

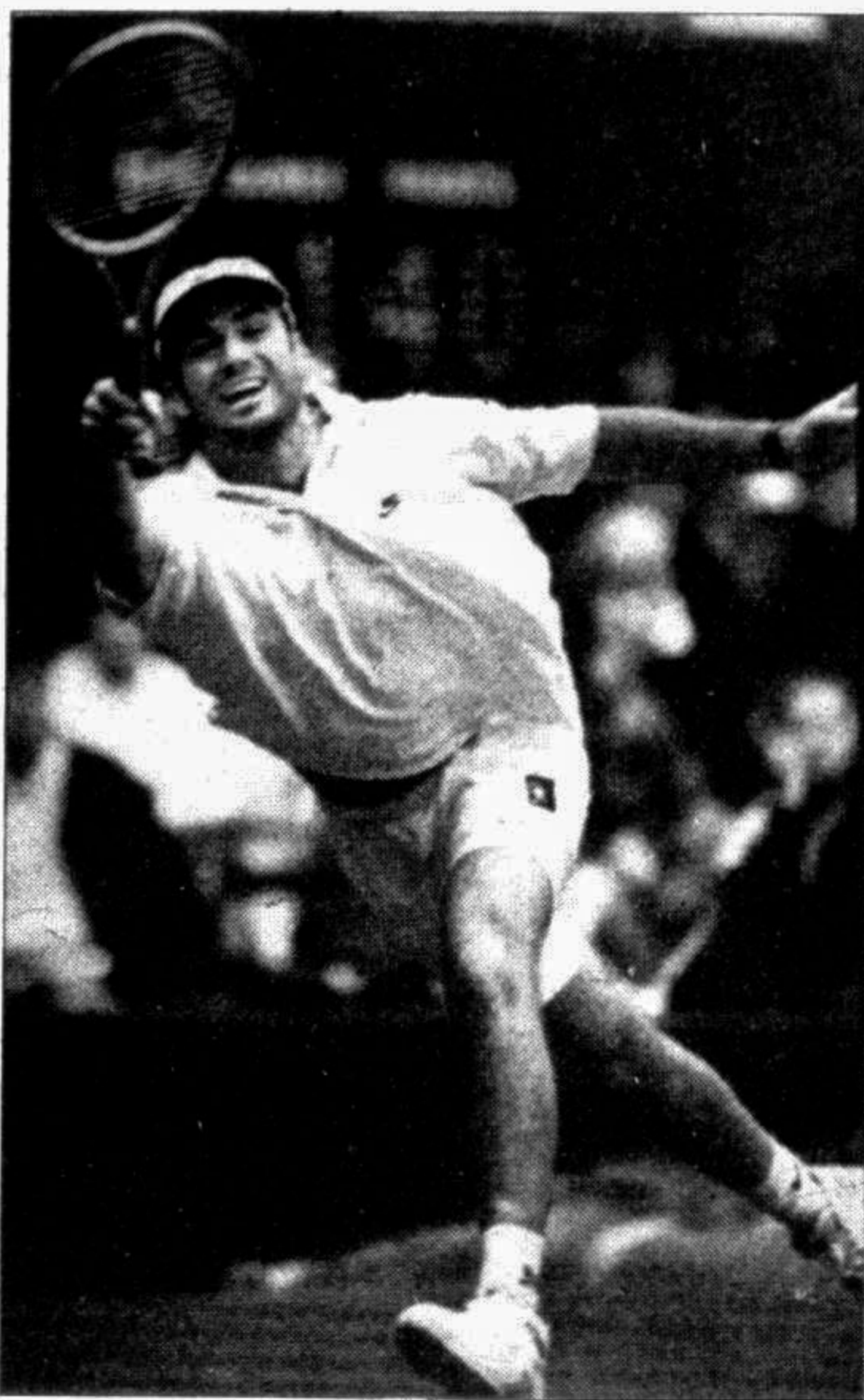
Buddies by night, foes by day

WIMBLEDON, England, June 24: Ouitar-playing buddies by night, racket-toting opponents by day.

Former Wimbledon champions John McEnroe and Pat Cash, who have jammed together in a rock 'n' roll band, won first-round matches Tuesday and will meet across the net in the next round.

4. 4-1 winner over Manon Bollegraf. Nathalie Tauziat, the 14th seed, needed three sets to defeat Natalia Medvedeva 7-5, 2-6, 6-3.

play was suspended Tuesday evening. The match was scheduled to resume Wednesday afternoon.



America's Andre Agassi races across court to send a forehand back to opponent Andrei Cherkasov of the CIS during their first-round match at the Wimbledon championships in England on Tuesday. The match was interrupted by rain.

Aussies face Dutch in final

KUALA LUMPUR, June 24: Favourite Australia and world champions Holland set the stage to meet in the finals of the four nations hockey tournament by eliminating Malaysia and Japan on Tuesday, reports AFP.

back peddle when the Malaysians turned on the heat after the interval. Lim Chiew Chuan converted a penalty stroke four minutes into the second half while towering defender Embaraj Kanniah scored Malaysia's second goal off a penalty

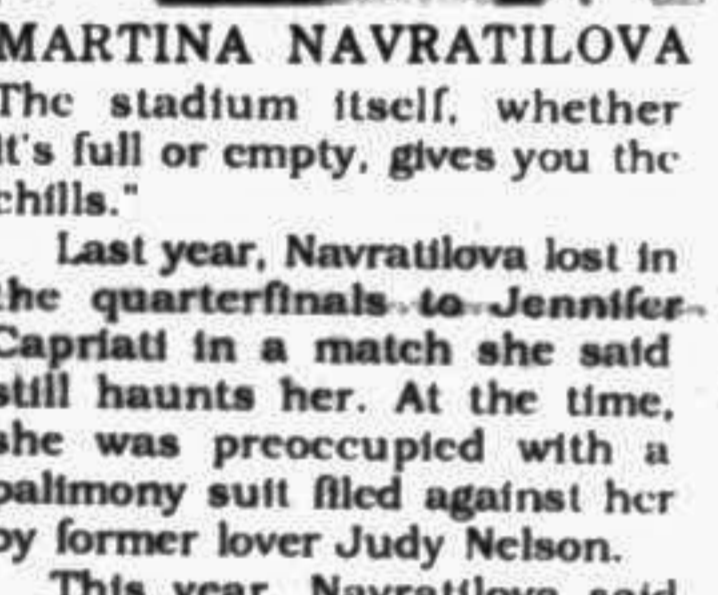
corner in the 56th minute before bowing out. Holland meanwhile had an effortless outing against the meek Japanese who took another drubbing in their third disastrous game of the meet.

Navratilova isn't retiring yet

WIMBLEDON, June 24: Jimmy Connors and John McEnroe may be talking about retirement. But don't even mention the word to Martina Navratilova, reports AP.

dalena Maleeva 6-2, 6-2, on Tuesday. "It's like, 'Here we go again.'"

she's stronger mentally and physically. "I'm in good shape," she said. "Physically I feel better than I have in years. I'm more flexible."



MARTINA NAVRATILOVA

Asked whether she had any personal goals left to achieve, Navratilova said, "To prove a whole lot of people wrong" by showing that she's still a title contender.

US does homework on soccer hooligans

GOTHENBURG, Sweden, June 24: United States football officials have put law and order at the top of their priorities for the 1994 finals after seeing England's hooligan fans in action at these European Championships, reports AFP.

German club signs Aussie booter

SYDNEY, June 24: Australia's classy young sweeper Ned Zelic will play for German First Division club Borussia Dortmund next season after his local club agreed on transfer terms, club sources said on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Christofte's experience counts

GOTEBORG, Sweden, June 24: Kim Christofte's experience came in handy. "I was never nervous. I knew exactly what to do," Christofte said after scoring the clinching goal that gave Denmark a dramatic penalty shootout victory over the Netherlands on Monday and a place against Germany in the European Soccer Championship final, reports AP.

But I'm more proud of my teammates who scored all goals in the shootout. Denmark was a late replacement in the tournament after United Nations sanctions banned Yugoslavia. The Danes finished second behind Yugoslavia in their qualifying group.

they could play without pressure. Michels, who is now expected to retire as coach, agreed.

ANC may seek SA's isolation

JOHANNESBURG, June 24: Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC) indicated on Tuesday it might renew its campaign to isolate South African sportsmen as part of efforts to force the white government from power, reports Reuter.

Union tours in August if President F W de Klerk failed to halt the bloodshed. The President of the National Olympic Committee of South Africa (NOCESA), Sam Ramsamy, on Tuesday said: "As far as Barcelona is concerned, the decision will be taken by NOCESA and the South African sports movement... We are not insensitive to the sufferings of our people."

De Klerk might approve a security crackdown that foreign sports officials could find unacceptable. Harry Hendricks, secretary of the radical South African Council on Sport (SACOS), said the sudden doubts proved that the country's readmission to world competition was premature.

Dutch defeat makes Swedish police happy

GOTHENBURG, Sweden, June 24: Swedish police said on Tuesday they expected to mobilise 1,690 officers to prevent hooliganism at Friday's European Championship soccer final between Germany and Denmark, reports Reuter.

"We will not take any risks, we learned from last Thursday," Gothenburg police spokesman Goran Anhov said. About 200 German rowdies rampaged through central Gothenburg last Thursday, smashing store windows and attacking Dutch fans in bars and restaurants when world champions Germany played the Netherlands in a Group Two match.

STAR TV PRIME SPORTS Thursday 00:00 Wimbledon Early Rounds - LIVE 03:00 Tennis Legends 03:30 Tennis: ATP Magazine 04:30 Best of 1992 World Cup Cricket 06:30 Wimbledon Highlights 07:30 Lure of the Wild 08:00 Wimbledon Highlights 09:00 Trans World Sports 10:00 Prime Bodies 10:30 Wimbledon Early Rounds 16:30 Talking Baseball 17:00 Wimbledon Highlights 18:00 Prime Bodies 18:30 Adventures 19:00 Sports Over the Edge 20:00 The 101 Best of 1991 FA Cup Goals 21:00 Wimbledon Early Rounds - LIVE (Please deduct 2 hours from above timings for Bangladesh Standard Time)

Nigerians, Kenyans skip African meet

ST. DENNIS, Reunion, June 24: Nigerian coach Harrison Momah said on Tuesday he feared his country's reign as Africa's leading sprint nation was nearing an end, reports Reuter.

Cairo All African Games last summer, is expected to dominate, while South African runners - making their debut in the African Games - promise to add some lustre to the games. Organisers said some of the top performers for the Port Louis Games will include Zambia's 400 metres world champion Samuel Mateo, who faces Senegal's Ahmadou Dia Ba and Hamadou Myrse.

Kenya has named a team of virtual unknowns, because world champions Billy Konchella (800), Moses Kiptanui (3,000 steeplechase), Yobes Ondieki (5,000) and Moses Tanui (10,000) and Olympic stars Paul Ereng and John Ngugi are in rigorous training for the Kenyan trials on July 1.

KL objects to Adelaide's tactics

KUALA LUMPUR, June 24: Kuala Lumpur will protest to the Commonwealth Games Federation over an offer by its rival to stage the 1998 Games - Adelaide, Australia - to give participating teams cash advance for air tickets, an official said Tuesday, reports AP.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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