

Sport

# Greenidge's double sinks Aussies

**BRIDGETOWN, Apr 22:** Opener Gordon Greenidge emphatically returned to form by hammering an unbeaten 209 as West Indies took a cast-iron grip on the fourth cricket Test against Australia on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Greenidge and Richie Richardson, who was out for 99, lifted West Indies from their overnight 138 for one to 407 for three at the close of the third day.

Viv Richards' team, 1-0 up in the five-match series, will resume their second innings on Tuesday after the rest day with an overall lead of 422 and Australia's pretensions to world champion status in tatters.

Greenidge, seemingly in danger of losing his place after a sequence of low Test scores, and Richardson, dismissed one short of his third century of the series, put on 199 in four hours for the third wicket.

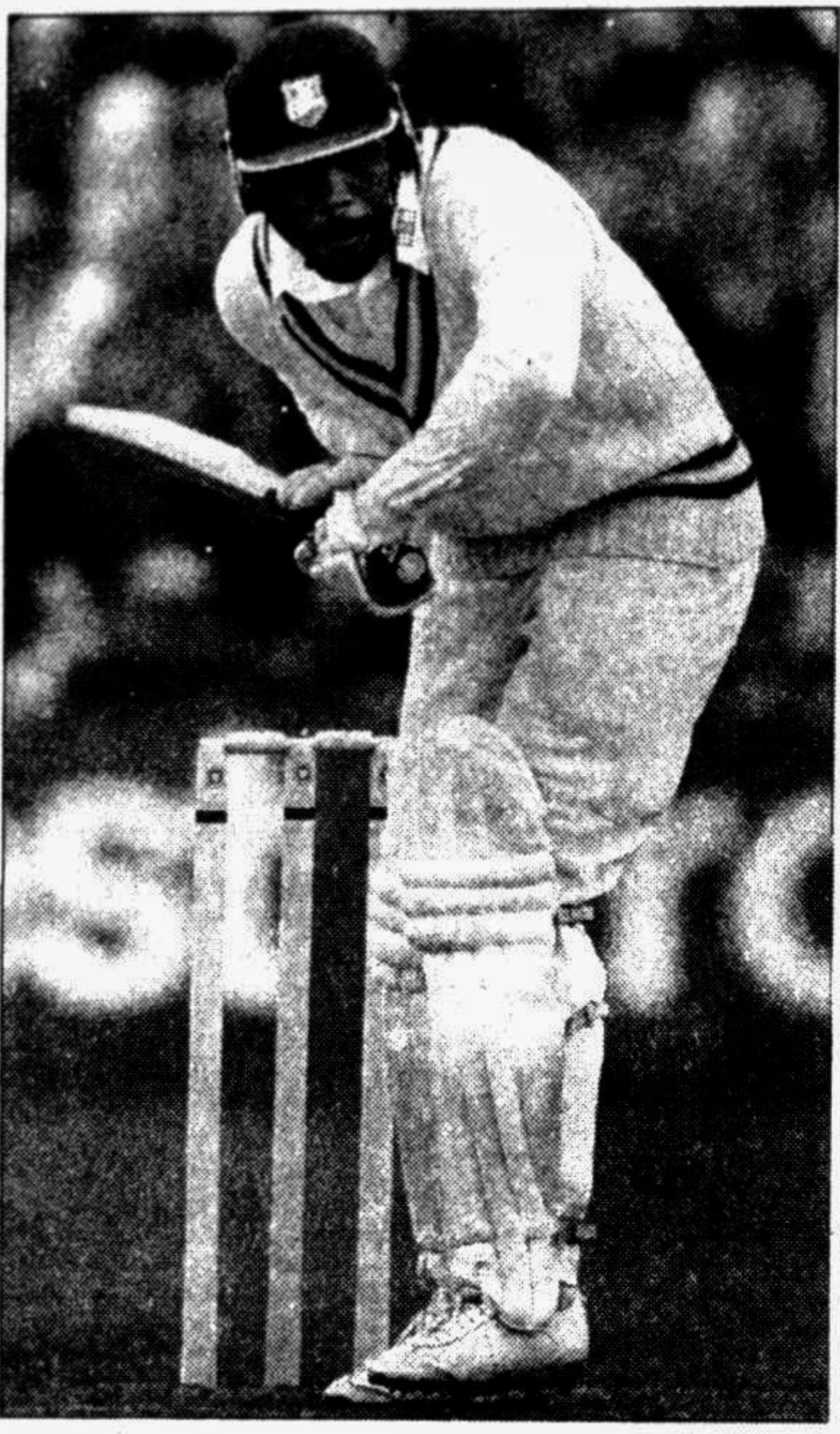
The power of their driving, straight and square, off front and back foot, was quite stunning and their partnership ensured Australia face an enormous task to avoid going 2-0 down 1 in the rubber.

Australia stuck gamely to their task but were rewarded with only two wickets in the day, nightwatchman Malcolm Marshall being caught behind off paceman Craig McDermott for 15 and Richardson falling lbw to Mark Waugh.

Australia looked to be on shaky ground from the start when McDermott had trouble with the footholds at the bowling crease.

Eventually a groundsman was summoned and the Kensington Oval, filled almost to its 12,500 capacity again, was treated to the extraordinary sight of a bowler digging up the popping crease with a shovel as he removed the filling that had been applied the previous night.

Next to be removed was Marshall, caught at the wicket by Ian Healy as he tried to cut a delivery that was too close to



GORDON GREENIDGE... great sense of occasion

his body.

It was to be a rare moment of joy for McDermott, who bowled beautifully and courageously all day. He had Richardson dropped twice, by Merv Hughes as the batsman hooked when 15, and by the usually safe Mark Waugh at second slip on 97.

Waugh salvaged his conscience by having Richardson leg before soon after, but Greenidge went on to his double century in 562 minutes, facing 395 balls and hitting 30 boundaries.

Greenidge's fourth Test double century, among a total of 19 three-figure innings, is his highest score in Tests in the Caribbean.

It is also the second highest made by a West Indian against Australia — Denis Atkinson's 219 here in 1955 stands ahead of him — and only Sir Jack Hobbs and Patsy Hendren have

made double centuries at a greater age.

Greenidge, who will be 40 on May 1, performed an impressive feat of endurance, given the high temperatures on both days.

Richards said of his innings: "I always backed Gordon. Form is temporary, class is permanent and that was a perfect example."

Greenidge has been under pressure after passing 50 just once in his previous 23 Test innings but Richards added: "That should make a few people worry, the people who have been calling for his head."

Australia were without captain Allan Border, who was nursing a chipped left thumb, but will bat again and play in the fifth and final Test starting in Antigua next Saturday.

The touring team's fortitude was typified by Hughes in one incident when, at 327 for two, he sprinted 30 metres to cut off a boundary and slid feet first towards the ball.

That it just bounced off his shins and rebounded over the boundary boards was symptomatic of Australia's day.

**SCOREBOARD**

Scoreboard on the third day of the fourth cricket Test between Australia and West Indies on Sunday:

**West Indies first innings** 149 (C. McDermott four for 49, M. Hughes four for 44)

**Australia first innings** 134 (C. Walsh four for 14)

**West Indies second innings** (overnight 138 for one)

Greenidge not out	209
Haynes c Healy b M. Waugh	40
Marshall c Healy b McDermott	15
Richardson lbw b M. Waugh	99
Hooper not out	25
Extra (lb-11 nb-8)	19
Total (for three wickets)	407

Fall of wickets: 1-129, 2-153, 3-352

**Bowling (to date):**

	O	M	R	W
McDermott	29	7	102	1
Reid	27	4	90	0
Hughes	24	4	78	0
S.Waugh	28	6	77	0
M.Waugh	21	6	44	2
Jones	3	1	5	0

# Moody's record-breaking debut for Worcestershire

**LONDON, Apr 22:** Australian Tom Moody made a record-breaking debut for Worcestershire by lashing 160 in their victory over Kent in the opening English Sunday league cricket matches of the season, reports Reuter.

Moody who played for Warwickshire last year, hit six sixes and 16 fours on his way to the highest score by a Worcestershire player in the 22-year-history of the 40 overs competition.

The Australian overlooked for his country's current tour of the Caribbean, shared an opening stand of 198 in 31 overs with Tim Curtis (70) and upstaged Graeme Hick newly-qualified for England who managed just eight.

Rain reduced Kent's target from 284 to 269 in 38 overs



TOM MOODY

and despite a bold innings by opener Neil Taylor (62), they were dismissed for 230, Ian Botham taking three wickets as his country won on faster scoring rate.

Former England opener Chris Broad struck exactly 100 not out to lead Nottinghamshire to a surprise nine wicket victory with 13 balls to spare over title favourites Lancashire at Old Trafford.

Broad completed the win with his 12th boundary which also brought him to three figures off 107 balls in 130 minutes as Notts made 190 for one in reply to Lancashire's 186 for nine.

Danish pace bowler Ole Mortenson claimed his 100th Sunday league wicket to help Derbyshire start the defence of their title by beating

Leicestershire.

They won on a faster scoring rate in a rain restricted match after Leicestershire failed by one run to reach the revised target of 101 in 20 overs Derbyshire made 183 for five in 36.3 overs before bad weather interrupted the game.

Ex-England captain Mike Gatting and Mark Ramprakash both hit 111 to power Middlesex to a win over Gloucestershire at Bristol. They broke all partnership records for the country in the league with a second wicket stand of 194.

Middlesex who finished on 239 for two, were held up by rain before former Test off-spinner John Emburey twice took two wickets in two balls as Gloucestershire, set a rain reduced target of 204 off 34 overs collapsed to 159 all out.

# Juventus lauds UEFA's decision

**ROME, Apr 22:** Juventus vice-president Luca Di Montezemolo and club coach "Otto" Rehaag have both welcomed UEFA's decision to allow English soccer champions Liverpool back into European club competition next season, reports Reuter.

The Italian team were Liverpool's opponents in the 1985 European Cup final at the Heysel Stadium in Brussels when 39 fans died in rioting before the match.

# De Castella wins Rotterdam race

**ROTTERDAM (Netherlands), Apr 22:** Australian Robert De Castella easily beat world record holder Belayneh Densimo to win the Rotterdam Marathon for the second time on Sunday, reports Reuter.

# Khans in final

**LONDON, Apr 22:** Jahangir Khan, aiming to win the British Open squash title for a 10th successive year, booked his place in today's final with a 9-5, 9-2, 9-7 victory over world number five Rodney Martin of Australia on Sunday, reports Reuter.

The Pakistani, who has defeated Martin in the last three British Open finals again proved the superior player although the Australian did produce a spirited rearguard action when saving five match balls to fight back from 2-8 to 7-8 in the third game.

After their ill tempered French Open final two weeks ago, this latest meeting was another bruising encounter with Martin crashing a return of service into Jahangir's left ear early in the opening game.

# Too late for S Africa

**AUCKLAND, Apr 22:** An agreement to form a non racial South African cricket authority was made too late for the country to compete in the 1992 World Cricket Cup, New Zealand cricket chairman Peter McDermott said today, reports Reuter.

"Whatever the political implications it would be impractical and unrealistic, it's just too late," he told Reuters.

"We are too far down the track in our organisation. In Australia they are already selling tickets."

All seven current Test-playing sides plus Zimbabwe will take part in the limited over competition, which starts on February 22 and will be played in New Zealand and Australia.

The mainly white South African Cricket Union (SACU) and the mainly black South African Cricket Board will

merge on June 29.

The decision, announced on Sunday, opens the way for South Africa to rejoin international competition. It had been excluded from international play since 1970 because of opposition to the country's apartheid policies.

McDermott questioned whether South Africa's return would be sealed when the International Cricket Conference (ICC) next meets on July.

"Despite the fact that they may well have merged, as is a requirement I am not sure that they will be readmitted to the ICC at that meeting," he said. "It may be at a subsequent meeting which would be closer to the World Cup time."

However, with the new World Cup format—round robin matches instead of group divisions there is no reason why the competition could not be expanded to nine participants.

# Seraj cricket finals from Apr 26

**Sports Reporter**

The final round matches of the Seraj memorial national youth cricket championship begins on Friday, April 26 at the Chittagong Stadium.

Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Prothista (BKSP), Rajshahi, Mymensingh Dhaka and Comilla will vie for the five-day long championship.

These teams qualified for the final round by winning the five zonal championships held before Eid-ul-fitr.

BKSP are the defending champions.

Dhaka will meet Rajshahi in the inaugural match.

# Nat'l cricket

**Sports Reporter**

The final round matches of the national cricket championship commences from May 3 at the Dhaka Stadium.

The four semi-finalist of last year - Dhaka University, Chittagong, Bangladesh Biman and Narayanganj, along with the six zonal champions, Comilla, Madaripur, Mymensingh, Rajshahi, Pabna and Rajshahi University will take part in the final round to be played on a knockout basis.

Comilla will clash with Rajshahi University on the opening day of the competition.

The semifinal matches will be held on May 9 and 10 while the date for the final will be announced later.

# Nat'l basketball now from May 10

**Sports Reporter**

The national basketball championship, scheduled to be held from May 3, have been shifted to May 10 due to unavoidable circumstances, says a press release issued yesterday by Bangladesh Amateur Basketball Federation.

Twelve teams have already confirmed their participation. More teams are expected to register before Thursday, April 25, the last date for sending entries.

Bangladesh Navy are the defending champions.

# Jessore to host nat'l badminton

**Sports Reporter**

The 16th national badminton championships, organised by the Jessore District Sports Association under the auspices of the Bangladesh Badminton Federation, will begin on the third week of May at Jessore.

All interested district sports associations have been asked to send their entries along with affiliation fees by April 30 at the federation office.

**Jaite edges Prpic**

NICE, France, Apr 21: Martin Jaite of Argentina overcame service problems to beat Goran Prpic of Yugoslavia 3-6, 7-6 (7-1), 6-3 Sunday in the final of the 250,000-dollar Nice Open, reports AP.

# Mike Johnson the difference

**WALNUT, California, Apr 22:** Michael Johnson, world number one over 200 metres last year, ran a blazing anchor leg to lead his team to an upset win over Carl Lewis's Santa Monica Track Club in a 4x200 metres on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Six time Olympic champion Lewis who ran the third leg, led by several metres when he handed off to teammate Brian Cooper at the Mount San Antonio College relays.

But Johnson came from behind and sprinted past Cooper, running the final 200 metres more than two seconds faster than Cooper.

Johnson clocked 19.2 seconds for the anchor leg to finish more than 10 metres ahead of Cooper, who timed 21.3.

"I ran very relaxed so I didn't expect to run 19.2," Johnson said.

Johnson's team clocked one minute 21.50 seconds, compared to 1:22.98 for Lewis and his teammates.

Jamaica's Raymond Stewart led off for Johnson's team, fol-



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lowed by Americans Dennis Mitchell and Keith Mouton.

Olympic 200 metres gold medalist Joe Deloach ran the first leg for Santa Monica and Floyd Heard ran second.

In the 4x400 metres relay Olympic bronze medalist Danny Everett came from behind on the anchor leg after taking the hand off from Olympic champion Steve Lewis to claim victory for the Santa Monica Track Club in 3:02.33.

Olympic champion Evelyn Ashford and Jamaican silver medalist Grace Jackson led an international team to a two-stride victory in the women's 4x100 metres relay with a time of 43.57 seconds.

American Kevin Young easily won the men's 400 metres hurdles at 48.71 seconds, the fastest time in the world this year.

American Mike Marsh edged Nigeria's Davidson Ezinwa at the end to win the 100 metres in 10.00 seconds.

Pattisue Plumer, American record holder at 5,000 metres, finished nearly a minute ahead of runner-up Benita Perez of Mexico to win that event in 15 minutes 24.4 sec.

# All eyes focussed on Borg

**MONTE CARLO, Monaco, Apr 22:** Two players who won four French Opens between them highlight the opening day at the Monte Carlo tennis tournament. But the match everyone is waiting for -- the return of Bjorn Borg -- is set for Tuesday, reports AP.

Even the defending champion of the 1-million-dollar Monte Carlo Open, Andrei Chesnokov of the Soviet Union, is eager to see Borg play.

"I don't know who is going to win the tournament," Chesnokov said. "But I would like to see the Borg match."

Borg, still using a wooden racket, meets clay-court specialist Jordi Arrese of Spain in the first round on Tuesday.

It will be Borg's first match in official tournament play since he played in Stuttgart, Germany, in 1984, a year after announcing his retirement in April 1983 at the Monte Carlo tournament.

Borg, 35 in June, won the Monte Carlo Open three times and the French Open title six times as well as five consecutive Wimbledon.

Mats Wilander of Sweden took the French Open in 1982.

1985 and 1988 while Ecuador's Andres Gomez won last year in Paris.

Wilander meets Mark Woodforede of Australia before Gomez takes on Omar Camporese of Italy in first-round matches on Monday.

There are 13 first-round matches scheduled.

The top eight seeds of the tournament, including Stefan Edberg, Boris Becker and Andre Agassi, all have first-round byes and play later in the week.

The No. 1 seed Edberg is coming off a big victory in Tokyo over Ivan Lendl. But the surface was on a hard court and the Swede may have a problem switching to the clay court surfaces at the Monte Carlo tennis club.

Edberg lost in his second match in Monte Carlo last year. He faces the winner of a match between a qualifier and Swede Magnus Larsson.

Becker, second seeded, faces the winner of the Marcelo Filippini of Uruguay and Javier Sanchez of Spain, Sanchez brother, Emilio, beat Becker last year at Monte Carlo.

Guy Forget is seeded third with Agassi fourth.

Chesnokov is the eighth

seed this year. He took the 1990 title, beating Thomas Muster of Austria in the final.

The 25-year-old Soviet star changed rackets over the winter and had a hard time adjusting. He failed to win more than two matches in his first seven tournaments, including a first round loss in the Australian Open.

"But now the clay court season has begun and I feel better," Chesnokov said Saturday. He made the semifinals at Estoril and the quarterfinals at Barcelona, losing to Spain's Sergi Bruguera each time.

"I won last year and everyone wants to try to beat me," Chesnokov said. "When I beat Mats Wilander in the French Open, I didn't think that he won the French Open."

Chesnokov has beaten Wilander twice in the French Open when Wilander was the defending champion.

"Last year I was in better physical condition and was more confident," Chesnokov said.

In 1990 Chesnokov enjoyed a good year. He broke into the top 10 after the victory at Monte Carlo and ended the year at No.12 after also winning at Tel Aviv and reaching the final at the Italian Open.

# Seles stops Fernandez

**HOUSTON, Apr 22:** World number one Monica Seles won her third title of the year by beating second-seeded Mary Joe Fernandez 6-4, 6-3 on Sunday in the final of the 350,000 dollar Virginia Slims of Houston tennis tournament, reports Reuter.

Seles, winner of the



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year won nine titles including the French Open.

Seles who has been bothered recently by shin splints, played her usual aggressive baseline style and kept Fernandez off-balance much of the match.

"I was going for my shots and didn't want to get into long rallies with her because she's good groundstroke," said Seles who has won her last five matches against Fernandez.

Fernandez was credited with hitting 24 winners but committed 40 unforced errors in the process.

"I played aggressively and kept going for it," said Fernandez. "I tried the right things but I missed a few. I played the right style, but I didn't put the ball away."

Fernandez was well aware of her losing record against Seles but was still confident about her game.

"I know I can beat her. I know I'm there," added Fernandez. "It's just a matter of time."

The left-handed Seles raced to a 4-1 advantage in the opening set but Fernandez battled back to level it at 4-all.

Seles held serve for 5-4 and then scored the decisive break in the 10th game closing out the set by putting away a short lob from Fernandez.

# World table tennis meet from tomorrow

# Koreans at full strength

**CHIBA, Japan, Apr 22:** The two Koreas, leaving their political rivalry at home, have moulded a joint team with the talent and fire to hijack the world table tennis championships starting here Wednesday, reports AP.

With players of the calibre of Olympic singles champion Yoo Nam-Kyu from the south, and the North's Li Gun-Sang, the unprecedented joint team is seeking to crown their new-found sporting friendship with gold in the men's team event.

The women's team title is also within their grasp and their ambitions do not end there.

"We can't tell until we play. But we want to win a number of gold medals," said team official Kim Hyong-Jin. Vi-

Chairman of the North Korean Olympic Committee.

The South alone won the men's bronze at the last world championships in Dortmund, Germany, in 1989, and with an injection of talent from the North, their designs on higher things are well placed.

The Swedish men are relying on defending singles champion and World Cup holder Jan-Ove Waldner and his teammate and old rival Mikael Appelgren, the European champion, in their bid to retain the title they snatched from China in 1989.

Ma Wenge spearheads China's campaign to regain the men's team and individual titles they lost to Sweden after five straight triumphs since 1981.

In the women's section, China's aim for a record-

stretching ninth team title in a row could shatter against the combined talents of the Koreans.

The south, who lost to China in the 1989 team finals, are bolstered by northerner Li Bun-Hui, who reached the women's singles final two years ago only to lose against China's Qiao Hong.

Qiao is back again alongside diminutive Deng Yaping, who won the doubles title at Dortmund as a 16 with Qiao.

Deng consolidated her reputation as a world beater when she bagged three golds at the Asian Games at Beijing last year.

The 41st championships over two weeks at the Japan Convention Center bring together 58 men's and a record 59 women's teams, with Kuwait taking part.



The Mohammedan Sporting Club football team left Dhaka yesterday for Riyadh to take part in the Asian Club championship two-leg matches against the Saudi champions Al-Helal Club.

# Sheffield stun United

**WEMBLEY, Apr 21:** Irish international midfielder John Sheridan stunned Manchester United with a first half goal as Second Division soccer club Sheffield Wednesday captured the English League Cup with a 1-0 upset victory Sunday, reports AP.

Manager by former United chief Ron Atkinson, Wednesday edged a team expected to reach this season's Cup Winners Cup final and beaten only once, in 27 previous Cup games.

Sheridan's goal came on 37 minutes when he latched on to a half-clearance and fired a firm drive goalwards. United goalie Les Sealey got his fingertips to the ball but it went in off the inside of the goalpost.

The result meant that Wednesday midfielder John Harkes, the first American to play in a major soccer final at the home of English soccer,

also picked up a winners medal.

The 24-year-old World Cup player was substituted eight minutes from the final whistle but played an important part in blocking off the left-side of United's offense.

Wednesday goalie Chris Turner, a former Manchester United player, defied the division one side with an acrobatic save to stop Brian McClair's diving header ten minutes from time.

With a month remaining before the season ends, both sides still have something more to aim at.

On Wednesday, United hopes to secure a place in the Cup Winners Cup final by beating Poland's Legia Warsaw, Sheffield Wednesday, lying third in the division two standings, hopes to gain promotion to the top flight after being relegated last season.

Lineups: