Windies crash by an innings



HOBART, Austra-Itá. Dec 23: An Australian eleven crushed the West indies by an innings and 93 runs at Bellierive Oval in the

Tasmanian capital on Monday, reports Reuter. The tourists, resuming their second innings at 50 for two, lost their last eight wickets for just 83 runs to be all

lunch . Victorian leg-spinner Shane Warne captured four for 42 to end with match figures of seven for 56 off 20.3 overs.

out for 133 shortly before

The West Indies began the day with an escape but their luck did not last. Keith Arthurton hit the first ball, from Chris Matthews to square leg where Queenslander Stuart Law dived to his left but could not hold the catch.

Matthews struck back with his fourth ball, inducing lefthander Brian Lara to play on .

Victorian paceman Paul Reiffel, dropped from the Australian squad to meet India in the second Test in Melbourne on December 26, claimed Arthurton's wicket . with the first ball of the day's second over.

At that stage Reiffel had three for 13 off seven overs and the tourists were recling at 51 for four. Carl Hooper cracked 33

runs, including a six and three'

fours, off 32 balls before he was caught by Mark Bevan off spinner Shane Warne . Captain Desmond Hanes managed only six before he was caught behind off Bruce Reid.

The tourist seventh wicket fell at 95 when Robert Hyanes was caught by Matthews while trying to sweep a Warne delivery. Wicketkeeper David Williams was quickly caught by lan Healy. Cummins and Hamish Anthony delayed the bowlers briefly before Anthony was caught by substitute Jamic Cox at short extra cover off Warne for 15. Cummins remained 15 not out. The West Indies innings came to an ignominious end the next ball after Patrick Patterson tried to Smash Warne away but was stumped by Healy.

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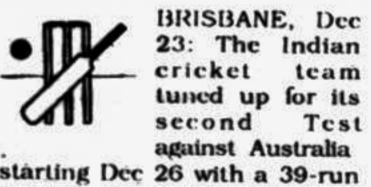
Warne had match figures of seven for 56 off 20.3 overs. Reiffel finished with second innings figures of three for 32, while Matthews claimed two

The loss continued a dismal tour Down Under for the West

The Caribbean team currently trails Australian and India in the limited-overs World Series Cup tournament, in which it is without a victory 'n four matches. The West Indies next faces

Queensland in a one-day match an innings and 93 runs. in Cairns beginning Dec 26.

Morale boost for India



against Australia starting Dec 26 with a 39-run win Monday over Queensland at the Brisbane Cricket Ground, reports AP.

India declared its second innings at 177 for two after 50 minutes on the fourth morning Monday, leaving the home side a 313-run target for victory in two and a half sessions.

Queensland, led by a 23rd first-class hundred from former Test batsman Greg Ritchie, was bowled to for 273 seven minutes before stumps.

The match signaled a return to form from several players on the Indian side, which iost the first Test in Brisbane by 10 wickets earlier this month.

Mohammad Azharuddin hit out for an unbeaten 90 while spinner Venkat Raju, ineffective during the first Test, made a bid to

off 24.5 overs. The victory was India's ini-

India struck up an agreement with Queensland Sunday to open the way for a result on the final day.

Vengsarkar, who finished with 82 not out, added 172 for the third wicket before calling the innings closed. The pair added 86 runs in

Monday with Vengsarkar string three sixes and Azharuddin two.

Ritchie made 107, while Australian captain Allan Border hit a quickfire 33. Scores:

177-2 Azharuddin 90 not out, Dilip Vengsarkar Queensland 319-4 dec and 273 (Greg Ritchie 107, Venkat Raju 6-81). India won by 39 runs.

retain his spot with six for 81

the 50 minutes together

tial first-class win on tour.

Azharuddin and Dilip

In the Queensland innings

best by then," said Marsh. The 30-year-old opening India 454 for 9 dec and

batsmen suffered the injury dec (Mohammad when he collided with teammate Dean Jones. 82 not out).

by 10 wickets earlier this

Late-comer Couples lifts trophy



Jamaiča, Dec 23 : Fred Couples ptcked up a special invitation about a month ago and,

MONTEGO BAY.

as a result, pick-ed up dirs 525,000 and his third victory of the season Sunday, reports

"I hadn't qualified and I wasn't even thinking about" the new World Championship "and then I got the invitation," Couples said after his fourstroke victory over Bernhard

"Not even being in the tournament, and then winning

it, it's an incredible feeling,"

Couples said. "But the best thing is you look around to see who you beat and it's Azinger and Langer and Faldo and Ballesteros and Norman and Purtzer.

"There are only 26 guys here, but they're the best and that makes it really special,"

Couples got away to a quick start under calm conditions and took command of the tournament when he ripped a 3-iron second shot 215 yards to 3 feet (1 meter) of the flag on the par-5 fifth hole at the

Tryall Resort.

a wrong foot.

some good tennis."

Connors' heroics.

to create some drama and play

Few could forget Connors

to default against

gut wrenching effort that

Michael Chang in the third

round at Roland Garros tennis.

It was just the beginning of

"From that point on was a

high. Going to Wimbledon and

playing the middle Sunday

there with the true sports fans

and the way they were doing

the wave and cheering for ten-

at Wimbledon and winning and

everything, that had to be the

tennis for five weeks to play

Team Tennis. Then to go back

to the Open" - where he sim-

ply made the semifinals after

beating Aaron Krickstein on

pectations by my result at the

ever played in front of crowds

like that. The way they got into

the tennis. The support. The

cheering. And the way they got

into everything about the

trying to think of away to ex-

took me 20 years to get that

kind of feeling and reception

and to be able to get their ap-

preciation back for what I do.

took me 20 years to get and

plain it. But I cannot.

you can't forget that."

"That period,... I have been

"I've played 20 years and it

"You just can't buy that. It

"I exceeded all my own ex-

"I have never ever, ever

his 39th birthday.

US Open.

best day I ever had there."

"Out of all the years I played

Then getting away from

go 4-under for the day after five holes and was on his way to a 5-under 66 that left the rest of the field behind.

in a long time," Couples said. It was the best round of the tournament. His 3-under 281

Couples, who earlier this st. Jude Classic on the U.S. PGA Tour and played a key role in the United States' Ryder

Cup victory, won dlrs 525,000 from the total purse.

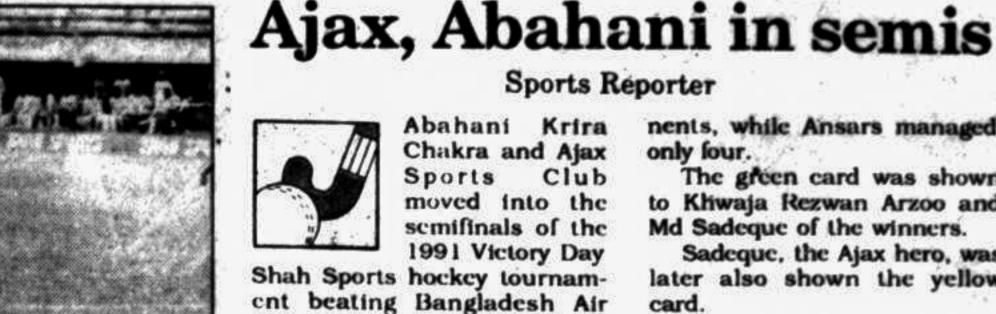
French. They thought I wasn't ready to play. It was a Grant Slum tournament and not to go in there and play and get off on "I went there with an open mind and played well enough Platini 1983-85.

WHYM.



of the year

(France) Olympique marseille 141;2. Lothar matthacus (Germany) Inter Milan. 3. Darko Pancev (Yugoslavia) Red Star Belgrade 4. Dejan Savicevic (Yugoslavia) Red Star Belgrade-all 42: 5. Robert Prosineck (Yugoslavia) Red Star Belgrade Real Madrid 34; 6. Gary Lineker (England) Tottenham 33: 7. Otanluca Vialli (Italy) Samdoria 18; 8. Miodrag Belodedic (Yugoslavia) Red Star Belgrade 15; 9. Mark Hughes (Wales) Manchester United 12; 10. Chris Waddle (England) Olympique mar-



Chakra and Ajax

Sports Club moved into the semifinals of the 1991 Victory Day

Shah Sports hockey tournament beating Bangladesh Air Force and Bangladesh Ansars respectively at the Dhaka Hockey Stadium yesterday.

Abahani Krira Chakra and Ajax Sports Club moved into the semifinals of the 1991 Victory Day Shah Sports hockey tournament beating Bangladesh Air Force and Bangladesh Ansars respectively at the Dhaka Hockey Stadium yesterday.

In the first match of the day Ajax outplayed Ansars 2-0 in the Group-C final. Both goals were scored in the second

Though Ajax dominated the whole match, they had to wait until the 57th minute when Md Sadeque converted a penalty stroke. Sadeque scored his second

and completed the tally in the 62nd minute. Ajax carned nine penalty

not a ball was bowled on the corners, a clear sign of their second nor third days because supremacy over their oppo-The first match of the

Sports Reporter

nents, while Ansars managed only four. The green card was shown to Khwaja Rezwan Arzoo and

Md Sadeque of the winners. Sadeque, the Ajax hero, was later also shown the yellow

In the Group-A championship engagement, Abahani outplayed Air Force by a similar margin. The winners led the first half 1-0.

Though Abahani won the match, they found in Air Force a determined opponent. The losers forced two corners and two penalty corners as against a solitary corner and one penalty corner of the winners.

Jumman Lushai put Abahani ahead in the 12th minute by converting the penalty corner beautifully. Akhtar Hossain scored a

spectacular field goal for the Dhanmondi side to seal the fate of the match. Abahani and Ajax clash in

the first semifinal of the tournament on December 25. TODAY'S MATCHES

Mariner Youngs Club vs Army (1:45 pm)

Mohammedan SC vs Usha KC (3:15 pm).

PSV consolidate lead

AMSTERDAM, Dec 23 : PSV Eindhoven, 4-0 winners at Twente Enschede, pulled two points clear as Feyenoord crashed 3-1 to arch-rivals Ajax in the Dutch soccer First Division on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Ajax's victory in Dutch soccer's classic in Amsterdam was sweet revenge for their 2-0 defeat at Rotterdam last month and left them five points behind leaders PSV. Feyenord, who began the

day behind PSV only on goals, now have 30 points to the leaders' 32. The classic, played in front

of 50,000 fans in Amsterdam's Olympic Stadium got off to a flying start when midfielder Wim Jonk put Ajax ahead after seven minutes with a 25-metre drop behind PSV, created several chances but were kept out by acrobatic keeping from Stanley Menzo. Stefan Pettersson made up

minutes into the game by increasing Ajax's lead with a penalty shortly after the break after a foul on Dennis Bergkamp. PSV started slowly against

fifth placed FC Twente with just one goal in the first half through Romanian Libero Giga

Wim Keft opened a flurry of second half goals in the 48th minute. Zambian international Kalusha Bwalya scored five minutes later and forced an own goal by Twente's Clemens.

Papin Europe's best booter

GUJRANWALA,

Pakistan, Dec 23:

Pakistan team

manager Intikhab

Alam wants Test

matches in his

country extended to a sixth

day to beat the sort of bad

weather that has plagued the

current match with Sri Lanka,

Arrows of wrath

boxer from the remote

province of Irian Jaya, appar-

ently offended by his coach,

shot him in the legs with poi-

soned arrows, the Jakarta

Post said on Monday, reports

The coach Budi Susanto,

was recovering in hospital in

central Jaya after doctors

managed to remove the

arrows before the poison

poked fun at the unidentified

boxer who then went home

to get his arrows. He was ar-

used in tribal battles in Irian

Jaya, the Indonesian half of

the island of New Guinea, ii

rested after the attack.

The paper said he had

Bows and arrows are still

JAKARTA, Dec 23: A young

reports Reuter.

Reuter.

arided.

could spread.

PARIS. Dec 23 Olympique Marscille's star striker Jean-Pierre Papin was voted European footballer-ofthe-year on Sunday, reports

Papin, 28, collected 141 points out of a possible 145, the second highest score ever, but the rapidly dissolv ing state of Yugoslavia was the other winner of the contest with four men in the top 10.

The award was announced on French television after votes were east by judges from 29 European countries.

Papin beat a trio of players in second place with 42 points: Inter Milan's Lothar Matthaus, captain of World Cup holders Germany and last year's winner, plus Yugoslavia's Dejan Savicevic and Darko Pancy, who guided Red Star Belgrade to victory against Papin's side in the European Cup final.

Their former team mate Robert Prosinckei, now with Real Madrid, was next with 34 points, followed by England captain Gary Lineker.

Papin is only the third Frenchman to win since the award was started in 1956, and follows in the footsteps of Raymond Kopa (1958) and three-time winner Michel

The country's top goa lscorer for the past four seasons, Papin is expected to move to an Italian club next



seille 11.

area for Nigel Clough to run on Leeds United blew their chance



English First Divi-

sion when they played out a goalless draw away to Nottingham Forest on Sunday. reports AFP. That leaves them level on

An Abahani forward is thwarted by a brave Bangladesh Air Force goalkeeper in yesterday

afternoon's Victory Day meet match at the Hockey Stadium. Abahani won 2-0. -Star photo

Bid to extend Gujranwala Test

the first three days have been

lost in the second Test, which

is due to resume on Tuesday

after the rest day, with

resumption to the first-ever

Test here seems bleak. As on

every day since the start of the

match, thick fog blanketed

Gujranwala on Monday morn

ing. A thin cloud formed later

difficulties was to say he would

make a proposal to the Board

of Control for Cricket in

Pakistan (BCCP) for extending

Tests played at this time of

year to six days to make up for

the time lost because of bad

total playing hours in a six-day

Test should remain the same

as in a five-day Test.

remained unharmed.

But he told reporters the

Sri Lanka tour manager

Ranjith Fernando said although

a brief but heavy shower of rain

on the second day on Saturday

made the soft ground un-

playable, the covered pitch

good," he said. "I think the

ground was done up recently

The pitch was very, very

Intikhab's response to the

Yet the chance of a prompt

Pakistan on 109 for two.

causing more fears.

weather.

More than two and a half of

Manchesters but from two games more and with an inferior goal difference. For all their possession and pressure, Leeds failed to produce a clear-cut opening, and

The first fell to Teddy

Keane squeezed a ball into the

and shoot wide of the far post. Then, three minutes from the end, Clough saw a snap shot from just inside the area

and it became a bit muddy as a

result of short (fall of) rain.

don't think anybody could be

the first day's play to 36 overs,

three-Test series at Sialkot

was also hit by bad light and

Guenthardt is

Graf's new coach

23: Heinz Guenthardt is the

new coach of Steffi Graf, the

No 2 woman tennis player in

the world, her father and

manager Peter Grai

announced Sunday, reports AP

Davis Cup coach, will travel

with Graf to Australia after

Christmas. Graf will join Boris

Becker in the Hopman Cup in

Perth and will then go to

Melbourne for the Australian

Czechoslovak coach Pavel

Slozil in November, following a

Graf parted company with

Open, Peter Graf said.

five-year partnership.

Guenthardt, former Swiss

BRUEIIL, Germany, Dec

After bad light restricted

blamed for it.

of the effects of rain.

ended in a draw.

well stopped by the alert John Leeds lost captain Gordon Strachan with a hamstring injury 17 minutes from time to make it an even bleaker after-

noon, although the Scottish international was below par throughout. Strachan was one of six men over 30 in the side, and

there are those who feel that the presence of so many senior players could have a harmful effect on Leeds' title tilt, particularly as their game is centered on an energetic, all-ac-LINEKER'S GOAL

Gary Lineker's first goal since his comeback earned Tottenham hostpur their fifth away win of the season - but they had to withstand a batwinning 2-1. Spurs, kicking into the sierce wind in the first half,

established a two-goal lead inside 35 minutes. Terry Fenwick broke free on the right and from his cross Paul Wails glanced home his

third goal in four games. Spurs increased their lead in the 35 minute, with Lincker showing that he has lost none of his sharpness while taking time off to look after his baby

David Howells again delivcred a telling ball, freeing Lincker who took his time before hammering his 20th good of the season, and first since November 16. past Nigel Martyn.

Paul Mortimer headed over and had a goal disallowed before Palace finally managed to pull one back. Fenwick this time was the unlucky culprit.

done well to keep out Mark Bright's close range shot.

carned point against promotion-chasing rivals Southernd. But they were left feeling

given them the perfect start. He headed the visitors infront in the opening minute following a long throw-in from

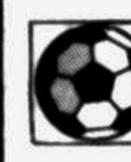
Richard Wilkins. Southern came more into the match and deservedly levelled just before the break as full back Dcan Austin's cross

was met, perfectly by lan Benjamin to head home against his former colleagues. Cambridge almost snatched a winner two minutes from time but were denied by the

agility of goalkeeper Paul

Sansonic who dived to his left

1991: A year of contradictions



fenses?

Despite Diego's demise, Argentina flourished under new leadershtp. While some

French clubs tackled bankruptcy, the national team was reborn under Michel Platini, reports AP.

And Yugoslav teams thrived on smooth, skilful teamwork against a backdrop of civil unrest that split the nation. For soecer, 1991 was a year

of contradictions. Who would have thought Italy's Napoli and the Argentine national team could fare well without the mercurial Maradona, who slipped into reclusion after arrests in both countries for alleged drugs of-

Napoli is challenging strongly for the leadership of the Italian league, while Argentina won the South American nations championship under new coach Alfio Bastle for the first time in 32 years. Who would have believed

two of Europe's most enterprising teams, Red Star Belgrade and Olympique Marscille, could play such a negative Champions Cup final in Bari, Red Star admitted after wards it played defensively to

stifle the French team and concentrate on reaching a penalty shootout - which it won - to become the first Yugoslav team to win the title. It was a goalless final that brought calls to climinate the penalty shootout. Yet when FIFA's rule-changing international Board met to try and

improve the game, it con-

centrated instead on punishing

deliberate goal-saving fouls and

experiments to restrict backpasses to the goalkeeper.

goal when it met Chile's Colo Colo in the Intercontinental Cup clash in Tokyo Dec 8. Colo Colo got there by beating Paraguay's Olimpia 3-0 after a goalless first leg, but in the annual battle between Europe's Champions Cup winner and the South American Liberator's



Platini... rench revival

Standout players such as midfielder Dejan Savicevic and striker Darko Pancey were among several from Red Star who powered Yugoslavia into next year's European Championship finals in Sweden with stylish, imaginative, soccer. Yugoslavia and Platini's

France will be two of the most attractive finalists, although the defending champion Netherlands will be there along with World Cup holder Germany. Under Platini, who cap-

Championship success in 1984, France won all eight of

1990 World Cup finalists Czechoslovakia and Spain. Yet the French domestic

picture showed many clubs in scrious financial disorder and Brest, which was demoted from the top league because of its plight, went out of existence in December.

English soccer also was in turmoil over plans to form a breakaway Premier Division of elite teams. The weaker clubs



Gascoigne...sidelined

eventually agreed to support it but the players' union threat ened a strike. But English soccer's return

to European competition for the first time since the 1985 Heysel tragedy ended with Manchester United beating Barcelona to win the Cup Winners Cup. Inter Milan. meanwhile, beat AS Roma in an all-Italian UEFA Cup final.

England's most talented player, spent most of the year mactive and looking ahead to a dirs 8 million move to Italy's

Association Cup final, fouling a Nottingham Forest player. The foul led to Forest's goal, the injury needed two operations but Tottenham rallied to win 2-1

winner's medal. The United States national team had a successful year under the leadership of Yugoslav coach Bora Milutinovic, winning the CONCACAF Cup for North and Central American

and Gascoigne collected a

John Harkes, a midfielder who was on the United States World Cup team last year, became the first American to win a cup medal in English soccer at Wembley. His Sheffield Wednesday team upset Mancheser United in the League Cup on top or garring promocion o division one.

The Americans made another little dent in international competition when its women's team won the inaugural Women's World Cup in China in November. The year ended with the

draw for the preliminary rounds of the 1994 World Cup in New York.
All the previous draws have: been held in FIFA's home city.

of Zurich but it was moved to New York because the finals will be staged in the United States for the first time. Although the general feeling was that the United States,

would produce a successful tournament, observers wondered whether the World Cup would lift soccer's low key image in the country. "Americans love the spectacle," said Bobby Charlton, a standout member of England's World Cup winning team in 1966. 'Hut I hope' it is not like the circus that comes to town and then is forgotted when it leaves."

For Connors, what a year!



The year surprised me.'

MUNICII, Dec 23 Jimmy Connors can look back at 1991 and smile. interesting year

in a lot of ways.

this year happy to start playing and ended up having a hell of a five-month run." "It's very difficult to say what the US Open did for me. Not only to my tennis but also my mind and my heart about

Connors said, "I started out

the game and about the sports / "I won't really appreciate it until I am away from tennis totally. When my competing days are over. I can sit down and say Hey. This was an in-credible time!"

Trouble is. Connors' competing days are not over year as he approaches 1992, writes AP.

"If I could go out and play

next year like I did this year... that would be pretty nice." He plans to give himself and his family a two-month break and hit the sea and the slopes before he comes back to tennis next year - the year he turns

"What is 40? It's just a number," Connors said. "I have a feeling once I start, I am going to get in there and have a good goal for myself." "If I do that. It will be an-

other year like this year. Away

from home. Travel. Sutteases. Airplane. Seeing not enough of my family, my wife and kids like that." "But on the other hand it's what I do. It's tough to accept and I have to block it out of my mind a little bit. But once I do

it, I am going to give my whole

time to it. My family under-

stands it. I understand it.

"I have a feeling I am going to do it again. And that's the

problem. But after concluding this year with a loss in the Grand Slam Cup, he could still smile. Last year at this time he was recovering from wrist surgery

and had dropped in the tennis



Then he came back well enough to qualify for the tournament which gathers the top finishers in the Grand Slam tournaments.

came back in February. I was more or less starting over and I was treated as such which is pretty understandable. To be out for a year and to try to come back was my problem."

different kind of problem." "And that is probably the one thing that shocked me to try to come back and want to play great tennis."

courage me from playing the

It did not come easy. "A lot happened when I first

> treated like a beginner was a "A lot of people tried to dis-

To try to come back and be

Arthurton c Healy b Reiffel Hooper e Bevan b Warne D Haynes c Healy b Reid R Haynes c Matthews b Williams c Healy b Matthews Cummins not out Anthony c Cook b Warne Patterson st Healy b Warne

Extras (2lb 10nb) Total Fall of wickets: 1-23; 2-33; 3-51; 4-51; 5-89; 7-95; 8-109;

Matthews

Moody

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West Indies 235 and 133

Australian XI won by an in-

SCOREBOARD

between an Australian XI and

the West Indies which ended

at Bellerive Oval today:

Best e Healy b Reiffel

Lara b Matthews

Wallace c Healy b Reiffel

Scoreboard for the match

WEST INDIES: first innings

AUSTRALIAN XI: First in-

West Indies: Second innings

nings 461 for nine declared.

(Shane Warne 4-42). Australian

XI 461-9 dec.

nings and 93 runs.

Batting time: 188 mins. Overs 44.2. Result: Australian XI won by

Marsh is fit

PERTII, Dec 23: Australian cricket vice-captain Geoff Marsh passed a fitness test on Monday and will play in the second Test against India starting in Mclbourne on Dec 26, reports AP.

Marsh batted and fielded in front of national selector Laurie Sawle to prove he has recovered from a neck injury suffered in a one-day international against the West Indies

He was first diagnosed to

neck but the injury was later discovered to be muscular. There is a touch of soreness but we have three days to go before the Test and I should be well and truly back to my

have a cracked bone in his

Australia holds a 1-0 lead in the five-test series after winning the first test in Brisbane

He made the eagle putt to

"One of may best last rounds total was the only subpar 72hole score in the tournament. year won the B.C. Open and the



Jean-Pierre Papin

of returning to the top of the

points with

in the end could have come unstuck against a Forest team who created three good ones. Sheringham in the 28th minute when Gary Charles found him eight yards out with a superb cross, but the two million pound striker headed

tamely wide. In the 75 minute, Roy

Red Star found its way to the



tained France to European

its qualification games in a

tough group that also included

Paul Gascoigne, arguably

The colourful Tottenham midfielder badly injured his knee in the English Football

Feyenord, anxious not to , for missing an open goal two

Poplescu. Dutch international striker

Leeds pass up chance to go to top keeper Erik Thorstvedt had from Crystal Palace before

At the top of the Second Division, Cambridge joined leaders Blackburn with a hard-

they should have gained bigger reward after Lee Philpott had

to keep out a point-blank effort the ball bouncing into his own from Tony Dennis. tling second-half fightback net off his knee after goal-