# India battle for survival



ralia, Dec 22 : ndia were battling for survival today after a bold declaration

Queensland th-rew open the day match at the Gabba here, reports AFP.

The match appeared to be headed for a dreary draw when Queensland, replying to India's 454 for nine, were 319 for four at tea on the third day. Despite a 135-run deficit,

skipper Carl Rackemann closed his team's first innings at that stage in a bid to force a result.

His gamble met with immediate success as both Indian openers Ravi Shastri and Krishnamacheri Srikkanth were dismissed by the third over with the score of five.

Dilip Vengsarkar and Indian Mohammad captain Azharuddin, however, added 86 for the unbroken third wicket to take their team to 91 for two, an overall lead of

Vengsarkar was batting on 41 and Azharuddin on 46, their highest individual scores on the tour so far.

Shastri was caught in the slips off Scott Prestwidge while Srikkanth was leg before offering no stroke to a Scott Williams inswinger. Both openers scored a run each.

Resuming at Saturday's score of 118 for one; Queensland lost the overnight batsmen Trevor Barsby and Greg Ritchie in the morning session for the addition of 71 Barsby edged seamer

Subroto Banerjee's outswinger to wicket-keeper Chandrakant Pandit after making 83 with

14 boundaries and a six. Narendra Hirwani denied Ritchie a century in his 100th appearance for Queensland by having him caught by Pandit

for 68. Queensland went to lunch at 209 for three but lost Peter Goggin immediately after the break bowled down the leg side by Hirwani for eight.

That was India's last suc-



Border and Prestwidge put on 106 for the unbroken fifth wicket by tea when the declaration came.

The Australian captain warmed up for the second Test starting in Melbourne on Boxing Day with a sparkling 85 inclusive of nine boundaries.

Prestwidge remained unbeaten on 48, but both batsmen were let off by the butter fingered Indian fielders.

Border then on 69, was dropped at square leg by Srikkanth when he swept leftarmer Venkatapathy Raju. Prestwidge was on 38 when he cut Kapil Dev hard to point where Subroto Banerjee failed

to anticipate the catch. Banerjee was the most expensive Indian bowler with figures of one for 106.

Leg-spinner Hirwani boosted his chances of playing in the Melbourne Test by claiming two for 53.

#### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard after the third day's play in the four-day cricket match between India and Queensland here today. INDIA 1st innings: 454 for

nine declared **QUEENSLAND**: 1st innings (overnight 118 for one) T. Barsby c Pandit b Banerjee 83 M. Hayden c Azharuddin b Kapil G. Ritchie c Pandit b Hirwani A. Border not out P. Goggin b Hirwani S. Prestwidge not out Extras: (b1, lb7, nb 11) Total: (for 4 wkts dec) Fall of wickets: 1-25, 2-150, 3-189,

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Banerjee	22		3	106	1
Kapil	16	•	2	32	1
Ganguly	4	,	0	22	0
Raju	27		6	76	0
Hirwani	25	600	2	53	2
Shastri	7		0	22	0

INDIA 2nd innings: R. Shastri c Border b Prestwidge

K. Srikkanth lbw b Williams 1 D. Vengsarkar batting M. Azharuddin batting Extras: (nb2)

Total: (for 2 wkts) Fall of wickets 1-1, 2-5.

Bowling: O Williams 11 Prestwidge 9 0 21 Taylor

Indies and an Australian XI at

WEST INDIES: 1st innings

AUSTRALIA XI: 1st innings:

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Bevan c Williams b Anthony 58

Law c Hooper b R Haynes 68

Healy c Anthony b R Haynes 44

Bellerive Oval here:

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Extras (11 lb, 30 Nb)

Total (for 9 wkts)

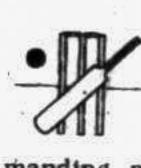
b R Haynes

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Phillips lbw b Cummins

Waugh c Best b Patterson

# Moody strengthens Test claim



HOBART, Dec 22 : An Australian XI skippered by Test wicket-keeper lan Healy consolidated its com-

manding position over The West Indies on the third day's play at Bellerive Oval today. reports AFP. At stumps, the West Indies

needed 176 to avoid an innings defeat with eight wickets standing.

The four-day match, dubbed the sixth Test of the summer, ends on Monday after losing a full day's play to rain on Friday. The Australians batted su-

perbly with five players, including talented Chris Matthew scoring more than 50

But the Australians' total was not just due to their skill at the crease, they had some help from the West Indies fast bowlers Patrick Patterson and Anthony Cummins, who sent down an expensive 25 no balls between them.

Nightwatchman Tom Moody was the Australians' top scorer with 70 and put on 132 with Wayne Fillips for the second wicket.

Moody innings helps his chances of a place in the team to play India in the second Test starting in Melberre December 2

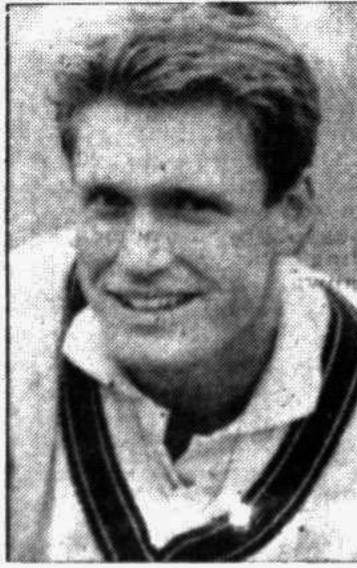
Australia will be willout

regular opener Geoff Marsh who was injured last week.

Left-hander Mark Bevan's half-century included a six and five boundaries.

Tailenders Matthews and Paul Reissel compiled a partnership of 90 runs in 63 min-

Robert Haynes was the most successful West Indian bowler



TOM MOODY

grabbing four for 106 off 27.5

SCOREBOARD

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8-448;9-461.

Bowling: Patterson Cummins Anthony 107 R. Haynes 27.5 106 4

**WEST INDIES** 2nd innings: Best c Healy b Refuel Wallace c Healey b Reiffel Lara not out Arthurton not out Extras (2 lb, 6 Nb) Total (for 2wkts) Fall: 1-23; 2-33.

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Warne	2	0	7	0

WOMEN'S FINAL

world champion Tan Jiu Hong,

who thrashed Thai hopeful

Somharuthai Jaroensiri in

Grand Prix semifinalist Bang

Soo Hyun of South Korea, who

beat host player Yuliani

final berth when its men's

double team of Cheah Soon Kit

and Soo Beng Klang scored an

upset won by easily trouncing

China's Chen Kang and Chen

not at their fittest made re-

peated mistakes and showed

team will face host Duo Ricky

Subagya and Rexy Mainakey

The Chinese pair obviously

In the finals, the Malaystan

Honyyong 15-5 and 15-8.

little coordinated play.

Malaysia, booked another

Tan will face Kuala Lumpur

straight sets.

Santoso.

China's only finalist will be

### Sidek in final at Joko's cost compatriot Fung Permadi 15-



JAKARTA, Dec 22: Shuttlers from Malaysia, Indonesia and South Korea assured themselves Saturday of places in the finals of the Cathay Pacific Asian Cup

bad-minton tournament here. reports AFP. Japan and China also won

places in the finals of the Cup, which offers a total cash prize of 100,000 dollars.

Malaysia's Rashid Sidek. un f Malaysia

Open chai the finals by defeating Indonesia's Joko Suprianto in a tough game 15-8, 6-15 and

With his win, Rashid also equalled a private score with

Joko; the two had met seven times previously, with Joko holding a 4-3 advantage.

While having no trouble leading throughout the first set, Rashid lost the second to Joko's rally plays and accurate drop shots as he repeatedly failed to return Joko's drop shots to his left front.

Joko led in the decider before Rashid caught up at 8-8. The Malaysian shuttler had to fight hard to equal the score at 11 and at 13 before leading the rest of the match and taking it 18-14.

Joko's attempt to repeat his deadly drop shots started landing too far outside the line.

Rashid will face Indonesia's Bambang Suprianto who made an easy game of whipping

## Prpic, Novacek move up in Kooyong Classic tennis



Aus-tralia, Dec 22: Creatian Goran Prpic defeated Aust-ralia's Richard Fromberg in three sets in the final

of the Kooyong Tennis Classic here today, reports AFP. Prpic, ranked 18th in the world and seeded second in the eight-man round robin

tournament, won 6-4, 6-7 (6/8), 6-3. He and Czechoslovak Karel Novacek went on to lose in straight sets 6-4, 6-3, to

Australians John Fitzgerld and Wally Masur in the doubles fithree rounds of the tourna-

Fromberg, 21, was the only undefeated player in the first. ment and he survived six match points before giving into Prpic, 27.

After a slow start, the Australian Davis Cup star took the second set by a tie-break to even the match, but made a series of unforced errors and

was unable to maintain the

last," Prpic said.

Fromberg, who has been off for five months because of injury and illness, described the event as a perfect lead-up to the Australian circuit, saying: "It's very satisfying. I didn't

expect to get to the final." Prpic displayed all his court speed as he won the opening set and snatched an

early lead in the second. At 5-4, he had three match points but was unable to de-

liver the final blow. After the doubles, Masur said he would have been worried if he had lost. "If I couldn't win with the

world's number one, I would have to take a serious look at myself," he said. Tournament promoter Colin Stubbs said next year's classic would be expanded to a seven-

day event featuring 16 men

and 32 women.

This is the first time I've won on grass and probably the

who also had an easy time besting another Chinese team Zheng Yumin and Huang Zhangzhong, 15-4 and 15-8. South Korea placed a team in the finals when Show Ji

Hwan and Giul Yung An beat Malaysia's Ong Ewe Chye and Tan Sui Hong in brief straight sets of 15-4 and 15-4.

The two will face Indonesia's best mixed doubles team Aryono and Eliza, who were hardpressed to down That opponents Strlipong Stripul and Ladawan Mulasarts Athorn, the Thais took the first set 15-11 but lost the second and the decider to the Indonesians.

in the ladies doubles, Japan's Kimiko Jinai and Hisako Mori defeated China's Yao Fen and Li Yanfen in an extended game 10-15, 17-14 and 15-1, while the host team of Rosiana Tendean, Erna Sulistianingsih scored an equally tough win over South Korea's Hwang Hye Young and Chung Soo Young.

#### Gavaskar's money on the Aussies

SINGAPORE, Dec 22 Australia has the "best chance" of winning the forthcoming World Cup cricket, veteran cricketer Sunil Gavaskar said here today, reports PTI.

"Pakistan may give it some tough competition with India and England vying for third place," he told the Sunday Times during a brief stopover on his way back to Bombay from Australia.

When asked for his views on the ongoing World Cup series, Gavaskar said though it was hard to tell, but judging from how Australia is playing now, "I think it stands the best chance of coming out tops."

But the master cricketer hastened to add that India may just as likely be the dark horse having an excellent batting line-up. He specially referred to players like opening batsman Krishnamachari Srikkanth and the young Sachin Tendulkar, Sunday Times said.

Commenting on the latest move to allow South Africa to participate in competitive cricket, Gavaskar said he was happy that "those obnoxious laws have been abolished allowing South Africa into world cricket again.

#### JU cricket Sports Reporter

History Department moved into the final with a massive 52-runs victory over Government and Politics Department in the second semifinal of the inter-department cricket competition of Jahangirnagar University held yesterday at the Mir Mosharras Hossain Hall playground.

Put into bat, History scored 165 all out with Sanwar hitting a fine 67 and Kamrul 46. Saju took three History wickets for 24 while Niaz got

two for 42. In their turn, Government and Politics were all out for a meagre 113.

Faruk took four wickets for only 33 while Sanwar bagged two for eight for the winners. History Department will meet Economics in the final of the tournament on a date yet

#### Noakhali soccer

MAIJDEE COURT (Noa-Matthew c Best b R Haynes 63 khali), Dec 22: Choumuhani Mphammedans Sporting Club emerged as champion of the Suresh-Tofail memorial under-16 football tournament here Saturday. Fall: 1-28, 2-160; 3-160; 4-193; 5-254; 6-348; 7-358;

to be announced.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia exchanged greetings with members of the Bangladesh SAF Games-bound contingent aboard the aircraft on way to Colombo Dec 20. -PID photo

# Wright's hattrick sinks Everton

Wright, who joined Arsenal

behind.



LONDON, Dec 22: Arsenal striker lan Wright made sure Highbury hosted the match of the day on Sat-

the English champions beat Everton 4-2, reports Reuter. Absent from Arsenal's past five matches because of injury, the England international returned to work with a vengeance, seizing his second hat-trick of the season after only 26 minutes.

urday by scoring lour times as

His fourth goal thudded home in the 70th minute. The top of the First Division

remained unchanged, however. Leaders Manchester United, hoping to go four points clear, had to take the day off when their match against Aston Villa was postponed because of a water logged Old Trafford pitch.

Second-placed Leeds play at Nottingham Forest today knowing that a win will take them back to the top until after Christmas. Liverpool squandered a

ninth-minute lead at home to Manchester City but drew 2-2 with a late equaliser by Steve Nicol. City had scored twice in six minutes in the second half. In Scotland, hearts kept on course for their first title since

minute goal by John Millar. Champions Glasgow Rangers beat Dundee United 2-0 at home to stay two points

1960 with a 1-0 victory at St

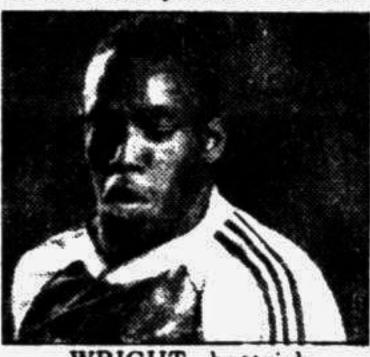
Mirren thanks to a 67th

two months ago from Crystal Palace, took his tally for the season to 17 with his four

strikes. But it was Everton who scored first, Polish international Robert Warzycha hitting home in the third minute.

Wright replied from close range a minute later and was there again at the far post to tap Arsenal 2-1 ahead after 13 minutes.

Scottish international Mo Johnston equalised with his second goal in three matches for the Merseysiders since his



WRIGHT...hattrick

costly move from Glasgow Rangers.

Wright completed his hattrick by sweeping in a low cross from Swedish international Anders Limpar. The wind, gusting in

Arsenal's favour in the first half, hindered their efforts after the break but there was no stopping Wright, despite a booking for a foul on John

Limpar set up the fourth goal, splitting the Everton de-

Ebbrell.

fence with a cross from the right that Wright turned into the net. Another London side,

Chelsea, emulated Arsenal with a 4-2 victory over Oldham, Dennis Wise put Chelsea ahead with a fifth-minute

penalty and Allen made it 2-0 20 minutes later. Oldham never gave in and

came back through lan Marshall in the 31st. Paul Elliott restored Chelsea's twogoal advantage shortly before the interval. Marshall grabbed a second

goal in the second half to keep alive the visitors' hopes of plundering a late draw but Allen sent the fans home happy by scoring in the last minute. Liverpool's Welsh striker Dean Saunders, who savoured

August on Wednesday, scored It resulted from a blunder by Manchester City goalkeeper Tony Coton who fumbled a low shot as he dived and left the

his first league goal since

David White's two goals for City came from superb, tightlyangled chips over goalkeeper Bruce Grobbelaar. Sheffield Wednesday tightened their grip on third place

with a 2-0 win over

Wimbledon. Ireland interna-

tional John Sheridan scored

ball bobble over the line.

one point behind Monaco.

to avoid relegation, managed a 1-1 draw. Rennes goalkeeper Pascal Rousseau was hurt in a clash with a Nancy striker during the game and was taken to hospital.

## Marseille post 32m franc profit

MARSEILLE, France, Dec 22: French champions Olympique Marseille announced profits of 32 million francs (six million dollars) on Saturday for the year ending on June 30. reports AFP.

they will have been more than swallowed up by the 5 million francs transfer fee agreed with Glasgow Rangers four months ago for former England midfielder Trevor Steven.

be willing to buy Steven back from the French club.

# 1991: The has-beens eclipse the champion



The heavyweight the category back in 1933, had boxing scene in 1991 was dominated not by the world champion by two former

titleholders, reports AFP. George Foreman brought new hope and pride to all the 'forty-somethings' by earning a world title shot - 18 years after first winning the crown.

And Mike Tyson, who dominated the division until his shock defeat in Tokyo against Buster Douglas in February 1990, continued to make headlines outside the ring when he was charged with raping a beauty queen contestant.

The reigning champion, Evander Holyfied, with a scientific, hi-tech, low-profile approach to the sport and a body shaped by careful diet, hours of weightlifting and workouts with his ex-ballerina fitness coach, ended the year still un-

beaten after 27 fights. But the 28-year-old failed to capture public imagination and he could never hope to match the charisma of his predeces-

By contrast, the outrageously enormous Foreman, 42, shaven skulled and delighting press and public with a non-stop string of oneline gags, became a national

institution. The middle-aged preacher, enjoying a popularity he had never known when he was at his most destructive to decades earlier, became known affectionately throughout the United States as "Big

The purists may have been alarmed when Foreman was given his world title chance after beating 24 carefully-chosen opponents on his comeback trail — but the public

Alt back in 1973 didn't seem to matter. 'Big George' still packed an awesome punch and he won over many new fans when he came out with quotes like "Evander has a nutritionist. have room service," or "l think it should be mandatory for all fighters to retire..... at

When Foreman eventually

climbed into the Atlantic City

The fact that 22 fighters

had claimed the world title

since his own reign as cham-

pion ended against Muhammad

ring on April 20th he looked To add to Tyson's troubles more like a sumo wrestler. came the rape charges. Weighing a colossal 18st 5lb, The former champion, who he was the second-heavisest will have to answer them in man ever to fight for a world court early in the new year and crown. Only Primo Carnera, who could face 63 years im-

But those who had pre-

a farce were forced to eat their Foreman's performance in front of a packed and excited 19,000 crowd was heroic. He plodded bravely forward for 12 rounds, taking the champion's best punches without flinching, and although he couldn't quite find the right range for

dicted that the fight would be

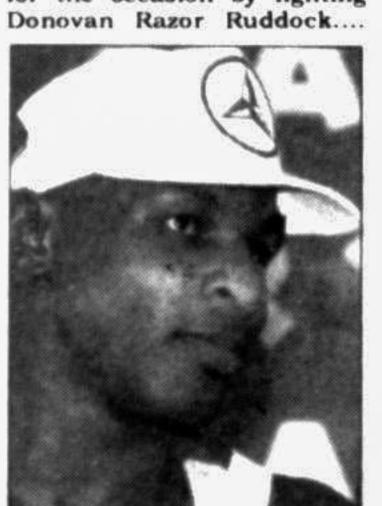
weighed more.

sleep" punches, he certainly hurt the champion several times - especially in an explosive seventh round. After a points win over Foreman, Holysield at last

one of his famous "put them to

showdown against Tyson. It was billed for the end of the year and Tyson warmed up for the occasion by fighting

agreed to the long-awaited



1 yson... unimpressive

twice. A controversial first meeting at the Mirage in Las Vegas ended in a near riot and with Ruddock's promoter Murad Muhammad being suspended for a year after a strange seventh round stoppage in Tyson's favour by referee Richard Steele.

The inevitable rematch, at the same venue four months later, also produced a Tyson victory - this time by points. Tyson did not impress in

either contest and the fights underlined a worrying deterioration in the 25-year-old's boxing skills. He was no longer moving with anything approaching his old fluency and confidence, his punches lacked accuracy and power and he presented an all too easy

he was forced to pull out of the November 23 showdown with Holyfield after injuring his shoulder during training. Holysield ended up fighting compatriot Bert Cooper - a

last- minute replacement for a

replacement after first-choice Francesco Damiani dropped To general astonishment the little-known Cooper came close to scoring one of the biggest upsets in boxing history when, for the space of half a minute in Round Three of an all-action contest, the unlikely challenger exposed the vulnerability of the champion by

landing with a series of big right hands. Holysield suffered the indignity of taking the first

standing count of his career. There were more worrying



Foreman...nat'l institution

he hung on grimly, weathered the storm and eventually turned the tide. The referee stopped it in Round Seven.

Britain's European champion Lennox Lewis stepped up his campaign for a world title shot by impressively stopping Tyrell Biggs. He put the former contender down three times in the third round and immediately demanded a match against Holyfield.

"Holyfield's chin and power

are suspect. I want to fight him

as soon as possible," he said -

saying aloud what scores of

challengers were secretly

thinking after watching the fight against Cooper. LEONARD'S RETIREMENT Outside of the heavyweights, the year was marked by the retirement of the le-

gendary Sugar Ray Leonard. The stylish 35-year-old American, who held five world titles at different weights during a glittering career in which

PARIS, Dec 22: the 19st 4lb giant who reigned prisonment if found guilty, was he made two comebacks - fidealt yet another blow when nally decided to call it a day after losing his World Boxing Council (WBC) light-middleweight title to Terry Norris - an opponent 13 years his ju-

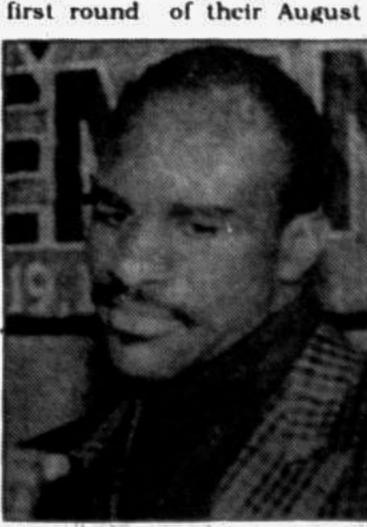
Leonard, who won his first

world title when he beat Wilfred Benitez for the WBC welterweight crown back in 1979, was floored twice by Norris and was comprehensively outpointed. He admitted afterwards : "He was to fast, too focused

fight to prove to me that it's not me time any more." Norris saw out the year in

and too strong. It took this

Four months later he also ended the career of Don Curry with an eight round knock-out, and then made two more successful defences - stopping compatriot Brett Lally in the



showdown in San Diego, and then unanimously outpointing Jorge Castro of Argentina in

Leonard bowed out — but his old rival Thomas Hearns, 32, soldiered on and became the first man ever to hold six world titles at five different weights when he outpointed the previously undefeated Virgil Hill for the World Boxing Association (WBA) light-heavy-

weight crown. Another of the year's major upsets was the defeat of Michael 'second-to' Nunn, generally considered the most promising of the young middleweights.

Nunn, often accused of arrogance, lost his International Boxing Federation (IBF) title when he was stopped by 22year-old compatriot underdog James Toney in the 11th round of their meeting in lowa in May. Nunn, who had been leading comfortably on points, made the mistake of losing his

### Early Christmas present for Marseille fans

PARIS, Dec 22 : French champions Marseille gave their home fans an early Christmas present when they crushed Caen 5-0 on Saturday to stay comfortably at the top of the French league, reports Reuter.

Jocelyn Angloma, Jean-Pierre Papin, Chris Waddle and Bastle Bolt, who scored twice, got the goals on the last soccer night of the year. Players and fans will now take a four-week break.

Plenty of goals were scored in the other matches. At Auxerre the home side beat struggling Sochaux 4-0 while Lens defeated lightly-regarded Toulouse 4-0.

Monaco, with a 1-0 win over Paris St. Germain, stayed second four points behind Marseille, who have a game in hand. The principality's team will have a job to catch the champions, now ideally-placed to clinch their four successive league title.

Unfashionable Le Havre beat Toulon 3-0 to take third place

Rennes and Nancy, fighting

The profits are up by a third over the 1989-90 figure, but

Rangers, who are still owed 20 million francs of the money, have said they would

Turnover was up 81 million francs to 280 million, thanks largely to reaching the European Cup final, which they lost on penalties to Red Star

Belgrade.

Nelson stopped it. Hector 'Macho' Camacho, Puerto Rico's World Boxing Organisation (WBO) junior-

welterweight champion lost

his title and an unbeaten 40-

fight record to American challenger Greg Haugen in Las Vegas in February. The fact that Camacho was docked a point for refusing to tough gloves at the start of the final round probably swung it

to Haugen. The new champion didn't reign for long however. He failed a post-fight drug test showing positive for marijuana. He was stripped of the title but the result was still allowed to stand — the only blot on

Three months later in

Nevada the two men fought

again — this time for the va-

cant title - and Camacho,

thanks to building up an early

Camacho's career record.

lead, won by a split points de-Britain's veteran detroitbased battlehorse Dennis Andries, aged anything between 35 and 45, lost his WBC light-heavyweight title on a narrow points decision to tough Australian rival Jeff Harding in London in September. It was their third meeting and bruising Harding's second success in

the series. A shadow was thrown over the sport when Britain's Chris Eubank retained his WBO middleweight title with his second successful defence in three

months over Michael Watson. Watson, who had lost on a controversial points decision in the first contest, failed to come out for the 12th round in the second. He had put Eubank down in the eleventh and looked to be heading for the title when the champion caught him with a desperate and

Although Watson managed to beat the count and reach his corner he was clearly in no state to defend himself. Alas, Eubank's post-fight celebrations quickly turned

spectacular right uppercut.

sour when news came through that Watson was clinging to life by a thread he had been rushed to hospital in a coma and had suffered serious brain Watson was not the only victim that night.

Another world title contender, Fernine Morales.

needed brain surgery after losing a points decision to Orlando Cantzales in an IBF bantamweight clash in California.