

England A face defeat

MADRAS, Jan 10: The touring England A cricketers were in danger of a morale-sapping defeat after being outsmarted by the Indian Board President's XI in the four-day match here Tuesday, reports AFP.

The tourists faltered with both bat and ball to leave the home side with a sizeable lead of 237 and eight second-innings wickets in hand by close of the third day's play at the Chepauk here.

Starting the day at a shaky 131 for four in reply to the President's XI's 333 for six declared, England A were bowled out for 247 by a three-man spin attack on a wicket assisting slow turn.

The home team built on a 86 run first innings lead by scoring 151 for two by stumps and appear set to force a win ahead of the first five-day international starting in Bangalore on Saturday.

The President's XI, comprising mainly future Test prospects who will form the core of the India A squad, revelled in conditions tailor-made for them.

The three spinners in the side shared nine wickets in England A's first innings with off-spinner Kanwaljit Singh of Hyderabad finishing with four for 56.

Left-arm spinner Utpal Chatterjee took three for 56 and leggie Sajraj Bahutule two for 65.

Lancashire's Jason Gallian, who came in at number three, played lone hand for the tourists with an attractive 79 before he was ninth out, stumped off Bahutule.

England A were 203 for seven at one stage, but Ian Salisbury (21) and Richard Johanson (26) used the long handle effectively to boost the score.

Salisbury, the Sussex, leg spinner and Kent's Bombay-born left-arm spinner Minal Patel shared the two wickets to fall in the home team's second innings.

Skipper Vikram Rathore cracked a superb 42, but it was the unbeaten 58-run stand for the third wicket between Saurav Ganguly and Rahul Dravid that beat back the tourists.

At stumps, left-hander Ganguly was batting on 54 while Dravid was on 34.

Leeds get Yeboah on loan

BONN, Jan 10: Germany's Eintracht Frankfurt agreed on Monday to loan Ghana striker Anthony Yeboah to English Premier League team Leeds United for a fee of around 1.4 million dollars, the sports agency SID reported, says Reuters.

Leeds also secured an option to buy Yeboah, joint leading scorer in the German Bundesliga for the last two seasons for around 4.2 million dollars when the loan term expires next January.

The 28-year-old striker is currently under contract with Frankfurt until June 30, 1996.

Together with German midfielder Maurizio Gaudino and Nigeria striker Jay Jay Okocha, Yeboah was transferred at the start of last month after going on strike over an extra training session.

He quit as captain in anger and said he wanted to return home to Ghana.

Gaudino went on loan to Premier League side Manchester City.

Romario Flamengo bound



BARCELONA, Jan 10: Brazil's World Cup star Romario is to leave Barcelona and return home to join Flamengo, reports Reuters.

The chairman of Flamengo said on Monday he had reached financial agreement with the Spanish champions for the immediate transfer of the striker to the Rio de Janeiro club.

"Romario will be back in his own country within a maximum of 48 hours," Kieber Leite told reporters.

Reports that Romario, who has scored only four goals this season after a dazzling 30-goal first campaign for the Catalans last year, was unhappy and wanted to return to Brazil for personal and family reasons hit Spanish newspapers last week.

Leite appeared in Barcelona at the same time and confirmed he wanted to sign the forward who played an influential role in Brazil's World Cup triumph last year.

The Spanish news agency EFE said Flamengo had originally offered four million dollars for Romario compared with Barcelona's asking price of double that amount.

Leite said on Monday the necessary money had been found and asked Barcelona fans to understand the player's desire to return home.

"It is a human and sentimental problem of someone who, after eight years away from his country, wants to go back," he said.

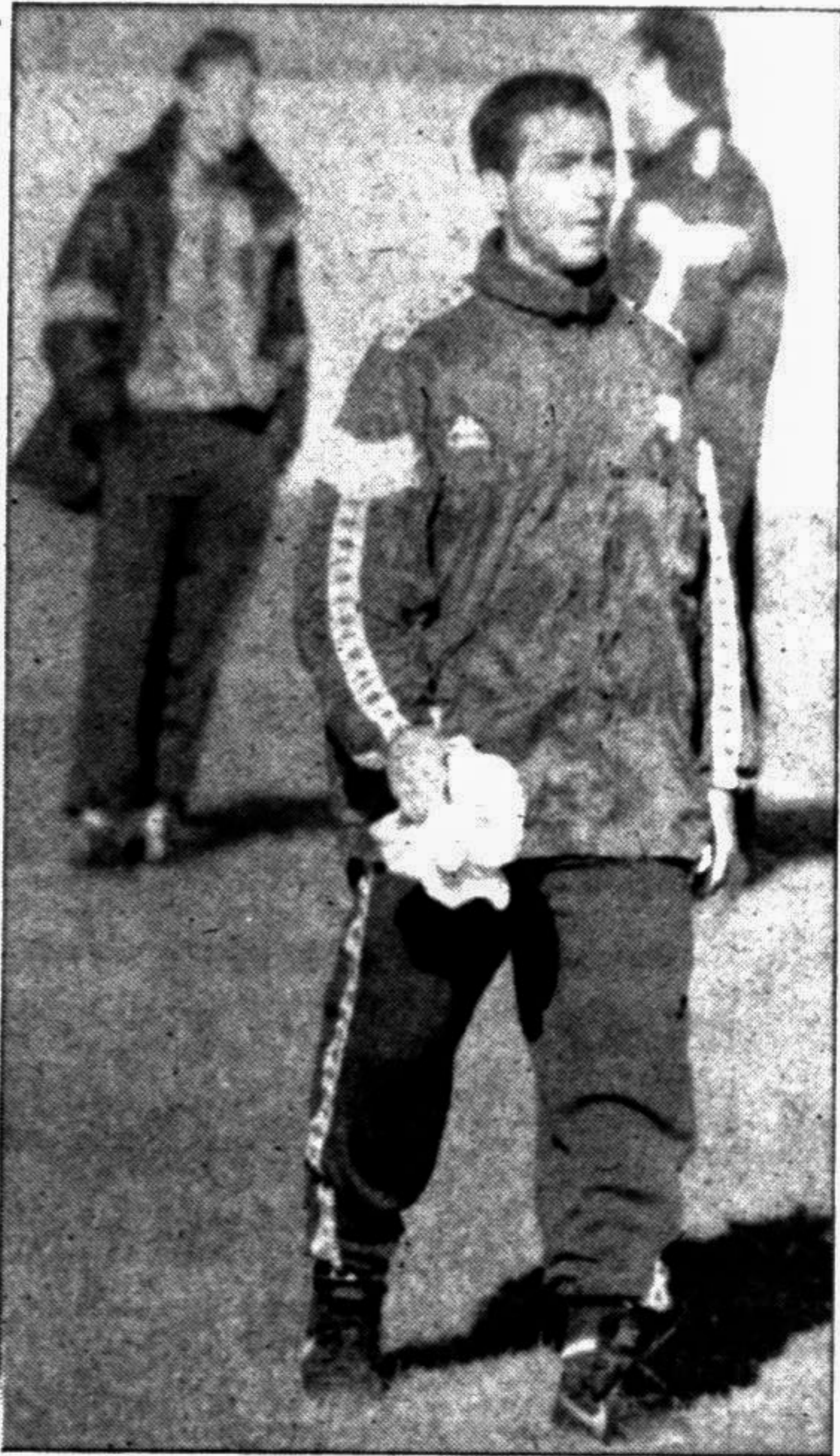
Barcelona deputy coach Carles Rexach told journalists Romario had been negotiating improvements in this contract with the club before Christmas and his decision to leave had come as a surprise.

"We were all taken by surprise when he came back from Brazil and started talking about the possibility of leaving," Rexach said.

But he added: "When a player tells you clearly he wants to go, you can't tie him down. You have to understand him and look for a solution."

Romario's second season with Barcelona got off to a bad start when he angered Dutch coach Johan Cruyff by returning late from his holidays after the World Cup finals in the United States.

Because of injuries to other players he was forced into action while only half fit at the start of the season and has never looked the player he was in the 1993-94 campaign and in the World Cup.



Barcelona striker Romario enters the field for a training session on Jan 9 as coach Johan Cruyff stands in the background on the left. The Brazilian is set to leave the club and return home to join Flamengo. — AFP photo

Bangladesh Rifles

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BDR school & College

This is also a famous institution set-up at the BDR Head-quarters. It was first established as a Junior School in 1984 which transformed into a secondary school with the Government recognition in 1985. Very recently on November 16, 1994 turned into a college with special interest and initiative of the present Director General of BDR Major General Anwar Hossain Bir Pratik. The 3-Storeyed Building of nice appearance with the widely spacious yard is encircled by abundant natural beauties. Here too, there are science and humanities groups in the school level and science, humanities and commerce groups in the college level. Number of students is 1600 and that of teachers is 42.

The Chairman of the school Governing body is the BDR Director General. The standard of education here is upgrading day by day under the able

guidance of the governing body and the teachers.

Results of the Institution: This institution made a proud access into academic world with creditable results. During last few years, percentage of pass was 100% and star marks in Science group was 80% at the School level. A good number of students happen to win Junior scholarships including talent pool.

Results of Scholarships, SSC and HSC Examination (Previous five years): Merit list:- Afroza Bulbul, Daughter of Subadar Shamsul Haque stood 14th in the combined Merit list in Social Science group in 1991

Sports & Others

1988 Inter-school Kabady Champion
1992 3rd School kabady Champion
1990-91 Runner-up twice in Bata Kishori Handball.

1990-91 Nirman School Cricket group Champion

1991 & 92 2 Students of the institution who are members of Bangladesh Youth Cricket team showed skill in Bombay.

Miscellaneous Programme: For the flourishing talent, mental faculties and personality development, Scouting, Girls guide and BNCC Programmes have been introduced besides, there are arrangements for spoken English, debating, recitation, drawing, sports etc. through clubs.

Discipline in administration and education, character and moral-building programmes, optimum use of academic sessions, violence-free and peaceful campus, students bus, yearly milad, picnic, excursion, sports competition etc are district features of the institution.

Schools at various sectors: There are some mprc schools at various BDR sectors around the country. These institutions, too are administered in the same discipline and skill. They are famous at their individual area.

Rifles Training Centre & School: This institution mainly aims at training the BDR personnel. The training

Aussie soccer coach's job on the line

HOBBART, Australia Jan 10: Eddie Thomson should be removed from his job as Australian national soccer coach as soon as possible, according to an official report into alleged improprieties in the sport, reports AP.

The Stewart Report was released Tuesday by a Senate committee inquiring into alleged illegibilities involved in the transfer of Australian players to overseas clubs.

The report was commissioned by the Australian Soccer Federation (ASF) following allegations last year of impropriety in the transfers of several Australian players — including Thomson's involvement in the transfer of Australian sweeper Ned Zelic to German Club Borussia Dortmund in 1992.

In releasing the report prepared by former Supreme Court justice Donald Stewart, Senator John Coulter said Australian soccer had been riddled by "Mafia-like" corruption.

Senator Coulter released the report as the Senate committee which he chairs began its investigation into the game in Australia.

The first of 14 recommendations in the 240-page Stewart report — compiled after evidence was taken from more than 40 witnesses — was that the ASF terminate Thomson's services "as soon as possible."

The second was that the ASF should seriously consider sacking his assistant national coach and youth team coach Les Scheinflug, or at least severely censuring him.

The ASF had previously refused to release details of the Stewart Report for fear of defamation actions. Thomson told reporters in Sydney he had not acted improperly and had no intention of resigning.

Howarth sure, Rutherford isn't

AUCKLAND, Jan 10: Geoff Howarth says he's certain he'll be retained as New Zealand cricket coach, Ken Rutherford is less confident that he will remain as captain, reports AP.

Howarth returned from New Zealand's 2-1 Test series loss in South Africa to be greeted by headlines calling for him to be axed as coach. New Zealand also lost all six of its limited-overs internationals in South Africa.

"The wolves are out. These are the same headlines from last year," he said Tuesday.

"People here have been misinformed and they've speculated a bit. We'll wait and see what the (New Zealand Cricket) Council says in a couple of days.

"I'm contracted until 1996 and I'm sure I will still be there."

Rutherford, who was given a two-Test suspended sentence for dissent in the third Test against South Africa, said he would accept it if he was sacked.

"If the selectors believe it's in the best interests of the team for me to step down then that's fine," he said.

"It's a harsh reality of international cricket and international sport. If I'm not doing the job that's it."

Howarth said he did not envisage major changes to the team for upcoming Tests against the West Indies and South Africa in New Zealand.

"But we've got to start winning again," he said.

Northern Districts players Shane Thomson and Simon Doull both have expressed support for Howarth — New Zealand's most successful captain of all time — and Rutherford.

George Weah voted African player of year

PARIS, Jan 10: Liberian striker George Weah of Paris St Germain was voted African player-of-the-year in the prestigious annual poll organised by the soccer weekly France Football, the magazine announced on Monday, reports Reuters.

Weah, whose goals carried PSG into the European Cup quarter-finals with the only 100 per cent record in the Champions' League, finished ahead of three Nigerian World Cup forwards — Emmanuel Amunike, Daniel Amokachi and Rashidi Yekini.

The big Liberian, who won the award five years ago when he was with Monaco, is only the fourth player to have claimed the trophy more than once.

Ghana's Abedi Pele had won in each of the past three years and two Cameroon players — Roger Milla and Thomas Nkono — had both earned two awards.

Journalists from all over Africa vote in the poll by France Football, which also organises the European player-of-the-year trophy, won last month by Bulgarian Hristo Stoichkov.

- Leading results of poll: 1 George Weah (Liberia) 148 votes 2 Emmanuel Amunike (Nigeria) 133 3 Daniel Amokachi (Nigeria) 99 4 Rashidi Yekini (Nigeria) 87 5 Kalusha Bwalya (Zambia) 37 6 Anthony Yeboah (Ghana) 32 7 George Pindri (Nigeria) 31 8 Joel Tshibanga (Ivory Coast) 22 9 Equiel Japhet N Dorami (Chad) 18 10 Equiel Augustin Okocha (Nigeria) 18



Swiss tennis prodigy Martina Hingis makes a forehand return to Meredith McGrath of the United States during her first round match at the New South Wales Open in Sydney yesterday. The 14-year-old rising star won 3-6, 6-2, 6-4. — AFP photo

Pierce wiser, stronger

MELBOURNE, Jan 10: French tennis star Mary Pierce believes increased confidence can spur her to victory in the Australian

Open, which begins Jan 16 at the National Tennis Centre, reports AP.

The 19-year-old passed up this week's New South Wales Open to fine tune her game at the Open venue and is looking forward to 1995 after improving her world ranking from 13th to fifth over the past 12 months.

"I've learned a lot in the last year and I've gained a lot of experience," Pierce said at a press conference Tuesday.

"I've got more confidence in myself and my game and I'm now realizing just what I can do."

"I've been working really hard physically and I now feel stronger and tougher, while I can now be more consistent."

"I don't think there's a big difference between me and the top players — just that they are more experienced and able to play consistent all the time — but that is coming for me."

"I just have to work on my serve and my footwork more."

Pierce said she picked up valuable experience at last year's Australian Open, where she beat Gabriela Sabatini, and at last year's French Open, where she went down in the final to Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

"I'd always played tough against the top players and hadn't beaten them but the win over Gabriela helped me realize that I could do it," Pierce said.

"Although it was disappoint-

ing losing the French Open, I had a great two weeks there. To win the French Open is my dream, but I really thought about it too much."

Pierce said the absence of injured defending champion Steffi Graf had left the women's singles wide open at the Australian Open.

Ramos joins MLS

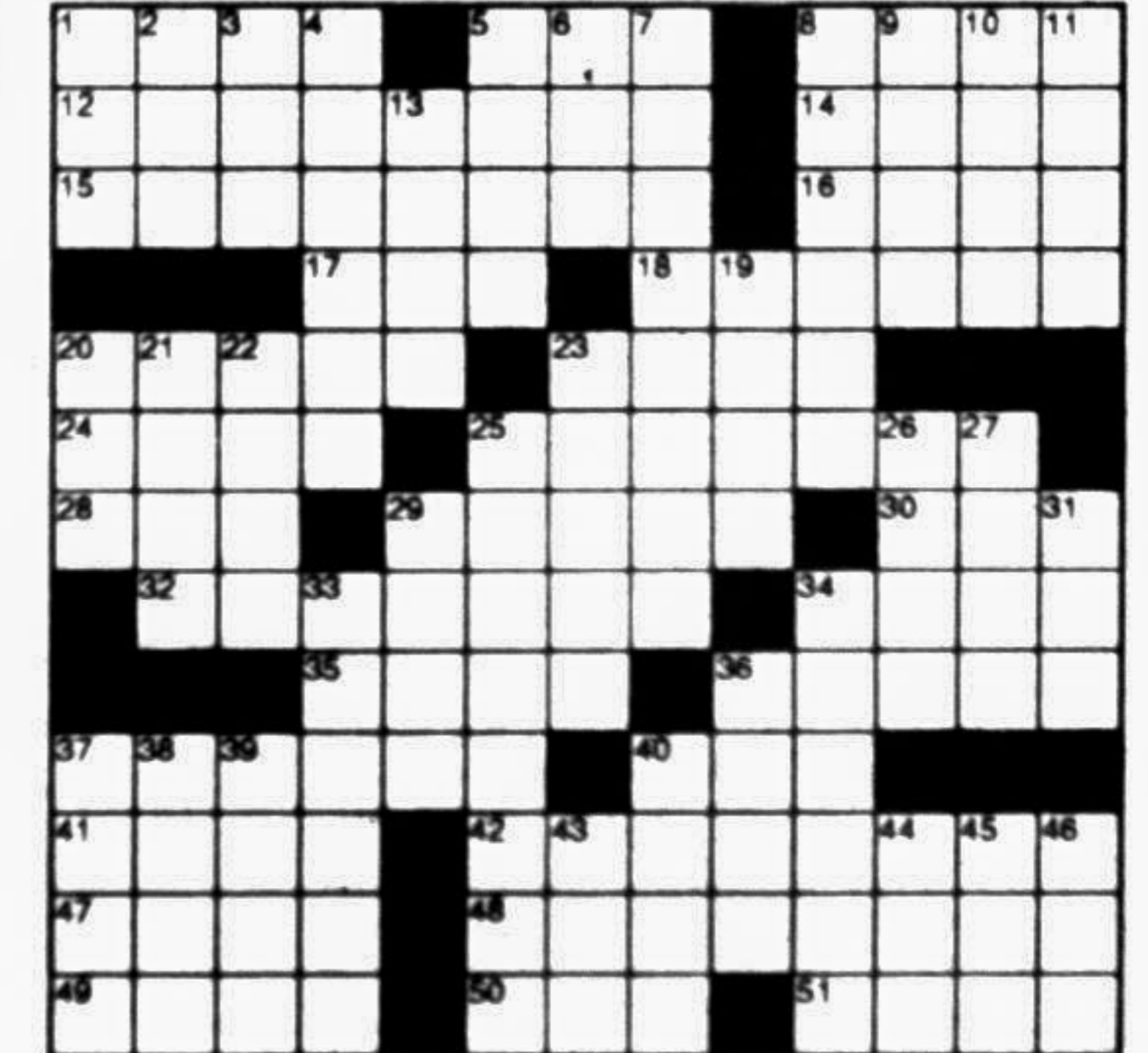
LOS ANGELES, Jan 10: Tab Ramos, the US midfielder who sustained a serious head injury during the World Cup last summer, on Wednesday became the first player to sign with Major League Soccer, reports AP.

The start of the league — headed by 1994 World Cup chairman Alan Rothenberg — has been delayed until 1996, and Ramos, 28, will be loaned to Tigers of the Mexican First Division for the remainder of the 1994-95 season. Ramos, an Uruguayan-born American, has played for Real Betis of Spain's First Division for the past three years but lost his starting job because of the injury and has played little this season.

One of just three players to start all games for the United States in both the 1990 and 1994 World Cup, Ramos sustained a skull fracture when he was elbowed by Brazilian defender Leonardo in the Americans' second-round match, 1-0 loss to Brazil on July 4.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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G H L S R L I Q H X B
S T L R S T B B L B E Q Q R X
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Saturday's Cryptogram: HE MADE MONEY ON WALL STREET LAST SPRING BY BUYING 7-UP WHEN IT WAS FOUR AND A HALF.
Today's Cryptogram clue: S equals B
The Cryptogram 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.

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আবরিকালচার পদপূর্ত বিভাগ, ঢাকা।
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১। নিম্নবর্ণিত কাজের জন্য পদপূর্ত অধিদপ্তরে তালিকাভুক্ত বিশেষ প্রথম শ্রেণী/প্রথম শ্রেণী/পদপূর্ত অধিদপ্তর, ঢাকা জেনে এর তালিকাভুক্ত ২য় শ্রেণী এক পদপূর্ত সার্ভেস-১ এর তালিকাভুক্ত ৩য় শ্রেণী (হিয়ার্ড) প্রিকার যাহারা আবরিকালচার পদপূর্ত বিভাগ, ঢাকা এর অধীনে কমপক্ষে ৫.০০ (পাঁচ) লক্ষ টাকার আবরিকালচার উন্নয়নমূলক কাজ সুসম্পন্ন করিয়াদেনে কেবলমাত্র ৫ সমস্ত প্রিকারকারী প্রতিষ্ঠান এর সিকট হইতে সীমামোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। দরপত্র নিম্নাকরকারী ও ঢাকা পদপূর্ত সার্ভেস-১ এর অধীনস্থ সকল নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী এক নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, ইডেন তখন পদপূর্ত বিভাগ, ঢাকা কর্তৃক একই সঙ্গে নিম্ন নিম্ন অফিস কক্ষে ১৯-০১-৯৫ তারিখ দুপুর ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত গৃহীত হইবে এক একই দিন দুপুর ১২-১৫ মিনিটে বেলা হইবে।
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৪। আদায়ত টাকা ০,১৬৭/-
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৬। বাংলাদেশ স্বরন নং-২১১১ কাজের তফসিল, বিশেষ শর্ত ও নিম্নোক্তি ইত্যাদি পত্রিত সঞ্চয় নগিল নিম্নাকরকারীর অফিস ও নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, পদপূর্ত বিভাগ-১/২/নন্দা/ইডেন তখন পদপূর্ত বিভাগ, ঢাকা এর সঙ্গে কার্যী ১৯-০১-৯৫ তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত দেখা ও প্রাপ্তিত মূল্য (কেবলমাত্র) করা করা যাইবে।
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