She moved out of the leading

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to win comfortably from

Madelein Svensson of Sweden

Defending champion Natlya

for the women's shot with a

Anderei Abduvaltyev of the

Soviet Union was best in the

Country-Gold Silver Bronze

Coach's optimism!

24: The United States can Win

the World Cup when they host

the finals in 1994. US coach

Bora Milutinovic said on

narily well", said Milutinovic,

the Yugoslav who coached

Mexico in the 1986 World Cup

and Costa Rica in 1990. The

US can win the next football

of competition at top level and

that's why we'll take part in

the America Cup," Milutinovic,

in Italy for the World Under-

Mexico have been invited by

the South American Football

Confederation to take part in

their next continental tourna-

won two soccer champt-

onships for the first time. The

senior team won the North

and Central American

(CONCACAF) title and the

Olympic side took the Pan

American Games gold medal in

The Americans recently

ment, in Argentina in 1993.

The United States and

17 Championship, said.

The only problem is a lack

They're playing extraordi-

Friday, reports Reuter.

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and Sari Essayah of Finland.

## Kabaddi final

Sports Reporter Title asptrants Mirpur Jubo Sangha and Sonali Bank Club moved into the final of the Dhaka kabaddi league yesterday at the Outer Stadium kabaddi court.

Mirpur Juba Sangha crus hed Jurain Janata 31-8 in the one-sided semifinal match. The winners led 5-2 at the

breather and earned five lonas. in the other semifinal, Sonali Bank just scraped through defeating Azad Sporting Club. Both teams failed to earned any points in the regulation time.

In the extra time the score was two-all (2-2) and since Sonali Bank scored the first point in the extra time and according to the bye-laws, if the teams are tied after extra time. then the team which scorer the first point will be declared winners.

The third place play-off match, between Jurain Janata and Azad SC will be held today at 5 pm.

The final match is sched uled for August 31.

### 17 get DU Blue awards

Seventeen sportsmen have been awarded the "Dhaka University Blue" for 'their outstanding contributions in sports, reports AP.

Names of the Dhaka University Blues are: Football -Badal Kumar Roy, Ashrafuddin Ahmed Chunnu, Abu Mohammed Abdullah Shaikh and M Abdul Gaffar; Cricket -Wahidul Ghani, Nehal Hasnain, Gazi Ashraf Hossain Lipu, Dr. Asaduzzaman Misha and T. Z. Munir; Hockey - Khwaja Manzoor Nadim and Sajed Aki Ahmed Adel: Badminton -Sultan Arefin Badar: Judo Ibrahim Hossain Hiru; Table Tennis — Kazi Zebunnessa Dila; Athletics - M. Rownakul Islam, and two others - Sheikh Zafar Aziz Mukul and Naimul Hossain Badal;

The award will be handed over at a ceremony after reopening of the University.

### Jury hears testimony in Tyson case

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug 24 : A grand jury took testimony from five witnesses Friday in an investigation into an allegation of rape against former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson, authorities said, reports AP.

Tyson has been accused by a beauty pageant contestant of raping her in an Indianapolis hotel room on July 19, when the former champ was in town for Indiana Black Expo, a celebration of black culture.

No charges have been filed and spokesman for Tyson have denied the charge.

The six-member jury was impaneled Aug 12. Authorities said so far about 20 witnesses have given testimony. Under Indiana law, grand jury proceeding are conducted in se-

The office of Marion County Prosecutor Jeffrey Modisett said Tyson, 25, has been issued a subpoena designating him as a target of the investigation. Modisett has said he hopes the jury, which had been scheduled to meet about once a week, will complete its business by Labour Day.

The woman was a contestant in the Miss Black America pageant, which was held in conjunction with Black Expo. Tyson made promotional appearance for both events.

The former champion left Indianapolis around dawn on July 19, according to Black Expo officials.

Rosie Jones, 27, of Bridgeport, Conn. who was Miss Black America 1990, also has filed a dlrs 100 million federal lawsuit in New York claiming Tyson grabbed her waist and "rear end" while they were being photographed.

### Chittagong Open chess begins

CHITTAGONG, Aug 24: The Chittagong District Open chess competition '91 began at the CJKP Gymnasium today, re ports BSS.

A total of 118 competitors including four women and some national-level players are participating in the competition being held on a Swiss

league system. A simple function held in this connection at the gymnasium was attended by CJKP Joint Secretary (Sports) Selim Abedin as chief guest and Prof. Salma Chowdhury as special

Humayun Kabir presided over the function.

India beat Kenya

NEW DELHI, Aug 24 : India beat Kenya 2-0 (halftime 1-0) in their first hockey Test on Friday, reports Reuter. Scorers : Jagbir Singh (third minute), Pargat Singh

# English quickies hit back

LONDON, Aug 24: Sri Lanka, resuming at 75 for two. were 224 all out in reply to England's first inni-

ngs total of 282 on the third day of their five-day cricket Test at Lord's on Saturday. reports Reuter. Scoreboard at tea on the

third day of the Test between England and Sri Lanka here on Saturday.

An earlier report said Phillip DeFreitas claimed while lan Botham and David Lawrence grabbed one aptece as the minnows of Test cricket slid to 148 for six by lunch in pursuit of England's 282 on Saturday.

#### England 101 for one in second knock

England were 101 for one in their second innings at close fo play on the third day of their one-off cricket Test at Lord's on Saturday. Skipper Graham Gooch was batting on sixty with Alec Stewart who was seven not out when the stumps were drawn. The only England batsman out was Hugh Morris who scored 23.

England's start to the third day could hardly have been better. Dangerman Aravinda de Silva cut Defreitas second ball of the day for Chris Lewis to take a stinging catch in the

The loss of the tourists skipper came without addition to the tearaway 75 for two in which De Silva hit a dismissive 42 in 30 deliveries.

Botham then claimed Test victim number 380 when Roshan Manhanama was caught behind off inside edge and pad. But he stood his ground until Botham made the formality of appealing to umpire Dickie Bird, who agreed.

Dashing left-hander Santhan Jayasuriya reeled off two superb fours, but failed to keep down a rising ball from DeFreitas and Robin Smith scooped up the gully catch at

Chandika Hathurusinghe and Hashan Tillekeratne held

up England for nearly 20 overs in adding a dour, but useful 34. However, 10 minutes before the break Tilickeratne jabbed a

short leg catch to Hugh Morris

off Lawrence after making 20. Hathurusinghe was still there at the break, having batted all through the innings so far for 45.

At the close of play on Friday, Sri Lanka recovered from a slow start to end the day on 75 for two.

The visitors lost two wick ets to Phil DeFreitas shortly after coming in to bat against England in the late afternoon of a day of play shortened by

But after struggling to 22 for two, Chandika liathurusinghe and Aravinda De Silva rallied Sri Lanka to 75 without losing another wicket. De Silva

### Rain thwarts Essex chase

LONDON, Aug 24: Titlechasing Essex were thwarted by both the rain and Lancashire's sixth wicket pair Warren Hegg and Dexter Fitton in the county championship at Old Trafford on Friday, reports Reuter.

Former England pace bowler Neil Foster took four wickets, three of them in one spell, to reduce Lancashire to 139 for five.

But by the close of the opening day, during which only 49 overs were bowled, Lancashire had recovered to 175 for five.

Last year's champions Middlesex suffered another dismal batting display after opting to bat against Worcestershire at New Road.

They were dismissed for 189 on a pitch ideally suited to the Worcestershire medium pace bowlers Stuart Lampitt. who took four for 53, and Chris Tolley (three for 40) Paul Weeks hit eight fours in an unbeaten 57.

Prolific South African opener Jimmy Cook was the day's top scorer with 79 as Somerset reached 264 for six against Yorkshire at Taunton, one of the driest of Friday's championship venues.

was unbeaten on 42 at the close of play, while Hathurusinghe was not out on 19.

England, which resumed Friday on 229 for stx, added only 53 more runs before being bowled out. Rumesh Ratnayake did most of the damage, dismissing the last three batsman.

Ratnayake finished the first innings with five wickets for 69 runs, the fifth time in his test career he has taken five wickets in an innings.

#### SCOREBOARD

Lunch scoreboard on the third day of the Test

England first innings 282 (A. J Stewart 113 not out, R. J.

Rat-Nayake 5-69). Sri Lanka first innings: D. S. B. Kuruppu b DeFreitas U. C. Hathurusinghe c. Tufnell b Defrettas A. P. Gurusinha Ibw b DeFreitas P. A. De Silva c Lewis b Defreitas R. S. Mahanama c Russell b Botham S. T. Jayasuriya c Smith **b** DeFreitas

H. P. Tillekeratne c Morris b Lawrence R. J. Ratnayake b DeFreitas C. P. H. Ramanayake lbw b Defreitas K. I. W. Wijegunawardene

not out S. D. Anurasiri b Lawrence Total

Fall of wickets: 1-12, 2-22, 3-75, 4-86, 5-105, 6-139, 7 213, 8-213, 9-220.

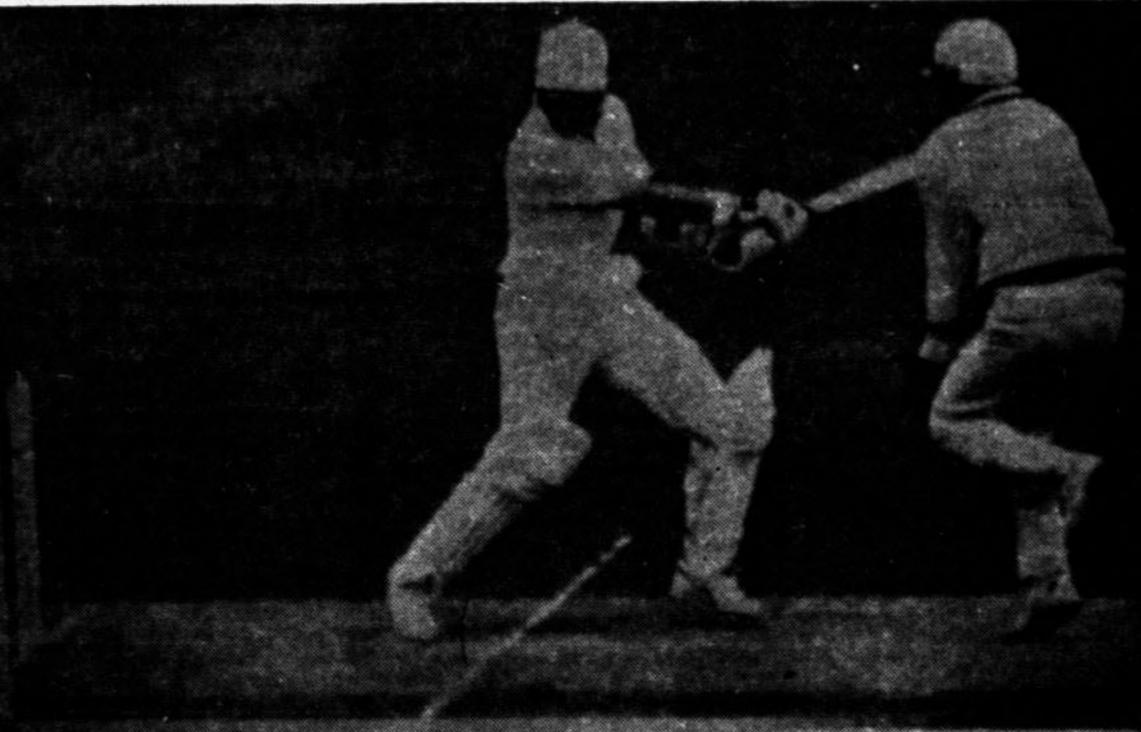
## Qualifying cricket

Sports Reporter

Kathal Bagan Sporting Club moved into the group final of the qualifying cricket for the Second Division league yesterday at the City Club ground at

Kathal Bagan SC scored an exciting six runs victory over Maghbazar Kisholoy Sangha.

Kathal Bagan, batting first were fouled out for 82 runs in 19-5 overs and, in reply, due to some tight bowling, Maghbazar KS managed 80 for the loss of six wickets in their allotted overs.



Alec Stewart of England cuts the bowling of SD Anurasini during second day's play in the England -Sri Lanka Test March at Lord's on August 23. - AFP photo

# Bubka sets sights on 6.25 m



Sergei Bubka is thinking about the ultimate pole vault of 6.25 me-

tres - but he can't see too many of his rivals even reaching the six-metre mark, reports Reuter.

The Soviet Union's compulsive world record breaker has set eight new marks this year - four indoor and four outdoor - to take his career tally to an astonishing 28.

His latest on August 5 in Malmo, Sweden, took his outdoor world record to 6.10

"I think I could jump 6.20 or even 6.25 metres," Bubka said at a news conference on the eve of the World Athletics Championships where he aims for a third successive title.

"But it would probably be indoors, outdoors there are so many problems with the weather.

Bubka's fourth indoor record last winter took the bar to 6.12 metres in Grenoble, France.

The powerful Ukrainian has cleared six metres 17 times. first clearing the barrier in 1985 in Paris. Only one other vaulter has

ever done so, his Soviet archrival Redion Gataullin, who twice went over in indoor meetings in 1989, reaching 6.02. Ironically, Gataullin also

cleared six metres later the same year at the Tokyo national stadium where the world championships are being held. But such is Bubka's domi-

nance of the event, he never has to worry what his rivals are Asked who would be the next vaulter to clear 6.10,

Bubka was clearly short of an

answer. "That's not realistic." he said. "We should talk first about who will be the next to

The most likely, he added, was the young Hungarian Istvan Bagyula, who is second this year with 5.92.

jump six metres."

Since bursting on the scene to capture the world title as an unknown 19-year-old at Helsinki in 1983, Bubka has

rarely had a serious rival. His first defeat in a major championships came last year when Gataullin took the European title in split, Yugoslavia, while Bubka, not fully recovered from a back in-

jury, came sixth. It would be a major shock if Bubka, in the best form of his remarkable career, did not avenge that defeat in Tokyo.

Last year he changed his trainer and in the winter he al tered his technique, switching the position of his hands on the pole slightly. The eight world records were the result.

"It was just a small mistake in my technique which couldn't explain," Bubka said. Other important changes may be in the offing. There

#### have been suggestions in recent months that Bubka may move from Donetsk and live in Abahani win.

Sports Reporter Abahani KC won 2-0 against Srioyi Sporting on the inaugural day of the super-league phase of the Rajshahi First Division football yesterday at

the Raishahi Stadium. Six teams have qualified for the super league. The teams are Allied Sporting, Diganta Prashari, Tiger SC and Rajshahi KSS.

the west possibly in Berlin or

"It's possible I may go," he said. "But I would have to take my family with me and my coach, too, if possible."

Bubka has increased the world record by 27 centimetres in seven great years o vaulting, relinquishing it only once to Frenchman Thierry Vigneron who was allowed to hold it for just 10 minutes in Rome in August 1984.

Stung by Vigneron's 5.91metre vault, Bubka immediately reclaimed possession with a 5.94-metre effort at the same meeting.

His improvement in the record is almost as impressive as American Bob Beamon's incredible 8.90-metre "Leap into the 21st century" in the men's long jump at the Mexico Olympic since 1968, which Friday, the final day of the first shattered the old mark by 55

centimetres. But Bubka has preferred to take the record up slowly, usually one centimetre at a time, drawing criticism that he is more interested in making as much money as possible from the bonus organisers' offer for each new mark than in jumping the 6.20 most think he is capable of.

However, Bubka has always denied his prime motivation is money. He likes to put on a show for the athletics public, he said, and the world record attempts he makes at virtually every meeting he performs in to do just that.

A remarkable sprinter, who says he regularly clocks 10.2 seconds in training over 100 metres, Bubka combines his speed with huge strength, particularly in the shoulders.

"The important part is the run-up, especially the last few steps," he said. "That's what really counts."

## Damilano wins first gold of Tokyo meet

# Even rain fails to stop Lewis



TOKYO, Aug 24: Two walk records, rain and molead for victory. ments of chaos The 34-year-old veteran, marked the opening Saturday of

the 3rd track and field World Championships, reports AP. Maurizio Damilano of Italy retained his world title in the

men's 20-kilometer walk in 1 hour, 19 minutes, 37 seconds while Alina Ivanova of the Soviet Union took the women's 10-kilometer walk in 42 minutes, 56 seconds for the opening golds of the championships.

Carl Lewis also created a sensation, with a fabulous 9.80 seconds in the round of the men's 100 meters, but with a wind of 4.3 meters per second. The wind-aided performance was the third fastest of all times under any condition. Lewis ran a wind aided 9.78 at the 1988 Olympic trials and Cznada's Ben Johnson ran an outlawed 9.19 at Seoul the same year.

American Leroy Burrel holds the world record at 9.90. Damilano broke his own 1987 meet record of 1:20:45, and Ivanova beat the championship record of 44:12 set by compatriot Irina Strakhova in

But as Damilano and Mikhail Shchennikov of the Soviet Union entered the National Stadium in the final stages of their race, they nearly tripped over the starting blocks for the men's 100-meter heats.

It was a moment of utter chaos. Besides the blocks, the crowded area also was strewn with bags and clothing of the sprinters, who were unaware of what was going on behind their backs.

Officials scrambled to clear the path and to set up flower pots separating the walk from the rest of the track. The two walkers jumped through piles of gear as they tried to continue their race.

Damilano, who was leading, almost fell and in the confusion, the Russian moved ahead to the finish as if he has won.

### Gazza out to prove himself

ROME, Aug 24: England international Paul Gascoigne said on Friday he wanted to prove he had been right to join Lazio instead of one of Italy's better-known clubs, reports Reuter.

The World Cup midfielder, recovering from a serious knee injury, told a news conference in Rome that he hoped to play again by the end of January

"It's going well. I should be kicking a ball again by Christmas. I'd like to try and be back playing by the end of January,\* he said. But Lazio general manager

Carlo Regailia doubted an early return, saying he expected him to be match fit by March. Gascoigne arrived in Rome to a rapturous welcome from thousands of Lazio fans on

Thursday and the Rome-based

national sports daily Corriere

Dello Sport on Friday dedi-

cated its front and back pages entirely to him. "I've come here to prove everyone wrong. I've done it before and I'll do it again," said Gascoigne, whose 8.8-million dollar transfer from

London's Tottenham to Lazio

was completed on August 1. Gascoigne said he hoped to be fit enough to be considered for England's squad for the European Championship finals in Sweden next summer - if they qualify.

### DPRK booters draw with China

TOKYO, Aug 24: North Korea and China battled to a 1-1 draw, while Singapore outplayed Nepal 4-1 in the Group E Asian Zone preliminary Olympic qualifying tournament in Pyongyang, the Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) reported today, reports AFP.

China and North Korea finished the first round of the Group's double round robin with an identical 4-1 win-loss

The matches were played

The second round of the tournament will be played in China, according to KCNA, monitored here. Standings, after the first

half of the round-robin (played,

won, drawn, lost, goals for,

record.

goals against, points) 4 3 1 0 20 1 4 3 1 0 12 Singapore 4 1 1 2 5 7 4 1 1 2 2 17 4 0 0 4 1 14

#### Title retained SEOUL, Aug 24 : Daniel

Zaragoza of Mexico retained his World Boxing Council (WBC) super-bantamweight title when he beat South Korean challenger Huh Chun on points over 12 rounds in Seoul on Saturday, reports Reuter.

But they still had one lap to go in the stadium, and the Italian managed to open a 20-meter

who won the Olympic gold in 1980 and held bronzes from tried to count me out," Lewis 1984 and 1988, said the his win made him the greatest

walker of all time. "No other walker has won all these medals in a career spreading over 11 years, " he said. "This is the greatest day

in my life." Shchennikov had taken the lead after 17.5 kilometers [11 miles), but Damilano made a strong comeback and moved back ahead again with less than a kilometer (half a miles) to the finish.

Rain and the incredible humidity of the Japanese capital hampered the event throughout. Another Soviet competitor,

Yeggeniy Misyula, took the bronze when Daniel Plaza of Spain was disqualified. The Soviets lodged a complaint over the chaos at the stadium entrance, but it was rejected. Ivanova let Madelein

Svensson of Sweden do the hard work of thinning the leading pack in the women's event with a strong pace from the third to the seventh kilometer (second to fourth mile). The Russian then took sole command of the event with determination and was a clear winner. Svensson was second in

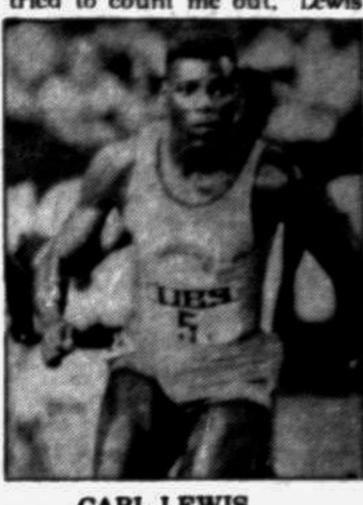
43:13, the same time as third placer Sari Essayah of Finland. That put two Scandinavians in the medals. The weather really upset the men's 100 meters. A

strong wind blew during three

of the four second round heats. Lewis ran a perfect race, with an excellent start and a strong push. He stood up and looked sideways at Linford Christic of Britain, the Seoul silver medalist, as they crossed the finish line. Christie had

Frank Fredericks of Namibia ran 9.89, aided by a 4.1meter-per-second wind. Burr-

"All year long people have



**CARL LEWIS** 

said. "I have yet to run best race. I had two good ones here today, now they are in the memory bank. I wish I could take this second race into the

Burrell was not too happy.

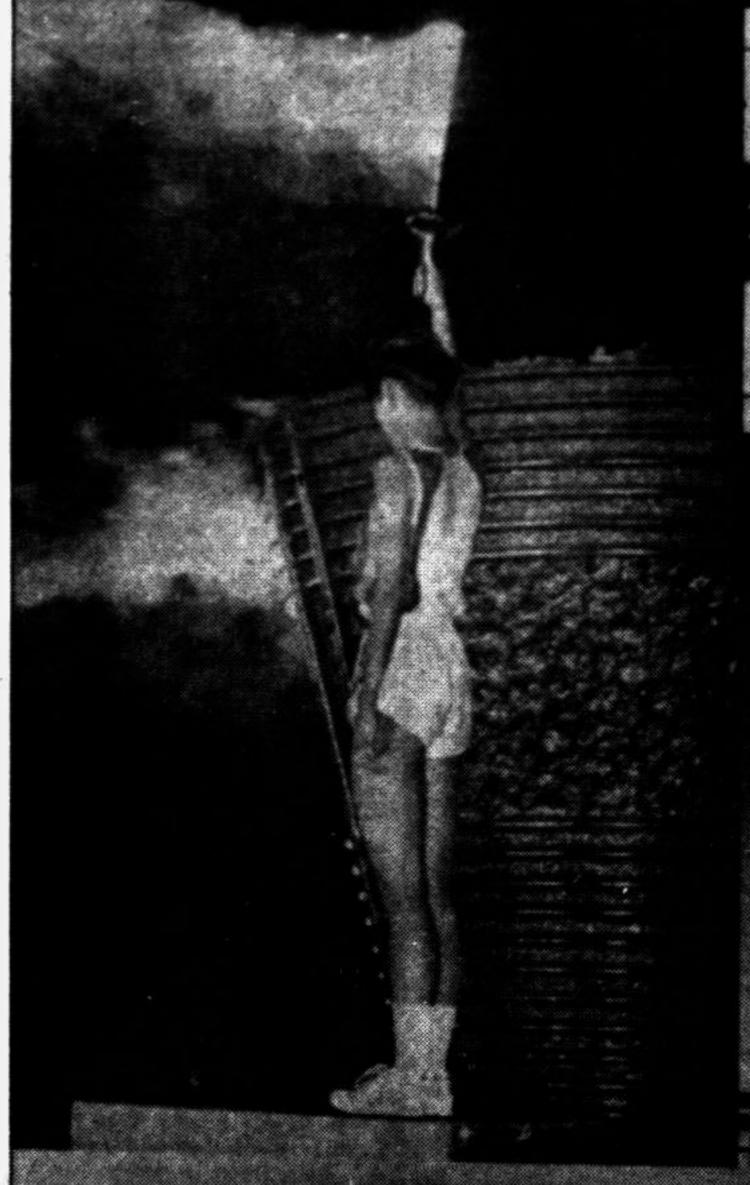


LEROY BURRELL

run 9.80 in a 5-meter wind. No surprise Carl did it. He is a good runner," Burrell said.

Tabulation of medals won at the 3rd track and field World events:

The first woman's gold medal went to 22-year-old Soviet champion Alina Ivanova in the women's 10-km walk.



A torch bearer stands high at the National Stadium in Tokyo after lighting the flame during the opening ceremony of the third IAAF Word Championships on August 23. Tokyo hosts the Championships which on August 24. - AFP photo

# Stich keeps winning

Any time he gets into trou-

Stich also recorded an ace

ble, he just starts hitting aces.

at a local golf course earlier on

Friday. His first hole-in-one

came on a 150-yard par-three

about that as winning my

match, said Stich, who has

spent more time on the fair-

way than the course during

as well as play tennis," he said.

matchup pits third-seeded

Emilio Sanchez and eighth-

seeded Francisco Clavett, both

Alexander Volkov of the Soviet

Union 6-1,7-5. Clavett, ranked

42nd, upset second-seeded

and ninth-ranked Sergi

seeded Anke Huber o

Germany lost an upset to un-

seeded Alexia Dechaume of

In women's singles, top-

Bruguera of Spain 6-1,6-4.

Italian Open in May.

Sanchez knocked off

"It's important to have fun

Today's other semifinal

this weeklong event.

of Spain.

"I was almost as excited

hole. He used a seven-iron.



SCHENECTADY New York, Aug 24: Wimbledon champion Michael Stich of Germany

needing only 70 minutes to dispose of Australia's Todd Woodbridge 6-4, 6-2 in the quarter-finals of the 250,000dollar OTB Open tennis tournament on Friday, reports Reuter. Top-seeded Stich, who

served up eight aces to give

him 34 in three matches, will

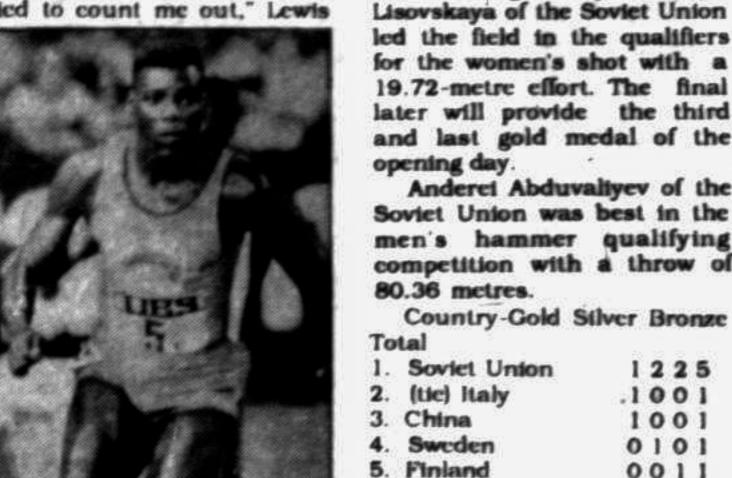
continued his winning ways,

face Horst Skoff of Austria in one of today's semifinals. Skeff outlasted Andrei Cherkasov of the Soviet Union in their quarter-final marathon 6-7 (8-10), 6-3, 7-6 (7-2). The match took 3 hours and 44

minutes. Seventh-seeded Woodbridge said Stich simply hit the ball too well.

"It's very difficult to stop somebody who is swinging away at everything and everything is going in, Woodbridge said.

rell. Lewis' teammate at the Santa Montea track club, ran the only heat with legal wind, 1.5 meters per second, and had a modest time of 10.11.





Championships after Saturday's

Bridge results The following are the results of weekly pair duplicate bridge contest of Dhaka Metropolis Bridge Association, held on August 23 at the Bangladesh Bank Club premises, according to a DMBA press release. 24-pair Mitchell: North-South-first: Dr Shahidul Alam

Amin Econ (65.06 per cent); third: Ismail Hossain and MA Jalil (53.41 per cent). East-west-first: Mobinul Islam and Mizanur Rahman (61.93 per cent); second: T R Chowdhury and MA Quddus (60.23 per cent) and third : Dr

and Shamsuzzaman Kamal

(66.67 per cent); second:

Naimul Hasan Topu and Bani

Anwar and Dr Malek (53.60 per cent). The next weekly bridge contest will be held on September 13 (Friday) at 3.30 pm at the same venue, the

press release added. Meanwhile, the metropolis bridge has started with 14 teams in four groups on Thursday last at the same venue. The remaining natches of the preliminary rounds will be played on August 29 at 5 pm sharp, while the matches of the 8-team super league will start on the same day at 7.30 pm and will continue through

### August 30, September 1, 5, 6 Rouse wins 200m

backstroke EDMONTON, Alberta, Aug 24: World champion Jeff Rouse held off Canada's Mark Tewksbury with the secondbest time ever to win the 100meter backstroke at the Pan-Pacific Swimming championships on Thursday, reports

The American Rouse, who won the event at the 1991 World Championships at Perth, Australia, pulled away from Tewksbury at the turn and won in time of 54.67.

The world record of 54.51 is held by American David Berkoff, who failed to qualify for the finals.

Despite the win and the time, Rouse was disappointed. "I felt the technical stuff of the race - my start, my turn, my underwater stuff - was all real good," he said. "For some reason, I'm not getting out as

fast as I want. Tewksbury, Canada's national champion, had a time of 55.19, third fastest in the world this year and good enough to qualify for the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona, Spain. Jeff Thibault of the United States was third in 55.93.

record holder Janet Evans pulled out of the 1,500-meter freestyle, a non-Olympic event. She did swim in the 200-meter freestyle, finishing second to fellow American Nicole laisiett. Haislett won in 2:00.31,

In other events, world-

France 6-3, 6-4 for the 96thwith Evans 33 behind. Suzu ranked Dechaume, the victory Chiba of Japab was third in avenged a loss to Huber at the 2:00.71.