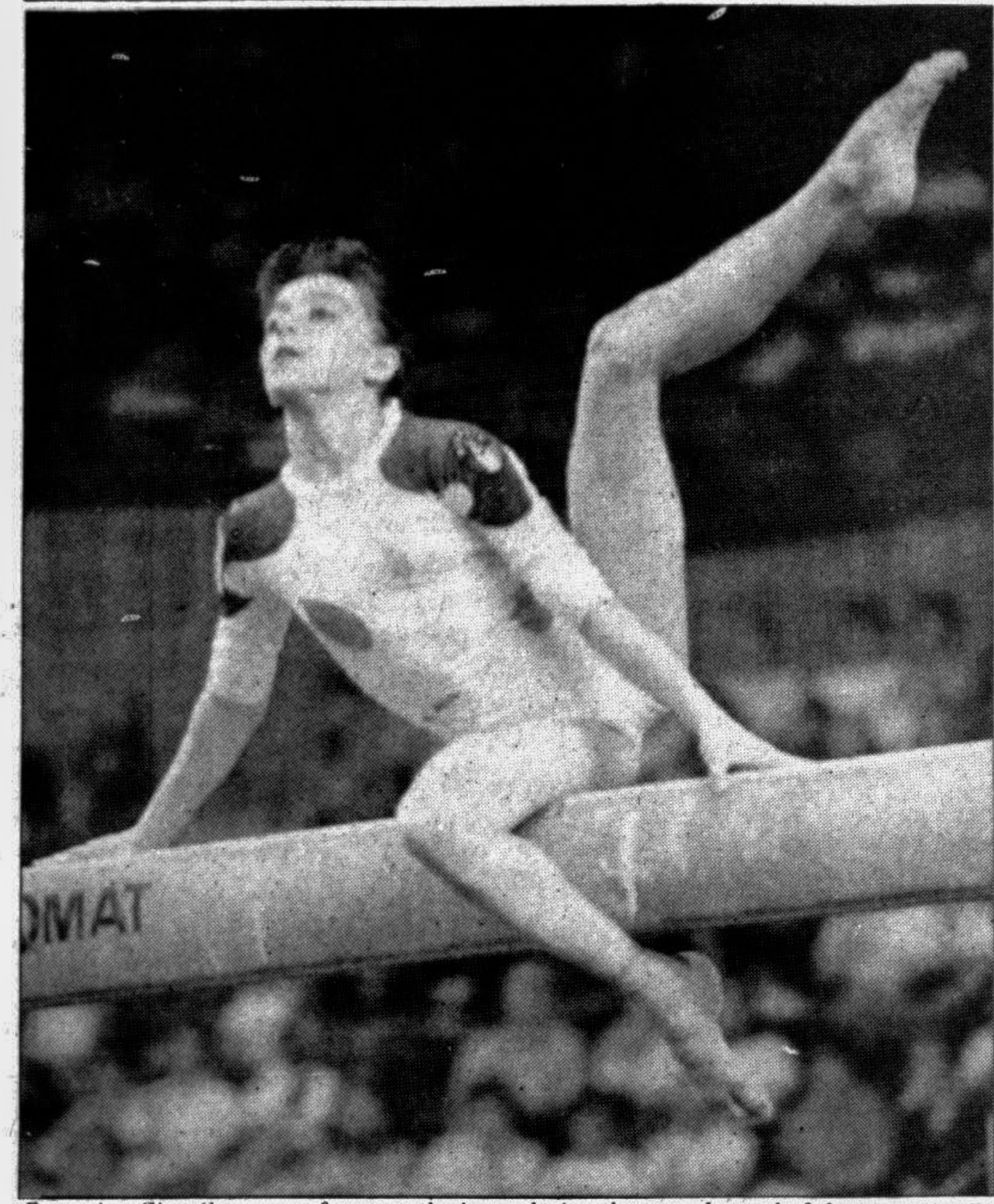




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Romanian Gina Gogean performs on the beam during the second round of the women's all-around competition at the 1994 World Gymnastics Championships in Brisbane yesterday. Gogean was leading competition. — AFP photo

### Gogean leads

BRISBANE, Apr 22: Gina Gogean of Romania led the women's all-around event after two groups of competitors finished their routines Friday at the World Gymnastics Championships, reports AP.

Gogean, a 17-year-old from Focsani, scored a total of 39.061 points in the four disciplines at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre.

Dominique Dawes of the United States was in second place with 38.968 points, followed by Lilia Podkopaeva of Ukraine at 38.942 and Nadia Hategan of Romania at 38.836.

Gogean faced a four-hour wait to learn whether her score would be good enough to win.

The final group of competitors, including American defending champion Shannon Miller, Lavinia Milosovici of Romania and Tatiana Lyssenko of Ukraine, was scheduled to compete Friday night.

Dawes led after three routines but stumbled on the first of her two vaults, which earned a score of only 9.250. She improved with her second vault for an average of 9.506, but Gogean still took the lead.

Dawes, a 17-year-old from Silver Spring, Md., was in tears after the competition, and was comforted by coach Kelli Hill. The American led at last year's World Championships in Birmingham, England, before miscalculating a vault and finishing fourth.

"I felt OK on all the events except vault," Dawes said. "I just pulled it too hard."

## Will Colombians conjure magic?

BOGOTA, Apr 22: Can Colombia fulfill their immense promise and put on a show of exuberant soccer at the World Cup finals? Or will they let everyone down and repeat their insomnia-curing performances at last year's Copa America?

The expectations are enormous after Colombia, who boasted a 27-match unbeaten run until losing to Bolivia in a low-key friendly on April 7, swept aside Argentina in the qualifiers, beating them 2-1 in Barranquilla and then, astonishingly, 5-0 in Buenos Aires.

It was the Colombian style, as much as the scoreline, which caught the eye in Buenos Aires as they carved up a bemused Argentine defence.

The Colombians' play, based on an intricate short-passing game, was full of clever flicks and back-heels and resembled the Brazilians at their best.

Colombia travel to the World Cup finals, where they face the host nation, Switzerland and Romania in the first round, promising to put on another show.

Coach Francisco Maturana said: "Our priority is to play good football. Winning while playing badly doesn't interest us."

The potential is huge if they can, but some doubt they can deliver the goods.

The team rated by soccer legend Pele to be the best in South America is being written off by others as fragile, exhibitionist and liable to crack under pressure.

"Let's see what happens when Colombia play at the World Cup," said Argentina coach Alfio Basile last month. "It's a big responsibility. They have 30 million people supporting them."

Of the 5-0 defeat, Basile added: "We had more shots on goal than they did and their goalkeeper made several saves when the score was 1-0."

Brazil trainer Carlos Alberto Parreira was equally dismissive.

"Colombia are a fine team and they have been playing together for a long time," he said. "But they are not used to playing under pressure and there will be a lot of it on them at the World Cup."

Former Brazil coach Tele Santana had a different criticism. "Colombia's players like to show off but in a World Cup, you have to play seriously," he said.

South American soccer fans saw two different Colombia teams last year. The first was the one which played in the Copa America, the second the one that breezed through the qualifying matches unbeaten.

In the Copa America, though Colombia played with the same team base and employed the same short passing game, most moves broke down around 30 metres from goal, giving opposing goalkeepers little to do.

Assistant trainer Hernan Dario Gomez admitted the team were being "Perfectionist" as the players tried one intricate pass to many. "They can't stand the thought of just crossing the ball into the penalty area," he said.

Whatever the outcome, nobody can deny the enormous improvement in Colombian soccer. The United States will be their second successive World Cup, compared to a record of just one appearance in the first 13 tournaments — in Chile in 1962.

Maturana, a qualified dentist who is coach of the Cali Club America, has taken much of the credit for Colombia's rise, ridding the country of the influence of defence-minded foreign coaches who previously dominated Colombian soccer tactics.

He has been in charge since 1987, with a break in 1991 and 1992.

There are few secrets about the formation Colombia will play.

Oscar Cordoba has overcome early doubts and established himself as the undisputed successor to extravagant and extrovert goalkeeper Rene Higuita, whose career has been blighted by charges of breaking Colombia's anti-kidnapping laws.

Higuita is accused of negotiating the release of a kidnapped girl and was held in jail last year before being released on bail. He is almost certain to miss the World Cup.

Parma's Faustino Asprilla and Bayern Munich's Adolfo Valencia form a theoretically electric striking partnership, while junior Barranquilla's Ivan Valencia has proved himself a capable reserve for either.

The big question mark is over the fitness of Valderrama, who often gives the impression of complete indifference to the match as he strolls nonchalantly about the pitch, only to suddenly split open the opposing defence with an inclusive pass.

Few expect Colombia to win the tournament and not even Maturana himself fancies their chances for the title. Their brief will be to entertain, as Maturana himself said, make people remember their country for something other than the stereotyped image of drug trafficking.

"It's a chance for us to show that our country has a lot of good things to offer, not just the bad," said Maturana. — Reuters.

## Holyfield hungry as ever

LAS VEGAS, Apr 22: Evander Holyfield has found success tastes even sweeter when it follows failure, reports AP.

"You appreciate the title better the second time around because you know you can lose it," the heavyweight champion said.

"After I won the title the first time I was looking for reasons to get out. It was kind of a drag. I had one foot in the ring and one foot out."

Now, the 31-year-old Holyfield feels rejuvenated.

"I think I have the skills to be champion through 1996," he said.

He would like to be champion when the Olympics are staged in his hometown of Atlanta. He wants to become undisputed champion again and he would like to be champion when Mike Tyson gets out of prison and resumes his career.

First, he must beat unbeaten Michael Moorer, who will try to make boxing history Friday night and become the first left-handed heavyweight champion.

Holyfield was a 2-1 favourite to retain the IBF and WBA titles in the 12-round bout outdoors at Caesars Palace and move a step closer to a fight with WBC champion Lennox Lewis.

It will be Holyfield's first fight since he became a champion again by winning a majority decision in his rematch with Riddick Bowe last Nov 6.

After he lost a unanimous decision to Bowe on Nov 13, 1992, he was advised to retire by promoter Dan Duva, manager Shelly Finkel and co-trainer Lou Duva.

"They said I was old. I was hurt," Holyfield recalled.

"Holyfield said he would retire and Lou Duva said he and George Benton, Holyfield's trainers since he turned pro in 1984, said they were going to train Moorer, with whom they worked for two fights.

Holyfield watched tapes of his loss to Bowe and decided, "I'm not old. Yes, I did make mistakes, but I decided I could comeback."

He was trained by Emanuel Steward, another former Moorer trainer, for his first two comeback fights, wins over Alex Stewart and Bowe.

Moorer is 34-0 with 30 knockouts but has fought only 12 times as a heavyweight.

According to trainer Teddy Atlas, he has a fragile psyche despite his tough-guy image.

"If you're abandoned as a kid, you're not going to be secure under pressure," Atlas said.

His father left home when Moorer was a child.

Moorer has been arrested three times on assault charges and twice was put on probation. In one of the incidents he broke the jaw of a policeman in Monessen, Pa. where he grew up.

Holyfield will get about \$12 million and Moorer about \$15 million for the bout, scheduled to begin at about midnight GMT.

Each fighter weighed 214 pounds (97.3 kilograms).

## Pele to tie knot again!

NEW YORK, Apr 22: Brazilian soccer legend Pele revealed on Thursday that he plans to get married at the end of the month, reports Reuters.

The 53-year-old Pele, who was appearing on a syndicated home shopping television show hosted by comedian Joan Rivers, announced that he will marry 33-year-old Assiria Nascimento. He said he had known Nascimento for more than 10 years.

Pele, who retired from soccer in 1977 after a star-studded 21-year career which included 1,285 goals and two World Cup Championships, said the wedding will take place in Brazil. He did not announce the exact date or site of the nuptials.

He did reveal, however, that the ceremony will result in the loss of a bet he made with actor Sylvester Stallone on the set of the film victory in which they starred. Pele said he bet Stallone that he would never marry.

The man widely acclaimed as the greatest soccer player of all time was married to Rosemary Cholby from 1966 until a bitter divorce in 1978.

Pele was on the programme to sell a limited edition silk Pele jacket that will be part of a clothing line and available to the public in early June.

## Testing time for Ireland

DUBLIN, Apr 22: Their clubs read like a who's who of the royalty of English soccer — Manchester United, Liverpool, Arsenal, Aston Villa, reports Reuters.

The manager's name also has a ring of class — Jack Charlton, who savoured the ultimate success as a member of England's 1966 World Cup-winning side.

But for all the pedigree the names suggest, Ireland's team heading for the World Cup finals in America in June is a disparate group featuring several cats-offs from other nations.

Charlton's men are drawn from the British mainland — where England, Scotland and Wales all failed to qualify — but many of them appear only by courtesy of Irish ancestry.

"Big Jack," already regarded as an honorary Irishman taking Ireland to the finals for the first time in their history four years ago in Italy, has worked the miracle a second time by moulding another successful team from a small pool of talent.

But the lack of resources have been cruelly exposed by the loss through injury of Manchester City striker Niall Quinn, the big target man so crucial to the team that struggled to score in Italy '90.

Ireland stunned many observers by reaching the 1990 World Cup quarter-finals, particularly as they scored only two goals. After three draws in their group games they beat Romania on penalties in the second round before losing to Italy.

They will have to cause a few more shocks if they are to get beyond the first round this time. Drawn in a tough group with Italy, Norway and Mexico, the fact that a win will be worth three points instead of two is an added hurdle for a team short of scoring power.

Charlton's goal hopes rest on 35-year-old former Liverpool star John Aldridge, enjoying a new lease of life with First Division promotion hopefuls Tranmere Rovers, where his goal tally is in the mid-20s.

Aldridge scored five of Ireland's 19 goals in 12 qualifying games, with defender Steve Staunton joint second-closest attention of sweepers such as Italy's Franco Baresi.

A 0-0 draw against a below-strength Russia in a public friendly this month confirmed that goals are still at a premium for Charlton's side after a tough qualifying campaign.

Ireland scraped into the finals with a dramatic and hectic 1-1 draw against northern Ireland thanks to a late equaliser from Portsmouth's Alan McLoughlin — and after a nail-biting two-minute wait for the outcome of the Spain-Denmark game.

Spain beat the European champions 1-0 and Ireland got their ticket for America, but their qualifying campaign was flawed by inconsistency and an inability to turn commitment into goals.

Apart from the ageing Aldridge and Cascarino, Ireland's strike force includes the inexperienced David Kelly of Wolves and Tommy Coyne of Motherwell.

Kelly worked hard and created a lot of openings during the first half of the Russian game while Coyne, who has been putting away the goals in the Scottish league, did nothing wrong after coming on at half-time.

Other contenders are Sean McCarthy of Oldham and Owen Coyle of Bolton, but both are relatively untried and there is little time left for Charlton to experiment.

He has friendlies against Bolivia (May 24), Germany (May 29) and the Czechs (June 5), to ink over names so far only pencilled into his American team sheet.

Certainities include Manchester United defender Denis Irwin and midfielder Roy Keane, and Liverpool's Ronnie Whelan.

## Uneasy calm in Cameroon camp

YAOUNDE, Apr 22: Cameroon's World Cup build-up has run into more trouble with veteran goalkeeper Thomas Nkono at the centre of the latest dispute, reports AFP.

The 39-year-old, who played in the 1982 and 1990 World Cups, turned up at national squad training for Sunday's friendly international against Zambia even though he had reportedly missed out on selection.

Cameroon's French coach Henri Michel, who had made St Etienne keeper Joseph Antonie Bell his number one choice, attempted to play down the incident.

But while he said he was surprised Nkono has trained, the government-run newspaper, the Cameroon Tribune, insisted Nkono would play in Sunday's match at Douala.

Michel is also under pressure to include 42-year-old forward Roger Milla, hero of the 1990 side, in the team.

### Berlusconi's 'Blues'

ROME, Apr 22: Tycoon Silvio Berlusconi, who borrowed the sports cry "Forza Italia" (Go Italy) to name his party, has now baptised its newly-elected Members of Parliament "The Blues" after Italy's national sports teams, reports Reuters.

There are greens in parliament, so why can't there be blues? Berlusconi, owner of Italian soccer champions AC Milan, told a meeting of Forza Italia parliamentarians.

Italy's national sports teams — including the much loved soccer squad — are popularly known as the "Azzurri" (The Blues).

The sports world was aghast: "We find it crude, untimely and just a little bit ridiculous," Gazzetta Dello Sport newspaper said.



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| 2. What was the name of the 1982 World Cup mascot?                | Pique <input type="checkbox"/>   | Ola <input type="checkbox"/>      | Naranjito <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Where will the '94 World Cup opening ceremony be held?         | Chicago <input type="checkbox"/> | New York <input type="checkbox"/> | Detroit <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| 4. Which Argentine coach was nicknamed 'Big Nose'?                | Bilardo <input type="checkbox"/> | Menotti <input type="checkbox"/>  | Basile <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 5. Which Asian country played in the 1978 World Cup?              | Iran <input type="checkbox"/>    | Israel <input type="checkbox"/>   | Kuwait <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 6. Who was the West German manager in 1966?                       | Derwall <input type="checkbox"/> | Schoen <input type="checkbox"/>   | Meisl <input type="checkbox"/>     |
| 7. Who was the referee in the 1974 World Cup Final?               | Taylor <input type="checkbox"/>  | Reader <input type="checkbox"/>   | Warken <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 8. When was the World Cup first televised?                        | 1954 <input type="checkbox"/>    | 1958 <input type="checkbox"/>     | 1962 <input type="checkbox"/>      |
| 9. How many European teams will play in World Cup USA '94?        | 11 <input type="checkbox"/>      | 12 <input type="checkbox"/>       | 13 <input type="checkbox"/>        |
| 10. Which country is making its debut in the WC finals this year? | Sweden <input type="checkbox"/>  | Spain <input type="checkbox"/>    | Greece <input type="checkbox"/>    |

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