night, reports BSS.

trounced England 2-12.

7-year old girl

climbs Mont Blanc

8: A Swiss girl aged seven

years and four months

Tuesday climbed the 4,807-

metre (15,770-foot) Mont

Blanc, Europe's highest

mountain, becoming the

youngest person ever to do

so, the child's family said,

beat the record set by

another girl, eight-year-old

Christel Bochatay of France

in 1975, was said to be by

her father to be "in fine

at the age of five. Valerie

said the girl's father, a

Nat'l hockey

from tomorrow

Sports Reporter

championship, sponsored by

Basundhara and organised by

the Bangladesh Hockey

Federation, begins at the

Dhaka hockey stadium tomor-

The 14th national hockey

did a 3,940 -metre climb.

"We do lots of skiing, and

Valerie Schwartz, who

reports AFP.

form."

doctor.

CHAMONIX, France, Aug

Sports Reporter



it was a good day for the defending team champions yesterday, the third-day of the six-day 16th national table

tennis championships, now being held at the National Coaching Centre. All three team finals - the men's, boys' and the women's - saw last year's champions retain their grip on the title and renew their reign by another year, at

In the boys' team final held yesterday afternoon, defending champions Bangladesh Ansars beat Jessore DSA by three sets

Ansars led by national junior number one and two Rubel and Hamlet respectively, alongwith Selim, proved too good for the boys' from Jessore namely Ashit, Shamim and

despite conceding the first set came back strongly to beat Shamim 19-21, 21-14, 21-14 to give answers a winning start. But Ashit soon drew Jessore level by beating Selim 21-13, 21-17. Then Selim and Rubel played well in the doubles to beat Shamim and Aminur 21-18, 21-17 to take Ansars ahead. Hamlet clinched the issue by beating off Ashit's challenge in a keenly fought match, prevailing 21-19, 19-21. 21-17 to make sure Ansars remain the best boys' team in

tween defending champions Bangladesh Biman and Bangladesh Ansars saw the Biman girls — Zobera Rahman Linu and Shabana — rally from behind to beat the Ansars duo of Zulekha and Shamima by 3-

National number two

England 231

for 4 at Oval



Biman's Zobera Rahman Linu(L) and Shabana are all smiles after retaining the national TT women's team title at the National Coaching Centre yesterday. -Star photo

first match by beating Shabana 21-12, 19-21 and 21-16 but national number one Lunu of Biman squared the score by winning 21-13, 21-18 against former national champion Zulekha.

The doubles match saw the Biman pair of Linu and Shabana dominate to win 21-16, 21-14. In the deciding fourth set. Linu outplayed her old rival Shamima 21-9, 21-11.

In a repeat of last year's final, reigning champions Bangladesh Biman once again denied Bangladesh Textile

LONDON, Aug 8:

Pakistan fast bow-

ler Wagar Younis

the seasons lead-

Mills Corporation (BTMC) the men's team honours by win ning the clash by three sets to

Once again, as it happened in the women's final, Biman lost the opening singles, former national champion Nasimul Hassan Kochi going down the BTMC youngster Ankhi 8-21, 21-13, 14-21.

However, national men's singles champion Musaddequl Haque Rochi made amends for his teammate Kochi's lapse by beating Akhlaq 21-15, 21-14 to put Biman on par.

exploiting overcast conditions

and a grassy pitch, the visitors

collapsing form their overnight

30 without loss to 124 all out

Syedul Haque Saadi, yet an other former national champion in the Biman ranks. paired well with Kochi to outplay Akhlaq and Kisloo 21-7. 21-11 in the doubles Rochi sealed BTMC's fate by

beating Ankhi 21-15, 21-18 in the fourth game. The preliminary rounds of

the men's, women's and boys individual events were in progress at the time of filing this report.

The finals of the individual events will be held Aug 11, the concluding day of the meet.

Dutchman Roland Lefebyvre

hit a maiden century for

Somerset - exactly 100 -

### row, Aug 10. State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadek Hossain will inaugurate the 11-day competi-Waqar wrecks Warwicks

tion at three in the afternoon. Twenty-two teams will be taking part in two groups on a knock-out basis. The final is

scheduled for August 20. Defending champions Bangladesh Krira Shikkhya Protisthan (BKSP) take on Munshiganj DSA in the open-

ing match. The participating teams are: GROUP "A"

BKSP. Bangladesh Army. Faridpur, Bogra, Chittagong, Dhaka Education Board Narayangani, Bangladesh Railway, Bangladesh Police, Patuakhali and Munshiganj.

GROUP "B" Dhaka University, Dhaka, Chuadanga. Sylhet Mymensingh, Bangladesh Air Force, Bangladesh Navy Jessore, Rajshahi, BUET, and

## to play Magdalena; I don't like the idea of either one of us

her first match, beating Erika de Lonc 6-4,6-0 in the second losing," said Katerina, who may yet have to face another sister, second-seeded Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere, in the semifinals.

> "I told Maggie I was sorry after the match, and if she'd have won, she would have said sorry too."

Barbara Paulus of Austria the seventh-seed, was forced to withdraw from the tournament this morning due to a strained Achilles tendon.

"I've played her lots of times and lost to her every time, but because of that, I'm more eager to play her." Capriati said.

In the third round, Capriati will take on Britain's Sara Gomer, who beat 13th-seeded American Marianne Werdel 6-3,7-5.

Werdel was the only seed to lose in early second round

matches.

## Top seeds sail in Ohio the best players, the better MASON. Ohio, you're going to get."



Aug 8: Ivan Lendl, trying to salvage a mostly season lost to injury.

breezed to a 6-1, 6-2 second-round victory over Patrick McEnroe in the ATP Championship on Wednesday, reports AP. Lendl, recovering from

hand surgery, was a lastminute addition to the field and gave the tournament seven of the ATP tour's top 10 play-

Lendl's only two tournament titles this year came on successive weeks in February

at Philadelphia and Memphis. "It has been a disappointment. Basically, I lost four months, since mid-April," Lendl said. "But I've just got to put that behind me."

Lendl said his right hand, which became infected following surgery for fibrosis in May. has healed. As if for emphasis, his match point against McEnroe was a service ace.

"I wanted to play some tournaments in the summer because I missed so many in the spring," Lendl said.

"The more you play against

No 2 Stefan Edberg, the defending champion, defeated Grant Stafford 6-2, 6-0, and No 6 Guy Forget defeated Marcos Ondruska 6-2, 6-2. Fifth-seeded Andre Agassi

had more difficulty with Petr Korda, winning 7-5, 2-6, 6-2. No 11 Jakob Hlasek was the only seeded player eliminated, losing to Gianluca Pozzi

6-4, 7-5. Brad Gilbert, who beat Edberg for the ATP Championship in 1989 and was runnerup last year, defeated Jaime Yzaga 6-2, 7-5.

Gilbert, along with Lendl and Edberg, are the only tour players to win at least one title every year since 1984. He is the 12th seed - testimony. he said, to the depth of the ATP

tour and the tournament field. "I've been on the tour since 1981, and there's no comparison in the depth of the competition," he said. "The No 50 player today could demolish the No 50 player of 10 years

The seeded players used to go to the final rounds almost automatically.

seeds in the quarters now." Becker, the top seed and

No 1 in the ATP computer rankings, will face Malivai Washington on Thursday. Edberg will face Amos Mansdorf.

titles this year include the French Open, quickly put away Mikael Pernfors 6-3, 6-1 in the second round.

Thursday with Michael Chang, who became the youngest player to win the French Open

pion Pete Sampras cruised to an easy 7-6 (7-3), 6-4 second round victory over Wally Masur on Wednesday but pressure is already mounting on the young American to repeat last year's

"Whatever happens at the Open the pressure will be off of me," said the seventhseeded Sampras. "It would take the pressure off of me if I lose or defend the title."

"Defending the title isn't what a lot of people expect me to do because a lot of people



US Carl Lewis (L) takes the stick from Denis Mitchell (R) to win the 4 x100 m relay race on August 7 at the Lezigruud track and field met in Zurich. The Americans set a new world record of 37.67 sec. - AFP photo

## Lewis & co set world mark



ZURICH. Switzerland, Aug 8: Leroy Burrell and Carl Lewis powered a US team to a world record of 37.67

seconds in the 400-meter relay on Wednesday, beating the French team that set the old mark last year, report agencies.

The US squad of Mike Marsh, Burrell, Denis Mitchell and Lewis took the record just three days after a Santa Monica Track Club team, featuring all but one member of this US team, ran a 37.79 on Saturday to tie the French team.

Mitchell replaced Floyd Heard, part of Saturday's record-tying run.

Lewis anchored the US record run with a blistering quarter.

It was the 16th world record set at the Zurich meeting which once again fully lived up to its billing as the best athletics competition outside the World Championships and Olympic Games.

France fielded the same quartet who took the record from the United States at last European year's Championships. But they could not live with the Americans and finished well beaten ins second place in a time of

38.39. It was a lucrative night's work for the Americans who shared 27,000 dollars plus a kilogram of gold for less than

10 seconds work apiece. "What was great was that we ran as a team," a jubilant Lewis

"It was great to win a kilo of gold - to win two kiles would

be even better." Marsh led off for the Americans followed by Burrell,

who handed over to Mitchell on the third leg. Mitchell, the only member

of the team who does not belong to the Santa Monica Club. was well clear when he transferred to Lewis, who scorched up the straight to a deafening

roar from the capacity crowd. Earlier. Burrell handed Lewis his third defeat in as many clashes between the two Americans this year when he

won the 100 metres. Burrell made a poor start

and trailed Mithchell until the final .30 metres when his strength pulled him to victory in 10.04.

Lewis was second and Mitchell, the third member of the US team for the Tokyo Championships, finishing

start which was rather mediocre," Burrell remarked. "But after approximately 60

"I'd rather forget about my

metres I knew that I was the winner.

"I accelerated at 60 meters. felt no pressure from Carl, and was confident I could win." Burrell said. "Only the headwind kept me from going under 10 seconds."

world champion, was second in 10.12 but remained confident of his chances at the World Championships, which begin Aug. 24 in Tokyo.

Lewis, the Olympic and

"Leroy's running better than me now but I've been there before and I know what I have to do," Lewis said. "I'll be ready."

Burrell broke in their June race, said he will work on his start to catch Burrell.

Lewis, whose 9.93 record

Dennis Mitchell was third, 01 behind Lewis. The 1-2-3 American finish

was in the same order as at the national championships and at a meet in Malmo, Sweden on Monday.

### MATETE'S FEAT The individual performance

of the night came from Zambian Samuel Matete, who clocked the second fastest time ever in the men's 400 metres hurdles.

Matete was level with American Danny Harris at the last barrier before producing an astonishing turn of speed to win easily in 47.10 seconds. Only American world champion Ed Moses has ever run

"I never thought about a world record but now I realise that I can do it," Matete said. "When I saw Harris slowing

down. I knew I would get him," Matete said. "I'm not really surprised because I've been running well but I didn't think I would get close to the record."

"Now I'm confident I can run under 47.02," said Matete,

who ran a personal best of 47.80 in Sestriere, Italy, only a week earlier.

Matete's victory was has second in five days over Harris. who dominated the event last season - except for the Grand Prix final, where Matete snapped his 14-race unbeaten

Moses a now-retired twotime Olympic champion, set the world mark Aug. 31, 1983 at Koblenz, Germany.

## ONDIEKI RUNS ALONE

Kenyan Yobes Ondieki had a magnificent sold run in the men's 5,000 metres, threatening to break Said Aouita's world record for most of the

But the effort of running along proved too much over the final two laps and Ondieki eventually finished in 13 minutes 01.82 seconds, more than three seconds outside the world mark.

There were also wins for

Michael Johnson in the 200 metres. Merlene Ottey in the women's 100 and Nourredine Morceli in the men's 1,500.

American Johnson, who clocked 20.08 seconds, is still looking for his first sub-20 mark of the year.

"I'm going to do it in Tokyo," he vowed.

Jamalcan Ottey, who has been suffering from a head cold, was delighted with her time of 10.87, second this year only to their own time of

## RECORD ATTEMPTS

In the field events there were world record attempts from American high jumper Charles Austin and, inevitably, by Sergei Bubki in the pole

Austin set a national record of 1.40 metres before making three unsuccessful attempts on Cuban Javier Sotomayor's world mark of 2.44 metres.

"I wanted to clear 2.40 because that is the height for which medals will be given out at the World Championships," Austin said. Soviet Bubka, who has al-

ready broken his own world mark four times this year, made two attempts at 6.11 metres before withdrawing. complaining of a sore foot.

## Clarke salvages US pride



HAVANA. Aug 8: Hurdler Cletus Clark' salvaged some US pride at

Pan American Games in Cuba on Wednesday by winning his country's only second track gold medal after

five days of competition, reports Reuter. The bespectacled US runner just held off Cuba's Alexis

Sanchez in the men's 110 metres hurdles to break the tape first in front of a firecely prosing Cuban crowd and watching Cuban President Fidel Castro. He clocked a time of 13.71 seconds. But Aliuskia Lopez in the

women's 100 metres hurdles and Barbara Echevarria in the women's discus kept up host Cuba's overall dominance of the athletics so far, adding two more gold medals to the existing Cuban track and field haui of eight golds.

Heading into Wednesday night, Cuba had won a total of 39 gold medals in the Games compared with second-placed US with 20.A total of 73 gold medals have been awarded so

Lopez win in the women's 100 metres hurdle was an example of how the Cubans are winning in events usually dominated by the United States putting them in a position for the first time to possibly displace the US as top medals winner.

She surged out strongly from the starting blocks and kept in front, finishing in a time of 12.99 seconds well ahead of her compatriot Odalys Adams and Arnita Myricks of the United States. Echevarria was too strong

for the other competitions in

the discus and won with a throw of 63.50 metres, two metres short of the 65.58 metres Pan-American record set by Cuba's Maritza Marten is

Due to the absence of many top American and other athletes because they prefer to contest events like the world athletics championships in Tokyo later this month performances at the Games so far have been well outside world marks.

But reigning Pan-American champion and 10,000 metres world record holder Arturo Barrios of Mexico brought some class to the competition in the 5,000 metres, winning a second track gold medal for Mexico.

Mexican Ignacio Fragoso and Antonio Silio of Argentina took the silver and the bronze respectively.

## Another woman sues Tyson



NEW YORK, Aug ' tocks. 8: A former Miss

ke Tyson on Wednes-day. accusing him of grabbing her buttocks - at least the third time he has faces such a claim. reports Reuter.

Federal Court alleges that Tyson assaulted, battered and humiliated Rosie Jones, 27, of Bridgeport, Connecticut, at last month's opening of the Indiana Black Expo in Indianapolis.

It is at least the third lawsuit that has accused the

The suit comes at the same

time that a grand jury in Indianapolis is considering possible charges against Tyson involving the alleged rape of an 18-year-old beauty pageant contestant.

women and we're going to get him for everything he's worth," Irving Pinsky, Jones's lawyer, told reporters on Wednesday. Tyson's assets were valued

last year at 15 million dollars. "He's not above the law and he thinks he is," she added. Jones said Tyson grabbed her on July 18 when she was introduced to him at the exhibi-

tion's opening ceremony. As they posed for photogra-

Tyson was about to put his arm around her waist but instead he grabbed her buttocks and began making 'perverted statements" and using obscepe language. She said she pushed his

hand away land said," don't

was to slap him. "But then you think, he's Mike Tyson." Last November a New York

jury awarded a woman, who said Tyson had grabbed her buttocks in a disco, 100 dollars in compensatory damages but refused to give her any of the 2.5 million dollars in punitive damages she sought.

# to one.

Aminur. In the first singles, Hamlet

the country. The women's team final, be-

Shamima of Ansars took the

Sports Reporter England were 231 for four at close on the first day of the fifth and final cricket Test match against the West Indies at the Oval Thursday, accord-

Robin Smith was batting on 54 and Alec Stewart on 19. The fourth wicket fell at 188.

ing to BBC monitored in Dhaka

late last night.

going to lunch on 83 without

de 25. Curtley Ambrose claimed two for 48, Walsh one for 51

begins today

A total of record 18 teams, divided in four groups, will be played on robin league basis.

## England won the toss and elected to bat. England made a fine start

Skipper Graham Gooch made 60 and Hugh Morris 44 but Mike Atherton failed yet again, being dismissed for

and Carl Hooper one for23.

The Metropolis Kabaddi

Outer Stadium. take part in the first phase to

Bangladesh Amateur Kabaddi Federation, begins this afternoon at the Kabaddi Court of

League, organised by

Kabaddi league

On the opening day, Mirpur

Jubo Sangha will take on

Bangladesh Bank at 5-30 pm.

side cross to score from close.

on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

for 53 against Essex at Derby. and fellow paceman Mark Feltham took four for 41 as nought Mark Ramprakash ma-

Warwickshire were dispatched for 167 on a difficult pitch at Edgbaston in reply to Surrey first innings of 206. Warwickshire's last six wickets crashed for 53 in only

Wagar shared the day's

bowling honours with

Cork, who celebrated his 20th

birthday with the best bowling

figures of the summer-eight

Wagar captured five for 47

15 overs after lunch, with Waqar taking his haul for the season to 72 wickets. Opener Andy Moles resisted definitely for more than three hours with a solid 59 but the innings fell apart when he was

bowled by Feltham, who pol-

ished off the tail in a spell of three for 16 in eight overs. Warwickshire seamers Gladstone Small and Joey

Benjamin hit back by reducing Surrey to 32 for three at the end of the second day. Cork undermined Essex by

Mohun Bagan keep winning ALCUTTA, Aug 8: Mohun Bagan continued their run of Convincing victories when they downed George Telegraph by three goals to nil in a Super Division soccer

Bagan who are closely following the front runners, East

SOCCER SCENARIO

Bengal struck as early as the ninth minute of the match when winger Uttam Mukherjee capitalised on a cross from Kabir Bose scored. Changing over, the home team's Nigerian striker, Chima Okerie increased the margin when he chested down a right

league match here yesterday, reports PII.

### Pabitra Kar completed the tally five minutes before the final whistle following a move initiated by Chima Okerie and Uttam Mukherice.

Valdo to join St Germain D ARIS, Aug 8: Brazilian international midfielder Valdo is to join compatriots Geraldao and Ricardo at Paris St Germain, sources at the French First Division soccer club said

been disclosed but sources said Valdo's club, Benfica of Portugal, had asked 20 million francs (four million dollars ) for the 27-year-old. They said Valdo would play his first match for Paris St Germain on August 17 against league leaders Monaco.

The transfer fee and the length of the contract have not

Geraldao and Ricardo signed three-year contracts at the start of the season. According to French league rules, teams cannot field more than two players from outside the European Community. Valdo, who played on Tuesday for Benfica in a friendly against Atletico Madrid, recently married a Portuguese and can now apply for Portuguese citizenship.

SUNCION, Aug 8: The United States and Mexico have succeeded in their bids to play in the 1993 Copa America, reports AFP. Their admission to Latin America's prestige tournament has announced here late Tuesday night by Joao Havelange,

head of world football's government body. FIFA.

US to play in Copa America

Both countries were keen to have to warm-up tournament before the 1994 World Cup, being hosted by the United States.

### ing wicket-taker against Worcestershire at The uncapped Cork bet-Weston-Super-Mare, while tered the seasons previous in first-class cricket, fired a Surrey fightback best bowling of eight for 89 by England batting discard Allan against English county cham-Tim Munton for Warwickshire Lamb showed his prowess as a pionship leaders Warwicksagainst Middlesex. bowler for Northamptionshire. hire on Wednesday, reports Cork's performance against Lamb, dropped for the final second-placed Essex gave

innings lead of 56 which they extended to 357 by making Derbyshire seamer Dominic 301 for five by the close. Openers Kim Barnett (91) and Peter bowler (56) put on 145 in 40 overs while Steve

pressed home the advantage by

Helen Kelesi of Canada 7-6 [7-

4),6-2 and reach the

quarterfinals of the Players

trouble in the first set, falling

behind Kelesi 6-5 late Wed-

nesday before holding her

pointless to force the tie-

Sabatini will face No. 6 Helena

1,6-0 winner over Japan's

Zvereva of the Soviet Union

survived a match point to de-

feat Candian Particia Hy 5-7.6-

1,7-5. Zvereva, the ninth seed

trailed 4-0 in the final set be-

fore starting a comeback even

Earlier, No. 3 Jennifer

she thought remarkable.

In another match, Natalia

Sukova of Czechoslovakia, a 6-

In the quarterfinals,

Sabatini of Argentina had

Challenge, reports AP.

breaker.

Mana Endo.

TORONTO, Aug 8:

Top-seeded Gab-

riela Sabatini

struggled early

but rebounded to

defeat No. 11

hammering a 56-ball half cen-

Derbyshire an unexpected first Test against West Indies. snatched two wickets with his medium pace to restrict Lancashire to 80 for three in replay to Northant's 450 for six declared. Lamb had not bowled in a championship Goldsmith (52 not out) game for three years and had

round.

6-3,6-3.

Capriati unafraid of Sabatini Capriati had little trouble in

previously taken only six first-

class wickets in his career.

The match took only 50 minutes and left Capriati with much enthusiasm and almost no fear of anyone, including top-seeded Gabriela Sabatini. "I have a lot of confidence now that I've beaten a player like Monica," said Capriati,

who defeated Monica Seles to

win at San Diego last week. "To

beaten Martina

Navratilova and now another top player, shows me that I can do it. "Of course I'd like to think my chances of winning here are good, and I,m really eager

to play Gabriela. .... I think this is my best chance to beat her." No. 12 Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan topped Perta Thoren of Finland, 6-4,5-7,6-2 and No. 4 Katerina Malecva knocked out

her vounger sister Magdalena,

"I would have preferred not

"Promoters are happy if they get four of the top eight

Jim Courier, whose three

That set up a match when he did it at 17 in 1989. U S Open defending cham-

Open success.

think it was a fluke."

Black America filed a 100 million-dollar lawsuit against boxer Mi-

The suit filed in Manhattan

former heavyweight champion of grabbing a woman's but-

"He's a man who beats up

phers. Jones said she thought

disrespect me and I won't disrespect you." Jones said Tyson replied, "don't you want to help out a black man." Jones said her first instinct