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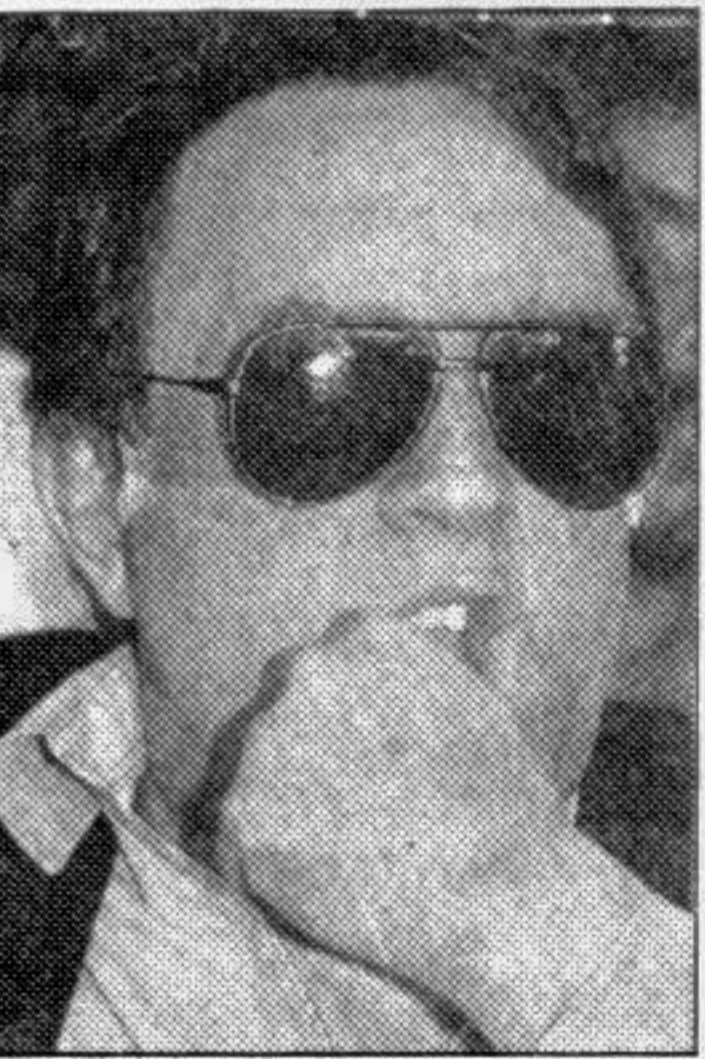
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SPORTS TALK



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Austrian Thomas Muster plays a forehand return against Tomas Nydahl during the second round match of the Dubai Open in UAE on Feb 11. Muster won 6-4, 6-3. —AFP/UNB photo

Solid start for Muster

DUBAI, Feb 12: Second seed Thomas Muster returned to the scene of a 1996 tennis disaster and made amends with a 6-4, 6-3 win over Swede Tomas Nydahl to reach the second round of the one-million-dollar Dubai Open on Tuesday, reports AFP.

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Pete put thru' hoops

SAN JOSE, California, Feb 12: Pete Sampras opened up his defence of the Sybase Open with a tough 7-6 (7-3), 6-3 victory over relentless Alex Radulescu of Germany, reports AFP.

Among those on court will be holder Ivanisevic, Wimbledon champion Richard Krajicek, Boris Becker, fighting to regain a top ten ranking after his Aus-

round at the Aviation Club by Australian Sandon Stolle in an embarrassing result for the top player at the time in the game.

Pierce in Round Two

PARIS, Feb 12: Mary Pierce made peace with the home fans who jeered her off the Courtbert Centre Court twelve months ago by scoring a straight-sets first-round victory over Sweden's plucky Asa Carlsson at the Paris Open late Tuesday, reports AFP.

seeded Brenda Schultz-McCarthy was too powerful for plucky Henrieta Nagyova of Slovakia and came back to win 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.

WC qualifier Estonia hold Scotland

MONACO, Feb 12: Scotland dropped a vital two points here Tuesday in their rearranged World Cup qualifier with Estonia as their Group Four opponents deservedly held them to a goalless draw, reports AFP.

Scotland manager Craig Brown had promised before the kick-off to select a 'positive' side and opted to play Everton's Duncan Ferguson up front alongside Bolton's in-form John McGinlay. But that meant leaving veteran Rangers star Ally McCoist on the bench.

Colin, Kenneth confident

Leg 2 of the Rally of Sweden has seen a complete about-turn of positions for the top five crews and 555 Subaru World Rally Team drivers Colin McRae and Kenneth Eriksson now hold second and third positions respectively after yesterday's nine special stages. With the weather conditions having turned against the duo as they both ran at the front of the field yesterday, Colin and Kenneth are confident that whatever conditions greet them today on the third and final leg, they can only be to their advantage, says a press release.

we've had today. If it re-freezes, we will still be in a good position to push him hard for a great battle at the end," explained McRae.

As threatened last night, the crews awoke to a covering of snow in Borlange creating a completely different situation for everyone but, as the temperatures rose throughout the morning, snow and ice gave way to slush, standing water and gravel. McRae, however, took control of the situation, posting a blisteringly quick time on the third stage of the day (SS12) to elevate himself into the number one slot. "There was no particular reason why our time was that much faster than most," said Colin, "but we know that

we gained most of it at the end where it was very twisty with quite a few jumps." With the taste of a first Swedish victory in sight, Colin set fastest time on the next section, however by the next stage snow was falling and the ever-changing weather yet again threw everyone into dilemmas about tyre choice.



England win Wellington Test

WELLINGTON, Feb 12: England won the second Test against New Zealand by an innings and 68 runs after lunch on the last day Monday when they dismissed the home side for 191, reports Reuter.

FIFA's top 30

Table with 30 rows showing FIFA world football rankings with columns for Country and Points.

Asprilla to lead Colombian assault team

BARRANQUILLA, Colombia, Feb 12: Newcastle United's in-form striker Faustino Asprilla was selected here on Tuesday to lead the Colombian attack against Argentina in their vital World Cup qualifier to be played here tonight, reports AFP.

Lennox retains WBC crown

LAS VEGAS, Feb 12: Lennox Lewis became World Boxing Council (WBC) heavyweight champion again, while Oliver McCall became a bum in the eyes of fight fans Friday night at the Las Vegas Hilton, reports AP.

German's blame it on English politics



DUSSELDORF, Germany, Feb 12: German Football Federation (DFB) president Egidius Braun has denounced England's late bid to prevent Germany standing as the sole European candidate to stage the 2006 World Cup soccer finals as an election ploy, reports AFP.

wards giving their support to a German bid.

The International Football Federation (FIFA) said last week, when UEFA had a change of heart and agreed to consider an English bid after first saying that Germany would get the European backing, that any country might have a bid for the



Northern Ireland's Jimmy Quinn (R) is kept away from the ball by Belgian Albert de Roover during their World Cup qualifier in Belfast on Feb 11. —AFP/UNB photo

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McCall refused to do any fighting in the fourth and fifth rounds and referee Mills Lane stopped the fight in the fifth.

after the fight ended, McCall stepped out of the ring and went to his dressing room without saying a word to anyone.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer. Includes crossword puzzle grid and clues for Across and Down.