Evans plans

to swim in

'96 Games

MINNEAPOLIS. Mar 18:

Now that swimming is fun

again, Janet Evans sees no rea-

son not to swim in the 1996

Olympic Games, even though

she opted out of this week's

Pan-American Games, reports

months and then I had the

goal of coming back for last

year's World Championship,

Evans said at the Phillips 66

National Swimming Champi-

onships. "I've decided to train

for the Olympic trials and try

to make the team. I figure, why

"My existence was based

around my swimming," she

said. "In Barcelona after I got the silver in the 400. I thought

was a bad swimmer and I

thought if I'm not a good

defend my Olympic champi-

onship. Every time I got in the

pool. I had to win. It really

fected her performance.

Although she has continued

winning. Evans times have

slowed since 1990 and it has

been nearly five years since

she set an American record

and six since she set a world

many. She's the only US

woman to win four Olympic

Gold medals. She currently

holds world records in the

400-meter freestyle, the 800

freestyle and the 1500

freestyle. She also holds six

training for last fall's World

Championships, Evans was

noncommittal about the 1996

Olympics. First, she said she

didn't know, then she said she

"I've accomplished every-

The "all-or nothing" atti-

might. Now, she says she will.

thing I've set out to do, so

there's no pressure. I have

tude that led to her quitting

the sport for four months fol-

lowing the 1992 Barcelona

Olympics, where she earned a

pool deck when I'm

nothing to lose, so why not?"

Still, when she began

American records.

Evans' accomplishments are

That midset, she said, af-

consumed my thoughts."

"I felt a lot of pressure to

swimmer. I'm a bad person.

my life doing what I like."

was her life.

record.

"After '92. I quit for four

Gold winner American Thomas Bruner takes a breath during his 1500 metres freestyle final at the Pan Am Games in - AFP/UNB photo Mar del Plata on Friday.

Ivanchuk wins Linares chess title

LINARES, Spain, Mar 18: Vasily lyanchuk of Ukraine used a victory in Friday's final match to guarantee his triumph in the two-week long Linares international chess tournament, reports AP.

Ivanchuk, playing black, defeated Valdimir Akopian of Armenia in 63 moves to win his Friday match. The win gave him 10 points overall for the event, just ahead of Anatoli Karpov of Russia with 9 points.

Players receive one point for a victory a one-half point for a draw.



VASILY IVANCHUK

Karpov, playing white, had to settle for draw in his final | terest in Japan's J-League match, a 61-move standoff against Spaniard Miguel Illescas.

Vaselin Tapalov of Bulgaria finished third with 8.5 points, followed by Alexei Shirov of Latvia and Alexander Khalifman of Russia, each with 7.5 points.

The 13-round tournamen featured 14 of the world's top chess players.

Anand, Kamsky draw again

LAS PALMAS, Canaray Islands, Mar 18: American Gata Kamsky and Viswanathan Anand of India played to another draw Friday in their seventh game of the Professional Chess Association candidates final series, reports AP.

The two Grandmastes are even through seven games with 3.5 points. Five games have ended in draws, with one victory for each player.

One point is awarded for a win and a half point for a draw. The winner is the first to reach 6.5 points in the 12-

game series. The survivors faces world champion Garry Kasparov in a title match in Colonge, Ger-

many, in September. The opening for the sixth

time in seven matches was the Ruy Lopez or Spanish opening. named after a 16th century Spanish priest who recommended the move.

The first 17 moves were identical to those in game five. In that game, Anand played 18. Nd 4 and after 17 of 6 18. Nd 4 19. N2 f3 Nd3 20. Bxd 3 b4 decided to sacrifice the exchange with 20. Bxc 4 bxa 3. That game was a moral victory for Kamsky who obtained a draw with black pieces while only using six minutes on his

In this game, Anand playing white exchanged pawns to open the a-file before playing 19. Nd 4. Thus, the line played in the earlier game would not work because Anand could trade rooks on the a-file. Instead, Kamsky sacrificed a pawn with 19.... Ne 5. In exchange for his pawn, Kamsky obtained active piece play on the queenside and the possibility of a powerfully posted knight on d3.

Solti shines at Pan Am Games

MAR DEL PLATA nal. Argentina, Mar 18: Atila Solti The first day of athletics eight which races on Sunday, took tiny Guatem-ala to new heig-hts on Friday when he won two gold medals in shooting at the Pan-American

Games, reports Reuter. Solti won the individual running target event after taking the team gold with compatriots Cristian Bermudez and Julio Sandoval at the Buenos Aires shooting range.

The gold medals were the small central American country's first of the Games and only its third ever in shooting after Victor Castellanos won the rapid fire pistol event at the 1971 Games in Cali. Colombia.

Yachtsman Robert Hirst. the sole competitor from the British Virgin Islands will no doubt take particular note of the Guatemalans' victory.

Success in the laser class will, however, depends on Hirst greatly improving his placing over the next races after finishing fifth and seventh in the first two.

The United States continued to dominate the Games with their swimmers grabbing another five gold medals on the last day in the pool and American Jane Eickhoff winning the day's only eveling fi-

An increase in fo-

reign players and

coaches is set to

stimulate greater

international in-

which begins its third season

television viewing figures last

season have been blamed on a

lack of Japanese star players to

generate interest among local

counter the problem by almost

trebling the prize money. The

winners of the two legs that

make up the season will earn

100 million ven (1.1 million

including a star-studded con-

tingent of 27 Brazilians, and

10 international coaches are

due to play in the 14-team

professional league, which has

two more teams than last

multi-million yen contracts

backed by the mighty Japanese

currency have secured the

services of seven of the

Brazilian squad that won the

play for Kashima Antlers,

Muller for Kashiwa Reysol.

Zionho for Yokohama Flugels.

Gilmar for Cerezo Osaka.

Jorginho and Leonardo will

1994 World Cup.

J-League teams offering

Fifty-eight foreign players.

dollarst

season.

The J-League has tried to

But declining domestic

today, reports Reuter.

saw the United States take the first gold with Alexandra Givan's win in the women's hammer a new event in the

But Brazil and Cuba won the other athletics finals.

Brazilian Carmen Furtado took the women's 10,000 metres ahead of Carla Montagomery of Canada and Cuba's Laiza Carrillo the women's triple jump infront of Cuban Ninurka Montalvo. Eickhoff beat Cuba's Yoanka

Gonzalez to gold in the women's 3,000 metres individual pursuit at Mar del Plata's velodrome, a final held over from Thursday after heavy rain the previous day.

Friday's cycling finals were postponed to Saturday, which was originally scheduled as a rest day

The United States were forced to make crew changes before the weekend's rowing finals because competitors in two events caught colds. Jason Gailes at the Pan-Am

Games for the quadruple skulls although he was a gold medal winner at the 1994 Goodwill Games in single skulls replaces double sculler Greg Walker.

Jamie Koven, a member of

Ronaldo for Shimizu S-Pulse

and captain Dunga for Jubilo

Cup player, Bebeto, is widely

expected to join Antlers for

the second stage of the season

due to start on August 12.

and sumo.

July 22.

Another Brazilian World

Some Japanese soccer offi-

cials are worried about the

game's declining popularity

compared with traditional

popular sports such as baseball

dependence on foreign play-

league's 841 goals last season.

have decided to cut by about

30 per cent the number of

matches to be broadcast in this

season's first stage ending on

include Franck Durix from

Cannes and Gerald Passi from

Norris defends

WBA title

setts, Mar 18: Orlin Norris

successfully defended his WBA

cruiserweight tittle for the

fourth time with a unanimous

decision over Adolpho

Washington in the feature bout

of Friday night's Triple Crown

An AFP file photo dated June 13, 1994 shows Mike Tyson (C), the former world heavyweight

champion leaving Marion County Courthouse in Indianapolis, Indiana, flanked by his

associate attorney Jim Voyles (R) and a police officer after a sentence-reducing hearing.

Tyson, who was convicted of rape, is scheduled to be released on March 25.

Showdown II, reports AP.

WORCESTER, Massachu-

New players from Europe

ers, who scored 402 of the

They says there is to much

Some television networks

the world champion men's replaces stroke chip McKibben today in the four without Coxswain.

McKibben, however, hopes to be fit to race in the eight on Sunday. Tennis tour professionals

Ann Grossman of the United States and Florencia Labat of Argentina, the second and third seeds will meet in the women's singles final

Labat beat American top seed Chanda Rubin 6-2, 6-2, in her semifinal, while Grossman had a tougher time disposing of Argentine fourth seed Bettina Fulco 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.

The United States baseball team out of the medal round for the first time in Pan Am Games history, were further humiliated with a 9-2 defeat by the Netherlands Antilles, their fifth loss in succession, in the consolation round.

But their men's volleyball team beat arch-rivals Cuba 3-2. (16-14 13-15 15-13 11-15 16-14) in a pulsating semifinal

Canada's men's hockey team

chalked up a massive 17-0 vic-

Nagoya Grampus Eight man-

aged by compatriot Arsene

member of the Dutch 1990

World Cup side, joins Gamba

Osaka alongside Croatian mid-

Deniele Massaro is expected to

sign a formal contract with

Shimizu S-Pulse when the

Italian League ends on June 4.

striker Wynton Rufer of New

Zealand will play for Jef

United, replacing last season's

top scorer Frank Ordenewitz

Reysol have four Brazilians in

their line-up— Careca, Muller

Nelsinho and Valdir. The other

newcomers are Cerezo Osaka

- while Verdy Kawasaki are

bidding for a third consecutive

title with Brazilians Pereira

The J-League teams rely

heavily on foreign coaches who

have been increased from four

As well as Frenchman

Wenger at Nagoya Grampus

Eight, Yokohama Marinos have

signed Argentina's Jorge Raul

Solari, who led Saudi Arabia to

the final 16 in last year's World

League newcomers Kashiwa

of Germany.

and Bismarck.

to 10 this season.

Former Werder Bremen

Italy's international striker

fielder Shrinjar Vjekoslav.

Forward Hans Gillhause, a

gold and a silver medal, has tory over Paraguay, but they been replaced with an "I'll do were a goal short of title holdmy best and have fun" apers Argentina's 18-0 victory proach. over the hapless Paraguayans "It's a more mature attiearlier in the week. tude." Evans said. "I see the end coming in a year and a J-League banks on foreigners half. I leave my swimming on

done. Cyclists start St. Etienne, who are the first French players in the Japanese global ride League. They will play for

the

ATLANTA, Mar 18: Seven bicycle riders, six of them disabled, took off Friday on AXA World Ride '95, an 8-month 13.000-mile (20.800-kilometer) trip around the globe, reports AP.

Greg LeMond, the threetime Tour de France winner who had two Tour victories after suffering a hunting accident, initially led the group. The first leg of the trip was from Atlanta to Athens. Georgia 60 miles (96 kilometers) to the east, with LeMond ending his trip after 30 miles (48 kilometers).

President Clinton sent the group a telegram calling their trip "a celebration of the indomitable human spirit."

The trip will end in Nov 18 in Washington, D.C.

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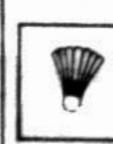
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Qing surprises Susanti Susanti was the champion BIRMINGHAM England, Mar 18:



the last two years. Chinese-born Lim Xiao Qing of Swe den stunned wo-

champion Susi Susanti 12-11.11-7 on Friday to set up the first all-European women's final at the All-England badminton championships since 1976, reports Reuter.

rld and Olympic

Denmark's Amilla Martin completed the destruction of the Indonesian women's team with an 11-6, 12-10 triumph over Mia Audina in the second semifinal. Qing. 27, scored her first

not spend two more years of career success in nine at tempts against Susanti, who After a triple gold medal failed for the second time to performance at the 1988 Seoul win three successive titles in Olympics, swimming lost some this prestigious event. of its fun for Evans. It was no longer just a part of her life; it

in 1990 and 1991, and again

"As a human, I can not win every time." a smiling Susanti said later. "Qing played a very patient and tactical game, the best she has ever played

This is the best victory of my life," said Qing, who left China after the Tiananmen Square riots in 1989 to accept an offer to play for a Swedish club in Malmo.

The men's final will be between top seed Heryanto Arbi of Indonesia, also bidding for a third successive title, and Poul-Erik Hover Larsen of

Arbi scored a 17-15, 15-0 victory over Malaysian Lo Ah Heng, the first qualifier to



Indonesian Hervanto Arbi goes for a smash against Lo Ah Heng of Malaysia in the All-England badminton championship semifinals at the National Indoor Arena in Birmingham on Mar 17. Arbi won 17-15, 15-0. - AFP/UNB photo

reach the semifinals.

Hoyer Larsen, into his first final here at the age of 29, beat Indonesian Hermawan Susanto 15-8, 12-15, 18-16,

Susanti was under siege from the start against third seed Qing, who opted to play long rallies instead of her more natural aggressive game but still fired home countless

winners. At 9-9 Susanti won two points but fluffed her chance for the game, losing two points and making a mistake on a drop shot to concede it.

This time a comeback, so often a feature of her success, was not to be.

Qing ran up a 6-0 lead. helped by some mistakes by the Indonesian. Susanti slowly worked her way back to 7-3, then 7-7. but made costly errors to the next two points.

A great crosscourt smash took Qing to match point and Susanti succumbed with a drop shot that was wide.

"At 6-0 in the second game was thinking I must not lose 11-0. Ten when I reached 7-7 thought I had a good chance," Susanti said. "But I made two mistakes

then. I think if it had gone to three games I would have won because I still felt fresh." Qing said she had tried new tactics when they also met. It

was close then so I tried to play the same way tonight," she said. Martin outgunned preco-

clous 15-year-old Audina, who scored the winning point in Indonesia's Uber Cup team victory last year. Audina was the youngest-

ever semifinalist but after two three-game wins on Thursday her luck ran out against the 20-year-old Dane. Martin beat Qing 11-7, 11-

7 in their last match two win the Swiss title two weeks ago. The last all-European

women's final was in 1976 between English players Gillian Gilks and Margaret Lockwood. Arbi opened a 14-7 lead

over Lo in his match then almost blew it as the Malaysian, who was hampered by a wrist injury, levelled at 14-14. But once Arbi clinched the game, Lo faded.

Philippoussis' big break in women's play, 15-year-



KEY BISCAYNE, Florida, Mar 18: When Mark Philippoussis started slowly Friday in

the Lipton Championships, he showed no panic. The 18-yearold Australian knows that time is on his side, reports AP.

An ATP Tour rookie and the voungest player in the men's draw, Philippoussis rallied for an opening round victory over Christian Bergstrom, 3-6, 7-6 17 31, 6-2,

At 6-foot-4 (1.9-metres), Philippoussis (pronounced Fili-POO-sis) hits the ball hard enough to shake loose a few of his consonants, and he's among the game's most promising players. Inconsistency remains a problem, however, as a roller-coaster performance against Bergstrom showed

"I am definitely going to have a lot of days where nothing will go in." Philippoussis said. "and I will just, you know, get killed out there."

But by the time Philippoussis celebrates another birthday in November, his ranking could approach his age. He reached the final in his most recent tournament, at Scottsdale, losing to Jim. Courier but climbing from

272nd to 149th on the ATP computer.

Against Bergstrom, Philippoussis delivered 18 aces and lost only six points on his first serve. The right-handed slugger plays Paul Haarhuis next and could face Wayne Ferreira in the third round. While the young Aussie

continued his climb, two veterans in their second decade on the tour posted mixed re-

Thirty-year-old Mats Wilander rallied for a three-set victory, but 33-year-old Brad Gilbert lost and said he'll wind down his career. "I will just play a few events

where I feel good," said Gilbert, who became Andre-Agassi's coach a year ago. Gilbert lost to Todd Woodbridge, 7-6 (7-5), 7-5.

Wilander beat Louis Gloria 4-6. 6-3, 6-3. Another familiar name. Patrick McEnroe, beat Horst Skoff 6-3, 7-6 (8-6). McEnroe notched two of

his biggest career victories at Lipton, beating Boris Becker in 1991 and Goran Ivanisevic in 1993. Now. McEnroe joked. he's 1-0 on St. Patrick's Day. "I called my mom. She said,

"You can't lose — it's your day." McEnroe said.

old juniors champion Stephy Halsell of Cypress. Texas, lost her WTA Tour debut to Asa Carlsson, 2-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-2).

Pete Sampras, vying this week to hold on to his number one ranking against the challenge of fellow-American Andre Agassi, was one of the few top players whose secondround opponent was decided

on a rainy Friday. Sampras will face Japan's Shuzo Matsuoka, ranked 133 in the world. Matsuoka defeated David Rikl of the Czech Republic 6-4, 6-3 to advance.

Women's top seed Arantxa Sanchez Vicario of Spain will face little known Tatyana Jecmenica of Yuguslavia in the second round while secondseeded Steffi Graf of Germany will play unseeded American Ginger Helgeson-Neilesen, who ousted Radka Bobkova of the Czech Republic 6-1, 6-1.

Women's fifth seed, Gabriela Sabatini, who lives part of the vear in Key Biscayne, was also inactive Friday. She will meet South Africa's Elna Reinach, who defeated Rita Grande of Italy 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the first round.

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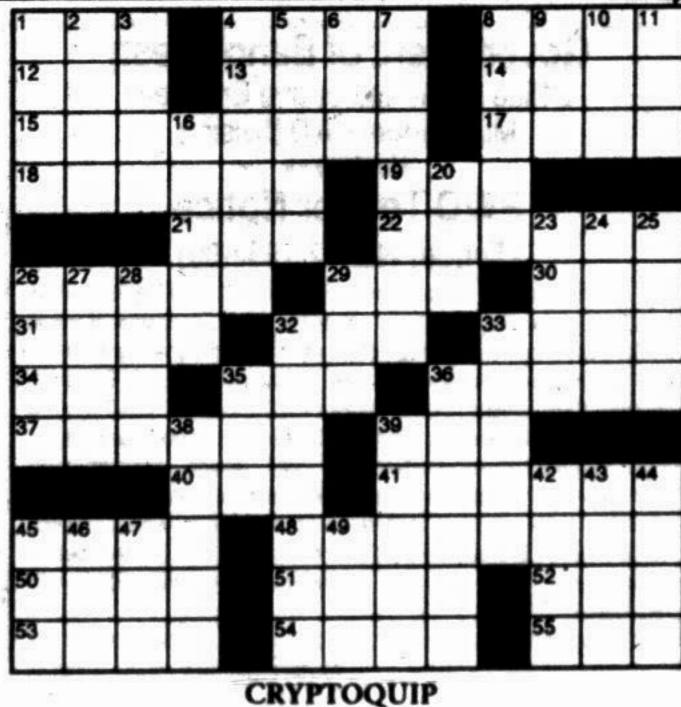
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