

Eurotex in plate final

Sports Reporter
Eurotex International stormed into the plate final of the second office cricket league with a crushing seven-wicket win over Banque Indosuez in the first semifinal at the Jagannath hall ground yesterday.

In a rain-reduced 20-over a-side match, Eurotex chasing a modest Banque Indosuez total of 85 for eight, rattled off 89 for three with more than three overs to spare.

Opener Hadi with a quick-fire 30 off 33 balls was the top willow-wielder for the winners. He clubbed five fours during his brief but very significant innings.

Dipu, who had earlier claimed three wickets for 29 runs in his seven-over spell, did one better with the willow scoring an unbeaten 12 while Zakir with 14 not out was the other double digit scorer for the winners.

Earlier, sent into bat Banque Indosuez scored 85 in their share of 20 overs with Anup Kumar making a patient 39 off 50 balls.

Opener Abdullah with 16 was the other notable run-getter for the losers.

Among the Eurotex bowlers Dipu apart, Shantu took two for 26 and Titas got one for 14.

Dettol soap cricket

CHITTAGONG, June 8: Regency Sports Club beat Shaheed Shajahan Sangha by eight wickets in the Dettol soap metropolitan cricket league at the Dampara Police Line ground here today, reports BSS.

Shajahan Sangha batted first and scored 178 for eight in the stipulated 40 overs.

In reply, Regency scored 181 for two in 33.1 overs.

Dhaphin 56, Harris 27, Diplob 20 and Suja with 20 were the main scorers for Shajahan Sangha.

Dulu, Sujon and Afzal of Regency got two wickets each for 30, 25 and 32 runs respectively.

Afsar Group tennis today

The Afsar Group tennis tournament begins at the national tennis complex today, reports BSS.

About 119 players will take part in different age-group events. The events are: men's and women's singles and doubles, mixed doubles, singles of boys under 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years and girls' singles under 12 and 14 years.

Danes stay on track

COPENHAGEN, June 8: Holders Denmark kept their hopes of a place in next year's European Championship finals very much alive with a confident 4-0 victory over Cyprus on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

It was veteran midfielder Kim Vilfort, 32, hero of Denmark's surprise triumph over Germany in the 1992 final, and the Laudrup brothers, Brian and Michael, who set the seal on Denmark's fine victory in wet conditions.

Jansher, Eyles in final

NEW YORK, June 8: Second seeded Australian Rodney Eyles overcame Scotland's Peter Nicol and oppressive heat on Wednesday to qualify for the final of the Tournament of Champions, reports Reuter.

Eyles defeated Nicol 15-12, 17-15, 1-15, 15-13 in 72 minutes at the New York Sports Club Perspex court situated in the main waiting room at Grand Central Station.

In the other semifinal, Pakistan's world champion Jansher Khan comprehensively defeated Eyles' compatriot Brett Martin 17-16, 15-1, 15-13 in 42 minutes.

Boca's denial

BUENOS AIRES, June 8: Boca Juniors denied on Wednesday they were negotiating to sign Diego Maradona, contradicting Maradona's manager who said a few hours earlier that a deal could be reached shortly, reports Reuter.

"I'm hearing about this for the first time from what you are telling me now," said Boca vice-president Carlos Heller, resounding to a radio interviewer's question about the imminent signing.

Maradona's manager Guillermo Coppola told another radio programme earlier on Wednesday that Maradona, who used to play for the club, was due to meet Boca officials and that a deal could be reached the same day.

But Maradona makes no secret that his heart is with Boca, the traditional league powerhouse and sentimental favourites from the poor end of Buenos Aires.



State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeque Hossain (second from L) giving away the Transcom second national schools hockey trophy to the winners Rajshahi Medical College Campus High School at the Hockey Stadium yesterday. To his left is A S Mahmud, chairman of the sponsors Transcom Limited. — Star photo

Rajshahi Transcom champs

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Rajshahi Medical College Campus High School clinched the Transcom second national schools hockey championship with a comfortable 3-0 win over Mojuddin High School of Faridpur in the final at the Hockey Stadium yesterday.

The victory for the Rajshahi school means that the best team have won the title. But the way it was achieved was anything but a win. For the final was a lacklustre one with the players crowding in the middle for most of the proceedings.

But everyone was expecting a better contest as both sides moved into the final eliminating the two finalists of last year.

However, in the day's match Rajshahi Medical College Campus High School, who remained unbeaten through the tournament, offered a constructive approach against a

pedestrian display from the Faridpur outfit.

They took the lead in the 10th minute through their centre-forward Shamim Reza, who scored from a penalty stroke.

Six minutes later Shamim doubled the winners margin when he sound the board from an acute angle.

After the breather Mojuddin High School were more motivated but failed to score due to poor marksmanship. They got seven short-corners in the second session but they muffed them all in the absence of a quality stroke-keeper.

On the other hand, Rajshahi Medical College Campus High School scored yet another goal quite against the run of play when Raju sealed the fate of the match with a nice field goal ten minutes from the final whistle.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Sadeque Hossain, the chief guest of the final, distributed prizes among the

winners. The concluding ceremony was also attended by the president of the Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHF) Major General M A Rab while A S Mahmud, the chairman of the sponsors Transcom Limited was present as the special guest.

Twenty three schools from across the country took part in the qualifying round from where eight top finishers moved into the second phase.

In the second round eight teams split into two groups played on round robin league basis from where top two finishers from each group were to play cross-cross in the two semifinals.

In the first semifinal Mojuddin High School beat last year's runners-up Ahmed Bawani Academy while in the other semifinal Rajshahi Medical College Campus High School defeated Narayanganj Govt High School, the winner of the first version of the meet last year.

Germans revisit WC debacle

SOFIA, June 8: Bulgaria, who knocked Germany out of the World Cup last year, triumphed again on Wednesday, when they defeated the former holders 3-2 in a European Championship qualifier after trailing by two goals.

Emil Kostadinov, who plays for Bayern Munich in the German League, netted Bulgaria's winner in the 69th minute after European footballer of the year Hristo Stoichkov had put them on level terms with two successful penalties, reports Reuter.

Kostadinov, who had come on as substitute only six minutes earlier after missing Bulgaria's last game through injury, stabbed the ball home with his right foot in a goal-mouth melee.

It virtually ensured Bulgaria's place in next year's finals in England, taking their tally to six wins in six groups even matches and preserving the only 100 per cent record in the qualifying tournament.

German, sustaining their first defeat after four wins and a draw, are still likely to join Bulgaria despite squandering a two-goal lead and sliding to defeat on a wet and slippery pitch.

Juergen Klinsmann, who has moved to Bayern Munich after a great year with English Premier League Tottenham Hotspur, put Germany in front in the 18th minute.

The German captain picked up a pass from Mario Basler, who had taken advantage of a mistake by defender Petar Hubchev, and drove his shot home.

Thomas Strunz scored the second German goal two minutes before the interval with a powerful shot from 18 metres into the right-hand corner of the Bulgarian goal after Klinsmann, receiving another pass from Basler, had given him the opening.

But Stoichkov struck within a minute to revive his side, just as he did 11 months ago in the Giants Stadium in New Jersey when Bulgaria beat the Germans 2-1 in the World Cup quarter-finals.

Strunz, who had just put Germany 2-0 up brought down Bulgarian midfielder Krasimir Balakov and Stoichkov stepped up to score the resultant penalty.

Before the match Stoichkov had boldly predicted Bulgaria would win — "despite everything I am sure that June 7 will be a great day for Bulgaria because we will win against Germany" — and the Barcelona striker coolly made good the boast.

Kostadinov, on the pitch just three minutes as replacement for Ivailo Yordanov, was brought down by Thomas Helmer in the 66th minute.

Stoichkov, who scored Bulgaria's first goal in last July's

World Cup win over the Germans from a free-kick, netted his second, of the night from the penalty spot with great aplomb.

"We are the more technical team and the bad weather hampered our initial plans to dominate play," Bulgarian coach Dimitar Penev, whose team exerted increasing pressure after the interval, said.

"In the second half the chances were on our side," he said all his players had given everything but singled out Stoichkov and Kostadinov for special praise, as well as goalkeeper Borislav Mihalov, who made an important save with the match delicately balanced at 2-2.

German coach Berti Vogts, who felt a draw would have been the right result, said: "We were severely punished for foolish mistakes but with this new team we will continue to go forwards. This was the best match we have played so far in the European Championship qualifiers."

TEAMS

BULGARIA: 1-Borislav Mihalov, 2-Emil Kremenliev, 3-Trifon Ivanov, 4-Tzanko Tzvetanov, 5-Petar Hubchev, 6-Zlatko Yankov, 7-Ivailo Yordanov (Emil Kostadinov, 63rd), 8-Hristo Stoichkov, 9-Lyu-boslav Penev, 10-Krasimir Balakov, 11-Yordan Lechkov (Nasko Sirakov, 80th).

GERMANY: 1-Andreas Koepke, 2-Stefan Reuter, 3-Thomas Strunz (Ulf Kirsten, 90th), 4-Markus Babel, 5-Thomas Helmer, 6-Matthias Sammer, 7-Dieter Eilts, 8-Mario Basler (Andreas Moeller, 80th), 9-Juergen Klinsmann, 10-Thomas Haessler, 11-Heiko Herrlich.

Indians held

CHANDIGARH, India, June 8: Hosts India drew 1-1 with Canada in the opening match of the Indo-Pan American Friendship Gold Cup hockey tournament on Wednesday in the northern Indian city of Chandigarh, reports Reuter.

Other teams participating in the six-day tournament are Pan-American champions Argentina and the United States.



Players of the Rajshahi Medical College Campus High School, who won the Transcom national schools hockey title defeating Mojuddin High School of Faridpur 3-0 in the final at the Hockey Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

Inter entice Ince

MILAN, June 8: Inter Milan announced here on Wednesday night that Manchester United and England midfielder Paul Ince has signed for the Italian Serie A side, reports AFP.

Ince said the agreement for a 10 million dollar transfer was signed at Old Trafford with both Milan's vice president Gianmaria Visconti Modrone and managing director Paolo Tavecchia present.

No comment was immediately available from United.

Ince, 28, had been described by Massimo Moratti, owner of Inter Milan, as the new Frank Rijkaard — who brought such success to their great rivals AC Milan.

Manchester United recently turned down a three-million pound bid for Ince from the Italian giants but chairman Martin Edwards agreed to let them talk to Ince on hearing their latest offer.

Ince had earlier declared in a Manchester United publication that he did not like the way the Italians played football as he felt it didn't suit his style.

Inter Milan has chased wayward Frenchman Eric Cantona as well but he decided to stay with Manchester United.

Bang usurps Susanti

CHELTENHAM, England, June 8: Susi Susanti, the golden girl of international badminton, has lost top sport in the latest International Badminton Federation rankings to her arch-rival Bang Soo Hyun, reports AFP.

The rankings, published here on Wednesday, reflect action from Lausanne, Switzerland, at the end of May.

Susanti, of Indonesia, lost in the Sudirman Cup finals to Ye Zhaoying of China and again in the semi-finals of the World Championships. Ye moves up to the number three position.

In the men's list, Indonesia's Heryanto Arbi extends his lead despite having lost to Sun Jun of China in the finals of the Sudirman Cup. Dane Poul-Erick Hoyer-Larsen was beaten by Arbi in the semi-finals of the Individual event but gained enough points to move up two places to second.

USSF move to poach Parreira

NEW YORK, June 8: Hank Steinbrecher, secretary general of the US Soccer Federation, says he is going to Spain Wednesday to try and hire Carlos Alberto Parreira as coach the US national men's team, reports Reuter.

"If he could come next week (to start work), we would like to have him," said Steinbrecher, set to leave for Spain Wednesday night for face to face talks with Parreira in Valencia Thursday.

Steinbrecher made his remarks at a news conference announcing details of the Parmlat Cup at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey, August 4 and 6.

The tournament features the US national team and three international teams — Parma, Benfica, and Boca Juniors.

The US team has been without a permanent coach since the dismissal of Bora Milutinovic earlier this year, attempts to hire Carlos Queiroz as a successor fell through when he decided to remain in Portugal to coach Sporting Lisbon.

Parreira, who led Brazil to the 1994 World Cup title played in the United States, emerged as the leading candidate when he was fired by Valencia of the Spanish First Division last week.

Juventus draw first blood

TURIN, June 8: Depleted Juventus won the first leg of the Italian Cup 1-0 here on Wednesday as they aim for the second part of a league and cup double, reports AFP.

Juventus, who have just won their first league title for nine years scored through Sergio Porrini in the 10th minute to give them a chance of their second trophy.

In an opening period when Portugal's Paulo Sousa caught the eye, Alessandro Del Piero crossed for Porrini to head home.

Juventus were without Roberto Baggio, Juergen Kohler, Massimo Carrera and Alessio Tacchinardi, yet still managed to beat their arch rivals.

Marcello Lippi's team dominated territorially and, on 30 minutes veteran Gianluca Viali had a point blank shot saved by Parma Keeper Luca Bucci, who rushed off his line.

But Juventus were content to take few risks in the second half and Parma squandered a number of chances — the main one wasted by Gianfranco Zola.

The clubs will have met five times since early May.

England 133 for two at tea

LEEDS, England, June 8: England were 133-2 at tea on the opening day of the first Test against West Indies at Headingley today, reports agencies.

Earlier, captain Mike Atherton led from the front to give England a solid start to the six-Test series after being put in to bat against the West Indies.

But good fortune also played its part as recalled Robin Smith was badly missed early on off Curtly Ambrose and Atherton gave a half-chance to his opposite number, Richie Richardson, when on 34.

Smith, though, fell for 16 and when the threatened rain arrived after 87 minutes and

19.3 overs, England were 64 for one with Atherton 39.

Richardson won the toss for the eighth time in successive Tests — as well as winning all three in the one-day series — and asked England to bat first under heavy cloud cover, hoping to exploit the inconsistencies of the Headingley pitch.

But the surface played true this time, although Smith had his let-off when Carl Hooper, normally the safest of close catchers, could not hold on to an easy chance at third slip.

Atherton reeled off some attractive boundary shots, but lost Smith at 52 when the Hampshire player was taken at third slip by Richardson.

In the following over Richardson came close to snaring the England captain, just getting his hand to a risky

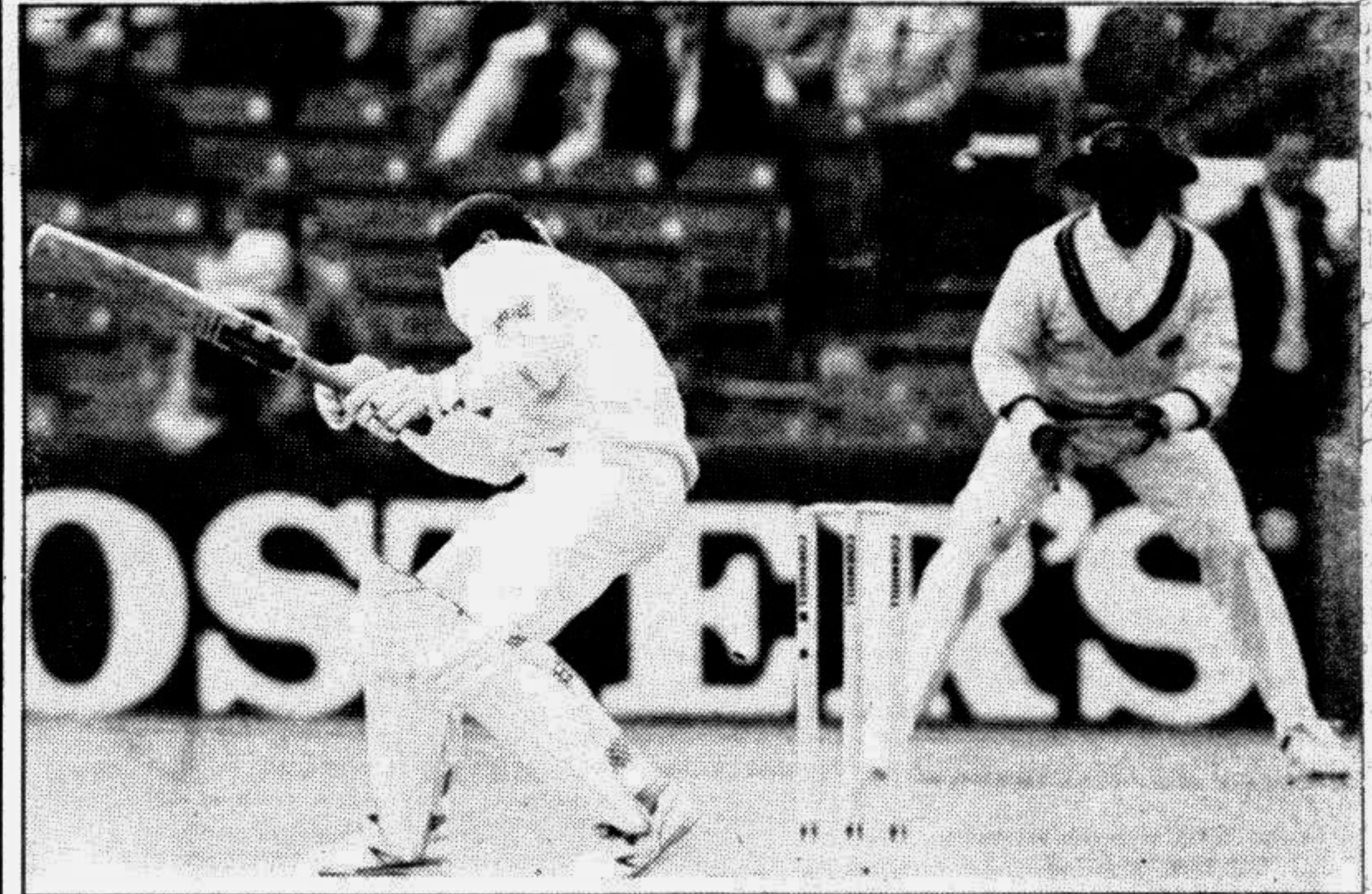
cut and seeing the ball run on to the boundary.

While Atherton looked in command, Smith was made to battle, especially against Ambrose, who has had a very disappointing tour so far.

The rain brought an early lull, a disappointing interruption to some absorbing exchanges in the opening Test of the series.

England decided to opt for the sharper pace to Lancashire's Peter Martin, given a Test debut in preference to Middlesex seamer Angus Fraser.

The West Indies included Ian Bishop ahead of Winston Benjamin in their line-up as they went into the series bidding to stop England's first win over them since 1969.



England skipper Mike Atherton ducks to evade a nasty snorter from West Indies paceman Crutly Ambrose (not in the picture) during the first day's proceedings of the first Test at Headingley yesterday. — AFP/UNB photo

Belarus dent Dutch ego

MINSK (Belarus), June 8: The Netherlands, boasting seven members of Ajax Amsterdam's European Cup-winning team, suffered a shock 1-0 European Championship defeat by Belarus on Wednesday, reports agencies.

Sergei Gerasimets struck the only goal of the group five tie in the 25th minute.

The result left the 1988 European Champions with just 11 points from seven matches and in grave danger of missing out on a place in the finals in England next year.

The Dutch, badly in need of a win, hinted they would take charge of the match when Ronald de Boer hit the post in the 11th minute from a corner.

But it all went wrong for them 14 minutes later when Gerasimets slipped between defender Johan de Kock and goalkeeper Edwin van Der Sar, who had needlessly raced out of his goal, and steered the ball home from a difficult angle.

The Dutch fought hard for an equaliser but sloppy pass-

ing, lack of imagination in up front and an uncompromising Belarus defence continually frustrated them.

Patrick Kluijvert eventually managed to force the ball home early in the second half but the effort was ruled out for offside.

That was the closest the Dutch came to getting back on level terms.

Meanwhile, Poland routed Slovakia 5-0 in Group One qualifier in Zabrze, Poland, on Wednesday to revive their interest in reaching the finals in England next year at the same time as effectively ending Slovakia's hopes of qualifying for Euro '96.

Two goals by Andrzej Juskowiak led the Polish onslaught, the first coming after nine minutes and the second, 16 minutes from time, wrapping up the Polish scoring.

In between, Tomasz Wieszczycski (59th), Roman Kosecki (64th) and Pitor Nowak (71) destroyed the Slovaks' resistance, although the visitors had their own scoring chances, especially in the first half. Slovakia now only retain a remote mathematical interest in the tournament.

Glasgow Celtic defender Rudi Vata fired home a second-half free-kick to give Albania a historic 3-2 victory over Moldova in their European Championship Group Seven qualifying match in Chisinau, Moldova, on Wednesday.

Vata secured Albania's first away win in a competitive match for almost half a century when his 20-metre shot hit a defenders' boot in the Moldovan wall and was deflected into the net in the 72nd minute.

The win lifted Albania, 2-1 down after just 16 minutes, to the dizzy heights of fourth place in the six-team group.

Meanwhile, Vinnie Jones was sent off as Welsh sporting pride took another hammer blow here on Wednesday in a 1-0 European Championship qualifying defeat by Georgia.

A brilliant chip from Georgi Kinkladze 17 minutes from time sent Mike Smith's men to their fifth defeat in six games.

In Belfast, two Latvian goals in three minutes sank Northern Ireland at Windsor park here on Wednesday night in qualifying Group Six.

Vicario clips Date's wings

PARIS, June 8: Defending Champion Arantxa Sanchez Vicario overcame a tough challenge from Kimiko Date to reach the women's final of the French open with a 7-5, 6-3 victory Thursday.

Her opponent in Saturday's final will be the winner of the second semifinal between Steffi Graf and Conchita Martinez, reports AP.

Date, the first Japanese to reach the semifinals of the French Open and seeded ninth, broke Sanchez Vicario in the opening game and troubled the Spaniard with deep, two-fisted backhands, followed by short-angled winners.

Sanchez Vicario, who also won here in 1989, gained back the break in the fourth game, broke for 5-3 and served for the set. Date refused to fold, however, fought back, broke and stayed in the set.

With both players holding and Sanchez up 6-5, a double-fault by Date gave the Spaniard three set points and she converted the first to win the first set.

Date, already a break up, failed to take commanding a 4-2 lead when she dropped her serve and Sanchez Vicario tied the score at 3-3, held for 4-3 and regained the initiative.

Sanchez Vicario, who is also fighting to retain her No. 1 ranking over Graf, broke, Date at love in the next game as Date's game collapsed.

She clinched the match in the next game on her first backhand point when Date hit a forehand wide

Date played one bad game in each set, both times dropping her serve at love, and that's what cost her the match eventually.

With the spotlight in the men's field on Sergi Bruguera, Thomas Muster and Andre Agassi, Michael Chang has been lurking in the shadows.

"I've been able to peak a little bit better, as far as trying to make it so that I'm playing my best tennis in the Grand Slam tournaments. I've lightened up my schedule to give myself a little more time for these events," said Chang, who also has been using a longer racket.

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