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Pak probe extended for a month

SYDNEY, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): The judicial inquiry into alleged match-fixing by Pakistani cricketers has been extended by a month...

Italy's booters abandon strike plans

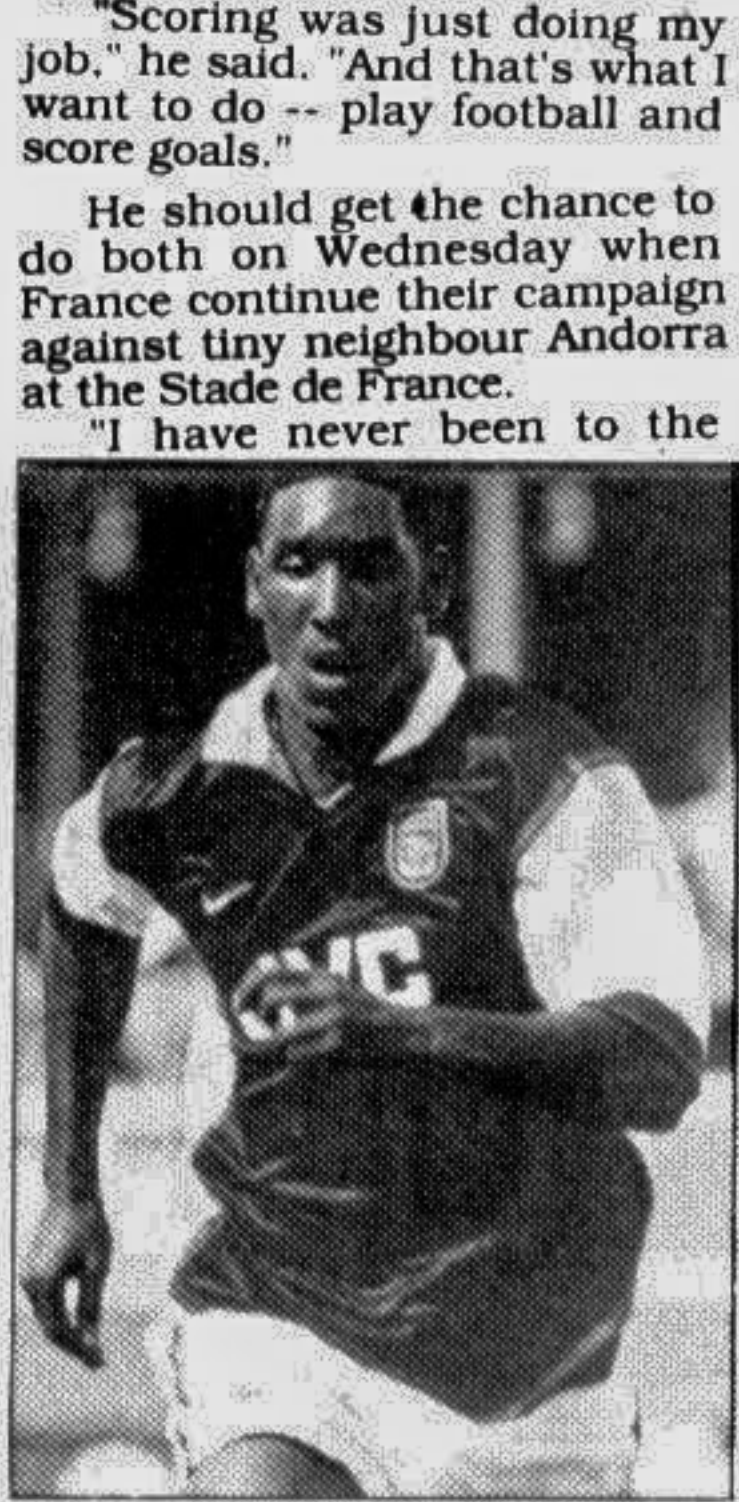
MILAN, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): Italy's soccer players voted on Monday not to strike in protest at media speculation that their sport is rife with drug-taking...

FIFA team to visit Seoul, Tokyo in Nov

SEOUL, Oct 13: A six-man FIFA delegation is scheduled to visit South Korea and Japan next month to inspect preparations being made by the two countries co-hosting the 2002 World Cup final...

Ronaldo, Anelka's hero

PARIS, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): Teenage striker Nicolas Anelka, who refused to watch the World Cup final after being left out of the French squad...

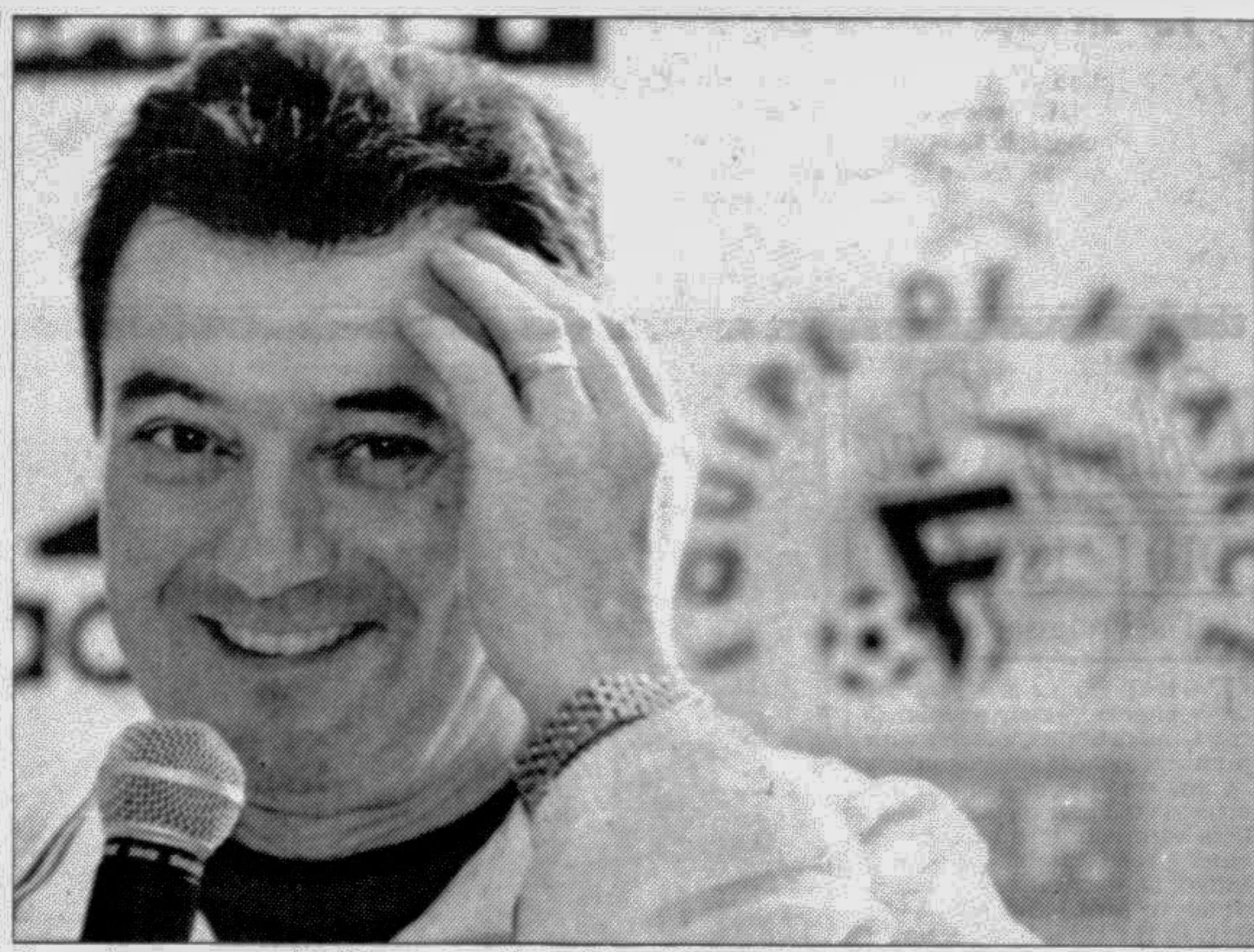


ANELKA Stade de France even to watch a game. Anelka said, 'The biggest stadium I've played in is Wembley. It gave me the flavour of what playing in front of a large audience is. And it was great.'

ways do my best when playing football. Ronaldo is a one-off but the truth is that I always try to do as well as he does when playing because I'm still very young and I have a lot to prove...

World chess meet Organisers bow to Karpov

LAS VEGAS, Oct 13: The World Chess Championship will be moved back to early 1999 to placate defending champion Anatoly Karpov, who threatened to boycott the event...



Roger Lemerre, coach of France, smiles while talking to newsmen during a press conference at the national team's training base in Clairefontaine yesterday ahead of his side's Euro 2000 qualifier against Andorra.

Uncomfortable Germany!

COLOGNE, Germany, Oct 13: Turkey's 1-0 defeat of European champions Germany on Saturday has given the Euro 2000 Group 3 minnows of Moldova fresh hope as they prepare for their biggest football test this year on Wednesday...

many's style of play. 'We have tasted success for decades because of our belief in ourselves,' Beckenbauer said. 'This was one of our strengths, and now we are suddenly quaking before Turkey...

showing in Turkey, he had warned beforehand that defeat was not out of the question as his newly formed side has had no time to play itself in yet. 'There is no way I am going to pull the team apart and replace three or four players,' Ribbeck said.

Inter won't push their prized possession

MILAN, Oct 13: Ronaldo practiced with his international teammates for the first time in more than three weeks Tuesday, but cast doubt on whether he will be in the lineup for his club's upcoming clash against Lazio of Rome...



RONALDO

Sheringham: 'Gascoigne is a flawed genius'

LONDON, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): England striker Teddy Sheringham wondered whether team mate Paul Gascoigne, who played in pre-World Cup friendlies but was devastated after being left out of the finals squad...



PAUL GASCOIGNE

private life recently in addition to being dropped from the squad before the finals in June and July. He has gone through a divorce from the mother of his young son and two months ago saw one of his close friends die from alcohol poisoning after a night out drinking with him.

CONI's anti-doping boss resigns

ROME, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): The head of the Italian Olympic Committee's anti-doping panel resigned on Monday and the organization's former president Mario Pescante was placed under investigation as Italy's soccer-doping scandal widened.

loaded work schedule was the reason for his resignation as head of the anti-doping commission. The Olympic committee CONI is effectively the ruling body in Italian sport and has a vast \$600 million dollar budget...

to be based on leaks from a continuing inquiry led by Turin magistrate Raffaele Guariniello, suggested that the CONI lab tests were haphazard. Many of the routine tests carried out on two Serie A players per side per league game were allegedly either falsified or covered up if they tested positive.

Brazilian striker for Bremen

BONN, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): Brazilian striker Ailton is set to join Germany's Werder Bremen after successfully passing a medical examination on Tuesday. The 25-year-old, previously with Mexican side Tigres Monterrey, was expected to sign a contract on Thursday...

Unified boxing next year

LONDON, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): Evander Holyfield and Lennox Lewis will unify the world heavyweight title next year after an improbable alliance forged between two old adversaries on Monday. American promoter Don King, who had not previously hidden his contempt for Lewis' manager Frank Maloney...

medal a decade ago. King, never prone to understatement, called Lewis 'the most wanted man on planet earth'. 'He has been playing the invisible man but we are going to bring him into full visibility,' King said.

Lewis, who has never caught the imagination of the American public despite his awesome physique and undeniable skills, was unimpressive against Croatian Zeljko Mavrovic seven days later. Still, the day remains the pick of a mediocre crop and the light will provide the first undisputed world champion since Tyson unified the titles in 1987.

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O'Neill heads for Leeds?

LONDON, Oct 13 (Reuters/Internet): Martin O'Neill, manager of English Premier League Leicester City, said on Tuesday that he was interested in discussing a move to Leeds United. O'Neill, linked with the Leeds position after manager George Graham joined Tottenham Hotspur earlier this month, said he had an informal agreement with the Leicester management that he could talk to other clubs if he wanted.



Dhaka Sheraton Hotel organised a two-day charity tennis tournament to raise funds for the flood affected people at the hotel's court on Friday and Saturday. National women's champion Baishakhi (L), who took part in the tourney against guests, is seen with the general manager of Dhaka Sheraton San Amalan.

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