Andrea Jaegaer, who met in

1980 at the Florida Federal

Open, by at least one month

appearance since her well-

publicized and mysterious

withdrawal from Wimbledon,

came to the end of the No. 1

reign that she held since

will be Steffi Graf. But because

she won't lay this week be-

cause of a shoulder injury, Graf

will yield the top spot back to

be a tight race for No 1 the

rest of the year among Graf,

said. " I'm going to try to get it back. I still have a long way to

go until the end of the year. It's

erans, exchanging baselines

set with the help of a second

and decisive service break in

the ninth game when her

cross-court backhand kissed

ning off the first five games of the second set behind aggres-

sive baseline play to send the

to dominate as she built a 5-3

third set lead, but Seles battled

back to 5-5 with a 10th game

point of the tiebreak, but

Capriati took control from 2-2

as she ran off the last five

points of the match to com-

plete one of her biggest career

match today," said Seles.

"Jennifer played a great

"We're both great fighters.

It was a great match. Neither

of us wanted to let it go," Seles

Seles won the opening

The fourth seed continued

Capriati stormed back, run-

the sideline for a winner.

match into a third set.

service break.

victories.

blasts for nearly two hours.

Both played like crafty vet-

Seles claimed the opening

a very close struggle."

Gabriela Sabatini and herself.

Still, Seles said, it figures to

"Being No. 1 is great," Seles

Seles after a week.

Inheriting the top position

Seles, making her first tour

respectively.

March 11.

# Capriati win displaces Seles



Aug 5: After finally putting to rest rumors about why she skipped Wimbledon, Mo-

nica Seles has something new to worry about Jennifer Capriati, reports AP.

The 15-year-old Capriati defeated Seles 4-6,6-1,7-6 Sunday to win the dlrs 225,000 Mazda Classic and knock the Yugoslava native from the No. 1 ranking. It was Capriati's second defeat of Seles in two weeks and first ever in a sanctioned tourna-

"I think I'm definitely a little closer (to being No.1)", Capriati said. "This gives me confidence."

Seles and Capriati last meant two weeks ago in an exhibition at Mahwah, N.J. where Capriati won 6-3,7-5. Seles had prevailed in both of their previous tour matches.

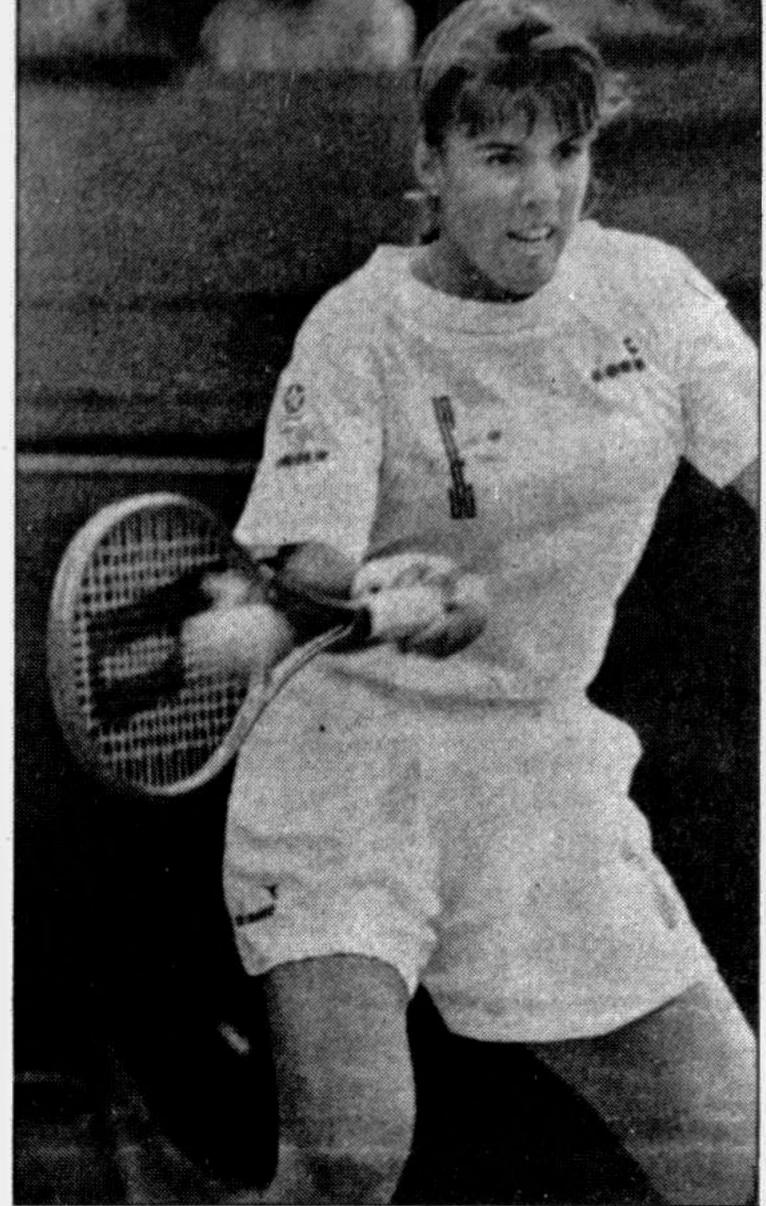
Capriati only has a learner's permit to drive, but had no trouble testing he prize, a special-edition car, on the roads at the La Costa Resor and

"She was perfect. With a stick (shift), too," said her father, Stefano, who went along for the ride.

The keys and dirs 45,000 were presented to Capriati after she rebuffed a comeback by Seles in the third set and then prevailed by winning the last five points of the tiebreaker for a 7-2 edge.

l played very well," Capriati said." I just had to keep fighting until the end. I went in thinking that I'd play mitt game an serve well, which i did. I just tried to attack and go for it."

By recording her second career title, Capriati moved from 10th to eighth in the rankings, She last won at the



Jennifer Capriati of US on way to her victory over Seles

Puerto Rican Open in October Open.

Seles, who received dirs 20,200 for second, place, returned to the tour for the first time since winning he \_second Grand Slam title of the year June 8 at the French

The match brought together the two youngest finalists in the Open era of women's tennis that began in

Seles, 17, and Capriati are younger than Tracy Austin and

HYDERABAD, India, Aug 5: Mario Soares headed in the equaliser in the final seconds to help hosts India force a 1-1 draw against Oman in the opening match of the Asian Group B pre-Olympic football tournament here Sunday, reports AFP.

Both teams were locked goalless at half-time.

Soares headed in high corner kick from Indian captain Bruno Coutinho in the 90th minute to level scores after Naseer Mohammad had put Oman up in the first minute of the second session.

Oman's speedy striker Younis Eid set up his team's goal with a lighting run down the right flank and an elegant backpass to the unmarked Naseer who kicked hard into

the empty Indian goal. India pressed hard for the equaliser but were pushed back by the sturdy Oman defence before Soares found the target to the delight of over 40,000 home fans at the Lal Bahadur Shastri Stadium.

Favourite Syria, Lebanon and Kuwait are the other countries taking part in the tenday, round-robin league tournament. The winner moves up to the final qualifying round for next year's Barcelona Olympics.

Syria take on Lebanon today.

### Teams

INDIA: Mohammad Qadir, Mohammad Syeed, Aloke Das, Jacinto D'Silva, Emmanuel, Mario Soares, Jhantu Dey (I.M. Vijayan), Thomas Khursboo, Roy Barreto, Kiran Khonsai (Godfrey Perreira), Bruno Coutinho.

OMAN: Suleiman Khamis, Faraj Freish, Zahir Salim, Khalifa Abdullah, Ahmed Khamis, Naseer Mohammad, Mohammad Zaid, Khalfan Zaid, Self Mohammad, Shahad Ramzan, Younis Eid (Matar Khalifa).

# India beat Oman | Hosts dominate Pan-Am games

HAVANA, Aug 5: Sabrina Dornhoefer won the first US athletics gold of the Pan-American Games on Sunday as her team fought to stem an early medals surge by Cuba that put the hosts on top of the medal table with 13 golds after two days of competition, reports Reuter.

There was bitter disappointment for the United States when their women's basketball team went down 87-83 to Brazil in a qualifying round ending a 42-game winning streak by the Americans.

Dornhoefer's victory in the women's 3,000 metres, the last event of the second day of the Games, took the US to five gold medals. Canada and Colombia had two golds aptece and Mexico followed with a single gold medal.

The US athletics gold followed earlier US successes in the women's cycling 50 km team time trial, the women's three-metre springboard diving and the men's 1000 metres single kayak.

US kayaker Mike Herbert had the satisfaction of receiving his gold medal directly from the hands of Cuban President Fidel Castro, who put sportsmanship before politics to make the presentation.

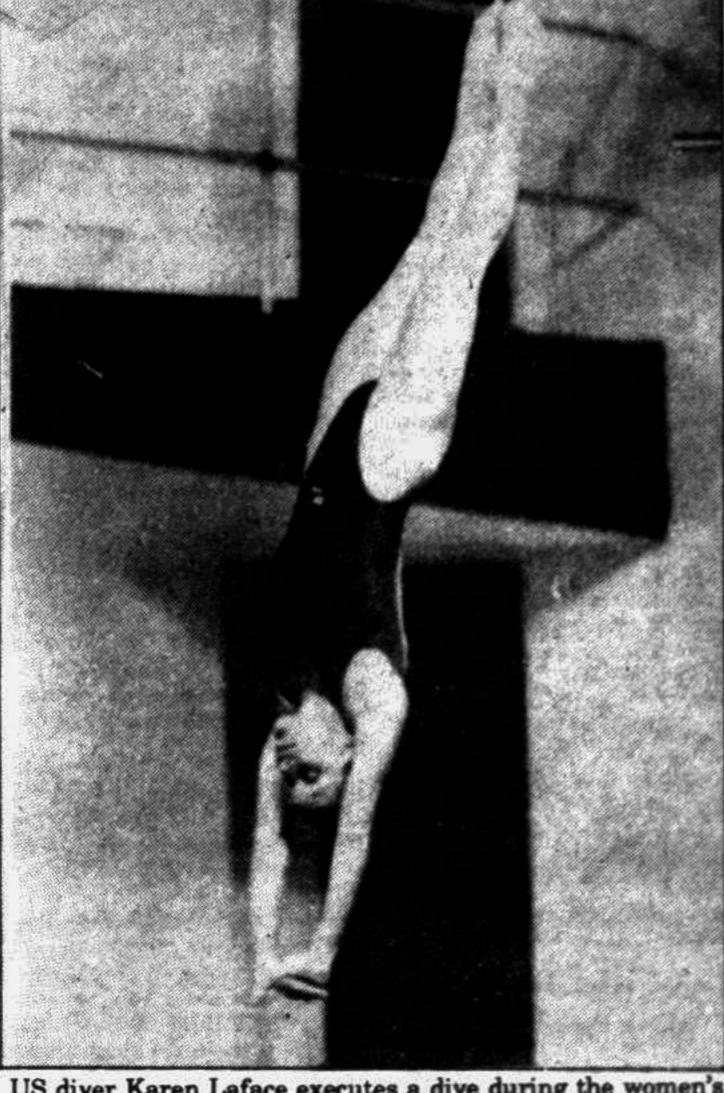
The Cuban President, who is a keen sports fan, made a surprise visit to the canoeing course outside Havana to watch Cuban paddlers demolish traditional US supremacy in the

Herbert briefly disappointed him by beating Cuban Angel Perez, who had won three gold medals in the first day of competition Saturday.

But the lone US gold could not stop a near Cuban sweep in the canoeing and kayaking. By the end of the day they had dethroned the US as Pan-American canoeing champions with 10 golds out of the 13 disputed over the two-day competition.

Signalling communist-ruled Cuba's' determination to take on the US on all fronts, Belsy Laza outstripped her US challengers to win the gold in the women's shot put with a throw of 18.87 metres.

Cuba's cyclists also shared gold with Colombia in the men's 100 kilometre team time trial, squeezing the US into third place over the fast, flat course on the central highway south west of the



US diver Karen Laface executes a dive during the women's three metres springboard final won Sunday at the eleventh Pan-American Games. Laface won the gold medal with a total of 473.970 points.

Cuban capital. Confirming their sparking form in Europe this season, Cuba's Ana Fidelia Quirot and Roberto Hernandez both easily won their 400 meters semi-fi-

nals heats. Quirot, the reigning Pan-American 400 and 800 metres champion, bounded ahead of the field from the gun and never looked back, winning in 50.69 seconds as the stadium resounded to chants of "Cuba, Cuba".

World 60 metres indoor champion Andre Cason ignored a tropical downpour to comfortably win his 100 metres semi-final ahead of Brazil's Arnaldo Oliveira.

He will face tougher opposition in the final today from Brazil's Robson Caetano da Silva and John Mair of Jamaica

who also qualified for the final without difficulty.

The sudden rain all but emptied the 35,000-seat Olympic Stadium which had filled slowly during the afternoon as Cubans foresook their normal Sunday activities to watch the biggest sporting event their country has ever staged.

### MEDAL TABLE

Medal table at the end of the first two days of the Pan American Games in Cuba on B Total

	CUDE	13				
	US	5	6	6	17	
	Canada	2	4	7	13	
	Colombia	2	(1 <del>9</del> )	* 5	2	
	Mexico	1	4	3	8	
	Brasil	+	1	2	3	
	Argentina		1	1	2	
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# Sampras ends title drought | Heroes' welcome best weapon.



LOS ANGELES, Aug 5: Pete Sampras, fine-tuning his form to defend his U.S. Open title later

this month, won his first championship since the Open, beating Brad Gilbert in three sets late Sunday at the Volvo Tennis tournament, reports Sampras, the second seed,

defeated fourth-seeded Gilbert 6-2, 6-7 (5-7) 6-3 in two hours and six minutes.

"It was important for me to win today for my confidence," said Sampras, who had been sidelined much of the year with injuries. To win in Los Angeles makes me happy.

Sampras, 19, grew up in suburban Los Angeles and now lives in Florida.

After losing the first set, Gilbert came back in the second, jumping out to a 3-0 lead. Sampras broke later in the set to narrow Gilbert's lead to 4-3. Both held serve the rest of the

in the tiebreaker, the two traded points until Gilbert capitalized on two unforced errors by Sampras to even the match. "I started playing better in the second and I got unlucky

in the third," said Gilbert, who turns 30 next week! " I was coming in more and I couldn't work myself in. He was hitting very hard and i couldn't get any rhythm." In the third set, Sampras

went up 4-2 on a break and held his serve to rest of the way to take the dirs 32,400 winner's share. After overcoming shin

splints and injuries to his hamstring and calf, Sampraswas hungry for a victory. But then again, so was Gilbert, who hasn't won since September 1990 and was playing in only

Australia, Aug 5:

South Africa will

World

pionships pro-

1) Squash Cham-

vided the country meets

certain conditions on unified

non-racial sport and the

dismantling of apartheid, the

International Squash Players

Association (ISPA) said on

The ISPA said it had

accepted a tender for the

men's event to be held in

Johannesburg, probably in

backing of all its players

including six times world

champion and ISPA board

chairman Jahangir Khan of

Pakistan who has never played

the conditions we have laid

down for non-racial sport are

met," Jahangir told reporters,

"I am happy to go there if

The ISPA decision had the

Monday, reports Reuter.

August.

in the republic.

felt the same way.

his second final this year. "I had to fight to the last point," Sampras said. "He could have won the match."

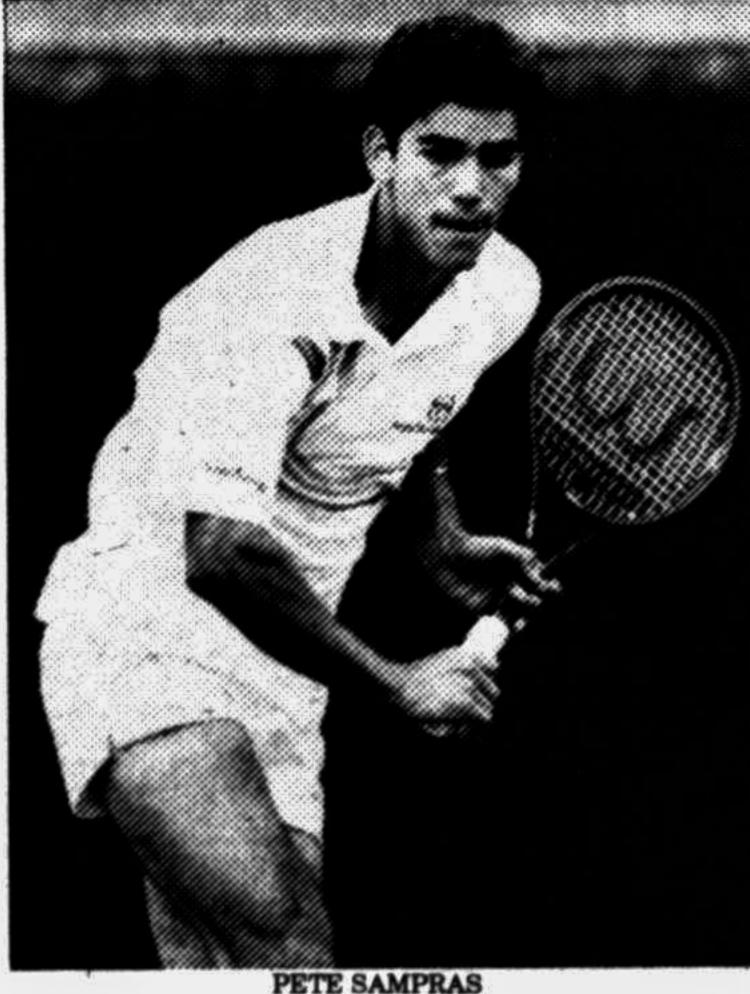
Gilbert advanced to the final with a three-set upset of Stefan Edberg, who was slowed by tendinitis in his

up 2-1 in the first set and

"He's going to get aces be-

cause he's like a guy that throws a curve when you're not looking for it," said Gilbert. "He has a hard serve to read because it comes quickly out of

With three weeks until the Sampras broke Gilbert to go U.S. Open, Sampras said he fi-



PETE SAMPRAS

went on to win the last three games. He lost only five points on his serve and aced Gilbert on set point.

nally feels prepared to defend

"I'm healthy and I'm more experienced," he said. "My confidence is up and I'm ready to go to the Open."

our fully multinational organisation in a world event in South Africa can only help give a boost not only to squash but also to all other sports under the new circumstances there (South Africa)," Eady

"We have the opportunity to show what can be done." The ISPA has asked the

### Devoy's crown

New Zealand's Susan Devoy won the South Australian Open women's squash championship on Sunday but only after being taken to five games by Australia's Liz Irving, reports

Devoy, the top seed, eventually wore down sixth-seeded Irving to win 9-3, 4-9, 9-2, 7-

Zealander showed few signs of fatigue from Saturday's tough semifinal against Michelle martin of Australia, sending irving running all over the court in the final game.

Squash Rackets Association of Southern Africa to form united, non-racial controlling body with the South African Squash Federation (SASF).

The SASF was a former rival

standpoint had been "No normal sport in an abnormal society", Eady said. Eady said the proposed merger between the two organisations would enable

body of the SRASA whose

South Africa to rejoin the International Squash Rackets Federation (ISRF). "I am assured the merger of the two bodies is likely to

happen in the relatively near

future," Eady said. The planned tournament will offer a record purse of 160,000 US dollars compared with this year's 120,000

dollars The current record prize an individual tournament is 125,000 US dollars being offered for the Agia World Cup event in Dubai in December.

The last significant ISPAsanctioned even held in South Africa was the world individual and team championships held in 1973.

## **NEW DELHI, Aug** He said the form India dis-



: India's jubilant team returned to a hero's welcome her Sunday after ending a long

drought by winning the sixnation Sultan Azlan Shah hockey tournament in Malaysia, reports AFP. "All of us played extremely

well," captain Pargat Singh named player-of-the -tourna-

ment, said of the victory which no one at home had expected. The players were greeted with garlands and bouquets by a large crowd of fans and hockey officials who crowded the airport to receive the team, which coach Balkishen Singh said was on its way back

to the top. "This is not the end, this is just the beginning," the beaming coach said of the victory in lpoh, which fetched India its first major hockey title after the 1988 Marshalls Cup in

played in beating favourites Pakistan to the title had made him confident the squad would surely qualify for the Olympics. India plays in the qualification tournament in Auckalnd,

"The boys are very hard working and very keen to do well," Balkishen Singh said, as hockey administrator R. Prasad cautioned the team against developing swollen head because of the victory in Malaysia.

New Zealand, October 12-26.

Of the experience in Ipoh, team manager D.S Murthy reported "absolutely no disenchantment," but the coach had one minor grouse too many parties that kept the team awake until late.

"We were in a helpless position. We could not refuse the invitation," he said, nothing that his team was up until midnight on the eve of the crucial match against Pakistan whole India eventually beat

# Natrobt, Kenya. NZ pip Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 5 : New Zealand scored a 3-2 win over Malaysia in a friendly match here Monday after the two sides were tied 1-1 at halftime, reports AFP.

The New Zealandes, who finished fourth in the six-nation Sultan Azlan Shah invitational field hockey championships over the weekend, opened accounts in the first minute when Richard Schoeman connected a free hit by Craig Russ.

The Malaysians slowly Perez Roldan keeps San Marino title

SAN MARINO, Aug 5: Guillermo Perez-Roldan, aiming to climb back into tennis top 20, beat Frenchman Frederic Fontang on Sunday to retain his San Marino open title, reports Reuter.

The top-seeded Agrentine dismissed unseeded Fontang 6-3,6-1 in the final to claim the seventh title of his career. Perez-Roldan, ranked 14th

in the world earlier this year had slipped to 33rd at the start of the San Marino tournament. He was forced to pull out of the final of a tournament in Munich in April with damaged knee ligaments. Fontang virtually unknown

outside France before the tournament, upset number two seed Jordi Arrest of Spain in the second round. Fontang did not drop a set until the final. The Argentine, who also won the tournament last year

by beating Omar Camporese, collected a first prize check of dirs 32,400. Fontang played well through the sixth game but then could

not keep up with the aggres-

be quick, Chicago gets burned sive game played by Perez at this German version of Candlestick," said the home-The Argentine seemed to made banner that fluttered start slow, engaging in prolonged exchanges from the among a sea of red-clad San baseline. But he took control of Francisco 49ers fans. the match when he decided to play more aggressively and who was not pleased with his

charge the net. Fontang earned 19000 dollars for second place.

worked their way back and equalised in the 16th minute when K Embaraj scored from a penalty corner.

The Kiwis had a chance to take the lead in the 30th minute when umpire Balbeer Singh awarded a penalty stroke but Jamie Smith's shot was saved by keeper Ahmad However, New Zealand took

the lead in the 46th minute when skipper Peter Daji ran in and scored off a pass from Craig Russ. The Malaysians again

equalised in the 62nd minute when Sarjit Singh flicked in a pass from K Embaraj off a penalty corner. New Zealand scored the winning goal in the 65th

minute when Caig Russ sounded the board following a penalty corner. The Malaysians forced three penalty corners in the last five minutes of the game but failed

The win was also a sweet one for the New Zealanders who lost 1-2 to Malaysia last

to score.

Both teams will play another match Tuesday to reciprocate Malaysia's visit to New Zealand in May where Malaysia drew one and lost four

was one glance in the stands at

"Chicago be nimble, Chicago

Bears coach Mike Ditka

team's offensive performance

in a 21-7 preseason loss, said

at least the 66,876 fans should

Olympic Stadium, reports AP.

BERLIN, Aug 5: If

the Bears needed

any reminder

that they were far

from the Windy

City, all it took

American keeps Italians ahead

COWES, England, Aug 5: An American is . threatening to snatch Yachting's Admirals Cup glory from defending titlist Britain and hand it to Italy, reports AP. John Kolius, captain of the

August 3.

Italian team's 50-foot (15-meter) Mandrake, has steered the yacht to victory in both of the two races so far to put Italy firmly in the lead Sunday. The US challenge for a trophy it has not won since 1969

received a major boost as improved form saw the threeyacht team move into second place overall after the 200mile (322 -kilometer) Channel David Clarke's one-tonner

vibes took second behind the British yacht Port Pendennis and the 50-foot (15-meter) Champosa VII took fourth in

49ers, so they got their wishes

came true on a sultry Saturday

tions out there. We had the

wrong calls going into the

game on offense and didn't ex-

ecute very well," Ditka said. "If

we don't improve significantly.

we're going to have a lot of

But few of Ditka's wishes

"We had the wrong forma-

have been satisfied.

anyway." he said.

But the real US triumph was a victory for Bravura, the two-tonner which cruised home four minutes ahead of its rivals. The American owner, Irv Loube, was to have been taking part as a crew member. But he has ben forced to watch from the shore due to illness, handing control over to Bob Towse.

Cuban President Fidel Castro (L) talks with Manuel Goncalves (R), president of the Cuban

Olympic Committee during opening ceremonies of Pan-Am Games at Santiago, Cuba, on

Britain, pushed into third position by the US charge which put the Americans just six points behind Italy, needs to improve consistency in the five inshore races starting this week if the host nation is to hold on to the trophy.

The first is on Monday and the series ends with the grueling Fastnet race, a 605 miles (973-kilometer) haul

Far from home, 49ers still favoured opened with a 6-0 win over "Most of them were for the

Chicago also may have lost defensive end Eric Kumerow for the season with a ruptured right Achilles tendon.

The 49ers (2-0), one of the best road teams in American sports, finally won an overseas game on their third try. San Francisco had lost in London in 1988 and in Tokyo in 1989.

"Passing is pretty much what the Niners have been known for in past years. Carter said. The thing we want to do this year is just get our running game going a little better."

toward Ireland, starting next

Saturday. Tricky winds left the Channel racers struggling for positions and the Italian dominance of the event showed with Kolius leading from the gun when racing started on Friday afternoon.

The Danish Yacht Unibank,

competing in the 50-foot (15meter) class and skippered by Jens Christensen, received two official complaints from rivals which led to a disciplinary hearing by race officials. After hearing evidence from the complaining crews, Unfbank was penalized 20 per

cent of its points for the Channel race, leaving the Danish challenge faltering in sixth position. Britain's poor form left 25year-old head skipper Stuart Childerley tired and disap-

provement in the coming Things haven't gone as we would have liked and the Americans have raced well to move into second place,

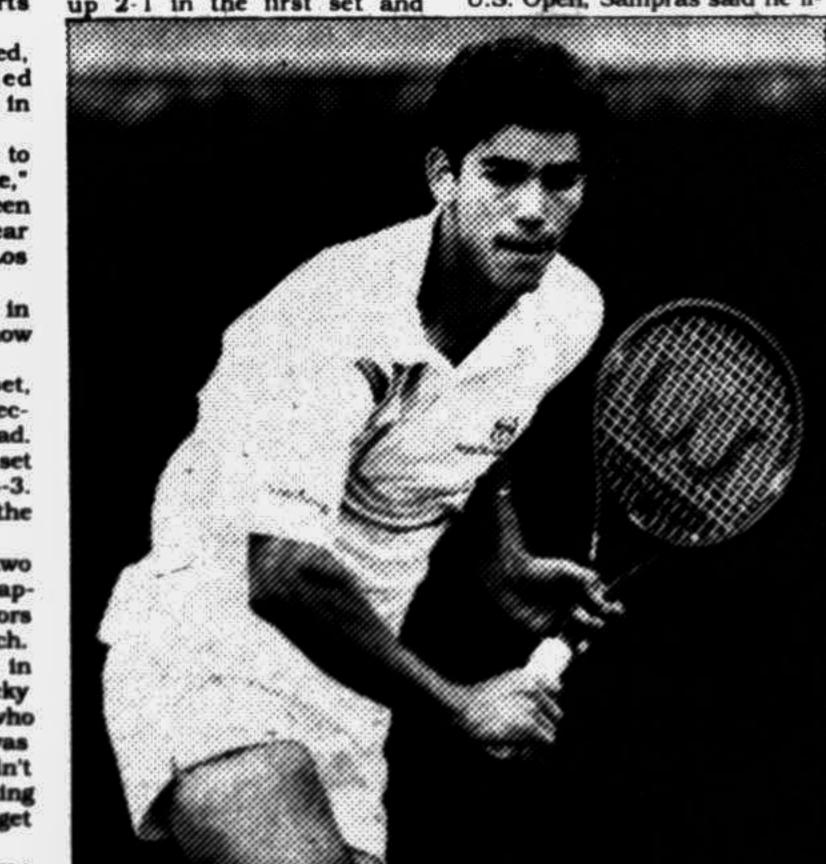
pointed and hoping for an im-

Childerley said. "We are improving every time we take to the water and we just have to hope we hit our best before the end of the week," the Wings of oracle

kipper said Seymour struck nine fours, mostly with stinging drives, and was out the ball after lifting Richards to long-off for six. When they batted again, West Indies quickly lost the wickets of Desmond Haynes, Richie Richardson, Carl

Hooper and Richards.

problems with our offense." The Bears (1-1) scored their only touchdown of a 22yard reverse by Glen Kozlowsi and now have only 13 points in two preseason games. They



Gilbert said Sampras' pow-

erful serve continues to be his

Rodney Martin, said he

S Africa may host '92 World Open

welcomed the move. "I'm sure the appearance of

ADELAIDE, Australia, Aug 5:

The experienced New

adding that all ISPA players ISPA executive director Roger Eady, in Adelaide for the 1991 World Squash Open, won on Sunday by Australia's