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Aquino asks Filipinos to be patient with government

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MANILA, Philippines - President Corazon Aquino asked Filipi-nos Sunday for "huge doses of patience" with their new government as it seeks to undo 20 years of eco-

while the government strives to maintain the delivery of essential public services," Aquino told the commencement of St. Scholastica's

Thousands of striking Filipino workers maintained rock and log parricades at Subic Naval Base and Clark Air Base, the United States'

Navy spokesman Lt. Cmdr. James Van Sickle said Subic security per-sonnel and Filipino police failed to substantiate strikers' claims that U.S. "In my first 100 days of office, what I hope to accomplish is to set firm directions toward political normalization and economic recovery while the government and substantiate strikers' claims that U.S. servicemen stabbed five picketers in a clash at Subic gates Friday night. One of the stabbed workers was seriously hurt.

Leigh said Saturday that five servicemen were slightly hurt in a clash at Subic Friday night and one was seriously hurt in a second clash Saturday. The union said a striker also Far too many of our people live in dire poverty. Far too few of our people have adequate work." was hurt Saturday.

U.S. officials said the strike has had little impact on base operations.

Also Sunday, the Information argest military posts overseas.

Ministry said Aquino's office will pay ranted harassment, the medical bills of deposed Presipersonal vendettas.

ing 22,000 workers began the strike Friday over severance pay. dent Marcos' 93-year-old mother, who has been hospitalized for over eight years with health problems.

A local newspaper columnist recently wrote that Josefa Edralin Marcos, a widow, did not have the money to pay her bills at the Philippine Heart Center in suburban Manila

Speaking at the commencement, Aquino acknowleged that Filipinos' patience "has run extremely thin," adding, "There is still too much hunger, there is still too much misery.

She cautioned, "We must never allow people power to be misused for the selfish interest of a few, or, worse, as a tool for sheer, unwarranted harassment, intimidation, or

Thousands visit Jerusalem, participate in Easter rituals

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JERUSALEM — Palestinian Christians led pilgrims from around he world down the slopes of the bib-cal Mount of Olives to the Old City Jerusalem in a traditional Palm unday procession.

Little girls in pink dresses and Boy couts carrying flags sang Hosanna, or "please redeem us" in Arabic, and waved small olive and palm branches luring the two-hour march.

Jerrold McRae, a former pro foot-ball player from Philadelphia, watched the procession and said, 'This is overwhelming. It makes the Bible come alive for me. It gives me more of a sense of appreciation for what Christ did for me

the Philadelphia Eagles and Kansas City Chiefs until 1980, said he planned to ride along the path on a donkey Monday morning, as Jesus did some 2,000 years ago.

Palm Sunday opens a week of Easter celebrations in this holy city where Jesus preached and was crucified. The procession is symbolic of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem on a white donkey before his death on Good Friday

Most of the tens of thousands of pilgrims who come to Jerusalem each Palm Sunday are from Western Europe, with others from the United and Canada. Prayers were heard in Arabic, English, Chinese, Spanish, French and German.

during Easter, the same as last year. The number of tourists who visited Jerusalem and Bethlehem at Christmas was down 20 percent

Many tourists who would have come here in December were frightened away from the Middle East by an upsurge in terrorist attacks, including the hijacking of the Achille Lauro cruise ship off Egypt. But the violence has decreased, and for at least some of the pilgrims, visiting the Holy Land was a dream come

Bessie Knott, 65, of Bury, England, said, "This is a journey of a lifetime. We do this procession in my hometown. But here we are seeing McRae, 30, a wide receiver with between 50,000 to 60,000 pilgrims something."

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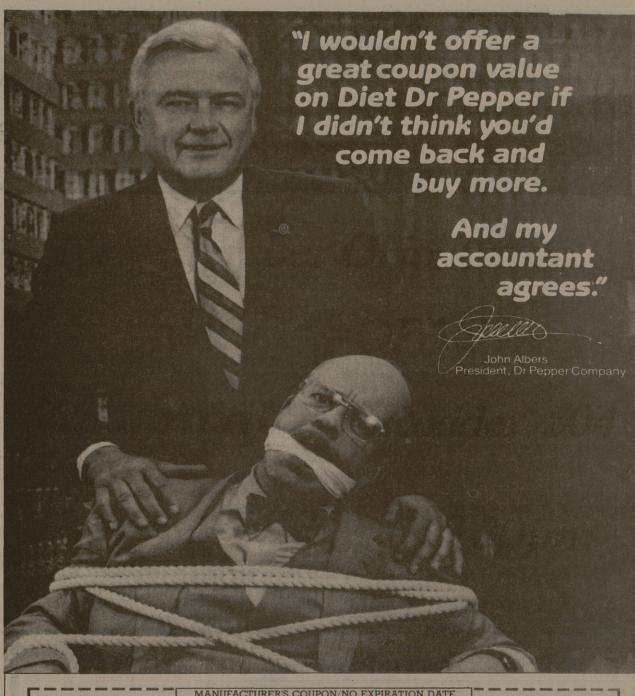
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