Argentina to

all the way

BUENOS AIRES, Nov 15:

Wednesday's

Argentina are planning to push

Australia deep into their own

crucial World Cup qualifier.

Argentine striker Carlos Javier

MacAllister said on Friday, re-

port agencies. MacAllister said,

"The key to the match is to use

the same tactics as in the first-

leg, which was played in mid-

metres further forward.

will put us in control."

States.

to Australia.

field, but to shift everything 20

did in the second half in

Sydney, but further forward,

it'll be good for the team and

following the first-leg in

Australia on October 31 in this

sudden-death tie for a place in

next year's finals in the United

their first training session to-

gether on Friday since their trip

Barcelona at par

with Sevilla

pulled level on points with

Sevilla at the top of the Spanish

after they beat Tenerife 3-2 and

Sevilla drew 1-1 with lowly

But despite the draw

Sevilla, chasing their first

championship title for 47 years,

stayed in top spot with a

slightly better goal difference

than the reigning champions -

plus 12 to plus 11. Both teams

have 16 points from 11

the table that the next 11 clubs

are separated by only four

Romario opened the scoring

against Tenerife after only six

The situation is so tight in

Barcelona's Brazilian striker

Logrones, reports Reuter.

First Division on

matches.

MADRID, Nov 15: Barcelona

The Argentine squad had

The match is currently 1-1

"If we play the same way we

half during

# First win for Shri Lanka



15: Shri Lanka kept their semifinal hopes alive in the five-nation Hero Cup with an emphatic 55-run victory over-

match here Monday, reports In a do-or-die battle at the Moinul Haq Stadium here, the Shri Lankans piled up 263 for six in 50 overs and then shot

Zimbabwe in a crucial league

out Zimbabwe for 208 to record a badly-needed win. Shri Lanka's first success in three matches opens up the round-robin league of the 21-

day tournament that also features South Africa, West Indies and hosts India. Shri Lanka will finish among

the top four - and qualify for the semifinals - if they defeat South Africa in their last league match at Guwahati on November 19. They will also go through if

Zimbabwe, who gained a solitary point from a rain-abandoned match against South Africa, crash to expected defeats against India and the West In-

South Africa head the table with three points from two matches followed by India (two from one) and West Indies (two from two).

Aware that another defeat Monday would sent them packing from the tournament, the temperamental Shri Lankans raised their game to outwit the inexperienced Zimbabweans.

The batsmen ran into form for the first time in the tournament, making hay on an easy paced wicket against a listless attack.

Aravinda de Silva, who missed the last match against the West Indies due to injury, celebrated his return with a top score of 68. Skipper Arjuna Ranatunga contributed 59.

De Silva was associated in two useful stands of 65 for the third-wicket with Hashan Tille-

nament today, ending a week

long blackout caused by a bitter

row between organisers and the

Shri Lanka and Zimbabwe went

out to Indian viewers on the

state Doordarshan network -

the first live broadcast since the

Cricket Association of Bengal's

(CAB) diamond jubilee competi-

But it was not immediately

clear if cricket fans outside

India would gain the benefit of

the coverage, forced onto the air

by an order last Friday by the

Critics say the row has sul-

lied India's international image

and could even threaten the

country's plans to co-host the

1996 cricket World Cup with

row between Doordarshan and

global media company Trans

World International (TWI) over

television rights to the competi-

The blackout was due to a

tion began on November 7.

Calcutta High Court.

Pakistan and Shri Lanka.

The one-day match between

government, reports Reuter.

15: Indía's state-

run television

started live cover-

age of a five-na-

tion cricket tour

karatne (24) and 96 for the Ranatunga c Rennie b fourth with Ranatunga.

Shri Lanka's sixth-wicket fell at 225, but the undefeated seventh-wicket pair of Romesh Ratnayake and Romesh Kaluwirthana added 38 in the last four overs.

Ratnayake, returning to international cricket after two years as a replacement for the injured Asanka Gurusinha, hammered an unbeaten 32.

Facing an asking-rate of 5.2



A DE SILVA ... 68

lapsed against the seven-man Shri Lankan attack. Left-arm spinner Sanath Jayasuriya picked up four wickets.

Alistair Campbell and Andrew Waller were the only Zimbabwe batsmen to offer any resistance, scoring half centuries.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Hero Cup one-day international between Shri Lanka and Zimbabwe. played here today:

SHRI LANKA: Mahanama c Dekker b Brain 16 Jayasuriya c Waller b Brain 23 Tillekaratne lbw b Ali Shah De Silva c and b Ali Shah 68

tion, in which India. Shri

Lanka, South Africa, the West

The CAB picked the highest

When TWI won the rights,

TWI then failed to secure

Doordarshan at first ignored

Indies and Zimbabwe are play-

bider to cover the tournament,

breaking with tradition which

has given such rights to the

Doordarshan refused to buy the

from a government agency the

vital satellite facility needed to

the Calcutta Court order.

choosing instead to black out

Sunday's key match between

the West Indies and South

On Sunday the court re-

Doordarshan statement on

Sunday night, quoted by United

News of India (UNI), said it was

rushing staff and equipment to

the northern town of Patna for

country were able to watch the

red-clad Zimbabweans bowl to

blue-outfitted Shri Lankan

batsmen, with a commentary in

Viewers in this cricket-mad

state network, Doordarshan.

telecast feed from them.

send its telecasts abroad.

Africa in Bombay

today's match.

Dekker Liyanage b Rennie Ratnavake not out Kaluwirthana not out Extras: (b-8, lb-5, nb-1, w-15)

(for six wickets, 50 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-38; 2-49; 3-114; 4-210; 5-221; 6-225;

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ZIMBABWE: Flower run out Brain lbw b R Ratnayake Campbell c Ratnayake b Jayasuriya Houghton b Livanage Waller c Tillekaratne b Ratnayake Dekker lbw b Ranatunga Whittall b Jayasuriya

Streak Stumpd Kaluwirthana b Jayasuriya Rennie not out Extras: (nb-2, b-5, lb-4, Total: (49 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-6; 2-22; 3-53: 4-130; 5-132; 6-133; 7-188;

Peall c Tillekaratne b Kalpage 12

Ali Shah b Jayasuriya

8-189; 9-206. OMRW Bowling: Wickramasinghe 13 0 12 Ratnayake 36 Liyanage 10 0 43 Muralidharan 0 46 Kalpage 0 19 Jayasuriya 0 24 Ranatunga

6 Tillekaratne 0 Result: Shri Lanka won by 55 runs STANDINGS

League standings after Monday's match (played, won, lost, tie, points): South Africa 2 1 - 1 3 West Indies

UNI quoted CAB president

Jagmohan Dalmiya as saying

he hoped Doordarshan would

help TWI telecast remaining

matches for millions of satellite

company was cooperating with

TWI. Deordarshan officials

could not immediately be

Television satellite channel,

which had contracted to use

TWI's cover, was not carrying

the cricket on its sports channel

cover of the tournament, TWI

and the South African Broad-

casting Corporation (SABC)

send and edited version to Star

cover to South Africa for broad

cast nearly 24 hours after the

to hire four television cameras

for the operation, as customs

authorities impounded their

equipment on Thursday.

Star would then feed the

TWI and SABC were forced

Desperate to provide some

The Hong Kong-based Star

It was not clear if the state

viewers outside India.

reached for comment.

this morning.

in Hong Kong.

match.

peated the order. A recorded Sunday's match to

minutes. Bulgarian striker 3 1 2 -Shri Lanka Hristo Stoichnov made it 2-0 six Zimbabwe 2 - 1 1 minutes before the break. Four minutes after halftime Hero Cup TV blackout ends? Ignacio Conte pulled Tenerife back into the match before Romario burst through the defence 10 minutes later to score India's national language his second goal of the night and

### Rosset keeps record clean

Barcelona's third.

MOSCOW, Nov 15: Switzer land's Marc Rosset outgunned Germany's Patrik Kuhnen on Sunday to win the Kremlin Cup for the second time in a final more notable for its errors than its thrills, reports Reuter.

Watched by Boris Yeltsin, Rosset swept to an emphatic 6-4, 6-3 victory in a tournament bidding to establish itself as one of Russia's top international sporting events.

The top-seeded Swiss, ranked 15th in the world, used his big serve to telling effect and was never seriously threatened by his unseeded opponent.

The unheralded Kuhnen struggled gamely, especially in the first set when he recovered well to break back immediately after losing his opening service

Both players took time to find their rhythm and allowed a fidgety Moscow audience to affect their concentration. Rosset, especially, had trouble with his timing and served an uncharacteristic number of double faults.

But it was Kuhnen who eventually cracked. Serving at 4-5, he pushed an easy volley way beyond the baseline to give Rosset set-point, then followed up with a double fault.

At 2-2 in the second set, the German had a brief moment of hope of his opponent's serve when he dropped a tantalising lob just inside the baseline for a 0-30 lead.

But Rosset drew even with a service ace followed by a deft passing shot and went on to take the game.

Two Kuhnen double faults in the next game gave the Swiss the break he needed, and from then on the outcome was never in doubt. Rosset finally unleashed his 12th ace to claim victory on his second match

"I didn't play my best tennis but I won the tournament, Rosset, the 1992 Olympic champion, said afterwards.

The 325,000 dollars tour nament was well attended by Moscow crowds eager to catch a rare glimpse of the glamour of the ATP professional tennis cir-

"It's a great stadium, the public is nice and it would be very nice if it could become a bigger tournament," Rosset

For many, the highlight came on the second day when tennis legend Bjorn Borg went down fighting against Russia's Alexander Volkov, losing 9-7 in the deciding tie-break and announcing his definitive retirement from the game.

## USA growing in confidence

MISSION, Viejo, California, Nov 15: The United States beat Cayman Islands 8-1 (halftime 4-0) in an international soccer friendly match on Sunday, reports Reuter.

### Bulgaria, China stay ahead push Australia Nov 15: Yoto Yo-

tov continued Bulgaria's domination of men's events at the World Weightlifting Cham-pionships Monday night, sweeping all three gold medals in the 70-

kilogram division, reports AP. Yotov, world champion in 1991, snatched 155 kilograms (341 3/4 pounds) and lifted 187.5 (413 1/4) for a total of 342.5 kilograms (755 pounds).

Ergun Batmaz of Turkey took the silver medal overall. ahead of Olympic bronze medalist Andreas Behm of Germany.

Batmaz took silver in the snatch ahead of Vasil Vasiliev of Bulgaria, who failed in his three attempts at the jerk when hampered by a knee injury. Behm took silver in the jerk ahead of Kim Hak-bong of South Korea.

Yotov's task was made easier by the absence of Israel Militosian of Armenia, who beat him for the gold medal in the 67.5-kilogram class at the 1992 Olympics.

Militosian is one of only two current Olympic champions not competing in these championships.

"I didn't care whether or not Militosian was here," Yotov said "I was ready to win against any opponent."

of the four divisions contested so far in the men's competition. China has won three of the four women's classes.

Bulgaria now has won three

Yotov's victory followed earlier triumphs by his compatriots Ivan Ivanov and Nikolai Peshalov.

"It has been a very good championship for Bulgaria," Yotov said. "I put in a lot of work myself and this is the best result of my career."

Yotov did not make a third attempt at the snatch, which would have given him a possible world record, preferring instead to save his strength for the clean-and-jerk.

"I didn't come here to set world records, I came here to win," he said.

Sun Caiyan of China earlier clinched her third successive world title, winning gold medals in all three sections of the women's 59-kilogram class.

Sun, a 19-year-old physical education student from Lioaning province in northern China, became the third straight Chinese women's champion at the even, following the victories of Chen Xiaoming in the 54-kilogram class and Liu Xiuhua in the 50-kilogram

Sun, stocky and poker-faced. won the 56-kilogram class in

both 1991 and 1992. She hoisted 97.5 kilograms (215 pounds) in the snatch and 120 (264 1/2) in the clean-andjerk for a total of 217.5 (479 1/2) - 15 kilograms (33 pounds) more than her nearest

All three lifts will be recognized as world records in the new weight class.

Sun won convincingly de-

drug abuse by the Chinese competitors, a claim that was rejected Monday by Chinese

head coach Wen Xhixi. Wen has a simple explanation for the success of the Chinese women, who won 26 of the 27 golds at the last world women's championships at

"We have a large population and 10,000 women lifters," he said. "It is natural that we should produce some of the top athletes."

Varna, Bulgaria.



and-jerk world record of 187.5 kilograms for the 70 Kg class at the World Weightlifting Championships in Melbourne yesterday. Yotov also broke the world records for the snatch — AFP photo and total sections.

spite being troubled by a painful back injury before and during competition.

Gergena Kirilova of Bulgaria swept the silver medals. Maria Christoforidou of Greece, the current European and former world champion, took three bronze medals.

Christoforidou said before the competition that there were suspicions among rival lifters of

first event in which world records can be officially recognized in new weight classes introduced earlier this year by the International Weightlifting Federation.

The championships are the

Lifting in 10 men's divisions and nine women's divisions continues at the Royal Exhibition Building through

### Ballyhoo over Youth Cup draw think that quality was not a crifour teams together in fifth



15: A row broke out here today over the International Tennis Fe-

aw for the World Youth Cup being played here this week,

reports AFP.

The draw was completed Sunday and New Zealand, Britain, Spain and Czech-Slovak, four of the stronger teams in the 16 team field, have all been drawn in the same quarter while another quarter looks as though it is made up of the four weakest teams.

New Zealand captain Peter Langsford and Britain's John Hicks both described the draw

as ridiculous. New Zealand Tennis Federa tion president lan Wells said the

"seeding draw wasn't an in-

"Some teams can justifiably

teria," he said. "There is no in dication that the draw is consistent with ability." In the boy's section, France

deration's (ITF) dr- was the top-seed ahead of Czech-Slovak, Sweden, South Korea, but with New Zealand, Venezuela, the United States and Austria all fifth equal. Korea's seeding is hard to fathom while New Zealand and Britain both believe they have strong cases to question Sweden's seeding.

Wells said if seeding four teams equally in fifth place "was an indication of the skill of the committee then perhaps next year the ITF should look at appointing a new committee."

Hicks, whose No 1 player Jamie Delgado has eight ATP points, said the draw had caused much ill feeling among the captains.

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place was "a passing the buck exercise. \*France must be laughing its

socks off. Spain beat Austria in the qualifying even yet Austria is seeded and Spain is not," he

"What's happened is they (ITF) have tried to regionalise the seedings, and they've put an Asian country in there to make it all nice." "Korea only won the Asian

zone because New Zealand had an automatic entry and didn't play in it." However, the ITF defended

its draw policy with travelling representative Jackie Nesbitt saying that a couple of criticisms from two disgruntled captains didn't necessarily mean there was a problem.

"If they think they have been hard done by then they can prove themselves on the court."

NEW YORK, Nov 15: Mexico's Andres Spinosa, second the past two years, won the 24th New York Marathon on Sunday ahead of 26,000 rivals. reports AFP.

Espinosa lucky

third time

Espinosa's time of two hours, 10 min 4 sec earned him 40,000 dollars and a new car. Uta Pipping won the women's competition in 2:26.23, becoming the first German to take the title. She has won five of her past six marathons.

The hot weather did not bother Espinosa, 30, who was second to fellow-Mexican Salvador Garcia in 1991 and South Africa's Willie Mtolo last year. He crossed the finish line in

Central Park 59 seconds ahead of Bob Kempainen of the United States and declared: "I was prepared for anything." Kempainen, a 27-year-old medical student at the Uni-

versity of Minnesota, timed a personal best and the best by a US runner since Ken Martin was second in 1989. Mexico's Arturo Barrios, the

former world record holder at 10,000 metres, was third in 2:12.21. It was only his second marathon, and his first since

Pipping, 26, achieved a personal best at the marathon distance but would not say if she through the 1996 Olypmics. Pipping was boosted by the crowd of more than two million spectators than lined the route through the nation's largest

"I was very alone," Pipping said. "But the people in the street, they screamed so much. Maybe now I can say I am a New Yorker.

Mexico's Olga Appall was second for the women in 2:28.55 with France's Nadia Prasad third in 2:30.16. Prasad, 26, who lives in Utah, set a personal best by almost seven

### United win Manchester derby

LONDON Nov 15 Manchester United 2-0 down after 32 minutes came storming back to beat local rivals Manchester City 3-2 and regain their 11point lead at the top of the English Premier league reports Reuter.

Their victory was inspired by two goals from French international striker Eric Cantona with the winner coming just three minutes from time when Ireland striker Roy Keane lashed the ball into an empty net from two metres out after City goalkeeper Tony Coton failed to intercept a deep cross from Denis Irwin.

The victory on their rival's Maine Road ground went some way to ease the pain of United's elimination from the European Champions Cup on the away goals rule by Galatasaray of Turkey on Wednesday.

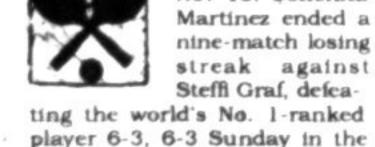
Although that was a particularly bitter pill for United to swallow. Sunday's victory inspired by a superb second-half performance by Cantona re-inforces the belief that only a dramatic collapse in form by United themselves can stop them winning the championship for a second successive season to set up another attempt at the European Cup next year.

But at half time United looked to be suffering a huge hang-over from their debacle in Turkey.

Niall Quinn put City in front with a header at the far post after 21 minutes and made it 2-0 with another header 11 minutes

But Cantona, who could face disciplinary action from UEFA

#### formed one." thing, especially since it is on streak against supreme and that is not my Steffi Graf, defea-"There wasn't much I could favourite surface. For me, this ting the world's No. 1-ranked do today," Graf said.



PHILADELPHIA. Nov 15: Conchita Martinez ended a nine-match losing

Philadelphia tournament, reports AP. Martinez, the No. 2 seed and ranked fourth, targeted Graf's backhand in the corners and charged the net as she won the dirs 150,000 top prize and

final of the Virginia Slims of

tities in the same day. She and Larisa Neiland of Latvia faced Katrina Adams and Manon Bollegraf in the doubles final later Sunday.

earned a rare chance to win two

"I beat the number one in the world and I have never done that before," Martinez said. "It means more to me than anywas better than the Italian Open and that was a great mo-

ment. Martinez added: 'Steffi made some mistakes but she played

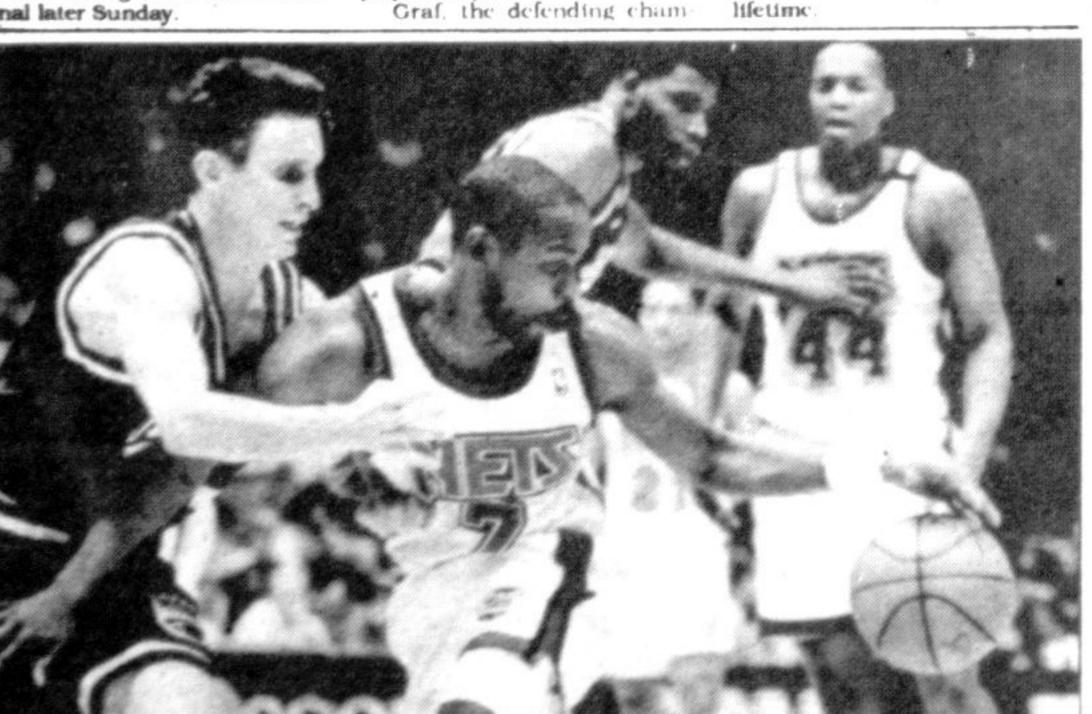
"She always plays well on the big points. My slice was working very well. I was very concentrated the entire match. played to her backhand and that was what I had to do. The most important thing was that

played deep.

Martinez's memorable first pion playing in her first tour nament since foot surgery in October, complimented Martinez on 'a really great

> Graf seemed to lose momen tum after the 24-point third game of the first set that went to deuce nine times. Martinez escaped three break points and finally won, with a backhand that caught Graf upcourt. Martinez broke Graf's service in the sixth and eighth games and won the last eight points of the

Grafs record dropped to 72 6 in matches this year, 657 82



New Jersey Nets Kenny Anderson (R) tries to keep Sacramento Kings Bobby Hurley (L) away as he loses control of the ball during the first half of their NBA league match Nov 14. Hurley made his professional debut in his home state after starring in college with AFP photo Duke.

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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.