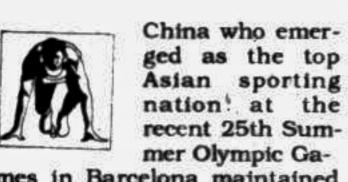


Mwangangi Muindi of Kenya (R) clears a hurdle in the final of the 3000m steeplechase of the 4th IAAF World Junior Athletics Championships at Seoul's Olympic Stadium on his way to winning the gold medal. Ayele Mezegebu (No 209) finished second, ahead of Stephen Chepseba (No 469).

# Chinese juniors world's best

Sports Reporter

9:04.30.



Asian sporting nation! at the recent 25th Summer Olympic Games in Barcelona maintained their ascendancy by topping the medals table of the fourth World Junior Athletics

cluded in the South Korean capital Seoul yesterday, according to agency reports. Chinese female athletes bagged four gold medals on the concluding day of the fiveday meet Sunday to give their

Championships which con-

country a haul of 14 medals inclusive of eight golds, three silvers and three bronzes. The United States bagged nine medals, only four of them being gold, to finish second while the Unified Team of the Commonwealth of Indepen-

Barcelona medal chart managed only four golds, a silver and a bronze for a thirdplace finish Hosts South Korea could

dent States who topped the

muster only a solitary silver medal and placed 22nd among the 30 nations that made it to the medals table. China's Zhang Lin Li won the women's 3000 metres

race in a time of 8:46.86 secs while her compatriot Gao Hongmiau took the women's 5000m walk gold. China's third success on the concludday came when Bae Dongying hurled the discus a distance of 58.34 metres for the gold medal. Liu Dong completed the Chinese success story by claiming the women's 1500m clocking 4:05.14 secs.

Stephen Smith of Great Britain won the men's high jump by scaling 2.37 metres while Erica Johansson of Sweden won the women's long jump with a leap of 6.65 me-RESULTS

Following are the results of the final day's competitions Sunday in the fourth World Junior athletics championships:

3,000-Metre Steeplechase: 1. Mwangangi Muindi,

Kenya, 8:31.62; 2. Ayele Mezegebu, Ethiopia, 8:32.43; 3. Stephen Chepseba, Kenya, 8:32.48; 4. Steffen Brandis, Germany, 8:39.58; 5. Glenn Stojanovic, Australia, 8:40.62; 6. Emerson Vettori, Brazil, 8:41.55; 7. Takeshi Yamamoto. Japan, 8:41.73; 8. Yoshiyuki Ikeda, Japan, 8:42.52. 1,500 Metres:

1. Atoi Boru, Kenya, 3:37.94; 2. Venuste Niyongabo, Burundi, 3:38,59; 3. Kevin Sullivan, Canada, 3:39.11; 4. Kim Soon-hyung, South Korea, 3:40.26; 5. Eddie Crowe, New Zealand, 3:40.82; 6. Javier Rodriguez, Spain, 3:40.94; 7. Dominique Loeser, Germany,

3:41.47; 8. Funtwaki Yusuke.

Japan, 3:42.02. High Jumps

1. Stephen Smith, Britain, 2.37 metres (7-9-); 2. Tim Forsyth, Australia, 2.31 (7-7): Kimino Takahiro, Japan, 2.29 (7-6-); 4. Kim Tae-young. South Korea, 2.23 (7-3-); 5. Segey Keyugin, Unified Team, 2.20 (7-2); 6. Krisofer Lamos, Germany, 2.20 (7-2 1): 7 Tomas Janku, Czechoslovakia 2.17 (7-13); 8. Coenrad Roux, South Africa, 2.17 (7 400-Metre Relay:

1. Britain, 39.21; 2. United States, 39.59; 3. Nigeria, 39.88; 4. Jamaica, 40.06. 1,600-Metre Relay:

1. United States, 3:06.11: 2 Jamaica, 3:06.58; 3. Japan,

3:06.66; 4. Poland, 3:07.01. WOMEN: 3,000 Metres:

1. Zhang Linli, China, 8:46.86; 2. Gabriela Szabo, Romania, 8:48.28; 3. Zhang Lirong, China, 8:48.45; 4. Paula Radcliffe, Britain, 8:51.78; 5. Annemari Sandell, Finland, 8:56.02; 6. Embetge Shiferaw, Ethiopia, 9:00.5; 7. Jung Young-im, South Korea; 8. Susie Power, Australia,

5,000-Metre Walk: Gao Hongmlao, China, 21:20.03; 2. Jane Saville, Australia, 21:58.64; 3. Miki Itakura, Japan, 22:25.58; 4. Bertha Vera, Ecuador, 22:30.45; 5. Kamila Holpuchova, Czechoslovakia, 22:33.92; 6. Maria Vasco, Spain, 22:34.26; 7. Michaela Hafner, Italy, 22:34.33; 8 Doreen Sellenriek, Germany.

22:47.19. Discus: 1. Bao Dongying, China, 58.34 (191-5); 2. Zhang Cuilan, China, 57.10 (187-4); 3. Sabine Fried, Germany, 53.94 (177); 4. Danijela Curovic, Independent (Yugoslavia), 52.64 (172-8); 5. Beatrice Faumuina. New Zealand, 52.20 (171-3), 6 Uirike Heidelmann, Germany, 51.64 (169-5); 7. Petra Juraskova, Czechoslovakia, 51.26 (168-2); 8. Adrienne Lynn, New Zealand, 51.18

(167 - 11).1,500 Metres:

1. Ltu Dong, China, 4:05.14; 2. Jackline Maranga, Kenya, 4:08.79; 3. Li Ying, China. 4:09.04; 4. Nami Sugimura, Japan, 4:13.53; 5. Lee Mt. kyung, South Korea, 4 14 18; 6. Carmen Wuestenhagen. Germany, 4:15.74; 7. Yoshtko Ichikawa, Japan, 4:17.07; 8. Elena Cosoveanu, Romania, 4: 17.70. Long Jumps

1. Erica Johansson, Sweden, 6.65 (21-97); 2. Nicole Devonish, Canada, 6.43 (21-

1-1; 3, Yu Hauxiu, China, 6.26 (20-62): 4. Heli Kotvula, Finland, 6.14 (20-13); 5. Cristina Morujao, Portugal, 6.09 (19-117; 6. Lacena Golding, Jamalca, 6.09 (19-117); 7. Lisette Cuza, Cuba, 6.06 (19-102): 8. Niki Xanthou, Greece, 6.03 (19-9-).

400-Metre Relay: 1. Jamaica, 48.96; 2. United States, 44.51; 3. Germany, 44.52; 4. Germany, 44.62.

1,600-Metre Relay: 1. Romania, 3:31.57; 2. Jamaica, 3:32.68; 3. Germany, 3:32.72; 4. United States, 3:33.11.

MEDALS TABLE Final medal standings in the

4th World Junior athletics championships:

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	Bulgaria	ŏ	0	1	1
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	Japan	0	0	4	4
	South Korea	0	1	0	1
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	South Africa	0	1	2	3
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	Canada	0	.2	1	3
	Australia	0	3	1	1 4 3 2 3 2 2 1 4
	Italy	1	0	0	1
	Ecuador	1	0	0	1
	Finland	1	0	1	2
	Netherlands	1	1	1	3
	Tobago	2	0	0	2
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	Cuba.	2	4	1	7
	Germany	2	5	5	12
	Jamaica	3	3	3	9
	Kenya	3	4	2	. 9
	Romania	4	1	1	6
	Unified Team	4	2	5	11
	United States	4	3	2	9
	China	8	3	3	14

### Fischer seeks psychological edge over Spassky



Sept 20: Bobby Fischer launched an aggressive fight for a psychologically impofifth win over Boris

Spassky on Sunday in game 11 of their dlrs 5 million chess rematch, reports AP. A win by Fischer, who leads 4-2, would mark the symbolic halfway point in the match, in

which the first player to take 10 games is the victor. Despite equally aggressive play by Spassky, Fischer ap-

peared to be gaining the upper hand in the early going. Fischer went with his usual opening that has led into the

Ruy Lopez in previous games when he played white. But Spassky, who complained of being tried after a 7

1/2-hour marathon game on Saturday, opted for the more adventurous Sicilian Defense and then shunned the common Open Variation for a less familiar line:

Fischer surprised some expert observers with a gambit of a pawn in his seventh move, opening up the centre and lines on his queenside.

#### Women's sports chiefs' meet

Sports Reporter

The two-day 1992 Islamic countries' women's sports solidarity congress will now begin from October 20 in the Iranian capital Tehran.

The course was initially scheduled for October 10 and

Najma Shamim, general secretary of the Bangladesh National Women's Sports Federation, will represent the country in the congress.

After 12 moves, Fischer had lost a bishop and three pawns while Spassky had lost a knight and two pawns. But experts at the match said Spassky appeared to be in trouble despite his one-pawn

Match rules call for a change of venue from this Montenegrin island resort to Beigrade, Yugoslavia's capital, when one player wins five games. Otherwise, the next game is scheduled for Wednesday in Sveti Stefan.

The first player to win 10 games takes the dirs 3.35 million top prize, and the loser gets dirs 1.65 million. Draws do not count, and each game must be finished without adjournment

Game 10 on Saturday ended in a draw after 68 moves, the

longest contest of the series so far. That game had been scheduled for Thursday, but Spassky, 55, received a postponement after complaining kidney problems.

He had lost the previous three games in a series of blunders that experts at the match speculated were healthrelated. Spassky appeared relaxed and fit on Saturday, although he said he was 'really tired" at the end of the game.

There was speculation that Fischer had tried to extend. play in what seemed a certain draw to wear Spassky down before Sunday's game. But Fischer said afterward that he was not convinced that a draw was inevitable. Because draws do not count

in the match, players might feel compelled to try longer than usual for a win. In most international chess competitions, each player is awarded

1/2 point in a draw. The dirs 5 million prize money has been put up by a Yugoslav businessman, Jedzimir Vasiljevic, and the match is taking place in defiance of UN sanctions against Yugoslavia for provoking Civil War in neighboring Bosina-Harzegovina.

Fischer, 49, is returning to chess after a 20-year absence since beating Spassky to take the world title in 1972.

Fischer insists he now is playing for the Worl Championship again, but the match is not recognised by the International Chess Federation, which stripped the American of the title in 1975 after he refused to defend it.



The fourth week's matches of the Azad Products weekend chess tournament were played at the NSC chess room Saturday. --Star photo

retaining interest

TOKYO, Sept 20: Serget Bubka of Ukraine, who set his 32nd world pole vault record clearing 6.13 metres on Saturday, said he had thought of raising the bar to 6.14 metres, but dismissed the idea because "It gives me more possibilities in the future."

"It's not just for money, like some people talk about," he said. "If I jump very high results, there's no more interest, no more motivation."

"Right now, I'm training to jump more world records.... It is my main motivation."

Meanwhile, Jan Zelezny of Czechoslovakia repeated his Olympic gold medal performance to win the javelin throw at a distance of 90.18m, beating silver medalist Seppo Raty of Finland who threw for 88.36m.

World record holder Stefka Kostadinova of Bulgaria leaped 2.00m to defeat Galina Astafei of Romania in the high jump, while Ellen van Langen of the Netherlands clocked 2:05.03 to beat Russia's Lilia Nurutdinova and win the 800m race.

Leading athletes from 19 countries, including 36 Olympic medalists, took part in 27 events at the one-day competition.

### Masya, McColgan

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, England, Sept 20: Kenyan runner Benson Masya set an unofficial world best time on the way to defending his title in the Great North Run halfmarathon race Sunday, reports

His time of 60 minutes 24 seconds was three seconds faster than the previous best, by Australian Steve Moneghetti set at Tokyo earlier this year.

The women's race was won by New York marathon titlist Liz McColgan of Britain.

Runner up to Masya was Argentina's Antonio Silio in 60 minutes and 40 seconds and Boay Akunay of Tanzania was third in 60 minutes 45 seconds.

McColgan, a 28-year-old Scot, won in 68 minutes 53 seconds, 28 seconds ahead of second place Japanese Megumi Fujiwara. Third was Rosanna Munerotto of Italy in 69 minutes 38 seconds.

#### Tadesse wins World Junior half-marathon

GATESHEAD, England, Sept 20 : Ethiopian Kaesa Tadesse pulled of an astonishing victory in the inaugural World Junior half-marathon championship here on Saturday, reports AFP.

Surviving on just four hours sleep after travelling for 36 hours, he ran away from the field to win in 64 minutes 51 seconds, 10 seconds clear of South African Melk Mothuli.

#### Bangladesh Army go down to neighbours 0-2

The Indian Armed Forces team defeated the Bangladesh Army team by 2-0 goals in a friendly football match at the Bangladesh Army Stadium in Dhaka yesterday, reports BSS.

The visiting team scored both the goals before the recess. They opened their accounts through Hav P Paite at the 13th minute. Hav Chakradhar added another goal at the 41st minute to consolidate their victory.

After the breather, how ever, the host team tired to return to play. But all their moves saw futile finishings.

Chief of the General Staff, Bangladesh Army, Major General Muhammad Abdus Salam witnessed the match as chief guest.

#### **Azad Products** weekly chess

Sports Reporter

The Azad Products weekly chess tournament, a threemonth long competition, played on every Friday afternoon, had its fourth week's matches decided yesterday at the National Sports Council chess room. This week's matches, how-

ever, had to be deferred to Saturday since the venue for the competition -the NSC chess room - was still hosting the last round matches of the qualifying meet for the forthcoming international rating chess tournament scheduled for October Collecting six and a half

the contenders, to shy away points from seven matches A N from nobody. He's still bitter M Ruhul Quddus became about losing that fight against champion of the fourth week me. He punched me to bits on which was specially arranged that night." "If his body had nothing to for the fledglings of the chess do withit, he'd still be fighting.

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He still has that in him. That's cerebral warfarer from Narawhat he lives for." yangani, finished second, half a "I'd willing give him my title belt if he wanted it. I ofpoint short of the champion.

## Bubka's way of Hosts win three out of five



SEMARANG, Indonesia, Sept 20: The host team took three titles at the Indonesian

Open badminton tournament here Sunday, with China taking the women's singles and Sweden's picking up the mixed pairs, reports

Olympic men's singles silver medalist Ardy Wiranata notched a hattrick of Open titles with his third victory in successive years, beating compatriot Joko Suprianto in a three-set thriller, 15-7, 6-15,

This is the toughest game I have ever had," Wiranata said, adding that he would be back in Jakarta soon to prepare for next week's Singapore Open.

"I will do my best to grab the title in Singapore by beating whoever my opponent is", he said. Wiranata pocketed 13, 500

dollars while Suprianto took 7,500 dollars. In the women's singles

China's rising star Ye Zhoying, 18, beat Indonesia's Sarwendah in an easy victory, 11-7. 11-6, to bring home 10,000 dollars.

"I was surprised that I could beat her that easily," Ye said.

For Sarwendah who took home 6,000 dollars, it was her second defeat by the Chinese player after losing to her at the



ARDY WIRANATA

In the men's doubles, Indonesia's long-established crack pair Eddy Hartono and Rudy Gunawan beat compatriots Ricky Subagia and Rexy Mainaki, 15-12, 15-5.

Hartono, who earlier said that the match would be his last, ended his career on a

high note with his share of a 15,000 dollar cash prize.

Subagia and Mainaky, who In the first game had lead 12-5 before their seniors recovered dollars.

to finish 12-15, won 10,000 Indonesia's Erma Sulistiyaningsin and Rosiana Tendean beat English pair Gillian Gomwers and Gillian Clark 15-12, 15-9 in the women's

doubles. Sulistiyaningsin, who is also retiring, and Tendean who will play as a mixed doubles player in the future, brought home 10,000 dollars, while the English pair took 6,000 dol-

The English pair said they were exhausted as this championship was their sixth since the Barcelona Olympic Games.

Pair of Gunnar Jonsson and Maria Bengtsson became the fist Swedish mixed doubles team to win a title at the Indonesia Open since the championship was first held in 1982, beating indonesian pair Aryono and Eliza 12-15, 15-11, 15-12.

Indonesians have clinched three of the five titles available at the Open here four times since 1982.

that performance? Pat can't go

any further until he meets me

Italian climbers

feared killed in

the Himalayas

Italian mountaineering team

abandoned its expedition in

the Himalayas after two

climbers were feared killed in

an avalanche on Mount Tilicho,

the Tourism Ministry said

technician from Venezia and

Robert Malearotto, 52 of Mar-

gaera, were feared killed

Tuesday under an avalanche

that hurtled down a mountain

after the team pitched camp II

at 5,900 metres (19,470 feet).

dent, the 25-member expedi-

tion led by Francesco Santon,

53, of Venezia gave up their

attempt to scale the 7.134-

metre (23, 542-foot) Mount

Bad weather disrupted

communications between the

base camp at 4,900 metre

(16,170 feet) and the

climbers, forcing a search

party to set out toward Camp II

amid stormy weather on

foot) ascent took a whole day

and all that the rescuers could

find was a piece of tent belong-

ing to Visentin and Malearotto.

The 1,000-metre (3, 300-

Tilicho on Friday.

Wednesday.

Following the tragic inci-

Gianluigi Visentin, 45, a

Sunday, reports AP.

KATHMANDU, Sept 20 : An

again. I want a rematch."

#### Eubank retains WBO crown How can I possibly retire after



GLASGOW, Scotland, Sept 20: Britain's World Boxing Organisation (WBO) super-middlew-

cight champion Chris Eubank handed America's punching postman Tony Thornton a first-class defeat in his fourth title defence here Saturday night, reports AFP. The 26-year-old Eubank

unanimous points success over the dangerous Thornton to extend his unbeaten run to 33 But the busy Eubank knew he had been in a fight after his

retained his crown with a

ninth contest in 22 months. He said: "This man was tough. He stayed there for my biggest shots. I have nothing but admiration for him."

It was typical of the enig-

matic Eubank that he rose to the occasion against one of the best men in the division, just as he had done against compatriots Nigel Benn and Michael Watson. Eubank's combinations in

the opening round were fre quent and sometimes breathtaking, carrying power and speed. But such an impressive start

was bound to take its toll and the New Jersey postman kept walking for wards to get back in contention. Thornton, unbeaten in his nine previous fights, showed

his quality by snapping in a

heavy right-hand, which momentarily stung the champion. That was enough for him to go back to the jab, although Eubank did throw in good left hooks and upper cuts as Thornton methodically went through his work trying to

open up the champion. Eubank used the ring well in the fourth, making Thornton miss and when trapped in a corner, brought his strength in to play to stay out of trouble.

GLASGOW, Sept

20: World Boxing

Organisation su-

permiddleweight

champion Chris

Eubank, who suc-

cessfully defen-ded his title

here on Saturday night, has

called on the sport's various

governing bodies to look after

their retired fighters, reports

introduce pensions to take

care of the likes of Michael

Watson, who is still recovering

from the terrible head injuries

he suffered when he lost to

Eubank after his points win

over American Tony Thornton.

"Other sports have pensions -

from the testimonial and what

we've raised in the charity ses-

Boxing is a hard world.

Eubank admitted that Wat-

"Basically, Michael has told

There's no justice, certainly

not for him. He deserves a far

son's courage had given him an

inner strength and determina-

tion to continue boxing, even

me to keep fighting on. He's a

true warrior," said Eubank, a

regular visitor to Watson's bed-

side at the Homerton

Rehabilitation Centre in East

"He has told me to fight all

though he hates the sport.

"Michael's got nothing apart

this doesn't."

sions, which is sad."

The Briton wants then to

Eubank's jab was effective in the fifth, but Thornton began to pick up the points and as Eubank began to look a shade tired, the American worked far harder than he wanted.

Eubank even began to blow in the seventh as Thornton thudded in another good right. But the champion got a sec-

ond wind in the eighth and must have come close to halting Thornton. After being outboxed, Eubank suddenly exploded a big right to the side of Thornton's head, the challenger reeled back into the ropes and took two more of the same before holding on for the bell.

That savage attack took the wind out of Thornton and Eubank looked to finish the job in the ninth.

However, Thornton held on and actually rallied in the 11th, only for Eubank to make himself scarce in the final three minutes to ensure he did not make any crucial mistakes.

Earlier, Scotland's Pat

Clinton also hung on to his

WBO flyweight title by a unanimous decision, although his victory over England's Danny Porter was nowhere near as convincing as Eubank's against Thornton: The 28-year-old Clinton,

handicapped by a damaged left hand, was even jeered by his own supporters in the 10,000 capacity crowd after being awarded the controversial triumph in his first defence.

Clinton, who captured the

world title with another contentious decision over Mexican Sid Perez in March, seemed to have lost his crown to the aggressive challenger. However, the three judges from the United States, Ger-

many and England all decided that Clinton had done enough to retain his title. Porter was convinced that he had been robbed. He said: "

thought I won by two rounds

fered it to him, but he

frame of mind to me. I don't

like this business. He loves, it

To emphasise the point, he

told me the first time I saw

him that he wanted a re-

and then a third time. You

Barguna soccer

guna Thana Eleven today beat

Betagi Thana Eleven by 4-1

goals in the first semifinal of

the Family Planning football

tournament held at the local

team ahead in the 16th

minute, followed by Razzak

who scored the second goal in

the 32nd minute of the match.

to their tally from an own goal

by their contenders in the

16th minute of the second

pushed the ball into his own

net. The other Barguna goal

was scored by Alamgir 34 min-

Aussies clinch WC

Oceania zone

Group 1 title

BRISBANE, Australia, Sept

20 : Australia shut out Tahiti 2-

O Sunday to clinch the World

Cup soccer qualifying Oceania

Zone Group 1 title, reports AP.

3-0 last weekend in Papeete,

now advances to the zone final

next May against New Zealand.

New Zealand advanced in

Group 2 Saturday after a score-

less draw against Fiji in Suva.

Australia, which beat Tahiti

utes after the breather.

Barguna added another goal

Milon of Betagi accidentally

Nantu of Barguna put his

stadium, reports UNB.

BARGUNA, Sept 20 : Bar-

can't break this man's spirit."

"He said it the second time

"Michael has a different

wouldn't take it."

match.

Pension not charity is

needed, says Eubank

#### Barcelona beat Atletico 4-1 MADRID, Spain, Sept 20:

Bulgarian striker Hristo Stoichkov scored three goals Saturday, leading FC Barcelona to a convincing 4-1 victory over Atletico Madrid and into first place in the Spanish First Division, reports AP.

Both Stoichkov, and Portuguese forward Paolo Futre, who scored the lone goal for Atletico, were expelled in the second half.

the early season, after two victories, and dropped them into third place behind the defending league champion and Deportivo La Coruna.

It was Atletico's first loss of

in other games Saturday, Valencia played host to Seville and Celta was at Logrones.

On Sunday, Cadiz was to play at Espanol, Oviedo travel to Zaragoza, Atheltic Bilbao play. Rayo Vallecano, Osasuna was at La Coruna, Real Sociedad is at Albacete; Sporting Gijon faces Real Madrid, and Burgos take on Tenerife.

Barcelona, also the defending European Cup champton, entered Saturday's match a 1-1-0 record and was coming off a late 1 0 victory over Viking Stavanger in the opening round of the Champtons Cup on Wednesday.

Atletico was coming off 3-0 victory at Slovenia's Maribor in the opening round of the Cup Winner's Cup.

Stoichkov, who now leads the league with four goals, scored in the fourth and the eight minutes.

Futre brought Atletico Madrid within a goal and gave its fans in Vicente Calderon Stadium its lone chance to cheer in the 29th on a power-

Stoichkov restored the twogoal advantage in the 48th, finishing off a three-man rush to an practically unguarded net.

Futre, who was cautioned for protesting Stoichkov's third goal, was expelled early in the second half. Stoichkov was expelled 15

minutes later, also for

protesting a referee's call. Guillermo Amor tacked on

Barcelona's last goal in the final minute.