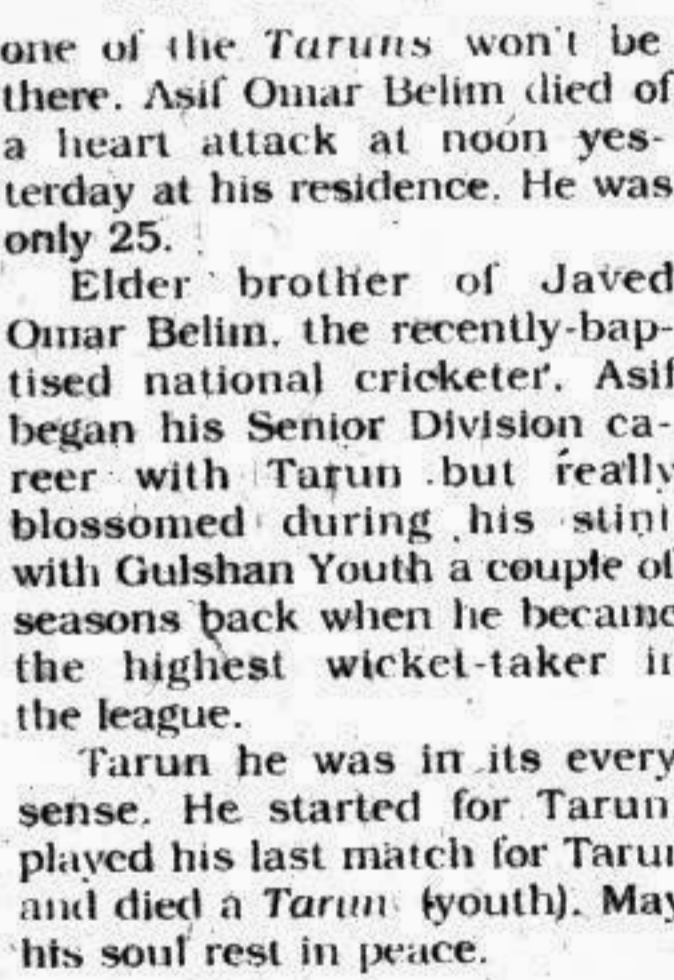


Agrani Bank a match away

Sports Reporter
Agrani Bank enhanced their chances of promotion to the Navana Premier Division league next year when they recorded their third successive win in the Yamaha First Division cricket super league with an eight-wicket thrashing of Bangladesh Railway at the City Club ground yesterday.

Darkness at noon

Sports Reporter
When Surja Tarun take on Gulshan Youth in a Navana Premier Division cricket league match at the Dhanmohd Cricket Stadium today,



ASIF OMAR BELIM

one of the Taruns won't be there. Asif Omar Belim died of a heart attack at noon yesterday at his residence. He was only 25.

Three cheers for Cantona

PARIS, Mar 8: Eric Cantona, banned from competition through September for attacking a spectator, received a rousing cheer as he kicked off a charity match raising money for the family of a murdered fan, reports AP.

Sharma show at MSC's cost

Sports Reporter
Former India international Sanjeev Sharma did not just about everything as champions Bangladesh Biman handed giants Mohammedan Sporting Club a narrow four-run defeat to force the former champions drop further astep in the race for regaining title in a crucial Navana Premier Division cricket league tie at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

The Delhi allrounder, who was very much a Mohammedan property couple of seasons back, ate the heart of the middle order of his former team with a devastating spell of medium pace bowling that earned him ripping figures of five for 29 from nine overs.

Not only Sharma made Mohammedans give up the chase for a victory target of 211 in 45 overs, settling eventually for 206 for eight with the ball the consistent cricketer topscored in his team's total as the airline team sent to bat first potted 210 for six wickets.

Finally allowed to bat at number four, the ideal spot for a canny professional like him, Sharma scored 51 off 54 balls with the help of six fours, adding in the process 88 runs in 98 balls with Habibul Bashar who made 46 from 61 balls.

Pakistani World Cupper Wasim Haider, the other foreigner besides Sharma, could not get going but there were useful contributions from openers Jahangir Alam and Ziaur Rashid, who made 26 and 25 respectively.

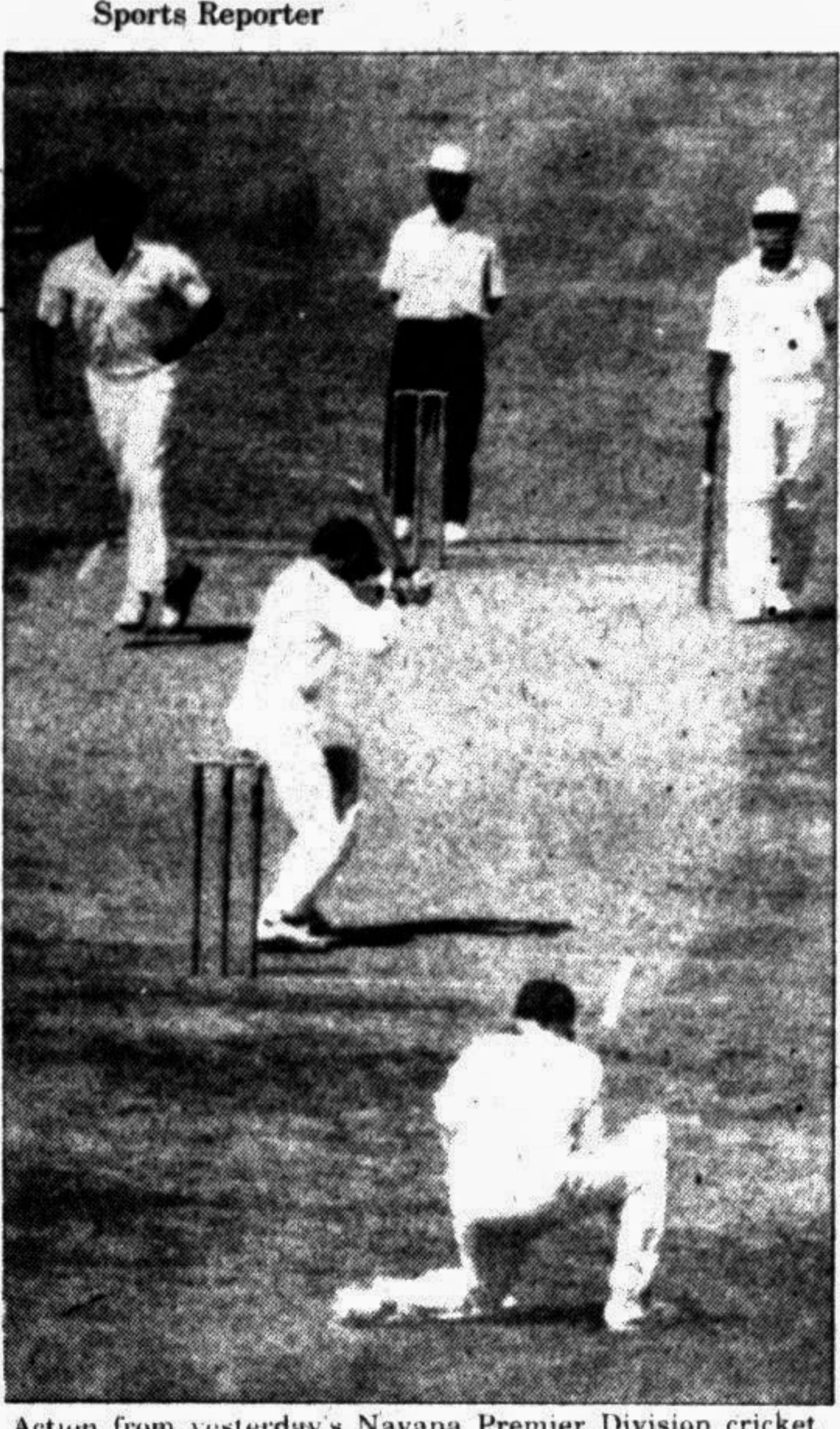
National cricketer Rafique took two wickets for 31 with his left arm spin while Hasibul Hossain, Khaled Mahmood, skipper Aminul Islam and Pakistani Nadeem Younus took out apiece.

Biman's experienced new-ball bowler Jahangir Talukder put Mohammedans on the backfoot at the very outset of their victory quest dismissing Nadeem at 21.

Two more wickets fell quickly as Mohammedans, after a brief recovery, slid to 74 for three.

Skipper Amin and young Sajjad Mansur, who was relegated to one drop from his usual position of an opener, then fused a 82-run partnership for the fourth wicket.

Sajjad left for a well made 94-ball 55 featuring four hits to the fence while Aminul Islam became the third victim of Sharma, who after having induced opener Nurul Abedin to nick behind the wicket and clean bowled Pakistani Test cricketer Aamir Malik for two, deceived the Mohammedan skipper with a slower delivery.



Action from yesterday's Navana Premier Division cricket league match between Mohammedan Sporting Club and reigning joint champions Bangladesh Biman at the Dhaka Stadium. Biman won by four runs.

Biman, who won the title jointly with Abahani last year, picked their seventh win in nine matches.

In the day's other match, played at the Dhanmohd Cricket Stadium, Brothers Union did a world of good to their super league chances crushing lowly Dhaka Sabuj Sangha by nine wickets.

New-ball bowler Khairuzzaman took three for 22 while paceman Mofiz and spinner Sohel claimed two each as Eskaton, batting first, were skittled out for 96 in 37 overs.

Abid Hanif was the only casualty as Brothers successfully chased the below-hundred victory target posting 100 in 18.5 overs.

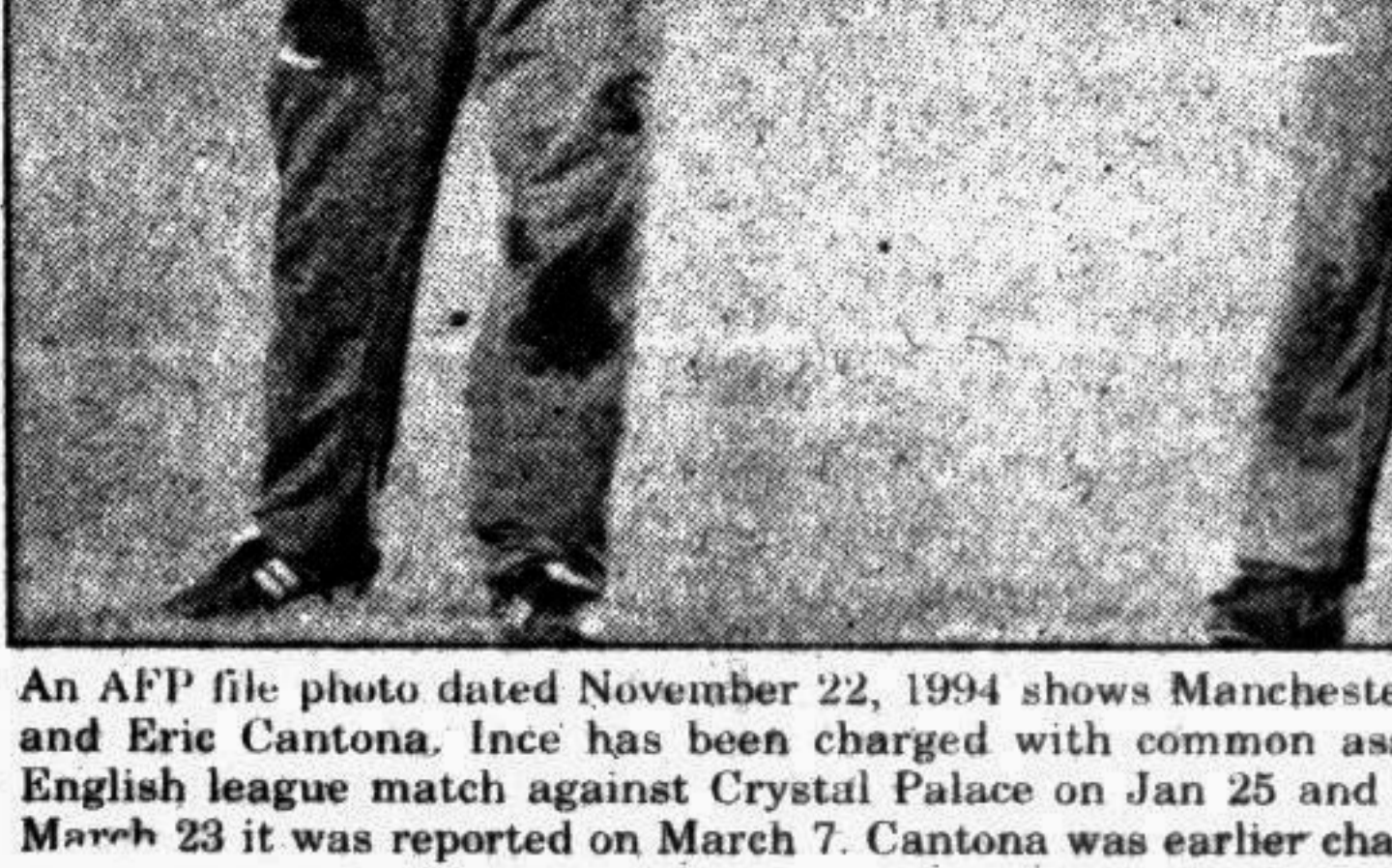
Skipper Al-Shahriar was not out on 33 and opener Moniruzzaman remained unbeaten eight aqrif of a half-century.

Brothers picked their sixth win from nine matches and are destined to keep their fingers crossed for a super league chance with strong challenges in the offing from a couple of other teams, especially GMC.

Today's matches: Wari vs Kalabagan (Dhaka Stadium), Tarun vs Gulshan (DCS)

Superduper Sharma Mohammedan batsman. Quite deservedly he came on to bowl the last over with Mohammedans needing eight for victory and ended up conceding only three.

Mohammedans have now lost three of their nine engagements and have two matches left in the first leg.



An AFP file photo dated November 22, 1994 shows Manchester United players Paul Ince (L) and Eric Cantona. Ince has been charged with common assault on a spectator during a English league match against Crystal Palace on Jan 25 and ordered to appear in court on March 23 it was reported on March 7. Cantona was earlier charged for the same offence.

Clouds of prejudice in nat'l snooker

Sports Reporter
National champion Narayan Chandra Ghosh will not be there when the 11th national snooker championship begins at the Dhaka Club billiards room from March 16.

Narayan, who took part in the 10th and 11th editions of the Asian snooker championship, the latter being held in Dhaka last year, was suspended by organisers, the Bangladesh Billiards and Snooker Federation (BBSF), in its executive committee meeting last August for alleged 'want of commitment towards the game' during the 11th Asian snooker championship on July 1994.

Syed Mahboob, the secretary of the BBSF, however, gave various reasons for Narayan's one-year ban. 'The decision against Narayan was made according to the manager's report who brought some severe charges against him.' But when Mahboob read out the report of Noel Reverce, the manager of the three-member Bangladesh team in the 11th Asian snooker championship, no specific charges were found against him.

Meanwhile, a total of 57 players from eight affiliated clubs of the BBSF will take part in the four-day meet.

The participating clubs are - Narayanjanj Club, Engineers' Club, Gulshan Club, Officers' Club, Comilla Club, Chittagong Club, Catholic Club and hosts Dhaka Club.

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The police are still identifying those to be banished. We are not in a position to reveal the names," said FAM general secretary Paul Mony Samuel.

Mony said police had insufficient evidence to implicate another 46 players, and state soccer associations could apply for their playing licenses.

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England face hosts in Masters Cup semis today

Aussie oldies miss the bus

BOMBAY, Mar 8: English veterans beat their Australian counterparts by 14 runs here today to set up a Masters Cup semifinal clash with India, reports AFP.

England, who will meet India here tomorrow, recovered through an unbroken 50-run stand for the ninth-wicket between Neal Radford and John Emburey to knock 268 for eight in the allotted 45 overs.

Derek Randall, 44, made a fine half-century to hold the middle-order together but was bowled for 62 by Graham Yallop. England then experienced a collapse before Radford and Emburey shared a brisk stand in six overs to swing the match.

Chasing an asking rate of 5.75 runs an over, Australia were nayer in the hunt, although most of their batsmen made good scores.

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Australia finished with 254 for five in 45 overs and crashed out of the last four stage-like Sri Lanka on Tuesday.

In the other semifinal on Friday the West Indies will play South Africa. The final is slated for Sunday.

SCOREBOARD
Scoreboard of the Masters Cup one-day match between the Australia and England here today:

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AUSTRALIA
Bruce Laird b Underwood 45
John Dyson run out 44

Result: England won by 14 runs.
Man-of-the-match: Derek Randall (England).

Graf's lesson for Lorenzo

DELRAY BEACH, Florida, Mar 8: A rusty Steffi Graf, the world's No. 2 player since being overtaken this year by Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, beat 17-year-old Maria Sanchez Lorenzo 6-1, 6-4 Tuesday in the second round of the Delray Beach Winter Championships, reports AP.

Graf, who has been battling back pain and leg injury since last round bye. After a typical overpowering Graf-like 25-minute opening set, a nervous Sanchez Lorenzo, who hits with two hands from both sides, calmed down and led 3-1, 40-15 in the second set.

Graf, who has been having trouble returning Sanchez Lorenzo's first serve, regained her concentration, rattled off nine straight points and four consecutive games for a 5-3 lead.

Sanchez Lorenzo, a pro since last August, served out a love game and stayed off two match points in the 10th game before Graf grazed a backhand volley that swatted the net and dropped over for the victory.

Graf, who has won 16 consecutive matches here, encompassing three straight titles and five since 1987, was surprised that most of the top 10 players bypassed the dlr \$40,000 tournament.

Only fourth-ranked Conchita Martinez and 10th-ranked Anke Huber are playing, while Sanchez-Vicario, Mary Pierce, Lindsay Davenport, and Gabriela Sabatini took the week off.

In an exciting match third-seeded Anke Huber of Germany overcame service problems and outlasted Radka Bobkova of the Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-3.

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WTA's top 20

- ST PETERSBURG, Florida, Mar 8 (Reuters): Leading women's tennis rankings as released by the WTA Tour on Tuesday.
1. Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario (Spain)
2. Steffi Graf (Germany)
3. Mary Pierce (France)
4. Conchita Martinez (Spain)
5. Jana Novotna (Czech Republic)
6. Lindsay Davenport (US)
7. Gabriela Sabatini (Argentina)
8. Natasha Zvereva (Belarus)
9. Kimiko Date (Japan)
10. Anke Huber (Germany)
11. Magdalena Maleeva (Bulgaria)
12. Mary Joe Fernandez (US)
13. Iva Majoli (Croatia)
14. Naoko Sawamatsu (Japan)
15. Brenda Schultz (Netherlands)
16. Amy Frazier (US)
17. Sabine Hack (Germany)
18. Lori McNeil (US)
19. Julie Halard (France)
20. Judith Wiesner (Austria)

Italian Davis Cup team named

ROME, Mar 8: Andrea Gaudenzi, Renzo Furlan, Stefano Pietrangeli and Cristian Brandi were named to the Italian Davis Cup team for the upcoming quarterfinal match against the United States in Palermo, Italian captain Adriano Panatta said Tuesday, reports AP.

Iraqis surprise Uzbeks

CALCUTTA, Mar 8: Iraq opened their campaign in style thrashing Asian Games champions Uzbekistan 3-1 in their inaugural match of the Nehru Gold Cup football tournament at the Salt Lake Stadium here today, reports PTI.

Striker Najfi F Husan and Khudhair Adel struck for Iraq early in the fast-paced opening session before media Abdulridha Sadiq provided the finishing touch to the rout in the dying stages of the game. Forward Kutubbaev scored. A consolation goal for Uzbekistan in the second session.

The youthful Iraqis turned on the heat from the word go with a flurry of raids from both flanks after the hardworking Hajai F Husan produced a brilliant goal to take the lead as early as 13th minute of the first session.

The first goal was the result of a fast counter attack which saw Khudair Adel slice through the right flank outwitting a host of defenders before unleashing a measured cross to Husan inside the box. Husan placed the ball on the move giving no chance to the Uzbekistan custodian Akhmedkhanov who seemed to be a bundle of nerves under the bar.

Spurred on by the early success, the Iraqis tightened their grip on the match with Khudair Adel finding the target in the 33rd minute, taking full advantage of a defensive lapse. The Uzbekistan team, who were struggling to find their

bearing in the first session, played a more coordinated game after the breather as they managed to break through the rival defence on a number of occasions.

Undaunted by the two first half goals, the Uzbeks attacked with determination and butressed the lead in the 16th minute of the second session when forward Kutubbaev blasted home from close off a measured cross from Charipov.

The goal virtually acted as a tonic for the Uzbeks as they stepped up the pace of the game with a series of moves from both flanks and would have found the equaliser had their forwards not missed a few scoring opportunities.

But the Iraqis, who packed up the midfield to thwart the Uzbek offensive, however, hit last nail in the Uzbek coffin as Abdul Riha Sadiq struck a superb goal from the edge of the box just at the stroke of the final whistle.

The Uzbeks had themselves to blame for the last goal as their defenders failed to play with any understanding. Sadiq unleashed a curling long ranger from top of the box giving no chance to the rival custodian.

Russia will open their campaign against Thailand in the second round robin league match later in the evening.

FAM bars 80 players

KUALA LUMPUR, Mar 8: Eighty players implicated in fixing soccer games last year have been barred from the Malaysian League this season, officials said Wednesday, reports AP.

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