# Krabbe, others banned for 4 yrs

KATRIN KRABBE ... end of the road?



Double world sprint champton Katrin Krabbe and two more leading German athletes, Grit Breuer and Silke Moeller, were banned for four years for doping by the

Reuter. The DLV said in a statement the three athletes were suspended immediately for tilegaily tampering with urine samples during a dope test carried out in South Africa last

German Athletics Federation

(DLV) on Saturday, reports

The statement gave no the time period but under International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) rules, athletes who tamper with urine samples automatically receive a four-year penalty.

The DLV also said it would no longer work with the athletes' trainer Thomas Springstein and would sign no future contract with him.

Urine samples taken from the three athletes on January 24 at a training camp in Stellnbosch were shown to come from the same person. the German Federation said.

The DLV said it amounted to doping offence and that This could have been done only by the athletes or with their help and agreement. with the intention of falsifying urine tests made to establish if illegal performance-enhancing means had been used."

The statement said earlier urine samples taken from Krabbe and Breuer in July last year in Zinnowitz. Germany. were also found to be identical after laboratory analysis.

Krabbe won the women's 100 and 200 metres titles at last year's World Champion-

that they all came from the same person though there was no evidence of any drugs in the sample.

It said it was satisfied procedures were carried out correctly by the South African laboratory and that there was no question of a third person being able to tamper with the samples. Seals on them were intact when they reached Germany, it added.

Springstein said later on German television that the athletes would fight the ban through the courts if neces-

The Krabbe case is the biggest doping scandal to hit athletics since Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson was stripped of the gold medal when he failed a dope test after the men's 100 metres final at the Seoul Olympics in 1988.

Meyer dismissed allegations that the suspensions were part of a campaign by West Germans against athletes from the former communist eastern state.

"That is nonsense," he told German television. "We are dealing with a doping violation.

Since the two Germanys reunited in 1990; eastern athletes from various sports have revealed that the communist state used systematic doping programmes to ensure East German sporting successes.

Hans Evers, chairman of the German sports council's antidoping commission, applauded the suspension of the athletes.

"If the DLV had not made this decision, we might as well have abandoned any attempt to fight doping," he said. "If the sport is corrupt, you cannot take into account the so-called personalities involved."

Record suggest stiff sentence for Tyson IN DIAN APOLIS. "One of the few rights vicfeb 16: Boxer

Mike Tyson is eligible for a suspended sentence on his rape con-

injure his victim, reports AP. "But I can tell you right now it'll be a cold day in hell before that happens," said Monica Foster, an Indianapolis defense attorney.

viction because he's a first-

time offender and didn't use a

deadly weapon or seriously

Tyson returns to court for sentencing on March 27 at the earliest. Among the voices Superior Court Judge Patricia J Gifford will hear in deciding the sentence will be the victim. 18-year-old Desirec Washington.

Washington testified during Tyson's trial that he coaxed her to his hotel room last July 19 during the Miss Black America contest and overpowered her. Tyson said he bluntly asked her for sex the afternoon before and quoted her as saying. "Sure, give mc a call."

Court rules blocked the college freshman and beauty queen from Coventry. Rl. from testifying about the wrenching changes in her life since the rape, but she may do so during sentencing.

"She's reliving this nightmare over and over again," her mother, Mary, testified during the trial. "I just want my daughter back.

Speaking at the sentencing may be a step toward recovery for Washington, said Sally Wills, who directs the country's crime victim assistance office.

The victim's status is reduced to that of a state's wit ness" during the trial. Wills said. "It's a tremendous loss of control for the victim of a

tims do have in the criminal justice process is the right to speak at sentencing," she said.

Tyson, 25, the youngestever heavyweight boxing champion. was convicted Monday of one count of rape



DESIREE WASHINGTON

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An informal survey of recent

rape sentencings in Gifford's

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tence may be much closer to

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-A former mental patient who assaulted an 18-year-old woman and then told police, "I don't think I raped her very badly," got a six-year sentence, with four of the years sus-

Marion County. The county av-

-A 17-year-old pizza parlour worker got a six-year suspended sentence for the attempted rape of a 14-year-old newspaper carrier. State law regards a rape attempt as serious as rape and the same sentencing range of six years to

20 years applies. A 33-year-old unemployed man received the full 20-year sentence for raping a 21-yearold woman three weeks after being paroled from a Texas prison, where he served time for sexual assault.

## IBF to drop Tyson from ratings

EAST ORANGE. New Jerscy. Feb 16: The International Boxing Federation plans to drop convicted rapist Mike Tyson from its heavyweight world ratings as of March I. a statement released Saturday said, reports AFP.

The decision comes just days after Tyson's conviction for rape and criminal deviate behaviour in Indianapolis. Indiana.

"The policy of our organization is not to rate any fighter who is incarcerated or stands to be incarcerated," said IBF president Bob Lee.

However, he said the 25year-old former world heavyweight champion was entitled to a hearing on the matter before a panel of the IBF Executive Committee.

"We notified Tyson as of February 12 he has 10 days to ask for a hearing before this panel," Lee said.

Tyson, who held the world heavyweight title from 1986 to 1990, is currently rated by the IBF as the number one contender for the title held by Evander Holyfield

# Cason just misses another mark (Lakers to retire Magic's jersey

ships in Tokyo where Breuer

took silver in the 400 metres.

Moeller won the world sprint

double four years earlier than

could be stripped of their

Tokyo medals if the IAAF

upholds the DLV findings that -

they had tampered with sam-

ples as early as July last year, a

month before the Japan meet-

Both Krabbe and Breuer



LOS ANGELES. Feb 16 : Andre Cason missed a world indoor record in the 50 dash by

one-hundredth of a second Saturday in the Sunkist Invitational after flying all day from Madrid, where he broke the 60-meter record Friday night, reports AP.

After traveling more than 6,000 miles (9,600 kilometers) and arriving just hours before the meet. Cason sprinted to a 5.62 -second beking at the L.A. Sports

That was just a tick off the world record of 5.61 set by Manfred Kokot of East Germany in 1980 and matched by James Sanford the following

Cason, 22, beat a field that included Ben Johnson, who has struggled since coming back from his 1988 suspension for steroid use. Johnson finished fourth in 5.76.

Davidson Ezinwa of Nigeria was second behind Cason in 5.64 and Michael Batcs was third in 5.75.

Friday night in Madrid. Cason rewrote his own world record for the 60 meters ning a 6.41. He had set a world mark of 6.45 two weeks car-

I felt the effects of the trip when I arrived, but by the time I washed out my uniform it was time to go over to the arena." Cason said

Despite the fine race, Cason didn't seem pleased. I was technically poor and had a terrible start," he ex-

plained. Asked his expectations for 1992 . Cason said,"I expect to win a gold medal in the 100 this summer.

Krabbe in Rome.

In the women's 50 meters Saturday night, Michelle Finn equaled the American record with a time of 6.13, matching Jeanette Bolden's mark set in 1981. Four-time Olympian Evelyn Ashford, now 34, was fourth in a time of 6.27.

Janeene Vickers won the women's 400 yards in 55.16.



ANDRE CASON

with Lillie Leatherwood second in 55.95.

Willie Gault, the Los Angeles Raiders wide receiver, finished second in the 50-meter hurdles. Gault, who can compete again in track because of rule changes regarding professionaltsm, was clocked in 6.54

run by Tony Li of China. Dan Obrien, 1991 world champton in the decathion and the favorite for a gold at Barcelona. was third in 6.68.

DLV president fielmut

Meyer, who said the athletes

had 28 days in which to ap-

peal, told reporters: "This was

a unanimous decision by the

statement said tests carried

out on the urine samples in

South Africa and later in the

Cologne testing centre of

German expert Manfred

Donike showed conclusively

The German federation

athletics federation.

## Pioneer soccer

Sports Reporter

Eskaton Sabuj Sangha (Jrs) and Sunrisc Sporting Club won their respective matches in the round-robin league of the Janata Bank Pioneer football competition at the Outer Stadium yesterday.

In the first match of the day. Eskaton Sabuj Sangha (Jrs) beat Lalbagh Tarun Sangha by two goals to nil.

Aminul and Toffazzal Hossain scored in the tenth and 26th minute respectively in the first session for the winners.

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Sunrise Sporting Club edged past Mirpur XI 1-0 in the second tie of the day.

Arman Hasain scored the all-important goal for the win-

Arman. Shahnewaz and Towhidul of Sunrisc and (Sadal and Tuhin of Mirpur invited the yellow card for dangerous play.

## Dortmund increase Bundesliga lead

BONN, Feb. 16: Borussia Dortmund, seeking their first

Rodgers, 44, was a consci-

A wheelchair division

entious objector during the

Vietnam war and did alterna

marathon was cancelled Sa-

turday, said Drian DeLaporta.

an executive for the public-

relations firm of Hill and

Knowlton, which is promoting

was eliminated apparently be-

cause the Victnamese do not

take part in sports events for

DeLaporta said the event

tive service in a hospital.

the marathon.

INGLEWOON, Calif. Feb 16: Magic Johnson's jersey will be retired by the Los Angeles Lakers on Sunday although Johnson has said several times recently that he might return as a professional player some day, reports AP.

his retirement from the National Basketball Association on Nov 7 because he tested positive for the virus that causes AIDS, will be honored at halftime of the nationally televised game between the Lakers and Boston Celtics at the Forum.

longtime rival and good friend of Johnson's is sidelined because of a bad back, but is expected to attend Sunday's eeremony. Team doctors didn't his back problems flared up.

"We go way back, and the relationship that we have goes beyond basketball." Johnson said of Bird. "It will always remain in my heart and in my mind as a special day and a special time that he decided to do something like this."

Sunday's All-Star game with 25 points, nine assists and five rebounds in 29 minutes. Johnson again left the door open to a possible return to professional basketball.

continue to work in case want to come back or just get ready for the Olympics. I'm not making any hasty decisions, just because I played well What I have to do now is lay out all the factors and make a decision."

in the Summer Olympics at Barcelona, Spain.

"We look at it as if he's retired as a member of the Los Angeles Lakers," said John Black, the Lakers' director of public relations.

When asked what the Lakers will do if Johnson decides to return to the NBA at a later date. Black said, "we will take that as a separate issue at that time. Johnson, 32, wore No. 32

for the Lakers for 12 seasons.



league finals on four other oc-

He has been selected as the NBA's MVP three times and MVP of the NBA Finals three times. In addition, he's the league's career assists leader.

MIKE TYSON

prosecutor Grey Garrison want

sentence for the rape charge

Tyson was convicted of was

seven years and was the lowest

of all six criminal courts in

Last year, Gifford's average

count is six to 20 years.

Tyson to serve time.

Johnson will join Jerry West, Elgin Baylor, Wilt Chamberlain and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar as Lakers who have had their jerseys retired.

Bird and Abdul-Jabbar will speak to the sellout crowd of 17,505, as will NBA commissioner David Stern. Lakers forward James worthy and, of course, Johnson.

"He's honored that his jer sey is being retired," said Johnson's agent. Lon Rosen. "It's obviously exciting, but it's not something he wanted to happen right now. It's going to be a very special day, he's honored to be one of those guys. He's bringing his whole family in. To have Larry come in is real special to him. It's bittersweet.

Rosen said he doesn't believe Johnson will play for the Lakers again.

"As he showed last week, the guy can still play professional basketball, that's why he's leaving the door open. Rosen said. "Right now. he's rettred. I don't believe he's going to come back and play in the NBA again.

It's been reported that Johnson has considered playing in Europe after the Olympics, where there would be fewer games and less pres sure. Rosen acknowledged that was a possibility.

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### Novotna faces Navratilova in final championship since 1963. beat Schalke 2-0 to increase their lead in the German First November, having won a quar-CHICAGO, Feb 16: Division on Saturday, reports terfinal match against the Jana Novotna

Chicago tennis tournament

Sunday will face No. 2-seed

Martina Navratilova, who will

be looking for a record 158th

singles title. She and Chris

Evert, who retired in 1989.

most singles men's singles ti-

Jimmy Connors has the

The final will be a battle of

Czech natives for the dirs

70,000 first prize. The 35 year

old Navratilova, with a 5-0 ca-

recr edge over Novotna, goes

for her 12th Chicago Slims

semifinal. Navratilova beat Lori

match ended when Graf double

faulted in the 12th game of the

time, because I know how to

play her. It was always my con-

tention if I could use good tac-

tics, which I know how to do, I

would be successful," said

Novotna, who had broken Gral

in the 10th game after losing

her own serve in the previous

"In the end, my serve let

Novotna's victory was the

in the Saturday afternoon

The two-hour long evening

"I felt I could beat her any

each have 157 victories.

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McNetl 1-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Novotna, seeded third, on

Saturday night, reports AP.

upset top seed

Steff Cruf 0-6. 6

3. 7-5 in the

semifinals of the

Virginia Slims of

disabled veterans' whose hopes of competing in a wheelchair event were dashed, reports

The marathon has a field of competed in events Saturday.

gree heat. Luu Van Hung of Vietnam finished second at 2:44.52. American runner Rogers led for much of the way, but pulled up with about

Dang Thi Teo of Victnam won the women's division with

two miles ( 3 kilometers) to

go. He finished back in the

a time of 3:26.22. For some runners, the marathon course carried them past seenes seared into wartime memories - the old City Hall, the former bar district and former US Embassy. where frantic Vietnamesc clung to American helicopters in a last-ditch attempt to flee as the war came to a close in

figure skatting

Switzerland

the handicapped. "Of course it's disappoint-

ing, but we still achieved two of our goals," said George Gentry, 50, of Long Beach. Csalif, who lost both legs in a mine explosion in Vietnam in

Title retained

'obert Quiroga knocked down

punches to the side and head. me down, especially in that third set when she broke me but managed open a gash over Quiroga's right eye with a left book in the sixth. He also stuggered Quiroga, making his fourth title defense, in the final round with a strong right.

### Johnson had said previously hell play for the United States

Johnson, who announced

Celtics forward Larry Bird. a make a commitment in case

After being selected as the Most Valuable Player in last

"It makes me feel good that all of that hard work paid off on Sunday," he said. "I will

THE FAMOUS NO. 32 He led them to five NBA championships and to the

young German (at the Slims Navratilova broke McNeli in Nationals in New York City. Graf's last tournament, Novotna the seventh and ninth games now stands 3-11 against Graf. Navratilova fatled to hold serve three times as she lost

the first set. "It was like she had a radar gun." Navratilova said. "She knew what I was going to do before I knew what I was going

After winning the second set. Navratilova took a 2-0 lead in the final. The fourth seeded McNeil. 0-10 against Navratilova since 1985, won the next four games.

"I just needed to break up that rhythm," Mavratilova said Washington stops

Connors' march

MEMPHIS, Tennessee, Feb. 16 : Jimmy Connors gave it all he had on Saturday but his grand run fell short as 14thseeded Malivai Washington took a 6-2. 7-5 victory to reach the finals of the 780,000 dollar Federal Express international tennis tournament, reports Reuter

"He played well." Connors. 39, said about Washington. "It's been a long week for me. played a lot of tennis. It's the best I had today. I can't do anymore than that". The 16th-seeded Conners had ousted top-seeded Michael

champion, in the round of 16 and followed that by beating Aaron Krickstein in the quar ters. But the 38th-Ranked Washington proved too tough.

Stich, the reigning Wimbledon

"I couldn't let her go up 5-2. Then it would have been tough to come back."

to take command and held serve in the 10th game to win. "She came up with some very important shots, made good returns, but that's what makes champions." McNetl

with a big point." Navratilova said the day was one of streaks.

said. "Martina would come up

"It was a crazy kind of a match," she said, "First, I won four games, then she won four games, and I won the last four games of the match."

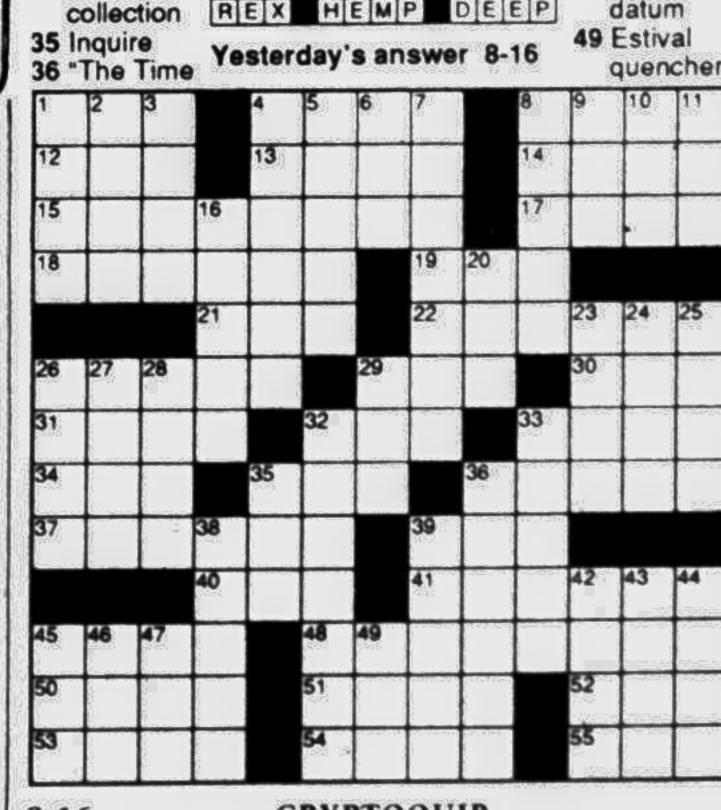
Courier in final

BRUSSELS, Belgium, Feb 16: America's Jim Courier outlasted fifth-seeded Guy Forget of France 7-6 (9-7). 6-4 on Saturday, reaching the semifinals of the dirs 600,000 Donnay Indoor Championship and assuring himself of retaining his No 1 ranking on the ATP tour, reports AP.

Courier, who took over as the top-ranked player from Stefan Edberg last week, was to face the winner of Saturday's second semifinal between Edberg and Boris **Becker of Germany** 

Courier and Forget both held serve in the first set before exchanging breaks in the eighth and ninth games. In the tiebreak. Courier fought off two set points when Forget led 6-

Courier earned his decisive break in the third game of the second set and held for the remainder of the set to take the match in straight sets.



CRYPTOQUIP 8-16

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"C A Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE GUY WHO SOLD ME THAT BEACH UMBRELLA SEEMED TO BE A SHADY CHARACTER.

Today's Cryptoquip clue: C equals H

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

### meters in the Olympic Games Briton wins Vietnam marathon Briton living in Hong Kong. who finished in 2 hours, 43 Ti Victnam. minutes. 26 seconds in 90-de-Feb 16: Tim Sautar of Britain on Suriday won Vict-

nam's first major marathon, which attracted about 70 Americans and some

The weekend of ruces was organized by the Communist government as part of its search for international support and tourism revenue to help its sagging economy, under a 17-year-old US em-

Several thousands runners Sautar, a 36-year-old Petrenko bags skating gold

ALBERTVILLE, France, Feb.

16 : Viktor Petrenko of the

Unified Team won the men's

figure skating gold medal

Saturday night, and American

Paul Wylie gained the silver with a strong free skating performance, reports AP. Czechoslovakia » Petr Burna hit the first, rlcan quadruple Jump in Olympic history and

got the bronze medal. Petrenko's triumph for the new Unified Team came after athletes of the former Soviet Union failed to win a single Olympic gold medal in men's

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## SALERNO, Italy, Feb 16

Colombia's Carlos Mercado twice in the first round and retained his International Boxing Federation junior bantamweight title with a 12round decision, reports AP. Mercado repeatedly took

> in the 10th game and then again in the 12th," said Graf. fighting back tears. second over Graf since last