Bosnian way

of gratitude

president Juan Antonio Sama-

ranch, athletics chief Primo

Nebiolo and skier Alberto

Tomba have all been invited to

receive a prize here for their ef-

forts to help war-torn Bosnia.

plan to reward them at a special

ceremony on October 7, the eve

of Bosnia's World Cup qualifier

against Croatia being played in

International Olympic Com-

mittee, has provided IOC funds

to help re-build sports facilities

in Bosnia. He also ordered a

minute's silence for Sarajevo -

a Winter Olympic host in 1984

during the opening ceremony

of the 1994 Winter Games at

Nebiolo, president of the In-

ternational Amateur Athletic

Federation (IAAF), has also

provided financial help and on

September 9 organised the soli-

darity meeting for Sarajevo in

personalities whom the Bosni-

ans wish to reward are opera

signer Luciano Pavarotti and

officials from FIFA. UEFA and

the Italian Football Federation

has been invited to attend the

ceremony as a representative of

of Bosnia's home matches in

their World Cup qualifying

Italy have offered to host all

Muster to put

up a fight

1998 World Cup hosts, France.

Soccer legend Michel Platini

Along with Tomba, other

Samaranch, president of the

Top Bosnian sports officials

reports Reuter.

Bologna Stadium.

Lillehammer.

the Bosnian capital.

BOLOGNA, Oct 1: Olympic

youth development policy. They

agreed to continue the scheme

for the time being - monitoring

the situation "on an on-going

basis." Publicity chief David

Enot said: "We have to keep the

promises we made to our young

players when they first came

players on contract to prevent

other clubs from poaching them

for free after years of training.

But the shadow of possible fu-

ture cutbacks still hangs over

the school, which has been in

The "Ajacian" has been de-

Dress code for pupils, aged

scribed as "football's answer to

Eton (the leading English pri-

between eight and 18, is strict.

Hair must be short. Earrings

are banned during club hours.

Younger pupils train for three

operation since the 1970s.

vate school).

One plan is to place all young

DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

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South Wales. Trout fishing is very good in the tributaries of Samina. Liechtensstein. In Canada angling is one of the most popular, widespread and indeed oldest of sports. Great Britain has many angling competitions and ladies are actively involved. Ireland is often called a "sportsman's paradise" referring mainly to its unrivalled fishing and game facilities. Angling is also extremely popular in Norway, Sweden, Finland, Portugal. Andorra and Iceland. But, in fact, angling is practised by almost all of the world's peo-

But, when the English arrived in Bengal, the English style of fishing with rod and line caused much hilarity among the locals who were puzzled why these foreigners would not use the vastly more productive local fishing nets.

SPORTS



Gail Devers

(Olympic 100-metre gold winner sprinter)

"Use me as an example. Whatever you want to do, if you have faith, it can happen.

(Said of her gritty recovery from Graves Disease to win the gold for the second time in a row).



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Column One Seles, the Miss America! downright rattled by the fear of letting her new friends down. It

had not experienced in major matches before and a potential payoff of comrades to share her "It's very different ... having your teammates behind you

added a tension she said she

New Jersey, Oct 1:

The United States

end Spain's reign

as Fed Cup cham-

pions and Monica Seles provi-

ded the necessary firepower.

Oct 1: The United States needed

a big gun to end Spain's reign as

Fed Cup champions and Monica Seles provided the necessary

A great champion in the ego-centric world of big-time ten-

nis, Seles thrived in the unique

Fed Cup team atmosphere, lead-

ing her adopted country to a 5-0

victory over Spain in the final

years the United States had

reached the final only to be

thwarted by Spain's Barcelona bashers, Arantxa Sanchez-Vi-

This year Seles rode to the

rescue, with her two-fisted

groundstrockes blazing. She

won the opening and champi-onship-clinching matches,

raising her career record over

the Spanish duo to a combined

said we've got to get Monica to

play when she comes back," US

captain Billie Jean King re-

may not be on the team and

they said 'we don't care', we

want to bring back the cup to

that strongly about it and

(Seles) certainly has changed

the equation," said King, a

member of the inaugural Fed-

eration Cup champion team of

Something of a longer ear-

ALBANY, New Yo-

rk, Oct 1: Mike Ty-

son was ordered

by a federal jury

Monday to pay his

former trainer Ke-

lier in her career. Seles was

vin Rooney more than 4.4

million dollars, a ruling

denounced by the heavyweight

champion and his activist

49 million dollars, claiming

the boxer had broken a lifetime

contract by firing him in 1988.

Rooney had sued Tyson for

supporters, reports AP.

the United States.

"Two years ago the women

"I said that means one of you

"It's wonderful that they feel

cario and Conchita Martinez.

Three times in the past five

firepower, reports Reuter.

on Saturday and Sunday.

reports Reuter.

needed a big gun to

cheering you on," she said. "This means so much to me because it's the first time I've done anything on a team.



"When I first got to Nagoya (for the semifinals) I wasn't sure what to expect because I've never been on a team. And my whole summer I've loved it and to finish it off by winning the Fed Cup, which we haven't won since 1990, is like the ideal ending," Seles said.

"I could tell after one minute that she was going to be a great team player." said King of her initial Fed Cup encounter with the superstar. "She was just so positive from the first moment. No nonsense I call her, she's just no nonsense."

"Monica is focused on every single ball, every single day.

Mixed bag on Tyson trial

Outside the courthouse.

about two dozen demonstrators

brought to Albany by New York

City activist Al Sharpton to

women and three men.

"She knew what she had to do and she just went out and did it. She's totally driven, that's why she's such a great champion," added King, putting Seles in a class with Chris Evert Martina Navratilova and Steffi

King said there was an added bonus to having Seles around besides the two points she virtually guaranteed the team in most any best-of-five tie.

Seles' extreme intensity had rubbed off on Lindsay Davenport, helping spur her to an inspired victory over Sanchez on Saturday that gave the Americans a 2-0 lead going into the final day.

"It has made a difference for Lindsay being around Monica If you saw Lindsay practice a year ago compared to now you wouldn't believe the difference. King said.

Davenport admitted to being pleasantly surprised by Seles'

selflessness in practice. And she and cup veteran Mary Joe Fernandez were touched by how much Seles seemed to want to help them with after years of falling just

"She has been such a great team player," Davenport said. "She was really nervous, she

told us, for these two matches. I think she really wanted to win it for us also, which is really nice." Davenport said. In a building famous for

hosting the Miss America pageant, Monica Seles, born in Yugoslavia to parents of Hungarian descent, became Miss USA on Sunday at least as far as her captain and teammates are concerned.

"All of us are very psyched that it's back in the States," Seles said.

"We should try to do it again

VIENNA, Oct 1: Thomas Muster will join an Austrian delegation at an ITF meeting in London next week to explain their Davis Cup team's walkout from a World Group qualifying tie in Brazil this month, the Austrian tennis federation (OTV) said on Monday, reports Reuter. OTV general secretary Peter

Nader said the International Tennis Federation took the unusual step of inviting representatives from both affected countries to a meeting in London on October 7 to discuss the inci-

"Thomas Muster expressed his wish to attend so we chose him as one of our representatives because he was directly involved in the incident," Nader

"We don't know what to expect from the meeting, we hope that either the tie can be repeated on neutral ground or that we are handed the victory." Nader said, he did not believe the ITF would ban Austria from Davis Cup competition.

The OTV has prepared a 30page report criticising the crowd behaviour in Sao Paolo. the surface of the court and toe quality of television coverage. Other OTV representatives at the ITF meeting will be Nader

himself, vice-president Christian Ransmayer and Muster's coach and Davis Cup nonplaying captain Ronald Leitgeb.

Edberg indisposed

LYON, France, Oct 1: Sweden's Stefan Edberg, ranked 20th in the world and set to retire at the end of the year, has pulled out of the Lyon indoor tournament, event organiser Gilles Moretton said Monday, reports AFP.

"Edberg has a fever and doesn't feel he can play this week, even though his first match is only scheduled for Wednesday," Moretton said.

Edberg, who had been seeded seven, was to have faced Renzo Furlan of Italy in the first round.

He was then scheduled to meet Davis Cup final opponent Arnaud Boetsch of France in the second round if Boetsch wins his first round encounter with Ukrainian Andrei Med-

Tulio gets into his stride

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct 1: Brazilian striker Tulio ended his goal drought in style by scoring four times as Botafogo hammered Bragantino 5-0 in the Brazilian championship at the weekend despite having two players sent off, reports Reuter.

Unbeaten Palmeiras returned to the top of the table but needed a controversial lastgasp penalty to beat Sao Paulo, who had three players shown the red card.

Tulio, scorer of 50 goals for his club last year, had not got on the scoresheet for four matches until Sunday's encounter.

He ended the barren spell in the 25th minute, turning inside two defenders and scoring with a shot which sneaked in at the

The second came from a penalty just before halftime and the other two in a three minute spell during the second half, making him top scorer in the competition with 10 goals.

Botafogo, who won for the third game in a row and moved within one point of the top eight, had defender Moises and midfielder Franca dismissed near the end along with Bragantino's Rubens, all for second bookable offenses

Sao Paulo's defeat led to renewed protests against coach Carlos Alberto Parreira with fans once again chanting the name of Tele Santana, who abandoned the job earlier this year due to ill-health.

Colombian international Freedy Rincon gave Palmeiras a first half lead before his compatriot Victor Hugo Aristizabal equalised with a bicycle kick.

Soccer's 'Eton College' wins a reprieve

The Dutch soccer team Ajax Amsterdam has produced an impressive list of world-class players through its highly-respected soccer school. But, as Gernini News Service reports, the "Bosman verdict," curbing clubs' rights to transfer fees, has sparticed a financial crisis that hangs over the academy's future.

Peter Hayes writes from York, England

renowned youth lopment academy run by Ajax Amsterdam, the current World Cup champions of soccer, has been saved from closure — for the time being.

The 160 young members of the Dutch club's football school nicknamed the Ajacian breathed a collective sigh of relief after a crunch meeting in September agreed to carry on. despite a financial crisis caused by new legal curbs on player transfer fees.

The school, and its related scouting network, is highly respected internationally as means of nurturing young talent. Its running costs are estimated at two million dollars a year, however, and fears remain that the "Bosman verdict' in the European Court of Justice

may lead to its scaling back. No other European club can claim to have developed more world-class players than Ajax. and no other club spreads its net so wide to look for potential

Clarence Seedorf (not with Real Madrid), Dennis Bergkamp (Arsenal), Bryan Roy (Nottingham Forest) and Aaron Winter (Inter Milan) comprise a small selection of Ajax graduates now playing at the top

The school also launched the careers of Marco Van Basten and Johan Cruyff — both voted European-footballer-of-year at

their respective peaks. However, the Ajax "way" has always been as much about fi-

nancial necessity as achieving soccer success As Dutch league football has never been particularly lucrative. Ajax has long been seen as

Even the club's European Cup triumph in 1995 did nothing to alter this ruthless: philosophy. Within weeks, middle dynamo Sendorf had been sold to Italian side Sampdoria for 6.75 million dollars (which later sold him on to Real Madrid for 5 million dollars).

However, the court ruling won by Belgian footballer Je an-Marc Bosman last year has changed all this. It set a legal precedent in Europe, which has begun to take effect in recent months, enabling out of corntract footballers to move to clubs outside their national borders on a free transfer.

For Ajax, the consequences were soon apparent. In July, their international midfielder Edgar Davids, 23, moved to AC Milan without generating a fee. Although he had been at Ajax for more than 10 years, there was no financial return for the club's investment in his devel-

opment. The club found that, as the Bosnian ruling became accepted international transfer practice. 12 of its top players were near-ing the end of their contracts.

Officials tackled the problem by selling off some players and agreeing new contracts

with others. But the biggest unresolved uestion concerns Patrick Kluivert.

tional striker is currently the most sought-after young player in Europe. He could generate a fee of many millions of dollars but, as the situation stands, he will be a free agent when his contract expires next May.

ert before then, but he could simply reject the move - choosing to sit out his contract to gain better personal terms. In view of this, club officials

held a crisis meeting to review

half-days a week, increasing to five a week as they get older. All must attend general education Ajax charts their progress o n computer, and reserves the right to expel them. It is not uncommon for youngsters deemed next up to scratch to be dropped when scouts discover new fal-Currently top of the class is Kawame Quansah, 13, from Ghana, who is rated the best player in the world for his age. The 20-year-old interna-Anor her budding star is Alpha Tura y. 16, who came to Holland as a refugee after a series of family tragedies in his wartorn fromeland, Sierra Leone. To ease their passage from youth to adult football, all Ajax teams I lay in the same style - a Ajax could try to sell Kluivpass-ar id-move game based on a flexible 4-3-3 formation. A financial incentive scheme: complements the pupil's matural ambition. For every or ganized game they play for Ajax, at whatever level, 30

> to receive this lump-sum bonus, they must play in the first team at least on ce. As long as the school survives, the youngsters can look forward to ait least a measure of success. On average, 60 to 70 per cent of then are offered profes-

dollars is credited to them. But

sional contracts. About the Author: Peter Hayes is a j'reelance journalist

based in York.

Singapore plans big

SINGAPORE, Oct 1: Singapore plans to build 257 million US dollars worth of sports centres and stadiu ms to promote a healthy lifest vle among its three million c. tizens, reports

"It is a long term national programme to make available a wide range of sports activities and schemes to the individual, the family and the community, Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong

The 55-year-cold premier, who plays tennis twice a week and nine holes of golf weekly, said Sunday the programme would promote sports "to com-pete against other lesisure products for people's time."
It aims to double the per-

centage of Singapo reans who play a sport at least cince a week to 50 per cent by 200.5. It will try to increase the percentage of people who exercise: at least thrice a week to 15 p er cent by 2000.

Sports centres with a swimming complex, it idoor facilities and running tracks will be made available with in three kilometres (1.2 miles) of every resident, The Straits Times

Citizens can try a range of sports from Wushu and tennis to rugby and martial arts.

The first two of 15 regional sports and fitness centres will open today. Four new stacliums will also be built in the next three years.

The proportion of Singapore's population aged 65; and above will double to 14 per cent in 24 years, Goh said, explaining that "sports for life" was de-signed to enhance the quality of life in an ageing society.

CRYPTOQUIP UHMEEKFN NEPHX WDFR

Saturday's Cryptoquip: I LIKED CRUSHING ALL THOSE BIG ROCKS; IT OFTEN MADE ME FEEL BOUL-

Today's Cryptoquip clue: F equals R

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it 51 "Pigged out" 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.

Notice Inviting Tenders No. 6 of 1996-97

Olympic champion Deng Yaping poses with the trophy

after winning the inaugural Women's World Cup table

-AFP/UNB photo

tennis championship in Hong Kong on Sept 30

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the approved eligible E/M. contractors of PWD according to their financial limit for the undermentioned works and will be received by the undersigned and as well as by the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Jessore/Magura/Kushtia/Faridpur/Rajbari/Narial/Meherpur/Chuadanga PWD Division in their respective offices upto 12.00 Noon of 14-10-96 and will be opened on the same day at 12.15 PM in presence of the contractor who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed

Item of work, tender notice, description of terms and conditions etc. can be seen and purchased from the office of undersigned and all the Executive Engineers under Jessore PWD Circle, Jessore on all working days during office hours upto 13-10-96 on payment of usual charges (Non-

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comment when asked if he thought the decision was racially motivated. Tyson also indicated he

support Tyson chanted "No Juswould have given Rooney 4 million dollars if he had just asked tice, No Peace!" "An all-white jury has just for it without suing. Rooney said he was satisfied robbed Mike Tyson of human status," Sharpton said of the with the award of 4,415,651 dol-

decision by the jury of five "I never expected 49 million Tyson, who is black, dollars," Rooney said. "You promised he would appeal what can't take blood from a stone. he called a "peculiar" and "un-They came in with what they just" verdict. But he would not feel is a just verdict and I'm not

going to argue with it." During the trial, Rooney could produce no written contract with Tyson to train the boxer. But he argued that the arrangement was established by Tyson's mentor, the late Cus D'Amato, when Rooney started to work with the teenager in

D'Amato died in 1985. Cayton testified that he and Jacobs who took over Tyson's affairs after D'Amato died, continued the arrangement In its verdict, the jury de-

termined that Tyson had broken a contract and unjustly fired Rooney. They did not determine the duration of the contract, and ruled that Rooney should not get any money from future Tyson fights. Tyson said he had fired

Rooney after being angered by the trainer's televised comments about Tyson's marriage to actress Robin Givens and his contract dispute with former manager Bill Cayton.

The jury deliberated about nine hours last Thursday and Monday, coming back into court twice to hear evidence again - once to see Rooney's televised interview that triggered the firing and another to hear Tyson explain his deci-

Deng's delight HONG KONG, Oct 1: Olympic

champion Deng Yaping won the inaugural women's table tennis World Cup singles title on Monday with a straight-games win over Chinese compatriot Yang Ying, reports Reuter.

Deng, gold medalist in both singles and doubles at the Atlanta Olympics, defeated 19year-old world number six Yang 21-18, 21-18, 21-17 in an entertaining match which was largely a stroll for the topranked Deng.

She was overwhelming favourite to win to 22,000 US dollars first prize, the richest on the women's circuit, after Taiwan's Chen Jing and China's Qiao Hong, the Olympic silver and bronze medalists, turned down invitations to compete.

Deng said after her win she would cut back her international playing commitments and give preference to her university studies. She said the time was ripe

by Yang and third-place finisher Wang Chen, to challenge for the major titles. "I am very happy that the young ones are coming up now.

In the future China will be rely-

for China's new generation, led

ing on them," Deng said. She said she would concentrate on her business management studies at Qinghua University in Beijing but would definitely defend her world title in Manchester next year.

"I am going to study a lot more but I will be taking part in the World Championships," she said. "But I have not decided about the Asian Games (in 1998 in Bangkok). That is too far In the semifinals Deng overpowered Sweden's Marie Svens-

son, the 1994 European cham-

pion, 21-13, 21-14, 21-11 while

Yang defeated compatriot Wang

Chen, the world number five,

21-18, 21-15, 21-5. Wang took third place, taking advantage of lapses in Svensson's game to win the play-off 23-21, 21-15.

a "selling club," bringing players to general attention, and then cashing in, usually just before their peak years.

Star striker Patrick Kluivert holds aloft the European Cup in 1995: Now Ajax may lose him without a fee

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