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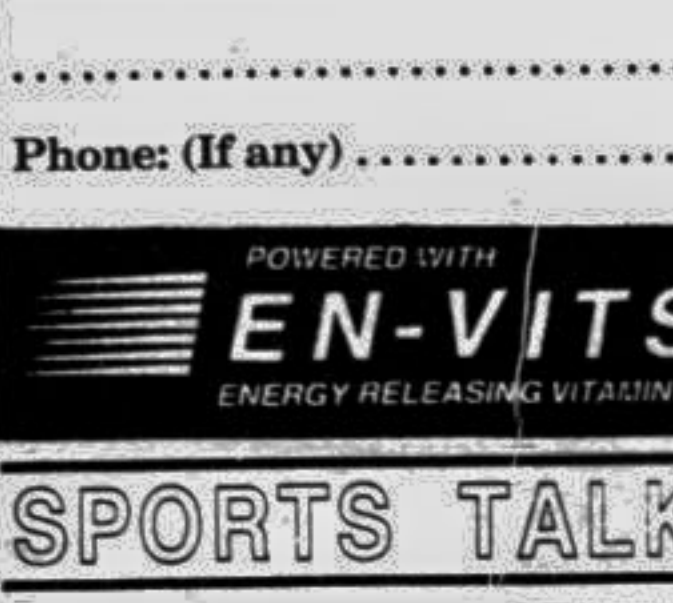
- 1 Who is known as the Desert Maradona? Al-Jaber Al-Owairan Said Chaba
2 Who scored the first goal at France '98? Sampaio Collins Boyd
3 Who is the new FIFA president? Blatter Platini Johansson
4 Who is the soccer coach of Jamaica? Acosta Hiddink Simoes
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SPORTS TALK



Marcelo Salas (Chile's superstriker)

"We are very disappointed by result against Austria. To concede a goal in the closing minutes isn't easy but we won't lose hope for the next match against Cameroon in Nantes. We'll do our utmost to qualify. There's no outstanding team and generally those that have won haven't done so easily."

ABSORBING ANECDOTES

PARIS, June 19 (Reuters): Facts and figures from World Cup matches played on Thursday:

Three players were sent off in Denmark's 1-1 draw with South Africa, equalling a World Cup finals record for a single match. Curiously, all three (Denmark's Miklos Molnar and Morten Wieghorst and South Africa's Alfred Phiri) were substitutes.

Two players were also sent off in France's 4-0 win over Saudi Arabia (Frenchman Zinedine Zidane and Mohammed Al-Khilaifi of Saudi Arabia), making a total of five for the day in two matches. Only four were sent off in the 20 preceding games.

France became the first team to score four goals at the finals and are the most prolific side with seven goals in two games. They are also the only team so far not to concede a goal after two matches.

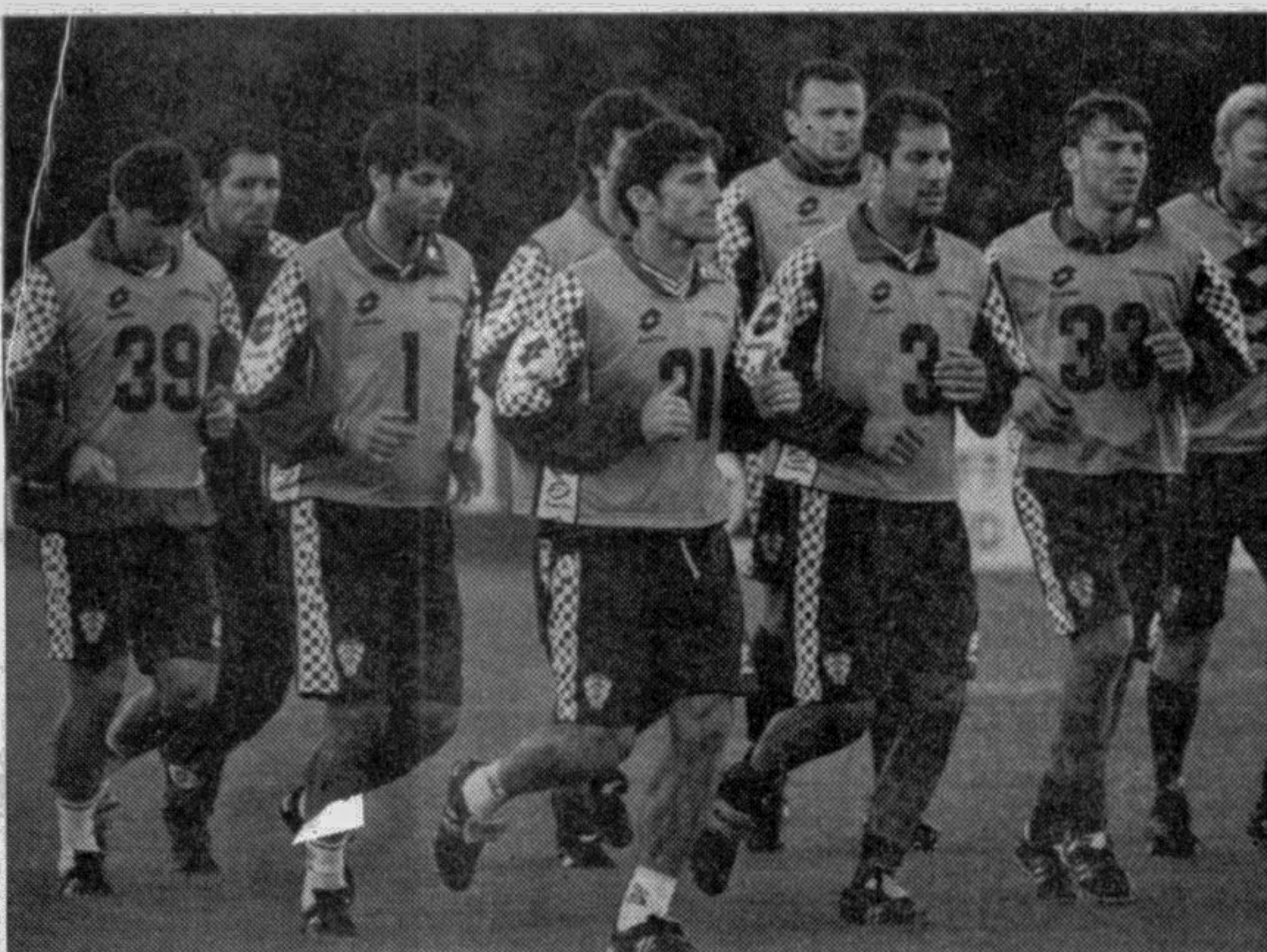
Saudi Arabia became the first team to be eliminated from the finals after a second successive defeat, a victory in their last Group C game against South Africa would not get them into the second round. They have not scored a single goal.

France have never before won their first two games at World Cup finals and had not won by four goals since beating Northern Ireland 4-0 in 1958.

Benedict McCarthy scored South Africa's first goal in World Cup finals with his squarer against the Danes.

Denmark continued their record of never failing to score in a match at the World Cup finals - though they have only qualified twice. They have scored 12 goals in six games.

Thierry Henry of France scored two goals and joined Marcelo Salas of Chile and Christian Vieri of Italy as joint top scorers at the finals with three.



Croatian booters warming up at Vittel on June 17. — AFP photo

Danes still delightful

TOULOUSE, France, June 19 (AFP/Internet): He could have been forgiven for seeing red himself, but Denmark coach Bo Johansson could afford a wry smile on Friday after watching Colombian referee John Jairo Toro Rendon send off three players, including two Danes, in the stormy 1-1 draw against South Africa.

"If you ever think you know how a match is going to turn out, remember this game," the smiling Swede said. "Football can be a very, very strange game sometimes."

In truth, Johansson must be a mightily relieved man after seeing his players escape with a 1-1 draw against a determined Bafana Bafana side at the Stade Municipal.

The point means Denmark, who have four points to South Africa's one, should qualify for the next round barring disaster. A defeat on Thursday would have been just that, however.

Johansson's side face group leaders France in their final match while South Africa have a much easier-looking task against Saudi Arabia.

And Denmark would have lost on Thursday if Quinton Fortune's blistering 25-metre shot had dipped under Peter Schmeichel's crossbar and not bounced off it in injury time.

Denmark's Allan Nielsen and South African Benni McCarthy scored the goals in the Stade.

Municipal but the game will be remembered for the three red card flurries of the Colombian official.

Le Roy to beef up defence

LIGNAN-SUR-ORB, France, June 19: Cameroon coach Claude le Roy, speaking in the wake of his side's 3-0 World Cup defeat by Italy, said on Thursday he would pick a more defensive team for the final first round game against Chile, reports Reuters.

And he raised eyebrows by suggesting that he might play veteran striker Francois Omam Biyik at the back to replace Raymond Kalla.

Le Roy's gamble of bringing only a handful of dedicated defenders with him to France looked to have backfired on Wednesday when sweeper Kalla was sent off in the first half against Italy, gaining an automatic two-match ban.

Cameroon have only one point to show so far for their adventurous attacking play, which has shown up the defensive failings of the young and inexperienced side.

"I will change our system of play to a defensive 3-5-2 formation," said Le Roy, hoping for a win and counting on an Italian victory over Austria to help Cameroon on their way into round two.

Cesare not complacent

SENLIS, France, June 19 (AP): A dominating victory over Cameroon. The lead atop Group B. Christian Vieri sharing the World Cup scoring lead with three goals in two matches.

It's not enough for Italian coach Cesare Maldini. "We have achieved nothing. We must win the next match against Austria before celebrating qualification for the second round," Maldini said Thursday as the Azzurri returned to their training camp north of Paris following their 3-0 victory over Cameroon in Montpellier.

Italy's victory, following a 2-2 draw against Chile in the group opener, touched off celebrations in several Italian cities and kept nearly 25 million Italians captivated in front of their televisions.

"Italians love this team," Maldini said. Veteran striker Roberto Baggio and midfielder Luigi Di Biagio, nursing bruises suffered in Wednesday's match, did not train Thursday.

However team doctor Andrea Ferretti said both players will be ready for the match against Austria, scheduled for Tuesday at St. Denis outside Paris.

Italy, with four points from two matches, will want a victory over Austria to secure first place in their group and avoid a second-round clash against almost certain Group A winners - Brazil.

DOMINIC'S DIARY

It seems as if I wasn't the only one who was aggrieved by the yesterday's games. In the village of Glorias Navales de Vida del Mar, 100 kilometres outside Santiago, Mauricio Navarrete Lagunas and his son Leopoldo Oses Lagunas disputed the controversial penalty decision at the end of the Chile-Italy game. The argument intensified. After smashing a window, the father stormed out of the living room and returned with a kitchen knife which he used to stab his son to death in a blind frenzy.

12/6/98 PARAGUAY VS. BULGARIA: 0-0 Poor refereeing made a dull match ugly. The game was so irksome that Anatoli Nankov didn't seem to mind being the first person to be sent off in the tournament.

With their slow, disinterested style and their receding hairlines, one could be forgiven for confusing the Bulgarian team with a bunch of old-age pensioners. Stoichkov, in particular, was a shadow of his former self. "The lightning" as they called him in his Barcelona days, looked like he has run out of bullets.

The Paraguayans were no better. That the goalkeeper is called upon to take freekicks doesn't speak well of the technical proficiency of the rest of the team.

DS Man of the Match: Jose Luis Chilavert came close immortalising his name in the annals of World Cup football by coming forward to dispatch a screaming freekick that seemed destined for the top right hand corner but was denied by the fingertips of the Bulgarian custodian.

SAUDI ARABIA VS. DENMARK: 0-1 Although the matches are well spaced out, starting at a television for four and a half hours a day is still quite draining.

(To be continued...)

Morocco: Do they believe in themselves?

AIX-EN-PROVENCE, France, June 19 (Reuters): Moroccan coach Henri Michel believes his players have the skills to beat Scotland and reach the last 16 of the World Cup but conceded on Thursday they still had to win the mental battle.

"If there's anything wrong with the players' fitness it's more mental than physical," former French coach said after his side went down 3-0 to Brazil.

"It's always harder after a defeat but we have to learn from it and not let the heads go down," he said, dismissing talk of internal dissent in the camp from those left out of the team.

Michel, who coached France to third place in the 1986 World Cup, has not concealed his frustration with his side after they twice left slip a lead against Norway in their opening game to draw 2-2 and then seemed to freeze up entirely against Brazil.

The habitually genial trainer, sitting by a pool after training in his native Aix-en-Provence, snapped at one Moroccan journalist for asking - yet again - how he explained his players' slow start to both groups games so far.

"What do you think? Do you think that I tell them to go out and take their time?" he said. "There are things in life it's hard to explain. For two and a half years we went out without worrying about our opponents but since we started looking at the way other teams play all we've done is left in goals."

Chiding his players for showing Brazil "too much respect, perhaps fear," he compared that psychological hurdle to the findings of an American coach who found his pupils could play perfect shots all day until he put up the net.

"Then all the shots went into the net," Michel said. Morocco gave Brazil a fright in a friendly last year before losing 2-0 and after their fine performance against Norway last week were fancied to trouble the Brazilians on Tuesday.

Instead they went quickly behind and never looked a threat. "There was a succession of little mistakes, nothing huge

2-match ban on Kalla

PARIS, June 19: Cameroon defender Raymond Kalla Nkong was suspended from the World Cup for two games for "serious foul play" against Italy, FIFA announced Thursday, reports AP.

The decision means Kalla is banned from playing in next Tuesday's Chile-Cameroon game and the first game of the second round, if the Inimitable Lions advance.

Just before the end of the first half of Wednesday's Cameroon-Italy match, Luigi Di Biagio made a tackle on Kalla. Kalla, who was on a full run, couldn't stop and went feet first into Di Biagio.

Australian referee Edward Lennie immediately pulled out the red card for Kalla. Di Biagio, taken off on a stretcher, returned before the first half was over to the jeers of fans.

SL 243/6

COLOMBO, June 19: Sri Lanka scored 243 for six in their 50 overs against India in the first match of the triangular Independence Cup tournament today, reports Reuters.

The home team won the toss. SCOREBOARD SRI LANKA Jayawardenya b Agarkar 12 Kohli b Jayawardene 29 Atapattu b Kumble 70 De Silva c Asharuddin b Agarkar 97 Ranatunga c Asharuddin b Kumble 25 Mahanama run out 0 Jayawardene not out 1 Dharmasena not out 2 Extras: (lb-1, lb-5, w-1) 7 Total: (for six wickets in 50 overs) 243

Did not bat: P Wickremasinghe, M Muralitharan, S Perera. Fall of wickets: 1-16; 2-50; 3-195; 4-236; 5-238; 6-238.

Bowler: O M R W Agarkar 9 0 38 2 Prasad 7 0 32 0 H Singh 10 0 45 1 R Singh 8 0 30 0 Kumble 10 0 56 2 Kanitkar 4 1 19 0 Tendulkar 2 0 17 0 (incomplete)

Hansie, Jonty stop Cork

LONDON, June 19: England paceman Dominic Cork continued his magnificent Test comeback this summer with a four-wicket haul on the first day of the second Test against South Africa here on Thursday, reports AFP.

But England's bid to press home their advantage after Cork's incisive new-ball spell was frustrated by a combination of rain, bad light and a defiant unbroken fifth-wicket stand between South Africa captain Hansie Cronje and Jonty Rhodes.

Cork, who took five wickets in the drawn first Test at Edgbaston, boasted figures of four for 24 on one stage, but in a final session disrupted by yet more weather interruptions, South Africa rallied from 46 for four to 135 with out further loss as England's bowlers surrendered the initiative to Cronje and Rhodes.

Cork's inspired seam and swing produced moments of excitement and hope which contrasted sharply with some poor bowling later in the day and with the general air of disappointment caused by a delayed start and three subsequent hold-ups for rain and bad light.

Cork seized the stage, after Alec Stewart had won an important toss and chose to use the moisture in the pitch to his bowlers' advantage, and snapped up the wickets of Gary Kirsten and Jacques Kallis in three overs.

Wenger's winners & losers

PARIS, June 19: The strikers might score the goals but the World Cup is going to be won in midfield, according to Arsenal coach Arsene Wenger, reports AFP.

Wenger, who has swapped his tracksuit for a TV commentator's shirt and tie, tipped his native France for the title because of their strength in midfield, based on the creative skill of Zinedine Zidane and the iron first of Didier Deschamps.

"I think it's going to be won by the team with the best midfield," he said, and "I think it's going to be France's year. Having home advantage is very important. Their only possible weak point might be in attack."

Wenger, who was in Montpellier for Italy's 3-0 victory over Cameroon, said that Italy and England were both flawed contenders.

"England are in the same position as Italy, they are good up front, they're good at the back, but are not as strong in midfield."

Italy's well-publicised lack of midfield talent was not lost on the Gunners boss, who doubted that their new 'star' Luigi Di Biagio would even have made it to the national side in other countries.

"If you look at the top Italian sides, they all have foreign players in midfield," Wenger said. "Zidane and Deschamps are at Juventus, AC Milan have Zvonimir Boban, Inter have Youri Djorkaeff and Diego Simeone and there's Vladimir Jugovic and Pavel Nedved at Lazio."

Another of the Frenchman's tips for a good campaign at France 98 are the Dutch, who were held to a goalless draw by neighbours Belgium last weekend.

Holland are likely to field Marc Overmars and Dennis Bergkamp in attack in their next match and Wenger admitted that with the two men having spent a season together with him at Arsenal would be a great advantage.

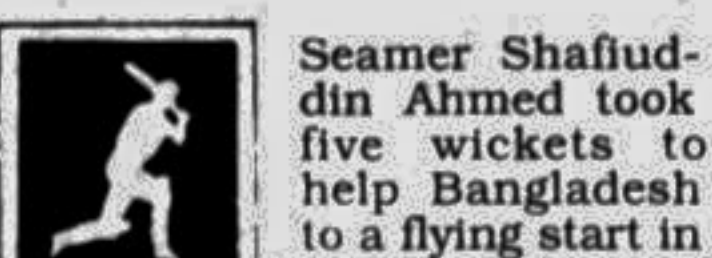
"But the Dutch team as a whole is made up of very, very good players," he added. The one side he warned to watch out for in the years ahead were Japan, where the Frenchman coaches for two years before heading for High-bury and completing the double in his first season.

Wenger said he was not surprised by Japan's stubborn resistance in their 1-0 defeat to Argentina.

"Japan are a good side, they're disciplined and they're young," he said. "Four years from now, when they organise the World Cup finals (with South Korea) they are going to be a dangerous side."

Aminul, Minhazul & Faruque among runs Fine start to England tour

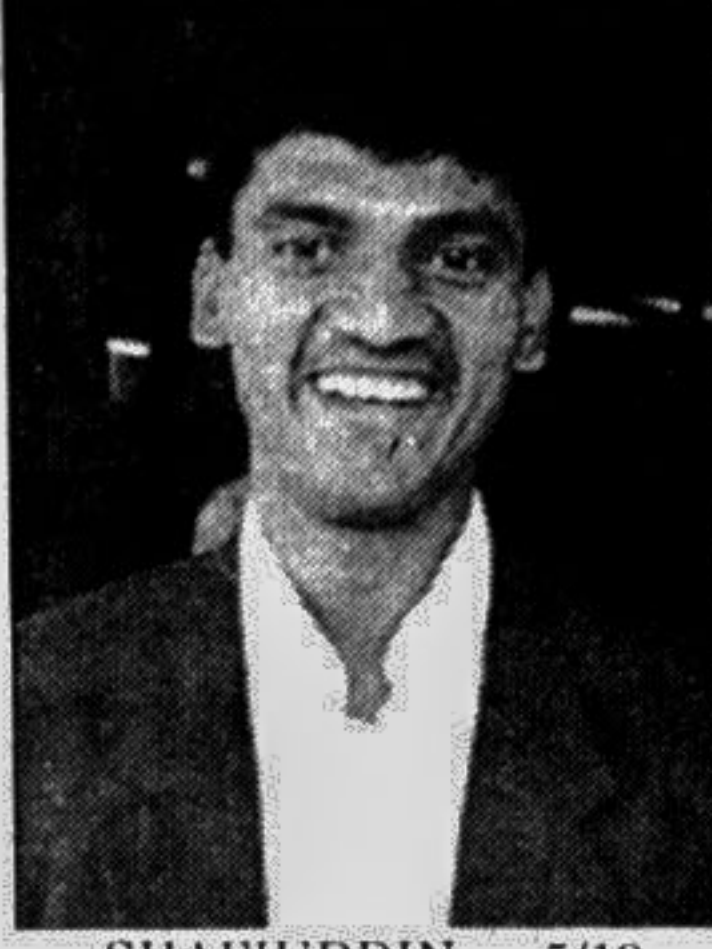
Sports Reporter



Seamer Shafuddin Ahmed took five wickets to help Bangladesh to a flying start in the second leg of their tour of UK and Ireland with a facile seven-wicket victory over Radlett Cricket Club at the Radlett ground in London on Thursday. Radlett are Hertfordshire Premier League champions.

on 24. However, one-down Faruque Ahmed (23) and Minhazul Abedin held the reins with a 38-run third wicket partnership. Faruque departed with the visitors on 62.

Bangladesh, who are now on a 45-day long tour of Ireland, Northern Ireland, England and



SHAFI UDDIN ... 5/19

Scotland, will take on the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) Eleven in their next match at the Shenley ground in London tomorrow.

SCOREBOARD RADLETT CC M Fry lbw b Shafuddin 33 Ravindu Shah c Athar b Shafuddin 0 M Evans c Athar b Shafuddin 0 Skeggs c Rafique b Athar 14 R Jerom c Aminul b Shafuddin 48 C Spinks c Shafuddin b Naimur 3 M Brown c Faruque b Enamul 4 T Pearman b Shafuddin 1 B Patel c Akram b Enamul 3 I. O'Reilly not out

Harrington not out 2 Extras: (b-4, lb-6, nb-6, w-2) 18 Total: (for 9 wickets in 45 overs) 112 Fall of wickets: 1-2; 2-2; 3-23; 4-43; 5-60; 6-77; 7-97; 8-97; 9-106.

Bowler O M R W Zakir Hasan 9 1 29 0 Shafuddin 9 3 19 5 Athar All 8 1 13 1 M Rafique 6 1 19 0 Enamul 9 4 10 2 Naimur 4 0 4 1

BANGLADESH Athar Ali b L O'Reilly 12 M Rafique c Evans b L O'Reilly 4 Faruque c R Shah b M Brown 23 Minhazul not out 37 Aminul not out 26 Extras: (b-4, w-7) 11 Total: (for 3 wickets in 26.5 overs) 113

Did not bat: Akram Khan, Atiar Rahman, Enamul Haque, Naimur Rahman, Shafuddin Ahmed and Zakir Hasan.

Fall of wickets: 1-15; 2-24; 3-62. Bowler O M R W L O'Reilly 7 1 44 2 Harrington 5 0 15 0 B Patel 3 0 17 0 M Brown 6 1 16 1 C Spinks 2 1 6 0 R Shah 2 0 3 0 Skeggs 1 0 3 0 M Evans 5 0 2 0

Result: Bangladesh won by seven wickets.

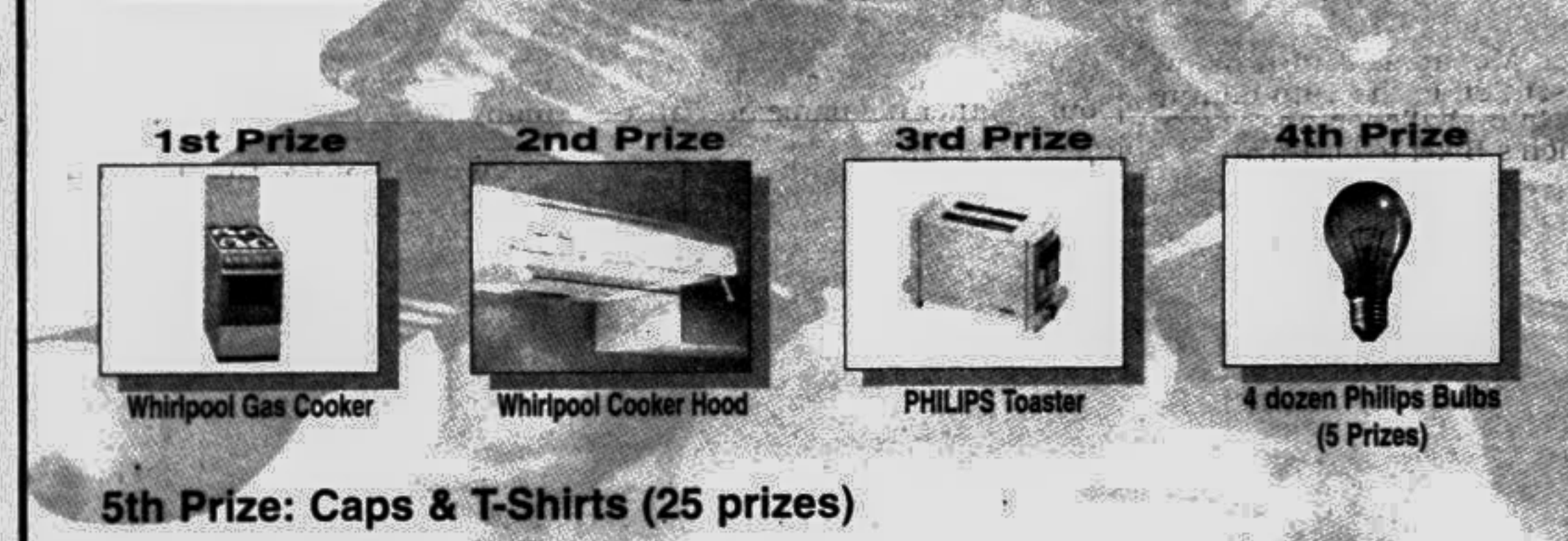
Anand outclasses Kasparov

BONN, June 19: Grandmaster Viswanathan Anand of India shocked world number one Garry Kasparov in just 39 moves to be in position of claiming the Frankfurt Rapid chess title in Frankfurt on Thursday, reports PTI.

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Tick (✓) the correct answers. 1. The 1998 WC German captain's first name is Bertl [] Juergen [] Olaf [] 2. Whose fans would be shouting "Hagi", "Ilie"? Bulgarian [] Romanian [] Moroccan [] 3. S Korea is co-hosting the 2002 World Cup with Japan [] None [] N Korea [] 4. WC '98 qualifiers are current Olympic champs Brazil [] Holland [] Nigeria [] 5. Picture shows [Image of a cup] J Rimet Cup [] WC '58 poster [] Chile's badge []

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