LONDON, Jan 17: Promoter Frank Warren on Tuesday rejected a prediction from the camp of former champion Lennox Lewis that Frank Bruno's World Boxing Council (WBC) heavyweight title fight against Mike Tyson in Las Vegas on March 16 would not take place, reports Reuter.

Lewis's financial backer Panos Eliades, who has been fighting a legal battle for Lewis to fight fellow Briton Bruno instead, told a news conference: "Personally I don't think Bruno-Tyson will

Don King is planning his whole strategy behind Tyson and this would be a very dangerous fight. He would be taking a terrible risk putting

Tyson in with Bruno. "If you are Don King would you risk your prize asset I don't think he is that type of gambling man."

Warren, Bruno's London Promoter, said: "Frank is contracted to fight Tyson. The venue has been booked, the fight has been advertised and the tickets are on sale. There is no doubt in my mind or Don King's mind that the fight will take place."

Eliades confirmed that Lewis and arch-rival Riddick Bowe had agreed to meet on ably been the worst part. April 20 in Las Vegas. But he said after two

months of negotiations the two side had not agreed on the purse split He said that unless

American Bowe was able to resolve his differences with cable network HBO the fight could not take place. If the fight did not take

place. Eliades added, "Lewis would still box on that date in Las Vegas, Atlantic City or South Africa."

DPRK opens the door

TOKYO, Jan 17: North Korea, breaking out of international isolation in sport, is seeking tennis coaches and equipment from the outside world, the head of the Asian Tennis Federation said Tuesday, reports AFP.

Eiichi Kawatei told a news conference that the request was received by himself in November and it had been conveyed to the International Tennis Federation as well.

They requested personal and material assistance for promotion of tennis," the Japanese sport official said, adding that both regional and international governing bodies were reacting "positi-

North Korea has shunned international sporting events including the Lillehammer Winter Olympics, the Asian Games and various world championships for more than two years.

If waited until early January to sign up for the Atlanta Summer Olympics this year ensuring a full turn out of the 197 national Olympic committees at the Centennial Games.

Kawatei said he would visit the hardline Communist state in mid-March to discuss the aid and also urge North Korea to take part in the Asian junior tennis championships to be held in the Japanese city of Fukuoka in May.

North Korea, a member of the Asian federation, has not taken part in any of the previous regional junior tennis championships.

UEFA sticks to guns

GENEVA, Jan 17: European soccer body UEFA said on Tuesday it was maintaining its "three plus two rule" on foreign player limits for teams in its club competitions this season, despite a European court ruling against the system, reports Reuter.

Under UEFA rules, clubs can only field three foreign players plus two "assimilated" foreigners.

An assimilated player is one who has lived in the country for five years or who has played in that club's youth team.

Now Europe's major clubs are likely to be very angry with UEFA's ruling as they believe that under new rules issued by the European Court of Justice in the "Bosman case" they should be able to field as many foreign European Union nationals as they

UEFA's stance could lead to further court cases before the European Cup competitions resume in March.

In a communique restating its position on the "Bosman case" UEFA said it did not consider the ruling applied to the three UEFA competitions.

Officials and legal experts from UEFA and world soccer body FIFA met in Zurich on Monday and said afterwards they were "in agreement concerning their future pol-

The UEFA statement did

not mention FIFA. UEFA said: "In the interest of continuity and fairness, as in every sporting competition, UEFA will not change the regulations of the three European club competitions in the course of the 1995/96 season, by maintain the "three plus two rule," which was unanimously accepted in writing by all participants at the beginning of the season."

Romesh gives'em creeps

MELBOURNE. Jan 17: Australian captain Mark Taylor says he has a plan to counter the explosive batting skills of Sri Lanka's Romesh Kaluwitharana in the opening match of the World Series Cup finals

agencies. The tiny Kaluwitharana has posed headaches for the Australian bowlers since he started to open for the Sri Lankans in the triangular series.

here Thursday, report

After innings of 8, 0, 8, 0 at the start of the tournament. Kaluwitharana has blossomed with scores of 77. 27, 50 and 74.

Kaluwitharana's aggression was the key to Sri Lanka's three-wicket victory over the Australians in Melbourne on Tuesday night — a victory which clinched the Sri Lankans their place in the finals.

The win meant Sri Lanka qualified ahead of the West Indies for the best-of-three finals series.

"We have to get our bowlers to bowl on one spot," Taylor said. "We are not bowling on one side of the wicket at all, and that's prob-

"He's hitting it over cover, and over mid-wicket, which suggests to me we can bowl "If we can do that and put

will give us a chance.' While Taylor admitted his bowlers had been erratic, he also said Kaluwitharana is one

draw Wednesday after both

teams failed to take

advantage of opportunities to

imum of 61 overs. Zimbabwe

run chase in style with Grant

Flower and Stuart Carlisle

reaching 50 in the 11th over.

but Guy Whittall joined

Flower to maintain the run

rate at the required mark of

Twose his first Test wicket

when he pulled a catch to

Robert Kennedy at mid-

wickets and them direct

stunning delivery from Chris

Cairns, caught behind, and

Zimbabwe then suffered

some controversial umpiring

just passed 1,000 runs in

Test cricket, was the victim

of a dubious leg before wicket

call which gave Twose his

caught behind trying to

sweep a delivery from off-

spinner Dipak Patel but was

for five and when Health

Streak went at 177 with 12

overs remaining. New

Zealand had a real chance of

then up. Andy Flower picking

off the odd boundary on his

way to 58 not out and Paul

Strang facing several maiden

overs from Patel to be score-

less after 37 minutes at the

crease when stumps were

about losing. I might even

have declared at 240 ahead,"

said New Zealand captain Lee

Germon on declaring his

team's second innings at 222

"I never had any worries

But Zimbabwe closed

Zimbabwe was then 151

visibly angry at the decision.

David Houghton, who'd

Alistair Campbell was

Flower (59) went to a

around four per over.

decisions.

victory.

second wicket.

Carlisle (19) went at 56

Whittall (20) gave Roger

was 208 for six at stumps.

Set 257 to win in a min-

Zimbabwe started their

win, report agencies.

HAMILTON Jan

17: The first cr-

icket Test betw-

een New Zeal-

and and Zimba-

bwe ended in a

the pressure on him early it

of the best one-day batsmen in the world at the moment.

He said the Sri Lankan opener has a good eye and a full range of shots, which makes it difficult to set fields in the opening 15 overs when restrictions are in place.

"He is backing his judgement and they say fortune favours the brave." Taylor



KALUWITHARANA said. "He's got more than one shot and he's not hitting the ball in one spot. If he was doing that I would be able to put a bloke there, but he is hitting them all in different

spots. "If he is hitting us all around the park it's very hard to set a field to him.'

That's exactly what happened in Tuesday's day-night match as Kaluwitharana clocked up the third fastest WSC half-century. He belted 15 runs off one Glenn Mc-Grath over, with a mixture of lofted shots both through the

Dreary draw in Hamilton

"I just thought 60 was the

They started well but the

minimum number of overs to

team fielding in these situa-

tions is in control. It was up

wanted and use the bowlers

"Even when they got a

Adam Parore was unbeaten

The Kiwis, who lost Cairns

on 84 and Germon was on 22

for seven in the fifth over of

the morning, scored 93 runs

in the first session off 19

overs at a rate of nearly five

Test half-century from 128

by Streak and Paul String in

Lamb's last

England batsman Allan Lamb

announced Tuesday he will

play one last season for

English county side

Northamptonshire before re-

tiring from first class cricket,

played 79 Tests from 1982 to

1992, gave up the county

captaincy at the end of last

season but intends to accept

the offer of a new one-year

untoward happens I will be

playing this season—and it

will definitely be my last,"

it's time now to let some of

the youngsters have a go, but

I'll be doing my best this year

to try and bring some success

Steve Coverdale added: "We

are delighted that Allan has

derstandably decided to take

time considering his future.

but the way he batted in

1995 was almost Allan Lamb

at his best. Any repetition of

that this year will make us an

even more formidable side."

Northants chief executive

"After last season he un-

"Unless something really

"I've had a good run and

The 41-year-old, who

LONDON, Jan 17: Former

balls in 167 minutes.

Parore reached his fourth

Only some tight bowling

when the declaration came.

to me to set the fields

flyer I was never worried.

get them out," he said.

the way I wanted.

an over.

reports AFP.

contract

confirmed Lamb

to Northants.

decided to play.

on and off side and took just 32 balls to reach his 50. Only New Zealand all-

rounder Lance Cairns (50 off 21 balls versus Australia in 1982-83) and West Indian Clive Lloyd (50 off 28 balls against Sri Lanka 1984-85) have scored quicker half centuries.

Such was Kaluwitharana's dominance that he scored 60 of his team's first 80 runs and Taylor admits the Australians are having difficulty stemming his constant run

"It's not easy to place a field to him because he is such a good striker of the ball," he said. Kaluwitharana said he

adopts a simple philosophy in one-day matches. "If it is loose, I go after it," said the wicketkeeper-bats-

The second finals match is scheduled for Sydney on Saturday with the third match, if needed, also in Sydney on Monday.

TEAMS: **AUSTRALIA:** Mark Taylor (captain), Shane Warne, lan Healy, Stuart Law, Shane Lee, Craig McDermott, Glenn Mc-Grath, Paul Reiffel, Ricky Ponting, Mark Waugh, Steve

Waugh, Shane Warne. SRI LANKA: Arjuna Ranatunga (captain), Aravinda de Silva, Kumara Dharmasena, Asanka Gurusinha. Sanath Jayasuriya, Romesh Kaluwitharana, Ruwan Kalpage, Roshan Mahanama, Ravindra Pushpakumara, Hashan Tillakaratne, Chaminda Vaas, Pramodya Wickramesinghe.

the 20 minutes before lunch

stopped New Zealand posting

a bigger score as Germon and

Parore added 82 runs for the

SCOREBOARD

first Test between New

Zealand and Zimbabwe in

nings 230 for eight declared

(Stephen Fleming 49: Heath

196 (Guy Whittall 54. Chris

NEW ZEALAND: First in-

ZIMBABWE: First innings

NEW ZEALAND: Second

Fall of wickets: 1-36: 2-

ZIMBABWE: Second in-

Fall of wickets: 1-56; 2-

13

The second Test begins at

Result: Match drawn.

Auckland on January 20.

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99; 3-125; 4-143; 5-151; 6-

19

57

7 0

20 0

43 2

57

36 2

on Saturday in Auckland.

Hamilton Wednesday:

The second Test begins

Scoreboard of the drawn

sixth wicket.

Streak 4-52).

Cairns 4-56).

Twose run out

Parore not out

Germon not out

Spearman Ibw Streak

Fleming c A Flower b P Strang

Astle c Olonga b B Strang

Cairns c Olonga b Brandes

Extras: (lb-7, nb-6, w-4, b-4)

63: 3-64: 4-121: 5-140.

Total: (for declared)

Streak

Brandes

B Strang

P Strang

G Flower

Flower c Germon b Cairns

Whittall c Kennedy b Twose

Campbell c Germon b Patel

Carlisle c Fleming b Patel

Houghton Ibw Twose

Flower not out

Streak Ibw Cairns

P Strang not out

177.

Cairns

Allott

Patel

Twose

Bowling

Kennedy

Extras: (lb-4, nb-7, w-1)

Total: (for six wickets)

Olonga

innings

Malcolm eats humble pie

LONDON, Jan 17: Devon Malcolm has admitted that race was not an issue in his dispute with England cricket boss Ray Illingworth, reports Reuter.

Derbyshire's Jamaica-born fast bowler was strongly criticised on Monday for asking in a newspaper article whether he would have been treated the same way by Illingworth if "I had been a white bowler?"

His remarks were described as offensive by Test and County Cricket Board spokesman Richard Little.

But in a statement on Tuesday Malcolm's legal representatives said that although he had been treated harshly on the current South African tour the management had not discriminated against him because of his colour.

"Malcolm has asked us to clarify his position," the statement said. "His reference to colour, as reported, was in the context of his trying not understand the reasons for his treatment and was one of several reasons considered by him.

"He hopes that a post-tour analysis will reveal the reasons for his treatment."

Malcom has said that his confidence was destroyed by Illingworth and claimed he would have packed his bags and returned to England if his teammates had not dissuaded him.

Illingworth, in Durban for England's one-day international against South Africa today, said Malcolm's comments had not affected team morale.

"I think the only person it has affected is me and I am very upset by it.

But I have spoken to Lord's and I imagine they will take the necessary action if and when the right time comes along."

Malcolm returned to England after the five-match Test series.

Ploenchit retains WBO

title

BANGKOK, Jan 17: Thai land's Saen Sor Ploenchi knocked down Chang Youngsoon in the ninth and 12th rounds Sunday night and easily won the seventh defence of his World Boxing Association flyweight title with a unanimous decision, reports AP.

With a series of left jabs the 25-year-old Thai had Chang's nose bleeding throughout most of the fight The 26-year-old South Korean rallied with a flurry of punches on Saen's head and midsection, but collapsed on top of the Thai as the fight ended.

Saen won 117-113, 116-113 and 119-111 on the three judges' scorecards, improving his record to 23-0. The loss was Chang's first

in 17 bouts. Saen has won five 23 victories by knockout, including two of his championships

Both fighters came into the bout weighing 50 kilograms (112 pounds).

More than 10,000 fans watched the championship fight Sunday night at an outdoor ring in the town of Nonthaburi, 10 kilometres (six miles) north of Bangkok.

Agassi returns to form



By Tawfiq Aziz Khan The wakeup call that Andre Agassi received from Guston Eltis on Monday did him a world of good. It was evident from his match against unseeded Vince Spadea at the Centre Court at National Tennis Centre, Melbourne, Wednesday night.

It was a reformed Agassi who was almost in his usual self covering the court like he usually does as a champion. His crisp and powerful two handed backhand crosscourt, scintillating passing shots down the line were so accurate that at times it left his inexperienced opponent gaping.

The 21-year-old Spadea from Florida turned professional only in 1993 and has worked hard from a position of 644 in 1992 to within 100 in 1995. This in itself speaks a lot about the future

Agassi appeared eager and impatient to clinch the match and restore confidence in himself. As a result he made some silly unforced errors and shouted at himself using sweet vocabulary which should have been meant for his consumption only.

the middle of the set and walked into the third round **— (6-4, 6-2, 6-3).**

First farewell to Stefan

Casualties among seeded

6-3, 6-0 loss to Karol Kucera

vanced to the third round

No. 3 Thomas Muster ad-

of Slovakia.



a semifinalist here is 1991. MELBOURNE. Jan 17: It was the first big players also included No. 9 Wayne Ferreira of South farewell of his Africa, who was hampered by farewell tour. a hamstring injury in a 6-1.

Stefan Edberg, a former No. 1 and now a grand old gentleman two days shy of age 30, bowed out of the Australian Open in the second round Wednesday



Unseeded French Jean-Philippe Fleurian exudes his emotion after conceding a match point against former world number one Stefan Edberg during their second round of Australian Open in Melbourne January 17. Fleurian played a spectacular match to send the prolific Swede packing. - AFP/UNB photo Argentina, and No. 5 Michael points, reports AP.

If age has slightly slowed Edberg, who plans to retire at the end of the year, a nagging groin injury didn't seem to hinder former and onceagain women's No. 1 Monica While Edberg struggled

through his second five-set match in two days, losing 6-4. 2-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 to French qualifier Jean-Philippe Fleurian in just under three hours. Seles disposed of Katarina Studenikova of Slovakia 6-1, 6-. in 51 minutes.

"It's not great but it's there and I am just going to play through it." she said of the right groin pull suffered when she was winning a warmup tournament last week.

Another famous name returned to prominence, Patrick McEnroe, younger brother of former No. 1 John, overcame a miserable start to upset No. 14 Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine 0-6, 2-

6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2. The younger

McEnroe, ranked No. 57, was

Chang breezed past Jakob Hlasek of Switzerland 6-1, 6-Edberg, whose six Grand

Slam titles include Australian



STEFAN EDBERG

in 1990-91 to No. 31 in the rankings. But no one has matched his durability. This was his 51st consecutive Grand Slam tournament— the most

among active players. He also has played the most five-set matches among them, with a

Open triumphs in 1985 and

1987, has fallen from No. 1

record of 26-19. Aside from winning the Australian twice on grass, he also was runner-up here on hardcourts in 1990, 1992 and 1993 and a semifinalist in 1994. He lost in the fourth round last year.

The ovation at the end of Wednesday's match, he said, "felt good in one way and bad in one way because I still lost the match but at the same time you fell good about all the support that I had."

"Gentleman" wasn't the word being used at the match between No. 8 Jim Courier and fellow American Jeff Tarango, notorious for outraging the tennfs establishment by walking out of a match at Wimbledon last year, accusing an umpire of corruption."

Both say they are friends off court, but Tarango was shouting at the umpire, trying to have Courier penalised for foul language and throwing his racket. He said later a penalty point could end up swinging a close match.

Tarango, still on probation after paying dlr 28,256 for the Wimbledon incident. said, "I am restraining myself and it would be very relaxing for me to know that I can throw my racket."

Courier, the 1992 and 1993 champion here, rebounded from 1-4 in the third set and won 7-5, 6-7 (7-2), 6-4, 6-3 in 3 hours, 22 minutes. He said the outbursts of Tarango, a "marked man," didn't bother him.

They were followed on Center Court by three-time champion Seles, who expressed surprise that her opponent "didn't seem to me to be really into the match." Meanwhile, with tougher

matches approaching. " probably won't be practicing as much as I would like to." Also advancing to the third round were No. 6

Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina, No. 7 Iva Majoli of Croatia, No. 15 Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan and two American seeds — No. 9 Mary Joe Fernandez and No. 13 Chanda Rubin.

Sabatini beat Karina Habsudov of Slovakia 6-4, 6-3, Majoli beat American Lori McNeil 6-3, 6-2, Fernandez beat Maria-Antonio Sanchez Lorenzo of Spain 6-2, 6-0. Rubin beat Tina Krizan of Slovenia 6-7 (7-3), 6-2, 6-3, and Sawamatsu ousted American, Linda Wild 6-4, 6-

Advancing among men's seeds were No. 11 Richard Krajicek of the Netherlands and No. 15 Todd Martin. K Rajicek beat Frederik Fetterlein of Denmark 6-2, 6-4, 6-4 and Martin struggled past fellow American Richey Reneberg 6-2, 7-5, 3-6, 7-6

MELBOURNE, Jan 17

"I notice a lot of taller girls are coming up and hitting the ball much harder. ...l have to play some good tennis to finish the first few rounds. ... As I remember, three, four years ago it was so much easier in the early

felt was a general notion that "all I do after I finish my match is shop.

She goes shopping, she said, only to "give something to myself after the end of a tournament if I have done

Sydney, where she won a tournament on Sunday before coming to Melbourne for the Australian Open, she bought her bonus on Saturday — a "Japanese-style sarong skirt."

On the anniversary of the catastrophic earthquake that wrecked her family home in Kobe, Japan, 15th seed Naoko Sawamatsu Advanced into the Australian Open's third round with a 6-4, 6-3 victory Wednesday over American Linda Wild.

she battled into the quarterfinals despite the anxieties and uncertainties over what was happening at home. The quake, on the opening day of last year's Open.

killed more than 6,000 people, but her family survived and now lives in the nearby city of Osaka. On this year's opening day, Sawamatsu said she woke up feeling frightened

Graf family had guaranteed "It was a very tough time for me last year, but only out-

tigative custody in a mannheim prison since August as part of the probe. Steffi Graf has consistently said she knew little about how her huge fortune was managed, having entrusted her financial affairs to her father and Chang isn't downing his tenhis advisers from a young age. nis opponents, he likes to Prosecutors have said they unwind with a bit of fishing, have no reason to detain her.

and his philosophy matches of big fish to catch out there so I am working on it, and I have to just none my skills and hopefully be there at the right place at the right time and see what the Lord has

planned.

"You know, fishing for me is just very tranquil, the very opposite of tennis, and if I catch a fish is an added bonus but it is just nice to kind of be out there, to kind of enjoy nature and enjoy the atmo-

He doesn't plan to go angling in Australia, though. "No, too many big fish to

A couple of "lucky losers" in this year's Australian Open have been especially fortu-

Not only did Israel's Eval Ran and Diego Nargiso of Italy get into play because of withdrawals, they bested their opponents in the first two days and advance to the

Ran thrashed Andrei Cherkasov of Russia 6-1, 6-3, 6-1 on Monday, and Nargiso outlasted David Prinosil of Germany in five sets on

Each is now guaranteed at least US dlrs 10,000 (13,600 Australian dollars) for their efforts. Not bad luck for a couple of losers.

Now that 1996 is well and truly here, some of the players on the Women's Tennis Association tour have dis-

. . .

closed their resolutions: Pam Shriver— No booze. no sweets, no searing, no

udgements. Lindsay Davenport— To be

nicer to both my sisters. Barbara Paulus —to not waste so much time, no more

procrastinating Valda Lake - To be happy.

Jana Kandarr — Eat candy only once a day. Caroline Vis -To spend more time playing in the

early round. Alexia Dechaume-Ballaret

- To not spend so much time at the airport. To improve my ranking.

Richie throws caution to the winds SYDNEY, Jan his heels at home after and South Africa and Sri



for five.

17: West Indies' captain Richie Richardson maintained today

his side would force in the forthcoming World Cup despite an abject performance on their tour of

Australia, reports Reuter. Richardson and his team flew out of Sydney on Wednesday after losing five of their eight World Series matches and failing to qualify for the finals of the limited overs competition.

Sri Lanka won the right to

take on Australia in the three-match World Series finals, starting in Melbourne tomorrow, when they defeated Mark Taylor's Australians by three wickets in the final qualifying match on Tuesday night. That failure came after

West Indies lost the Frank Worrell Trophy to Australia at home last year, which in turn was followed by their disappointing and strife-torn tour of England. To make matters worse for Richardson as he and his

team mates jetted home, the immediate future of world record-holder batsman Brian Lara was still uncertain with less than a month before the start of the World Cup. As the West Indians

tumpled to defeat in Aus-

tralia. Lara was still cooling

pulling out of the tour because of disciplinary action taken against him after the England series.

The West Indies' selectors are due to meet in Barbados next Tuesday to select their final 14-man squad for the World Cup. Lara has been included in a provisional squad

of 18.



RICHIE RICHARDSON In a statement, the West Indies Cricket Board of Control said it would hold a training camp in Barbados from January 31 to February

Despite the series of setbacks. Richardson told reporters in Sydney his side's World Cup chances were the same as those of any of the other cricketing powers.

competitive. There's Australia

World Series matches. "They are as good as any-"Certainly, Ottis Gibson body's," Richardson said. "But, it's going to be very, very

Lanka. India and Pakistan are playing at home, so it's very difficult to predict." Richardson was heartened by a marked improvement that saw his side win three of

"It showed that we have still got something in us and now we go home to reflect. regroup and work on our weaknesses to try to improve for the World Cup," Richard-

their last four World Series

son said. Of those weaknesses, Richardson pinpointed his side's fragile batting as the major contributor to their run of losses. "We have got to improve

in all areas, especially our

batting," Richardson said.

"Obviously it's very disappointing we didn't get to the finals. Maybe we just didn't play well enough. "But I think it was mainly our batting. We didn't bat as

consistently as we are ca-

pable of doing and that's

where we fell short."

One of the few positive signs to emerge from the tour was the performance of pace bowler and lower order batsman Ottis Gibson, who had been overlooked for the West Indies's first three

stands out, he bowled very, very well and also batted well," Richardson said.

of the youngman.

But he succeeded in breaking Spadea twice during with renewed determination

AUSSIE OPEN NOTEBOOK

his on-court approach:

(AP): Monica Seles says things have changed in women's tennis during the 2 1/2 years she sat out after being stabbed by a spectator in

Germany.

rounds." She also denied what she

well, like I bonus." She conceded that in

Sawamatsu was a sentimental favorite last year as

for just a few seconds. But then she went out and won her first round match.

side of the court," Sawamatsu said Wednesday. "I just try to focus on my tennis on the court. It's a different life tennis and my personal life." When world No. 5 Michael

"I am patient when (the fish) are there; if they are not there I've got to go get them. so I've got to go look for them," he said.

A 75-pound striped marlin caught off Mexico late in December is Chang's biggest haul so far. "It depends on the circumstances and I still apply that to tennis, too. Sometimes I need to be a little

more patient, sometimes need to take it to my opponent but tennis is still very much a thinking man's game. There is talk of a lot of power overtaking tennis but the is still strategy, maybe you don't see it but it is always there." Chang is still reeling in

opponents on the tennis "Well, there are still a lot

Steffi to sort trouble out

BONN, Jan 17: German television reported on Tuesday that tennis star Steffi Graf would pay a multi-million-dollar fine to end a taxevasion investigation that has centred on her and her father, reports Reuter. "The tax-evasion probe of

Steffi Graf will be suspended in return for her paying several million marks," Germany's ZDF Network reported, without identifying the source of its information. "Prosecutors Mannheim are reportedly

demanding five million marks (3.4 million dollars) as a fine. In contrast, Steffi Graf's attorney has offered only two million," it said. Prosecutors and Graf's attorneys were not immediately available for comment. ZDF also reported that the

paying 25 million marks (17 million dollars) in back taxes. The star's father, Peter Graf. 57, has been in invessphere."

catch here at Flinders Park."

second round.

Tuesday.

Rachel McQullan -- To be healthy, injury free, and go out and party more.

tournament instead of playing tourist because I lost in an