## Dokes is no match for Bowe



NEW YORK, Feb 8: Heavyweight champion Riddick Bowe stopped Michael Dokes with 41 seconds

left in the first round on Saturday to retain his World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation titles, reports Reuter.

Bowe, 25 prepared Dokes with left jabs from the opening seconds of the scheduled 12round fight and opened up with a right-left-right combination on Dokes sending the challenger sagging against the ropes. It was considered a knockdown because the ropes held Dokes up.

Dokes, 34, took an eight count and shortly afterward Bowe staggered Dokes with a thudding left hook, sending him wobbling against the ropes. Bowe worked the body a bit and sagged Dokes with a right and a left to the head.

Referee Joe Santarpia of New York stepped in and stopped the fight.

After the fight had been stopped, Dokes chugged back into the middle of the ring looking to continue.

"I was under control. I was

ready to fire back," Dokes said. "How can he (the referee) do that? How can he do that? He never asked me."

It appeared from ringside that Dokes, now 50-4-2, could

metres at the Stuttgart indoor

athletics meeting on Sunday

but was later at the centre of

an embarrassing organisational

whose main claim to fame was

a victory over Olympic cham-

pion Linford Christie at the

Welsh Games in 1991, ap-

peared to have rounded off an

outstanding day when he was

declared the winner of the 60

heat in the 200 with Olympic

bronze medalist Michael Bates

an allocation in the 60 metres

was resolved, more than an

hour after the race, Canadian

Bruny Surin was confirmed as

the short-sprint winner in

He had run in lane five -

the lane Trapp was billed to

Sunday, closing a remarkable

series in which she has set the

three fastest 50 metres indoor

times in history in six days,

onds in the Grenoble women's

50 metres final, only four-hun-

dredths slower than the world

record she set in Moscow on

bronze medalist at the Bar-

celona Olympics, had set two

world records in Moscow, first

breaking East German Marita

Koch's 13-year-old mark of

6.11 seconds in the heats with

a time of 6.05 seconds before

blocks to open a commanding

Privalova surged out of the

clocking 6.00 in the final

The Russian, 100 metres

Privalova clocked 6.04 sec-

reports Reuter.

Tuesday.

GRENOBLE, Fra-

nce, Feb 8: Ru-

ssian sprinter lri-

na Privalova stor-

med to another

great victory on

He had finished in a dead

But after a mix-up involving

metres.

in 20.83 seconds.

6.54 seconds.

compete in.

The 23-year-old Trapp,

mistake, reports Reuter.

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American James

Trapp shared an

unexpected vic-

tory in the 200

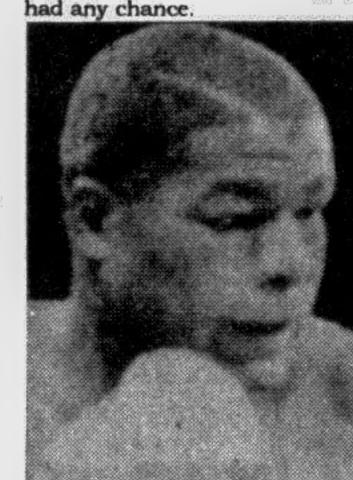
not have lasted much longer.

"The ropes saved him," Santarpia said. "I looked in his eyes and he was gone. He was out. His eyes were glassy and falling all over the place. He must have gotten hit by 20 straight punches.

"He was hurt, he was definitely hurt. My job is to make sure fighters don't get hurt."

Bowe, now 33-0, said: "I thought he was hurt. I thought the referee should have stopped it. He was just no match

Not many people ever thought Dokes, a 15-1 underdog by the time of the fight,



RIDDICK BOWE

The American was officially

The lanes mix-up - runners

were allowed to switch lanes

without timekeepers, specta-

tors and media being informed

was a major embarrassment

for the Stuttgart organisers,

who spent all afternoon re-

minding fans of the forthcom-

ing outdoor World Champion-

An official confirmed later

Trapp's surprise success in

that timekeepers had not been-

the 200 metres was the high-

light of the meeting which also

saw good performances from

American world champion Mi-

chael Johnson over 400 me-

tres and Kenyan Moses Kip-

Johnson, who made a sur-

prise exit from the Olympic

200 metres in the semifinals,

cruised through the first lap

before turning on the speed in

the final 100 metres to clock

ahead of compatriot Tyrone

Kemp (47.47) and Willie

Another gold for Privalova

lead in the first 20 metres and

stayed well ahead to beat

Ukrainian Zhanna Tarnopol-

skaya, who finished in 6.12

double at the meeting by beat

ing arch-rival Merlene Ottey

comfortably in the 200 metres,

winning in 22.64 seconds to

BEN'S BEST

dian Ben Johnson had a sa-

tisfying victory in the 50 me-

tres, clocking 5.65 seconds,

the best legal time of his ca-

years after a positive dope test

at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul,

set a then world record of 5.55

seconds in 1987 but was later

stripped of the mark after ad-

mitting taking drugs over a

long period.

Johnson, suspended for two

In the men's sprint, Cana-

22.98 for the Jamaican.

The Russian scored a great

Johnson finished strides

ships in the city in August.

told of any lane changes.

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45,75 seconds.

Caldwell (47.73).

placed fourth in 6.69.

months in 1982-83 has a long history of drug abuse.

Asked a few weeks before the fight how long he had been drug free, Dokes said: "Off and on for five years."

For Bowe, who was making the first defence of the titles he own by beating Evander Hollysield last November, Saturday's bout before about 17,000 fans at Madison Square Garden proved very little.

Bowe surrendered the World Boxing Council's (WBC) title under treat of being stripped of it for not making his first defence against Briton Lenox Lewis. The WBC awarded Lewis the title.

It was the first of a six-fight multi-million-dollar deal for Bowe with Time Warner Sports.

Bowe had been set to fight Ray Mercer in May, but Mercer lost a unanimous 10-round points decision to journeyman Jesse Ferguson on Saturday's undercard. Ferguson's abilities are reflected in his 19-9 record. Mercer is now 20-2.

It is unclear who Bowe will fight next.

Bowe was paid about 5 million dollar for his short night's work. Dokes was guaranteed 750,000 dollar.

According to punch statistics at ringside, Bowe landed 55 of 83 punches thrown, or Dokes, the former WBA 66 per cent. Dokes landed 12 heavyweight champion for nine punches.

### Unusual mix-up at Stuttgart Agassi wants to surf He was delighted with his



on new wave SAN FRANCISCO. Feb 8: The Volvo Tennis San Francisco tournament final was a tale of two commuters.

Nick Faldo of England admires the Johnnie Walker Golf

Classic trophy which he won on February 7 at the

- AFP photo

determination Sunday night.

commitment," said Agassi.

"There are times when you

don't play good tennis and you

still have to pull something to-

gether to win. Today was a

Agassi, playing exceptional

tennis, was about to complete

a straight sets victory when

impatience got the best of him.

He double-faulted on double

match point, and Gilbert even-

tually forced a tiebreaker,

had been broken just once in

four previous tournament ma-

tches, started playing poor te-

nnis, losing control of his

groundstrokes and serving

"I was really working hard

to get to match point, and just

wanted to finish it," Agassi

said. "If there's ever a time to

go for it, it's when you're up

momentum, double-faulting on

break point to give up the first

emotionally uplifted," Gilberd

said, "and he went to another

the second-seeded Gilbert for

the first time since 1989.

Gilbert was 4-2 lifetime against

Agassi, including there straight

reer singles title, also won the

San Francisco championship in

1990. Gilbert has not won a

tournament since September

Gilbert said. "I would have

liked to have put it to a rest

here. But if I keep getting into

the semis and finals, I feel like

l can give myself a good

chance for something to hap-

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"It's definitely depressing,"

1990 in Brisbane, Australia.

Agassi, winning his 19th ca-

The top-seeded Agassi beat

game of the third set.

But Gilbert gave back the

"All of a sudden he was

That's when Agassi, who

good example of that."

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"What I had here was total

One came by plane, the other by car, reports AP.

Singapore Island Country Club.

That was about the only similarity between Andre Agassi and Brad Gilberd Sunday night. Agassi continued on his path toward regaining a place



ANDRE AGASSI

Gilbert 6-2, 6-7 (4-7), 6-2 for his second San Francisco title in four years.

Agassi, ranked ninth in the world, is positioning himself for a run at the top. He's never been higher than number

three, in 1988. "It's a big accomplishment to be No 1," Agassi said, "respected by those who have been there and haven't been there. There's a new wave of tennis, and I want to be a part

He's pulling out all of the stops, commuting to tournaments by private jet within reasonable fly time of his Las

"More than anything, it al lows me the freedom to comnice to not be someplace where people all around are aware the tennis is in town. But I personally feel I'd have won here even if I'd have

stayed in town. Gilbert, also American, commuted to the tournament from his home in nearby San Rafael and said Agassi has most

"He (Agassi) probably has as much ability as anybody in the game," Gilbert said. "But in my humble opinion, (Jim) Courier's just won the Australian Open and it's going to be tough

for anyone to take him down. "If someone else does get to No. 1, they're going to have to take it away from somebody who wants it an awful lot." Agassi showed plenty of that

### Toray Open title Navratilova s

YOKOHAMA, Japan, Feb 8: Veteran Martina Navratilova clinched a record 162nd career singles title by sweeping aside unseeded Larisa Savchenko-Neiland in the final of the dollar 750,000 Toray Pan Pacific Open indoor tennis tournament today, reports Reuter.

Navratilova, appearing in her first tournament since losing to Monica Seles in the final of the Virginia Slims tournament in New York last November, was in devastating form from the outset of the match.





8: Ten months after admitting he had AIDS, Davis 1983. Cup legend Arthur Ashe, the first

black to win Wimbledon, on Saturday succumbed to the disease at age 49, reports Reuter.

Arthur Ashe died today at 3:13 pm EST (2018 GMT) of pneumonia, a complication of AIDS, a New York hospital spokeswoman said.

Ashe, also the first black to play on the US Davis Cup team, admitted at a news conference on April 8, 1992 that rumours that he had Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome were

He said he got AIDS throu-

gh blood transfusions but had kept it a secret since 1988 because he thought the stigma that AIDS patients endure would subject his five-year-old daughter Camera to taunts. Ashe, a Wimbledon and US

Open champion, used the celebrity status he won on the tennis court to fight racism in sports but found that fame also forced him to admit publicly he was suffering from AIDS.

He said he felt hounded by the news media into admitting his infection.

A modest and quiet man, Ashe spent a lifetime defying colour barriers and beating huge odds — from his youth in segregated Virginia in the eastern US to Wimbledon, where in 1975 he became the first and only black man to win the final.

In a career that brought him to the pinnacle of sporting fame, Ashe also won the US and Australian Opens.

But he was equally proud of his campaigns against South Africa's apartheid system and his efforts to bring sports to poor ghetto youngsters.

Ashe's later years were marred by illness. A heart attack forced him to retire from competitive tennis in 1979 and he was infected with the AIDS virus from tainted blood

8: The death of tennis legend Arthur Ashe stunn-

and players, fans and policourt, reports Reuter.

heavyweight title fight between champion Riddic Bowe and Michael Dokes at New York's Madison Square Garden stood in silence in Ashe's memory as the timekeeper rang the ring bell for the tennis star's final

10-count. New York Mayor David Dinkins, Ashe's long-time friend, praised him for his tireless fight against discrimination in sports, apartheid in South Africa and on behalf of those who, like him, were stricken

"Simply put, words can not suffice to capture a career as glorious, a life as fully lived, or a commitment to justice as firm and as fair as was his,"

Arthur Ashe had character and courage, civil rights leader Jesse Jackson said in an interview on Cable News Network.

Billie Jean King, a former tennis star herself and a crusader for women's rights, said:

he received as he recovered from heart surgery, most likely after his second operation in

Ashe became one of 4,500 Americans who got AIDS through a transfusion of blood contaminated with the AIDS

Explaining why he did not disclose his AIDS illness earlier, Ashe said: "Any admission of HIV infection at that time would have seriously, permanently - and my wife and I firmly believe - unnecessarily infringed upon our family's right to privacy."

"It seemed to me that since most people thought it was a



disease of IV (intravenous) drug users and homosexuals, that it would be difficult to come forward," he said.

same once he went public about his disease.

He was grilled in TV interviews and found himself a symbol of both the tragedy and danger of contracting AIDS through blood transfusions - a remote danger since 1985. when US hospitals began routinely checking blood supplies

He joined hands with basketball superstar Earvin "Magic" Johnson also infected with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that causes AIDS.

to raise public awareness about the disease which kills by crippling the body's immune

In the sports world, Ashe's finest hour was at Wimbledon in 1975 where he vanquished defending champion Jimmy Connors 6-1, 6-1, 5-7, 6-4 in a

stunning upset. But he said the happiest moment of his life was not winning Wimbledon but when anti-apartheid political prisoner Nelson Mandela was freed from jail on February 11.

Ashe's vocal criticism of South Africa's system of racial segregation played a big role in South Africa being banned

from Davis Cup competition. In 1981, he was named national chairman of the American Heart Association.

He wrote a three-volume history of the black athlete called "A Hard Road to Glory: A History of the African American Athletes," which he published after six years of research in 1988.

Ashe began to play tennis at age seven and scored his first major triumph in 1968 winning the US Open. At the time he was a lieutenant in the Ashe won the 1970 Aus-

tralian Open and was runnerup at the 1971 Australian and 1972 US Opens. In his last big match, he held two match points on John McEnroc before losing in the 1978 Grand Prix Masters final

During his tennis career he won 33 titles in all, earned more than 1.58 US dollar million and ranked No 1 or 2 in the world off and on during the late 1960s and 1970s.

After his first heart operation in 1979 he was named Davis Cup captain and, with McEnroe scoring many of the victories, saw the team win the Cup in 1981 and 1982 and reach the 1984 final.

Ashe was born on July 10,1943. He is survived by his wife Jeanne and daughter Camera.

came to light in the last year of

his life which he devoted to

raising money to battle the

AIDS virus, while fighting for

his own life himself.

## Ashe — a leader, not a follower



ed the sports wo-

rld on Saturday ticians paid tribute to his achievements on and off the

Spectators at the world

with AIDS.

Dinkins said.

than having AIDS. "We talked about it a lot. We had a lot of good talks. Arthur

rarely revealed himself emotionally before had had AIDS. "I think after he had AIDS

nature," said King, holder of 20 Wimbledon titles.

longer.

11, 1990. Heavyweight boxing promoter Don King hailed Ashe as "a preacher of unity" and "a

Martina Navratilova, who heard of Ashe's death just before winning the final of the helped change the world.

unimportant a tennis match is. "He was a remarkable man as well as the first black to win

native Cameroon in 1971. "I was 11 and 1 was so impressed," he said. "I asked him for an autograph and he gave me a poster and a racket.

long time."

years the two men played doubles in several tournaments, including Wimbledon in 1978. Noah said: "I had a dream

# Reynolds' run continues

"I've been training very



Butch reynolds, working to control his anger and

stay focused, won another 400 metres race on Sunday at an indoor athletics meeting in Fairfax, Virginia, reports Reuter.

Reynolds, who also won on Friday in New York in his return after the December 31 expiration of an international Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) ban for a positive drug test in 1990, won the 400 here in 45.89 seconds.

Two-time world champion Antonio McKey fell entering the final turn. Reynolds's time was better

 York but he still sees plenty of room for improvement. "I'm a lot out of sync," he said. "I'm not into that smooth,

than his slow 47.16 in New

graceful stride." The IAAF last month warned Reynolds, who went to US courts to battle his suspenston, that he could face further punishment unless he withdraws by February 23 his allegations of misconduct against

them over the drug test. T've been trying very had the last 2-1/2 years to control my hatred and anger," Reynolds said. I trained very hard to stay focused on the fu-

Noureddine Morceli of Algeria won the mile and American Greg Foster took the 60 metres hurdles.

BUTCH REYNOLDS

Coghlan knew in the final quarter mile he could break his own world indoor Masters mile record, but decided not

His 4.07.25 time was 1.3 second short of the mark he set two days earlier in New York. Coghlan said he was worried about overtaxing his

hamstring muscles that have

bothered him for the past

"I knew with a quarter mile left I could break the world record, but would it be worth it?" he said. "I didn't go that

extra bit." Coghian won by nearly 19 seconds after taking the lead midway, and said the lack of competition is making it easier to go after the record.

"I can focus on time more," he said. "I'm running for fun." Foster, a five-time world champion and world indoor record holder, won the closely contested 60-metre hurdles. timed in an identical 7.65 seconds with Tony Dees.

Foster, 34, who has said he will retire after the outdoor season, and doesn't feel any added pressure to win regu-

Morceli's bid for an indoor mile world record fell short as he ran largely uncontested, winning in 3.55.61.

Gail Devers edged Michelle Freeman of Jamaica in the 60 metres, wining in 7.12 seconds. The 100-metre Olympic gold medalist said she'll concentrate on 100-metre hurdles this year. She will compete in Stockholm on Tuesday, Madrid on Thursday and in Japan on Sunday.
The meeting lost two big

names because of injuries. Jackie Joyner-Kersee, a two-time Olympic heptathlon gold medalist, withdrew with a sore thigh muscle. Roger Kingdom, a two-time

Olympic hurdles champion, told meeting officials he was injured on Friday while competing in Berlin.

"My main objective today was just a victory but the time is good," said Johnson who was disappointed with the way he ran in Glasgow last week when he won in 46.43. "This year I was going to

time which was quicker than

that of reigning 400 indoor

champion Devon Morris of

Jamaica who won the second

heat in 46.27.

concentrate on a good outdoor season but I won't decide until later whether to run the 200 or 400." Kiptanui was unable to compete in Barcelona but broke the 3,000 metres and

3,000 steeplechase outdoor world records in a golden period at Grand Prix meetings after the Games. Germany's former Olympic bronze medalist Jens-Peter Herold took the lead at the bell but Kiptanui produced his brilliant kick in the last 150

metres to win in three minutes 36.95 seconds. Herold was second in 3:37.24 with Olympia silver medalist Rachid el Basir of

hard. I'm in great shape. I

need a few more races but it's

going to be a very good year for

me," said Johnson, who is

preparing for next month's

World Indoor Championships

Sergei Bubka put all

thoughts of a missed Olympic

medal in Barcelona behind him

with a brilliant victory in the

The Ukrainian cleared 6.01

metres after silver medalist in

Spain Igor Trandenkov of

Russia had thrown down the

gauntlet by vaulting 5.90 me-

metres but had three unsuc-

cessful attempts at beating his

existing world record of 6.13

metres. He had to settle for

the best performance of the

year, one centimetre higher

than that cleared by arch-rival

Rodion Gataullin of Russia.

Bubka set the bar at 6.14

back home in Toronto.

pole vault.

Morocco third in 3.38.43.



Vegas home. pletely relax," Agassi said. "It's

of the tools to get to the top.

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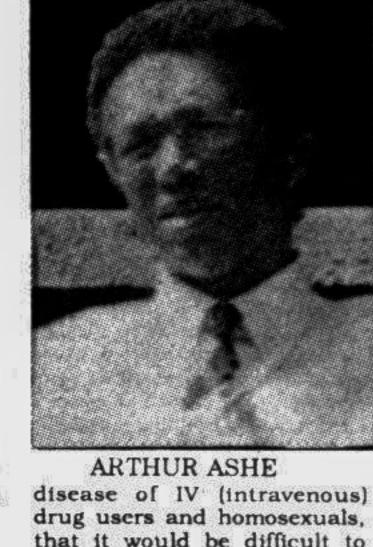
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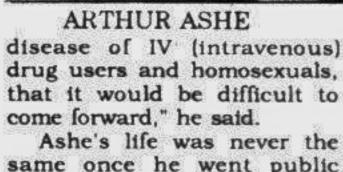
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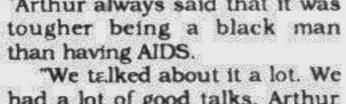
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The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution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





### "Arthur always said that it was Wimbledon and the US Open. But his truly special quality



he opened up more. He became a lot warmer person. He would hug and kiss people more, which was never his

She thought Ashe's desire to help others kept him alive

Ashe had said the happiest moment of his life was not winning Wimbledon in 1975 but when anti-apartheid political prisoner Nelson Mandela was freed from jail on February

healer."

Toray Pan-Pacific Open tennis tournament in Yokohama, Japan, called him a man who "It just made me realise how important life is and how

"He was an extraordinary human being who transcended his sport, his race, religion and nationality and in his own way helped to change the world." In Paris, French star Yannick Noah, strongly encouraged in his youth by Ashe,

told French radio: "He was a remarkable man who deserved a lot of respect." Noah first met Ashe in his

slept with that racket for a It was Ashe who recommended Noah to the French Tennis Federation and in later

and he helped me to make it come true. He will always be remembered for his grace on court and his kindness to everybody."

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