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Competition-98

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- 1 Who was the first player to receive a red card in France '98? Song Zidane Nankov
2 Who scored the first hat-trick in 1998 World Cup? Batistuta Ince Baggio
3 The new French Open champion is? Bruguera Sampras Moya
4 Striker Christian Vieri is an? Austrian Brazilian Italian
5 Who is the captain of Paraguay? Zubizarreta Chilavert Campos

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SPORTS TALK



Dennis Bergkamp (Dutch striker) 'I was lucky not to get a red card for stamping on Sinisa Mihajlovic.'

ABSORBING ANECDOTES

PARIS, July 1 (Reuters). Facts and Figures of Tuesday's matches at the World Cup Finals:

Argentina, who beat England 4-3 on penalties in their second round match, have a 100 per cent record in their three World Cup shootouts. They beat Yugoslavia 3-2 on penalties in the 1990 quarterfinals and followed up by beating Italy 4-3 in a semi-final shootout the same year.

England's Alan Shearer became the first player to score against Argentina in the World Cup finals when he converted a 10th minute penalty. Argentina had not conceded a goal in their four previous matches at the finals nor in their four last friendlies before the tournament.

The penalty shootout was the 12th in World Cup finals and the fifth between South American and European teams. Since France beat Brazil in the first such decider in 1986, the South Americans have always come out on top.

David Beckham of England became the 17th player to be sent off at the tournament, a record for World Cup finals.

Shearer's penalty was the 14th goal of the tournament setting a World Cup finals record. 146 goals were scored at the 1982 finals. Michael Owen of England and Javier Zanetti of Argentina added goals to the first one scored in the quarter-finals will be the 150th.

Croatia's 1-0 win over Romania put them into the quarter-finals at their first appearance in the finals. The first team to achieve the feat at their first finals was Ireland in 1990.

Six European teams have reached the quarter-finals, one short of the record set in the 1994 tournament when eventual winners Brazil were the only non-European team in the last eight.

Reiziger uncertain

MONACO, July 1 Dutch full back Michael Reiziger badly bruised his right foot in the World Cup second round match with Yugoslavia and could miss the quarter finals, reports Reuters.

Reiziger played until the end of Monday's 2-1 victory but his foot swelled up sharply after the match.

Positive news for the Dutch was that the form was not broken, but the bruising requires treatment.



Roberto Ayala (No-2) placing the ball past England custodian David Seaman during penalty shootout on June 30.

There is life after defeat

From Dr. Nizamuddin Ahmed in London

JULY 1: The post-match silence is deafening. There is the uneasy buzz for Beckham's head. The hunt is on to find a scapegoat for England's last-gasp penalty disappointment. There has been violence across England after Tuesday night's failed attempt to avenge the defeat of 1986. Police arrested twenty persons in over fifty incidents in Essex alone. CS spray and riot shields had to be used. Despite the national calamity, the English are putting on a brave face.

It all happened in a flash at St. Etienne's Guichard stadium. Two dubious penalties, Owen's lightning run for a Maradonaian finish, Argentina's brilliant set-piece free-kick for a classic Zanetti placing, Beckham's foolish and late retaliation, Shearer's satanic elbow, spot-kick debutante Batty's bungle as the unassuming Roa excelled.

Local dailies the morning after have headlined "13 heroes and one villain" and "10 heroic lions and one stupid boy" to admonish the Spice Girl fiancée for a possibly sending off that led to a cruel end to two extraordinary weeks of hope and high drama. Commentators have charged the central midfielder with "footballing treason". It now seems that Beckham replaced discarded truant Paul Gascoigne in more ways than one.

With prediction being made on TV and radio, in pubs and the street. In the end it was the Queen who got it right. Yesterday, a few hours before the kicked match at Guichard grudge off, Elizabeth did say

England will have a "difficult job" in the epic match. Down to ten men for seventy-five minutes of the extended match, England had a difficult job made close to impossible. They had no option but to crowd their defence, denying space to imaginative Ortega, Lissome Batistuta and the supporting Latin cast for fruitful play. On the night the weakest link of the English proved to be their strongest against some flashy footwork of their ornate opponents.

Manager Glenn Hoddle may have to come stick for letting David Batty take the crucial kick in the shoot-out. It was Batty's first ever penalty kick in a competitive match. To the horror of a nation whose school children will now think they could have done better, Batty admitted after the match that he does not take them even in a training session. "It must be destiny. Everything went against us", said Hoddle. Most English fans will consider his decision to tick Batty as number five as a date with doom.

England have been bogged by the curse of penalties. In 1990 Chris Waddle floundered as Bobby Robson's England went out of the World Cup. Six years later in the Euro, Southgate flunked to off-load Terry Venables' talented side. But the bungle from no-experience Batty must surely rate as the biggest of them all for he had never taken one before in his life.

Knives will perhaps be sharpened for Hoddle's head but considering Prime Minister Tony Blair's consoling words of "English spirit" being at its best at St. Etienne, the England boss may sidestep the dreaded axe to lead the lions for the Euro 2000 qualifiers which, believe it or not, gets under way in two months time.

Hoddle himself was full of praise for his team. "I could not ask for anything more from the players. I am very proud of my

players", he said as he choked through a post-match reaction. "The sending-off cost us dearly but we defended like lions. It's a bitter, bitter pill to take again", he remarked before hurrying over to comfort the players and perhaps himself.

Hoddle appealed to English fans to forgive Beckham for his red card shame. He said Beckham's foul was not violent and that the referee had over-reacted which cost them the game. He was sure that Beckham would emerge from the catastrophe as a better player. Hoddle was very loyal in defending Paul Ince and Batty for failing to convert their penalties and was optimistic that young Owen would feature in three more World Cups.

England captain Alan Shearer was critical of the referee's performance and wondered why the Campbell goal was disallowed until he was told that a replay had shown him elbowing Carlos Roa. Gary Neville was equally hostile towards the referee and claimed a handball was overlooked by the Danish referee Ken Milton Nielson.

Diego Maradona, who had his famous "hands" on a microphone as a match commentator for Argentine television, "knew in his heart that Argentina would beat England in a difficult game" while complementing the opponents as "tough". "The Argentines could afford to be generous. Manager Daniel Passarella admitted that they were pushed to the limit. He was in great joy but said it was also very hard work. "But the English - what passion", observed the former defender.

Yesterday the streets were deserted, the parks were empty on a dry summer day. The pubs were filled to the brim. Families huddled together. There was hope.

Today they are talking about 'life after defeat' and that this was only a football game. There is hope yet.

Seeds sail smoothly

WIMBLEDON, July 1 (AFP): The rain stayed away and the favourites laid down the law at Wimbledon on Tuesday.

Defending champions Pete Sampras and Martina Hingis, who haven't dropped a set since the championships started, enjoyed the novelty of playing their matches without a single rain-break.

Sampras, whose last match against Sweden's Thomas Enqvist was spread over four days, needed just 92 minutes to end the fairy-tale run of French qualifier Sebastian Grosjean 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

And Hingis, never an early morning person, survived a shaky start against Thailand's powerful hitter Tamarine Tanasugarn but work up in time to score a 6-3, 6-2 win.

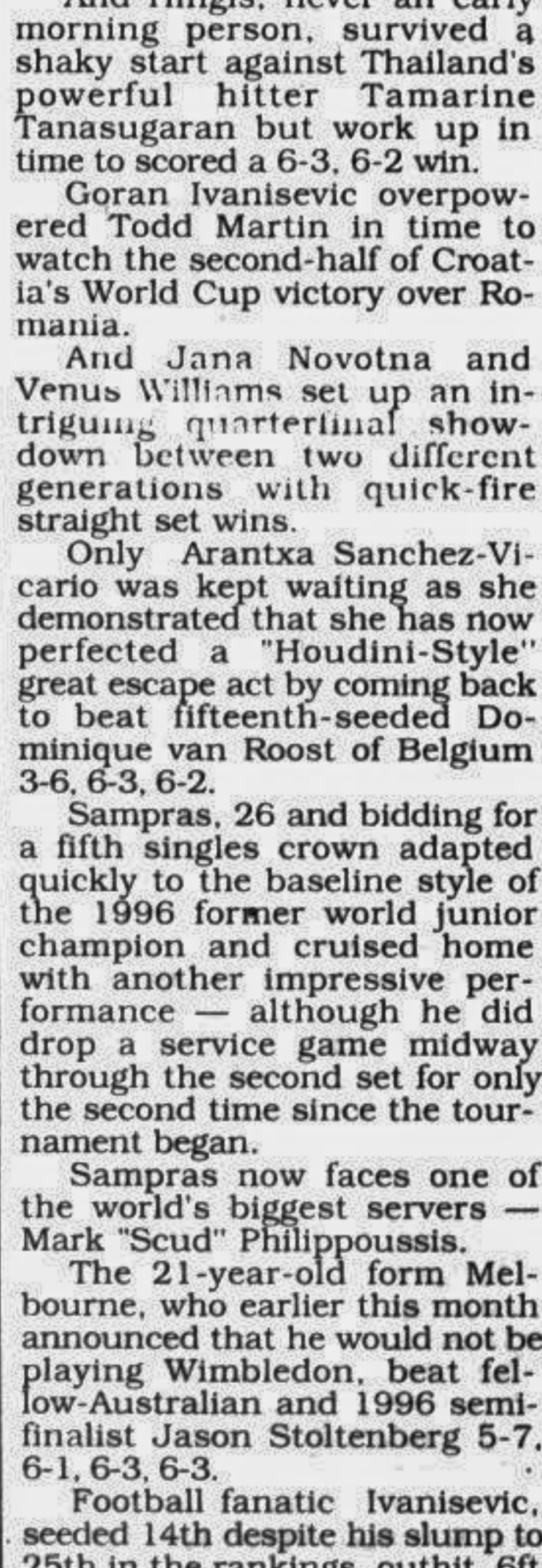
Goran Ivanisevic overpowered Todd Martin in time to watch the second-half of Croatia's World Cup victory over Romania.

And Jana Novotna and Venus Williams set up an intriguing quarterfinal showdown between two different generations with quick-fire straight set wins.

match will be against Italian Davide Sanguineti who put out Spanish claycourt specialist Francisco Clavet 7-6 (7/3), 6-1, 6-4.

Martina Hingis had to dig deep into her reserves to score a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Tanasugarn.

Third-seeded Novotna, a formidable two months ago, comfortably saw off 10th-seeded Irina Spirlea of Romania 6-2, 6-3, and Venus Williams beat Virginia Ruanu Pacual of Spain 6-3, 6-1.



Roberto Baggio (L) and Francesco Moriero train at Senlis on June 30.

President praises sports journalists

Sports Reporter President Shahabuddin Ahmed has said the objective criticisms and recommendations by sports writers can play a supportive role in over all development of sports arena.

In a message on the eve of the 'World Sports Journalists' Day, which will be observed today, the President said that sports journalists have a special role to play in improving the standard of local sports.

The President also congratulated the initiative of Bangladeshi sports journalists to mark the occasion with due respect.

meanwhile, Bangladesh Sports Writers' Association (BSWA), the oldest national organisation of sports journalists and writers, will accord a reception to senior sports journalist and writer Tawfiq Aziz Khan at the NSC auditorium today at 4:30 pm.

French cops' rescue act

SAINT-ETIENNE, France, July 1: French police moved in to break up clashes between English supporters and local youths early today, an hour after England's World Cup defeat by Argentina, reports AFP.

Some 100 English fans and the same number of locals threw bottles and chairs at each other in Saint-Etienne's central Jean Jaures Square, there were no apparent injuries.

Police arrested one man thought to be French, and most of the participants dispersed. Sporadic fights broke out soon after the end of the match, which saw England eliminated from the competition after a penalty shootout.

Police reported clashes throughout the downtown area and near the railway stadium and said several arrests had been made.

The English fans involved had watched the match in bars. But police with their batons drawn tried to keep the two sides apart as shaven headed and shiftless English fans vented their frustration in the city centre.

Bobby's only blemish

LONDON, July 1 (AFP): England football legend Sir Bobby Charlton has finally discovered that he did receive a booking during his illustrious international career though he never knew it at the time.

Sir Bobby always believed he had won 106 England caps, scoring a record 49 goals, without so much as a caution.

But now FIFA have revealed that he and his brother Jackie were both cautioned during the infamous 1966 World Cup quarter-final against Argentina at Wembley.

German referee Rudolf Kreitlein gave him the caution as the match disintegrated into a running battle. The referee was unable to speak English, and such was the confusion that neither Charlton brother realised he had found their way into his book.

Sir Bobby, booked only once during his league career with Manchester United — allegedly for preventing a free-kick being taken quickly — only discovered his caution when FIFA were doing some research back into the match.

FIFA's communications director Keith Cooper said: "It was a real surprise when we found out because Bobby Charlton never kicked anybody in his life."

Rain ruins Day Two

Sports Reporter Heavy Rain washed out the second day of the three-day match between touring Bangladesh and Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) at the Wilf Slack Memorial ground in London on Tuesday.

It then he had not known, Jackie was also booked in the game but he didn't know about it either. There was confusion between the Argentine and English players and the referee. People didn't speak each other's languages and I think Bobby was trying to play the peacemaker and his intervention was misunderstood. The match had boiled over when Argentine captain Antonio Rattin was sent for 'Violence of the Tongue' — but the game was held up for eight minutes as officials tried to persuade him to leave the pitch.

CARD ISSUERS SO FAR

Table showing Red Cards and Yellow Cards issued by referees in the first two rounds of the World Cup. Referees include John Jairo Toro Rendon, Abdul Rahman Al Zeid, Arturo Brizto Carter, Laszlo Vagner, Hugh Dallas, Edward Lennie, Ali Mohamed Bujssaim, Kim Nielsen, Gunter Benkoek, Pierluigi Colina, Rune Pedersen, Said Belgola, Bernd Heynenmann, Marcio Rezende de Freitas, Mario Sanchez Yanten, Manuel Melo Periera, Marc Batta, Javier Alberto Castrilli, Gamal Ghandour, Mario van der Ende, Jose-Manuel Garcia Aranda, Esfandiar Baharmast, Epifanio Gonzalez Chavez, Ramesh Ramdan, Urs Meier, Lucian Bouchardou, An-yan Lim Kee Chong, Ian McLeod, Masayoshi Okada, Nikolai Levnikov, Paul Durkin, Piron Un-Prasert, Ryszard Wojcik, Alberto Tejada Noriega.

The Daily Star World Cup Quiz '98

Advertisement for Transcom Electronics Ltd. featuring a quiz competition. Prizes include Philips CD RCR AZ 8051, Philips 14" BW TV, Philips Blender with Mill, 2 dozen Philips Bulbs (5 Prizes), and 25 caps & t-shirts. The quiz is Round 9.

It's WEEKLY now! So hurry! Please! Competition Information, Prizes and Rules

- Information 1. The Daily Star World Cup Quiz '98 is a series of competitions on World Cup Soccer being held in France from June 10 to July 12, 1998. 2. There will be nine rounds of competition. 3. Each round will have a separate draw with attractive prizes from the house of Transcom Electronics Ltd. as per announcement. 4. Participants of all the nine rounds will automatically qualify for the Bumper Draw, which will have even bigger prizes. 5. For each round, sets of questions will be published in The Daily Star Sport Pages. 6. Names and addresses of all prize winners will be published in The Daily Star. 7. Winners will have to collect their prizes from The Daily Star office after satisfactory authentication of their identity. 8. Any taxes or levies, as per law, for all the above prizes will have to be borne by the prize winners.

Table: Prizes for Round Nine. Prize No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Items: Philips CD RCR AZ 8051, Philips 14" BW TV, Philips Blender with Mill, Philips Bulbs 2 dozen (5 nos), T-shirt and cap.

- Rules 1. Residents of Bangladesh are eligible to participate in The Daily Star World Cup Quiz '98. Employees of The Daily Star and Transcom Electronics Ltd and their immediate family members shall not be eligible to participate. 2. All entries must be submitted in the original form printed

Quiz form for Round 9, July 9, 1998. Questions include: 1. Number of red cards shown in WC '98 1st round. 2. The country received highest red cards in WC '98 1st round. 3. Which country did not concede any goal in WC '98 1st round. 4. Which country scored highest goals in WC '98 1st round. 5. Who is he (with photo of Ipkeba). Fields for Name, Age, Father's name, Occupation, Address, Telephone, Signature, Date.