go to jail'
UNDATED (Internet report): Writing in The Age of Melbourne, Peter McFarline claims that it is in the interests of cricket that Cronje should go to

McFarline says that cricketers need an example to serve as a deterrent. And he feels that Cronje is very much in line to handed a prison sentence. men the fact that his testi-Mony before the King commission of inquiry appeared to fall short of the full and frank disclosure required to be granted

Even if he is found to have fulfilled his part of the bargain in the South African context. Cronje might still find the Indian authorities would require him to stand trial. So far, there has been no indication that he will be extradited. However, as McFarline says, if the request to extradite him is made, and the tapes are handed over for verification, the South African government might find it hard to justify protecting a presumed

defrauder. Of course, if Cronje is subjected to legal proceedings in India, it is logical that Mohammad Azharudddin will suffer the same consequences assuming the ABC Four Corners programme is accurate in its claims that Azharuddin enriched himself to the tune of many millions of dollars by fixing matches.

McFarline closes: "It may well be that Azharuddin will find himself in jail before the cronje affair is finished. But efore the year is finished. Jonje must be charged with riminal offences. ... To allow him to escape without a trial and a subsequent guilty verdica would make a complete farce of cricket's efforts to discover the depth and breadth of match-fix-

WTA Tour rankings

ST PETERSBURG, Florida, July 31 (Reuters): Top 20 women tennis players, according to WTA Tour rankings inumber in brackets indicates previous veek's ranking):

	Player	Pts
1(1)	Hingis	6,145
2(2)	Davenport	5.537
3(3)	Venus Williams	3.622
4(4)	Pierce	3.424
5 (5)	Seles	2,910
6(6)	Martinez	2,671
	Serena Williams	2.594
8 (8)	Tauziat	2,174
9(9)	Huber	2.115
10(10)	Arantxa	2.039
11(11)	Testud	1.816
12(13)	Mauresmo	1,762
13(12)	Coetzer	1.748
74(14)	Julie Halard	1.629
15(15)	Van Roost	1,545
16(17)	Schett	1,499
17(16)	Capriati	1,469
18 (19)	Kournikova Rubin	1,428
19(18)	the second secon	1,396
20 (20)	Suguiyama	1,257

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but we're now back to Test cricket and we are entering a very serious part of the tour now with the three Tests to

'I'm happy that it was England and not Zimbabwe we beat in that final game. I just feel that we have now got one up them and hopefully we can take the confidence that win gave us into the remainder of the tour.

"We were all very disappointed with how things went for us in the one-day series. We played six games and it took us until the sixth match to win.

But the most important thing is that we ended with a victory against England and the confidence is going to be very high with the guys approaching things in the Test series in a positive frame."

As desperate as England are to end their depressing sequence against the tourists -they have held the Wisden Trophy just twice since its inception in 1963 and have not beaten them since 1969 -- West Indies are equally determined to preserve that record.

Lara said: "The signs I have seen in the dressing room are that we have got things together and we will be looking to carry that on from Trent Bridge. "The Test matches are al-

ways going to be a different ball game and we had Chanderpaul, Walsh and Ambrose missing from that series of one-dayers, but there were other guys in that team who will be playing in the Tests and that's why beating England boosted their morale. Although the Tests will be

different, winning can be contagious and it is nice we have got something on the board leading up to a Test match."

West Indies coach Roger Harper was satisfied with the three-day workout despite the loss of 44 overs on the first day because of rain.

Harper said: "It was good to see some of our batsmen spend time in the middle and it was an excellent knock from Wavell.

"We have managed to get in some useful practice ahead of the Test, although we would have liked some more of our top order batsmen to have made bigger scores."

The one selection problem the West Indies appear to have is who to play in Chanderpaul's place in the middle order.

It could come down to a choice between Chris Gayle and 20-year-old Ramnaresh Sarwan -- but Sarwan missed out on his chance to make the spot his own when he was superbly stumped by Stephen Adshead off Carl Crowe when he had made 22.

Until then he had looked in no trouble and had produced some delightful attacking shots to confirm what a quality player he is.

German League Cup

Bayern breeze into final



in the final of the German preseason League Cup, reports AFP. Bayern Munich booked their place in the final on Sunday when they cruised to a 4-1 victory over Kaiserslautern in the southern German town of Augs-

"We didn't blow them away." Bayern trainer Ottmar Hitzfeld said modestly.

stood well in defence and were at our most dangerous only when we got a fast break from he back.

game the way the 4-1 result makes it appear. It was an even match played by two very good teams. I have to say though I was really happy with our moves on the fast break.

Germany striker Carsten Jancker put Bayern ahead after just four minutes and Mehmet Scholl added to that lead with his score from the 31st minute. Andreas Buck pulled one back for Kaiserslautern two minutes later but Bayern put a third goal on the board through midfielder Michael Wiesinger and killed off the game once and for all through Roque Santa Cruz's handsome volley shot on 78

Bayern offered a trimmed down team with captain Stefan Litenberg out with an Achilles tendon injury. Giovane Elber is absent with his knee in plaster. Paulo Sergio is away playing World Cup qualifiers for Brazil and French European champion Bixente Lizarazu is only just back after his post Euro 2000 summer holiday.

"As I have always said, Bayern belong to the top three top teams in Europe," Kaiser-

slautern coach Otto Rehhagel said with a shrug.

"They play with a lot of class and aggression and when you play as timidly as we did today then you don't stand a chance against Bayern.

"But it's good we got thumped because now we know where we stand and it might helps us learn how to do things better next time.

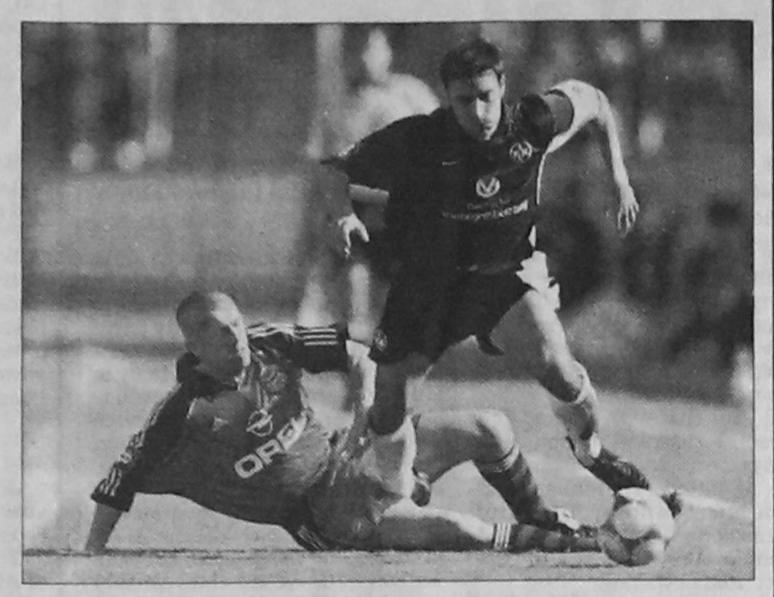
Hertha Berlin defeated Bayer Leverkusen in the other League Cup semi final on Saturday. The two sides were tied 1-1 at the end of 90 minutes but "We were often restrained but Hertha had the better luck in a penalty shoot-out, winning it 5-4. There is no extra time in the competition.

Ulf Kirsten put Leverkusen "We didn't dominate the ahead on 44 minutes, nodding home from a corner kick, while Michael Preetz finished a lovely Stefan Beinlich through ball in the 88th minute to force the penalty shoot-out.

Hungarian keeper Gabor Kiraly was Hertha's match winner. He finger-scraped two Leverkusen spot kicks before finally stopping that of Torben Hoffmann with a low dive to the right.

"Any defeat hurts," Leverkusen coach Christoph Daum said. "but when it's not a Bundesliga game the damage is not so great and we can at least sit down afterwards and have a good long think about our mistakes.

Assistant Germany coach Michael Skibbe was at the game making notes on the form of Beinlich, Preetz and others as he compiles a list of candidates able to take part in a rebuilding of the national team.



Kaiseslantern's Benjamin Reich (R) evading a sliding tackle from Bayern Munich's Thomas Strunz during the German Cup semifinal at Augsburg on July 30.

- AFP photo

Gin is Villa's tonic



LONDON, July 31: David Ginola signed on Sunday for Aston Villa in a 3million pound (4.5million dollar) transfer from Premiership

rivals Tottenham.

The French star broke the news on his official website, www.ginolal4.com, after several hours of negotiations with Villa manager ohn Gregory and chairman Doug Ellis in a Birmingham hotel on Sunday after-

Ghola has signed a two year contract with the Villa Park

Writing on his website Ginola told his fans: "I have to say that I feel as though a weight has finally been lifted off my shoulders, and I can now look forward to the season ahead.

"I had been in limbo at Tottenham since the middle of June, when the bombshell news dropped that Alan Sugar (the Tottenham chairman) had accepted a 3million pound (4.5 million dollars) bid for me from Villa.

Clearly the news was not pleasant for the 33-year-old French international outcast. "It totally ruined my summer. I never asked to leave. I was happy at White Hart Lane. (Tottenham's ground) and my family were settled in North

"But it was quite clear that

BARCELONA. July

31: French inter-

national mid-

fielder Emmanuel

Petit was the

picture of en

thusiasm Sunday night after

new club Barcelona presented

the player at the Nou Camp

following his transfer from

for me. If all goes to plan, play-

ing for Barca can be the high-

point of my career," said Petit,

who won the World Cup and the

English Premiership and FA

Cup double two seasons ago be-

fore adding the European

Reuter out for

three months

31: Borussia Dortmund have

suffered a heavy blow just 11

days before the start of the new

Bundesliga season with the loss

of captain Stefan Reuter to a se-

What was first thought to be

The 33-year-old former

rious knee injury, reports AFP.

just a ligament strain turned

German international's right

knee was operated on Monday

and he will be out of football for

linchpin of Dortmund's defence

Reuter's absence removes the

He now joins a list of injured

defenders including Christian

Worns, who missed Euro 2000

with torn knee ligaments. Al-

fred Nijhuis (torn calf muscle)

Coach Matthias Sammer.

system of defence, may now

have to change his tactics to a

and Otto Addo (ankle injury).

out to be cartilage damage.

at least three months.

the team's pecking order.

flat back four.

DORTMUND, Germany, July

Championship last month.

"This is a golden opportunity

Arsenal, reports AFP.

Spurs - and I am not quite clear and although I feel I have stil whether it was Alan Sugar or George Graham (Tottenham's manager) didn't want me around any more, and so were prepared to let me leave."

Ginola, almost as wellknown in England for his shampoo commercials and campaigns against landmines as his football, then found that his dismay did not end there.

"Once I got over the shock I was very disappointed to learn that the club had put a 3million pounds (4.5million dollars) price tag on niv fread. I am 33



DAVID GINOLA

Petit, who made his name at

Monaco before Arsene Wenger

took him to Highbury, said he

believed his chances of Cham-

pions League glory would be

greater at Barca than had he

possibility of winning the

Champions League with Barca

than with any other club," said

EMMANUEL PETIT

"We did not succeed with Ar-

"I am having a successful

He added he had yet to dis-

cuss his role with coach Serra

Ferrer but was happy to play in

defence or midfield as required.

teammate and French keeper

Fabien Barthey had got lost on

club Manchester United -

Barthez drove to Liverpool by

mistake - Petit joked: "I hope I

am ambitious and

senal. It's not that we did not

have the talent, just that we

spell just now in my career and

I can taste success with Barca.

didn't succeed.

club," said Petit.

and a senior player at the top of Barcelona are an ambitious

who planned to play a libero the way to training with new

the ponytailed 30-year-old.

"I believe there is a greater

remained in England.

got at least two years left in me, playing at the highest level. felt I should have been rewarded for my time at Spurs with a free transfer. That would have given me far more freedom in choosing which club to join." Ginola, who claimed he had

turned down overseas offers before deciding to stay in England with Villa, denied reports in British newspapers that his supposedly outrageous demands had nearly caused the deal to collapsenent neged stayen, most

"As for demanding his and frustrated. hers Mercedes and a six bedroom mansion. I can confirm those ridiculous statements. All in the press for having to leave Tottenham and uprooting to the Midlands.

"People have to appreciate that I did not anticipate any of this, having signed a three-year contract with Tottenham only 12 months ago."

Ginola added that he was alongside the likes of former England international Paul Merson and Belgian star Luc

Tottenham fans would always have "a special place in my heart," Ginola said but now his "future was with Villa and I shall give my all to my new

the way to training!"

season training camp.

40.5 million dollars.

valdo is not for sale.

us," said Castells.

and vice-versa.

age worth around 15 million

dollars. He will fly out Monday

The French star joined

Barcelona vice-president

"We are going to negotiate

Rivaldo wants a substantial

to join his teammates in a pre-

Barca along with former Arse-

nal clubmate Marc Overmars in

a package worth an estimated

Joan Castells meanwhile in

sisted Brazilian playmaker Ri-

with him and will do all we can

to ensure he wants to stay with

pay rise to around 5.5 million

believed to be ready to meet that

made an offer in the region of

50 million dollars and Ernesto

in a would-be deal, said Friday

that the club wanted the player

not to lose him having already

seen Portuguese star Luis Figo

move to hated rivals Real

Madrid for around 56 million

Real after

Makelele

Madrid are set to sign French

international midfielder

Real Madrid for the transfer."

There are no problems with

said Monday, reports AFP.

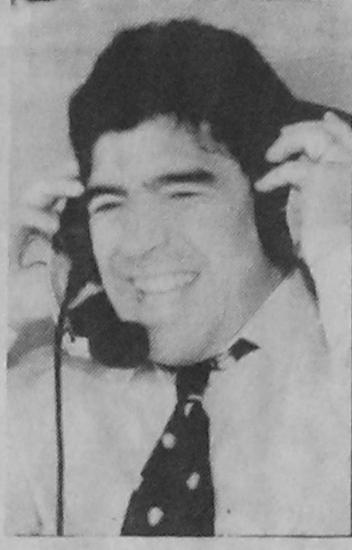
was quoted as saying.

dollars, a world record.

But Barca are determined

The Italians have already

Diego's book coming soon



BUENOS AIRES, July 31 The ever controversial Diego Maradona is to unveil his memoirs and his thoughts on life in general in an autobiography set to hit the bookstands in October, it emerged Sunday, reports AFP.

The tome, entitled, "I am Diego," will appear simultaneously in Argentina, Spain, Mexico and Colombia, its editor Guillermo Schavelzon, who holds the international rights. old reporters.

Schavelzon is already pumping the literary event for all it's worth as he also holds the rights to an audio book version. press columns and a special Internet project.

The 300-page book will see Maradona look back over his career and how a stellar start he made his Argentina debut after a handful of first team matches - eventually descended into drug problems, suspensions . "d eventual retirement in disgrace.

He stopped playing professionally on October 30, 1997 the day of his 37th birthday. Maradona recalls how "the

first football I had was the best present anyone ever made me in my life. I was three years old and I slept with it cradled in my arms all night."

The World Cup winner started writing the book in Havana, where he spent several months earlier this year following his latest brush with cocaine which had brought on cardiac problems.

"I have finally decided to te all. There remain things to say, With all the things I have already said I'm not sure I have yet recounted the most important aspects," he said.

Part of the book will dwell on Maradona's relationship with former Argentina coaches Cesar Menotti and Carlos Bilardo, as well as his quarrels with former FIFA president Joao Havelange and the clubs whom he enchanted - but also

Another of his memories is the infamous "hand of God" goal that there is no truth in any of he scored to help defeat England in the 1986 World Cup finals, I did was to try to get a decent | while Maradona also touches wage, again wildly exaggerated on his "relationship with the corridors of power" - his meetings with, among others, Argentine presidents Raul Alfonsin and Carlos Menem, Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, Spain's King Juan Carlos and Pope John Paul II

Maradona insists that "everything I recount in the book is looking forward to playing true, I swear that on the lives of my daughters."

Lindsay loses to Venus again

STANFORD, California July 31: Venus Williams reprised her Wimbledon victory over Lindsay Davenport here yesterday, over-powering the world number one to win the WTA Tour Bank of the West Classic, reports AFP.

Just as she did at Wimbledon three weeks ago, Williams showed she has as much or more power than Davenport. who is considered the most powerful women's player. She blasted her way to a 6-1, 6-4 victory and continued her victory march toward the US Open.

"This is definitely nice, to come off with a win after Wimbledon," said Williams, who collected 87,000 dollars and also avenged defeats by Davenport in the finals here the past two years.

Gambill hands Chang victory LOS ANGELES, July 31

Fourth seed Michael Chang saw a nearly two-year title drought come to an end yesterday when sixth-seeded Jan-Michael Gambill was forced to retire with an injury during the final dollars a year and AC Milan are of the Los Angeles men's hardcourt tournament, reports Reuters. Gambill, the final victim of

an injury-ravaged tournament, won the first set in a tie-break Bronchetti, an agent involved | but injured his right ankle late in the second and decided he could no longer continue after Chang took the set 6-3. Chang, who had not won a

> tournament since capturing the Shanghai event in October of 1998, collected his 34th career title and second in five trips to the final here. Gambill was already playing

with a sore knee when he injured the ankle during the first All-American final on the ATP Tour this year. The tournament appeared

jinxed before it began as many MADRID, July 31: Real of the top players, including Andre Agassi, French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten. Noting that former Monaco Claude Makelele from Celta | Richard Krajicek and Thomas Vigo. Spanish media reports | Enqvist, withdrew citing injuries. It seems almost fitting that it was ultimately decided by an injury as Gambill became Celta president Horacio Gomez | the 11th player to pull out or retire injured.

Lee stands trial today



SYDNEY, July 31: Australian fast will either clear Lee's bowling bowler Brett Lee action or recommend he underremains on track for next month's one-day series

against South Africa despite his appearance before an International Cricket Council panel on Tuesday, reports AFP. Lee's bowling action will be

scrutinised by the ICC's Illegal Deliveries Panel during a worldwide telephone hook-up chaired by former Indian batting great Sunil Gavaskar.

While Australian team sources remain adamant Lee has little to fear, the Australian Cricket Board will vigorously defend the 23-year-old speed-ACB chief executive Mal-

colm Speed said there had been "a considerable amount of correspondence" with the ICC in recent weeks to clarify the issue after the ACB was left in the dark for almost three months. It took the ICC until late June to inform the ACB that Lee's action had been questioned by two umpires during

in March and early April. "The overriding concern of the ACB is to ensure that Brett is given a fair hearing," Speed said Monday.

Australia's tour of New Zealand

goes minor remedial work.

Australian fast bowling great Dennis Lillee has said the doubt over Lee would evaporate quickly although he was uncertain what to expect from the ICC

The 10-man panel, which



It is expected the ICC panel features a representative from each Test-playing nation, will

watch video footage of Lee. It can only pass on its recommendations to the ACB, which then decides its own course of action in a change of procedure since Pakistan paceman Shoaib Akhtar was temporarily banned by the

panel in January That leaves Lee free to play against South Africa when the three-match one-day series begins at Melbourne's Colonial Stadium on August 16.

Outside of any ACB decision. Lee's only concern is being noballed during a match for an illegal action, but that hasn't been a problem yet in his rapid rise to cricket stardom.

Lee has refused to talk about the hearing but said two weeks ago he was "absolutely confident" there wasn't a problem with his action.

The New South Wales quick hasn't bowled since undergoing ankle surgery in May following his outstanding debut Test season, capturing 31 wickets at an average of just 16.06.

His presence in the South African series, alongside inform spearhead Glenn McGrath and comeback paceman Jason Gillespie, shapes as a huge boost for Australia.

Marauding McGrath



LONDON, July 30: Worcestershire moved back to the top of Division Two of the county championship --

at least temporarily -- as Glenn McGrath's best match figures of his career helped them to a 52run home success over Gloucestershire at New Road on Sunday, reports AFP.

The Australian paceman followed his seven for 29 in the first innings with three for 40 to give him overall figures of 10 for 69 from 31 overs as struggling Gloucestershire, chasing a 237 target, were dismissed for 184 with more than a day to spare. It was the fifth 10-wicket re-

turn of McGrath's career and his second for his adopted county -- for whom he has made a major impact in the first year of a split two-year contract which will be completed in 2002. McGrath has re-established

wicket-taker ahead of Surrey's Martin Bicknell with 62 vic-In all he has taken 88 wick-

himself as the country's leading

ets for Worcestershire. Victory moved Worcestershire from fifth spot into pole position but now they will have featherbed pitchi villaminot arous Jason Brown won the battle to do without his services in the push for promotion for the next

two-and-a-half weeks. League game with Northamptonshire, McGrath will fly back to catch champions Surrey previously unbeaten Warwickto Australia to play in the one- thanks to a healthy first-in- shire were defeated by 54 runs.

day series with South Africa in Melbourne.

BRETT LEE

In Division One Yorkshire are poised to leapfrog rivals Lancashire into second place in the County Championship as bat dominated ball on the third day of the Roses match at Headingley on Sunday.

Despite fears that the notoriously seamer-friendly surface



GLENN McGRATH

at Headingley, would lead to a clatter of wickets and an early result, Lancashire go into the final day just 18 runs ahead with eight wickets intact on a advantage.

petering into a draw, David Byas' side, one point behind ton, the Northamptonshire off-After Wednesday's National Lancashire at the start of the spinner claiming six for 90 - for match, stole a march in the race an 11-wicket match haul - as

Byas struck a painstaking 81 and Gary Fellows compiled a Championship-best 46 in Yorkshire's 376 after Australian star Darren Lehmann failed to add to his overnight score of 83.

Byas' opposite number John Crawley is well set on 46 in Lancashire's 127 for two.

The other two Division One games in progress also appear to be heading for stalemate.

Durham lead Somerset by 85 runs at Chester-le-Street, where veterans Peter Bowler (107) and Graham Rose, with an unbeaten 82, guided the visitors away from the perils of 88 for six to 280 - a first-innings deficit of

John Wood claimed five wickets before Durham managed 73 for three second time around.

Kent also staged a fightback at Canterbury, declaring on 251 for nine against Derbyshire thanks to an unbeaten 80 from Paul Nixon and 60 from Min Patel after Kevin Dean had almost single-handedly reduced the home side to 111 for seven. Left-arm paceman Dean

and Derbyshire reached stumps at 54 without loss - an 82-run With the match seemingly of the spinners and proved to be the match-winner at Edgbas-

took a career-best eight for 52

Shane erases Essex



SOUTHAMPTON. England, July 31: Shane Warne produced his best limited-overs performance for

Hampshire to guide his side to a six-wicket win over Essex in the National League Division Two here on Sunday, reports AFP. Warne took four for 32 and

also held a stunning catch at

slip to dismiss Essex danger

man and his fellow Australian Stuart Law. But the master leg-spinner marred his fine day by getting out to a first-ball duck as Hampshire pursued Essex's disappointing total of 185 for nine. Warne dismissed Paul Grayson, Danny Law and England captain Nasser Hussain af-

and been put into bat. Hussain was in circumspect form, taking 65 balls to make 34. Essex were chiefly indebted for even a modest score to Stephen Peters, who made a valiant half-century as wickets

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ter the visitors had lost the toss

Peters hit 51 from 72 deliveries before, from the last ball of the Essex innings, he was smartly stumped by Adrian Aymes to give Warne his fourth wicket. Hampshire openers Derek

Kenway and John Stephenson put on 46 without looking in any discomfort before Danny Law caused a few hearts to flutter among a crowd approaching

tempting to sweep.

Law bowled Stephenson and Warne with successive deliveries, and Kenway perished in the

deep to make Hampshire 54 for Jason Laney made a rapid 25 to ease the pressure before he was bowled by Grayson at-

That made Hampshire 89 for

four and still a long way from their target with only 17 overs remaining. But Will Kendall and Dimitri Mascarenhas came together in

a crucial and unbeaten fifth-

wicket stand of 73. Mascarenhas was twice dropped on his way to 26 not out, but it was Kendall who nursed Hampshire towards their target

Kendall ensured Hampshire's victory when he pulled the second ball of the 43rd over from Ashley Cowan to midwicket for his fourth boundary. He finished 46 not out as Hampshire collected their first win at their Southampton headquarters in eight matches in all competitions this season.

SHANE WARNE fell around him. CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer 45 Magician's 3 Teeter-21 Bit part ACROSS 1 Perform hatful? 4 Obnoxious 47 Second whodunit? quorum

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: MY FATHER LIKED HIS

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: I equals L

51 Ziering of The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Petit sees bright days ahead don't find myself in Madrid on Petit spent more than eight hours putting the final touches to his four-year contract pack-