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ment officials and Atlanta

Olympics staff members are

attending a week-long training

course in crisis management

to get ready for the 1996

course Monday at Mount

Weather Emergency Assistance

Centre, a secured federal facil-

ity 60 miles west of Washing-

ton in the Shenandoah Valley

Management Agency is con-

ducting the sessions, called

"response '95," to help teach

various agencies and organisa-

Games how to coordinate their

operations if a disaster strikes.

handling public works emer-

gencies, fires and major trans-

portation accidents. To make

the experience more realistic,

the participants will live, eat

and work on the compound

and endure 12-hour workdays.

took the course last year,

FEMA spokesman Phil Cogan

said. Their training was cred-

ited with the rapid response to

the Oklahoma City bombing

ernment, industry and volun-

teer agencies to learn how

their responsibilities and re-

sources are interconnected.

Cogan said. "It trains them to

plan and work together when

confronted with some sort of

the Atlanta Committee for the

Olympic Games, the city of

Atlanta, the Atlanta Paralympic

Organising Committee, Fulton

County, the World Congress

Centre, Hartsfield Interna-

tional Airport, the Secret

Service and the Department of

fered to public officials around

the country for about 10 years.

but the Atlanta contingent is

the largest single training

group ever convened, Cogan

is "tabletop experiences,

which are simulated emergen-

cies that require participants

to react effectively to a rapidly

changing scenario, Cogan said.

taped, evaluated by FEMA

trainers and then discused

it's more collegial." Cogan said

"But sometimes they get so

caught up in it, it's hard to tell

the difference from a real

event. They take it very seri-

among the group, he said.

Responses will be video-

"It's not like a boot camp;

One highlight of the session

The course has been of

The participants are from

"The course allows gov-

last month.

crisis."

Defence.

Officials from Oklahoma

The sessions will include

The Federal Emergency

The group of 150 began the

Games, reports AP.

of Virginia.

ATLANTA, May 9: Govern-

Klinsmann may leave Spurs in a lurch

HAMBURG, May 9: Totten ham's German World Cup striker Jergen Klinsmann has decided to bring forward to this week his decision about a possible move to German champions Bayern Munich next season, reports Reuter.

Sources close to the striker said today he was more and more likely to decide in favour of a return to the Bundesliga.

Klinsmann, who was not expected to announce his decision until May 18 when he receives the English footballerof-the-year award, to Bavarian Television on Monday evening that he was unhappy with the constant media speculation in Germany about his future.

The 30-year-old forward. who was enjoyed great popularity during his season in England, is now expected to announce his decision before Tottenham's final league game at home to Leeds United on Sunday.

"I will make a final decision this week," Klinsmann said. "At the moment speculation is being sold as the truth (in the media). I talked with Spurs manager Gerry Francis and chairman Alan Sugar on Sunday and will sit down with them again this week."

Sources close to Klinsmann confirmed on Thursday that the player had not made up his mind in private. But one added: "I think it is going in favour of Bayern."

Klinsmann, one of the rare diplomats in the game, clearly wants to leave England, showing respect to Tottenham and their fans.

"In Bayern's favour is the fact that they will have a team which will not only compete for the German title but will also play a role in Europe," he said. "In Tottenham's favour is the fact that they have been amazingly nice. I want to do everything in style and be fair.

"Neither Bayern nor Tottenham have put me under any time pressure. But I hope to get the whole thing sorted out as soon as possible."

Klinsmann, who is believed to want to return to his German roots after several seasons abroad — Munich is close to his home town near Stuttgart - said he had been annoyed that the financial aspects of his possible transfer had been blown out of propor-

"Sums are being quoted out of thin air. (if it was all about money) I would stay in England or accept one of the offers from Italy which are much more lucrative than Bayern's." he said.

Baggio might bid **Juventus** bye

TURIN. May 9: Former European-tootballer of-the-year Roberto Baggio, whose Juventus contract expires at the end of the season, could be on the move after failing to agree terms with the Turin club. reports Reuter. "I would like Baggio to re-

anember that he is a free man it the end of the season. It's up to him to decide whether to accept Juve's offer or one from another club," honorary club president Umberto Agento Agnelli told Monday's Gazzetta Dello Sport.

"If he accepts the conditions that we regard as vital for the management of a soccer club then we'd be very

happy to keep him," Agnelli

Press reports says that Juventus are offering Baggio an annual salary of two billion lire (1.25 million dollars), a reduction or around a third on what he currently earns.

Spanish champions Barcelona and Italian giants Internazionale head the list of clubs interested in signing the hero of Italy's 1994 World Cup

campaign. Baggio, 28. joined Juventus from Fiorentina in 1990 for a then world record fee of 13

million dollars. Juventus look set to win the Italian League title for the first time since 1986 and have also

reached the domestic and UEFA Cup finals. But Baggio has missed over

half of the season because of series of injuries. In his absence, 20-year-old Alessandro Del Piero had flourished and has been hailed as the "new

Tyson came saw and

ALBANY, New York, May 9 Youth baseball players in this state capital are still talking about a surprise visit from former world heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson over the weekend, reports

Tyson, attended a Little League baseball game here Saturday to watch the opening game of the season of the son of his co-manager Roy Holloway, a friend since their childhood here.

Tyson stayed for about two hours, signing autographs for dozens of players and their parents.



China's Wang Tao (L) shares a joke with head coach (C) while his teammate Ma Wenge applauds during the medals presentation ceremony for the men's team event at World Table Tennis Championships in Beijing on May 8. China defeated Sweden 3-2 in the final.

- AFP/UNB photo Sino men do it ala women



TIANJIN, (China). May 9: Wang Tao ended Sweden's six-year reign as World Men's Team table te-

nnis champions with a barrage of unstoppable shots to clinch a dramatic 3:2 victory for China in the final on Monday. reports Reuter.

World number two Wang, vus." he said. urged on by a passio-nately partisan crowd of 10,000 wrapped up the decider with a fierce smash against a helpless Jorgen Persson and was immediately engulfed by his delighted teammates.

The favourites joy was mixed with relief as the Swedes had come so close to winning their fourth consecutive title, thanks to Olympic champion Jan-ove Waldner, who won both his matches in an epic encounter.

Waldner, unbeaten in the tournament, first accounted for Wang 21-6, 15-21, 21-19 in a tight, nervous opening match then levelled the tie at 2-2, drawing on all his experience to overturn a 1-0 deficit against world number seven MA Wenge to win 13-21, 21-12. 21-17.

Swedish coach Soren Ahlen was quick to praise Waldner's contribution but said the home advantage had tipped the bal-

ance towards the Chinese. "Playing at home was very important because there was a lot of pressure on their opponents ... that is one of the

TIANJIN. China.

May 9: It's not a

question of trying

to predict which

players will battle

it out in the wo-

men's final at the World Table

Tennis Championships on

Saturday, but who will be

playing the seemingly

invincible world number one

Deng. still only 22, goes

into the singles, which start on

Wednesday, without dropping

a game in her seven matches

on the way to China's triumph

The form of the little

Henan-born player has been so

awesome that coach Zhang

Xielin played her three times

in a row - in a doubles sand-

wiched between two singles -

Only Romania's world num-

ber 14. Otilia Badescu, has put

up any sort of a challenge

against the 1992 Olympic

champion, whose stocky build

belies her incredible speed

21-19 in their semifinal

by the affront. Deng then anni-

hilated Badescu's partner

Emilia Ciosu. 21-4. 21-9 in her

second singles match to wrap

Her most likely opponent in

the linals is her team doubles

partner and world number two

Quao Hong, but Quao's form in

the team event has been in-

consistent and she surprisingly

lost against Ciosu in straight

half of the draw, should meet

Taiwan's world number seven.

Chen Jing, in the quarter-fi-

nals, one of a number of

Chinese born players who live

overseas that pose the only

real threat to the local contin-

in the world top 10.

have left to live abroad.

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gent, who have seven players

the veteran Chen was a

member of China's winning

team in 1987 and leads the

challenge from the 'overseas

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scription for the players who

former Chinese national player

now living in Japan, was a

more likely contender for the

women's crown but withdrew

at the 11th with what the

Japanese them leader here de-

scribed as a stomach com-

Beijing.

Chire Koyama, another

Qiao, who is in the bottom

games in the semifinals.

match, and, almost as if stung

Badescu went down 21-14.

in the semifinals.

agility and skills.

up the rubber 3-1.

in the team event on Sunday.

Deng Yaping, reports Reuter.

main reasons for their victory. Ahlen told reporters.

But Ahlen also conceded that the unexpected Chinese tactic of playing Ding Song. along with Ma and Wang, had also proved decisive.

"The Chinese players all have different styles and it is so difficult to know which players they will use against

Chinese coach Cai Zhenhua

named Ding for the third match against Peter Karlsson and the Swede, though ranked well above his opponent, never mastered his deceptive chopping game, going down 21-14, 21-11 to give the Chinese a 2-1 lead The night, however, ulti-

mately belonged to the lefthanded Wang, who overcame the disappointment of his earlier loss against Waldner to rediscover his brilliant semifinal form against South Korea and demolish 1991 world champion Persson 21-14, 21-13. While he had seemed

uncertain and nervous in front of his home town crowd in the opening match. Wang went for his shots in the decider, producing a series of winners with his trademark backhand flick. He dominated 12th ranked

Persson in the first game and then, with the score 13-10 in the second, he produced a dazzling display of table tennis. reeling off seven points with foreliand and backhand winners as Persson visibly crum-

Pretenders to Deng's crown

Hong Kong's world number

three, Chai Po-wa, had also

been tipped as a possible final-

ist but she has shown indiffer-

ent form in the team event di-

rectly playing after an exhaust-

ing Commonwealth Champion-

She is also likely to come

up in the last 16 against

Singapore's Jing Junhong, an-

other Chinese-born player,

who though beaten by Chai in

ment, shocked Deng Yaping in

the second round of the 1993

crowd and as a more mature

player, Deng is unlikely to be

in front of a fanatical home

She said before the start of

the championships she was

determined to gain her re-

venge against overseas Chinese

like Koyama, who was branded

a traitor by sections of the lo-

World Championships.

surprised again.

the Commonwealth tourna-

ships in Singapore.

bring up match point brought the crowd to their feet and. though Persson bravely saved three championship points. Wang sealed it with another

A smash wide to the left to

Ahlen, whose veteran squad has played in the last three World Championships, did not see the Swedish defeat as the end of an era.

"We are working very hard to find new players but I also think that the three players who were out there can play as good or even better in 1997 and give us another chance to meet China in the final." he

China's 11th team title, conceded the competition was tougher now than when China last won the world crown in "Eight years ago when China

Cai, whose team claimed

last won the title, they were the best in the world but the gap has closed since then, it is closer between Europe and Asia and you cannot say that Asia is better." he said. He added China had studied

the Swedish team for more than two years, particularly their tactics. "We have worked very hard

to change from defensive to attacking play but at the same time keeping the defensive strengthen," he said.

In an earlier match for third place. South Korea beat France 3-2.

cal media after her Asian

will come from former Chinese

nationals living in and playing

for other counties," Deng said.

"If I met them again I will get

Zhang, the Chinese

women's team coach, said he

had never seen the dedicated

Deng so fit and had no hesita-

tion in playing her in three

consecutive matches in the

team semifinals because he

knew she would last the dis-

Zhang, who affectionately

calls Deng and Qiao, 26, his

"old-timers" - Deng won the

World Championships in 1991

at the age of 18 - is in no

doubt that Deng is at the peak

down, but Deng is playing so

well." he said after his tea

picked up the world team title.

"Qiao has been up and

"The major threats to us

Games victory.

real tough."

tance.

of her career.

Turkey on top of medals table

WARSAW, May 9: Seventeen world records were set at the European Weightlifting Championships, which ended on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Turkey topped the medals table with three golds and two bronzes. Greece and Russia each won two titles, the Russians claiming their golds on the last day of the championship.

Sergei Syrtsov won the 108 kg category with a combined total of 410.0 kilos and Andrei Chemierkin took the over 108 kg crown with an aggregate 442.5 kilos, ahead of Manfred Nerlinger of Germany (417.5) and Pavlos Saltsidis of Greece (412.5).

Pyrros Dimas of Greece claimed five world marks in the 83 kilograms category earlier in the championships.

He set a snatch record of 176 kg and then bettered if with 177.5.

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BEIJING, May 9: China's fledgling professional soccer league hopes to prolong its life by putting the

Mariboro name back on television despite a law banning cigarette publicity at sports events, reports Reuter.

China's advertising law took effect on February 1, banning cigarette advertisements at sports venues and clouding the outlook for the two-year-old pro-league.

US giant Philip Morris was the lead sponsor of the league in 1994, its debut season, and its familiar red and white tions involved in staging the Marlboro signs were seen by millions on television each Sunday during the live national broadcast of a league game.

The Chinese football association received 10 million yuan (1.2 million dollars) in 1994. the first year of a fiveyear promotional contract with international management, group, and was to receive 13 million (1.55 million dollar) in 1995 under the deal, association executive secretary Zhang Jilon said Tuesday.

Soccer officials say the Marlboro promotions are crucial since most of this money comes from Philip Morris.

Despite the clear language of the law, the league hopes to find a way to display the in February.

Crisis course Quagmire likely to end Marlboro name on the grounds that it is essential to China's goal of raising its soccer to global standards early in the

next century. Zhang thought this possible, but declined to say how. "I am personally optimistic we can solve the problem," he

said. Talks with the state are under way, with the soccer group arguing that despite tobacco's health risks, sponsorship of sports events by tobacco companies benefits the public, he said.

China has 300 million smokers and an estimated 1.2 million Chinese die each year from illnesses caused by smoking.

The tobacco industry in 1994 accounted for 12 per cent of all industrial and commercial taxes collected by Beijing and provided more tax revenue than any other single industry.

But anti-smoking campaigners argue that the direct costs to health of smoking as well as losses to smoking-related fires and other indirect factors outweigh the tax benefits of smoking and that this gap is growing as medical costs rise.

These campaigners were one of the lobby groups behind the advertising law introduced

State television has yet to show Marlboro ads in the first month of weekend matches. The red-and-white billboards

of 1994 have stood blank. Zhang was speaking at a news conference about a May 17 match between Arsenal of England and Beijing squad Guo'an, now in third place in

the 12-team Chinese professional league. Arsenal, on its first China visit, also will play in the eastern port city of Tianjin on May

18 and Hong Kong on May 20. The trip was almost derailed by the advertising law because the original sponsor, Dunhill, also a tobacco company, pulled out, sports offi-

But British trading firm Lec rescued the tour with a 170,000 dollars cheque, Lec's Beijing representative Dehua Muller said.

Organisers hope for a crowd of 50,000 for the Guo'an-Arsenal match despite stiff ticket prices of 60 to 480 yuan (7.50 dollars to 57 dollars) and plans to televise it live on Beijing television and the Asia-wide Star TV satellite network. Arsenal players are house-

hold names among Beijing's soccer lovers as state television broadcasts live a match from the English premier league every Saturday night.

Auguin retains title

CHARLESTON, South Carolina. May 9: Frenchman Christophe Auguin sailed into Charleston Harbor on Thursday just after daybreak to capture his second consecutive BOC Challenge around the world solo vacht race, reports AP.

Kagwe, Ivanova win Pittsburgh marathon

PITTSBURGH. May 9; John Kagwe, running by himself for the final 16 kilometers (10 miles), broke the men's record Sunday in a Pittsburgh marathon that supposedly featured a better women's field, reports

Kagwe, a native of Kenya, who moved to Philadelphia two months ago, covered the hilly course in 2 hours, 10 minutes and 24 seconds, breaking the record of 2 hours, 12 minutes and 57 seconds set by Ken Martin in the inaugural Pittsburgh race in 1985.

In probably the best Pittsburgh women's field since 1989. Alina Ivanova of Russia won the dirs 20,000 first prize in 2:35.30. Tamara Karliukova of Russia, was second in 2:36.05. Kagwe and Ivanova both

benefited from the sunny but slightly cool, breezy conditions. The race was run mostly in temperatures in the midteens Celsius thigh 50s-low 60s Fahrenheit). "It's very pleasing to finish

such a demanding course in a record time." said Kagwe, who won dirs 21,000. The great weather was certainly a factor." It was the third consecutive

year that a native of Kenya won the men's division. Abel Gisemba, the winner of the last two Pittsburgh races, did not return.

Patrick Muturi, also of Kenya, finished more than three minutes behind Kagwe in second. Inocencio Miranda of Mexico was third, while Belgium's Eddy Hellebuyck, last year's runnerup, finished fourth.

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boats met Auguin 8 kilometres (5 miles) from the finish line and shadowed the Sceta Calberson. A cannon sounded and the boats responded by sounding their horns when he crossed the finish line. Auguin completed the race

About 20 fishing and sail

in 121 days, 17 hours, 11 minutes and 46 seconds — just over 18 hours slower than the record pace he set four years

Auguin will collect a 100,000 dollars first prize. The next racers are not expected to finish until Sunday.

Auguin's 18-metre (60-foot) yacht lead the fleet of 12 vessels making the final leg of what's considered to be the toughest test of sailor against the sea. Twenty yachts left Charleston last September.

Frenchman Jean Luc Van den Heed in Vandee Enterprises moved into second place Wednesday. Americans David Scully, sailing Coyote, and Steve Pettengill, on Hunter's Child, were close behind

David Adams of Australia sailing True Blue led the smaller, 15-metre (50-foot) boat division. Scully, in a message to race

headquarters, compared Auguin's vessel to a rocket ship / which makes the other boats "appear trundling transports."

The race course took the fleet from Charleston with lavovers in South Africa, Australia and Uruguay. One sailor, 70-year-old

Harry Mitchell of Britain, was lost in a storm off the west coast of South America and has not been heard from in almost two months. Several competitors drop-

ped out because of equipment problems. And at least two of the other vachts were lost. Briton Josh Hall was rescued when his yacht foundered

after it hit an unidentified object off the coast of Brazil.

The only woman in the race. Isabelle Autissier, had a huge lead, winning the first leg by 1,900 kilometres (1,200

Australia and she was rescued by the Australian navy. Taylor to

miles). But a storm destroyed

her boat off the coast of

face Smith

SYDNEY, May 9: Australian junior welterweight boxing champion Shannan Taylor will face American Buck Smith in a 10-round international contest at Parramatta Leagues Club on May 29. promoter Bill Mordey announced Tuesday, reports

Taylor has won all 10 of his professional contests, but cannot match the experience of Smith, a 29-year-old from Oklahoma City who claims a record of 170-7-1 and is reputed to be the most active fighter in the world.

World Boxing Council international welterweight Grahame "Spike" Cheney of Australia will defend his title against Brooklyn-based Terrence Alli of Guyana over 12 rounds on June 26 at the same

Cheney has a 15-2 record. while Alli is 52-10-2.

ATP's top 20

1. Andre Agassi (US)

venue. Mordey announced.

MONTE CARLO, May 9: Leading singles rankings in men's tennis as released by the ATP Tour on Monday, reports Reuter.

4,704 points

2,051

1.522

1.327

2. Pete Sampras (US) 4.216 3. Boris Becker (Germany) 3,612 Michael Chang (US) 2,639 5. Goran Ivanisevic (Croatia) 2,638 6. Wayne Ferreira (South Africa) 2,289 7. Alberto Berasategui (Spain) 2,285 8. Michael Stick (Germany) 2,238 9. Yevgeny Kafelnikov (Russia) 2,230 10. Thomas Muster (Australa) 2,227 Magnus Larsson (Sweden) 2,159 2,127

12. Sergi Bruguera (Spain) 13. Jim Courier (US) 14. Todd Martin (US) 15. Richard Krajicek (Netherlands) 1,841 16. Marc Rosset (Switzerland)

17. Stefan Edberg (Sweden) 18. Andrea Gaudenzi (Italy) 19. Thomas, Enqvist (Sweden)

20. Andrei Medvedev (Ukraine)

CRYPTOQUIP

VNJRFADJH UAGOOH EDFXE DCE CXAFMRJU FXEERV "C M D ' U MDDA. Yesterday's Cryptoquip: GROCERIES ARE SO

HIGH-PRICED, I MAY DECIDE IT'S CHEAPER TO EAT

MONEY. Today's Cryptoquip clue: C equals W

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.



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team event at the World Table Tennis Championships in





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