

**Goran fined**

LONDON, July 1: Second-seed Goran Ivanisevic has been fined 2,000 dollars for refusing to attend a post-match press conference after his shock second-round five-set loss to Sweden's Magnus Norman on Saturday, reports AFP.

**Peter starts prison term July 28**

MANNHEIM, Germany, July 1: Peter Graf, father of German tennis great Steffi Graf, will go back to prison on July 28 to serve the remainder of his sentence for fraud, the Mannheim prosecutor's office said Monday, reports AFP.

Peter 58 was sentenced to three years, nine months in prison on January 24 but had remained free along with his former tax adviser and co-defendant Joachim Eckardt pending appeals both by their lawyers and the prosecution.

Both appeals were dropped in mid-June, paving the way for Graf to be ordered back to prison from which he had been released in November while awaiting trial.

Graf must go to Stuttgart Stammheim Prison on July 28 where the decision on the location of his prison will be made. During his time awaiting trial the courts systematically rejected his pleas for conditional release, citing fears that he might abscond.

Given the 15 months that he has already spent in custody, and a remission for good behaviour, Graf could be out of jail again by September next year.

Eckardt, who was given two years and six months in prison, is due to resume his sentence at the same time. Kuehner said earlier, because of the 13 months he has already spent in prison, he may only have to serve another six months before being released.

**Salisbury spell stuns Notts**

LONDON, July 1: Discarded England leg-spinner Ian Salisbury snatched up his season's best of six for 19 on Monday to bowl Surrey to their first win of the county championship campaign, reports Reuter.

Surrey beat Mottinghamshire by 131 runs after the rival captains had contrived a definite result to the rain-hit match with two declarations on the fourth and last day at The Oval.

Notts declared at their overnight 77 for one, 128 being on first innings, and Surrey scored 123 for six before their declaration left the visitors needing 252 to win off 59 overs.

Salisbury and Pakistan off-spinner Saqlain Mushtaq, who took two for 34 in 26 overs, exploited a wearing pitch to send Notts tumbling from 78 for two to 120 all out.

There was another contrived definite result in a rain-affected match at Worcester where Flintoff spurred captain Andrew Flintoff spurred Leicestershire to their first championship win of the season.

Flintoff hit his career-best of 70 from 101 balls as Lancashire, who needed 236 in 64 overs to beat Worcestershire, recovered from 64 for five to win by three wickets with nearly 12 overs to spare.

Flintoff, who led England's under-19 side in Pakistan in the 1996-97 season, hit 10 fours and a six in only his second championship match.

The all-rounder effectively won the match in a seventh-wicket stand of 98 in 21 overs with wicketkeeper Warren Hegg. Gloucestershire left-arm fast-medium bowler Mike Smith, named in England's squad for the third Ashes Test, took three for 36 in a rain-hit draw against Northamptonshire at Luton.

Smith helped to reduce Northants to 58 for six in reply to Gloucestershire's 180 for six declared in a contest reduced to one innings after rain washed out the first three days.

**No change of heart!**

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 1: Brazil's 3-1 win over Bolivia in the final of the Copa America was hailed in the country's press on Monday but manager Mario Zagallo still came in for criticism, reports Reuter.

"We're going to have to tolerate Zagallo," read a headline in the newspaper Correlô Braziliense.

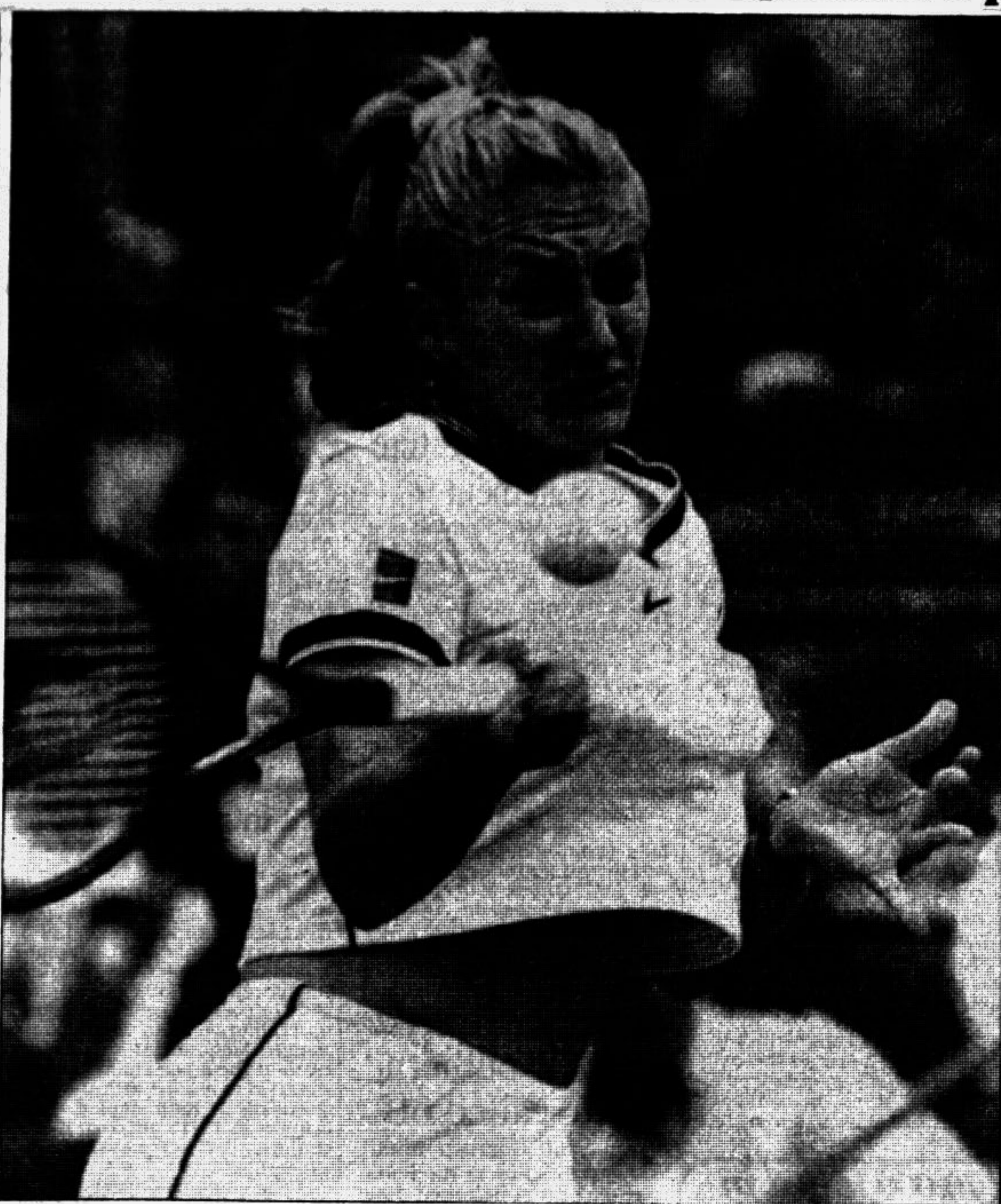
The veteran coach lost no time after Sunday's game in attacking his critics who have questioned whether he should be in charge of Brazil in next year's World Cup finals in France.

"I love Brazil, others hate it... now you're going to have to put up with me," he yelled at television reporters before running on to the pitch to congratulate his players.

Newspaper columnists were quick to comment on Zagallo's outburst. "Phrases (like that), made with a hot head, do not match with his career, his experience and much less with his white hair," wrote Fernando Calazans in Daily O Globo.

But most of the media preferred to focus on the team's achievement in overcoming Bolivia in front of a fervent home crowd in La Paz.

Brazil had previously won the Copa America four times but never on foreign soil. Roberto Benavides, writing in O Estado de Sao Paulo, said Zagallo's team had pulled off what previous sides, some of which included legendary players Pele and Garrincha, failed to do.



Mary Pierce of France hits a forehand during her third round match against Spaniard Magui Serna at the Wimbledon Championships on June 30. Pierce won 6-4, 6-3. She will next play Serna's compatriot Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario. — AFP/UNB photo

**Pierce stoops to Sanchez**

LONDON, July 1: Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, gunning for her first title here at Wimbledon, crossed a major hurdle today as she brushed aside French Mary Pierce at the Centre Court.

The fourth-round match should have been a keenly-contested one proved to be a one-sided affair and the whole show was over in 57 minutes before the expectant crowd could settle back comfortably in their seats. The scores of 6-1, 6-3 were more the doing of Mary Pierce, the 9th seed, than the achievement of Arantxa.

As Pierce served the first game out rains started and covers were drawn. After an interruption of around 20 minutes the match resumed.

As it was the "long and short" of the story so was it a story of "Blonde" and "Brunette". Arantxa's hair looked darker than before. In the absence of Steffi Graf to whom

From Tawfiq Aziz Khan Arantxa lost in the last two finals here, the intelligent Spaniard never allowed her moodily opponent to settle down. Soon Pierce was in all sorts of problems that include physical also as she started straight-

**LATEST**  
LONDON, July 1: Yayuk Basuki, who has reached the fourth round at Wimbledon in four of her six previous visits, went one step better today, reports AFP.

The 26-year-old Indonesian ruthlessly brushed aside the experienced Canadian Patricia Hy-Boulais 6-0, 7-6 to reach a quarter-final showdown with either third seed Jana Novotna of the Czech Republic or 11th-seed Mary Joe-Fernandes of the United States.

ending her right arm, swinging her neck, etc. She was not at all her own self and kicked the ball and threw her racket and was warned by the chair umpire. Arantxa broke her thrice in

the first set and once in the second. Vicario had always been quicker on her feet as she usually was but Mary has done a lot of thinking regarding her game.

True she played some stunning forehand and backhand drives but her approach to the net had always been slow. Speed is one aspect of the game she must master and the sooner the better for her.

Arantxa, now in the last eight will play the winner of Tauziat and Testud tie. Both French girls are unseeded.

**Pioneer football**

Sports Reporter Dilkusha Sporting Club trounced Dhaka Junior Eleven by four goals to one in a Pioneer football league match played at the Basabo ground yesterday.

The winners led the first half 2-0.

In a one-sided affair, Monir, Shahid, Towhid and Azim scored one goal each for the winners.

In the other match scheduled at the same venue, Madartek Chhatra Sangsad recorded a 3-1 victory over Goran Barnali Sangsad. Maksud, Nahid and Zahid netted one goal each for the winners while Habib reduced the margin for Goran Barnali Sangsad.

Away at the Mirpur Outer Stadium, Kalabagan Krira Chakra recorded a solitary goal victory over Nawabganj Sporting Club.

After a barren first half, Reaz struck in the 48th minute.

In the other match played at the same place, Solna Sporting Club beat Agrani Sangskritik Sangsad also by 1-0. Mahmood scored the all-important winners in the fourth minute.

At the Mahakhali T & T ground, Kawsar and Didar scored one goal each as Rampura Natun Kuri Sangsad handed Rampura Jubo Sangha a 0-2 defeat.

**Lothar remains Bayern's**

MUNICH, July 1: Former European-footballer-of-the-year Lothar Matthaus will stay at Bayern Munich, the clubs general manager Uli Hoenes said on Monday, reports AFP.

Matthaus, who has a record 122 caps for Germany, was on the point of being thrown out of the club by president Franz Beckenbauer for his controversial comments in public.

Beckenbauer was set to have a chat with the 36-year-old sweeper in Hong Kong where he will be playing for a World selection on Thursday.

**New evidence on Hillsborough**

LONDON, July 1: The inquiry into the Hillsborough disaster is to be reopened in the light of new video and medical evidence, Home Secretary Jack Straw announced on Monday, reports AFP.

Lord Justice Smith will scrutinise new evidence on the 1989 disaster at Hillsborough football ground in which 96 Liverpool football fans died. Straw told the House of Commons in a statement.

Straw said the judge would advise him whether the fresh evidence was of such significance as to justify a full public inquiry.

"We owe it to everyone touched by the tragedy, but above all to the families of those who died, to get to the bottom of this matter once and for all," said Straw.

Straw said he hoped the judge's report could be produced by the end of the year.

**An interesting card**

From Tawfiq Aziz Khan LONDON, July 1: A very interesting card at the Wimbledon today is again threatened by chances of 40 per cent showers throughout the afternoon. It is now 7:30 in the morning and already drizzling. Looks like another dull, depressing and chilly day is ahead.

The last sixteen stage of the Men's and Women's sections has been reached and there are some important matches to be played. It is interesting to note that in this round only two Americans — Pete Sampras and Richie Reneberg are representing the United States. This clearly demonstrates the shortage of talent, if not, players in US camp in the Grand Slam events.

Holder Richard Krajicek of the Netherlands, seeded 4th, will face up to the British "lion", Tim Henman, the 14th seed. Henman is riding high on the crest of the popularity wave and is fired up after his spectacular win over Haarhuis.

Greg Rusedski, Britain's "Adopted Son" as some British newspapers love to call him, faces unseeded American Richie Reneberg.

In the top half Pete Sampras faces the challenge from gutsy Petr Korda, the 16th seed from the Czech Republic.

The sudden demise of Women's seed No. 2 Monica Seles at the hands of unseeded French woman Sandrine Testud, who had never before crossed the second round barrier at the Wimbledon makes the Women's draw absorbing. And in the absence of the holder Steffi Graf, sidelined because of injury, the fight for the title will be open.

Here is a piece of interesting statistical record. Twenty players won the Wimbledon ladies singles title more than once since it was introduced in 1884.

Seven players have won the title at least six times including Steffi Graf who managed to win seven times the players are: Martina Navratilova (9), Helen Wills Moody (8), Steffi Graf (7), Dorothea Lambert Chambers (7), Blanche Bingley Hillyard (6), Suzanne Langlois (6), Billie Jean King (6), Charlotte "Lottie" Dod (5), Charlotte Cooper Sterry (5), Louise Brough (4), Maria Bueno, Maureen Connolly, Margaret Smith Court, and Chris Evert (3) each, Maude Watson, May Sutton, Kathleen McKane Godfree, Dorothy Round, Althea Gibson and Evonne Goolagong Cawley (2) each.

**Special honour for Stefan**

LONDON, July 1: Stefan Edberg, who retired at the end of last season was given a standing ovation by Wimbledon's Centre Court crowd today when he received a special award for his contribution to the championships and to tennis in general, reports AFP.

He received a special crystal trophy from the president of the All-England Club, the Duke of Kent.

**Edwards skips GP meets**

LONDON, July 1: Britain's world triple jump record holder Jonathan Edwards has withdrawn from two Grand Prix meetings this week with a heel injury, reports AFP.

Edwards will miss the meeting in Lausanne on Wednesday and Oslo's Bislett Games on Friday.

He first felt the effects of the problem at the recent European Cup in Munich, where he restricted himself to only two jumps when winning his speciality in Great Britain's overall team victory.

The injury continued to trouble him last week but world champion Edwards took the decision to compete in Sunday's meet at Sheffield as a mark of respect to his supporters.

But after producing a second round clearance of 17.54 metres to win the competition ahead of Olympic champion Kenny Harrison of the United States, he took no further part in the competition.

**Hingis races into qtrs**

WIMBLEDON, July 1: Top-seeded Martina Hingis became the first women's player to reach the Wimbledon quarterfinals Tuesday when she downed Belgium's Sabine Appelmans 6-1, 6-3, reports AFP.

The 16-year-old Hingis needed just 66 minutes to complete the victory — just before play was suspended by rain for the first time in four days.

Hingis said she was happy to get the match over quickly because she still had doubles and mixed doubles matches scheduled later in the day.

Hingis sailed through the first set in 27 minutes. Appelmans went up a break at 2-0 in the second, but Hingis took command again when she broke for 4-3, setting up the point with a drop shot, then tapping a backhand into the open court.

Two games later, Hingis broke Appelmans again to close out the match. Despite a swinging serve by Appelmans that pulled her off the court, Hingis stretched to hit a sliced backhand return that just dropped over the net for a winner.

"I got pretty lucky there," Hingis said. "I had almost no chance. I barely got to the ball."

Hingis remained on course to become the youngest Wimbledon women's singles champion this century. The youngest was Charlotte "Lottie" Dod, who won at the age of 15 years, 285 days in 1887.

Nobody saw me as a favourite at the beginning of the tournament," Hingis said. "I got through pretty easily until now. I'm improving every match. I feel pretty good. The draw doesn't look too bad for me."

Appelmans said Hingis has everything it takes to win the tournament.

"She's just a little better than most of us," the Belgian said.

"She hits a little bit earlier, a little bit faster."

In another early women's fourth-round match, Indonesia's Yayuk Basuki beat Patricia Hy-Boulais 6-0, 7-6 (7-2).

Play resumed after a 30-minute rain interruption.

It was the first rain since last Friday, when the second of two straight washouts forced Wimbledon to schedule play on the middle Sunday for only the second time in history.

Ironically, Tuesday started off as the brightest day of the tournament so far. But the rain clouds moved in just after noon (1100 GMT). The forecast called for the possibility of more showers in the afternoon.

After the waterlogged first week, the tournament was nearly back on schedule. With all men's and women's fourth-round matches scheduled for Tuesday, it figured to be the busiest day of the two-week tournament.

Among featured matches Tuesday, defending champion Richard Krajicek was scheduled to meet Britain's favourite son, Tim Henman, in a Centre Court match that would have a hard time topping Henman's thrilling five-set win over Paul Haarhuis on People's Sunday.

In women's play, No. 3 Jana Novotna was paired against No. 11 Mary Joe-Fernandez and No. 8 Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario against No. 9 Mary Pierce.

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**Tough tie awaits Becker**

WIMBLEDON, July 1: Three-time champion and eighth seed Boris Becker brushed aside Mark Pechev of Britain in straight sets 6-3, 6-3, 6-2 in the third round on Monday to move one match away from a potentially explosive quarter-final against world number one Pete Sampras, reports AFP.

Three-time champion Sampras also had a one-sided win when he beat Byron Black of Zimbabwe 6-1, 6-2, 6-2 in just 71 minutes.

Becker now faces moody ninth-seeded Marcelo Rios of Chile on Centre Court.

The 21-year-old South American left-hander, a clay-court specialist who doesn't like playing on grass, confounded the Wimbledon pundits again by scoring a third victory at the championship.

Rios, who lost in the first round in his only previous appearance two years ago and who says grass should be reserved for football and cows, beat John van Lottum of the Netherlands 7-6, 6-3, 6-7, 6-4.

Sampras plays 16th seed Petr Korda of the Czech Republic on Court 1. Korda defeated Alex O'Brien of the United States 6-3, 4-4, 6-4, 6-7, 6-4.

Yevgeny Kafelnikov also swept into the fourth round when he defeated last year's semi-finalist Jason Stoltenberg of Australia 3-3, 7-6, 4-6, 6-3.

The 23-year-old third-seeded Russian, who was beaten in the first round twelve months ago, now plays Germany's Nicolas Kiefer.

Kiefer, 20 and ranked 98th, played some superbly aggressive tennis to put out Andrei Medvedev of the Ukraine 6-4, 6-2, 6-7, 6-4.

Rafter, a semi-finalist at the French Open earlier this month, reached a fourth-round showdown against fellow-Australian Todd Woodbridge by beating Belgian qualifier Christophe van Garsee.

The 24-year-old Rafter scored a 7-5, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3 victory although his opponent was

handcapped by a groin injury while Woodbridge defeated Alex Radulescu of Germany, a quarter-finalist in his first Wimbledon 12 months ago, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Ninth-seed Mary Pierce of France defeated Magui Serna 6-4, 6-3 to reach a tough fourth-round clash against Serna's Spanish compatriot Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario.

Eighth-seed Sanchez-Vicario, the runner-up here for the last two years, needed just 45 minutes to beat Florencia Labat of Argentina 6-1, 6-2.

Another third-round winner was Yayuk Basuki of Indonesia. Basuki defeated 25-year-old 55th-ranked Naoko Tamura of Japan in straight-sets.

Always at home on grass, having reached the last-sixteen four times in six previous visits to the All-England Club, Basuki scored a 6-3, 6-2 victory.

The 26-year-old Indonesian now plays Cambodian-born Patricia Hy-Boulais of Canada.

Hy-Boulais, a former Hong Kong fed cup player, defeated Polish newcomer Magdalena Grzybwska 6-4, 6-1. Grzybwska hit the headlines last week when she ended the debut of American teenager Venus Williams in the first round.

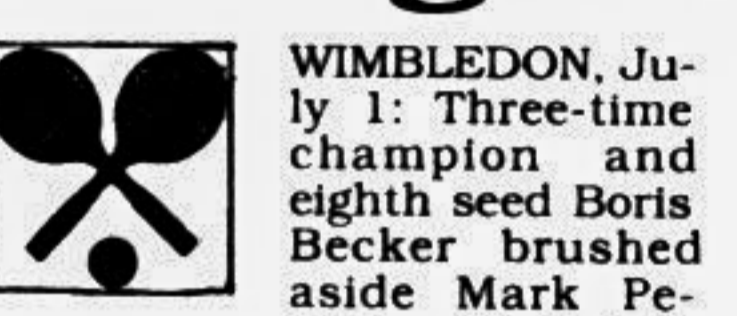
Eleventh-seed Mary Joe-Fernandez of the United States scored a 6-2, 6-4 win over Thailand's powerful Tamarine Tanasugarn and now plays Jana Novotna of the Czech Republic.

The third-seeded Novotna played her first match on Centre Court and scored a 6-4, 6-2 win over 23-year-old gale Leon Garcia of Spain.

But she was far from happy with the condition of the turf. "I must say that the Centre Court is really badly damaged. It changes the whole game," she said, although adding that she hoped she didn't have to return to the number 13 court.

"I hate Court 13," said the superstitious Novotna, who struggled to beat Alena Likhovtseva of Russia there on Sunday.

"Everytime I play there I have very tough matches. I like to be on the main courts."



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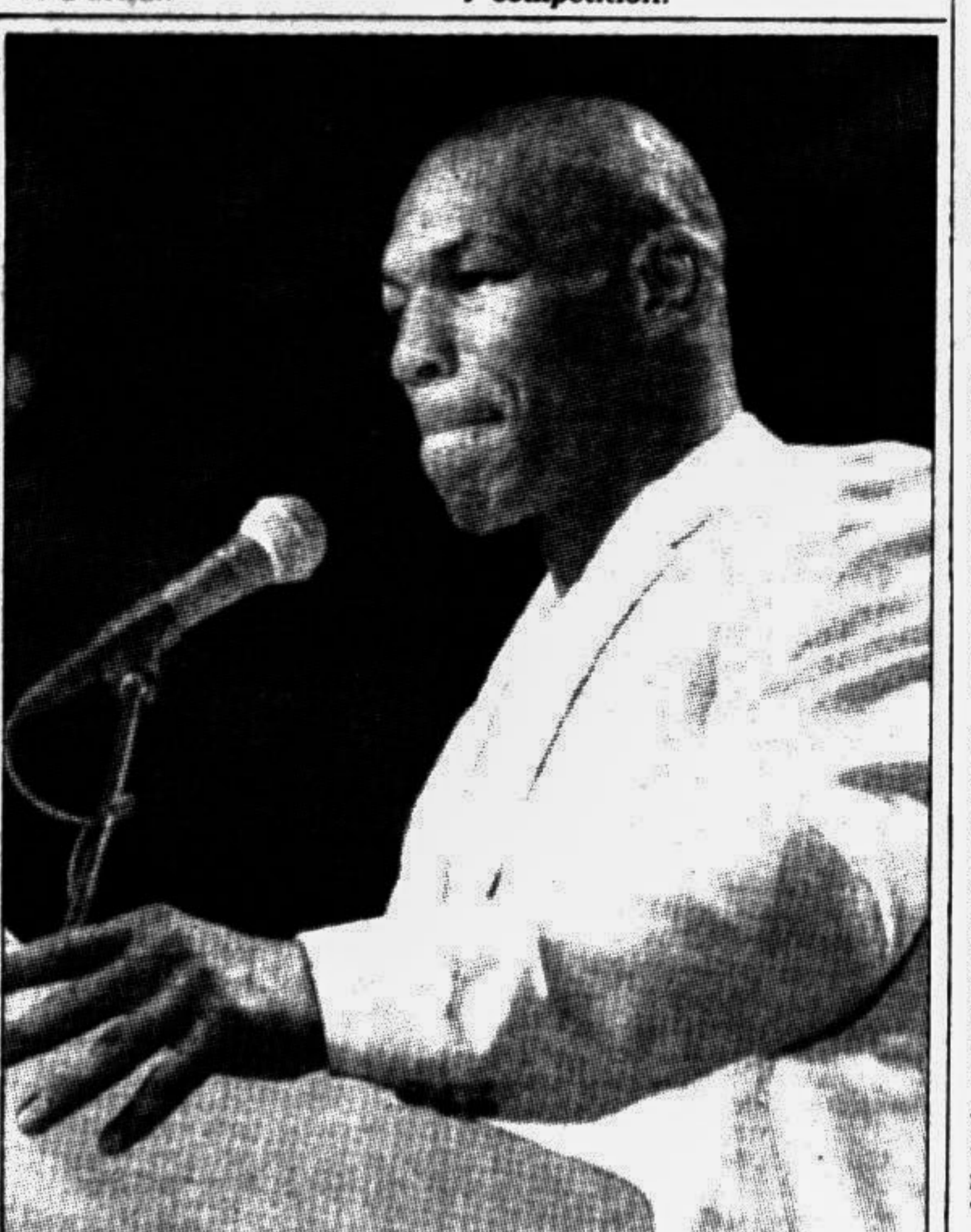
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Diagrated former world heavyweight champion Mike Tyson at a June 30 press conference in Las Vegas which he organised to beg apology for biting Evander Holyfield's ear during their June 28 rematch. — AFP/UNB photo