From Tawtiq Aziz Khan

unseeded Frenchman Cedric

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German Lion was leading by

two sets to one. Sampras,

looking for his third title lost

his first set against Shizo

Lifebuoy leagues resume today

Sports Reporter Weather permitting the two-tier Dhaka football leagues, the Lifebuoy Premier Division and First Division, resume today after an unscheduled two-day recess due

to the heavy downpour that

lashed the country for the last

two days. On the resuming day, two matches will be held at the Dhaka Stadium with Bangladesh Boys pitting against Police AC in the first engagement, scheduled for a 4.30 pm start.

Defending Premier Division football league champions Abahani Krira Chakra, who earned a sequeaky lone goal win over Farashganj in their inaugural match, will take on Rahmatgani in the second fixture at 6.30 pm.

Meanwhile, away at the Mirpur Stadium Public Works Department (PWD) SC will meet Eskaton Sabui Sangha in the lone Lifebuoy First Division encounter. The match kicks-off at 5 pm.

NBL Div I v'ball results

Sports Reporter

Azad SC sauntered past Madertek Mitali Sangha 15-5, Division volleyball league at the court adjacent to the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Three other matches, that between Bangladesh Rifles and Bangladesh Police, Wari Club and Nabajagorani Sangha, Textile Mills Corporation and Fire Service were still being played when this report was being filed.

Meanwhile, in the Second Division league, Nabajatak Mailish earned a facile 15-11, 15-9, 15-9 win over Jiban Bima Krira Sangstha.

In the second engagement of the day Shantibagh beat Victoria SC by 3-2 sets in a thrilling encounter. Shantibagh lost their first set 2-15, and the fourth 13-15 but they bounced back in the final game winning 15-13. Earlier they won the sec-

ond and third sets 16-14 and 15-7 respectively.

Burruchaga now a widower

BUENOS AIRES! July 5: Argentine soccer star Jörge Burruchaga's wife, Laura Mendoza, died here Tuesday of head injuries sustained in a car crash last Friday, reports

Burruchaga won the 1986 World Cup with Argentina and played in the losing side in the 1990 World Cup final against Germany.

Burruchaga was suspended for 18 months in 1993 for his part in the Olympique Marseille match-fixing scandal in France. He was one of four Valenciennes' players accused of accepting bribes to lose a

Alaexandrov distinction

THIAIS, France, July 5: Anatoly Alaexandrov became Russia's first European boxing champion here on Tuesday night, when he wrested the EBU super-featherweight title from France's Jacobin Yoma on points, reports AFP.

The fast and accurate 28year-old proved too much for Yoma to handle in the second half of the bout, and was a convincing winner despite a bad cut over the left eye.

WI-Eng third Test today

BIRMINGHAM, England, July 5 If Test matches were decided on

confidence alone, West Indies may as well not turn up for the third Test against England which starts at Edgbaston on Thursday, reports AFP.

In contrast to an England side, still strutting like cockerals at the crack of a sunny day, after their 72-run serieslevelling victory in the second



RICHIE RICHARDSON

Test at Lord's, West Indies are suffering from a crisis of 15-7, 15-7 in the NBL First | morale - according to everyone apart from themselves.

"I've never seen a West Indies side looking so down. You don't expect to win so easily against any touring side, let alone the West Indies," said Sussex and critically acclaimed England-A captain Alan Wells after his side's crushing innings victory over the tourists on Monday.

"I did sense a lack of spirit in their play during the last few days, and it didn't have the same feel as playing against some of the past West Indies sides," he added.

Only a fool would have questioned the confidence of the West Indians during their domination of world cricket

since the mid-1970s. But a home series lost to Australia, a Test defeat to England and humiliation atthe hands of one of English cricket's weakest counties has led many to detect a sense of crisis in the West Indian

camp. But captain Richie Richardson refuses to accept there is a problem.

"The players are not to dispirited and there are no heads hanging low. We have to be positive, and I think this result can have a positive effect because this is not a situation we like to be in" he warned ominously after the Sussex defeat - the first by an English county since 1976.

Nor were the tourists, who have been almost constantly on the road since last October, showing any visible signs of anxiety or mental fatigue on Tuesday

As England's players practised at Edgbaston, the West Indian squad were enjoying a full-scale Caribbean-style lunchtime barbecue washed down with fruit punch and accompanied by

The West Indies had originally ordered net facilities to be provided at the ground, but their manager Wes Hall rang the ground on Tuesday afternoon to cancel and instead ask for facilities on Wednesday morning.

But there was some mystery about whether Richie Richardson's squad had actually practised on Tuesday.

Sussex officials said the West Indies had not used the county ground but Ed Sims marketing director of a travel company, said: "I was with the West Indies squad at our promotions event at unchtime, and they said they had a training session this

morning "We had about 300 people at the lunch, and the West Indies players were in very good heart - they certainly didn't seem down after the

Sussex defeat. "In fact they were glad of the barbecued hot food because so far on tour they have been sticking exclusively to



MIKE ATHERTON

England were given a boost ahead of the Test when key man Alec Stewart passed a fitness test on his troublesome right index finger.

The Surrey captain's participation had been in doubt after being struck by a ball from Middlesex seamer Richard Johnson on Saturday.

It was the same finger that Stewart broke twice in Australia last winter, causing him to miss three Ashes Tests. England will be looking to

Stewart to resume his twin role of wicketkeeper and opening batsman that was a vital factor in their victory at

Bangladesh reap rich in Special Olympics

Bangladesh won two gold and one silver in the Special Olympics in New Haven, USA, according to a message received here yesterday, reports BSS.

Bangladesh's Lulu Marjan grabbed the gold in the women's 100-metre sprint. Fahmida Hossain finished

In the women's badminton doubles, Bangladesh's Afroza Khanam and Rumana Salam snatched the gold while Kazi Ehsan Hoque and Afroza Khanam fetched the mixed

A 22-member Bangladesh team including 15 players are taking part in the Special Olympics.

doubles silver.

A comedy of errors

ALTHORP, England, July 5: Cricket-mad Roy Bremner one of Britain's top comedians, was nursing a broken hand and a bruised ego today after facing New Zealand bowler Chris Cairns, reports

Bremner was playing in a six-a-side match on the Althorp estate of Earl Spencer - the brother of Princess Diana — to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis Research.

A friend said: "the first ball bounced, the second broke his right hand and he was caught on the third one because he couldn't hold the bat very well.

"He now says he is perfect for the England team because he is over the hill and injured," he added.

The accident happened on Tuesday and Rory had to stay overnight in hospital and is now recovering at home.

LONDON, July

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Ivanisevic of Croatia have

moved into the semifinals of

men's singles championships

Top seed Andre Agassi of the United States serves to his Dutch opponent Jacco Eltingh during their quarterfinal match of the Wimbledon Championships yesterday. Agassi won 6-2, 6-3, 6-4. -AFP/UNB photo

Big guns going great Only three-times Wimbledon Matsuoka, a rank outsider, on Court 1 and caused constechampion Boris Becker seeded three was fighting it out with

rnation among the packed house. But Sampras, seeded two, kept his cool and swept the lapanese off in the next three sets 6-7, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 to set up a semifinal match against Goran Ivanisevic whom he beat in the final last

It was an easy sailing for the top seed and 1992 champion Andre Agassi against another unseeded player from the Netherlands Jacco Eltingh. The Dutchman was particularly awed by the two-handed tierce backhand and a swift and generally decisive forehand of the top draw. Agassi has been very popular with the crowd here and every point he wins the crowd burst into loud cheer.

But the most thrilling match of the evening was played by Ivanisevic, seeded four and Yevgeni Kafelnikov of Russia seeded number six. The two ace specialist released as many as 49 aces Ivanisevic having fired 31 of them. He treated the crowd with some excellent drop volleys also. He finally prevailed upon with a score of 7-7-6 (13-11) and 6-3.

Malaysian Open badminton results

KUALA LUMPUR, July 5: Top seed Bang Soo-hyun of South Korea shut out Malaysia's Ai Leen 11-0, 11-0 today in the opening round of the women's singles in the Malaysian Open badminton championship, reports AP. In men's singles, All-Eng-

land semifinalist Lo Ah Heng advanced to the second round by defeating Malaysian compatriot Yong Cheng Foo 15-11, 15-8

Johnson's plea turned down



LAUS ANNE. Switzerland, July 5. The International Amateur .

on Tuesday that Michael Johnson had been given sufficient time between events to try to run an Olympic double at Atlanta next year, reports AFP.

"The programme has already been changed for Michael Johnson and he now has 2hr 40min between the 200m semifinal and the 400m final," IAAF general secretary Istvan Gyulai said here-Wednesday.

He said when they changed the athletics schedule for Iohnson at the Barcelorra Olympics in 1992 the

Juve get home advantage

TURIN, July 5: Italian league champions Juventus announced Wednesday that they will play next season's European Champions League games at their traditional home field — Turin's Delle Alpi Stadium, reports AP.

Juve, who are owned by the Agnelli family of auto makers, played two of their home matches in the UEFA Cup in Milan last season over a dispute with owners of the Turin venue.

Juventus officials said that a "temporary agreement," has been reached with Delle Alpi administrators for next season's cup matches. They did not elaborate.

American declined to take up the offer.

"But he has again made known his wish to run both Athletic Federaevents and we have done our best to accommodate him," tion (IAAF), said Gyulai said.

> "We have talked to many athletes and they believe he has sufficient time to recover between events," he added. "Of course, athletics needs

into account all our competi-The 200m semitinal and 400m final will be run on July

big stars but we have to take

31 next year. Johnson's agent Brad Hunt said earlier Johnson was seeking a meeting with International Olympic Committee president Juan Antonio Samaranch in an effort to have the schedule amended.

But Gyulai said he knew nothing of any official meeting with the IOC president. "I think it's a Brad Hunt invention. After all, it's the IAAF that draws up the programme.

Johnson, who will try for a 200m-400m double at the World Championships in Gothenburg in August, will be aiming to break the oldest track record at the Lausanne Grad Prix later today.

He is aiming to beat the 19.72sec Italy's Pietro Mennea set at the World Student Games with the aid of Mexico City's altitude in 1979.

He ran 1992 sec in Paris on Monday and his fastest is 19.79 he ran at the US Olympic trials at New Orleans in 1992.

World champion Frankie Fredericks of Namibia, British pair Linford Christie and John Regis and American Carl Lewis could give him the challenge be needs to break

Mennea's time. Johnson, who won the world titles at 200m in 1991 and 400m in 1993, was ill at the Barcelona Games.

Johnson's timetable at Atlanta if he attempted to double up would be: Saturday July 27: 400m 1st round in the morning, Sunday, July 28: 400m 2nd round in the afternoon, Monday, July 29; 200m 1st round in the morning followed by 200m 2nd round and 400m semi-final in the evening, Tuesday, July 30: rest day, Wednesday, July 31: 200m semi-final and 400m final in the evening, Thursday, August 1: 200m final in the evening.

Pioneer soccer league kicks off July 8

Sports Reporter The Metropolis Pioneer Division football league in-

volving eighty teams will begin on July 8. The eighty, split into ten groups, will take part in the

round robin first phase in the marathon league. On the inaugural day Swadesh Samaj Kalyan Sangha will take on Chantara Club at the RAJUK ground adjacent to the Dhaka Sta-

Kluge richest of 'em all

NEW YORK, July 5: John Kluge, one of the investors in the proposed Major League Soccer, at 5.9 billion dollars was the wealthiest person in sports, according to a list in the July 17 issue of Forbes magazine, reports AP.

Among sports figures, Portland Trial Blazers owner Paul Allen is second at 5.3 billion dollars followed by the Mellon family, which owns thoroughbred horses, at 5 billion dollars.

Orlando Magic owner Rocjard DeVos is listed at 4.13 billion dollar, and Gianni Agnelli, who owns Italian League champions Juvestus is at 3.3 billion dollars. Silvio Berlusconi, the former Italian premier who owns AC Milan, is at 2.5 billion dollars as was the McCaw family, which hold a minority in the Seattle Mariners.

The Sund family, which owns the Cleveland Cavaliers, was 2.07 billion dollars. The Phipps family of thoroughbred racing is at 2 billion dollar, and the Crown family, which owns a minority interest in the New York Yankees, is at 1.98 billion dollars.

Ted Turner, chief executive officer of Turner Broadcasting System, owner of the Atlanta Braves and Hawks, is at 1.72 billion dollars.

The Busch family, which controls Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc. owner of the St. Louis Cardinals, is at 1.4 billion dollars, as is Rohert Tisch, coowner of the New York giants.

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Tennis rising in Rising Sun LONDON, July 5: The ecentered this year's Wimble-

static display of joy unleashed by Shuzo Matsuoka after he defeated American Michael loyce at Wimbledon on Monday will long be remembered by anyone fortunate enough to have seen it, reports Reuter.

Matsuoka did not just rush to the net after the match to shake his opponent by the hand but seemed to rush into hyperspace to shake the entire stadium by the hand, such was his delight at becoming the first Japanese player for 62 years to reach the last eight in the championships.

Matsuoka's presence in the last eight has already earned front page, headlines and pictures in all five of Japan's daily sports papers a privilege not usually enjoyed by tennis players in Japan.

There are many talented guys in Asia right now, Mat suoka said this week and many good women are coming through in Japan, China and Korea. Tennis is not like golf in

Japan where you have to get up at six in the morning for a round. There are many courts, the game is catching on and I hope that more Asian men will start making an impact soon.

While the exploits of Matsuoka who reached the final at Queen's Club in London in 1992, made headlines back home, most of Japan's recent successes have come from their women players.

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don compared with only two men, and none of the men have anywhere like as high a world ranking as the women. Kimiko Date is ranked

sixth and Naoko Sawamatsu 15th among the women. Matsuoka currently ranked Number One man at home is 108 in the world, although he was as high as 46 three years ago. Despite some improve-

ment on the professional men's and women's circuits, tennis in Japan is still very much a minority sport compared with baseball, which is well-established, and soccer, which has burgeoned in popularity since the start of the J-League in 1992.

After football and baseball tennis is a long way down on the list of sporting priorities for boys, European-based sports correspondent Hiroshi Takeuchi said on Tuesday. For girls it may be different. It is a very popular sport among

'The roots of this division can be traced to the economic boom which largely changed Japanese society in the 1970s and 1980s.

Increasingly affluent housewives with time on their hands began to play tennis during the week at well appointed clubs which were used almost exclusively by male members at the week-

The housewives would take their children to the clubs with them especially their daughters and it was in

those circumstances that players like Date and Sawamatsu were first exposed to the game. Sawamatsu also had other

early influences. Her mother Junko and her aunt Kazuko Sawamatsu were professionals who played as doubles partnership in Wimbledon in 1970s, while her aunt went on to win the Wimbledon doubles title with Ann Kiyomura in 1975.

Date has had an excellent year, moving up from ninth to sixth and taking her career earnings over the one million dollars mark following a win in the Pan Pacific Open in Tokyo, three runner-up finishes and a semifinal place at the French Open.

Although she lost to Jana Novotna in the quarter finals on Tuesday, she became the first Japanese women to reach the last eight at Wimbledon and is the only Japanese women to have reached the last 16 in all four Grand Slam tournaments.

Despite these fine showings, Japan still trails a long way behind its main western economic rivals in the Davis Cup and the women's equivalent, the Fed Cup.

Japan lost to minnows Philippines in the Davis Cup in April and is firmly entrenched in the lower reaches of the zonal divisions while Japan must beat Canada in three weeks time to keep alive its faint hopes of staying in the World Group of the

Fed Cup.

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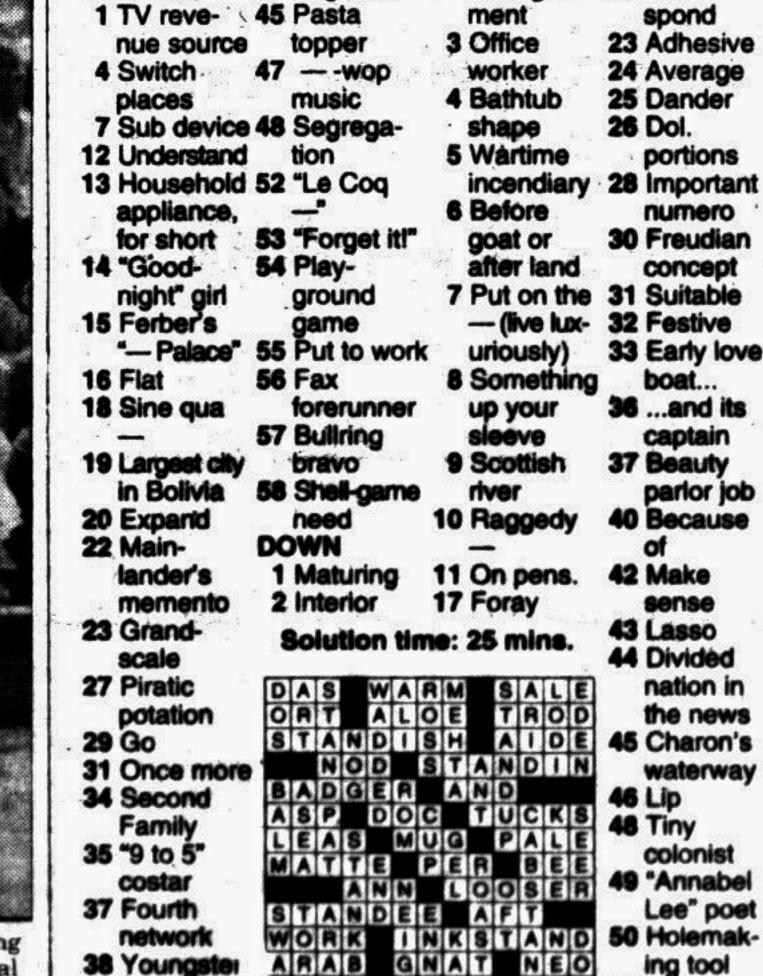
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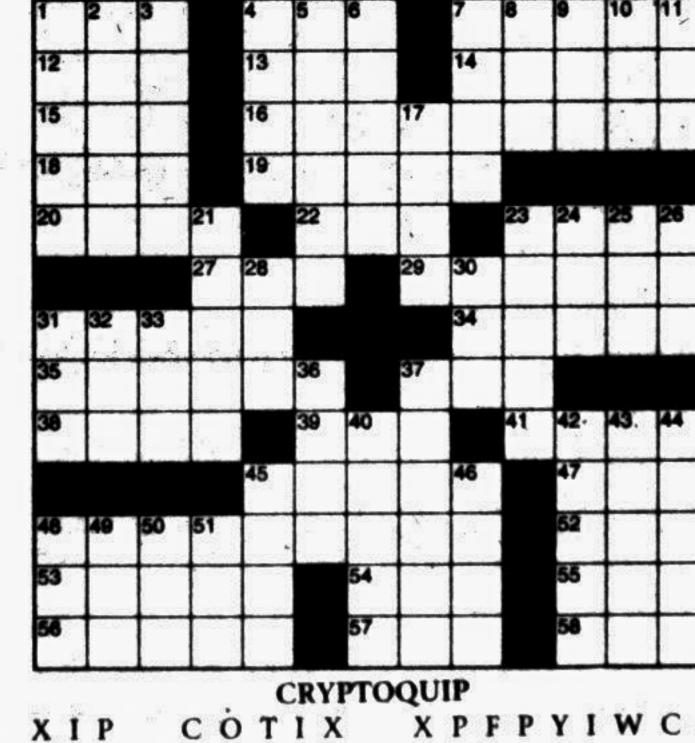
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engagement of the Wimbledon Championships on June 4. Sanchez won 6-4, 7-6 (7-6). - AFP/UNB photo





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AONPH VJD WYPNJXWN GPOCT JDFPPY DVOXQIGWINH. Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IT'S OUR BUS DRIVER'S

BELIEF THAT ALL'S FARE IN LOVE AND WAR.

Today's Cryptoquip clue: Y equals P 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.