303 (J Langer 134; C Hooper 5-

nings 102

WEST INDIES A: First in-

AUSTRALIA: Second in-

nings (overnight 223 for 3)

Ponting c Sinclair b McGarrell

Elliott b Hooper .

Langer lbw Hooper

Dale not out

249; 8-263.

McGarrell

Bowler:

McLean

Hooper

Lake

Powell

innings

Slater e Sinclair b McLean

S Waugh c and b McGarrell

Blewett c Rose b McGarrell

Healy c McGarrell b Hooper

Warne c McGarrell b Hooper

Extras: (b-6, lb-5, w-3, nb-7)

Total: (For eight wickets declared)263

3-143; 4-233; 5-234; 6-246; 7-

Fall of wickets: 1-40; 2-121;

36

WEST INNINGS A: Second

Williams c Warne b MacGill 50

52 37

64

40 56

LONDON, Mar 23 (Reuters/ Internet): David Ginola called on Tottenham Hotspur chairman Alan Sugar to "get his money out of his pocket" and build on the side's League Cup final success.

Tottenham beat Leicester City 1-0 at Wembley on Sunday to win their first trophy in eight

But the Frenchman echoed the opinion of Spurs manager George Graham that only clubs with large squads can be consistent winners in the modern game.

"If we want to be like Manchester United, Arsenal and Chelsea we have to be stronger and win more games away," Gi-nola said on Monday. "We have to be build the club step-by-step.

"We have the structure in place to be a great team and now it is up to the chairman to make the right choice and sometimes you have to think about getting

your money out of your pocket."
Shares in Tottenham, the first English club to be floated on the stock exchange, rose 2.5 pence to 85 on Monday, just be-low the year's high, following the cup win which guarantees the club a place in the UEFA

Cup next season. Sugar owns a 40 percent stake in the club and said in February he planned to reinvest capital in its White Hart Lane stadium and training ground rather than pay a dividend.

Tottenham have spent heavily in recent years bringing players like Ginola, Chris

Armstrong, Juergen Klinsmann and Les Ferdinand to the club. But it is only since Graham was appointed manager in October that they have lived up to expectations.

They play Newcastle United in the FA Cup semifinals next month but Graham has warned that Spurs have some way to go before they can launch a championship challenge.

"The way the game is going it is now very difficult to assemble a squad of players capable of taking on the teams at the top." Graham said.

Manchester United, Arsenal Chelsea -- the top thice teams in the premier league -stand out from the rest of English squad for the depth of their squads which allows managers to rotate and rest key players

Popescu, Lupescu doubtful for Slovakia game

BUCHAREST, Mar 23[Reuters/ Internet): Romania coach Victor Piturca said on Tuesday two key midfielders were doubtful starters for Saturday's European group seven qualifier against Slovakia.

"Midfielders Gheorghe Popescu of Galatasaray and Dinamo Bucharest's Ionut Lupescu have strained muscles and I have to wait for the outcome of medical tests to decide whether they will play or not," Piturca told journalists.

Rapid Bucharest midfielder Ioan Óvidiu Sabau was declared unfit last week because of a strained leg muscle.

Piturca also dropped Rapid Bucharest forward Ionel Ganea to trim his 24-man squad. Ganea scored twice in a 2-0 win against Estonia in a friendly earlier this month.

Tyson won't be freed on Friday INDIANAPOLIS. Mar 23

(AP): Mike Tyson won't be leaving a Maryland jail for at least another month.

Although a judge might reduce the former heavyweight champion's one-year sentence for assault in Maryland to time already served. Tyson then would have to begin serving 60 days for violating terms of his Indiana probation for a 1992 rape conviction. "The bottom line is, even if

the Maryland sentence is modified, he will not be released from jail on Friday, spokeswoman Beverly Phillips of the Marion County prosecutor's office said Monday.

Tyson has been jailed in Maryland since February 5 on charges he assaulted two motorists after a minor traffic acrident in August. Tyson has requested that his

assault sentence be reduced to eight months, and a hearing is set for Friday at Montgomery County (Maryland) District Court.

Robert Greenberg, one of Tyson's two lawyers in the Maryland case, had said last week that such a reduction could free his client from jail by Friday night.

Marion County prosecutor Scott Newman, Tyson lawyer James Voyles and Marion Superior Court Judge Patricia Gifford conferred Monday in Indianapolis and also talked to Maryland authorities. They agreed the boxer still must serve the extra time for his probation violation.

"If the judge modifies his sentence, at that point his Indiana sentence will begin," Phillips said. "There's no retroactive in any of these calculations."

Once the Indiana sentence begins, Tyson could serve as little as 30 days, depending on time off for good behaviour and other provisions, she said. That means Tyson could leave jail by

April 26. "The integrity of both the Indiana and the Maryland sentences will be honoured," Voyles said. He declined to speculate on how the court hearing Friday will turn out or when Tyson

might leave jail. Earlier this month, Tyson struck a deal with Newman and Maryland authorities in which he agreed to serve his Indiana jail time in Maryland after he completes his assault sentence.

Hooper's one-man show

ST JOHN'S, Antigua. Mar 23 (Reuters/AP/Internet): Carl Hooper looked to have cemented a Test recall after hitting an unbeaten century to frustrate Australia's

push for victory against the West Indies A at the Antigua Recreation Ground on Monday. It followed another fine bowling display from Hooper as he took four Australoian wickets with his off-spinners to

add to his five in the first innings. The A team captain finished on 102 not out as West Indies A finished on 249 for three on

third day of the four-day match. But it still left them needing another 216 for an unlikely victory after being set 465 to win following Australia's 263 for eight declared in their second innings.

The Australians were in a commanding position with a first innings lead of 201 after bundling out the "A" team for 102 in their first innings on Sunday. They confidently built on it to be 223 for three by the end of the day, but faltered when they resumed Monday morning.

Left-handed opener Matthew Elliott added only eight to his 107 before he was Hooper's first victim of the day, chopping a ball back into his stumps.

The tall Victorian was so badly out of form that his place in the Test team was in jeopardy before this score, but he batted 4 1/2 half hours all told with a six and eight fours his most productive scoring shots.

Hooper also removed first innings century-maker Justin-Langer for 5, wicket-keeper Ian Healy for 10 and Shane Warne for 13 to finish with four for 40 in the innings and nine for 93 in the match.

Left-arm spinner Neil Mc-Garrell took the other wicket in the morning, dismissing Greg Blewett for 34, for innings figures of three for 64 from 36 accurate overs.

Play was extended by almost an hour because of rain which halted play in mid-afternoon. The final day will be shortened to two sessions, ending at tea to allow the Australians time to catch a flight to Barbados.

That will give them two clear days to prepare for the third Test, starting at the Kensington Oval on Friday. The four-match Test series is currently level

Hooper has so far batted for three hours 32 minutes, faced 190 balls and struck 11 fours plus two sixes off leg-spinner Shane Warne, one an enormous blow over mid-wicket which went out of the ground and landed in Independence Drive.

Hooper's last first-class game was the final Test in South Africa two months ago in a series West Indies lost 5-0. He missed the first two Tests of this series to stay with his wife and sick child in Australia.

His hopes of impressing the West Indies selectors in this match were hindered when he missed his connecting flight in London and did not arrive until after practice the day before the on Monday

He was understandably scratchy in the first innings, scoring only 10 after being dropped on six. But on Monday he played with a rare mixture of determination and flair.

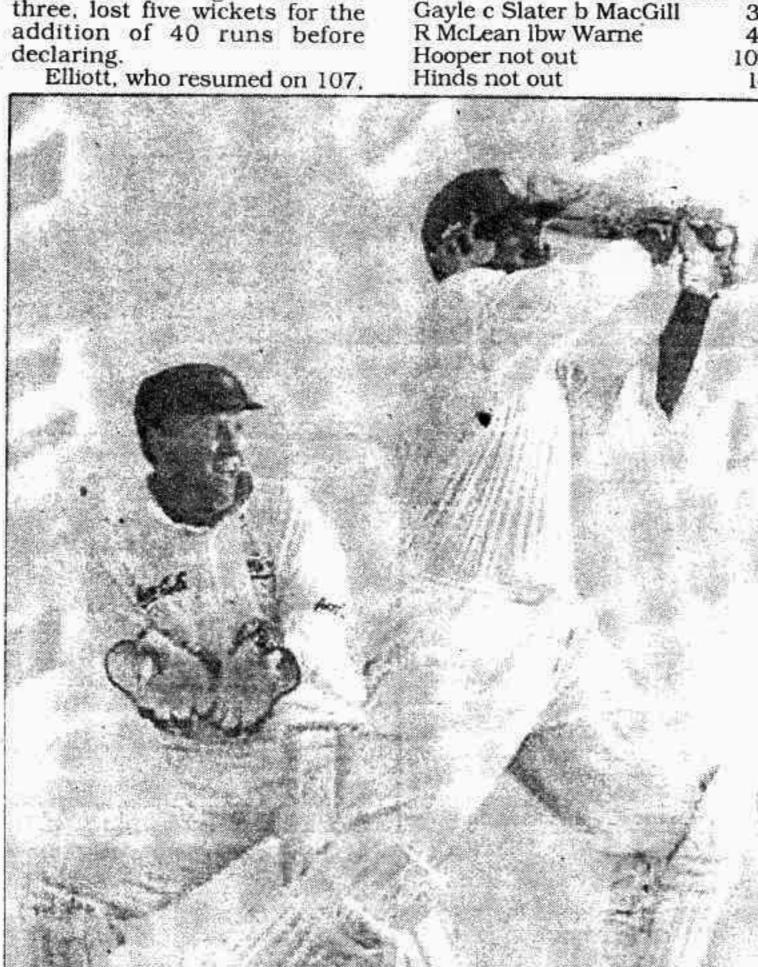
Hooper was aided by a muchimproved batting performance by the home side after their disastrous first innings.

Left-hander Chris Gayle made 33 at a run a ball, while fellow opener Stuart Williams scored 50, which included seven fours and a six. The only other wicket to fall

was that of Reynold McLean who made a painstaking 40 in three hours 20 minutes before being leg before playing back to Shane Warne. But fellow Australian leg-

spinner Stuart MacGill was again the pick of the bowlers. finishing with two for 44. While occasionally struggling for accuracy he had more zip than Warne.

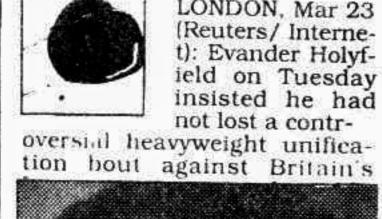
Australia, who had resumed on their overnight 223 for three, lost five wickets for the declaring.



TAKE THAT! West Indian master batsman Carl Hooper whacks Australian leg-spinner Shane Warne for a mighty six during the tourists' match against Windies A at St John's, Antigua on March 22. - Internet photo added eight more runs before he Extras: (b-3, lb-3, nb-4) became the first of Hooper's Total: (For three wickets) 249

Fall of wickets: 1-58; 2-95; 3-SCOREBOARD Bowler (to date)O M Scoreboard on the third day 43 of the four-day match between Miller 77 West Indies A and Australia at MacGill 6 44 the Antigua Recreation Ground Warne 63

AUSTRALIA: First innings Holyfield insists it's fair



LONDON, Mar 23 (Reuters/Internet): Evander Holyfield on Tuesday insisted he had not lost a controversial heavyweight unifica-



EVANDER HOLYFIELD

Lennox Lewis, saying the public had been deceived by commentators and the media.

Last Saturday's fight at Madison Square Garden in New York ended in a draw but most observers concluded World Boxing Council champion Lewis had outpointed

Holyfield, the World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation title holder. American Holyfield, speaking for the first time since studying a tape of the fight, said

WBU introduces new judging system Apr 1

LONDON, Mar 23: The British-based World Boxing Union, one of a fistful of organ-isations sanctioning world title fights of various merit, announced on Monday that it was changing its judging system from April 1, reports Reuters.

Without mentioning the controversial undisputed world heavyweight title bout between Lennox Lewis and Evander Holyfield nine days ago, the WBU said in a statement that it was time for a change "in light of recent events."

The WBU, whose lightly-regarded titles have tended to be between lesser known fighters, was not involved in the heavyweight clash at Madison Square Garden between Britain's WBC champion Lewis and the American WBA and IBF champion.

four victims.

the result had been fair. "I truly believe that people have been deceived, with all the punch stats, the commentary, what the commentators were

saying," he told BBC radio. "The fact is that Lennox fought a smart fight, fought a good fight, but we both in general didn't do enough to declare a bid to be undisputed cham-

pion... "We have bad days at the office but we have to get over the bad days...It wasn't a great day for me but I got through that day and I thank God for that."

Particular interest focused on US judge Eugenia Williams, who scored the fight 115-113 in favour of Holyfield. A New York grand jury is investigating whether or not the judges took illegal payments, according to investigative sources.

But Holyfield said that even had Williams made errors, it would have made little difference to the result.

"If you look at her scores you can see there's only one round where she could have been wrong," he said, adding that

even then. Lewis had only dominated it for 15 to 20 seconds. "Even if she was off one round it would have made the

(overall score) 115-114," he "When you look at the fight for what it really was, all the

judges had me winning the eighth, ninth, 10th and 11th rounds -- that's four rounds. Everyone had me winning the third. And one had me winning the fourth. "If you look at the first

round, it's not as though he really won the first round. He did win the second round, but the first round was questionable." The two boxers will fight again for the undisputed world

heavyweight title in September at a venue yet to be decided. "I look forward to that. I've signed a contract already...and I hope we go ahead and settle this thing," Holyfield said, express-ing a preference for Las Vegas

over London as the venue for the fight. "But it really doesn't make a difference to me -- I can win either way."

BRIDGETOWN, Mar 23: Bar-

Barbados, led by an aggres-sive 60 by Hendy Bryan, batted all day to reach 259 for nine in their second innings. Barbados are guaranteed the title should the match end in a draw after securing a 70-run first innings lead on the second day.

Trinidad and Tobago's bowlers, who rescued the team

struck early to remove his struggling West Indies colleague Philo Wallace for a "duck" with just one run on the board.

Wallace's partner, Sherwin Campbell, followed up his first innings topscore of 62 by making a disappointing 16 before he was leg before to medium pacer Phil Simmons.

revived by three of the four lefthanders in the middle order. Adrian Griffith, Floyd Reifer and Ricky Hoyte. But the trio all fell as their innings were beginning to blossom.

Adrian Griffith followed his for 21.

When Hoyte and Ryan Hinds fell in quick succession, Barbados were uncertainly placed at 138 for six, ahead by just 208. Hoyte made 44 in 159 minutes off 105 balls with four fours,

Brayn and wicketkeeper Courtney Browne quickly averted the danger in a counterattacking seventh wicket stand

prising 44 in the first innings with another explosive knock. His 60, his second first-class innings century, came off just 63 balls and 143 minutes and was laced with four boundaries. Browne was caught off

Bishop for 26, but Bryan found another solid partner in Winston Reid.

of Black.

at the end.

play on the third day in the four-day Busta Cup cricket final between Barbados and Trinidad and Tobago at Kensington Oval on Monday:

289 (Campbell 62, Griffith 58; Mervyn Dillon 4-57). TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO:

First Innings 219 (Bishop 52; Collymore 3-39)

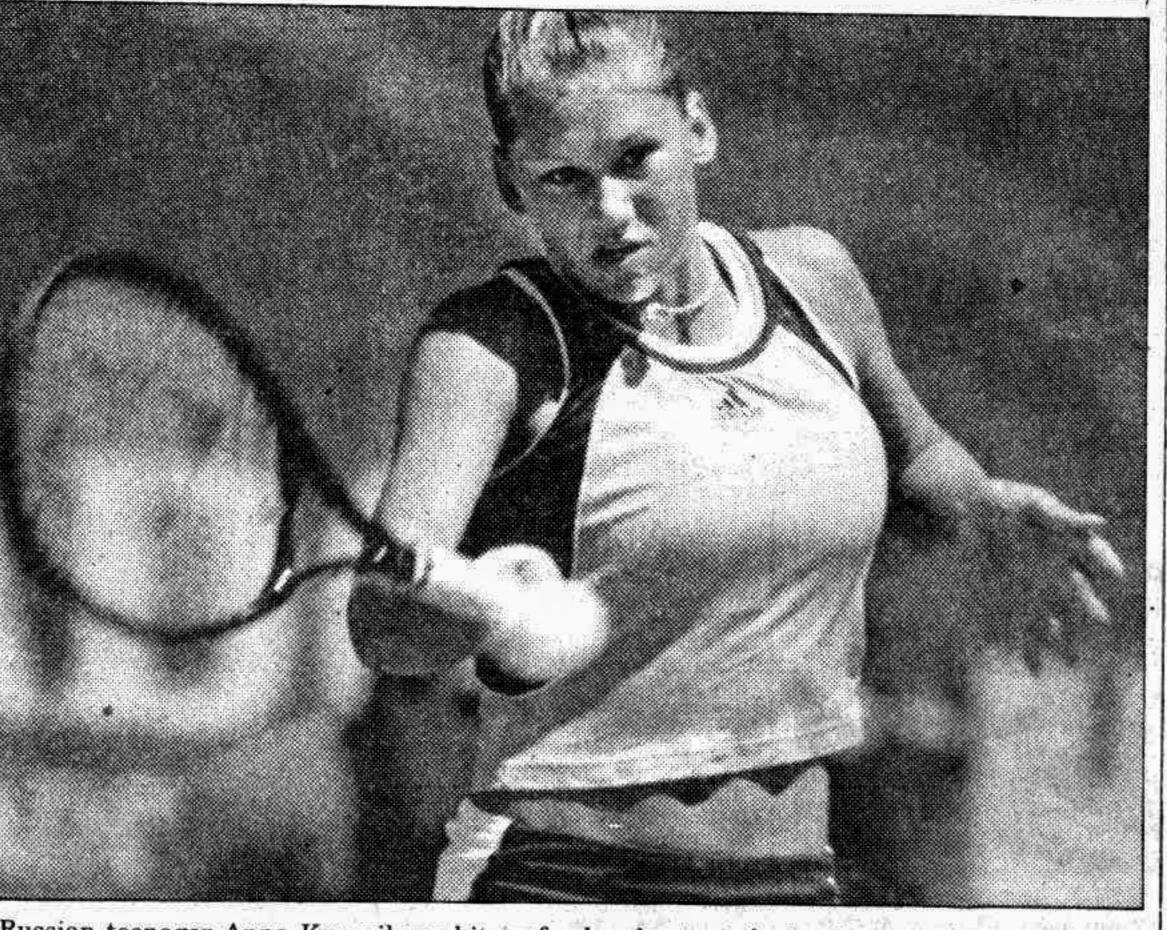
Campbell lbw b Simmons Wallace c Ganga b Dillon Griffith c and b Black Reifer lbw b Bishop Hoyte b Persad Bryan c Bishop b Black Reid not out Collins c Bishop b Dillon Collymore not out Extras: (b-6, lb-9, nb-6)

107, 5-125, 6-138, 7-195, 8-244,

Moya to lead

Internet): French Open champion Carlos Moya will lead Spain's Davis Cup team against Brazil in the world group first round tie in Lleida on April 2-4.

Moya, whose defeat in the Lipton Championships on Monday will see him slip from the top of the world rankings next week, is joined by world number four Alex Corretja, Albert Costa (ranked 16) and Felix Mantilla (20):



Russian teenager Anna Kournikova hits a forehand return during her match against Julie Halard-Decugis at the Lipton Championships on March 22.

- AFP photo

Barbados in driving seat

bados moved into position to capture the Busta Cup cricket title, taking a 329-run lead over Trinidad and Tobago on Monday during the third day of the four-day match, reports AP.

with the bat Saturday, again put in a creditable performance to climp back into the match. Fast bowler Mervyn Dillon

The Barbados innings was

half century on day one with 35, but he mishit a pull to provide pacer Marlon Black with his first wicket. He had added 46 for the third wicket with Reifer. who fell just before to Trinidad and Tobago skipper Ian Bishop

while Hinds scored six.

Brayn followed up his enter-

The two pushed the score to 244, a stand of 49, before Brayn finally departed off the bowling

Reid remained unbeaten 26

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the close of

BARBADOS: First Innings

BARBADOS: Second In-Hinds c wk Williams b Dillon Browne c Ragoonath b Bishop 26

Total: (For nine wickets) Fall of wickets: 1-26 3-61, 4

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Dillon	19	3	48	3
Black	12	1	41	2
Simmons	12	1	43	1
Persad	22	3	60	î
Bishop	17	5	43	2
Rampersad	3	Ō	9	O.

Spanish charge MADRID, Mar 23(Reuters/

Sampras regains status match points in the tiebreaker, KEY BISCAYNE. 5-2 lead in their rivalry. hitting a forehand long, a fore-Florida, Mar 23

(AP): When Pete Sampras reclaimed the No 1 ranking, he resisted any temptation to wave his index finger or cut down the net. For Sampras, there's no such thing as March madness. Carlos Moya became No 1

reign was brief. Sampras returned to the top by winning his fourth-round match Monday in the Lipton Championships while Moya lost. Sampras, however, saw little cause for celebration.

last week, but the Spaniard's

"I said it once, I'll say it a thousand times: It doesn't matter so much what you're ranked this time of year." he said. "It really comes down to Decem-Sampras advanced to the

quarterfinals by beating

Spain's Albert Costa 6-4, 6-4, Hours earlier, the top-ranked Moya succumbed to fatigue. nerves and France's Sebastien Grosjean, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6 (11-9). Against the unseeded Grosjean. Moya was playing his third three-set match in as

many days, and his weariness showed in the latter stages of the two-hour, 40-minute match. Both players had mishits and unforced errors during the tense tiebreaker before Grosjean slammed a running forehand winner for the victory.

Moya squandered three

hand into the net and a backhand return long. Each player lost his serve three times in the final set. The results ensured Sampras' return to No 1 when the

shy of Ivan Lendl's record. think about much," he said, reciting his mantra. "I look at where you finish the year. That's really the priority for

Spain, No 12 Karol Kucera of Slovakia and No 13 Greg Rusedski of Britain. Corretja had a chance at No

Spain's Francisco Clavet

Netherlands beat Russia's Marat Safin 6-3, 6-1 and will face Sampras on Tuesday, Krajicek, the last player to beat Sampras at Wimbledon, holds a But it is hard because we have a lot of players in the treatment room and they are our experienced players. "We are asking the young players to do too much and

can bet your life on that.'

club's current plight.

England striker Chris Sut-

Like so many of the Black-

ton backs Kidd to get Rovers out

of trouble but does not pull his

punches when talking about the

burn players, his season has

been blighted by injuries that

have left him with a paltry total

of just four goals in 18 matches

-- even though he was recalled

to the England squad by new

close to the drop and anything

we achieve from here is a bonus.

"At the moment we are very

coach Kevin Keegan last week.

on their shoulders. We have to get players fit again and work hard and scrap for results to get out of this situation. Having fit players is the key for Rovers as they face up to their biggest crisis since nearly going down two seasons ago.

there is too much responsibility

Then they survived by just two points. Right now they have eight matches to play -- tough games against title contenders

United as well as relegation battles against Southampton, Charlton and Nottingham Forest

Arsenal and Manchester

Kidd though is relishing the challenge and has no regrets about leaving the sanctuary that Old Trafford provided. "I'm enjoying it. It's what I wanted to do and I'm glad I de-

cided to come here," he said. And naturally, he'll be enjoying it even more if Rovers



Indian cricket genius Sachin Tendulkar receives one of the country's prestigious civilian

awards Padma Shri from President K R Narayanan in New Delhi on March 22. - AFP photo

Rovers' Kidd's no regret

teer -- for a combined total of

15.0 million pounds (\$24.41

million) were expected to lift

the club away from relegation

zone, and for a while it looked

as if Kidd's influence would

have the desired effect immedi-

his team undefeated in his first

seven games but now, nearly

three months on, they are back

don on Saturday was their first

for six matches and they are

fourth from bottom on 30

points -- just two points clear of

second-to-last Charlton, who

have a match in hand. The bot-

ther as eight of his key players

are currently injured and the

suspensions of other important

players are also weakening his

squad. As a result he spent 3.37

million pounds (\$5.48 million)

on combative Derby midfielder

twice on his 19th birthday as

ropean Cup Final, refuses to

produce any excuses for his

injuries and suspensions, we

have to carry on with what

we've got. These things are an

occupational hazard. We can't

feel sorry for ourselves, that's

about pressure but I'm very

lucky. People have far more

to come out during a lovely day

"All this leads people to talk

"I love the job. I'm fortunate

People have bigger pressures

However Kidd, who scored

Benfica 4-1 in the 1968 Eu-

'We can't keep going on about

Lee Carsley on Monday.

Manchester United beat

team's predicament.

life and we'll battle on.

pressures than me.

Kidd has not been helped ei-

tom three go down.

Their 3-1 win over Wimble-

He made a good start with

ately.

in trouble.

BLACKBURN.

Kidd agreed to

leave Manch

ester United and take over as

manager of Blackburn Rovers

in December, he was joining a

son, sacked in November after a

1995 league champions, bottom

of the table with the players'

a point above the drop zone --

and still in very serious trouble.

May and came to Ewood Park

with only a four-month spell at

Preston North End in the mid-

1980s for experience as a man-

Alex Ferguson at Old Trafford,

he learned how to run a success-

ful club and says he intends to

stick to his methods despite a

recent string of poor results. He

will not panic, or indulge in

panic buys -- and says he is not

Walker offered me the job and I

want to do the job right. I don't

want to be papering over cracks

and I'm strong willed to do it my

ship off Alex Ferguson and I've

seen him in situations and seen

how he's handled it and there is

you are doing and as I say I'm

not going to compromise myself

no better man.

on my principles.

"I've had a great apprentice-

"But you'd better know what

The arrival of the Kidd -- and

big money buys of four players and enjoy the fresh air.

-- Matt Jansen, Ashley Ward, People have bigger pr

"I was glad (club owner) Jack

actually feeling any pressure.

In his eight years as No. 2 to

ager, is loving the challenge.

confidence at an all-time low.

A poor start under Roy Hodg-

Southampton, had left the

Blackburn are now 17th, just

But Kidd, who turns 50 in

club in big trouble.

2-0 home defeat to

England, Mar 23

(Reuters/ Inter-

net): When Brian

Brazilian footballer Edmundo is questioned by a horde of reporters on arrival at Rio airport on March 22. The Fiorentina striker is trying to negotiate an agreement with the family of a victim in the December 1995 car crash. - AFP photo

leased next Monday. It will be his 263rd week on top, seven "That's something I don't

new computer rankings are re-

Three other top-15 players also lost — No 4 Alex Corretja of

until he was eliminated by Sweden's Thomas Enqvist 7-5. 6-3. Australia's Patrick Rafter and Russia's Yevgeny Kafelnikov, who also came to Key Biscayne with a shot at No 1 lost in the first week of the tournament.

edged unseeded Vince Spadea 7-5, 4-6, 6-4, leaving Sampras as the only American in the men's

No 7 Richard Krajicek of the

"He seems very calm when he plays me," Sampras said. In women's third-round

play, American teen stars Serena and Venus Williams moved closer to a sibling showdown in the final. Serena beat Spain's Magui Serna 6-1, 6-0, and Venus eliminated Colombia's Fabiola Zuluaga 6-3, 6-4. Jana Novotna of the Czech Republic, Mary Pierce of France and Anna Kournikova of Russia also won.

it turned out, his complaints were premature. Center court became available late in the afternoon, so officials moved the match there.

Sampras was unhappy about

being scheduled to play Costa

on the grandstand court, but as

And Sampras looked right at home, dispatching the dangerous Costa in 80 minutes. "Strange things can happen

stand," Sampras said. "Fortunately the matches went pretty quick on the stadium, so I was able to get out there." Maybe Sampras was right to worry, because Moya's loss

when you're out on the grand-

came on the grandstand. "I just want to say two

things," Moya said. "First, which ranking do I have to have to play on center courts? And second, never mind, because we are in the United States, so everything can happen here."