on the Senate's right to unlimited debate, they have delayed consideration until it returns from its spring vacation next Monday.

"All of this hot air rhetoric about how this money is being wasted and that money is being wasted - these people, most of them, have been here the last 12 years while we have run immunization into the ground, while we've developed the third worst rate in the hemisphere," Clinton said, thumping his desk for emphasis.

"And they've always got some excuse, some of them, for not doing anything," he said. "Now, what are we going to do about those children? That ought to be the question of the week."

lowest tariffs on its exports to the United States.

If its MFN status is revoked, China might retaliate by taking its business to Europe's Airbus Industrie or by delaying or deferring aircraft orders from US manufacturers, the Journal said.

President Clinton's decision, expected in June, will weigh concerns over China's human rights record against the economic gains from Chinese orders of US aircraft.

As US airlines struggle to stay alive, China's aviation market is expanding rapidly.

China took delivery of more than \$2 billion in US aircraft and parts last year, the Journal said.

The order Friday was for 20737-300 jetliners and one 757-200. Boeing has delivered 125 jet planes to China and, with Friday's announcement, has unfilled orders for 69 more.

## China may buy Boeing 777s

NEW YORK (AP) - The Chinese government, which ordered \$800 million in small passenger jets from Boeing Co. last week, is considering spending at least that much on new Boeing wide-bodied aircraft, The Wall Street Journal reported Monday.

The new order would include 767 jets and new, advanced twin-engine 777 jets, the Journal said.

David Jensen of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group said Monday that China, like several other Boeing customers, has been negotiating to buy the larger planes. A deal might be announced by the end of the year but "probably nothing in the next several weeks," Jensen said.

Seattle-based Boeing hopes strong aircraft orders from China will help persuade the Clinton administration to allow China to keep its most favored nation trade status, which qualifies a country for the

lowest tariffs on its exports to the United States.

If its MFN status is revoked, China might retaliate by taking its business to Europe's Airbus Industrie or by delaying or deferring aircraft orders from US manufacturers, the Journal said.

President Clinton's decision, expected in June, will weigh concerns over China's human rights record against the economic gains from Chinese orders of US aircraft.

As US airlines struggle to stay alive, China's aviation market is expanding rapidly.

China took delivery of more than \$2 billion in US aircraft and parts last year, the Journal said.

The order Friday was for 20737-300 jetliners and one 757-200. Boeing has delivered 125 jet planes to China and, with Friday's announcement, has unfilled orders for 69 more.

## Dollar falls worldwide; gold drops

NEW YORK (AP) - The US dollar fell worldwide against most major currencies Monday in thin, quiet trading.

Major European currency markets were closed in observance of Easter Monday. Gold markets in London and Hong Kong also were closed.

Gold edged lower in New York. On the Commodity Exchange, gold for current delivery dropped 60 cents a troy ounce in late trading to \$337.00. The Republic National Bank quoted a late bid of \$336.50 an ounce, 50 cents lower than Thursday.

On Friday, precious metals markets in London, Zurich and New York were closed in observance of the Good Friday religious holiday.

The dollar fell against most major currencies in Asian trading Monday, including another all-time low against the Japanese yen.

Overnight in Tokyo, the dollar sank to 112.95 yen, down 0.20 yen from the previous low close on

Friday. This was the dollar's lowest close in Tokyo since modern exchange rates were set in the late 1940s.

The dollar now has closed at record lows on six of the last eight trading days in Tokyo and has fallen 12.03 yen, or 9.6 percent, since Feb. 2.

In New York, the dollar traded at 112.80 yen, down from 113.175 yen late Friday.

Charles Daley, chief dealer with First Pennsylvania Bank in Philadelphia, said Monday's market was a victim of "Easter Monday and nobody with a desire to drive it one way or another."

Hubert Pedrol, manager of corporate foreign exchange at Credit Suisse, said the market is "following a trend that started a couple of weeks ago with the dollar going down. The CPI on Friday just confirmed the trend."

On Friday, the Labor Department said the Consumer Price Index edged only 0.1 percent higher

in March. It added that the core rate of inflation - excluding the volatile food and energy sectors - also rose 0.1 percent.

The British pound was quoted in Asia at \$1.5353, up from \$1.5275. In New York, sterling fetched \$1.5455, more than late Friday's \$1.5275.

Other late dollar rates in New York compared with Friday's late rates: 1.5945 German marks, down from 1.6045; 1.4645 Swiss francs, down from 1.4765; 5.3985 French francs, down from 5.4295; 1,558.5 Italian lire, down from 1,568.00; and 1.26075 Canadian dollars, up from 1.2581.

Other late dollar rates from trading Monday in Asia: 1.6010 German marks, 1.4758 Swiss francs, 5.4185 French francs, 1,564.50 Italian lire and 1.2608 Canadian dollars.

On the New York Comex, silver traded at \$3.869 per troy ounce, up from \$3.829 a troy ounce on Thursday.

## Exchange rates

NEW YORK (AP) - Foreign Exchange, New York prices. Rates for trades of \$1 million minimum.

	FOREIGN CURRENCY IN DOLLARS		DOLLAR IN FOREIGN CURRENCY	
	MON	FRI	MON	FRI
fArgent Peso	1.0100	1.0100	.9901	.9901
Australia Doll	.7093	.7080	1.4098	1.4124
Austria Schill	.0892	.0885	11.216	11.304
cBelgium Franc	.0304	.0301	32.85	33.23
Brazil Cruzeiro	.00004	.00004	25656.02	25656.02
Britain Pound	1.5465	1.5250	.6466	.6557
30day fwd	1.5430	1.5215	.6481	.6572
60day fwd	1.5395	1.5179	.6496	.6588
90day fwd	1.5364	1.5148	.6509	.6602
Canada Dollar	.7937	.7952	1.2600	1.2576
30day fwd	.7925	.7940	1.2619	1.2595
60day fwd	.7911	.7925	1.2641	1.2618
90day fwd	.7898	.7913	1.2662	1.2638
yChile Peso	.002575	.002568	388.32	389.37
China Yuan	.1749	.1749	5.7190	5.7190
Colombia Peso	.001536	.001536	651.10	651.10
cCzechosl Koru	.0357	.0358	28.00	27.96
Denmark Krone	.1626	.1615	6.1500	6.1925
ECU	1.21230	1.20190	.8249	.8320
zEcuadr Sucre	.000549	.000549	1822.02	1822.02
dEgypt Pound	.2995	.2995	3.3388	3.3388
Finland Mark	.1749	.1731	5.7176	5.7760
France Franc	.1853	.1839	5.3965	5.4390
Germany Mark	.6277	.6225	1.5930	1.6065
30day fwd	.6251	.6199	1.5998	1.6132
60day fwd	.6226	.6175	1.6062	1.6195
90day fwd	.6203	.6153	1.6120	1.6253
Greece Drachma	.004600	.004556	217.40	219.50
Hong Kong Doll	.1293	.1293	7.7310	7.7320
Hungary Forint	.0115	.0116	86.64	86.46
yIndia Rupee	.0322	.0322	31.100	31.100
Indonesia Rupiah	.000483	.000483	2070.01	2070.01
Ireland Punt	1.5218	1.5190	.6571	.6583
Israel Shekel	.3703	.3704	2.7005	2.6995
Italy Lira	.000639	.000635	1564.00	1574.00
Japan Yen	.008869	.008812	112.75	113.48
30day fwd	.008870	.008812	112.74	113.48
60day fwd	.008869	.008811	112.75	113.49
90day fwd	.008869	.008811	112.75	113.49
Jordan Dinar	1.4896	1.4896	.67132	.67132
Lebanon Pound	.000574	.000574	1742.00	1742.00
Malaysia Ringg	.3877	.3883	2.5795	2.5755
zMexicoN.Peso	32.3311	32.3311	3.0930	3.0930
N. Zealand Dol	.5398	.5383	1.8525	1.8577
NethrInds Guild	.5575	.5519	1.7937	1.8120
Norway Krone	.1460	.1460	6.8475	6.8475
Pakistan Rupee	.0377	.0377	26.53	26.53
yPeru New Sol	.5525	.5525	1.810	1.810
ZPhilips Peso	.0384	.0385	26.02	25.95
Poland Zloty	.000063	.000063	15781	15856
Portugal Escud	.006750	.006684	148.15	149.60
a RussiaRuble	.001351	.001351	740.00	740.00
Saudi Arab Riy	.2666	.2666	3.7503	3.7503
Singapore Doll	.6158	.6154	1.6240	1.6250
cSo. AfricaRand	.3143	.3152	3.1815	3.1725
fSo. AfricaRand	.2193	.2193	4.5600	4.5600
So. Korea Won	.001257	.001257	795.70	795.50
Spain Peseta	.008699	.008666	114.95	115.40
Sweden Krona	.1327	.1316	7.5349	7.6011
Switzerland Fra	.6839	.6761	1.4623	1.4790
30day fwd	.6827	.6750	1.4648	1.4815
60day fwd	.6816	.6739	1.4672	1.4838
90day fwd	.6807	.6730	1.4691	1.4858
Taiwan NT	.0384	.0383	26.03	26.09
Thailand Baht	.03954	.03954	25.29	25.29
Turkey Lira	.000106	.000106	9447.00	9441.01
U.A.E. Dirham	.2724	.2724	3.6715	3.6715
Uruguay Peso	.000261	.000261	3835.00	3835.00
ZVenzuel Boliv	.0118	.0118	5.0000	84.9500
Yugoslav Dinar	.00133	.00133	750.00	750.00

ECU: European Currency Unit, a basket of European currencies. The Federal Reserve Board's index of the value of the dollar against 10 other currencies weighted on the basis of trade was 90.76 Monday, off 0.49 points or 0.54 percent from Thursday 91.25. A year ago the index was 89.31.

c-commercial rate, d-free market rate, f-financial rate, y-official rate, z-floating rate.

Prices as of 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time (1900 GMT) from Telerate Systems and other sources.

## Spot metal prices

NEW YORK (AP) - Spot nonferrous metal prices Monday.

Aluminum - n.a. cents per lb London Metal Exch. Mon.

Copper - 0.9990 dollars per pound.

Lead - 32 cents a pound.

Zinc - 47.45-51.45 per pound, delivered.

Tin - 3.7552 dollars per pound.

Gold - 337.20 dollars per troy oz.

Silver - 3.875 dollars per troy oz.

Mercury - 205.00-210.00 dollars per 76 lb flask.

Platinum - 359.00-361.00 dollars troy oz., N.Y. (contract).

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A SA Ld 39 1-4	B rnrk 14 3-8	D rressr 21 1-4	I TT Cp 80 3-4	N flkSo 64 7-8	S pelEnt 6 3-8
A dLabs 25 1-4	B ulrth 54 1-4	D uPont 50	I TW 73 3-8	O cciPet 23 1-8	S unCo 24
A etnLf 50 5-8	C BI 27 1-8	E Kodak 55 1-8	I mcrer 21 1-8	O lin 45 3-4	S upval 31 1-4
A lcan 18	C BS 230	Eaton 87 3-8	I NCO 23	P acGE 35	T RW 63 1-8
A IdSgnl 65 1-2	C IGNA 61 3-4	E nergy 37	I BM 50 3-4	P acTel 47 3-4	T andy 29 5-8
A lcoa 61 7-8	C PC s 42 7-8	E xxon 68 7-8	I ntRav 113 1-4	P arCom 51 1-4	T eldyn 22 1-4
A max 16 1-2	C SX 71 5-8	F MC 46 3-4	I ntPap 62 1-8	P enney 87 3-4	T emcco 45 1-4
A mHes 55 3-4	C ampSp s 40	F edNm 80 3-4	J ohnJn s 40	P enny wt 44 1-8	T exaco 64 5-8
A Brand 30	C dnPc g 15 1-8	F stChic 43 7-8	K mart 23	P epsiC 39 1-4	T exinst 57 5-8
A EIPw 37 5-8	C apCits 539 1-2	F Intste 61 1-4	K ellogg 58 1-8	P fizer 61 3-8	T exUtil 46 3-4
A mExp 29 1-4	C aterp 60 5-8	F lerming 32 1-8	K errMc 49 3-4	P hlpd s 44 5-8	T extron 46 3-4
A GenOp s 32 1-4	C eridian 15 5-8	F luor 42 3-4	K orea 13 1-8	P hIMr 47 1-2	T imeW s 32 3-4
A Home 64 1-4	C hase 36 5-8	F ordM 55 3-8	K roger 18 3-8	P hIEI 20 1-8	T ravelr 27 7-8
A mStrs 40	C hmBnk 42 3-8	F uqua 13 5-8	vJLTV 7-16	P rionEI 32 1-2	T rinova 25
A T and T 59 7-8	C hevrv 84 7-8	G TE 36 3-8	L illy 46 3-4	P olaroid 28 1-2	U AL Cp 141 1-2
A moco 58 1-4	C hiquta 14 3-8	G nDny 96 1-4	L itton s 55 3-4	P rima s 46 1-2	U SG 3-8
A nheus 51 1-8	C hysrl 42 3-8	G eNEI 93 1-4	L ockhd 64	P ractG s 47 1-4	U SXMR 19 5-8
A mco 7	C ilicorp 30 1-4	G nMll 66 3-4	M atsui 116	Q uakro 63	U SXUSS 39 1-8
A sarco 21 1-2	C oastal 27 1-8	G nMotr 39 1-8	M cDerl 27 7-8	Q uantum 12 1-4	U Carb 18
A shOil 27 1-4	C ocaCl s 39 3-8	G aPac 60	M cDonid 51 1-4	R alsPu 48 1-2	U nPac 65 1-8
A rRich 125 1-4	C olpPal 61 1-4	G illete 56 1-2	M cDnD 61 1-2	R aylthn 58 1-2	U nisy s 13 3-8
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B ankAm 51 1-2	C onsat 56 5-8	G race 39 3-4	M erck 34 1-4	R oyd 90 7-8	W amL 70 1-2
B ankTr 75 1-4	C onEd 36 3-8	G IAPc 26 5-8	M erLyn 71 1-2	S alomn 38 3-4	W ellSf 115 1-2
B auschl 50 3-8	C onNG 51 1-8	G IWFn 18 3-4	M MM 110 1-8	S aralee s 25 1-8	W stGE 15 1-8
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## Tokyo stocks slip; other markets mixed

HONG KONG (AP) - Asian stock markets closed mixed Monday, with share prices slipping in Tokyo while the US dollar fell to another record low against the Japanese yen.

Tokyo's 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average fell 10.04 points, or 0.05 percent, closing at 19,882.14. On Friday, it had fallen 75.09 points, or 0.38 percent. The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all issues listed on the first section, which had shed 5.42 points, or 0.34 percent, on Friday, lost another 7.87 points, or 0.50 percent, to 1,555.41.

An estimated 330 million shares changed hands on the first section, down from Friday's 761 million.

Traders said investors were awaiting the government's announcement of details of a major economic stimulus package, scheduled for Tuesday.

In Seoul, share prices gained on bullish sentiment, with the key index rising to an all-time high. The Korea Composite Stock Price Index rose 12.63 points to 720.96, breaking the previous high of 709 set in November 1991.

## American Airlines win top rating

WASHINGTON (AP) - American Airlines is top-rated for quality performance in the skies in an industry beset by declining service, a research group said Monday.

American scored highest for the third straight year, the researchers said. It added that service overall declined last year because of the "desperate nature of the US airline industry."

The study was conducted by the University of Nebraska at

Omaha's Aviation Institute and the Wichita State University's W. Frank Barton School of Business.

Brent Bowen, an author of the study, said service is suffering because of the airlines' economic woes. The industry lost about \$10 billion over the last three years.

Ranked in order behind American were Southwest Airlines, United, Delta, USAir, Northwest, America West, Continental and Trans World. The positions of the top two airlines

## Inflation report boosts Wall Street

NEW YORK (AP) - The stock market rose Monday, buoyed by last week's good news on US inflation.

The market had its first chance to react Monday to the March consumer price report, released Friday, when the market was closed for the Easter holiday.

The Labor Department said prices rose just 0.1 percent, below the expected 0.3 percent. That data calmed fears of creeping inflation, which would hurt stocks, whose real earnings growth shrinks as the cost of living in-

creases.

The inflation report also boosted bond prices, which rose again Monday. Bond investors fear inflation because it reduces the value of investments with a fixed rate of return.

Lower interest rates are good for stocks because investors look to equities for a better return on their money.

Consumer stocks were recovering Monday after plunging last week on fears that generic products were eating into the profits of brand-name companies.

## New York closing prices

NEW YORK (AP) - New York Stock Exchange closing prices Monday:

A MR 69 3-4	B rMySq 58 7-8	D owCh 50 1-2	H ousInt 70 1-2	N avistr 21-2	S outhCo 44
A SA Ld 39 1-4	B rnrk 14 3-8	D rressr 21 1-4	I TT Cp 80 3-4	N flkSo 64 7-8	S pelEnt 6 3-8
A dLabs 25 1-4	B ulrth 54 1-4	D uPont 50	I TW 73 3-8	O cciPet 23 1-8	S unCo 24
A etnLf 50 5-8	C BI 27 1-8	E Kodak 55 1-8	I mcrer 21 1-8	O lin 45 3-4	S upval 31 1-4
A lcan 18	C BS 230	Eaton 87 3-8	I NCO 23	P acGE 35	T RW 63 1-8
A IdSgnl 65 1-2	C IGNA 61 3-4	E nergy 37	I BM 50 3-4	P acTel 47 3-4	T andy 29 5-8
A lcoa 61 7-8	C PC s 42 7-8	E xxon 68 7-8	I ntRav 113 1-4	P arCom 51 1-4	T eldyn 22 1-4
A max 16 1-2	C SX 71 5-8	F MC 46 3-4	I ntPap 62 1-8	P enney 87 3-4	T emcco 45 1-4
A mHes 55 3-4	C ampSp s 40	F edNm 80 3-4	J ohnJn s 40	P enny wt 44 1-8	T exaco 64 5-8
A Brand 30	C dnPc g 15 1-8	F stChic 43 7-8	K mart 23	P epsiC 39 1-4	T exinst 57 5-8
A EIPw 37 5-8	C apCits 539 1-2	F Intste 61 1-4	K ellogg 58 1-8	P fizer 61 3-8	T exUtil 46 3-4
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# Youth throws bombs at Miyazawa's house

TOKYO (AP) - An 18-year-old boy threw firebombs toward Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa's private residence amid a special alert for royal events and a key seven-nation meeting in Tokyo, police said Monday.

The boy, about 80 meters (90 yards) across a railroad track from the residence, was arrested on the spot after throwing the bombs Sunday night, said a police official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

There were no injuries or damage, he added.

He gave no further details on the bombs, but press reports said two fell on the tracks and one on a road.

The official said the boy carried a letter saying, "The people's distrust in politics is increasing as there are

many self-seeking politicians. The responsibility rests with Prime Minister Miyazawa."

The protest followed scandals in which former kingmaker Shin Kanemaru admitted receiving illegal political donations and later was charged with evading taxes on millions of dollars of income, some of it allegedly donated by construction companies seeking government contracts.

The official said investigators had not heard of the rightist group to which the boy claimed to belong - the Hinomaru Seinentai (Rising Sun Flag Youth Corps).

The official declined to identify the boy by name because he is a minor.

Special police alerts went into effect Sunday because of Emperor Akihito's planned visit to the south-

ern island of Okinawa next week, ceremonies Monday for Crown Prince Naruhito's engagement, and a meeting in Tokyo Wednesday and Thursday of foreign and finance ministers of the Group of Seven industrial nations. The ministers are to discuss aid to help shore up democratic and economic reforms in Russia.

The official said leftist radicals have declared in their publications that "we will prevent Emperor Akihito from going out of Tokyo," and "The battle will be in Tokyo."

The radicals oppose the Japanese monarchy in general. Some Okinawans also oppose the visit because of a feeling that Japan sacrificed Okinawa in World War II, where it became one of the major battle-

# Prince Naruhito's engagement formalized with fish, silk, wine

By Mari Yamaguchi

TOKYO (AP) - Masako Owada, who once dressed for success as a promising diplomat, on Monday donned a shimmering pale-yellow kimono to accept gifts signifying her formal engagement to Crown Prince Naruhito.

The grand master of the crown prince's household, Hiroo Kanno, visited the guestroom of Miss Owada's family home to deliver two giant sea bream, five rolls of silk and six large bottles of sake, or rice wine.

The royal couple has been officially engaged since Jan. 19, when their betrothal was approved by the Imperial Council, headed by Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa.

After Kanno formally announced the gifts, arranged on a table in front of a golden screen, Miss Owada bowed deeply in her kimono, decorated with a fan-and-cloud motif of burnt orange and an orange sash tied in an elaborate bow in the back.

Her mother, Yumiko, in a subdued gray kimono, and her father, Hisashi, bowed in unison as they stood next to their daughter. Kanno and the father both

wore formal Western attire, with tails.

It was the beginning of a busy week for Hisashi Owada, who as Japan's highest-ranking career diplomat is preparing for a seven-nation meeting of ministers Wednesday in Tokyo on aid to Russia.

Monday's ceremony was the first in a series of rituals leading up to the wedding. The next will be the formal announcement of the date for the wedding, expected to be June 9.

"I'm hoping to treasure our future life together," the crown prince, who did not attend the ceremony, said in a statement released through his chamberlains afterward.

Miss Owada, a 29-year-old Harvard graduate, gave up her career at the Foreign Ministry after her engagement to Naruhito, 33, heir to the throne. Since mid-March, she has spent four mornings a week taking lessons - on topics ranging from constitutional law to classical poetry - required for future imperial brides.

Monday's ceremony, called the "nosai-no-gi," is an imperial version of a traditional custom of betrothal gifts that is still observed

by many Japanese families.

The usual ceremony, or "yuino," involves the ceremonial display of a collection of gifts, often including an envelope full of cash, dried squid and seaweed, and a folded fan - items that symbolize happiness and long life.

The silk presented to Miss Owada - in white and gold brocade, creamy pale red, sky blue, leafy green with gold thread and pale peach - will be used to make dresses for her. The fish and sake will probably be consumed by the Owadas, the Imperial Household Agency said.

The presentation scene was replayed repeatedly on Japanese television. Announcers oohed and aahed over the kimono of Miss Owada, who reportedly had not worn one since she was a child.

After receiving the gifts, the Owada family visited Emperor Akihito, Empress Michiko and the crown prince at the Imperial Palace.

Miss Owada emerged from the palace sporting a more conventional engagement gift - a large pearl engagement ring.

# 2M jobs to be lost due to defense cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) - Two million civilian jobs will be lost in the United States as the result of defense cutbacks from 1987 to 1997, according to a Labor Department study.

Ronald E. Kutscher, associate commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, said Monday that 700,000 defense-related jobs were eliminated between 1987 and 1992, and another 1.3 million jobs will be gone by 1997.

Kutscher, testifying before the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, said the losses will effectively wipe out the increase of 2.1 million private sector jobs created during the defense buildup between 1977 and 1987.

He said that over the next five years, reductions in defense spending will result in loss of nearly 600,000 private sector manufacturing jobs, 286,000 service jobs and 139,000 retail and wholesale trade jobs.

# Veterans group to meet tomorrow

THE VETERANS Association will hold its monthly meeting tomorrow at the Pacific Islands Club Charlie's Cavert at 6:30 p.m.

Topics include Memorial Day activities and other upcoming events.

For more information contact Fabian M. Indalecio, secretary, at 234-7254.

# Ayuda plans training event for clergy

AYUDA Network Inc. has planned a one-day training event for clergy and church leaders for April 27 in the Taga Room of the Aqua Resort Hotel in San Roque.

Registration is at 8:30 a.m., and the workshop will be held at 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is included.

Purpose of this event is to help priest, pastors, youth leaders, church school teachers, and others to identify various forms of victimization which might be occurring in the lives of members of their congregations. The training will give them tools for response and referral to appropriate resources.

Leaders for this training event are persons from local agencies who have received special training in the following areas: family violence, elder and spouse abuse, child abuse, substance abuse (including "ice"), rape, violent death, and adult survivors of child abuse.

Three panels will present during this day of training, including a panel presenting from the perspective of what it is to be a victim, a panel representing the services for victims offered in the CNMI, and a panel of clergy who will speak of their experiences in working with victims of crime. Time will be allotted for questions and answers.

This workshop is an effort on the part of the VOCA offices in the CNMI and the Criminal Justice Planning Agency to draw the churches into our efforts of reaching and assisting the victims in our community.

Many times, someone who has been victimized will turn first to their priest, pastor or lay leader for help. Learning to identify the silent signals of the abused and knowing where to find help are very important.

Funding is provided in part by Victims of Crime Act. Registration forms can be picked up at any church, or call Karidat, 234-6981 or 213-7869

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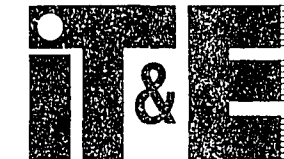
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## Drive-by murders worry residents of Washington

By Leroy Tillman

WASHINGTON (AP) - Residents of the nation's capital are worrying about cold-blooded drive-by murders. In one neighborhood, there have been 10 attacks, leaving two people dead and four wounded, in the past seven weeks.

"I am very cautious about not being on the streets either early in the morning or about sundown," Carmen Ramirez said Monday as she waited with her two small children for a bus a few blocks from where the shootings have occurred.

"I am a little afraid. Nobody knows when or where the shooter will strike again."

All 10 of the drive-by attacks have occurred at night within a 10-block area of Mount Pleasant and Columbia Heights, neighborhoods of town houses and small shops and ethnic restaurants - and an abundance of back alleys of the type where Elizabeth Hutson was killed while walking her dog

on March 23.

In each case a driver slowed and pointed his shotgun at a window before firing. There is no indication that the gunman knew any of his targets.

In one particularly chilling attack on April 6, a 32-year-old woman said a man in a small car cut her off as she crossed a street. After asking, "How ya doing?" she said, the driver hoisted a shotgun out of his window and said "April Fools" and shot her in the arm.

The latest victim was an unidentified man shot to death Friday night about 30 minutes after police ended their beefed-up patrols for the evening.

The city has mobilized against the attacks two miles (three kilometers) from the White House. A joint city-federal task force has been assigned to the case, a \$10,000 reward has been posted for the suspect's capture, and police have been walking the streets distributing flyers bearing an artist's sketch of the shooter.

Police Chief Fred Thomas has authorized unlimited overtime and extended shifts to 12 hours for officers in the area, rather than pull officers from other areas in a city where crime and drug problems are ever-present.

The shootings have occurred in an area struck two years ago by rioting that stemmed from the shooting of a Hispanic man by a black police officer. Hispanics complained that the city ignored them.

## Judge gets 25 years in jail for sexual assaults

By Woody Baird

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - A judge convicted of sexually assaulting five women at his small-town courthouse was sentenced to the maximum term of 25 years in prison Monday.

Judge David Lanier, 58, also was fined \$25,000 and ordered to pay the government \$1,500 a month while imprisoned if he draws a state pension. Lanier, a Chancery Court judge for Dyer and Lake counties in northwest Tennessee, was convicted in December on seven civil rights charges.

US District Judge Jerome Turner said federal sentencing guidelines left him no choice but to give Lanier the maximum prison term: 10 years each on two felonies and one year each on five misdemeanors, all to run consecutively.

Lanier told the judge and lawyers in the courtroom, "All of you have done a good job, and I pray for all of you."

The sentence gives Lanier no chance for parole, but defense lawyer Wayne Emmons said he can get two months credit for "good time" each year if he behaves himself in prison.

Emmons said Lanier will appeal the conviction.

State lawmakers soon are expected to consider impeaching Lanier, who continues to draw his \$85,000 salary as a judge.

Lanier was convicted of twice forcing one woman, who had a child custody case before his court, to submit to oral sex in his office. He was convicted of grabbing the other women on the breasts or buttocks.

## Ohio prison remains under siege; 6 killed

By Sonja Barisic

LUCASVILLE, Ohio (AP) - Part of Ohio's only maximum-security prison has remained under siege after hundreds of prisoners rioted, killing six inmates and taking eight guards hostage.

The state prison chief said the disturbance Sunday afternoon that preceded the hostage-taking may have been a ruse.

"It appears as if there was a staged fight," Reginald Wilkinson, director of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, said Monday.

Guards were called to break up the apparent fight, which involved a few prisoners. "That's when several hostages were taken. But a number of officers also were able to break away from that situation," Wilkinson said at a news conference in Columbus. He wouldn't elaborate.

Negotiators tried to work out a deal with some of the state's most dangerous prisoners, asking them to free one hostage in exchange for a chance to outline their demands to the media.

About 450 prisoners were barricaded inside one cellblock of

the prison, located about 110 kms (70 miles) south of Columbus in south-central Ohio. The rest of the prison's 1,819 inmates, including death-row inmates, were confined to cells away from the affected area.

Ten guards and eight inmates were injured. Authorities said the eight hostages were alive.

Late Monday afternoon, prisoners hung four sheets out windows of the cellblock. One sheet said, "We want to talk to the FBI." Another said, "The state is not negotiating." Reporters were kept too far away to be able to read the other two signs.

Negotiations were continuing Monday evening, said Sharron Kornegay, a spokeswoman for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction.

The prisoners "are tired and hungry. . . . We are at a very sensitive stage," she told reporters outside the 69-acre prison.

Officials cut off electricity and water to the cellblock, and refused to deliver food. Prisoners were last fed at about noon Sunday, but they may have stored some food in their lockers, she said.

## Man who promised \$100 for each family elected president

MOSCOW (AP) - A 30-year-old billionaire who promised every family \$100 to every family was elected president of Russia's southern Kalmyk republic, while former Communists won local elections in three other regions, news reports said Monday.

Former Communists won local elections in three other Russian regions, sending mixed signals to President Boris Yeltsin two weeks before a national referendum on his leadership.

The April 25 plebiscite will ask the Russian people about confidence in Yeltsin and his free-market reforms, and whether they back early elections for the president and parliament.

Although Yeltsin appears to enjoy a wide-ranging personal support, many Russians suffer from his reforms, and seem to seek a counter-balance in the form of officials who can promise some local relief.

Another potentially dangerous sign for Yeltsin was a low voter turnout - between 50 and 54 percent in the central Russian regions of Oryol and Penza where former communists won Sunday's elections.

Referendum rules approved by Yeltsin's political enemies from the Congress of People's Deputies say he needs the support of more than 50 percent of all registered voters.

In Oryol, 56-year-old Yegor Stroyev, a former secretary of the Communist Party Central Committee, was elected head of the regional administration, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported. He got support of two-thirds of those who cast ballots.

Former Communist Anatoly Kovlyagin, 55, was elected head of the regional administration in Penza, ITAR-Tass said. In the Lipetsk region, 59-year-old Mikhail Naronin,

another lifelong career state official, won elections for the post of administration chief, the news agency reported.

But the picture was different in the Kalmyk republic, where presidential race was won by a young businessman supported by pro-Yeltsin political groups.

Kirsan Ilyumzhinov, who has reportedly promised to pay every Kalmyk family \$100 if he is elected, got 65.37 percent of the number of ballots cast.

Eighty-two percent of the republic's 211,000 eligible voters took part in the elections, the Interfax news agency said. The Kalmyk republic has a total population of 350,000 and is located near the Caspian Sea.

Ilyumzhinov's two rivals finished far behind: Maj. Gen. Valery Ochirov, an Afghan war veteran, got 29.29 percent of the votes and Vladimir Bambayev, a former Communist Party boss in the republic, won only 1.55 percent of votes.

During his campaign, Ilyumzhinov promised to prevent further deterioration of living standards and "to change the economic situation to the better in the nearest time," Interfax reported.

The weekly Moscow News reported that Ilyumzhinov has promised to introduce presidential rule, strengthen work discipline and ban rallies, as well as attract foreign capital and encourage the traditional Buddhist religion.

Ilyumzhinov, a Russian lawmaker who also heads the Russian Chamber of Entrepreneurs, is "an embodiment of the Kalmyk dream," Moscow News said.

During the elections campaign, he drove around in a Lincoln and issued a daily subsidy of 1 million rubles (\$1,351), allowing Kalmyks to buy bread and milk twice cheaper than the state price for two months, the paper said.

## Taiwanese lawmakers trade punches

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - About 40 deputies traded punches and smashed chairs and tables in the National Assembly Monday after opposition members accused the governing party of trying to rig a vote for assembly officers.

Several deputies suffered scratches and bites in the hour-long melee over elections for the assembly's presidium, which chairs meetings of the assembly.

The violence erupted after members of the opposition Democratic Progressive Party found Li Cheng-chung, a member of the governing Nationalist Party, holding a ballot belonging to Nationalist deputy Chang Wei-yu.

Chang was absent from the meeting. Li was not available to explain how he obtained the ballot.

Members are entitled to one ballot each.

Opposition deputies, accusing the Nationalists of vote-rigging, overturned tables and smashed ballot boxes.

Fighting erupted after Nationalist deputies denied the charges and made derisive remarks about opposition members.

At one point, Nationalist Assemblywoman Li Poi-mei wielded her high-heeled shoe in a scuffle with opposition assemblywoman Chen Hsiu-hui. The chaos ended when assembly officials agreed to launch an investigation into the voting incident and hand the case over to a court.

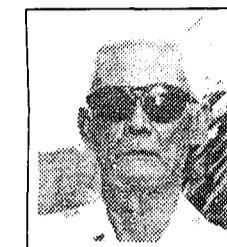
The National Assembly, which elects the president and approves constitutional reforms, began a 19-day special session Friday to approve the appointments of members of the Examination Yuan, which oversees the various tests for government employees.

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## Death and Funeral Announcement

**JUAN SABLAN CABRERA**  
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Of Aletna/San Antonio, Saipan, was called to his eternal rest on Friday, April 9, 1993, at the age of 77 years.

He is survived by his:

Wife: Joaquina M. Cabrera  
Children & Spouses: Maria M. & Augustin Celis, Francisca M. & Gregorio B. Sablan, Magdalena M. Cabrera, Rosa C. & Alfred Hunt, Juan M. & Victoria D.L.C. Cabrera, Jose M. (Papa) & Victoria C. Cabrera, & numerous grandchildren/great grandchildren.

He is predeceased by his:

Parents: Vicente Palacios Cabrera & Ana Deleon Guerrero Sablan  
Children: Amparo, Nicolas, & Vicente M. Cabrera  
Brother & Sisters: Antonio C. Kubo, Alwino S. Cabrera, Dolores C. Borja, Joaquina C. Deleon Guerrero

Parents-in-law: Jose P. Muna & Elena D. Muna  
Brothers & sisters-in-law: Luis Kubo, Adela Cabrera, Francisco Borja, Antonio Deleon Guerrero, Joaquin Blas, Antonio Magolna, Sylvia Cabrera, Estafania Muna.

He is additionally survived by his:

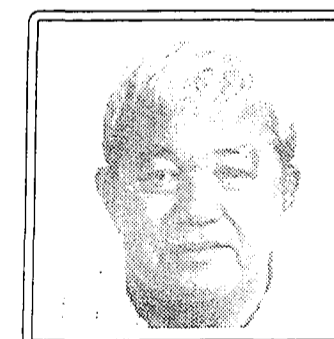
Brothers/sisters & spouses: Nieves C. Blas, Martha C. Magolna, Ana C. & Juan Tenorio, and Antonio S. Cabrera.  
Brothers & sisters-in-law & spouses: Tobias D. Muna, Moises D. & Andresina Muna, Jesus D. & Nieves Muna, Manuel D. & Elphidia Muna, Martha M. & Steven Mendiola, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rosary is being said nightly at 8:00 p.m. at his daughter's house, at the residence of Ms. Magdalena Cabrera, at Aletna, San Antonio. Last respects may be paid on April 17, 1993 beginning at 7:30 a.m. Mass and burial will be offered on the same day. The time for the mass will be at 4:00 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Cathedral, Chalan Kanoa church.

We are inviting all relatives and friends to pray with us for our beloved father, Juan Sablan Cabrera.  
Thank you  
Si Yu'us Ma'ase  
The Family

## First Anniversary Rosary

FRANCISCO CRISOSTOMO ALDAN



We, the Family of the late Francisco Crisostomo Aldan would like to invite all our relatives and friends to join us for the First Anniversary Rosary of our beloved husband, father and grandfather.

Rosary will be said nightly at our residence at Sadog Tasi beginning April 10, 1993 at 8:00 p.m., Saturday. Daily mass will be offered at Kristo Rai Church at 6:00 a.m. starting April 10, 1993.

On the final day, Sunday, April 18, 1993 the Mass of Intention will be offered 6:00 a.m. at Kristo Rai Church. Last day of Rosary will be said 5:30 p.m. April 18, 1993 at our Residence at Sadog Tasi. Dinner will follow immediately.

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## ASEAN law officials open conference

**KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP)** - Law officials from the six members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations began a three-day meeting Monday to see how they could cooperate.

Officials at the talks said they would discuss the possibility of the six members adopting similar laws on environmental protection, trade, drug problems and other subjects.

With ASEAN starting to establish a free-trade area, they added, having similar laws on at least some aspects of trade would help a great deal.

The ASEAN countries are Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Brunei and Singapore.

Nor Hayati Mohamed, secretary-general of the Malaysian Law Ministry, told reporters the officials also were discussing establishing a computerized system that would allow legal officials in any ASEAN country to check on the laws of the other member nations.

The officials' recommendations were to be presented to the ASEAN law ministers conference Thursday and Friday.

## Asian news briefs

### Illegal fishermen escape

**KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP)** - Thai fishermen being taken in to face charges of illegal fishing pushed two Malaysian navy men overboard and escaped with a third as hostage, officials said Monday.

Malaysian ships still were searching for one of the men thrown overboard Saturday from the Thais' trawler, the Malaysian Rescue Coordination Center said.

A passing cargo ship rescued the other, and the hostage was released unharmed Sunday in Patani, in southeastern Thailand, said Jaafar Hassan, an assistant duty officer at the center.

Jaafar said the navy ship K.D. Sarawak caught the Thai trawler fishing in Malaysian waters on Saturday and put three personnel on board to escort it to Kuala Trengganu, 300 kilometers (180 miles) northeast of Kuala Lumpur. As soon as the K.D. Sarawak sailed out of sight, the Thais pushed Abdul Jalil Saat and Alhaimi Alip overboard and escaped with Haizol Ozlai as hostage, he added.

Abdul, rescued by the ship MV Castor Gas, arrived safely in Singapore, Jaafar said.

### Taiwan lends \$15M to Vietnam

**TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP)** - Taiwan has lent US \$15 million to Vietnam and plans to offer another \$30 million to the Communist country, a local newspaper reported Monday.

The China Times Express, a leading daily, said the government extended the low-interest loans to encourage investments in Vietnam.

It said the \$15 million would be used to finance small businesses in Vietnam and the \$30 million loan would help build a highway there.

Officials declined to comment on the newspaper report. However, sources close to the Economics Ministry confirmed the loans, saying the Taiwan government did not publicize them for fear of offending the United States, which still bans trade with Vietnam.

Taiwan is the largest foreign investor in Vietnam, with investments totaling about dlr 1 billion. Two-way trade between the two countries totaled \$403 million last year, with Taiwan registering a surplus of \$157 million.

Commercial ties between Taiwan and Vietnam, which have no diplomatic relations, have grown since Taiwan lifted a ban on direct trade in 1989.

### Heroin smuggling foiled

**TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP)** - Two Hong Kong men were arrested Monday for smuggling a total of one kilogram (2.2 pounds) of heroin inside their bodies, police said.

Police said they acted on a tip in arresting Chang Chun-lin, 41, and Fang Yi-ping, 42, on a freeway near the Taipei International Airport shortly after their arrival from Hong Kong.

The men, who denied they were smugglers, were taken to a hospital where X-rays showed two bags of heroin with a street value of 40 million Taiwan dollars (US \$1.5 million) in their colons, officers said.

They said the men apparently planned to discharge the plastic bags, sealed with extra protection to prevent leakage, for delivery to local drug dealers later.

The heroin bag was removed from Fang but doctors had problems removing the one from Chang because it had moved to the interior of his abdomen, police added.

Police said they had asked Hong Kong authorities to search for the traffickers who provided the drugs to the two.

If convicted of drug smuggling, the two could face the death penalty.

### Protest organizer arrested

**DILI, Indonesia (AP)** - The Indonesian military has arrested an organizer of a 1991 pro-independence demonstration in East Timor in which troops killed dozens of protesters, an official said Monday.

Maj. L. Simbolon, a spokesman for the East Timor military command, said Constancio Pinto was arrested Saturday while he was visiting his family in Kaikoli village in Dili regency.

Neighbors informed the military of his visit, Simbolon said. The military says Pinto, a 37-year-old former high school teacher, was one of the organizers of the anti-Indonesian protest in the East Timor capital of Dili on Nov. 12, 1991. Indonesian troops fired on the demonstrators, killing at least 50, according to a government investigation. Human rights groups put the toll considerably higher.

Last week, the military announced that it had captured Antonio Gomes da Costa, allegedly the leader of rebels fighting for East Timor's independence.

Da Costa, 47, reportedly was made commander of the Revolutionary Front for an Independent East Timor, or FRETILIN, after the capture of former leader Jose Alexandre Gusmao last Nov. 20. Gusmao is now being tried in Dili on charges of attempting to undermine the government.

Indonesia annexed East Timor in 1976 after intervening in a civil war there. The United Nations, however, still recognizes colonial ruler Portugal as the territory's administering authority.

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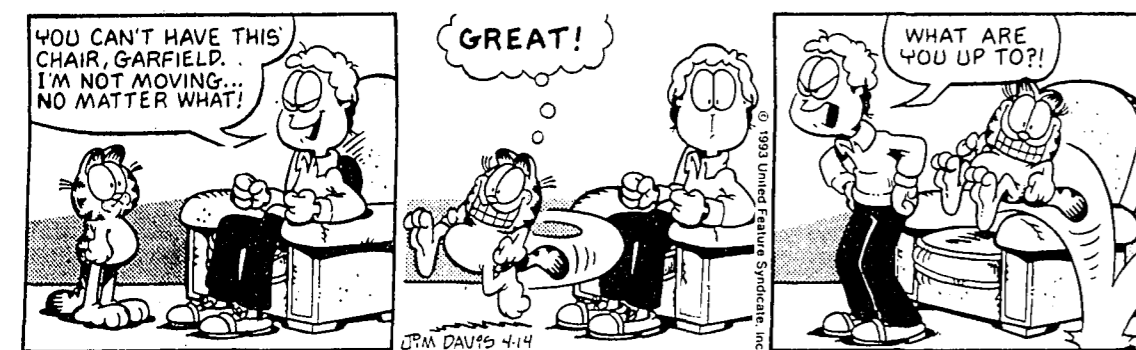
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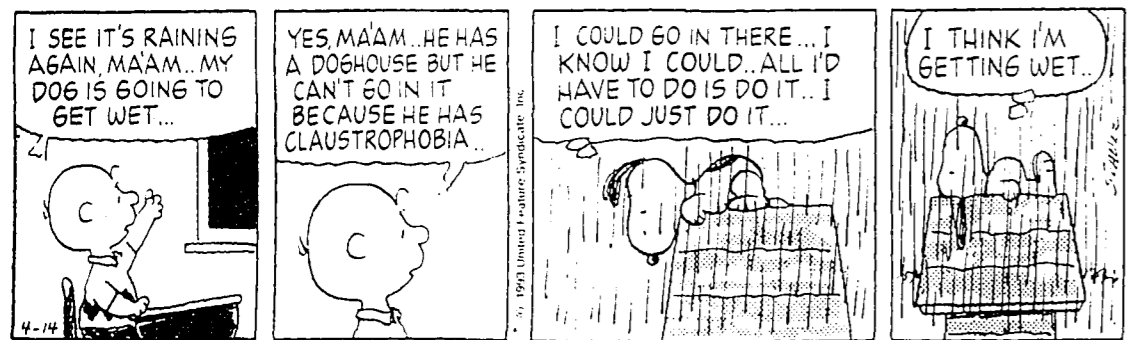
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DATE BOOK

April 14, 1993
Today is the 104th day of 1993 and the 26th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1865, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated at Ford's Theater in Washington, D.C.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Arnold Joseph Toynbee (1889-1975), historian; Sir John Gielgud (1904-), actor-director; is 89; Rod Steiger (1925-), actor; is 68; Bradford Dillman (1930-), actor; is 63; Julie Christie (1940-), ac-

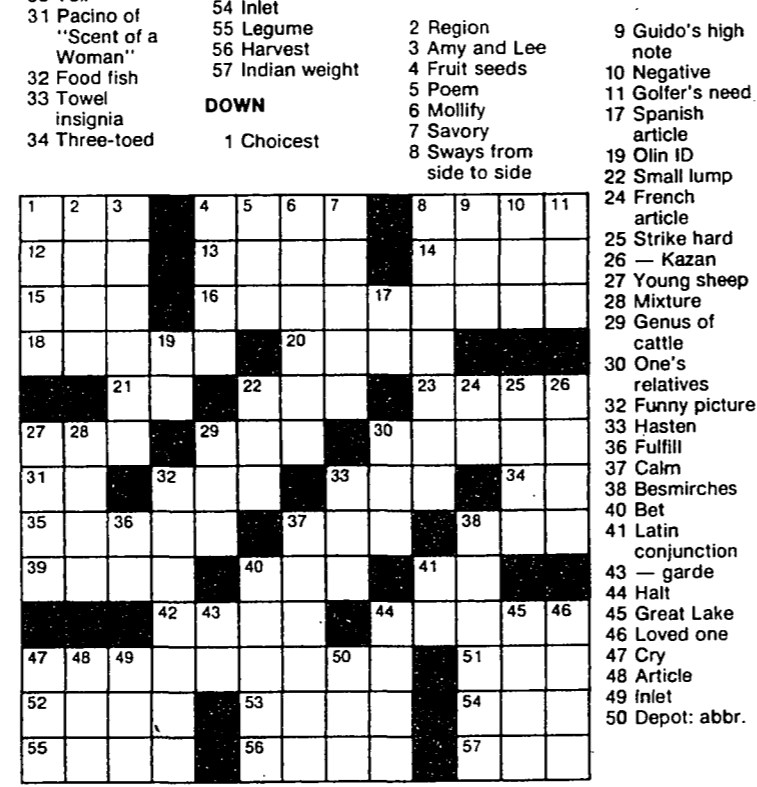
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THURSDAY, APRIL 15
ARIES (March 21-April 19) - You may receive warnings of all kinds early in the day, but most will amount to little or nothing. Don't panic!
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - You must be sure you don't take advantage of those who are, by will or necessity, at your beck and call today.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - You are likely to wake today with a renewed sense of who you are and where you belong. It's time for a phone call!
CANCER (June 21-July 22) - If you want someone to make you angry, you're not likely to be disappointed; your very attitude guarantees it!
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - This is not the day to discuss sensitive issues with those who usually disagree with you. Try not to rock the boat.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Your expectations are not to be denied today - but you must be willing to make certain necessary concessions.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - You have much to say today, but style is likely to be more important than content at this time.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - You may find yourself in a situation you

did not conjure, but which envelops you completely and unexpectedly.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - You may have to alter your schedule somewhat today in order to compensate for unlikely developments.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - You're going to have to think ahead today; don't let yourself fall behind, or you'll be courting disaster.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - It's time, once again, for you to take a stand. You're as ready as you'll ever be - so don't delay any longer.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) - You may be able to score a difficult and impressive first today - even though competition may be stiff.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day after last quarter (April 13).
TODAY'S BARB BY PHIL PASTORET
If they mounted windmills on every statehouse in the nation, the hot-air power generated would supply us with energy forever.
The expression "red-letter day," meaning a memorable day, is probably derived from the custom of using red or purple colors to mark holy days on calendars.
Scotland, a kingdom now united with England and Wales in Great Britain, occupies the northern 37 percent of the main British island.

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25 Strike hard
26 - Kazan
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36 Fulfill
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46 Loved one
47 Cry
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Seles...

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nated the opening set of her singles match with Sanchez Vicario, who was coming off a victory at Amelia Island, Fla., on Sunday. It was Seles' first action since she was sidelined with a flu virus on Feb. 21.

Leading 3-2 and at deuce in the sixth game, Seles ripped a service return down the line for the advantage, then broke service when Sanchez Vicario double faulted. Seles held her serve to take up 5-2, then broke again to go up the first set 6-2.
But Sanchez Vicario had two service breaks on the way to a quick 4-0 lead, winning the second set 6-2 and sending the exhibition into a 12-point tiebreak.
Trailing 1-2, Seles won the next four points, twice nailing winners on two-handed backhand passing shots.
Seles closed out the match by whistling a two-handed forehand down the line for the 7-3 victory.
In the night's first match, Wade won four of the first five games and was never threatened. With King trailing 1-4, love-40, a spectator yelled, "Come on, Billie Jean!" King shouted back, "I'm doing my best," as the crowd broke up.
At one point in the doubles match, King said loudly, "If I'm out here long enough, I'm going to get better." She also blew kisses to the crowd when it disagreed with a line call.

Barcelona...

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mances. Now she has to go out and show how she has improved."
Both Scherbo and Miller go into action in Wednesday's qualifying rounds. Qualifying started Tuesday and the first medals are not presented until Thursday in the six-day championship at the 10,000-seater Arena at the National Exhibition Center.
Two of Shannon's main rivals here, Olympic champions Lavinia Milosovici of Romania and Tanya Lyssenko of Ukraine, also were not scheduled to compete until Wednesday.
First up for the United States Tuesday were Dominique Dawes and Kerri Strug in the women's events and Chris Waller in the men's.
Nunno, who coaches the women's team, said early competitors were hampered by the fact they will be among the first under the eyes of judges who have a new code of scoring.
"We have had an awful draw, the worst draw possible," Nunno said. "Scores usually get better as the competition goes on.
For the first time, the former Soviet team enters under the flags of the different republics and that means a bigger number of top-quality gymnasts from eastern Europe.
If the Unified Team were still going, it would have 34 gymnasts here out of some 230 competitors. Now there are six Russians, six competitors from Kazakhstan, six from Ukraine, six from Belarus, four from Uzbekistan, three from Armenia and three from Georgia.

Seoul apologizes to Buddhists

By C.W. Lim
SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Buddhist monks won a government promise Monday to prevent religious discrimination in South Korea's military, both sides said.
A campaign begun by Buddhist leaders two months ago had brought the issue into the open after past military-backed governments had kept military internal affairs out of bounds to public criticism for four decades.
Kim Young-sam, the new civilian president inaugurated in February, has pressed the military to change its hard-line style and address concerns of citizens. Military service is mandatory in South Korea for men.
In a closed-door meeting between gray-robed Buddhist monks and defense officials, De-

fense Minister Kwon Young-hae pledged a halt to discrimination and expressed regrets over an incident in January in which a Buddhist worship hall was closed and a statue of Buddha was removed from a tank unit, a spokesman said.
"The military has favored Christians. We are asking for fundamental reforms in the military's religious policy, not temporary," said Kim Sae-ung, a Buddhist activist.
Buddhism is an Asian religion based on the teachings of an Indian philosopher. It has been practiced in Korea for about 1,500 years and is the nation's largest single religion.
"Compared to Christians, we have fewer chaplains and less fancy worship sites," Kim said. He said one Buddhist temple is in

a warehouse while the Christians in the same unit have a full-sized chapel.
In the campaign backed by 65 organizations, Buddhists staged sit-ins and protests. The nationwide Buddhist radio network broadcast appeals for a halt to discrimination almost daily and local Buddhist newspapers demanded equality in the military.
About 200 angry Buddhists monks staged a sit-down protest last Friday outside the Defense Ministry headquarters, holding banners reading: "Defense Minister resign."
The campaign was triggered by the dismantling of a Buddhist worship hall in January by Lt. Col. Cho Byong-sok, a Christian and commander of a tank battalion near Seoul, both sides said. Buddhists accused the officer

of ordering non-Buddhist soldiers in his unit to sack the hall and dump a statue of Buddha outside the camp.
Of South Korea's 650,000 soldiers, about 150,000 are Buddhists and about 280,000 are Christians.
"It was an isolated incident caused only by the officer's pious belief," Lt. Col. Suh Sung-Chul, a Defense Ministry spokesman, said in an interview. Defense Ministry officials said Monday an order was issued to all military commanders asking them to assure equal and legal religious activities to soldiers. Religious symbols were to be handled with respect, they said.
The defense minister also promised to reinvestigate the incident that triggered the outcry and said officers involved would be punished.

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## SPORTS



# Bulls end Pistons' winning streak

By The Associated Press

RESERVE center Stacey King scored 11 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter Monday night as the Chicago Bulls blew a 19-point lead before breaking the Detroit Pistons' six-game winning streak, 98-95.

The loss in Auburn Hills, Mich. also dropped the Pistons into ninth place in the Eastern Conference, a half-game behind idle Indiana. The Bulls moved within a half-

game of New York for first place in the conference.

Chicago led 60-45 at halftime, and quickly expanded the margin to 19 by scoring the first four points of the third quarter.

Terry Mills then scored 10 of his 25 points, including two 3-pointers, as Detroit closed to 66-65 with a 20-2 run. The Pistons then took a 75-74 lead on Olden Polynice's tip-in with 4.5 seconds to go in the third period. Hornets 120, Sixers 101

Larry Johnson scored 34 points and Alonzo Mourning 28 as Charlotte improved its playoff chances by defeating visiting Philadelphia.

The Hornets, who haven't made the playoffs since joining the NBA in 1988, stayed in seventh place in the Eastern Conference playoff hunt, one game ahead of idle Indiana and 1 game ahead of Detroit.

Trailing through most of the first three quarters, the Hornets took control early in the fourth period with a 12-3 run that gave

them a 92-81 lead with 8:10 remaining.

After Clarence Weatherspoon's free throw closed the Sixers to 96-87, the Hornets outscored the Sixers 8-0 to pull ahead 104-87.

Johnny Dawkins scored 23 points for the Sixers, while Kendall Gill had 18 for the Hornets, who made 17 of 24 shots in the fourth quarter.

Heat 106, Bucks 95

The outside shooting of Glen Rice and Brian Shaw helped Mi-

ami keep its slim playoff hopes alive by beating visiting Milwaukee.

Rice scored 25 points and hit three 3-pointers, while Shaw, who had an NBA record 10 3-pointers at Milwaukee on Thursday, made four and scored 16 points.

With just seven games remaining, Miami is 2 games behind eighth-place Indiana in the Eastern Conference standings. The Heat have won three consecutive games and 14 of 15 at home.

## 43-year-old Holmes tired of 'little fights'

By Stephen Hawkins

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss. (AP) - The fight inside the ring comes easy for Larry Holmes. It's the battle outside of it to get another title shot that may be wearing down the 43-year-old former champion.

Holmes looks for his third victory this year when he meets Canadian Ken Lakusta in a scheduled 10-rounder Tuesday night at Casino Magic, but he says he is tired of "little" fights.

"These fights are not really an accomplishment, just a win to keep me busy," said Holmes, who improved to 56-4 after beating Rocky Pepeli in four rounds on March 9. "It's limited money and it's not like winning a championship. It keeps me sharp and focused on what I want to do."

What Holmes wants is a shot at regaining the heavyweight championship he held from 1978-85. Since having eye surgery after losing a 12-round title decision to Evander Holyfield in June 1992, Holmes has won a 10-round decision over Everett "Big Foot" Martin in January and beaten Pepeli.

The Holmes camp reports that there have been talks for a possible fight in the fall with

WBC heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis or WBA-IBA champ Riddick Bowe, who meets Jesse Ferguson in a title match May 22.

Holmes said that after meeting the 37-year-old Lakusta, a former two-time Canadian heavyweight champion with a 21-19-1 record, he will take a look at his options.

"I will make some evaluations after this fight. If I can't get a title shot by June, it could be time for me to get out," said Holmes, who will turn 44 in November. "That would be a shame. People won't see a legitimate contender for the championship."

Holmes said he has even talked with promoter Don King about rejoining forces. The two have had their differences since Holmes lost to Mike Tyson in January 1988 and then went retirement for three years.

"I have had some conversations with Don King. He is looking to do something with me. I'll bury the hatchet," Holmes said. "I will do that with anybody who will help me get what I want to get."

Holmes earned a dominating 12-round decision over Ray Mercer in February 1992. Four months later, he got his shot at Holyfield, but lost on a decision.

## Giants edge out Marlins 4-3

By The Associated Press

BARRY Bonds homered in his first plate appearance at Candlestick Park before leaving in the sixth inning with a leg injury, and the San Francisco Giants went on for a 4-3 victory in 11 innings over the Florida Marlins in the home opener on Monday.

Bonds, who before the game received his 1992 National League MVP award from godfather Willie Mays, thrilled a sellout crowd at Candlestick Park when he lofted a pitch from Chris Hammond over the right-field wall. The solo shot in the second inning gave the Giants a 1-0 lead, and two batters later Mike Benjamin hit a two-run homer.

Bonds left the game with tightness in his right hamstring after sustaining the injury while beating out a throw on a grounder to sec-

ond. The Giants said the left fielder's status is day-to-day.

Darrin Lewis' RBI single in the 11th inning off Joe Klink (0-1) sent the capacity crowd at Candlestick Park home happy.

Rod Beck (1-1), the fifth San Francisco pitcher, worked a scoreless 11th for the victory.

Phillies 5, Reds 4

Lenny Dykstra hit a 3-2 pitch for a tiebreaking solo homer in the seventh inning as Philadelphia beat visiting Cincinnati for its third straight victory.

Dykstra, hitting .174 when he batted with one out in the seventh, stroked his second homer of the season off reliever Steve Foster (0-2) to snap a 4-4 tie and boost the Phillies to 6-1 for the first week of the season.

The Reds tied the score in the sixth, chasing starter Danny Jackson.

Jose DeLeon (2-0) worked 1 2-3 innings for the victory and Mitch Williams finished for his fourth save.

Cubs 5, Braves 1

Chicago left-hander Greg Hibbard gave up one run in 8 2-3 innings for his first National League victory, only the second time in eight games Atlanta has allowed more than two runs.

Hibbard (1-0) was 41-34 in four seasons with the Chicago White Sox before being acquired by the Cubs last Nov. 17 from Florida. He gave up seven hits walked three and struck out none.

Sammy Sosa hit a homer and drove in two runs and Candy Maldonado added two RBIs for the visiting Cubs. Sosa ended an 0-for-10 slump with his first homer off Steve Avery (0-1) and drove in another run with a groundout.

## Seles takes tie-breaker to defeat Sanchez Vicario

By Rusty Miller

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) - After splitting the first two sets, top-ranked Monica Seles won a tiebreaker Monday night to defeat Arantxa Sanchez Vicario in the featured match of the Big Bear Tennis Challenge exhibition.

Sanchez Vicario, ranked No. 3 in the world, then teamed with Billie Jean King to defeat Seles and Virginia Wade 6-3 in doubles. Wade had beaten King 6-3 in a senior singles match to open the third annual charity exhibition.

Andre Agassi will play John McEnroe and Bjorn Borg meets Vitas Gerulaitis in Tuesday night's men's single matches. Agassi and Gerulaitis will team to play McEnroe and Borg in doubles.

Seles, winner of four of the last five Grand Slam events, domi-

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## Courier beats Matsuoka in Hong Kong Salem Open

HONG KONG (AP) - Defending champion and top seed Jim Courier beat Japan's Shuzo Matsuoka 6-3, 6-2 Monday in the first round of the US \$275,000 Hong Kong Salem Open.

Courier, who lost his world No. 1 ranking to fellow American Pete Sampras last week after crashing out of the Japan Open, broke Matsuoka's serve in the sixth game of the first set.

He won the match with a service break in the third game of the second set. "It's always dangerous to play against Shuzo. ... He has a big game," Courier said.

Matsuoka, Japan's top player, is ranked 77th in the world.

In the second round on Wednesday, Courier meets Jeremy Bates of Britain, who beat Chuck Adams of the United States 6-4, 7-5 in another first-round match.

American Jonathan Stark, who beat Courier in the Tokyo Open, crashed out to Frenchman Guillaume Raoux 6-2, 6-1.

In other first-round matches, Tommy Ho of the United States beat Australian Richard Fromberg 7-5, 6-2, and American Patrick McEnroe defeated Czech Martin Damm 6-4, 6-3. Both Ho and McEnroe were wild card entries.

Also advancing to the second round were sixth seed Brett Steven of New Zealand and eighth seed Jan Siemerink of the Netherlands. Steven beat Rob Weiss of the United States 4-6, 6-1, 6-1, and Siemerink defeated Britain's Chris Bailey 6-4, 6-1.

Second-seed Sampras, winner of the Japan Open, meets Stephane Simian of France in his opening round match on Tuesday.

Third seed Michael Chang of the United States, a favorite among Hong Kong fans, also plays his first-round match on Tuesday against Jason Stoltenberg of Australia.

## Barcelona stars go into action in England

By Robert Millward

BIRMINGHAM, England (AP) - Shannon Miller and Vitali Scherbo each came away from the Barcelona Olympics with a fistful of medals.

Miller won two silvers and three bronzes. Scherbo's six were all gold.

While Scherbo, from Belarus,

has little to prove at the World Gymnastics Championships, Miller, a 16-year-old High School student from Edmond, Okla. chases a first place.

"Shannon certainly has it to be No. 1," said her coach, Steve Nunno. "She performed well in Barcelona and we have added a few extra things to her perfor-

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