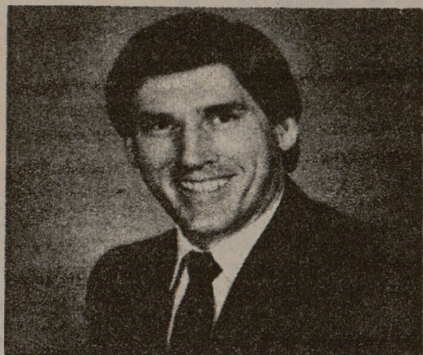


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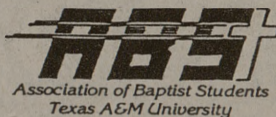
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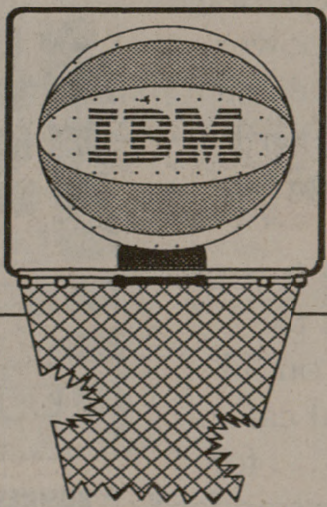
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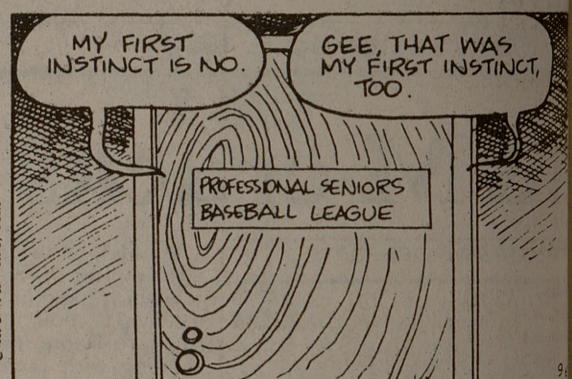
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# Johnson has world record dashed by IAAF in Spain

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — Ben Johnson lost his track world records Tuesday in a raucous meeting that included charges of racism and ended with the opposition leader stalking out of the hall.

The International Amateur Athletic Federation voted to strip Johnson of his world records in the 100 meters and the indoor 60 meters, with Americans Carl Lewis and Lee McRae getting them instead.

Johnson and other athletes who have testified under oath to drug use undetected by tests also will be stripped of world, regional and national titles and medals, the IAAF's general secretary John Holt said. He said final action on those penalties would come late this year or early next.

No ballot figures were available for the stripping measure, which took 3½ hours of debate and two mysterious votes to resolve.

The voting was so chaotic that Amadeo Francis, a Puerto Rican member of the federation's ruling council who made an eloquent speech against the change, described it as "a travesty of justice" after storming from the meeting room.

The record changes take effect when the IAAF issues its annual world-records list Jan. 1, 1990. But officials and fellow athletes said Johnson had been stripped of much more.

"Ultimately, he's lost everything," Edwin Moses, the two-time Olympic hurdles champion from the United States, said. "Everyone knows it."

Asked if titles and medals also

would fall, Holt said the IAAF Council, its policy board, would "discuss the next logical step" at its next meeting this winter.

Officially, the IAAF voted to take away world records from any athlete who admits under oath or in writing to drug use.

Johnson, however, is the only record-holder in that position, having testified at a Canadian government inquiry last June that he started using drugs in 1981 and was taking massive doses in 1987, when he set the world records.

Other athletes, including American javelin thrower Dianne Williams and Canadian hurdlers Mark McKoy and Anjela Issajenko, also have admitted drug use in sworn testimony and face the loss of various titles and medals.

That Canadian hearing was called after Johnson tested positive for steroids at the Olympics last summer and was stripped of his gold medal and world-record time of 9.79 seconds. He passed doping tests after setting the remaining world records of 9.83 second for the 100 at the world championships in Rome in August 1987 and 6.41 seconds in the 60 at the world indoor championships in Indianapolis that February.

When the new lists come out, Carl Lewis of the United States will have the 100-meter record at 9.92 seconds, while countryman Lee McRae will have the 60-meter mark at 6.50.

The world-record stripping was part of a far-reaching anti-drug program adopted by the IAAF, which

also included worldwide out-of-competition doping tests and the concept that one country can challenge the drug status of another's athletes.

Those parts passed with no negative debate. Speaker after speaker pledged support for ridding track and field of drugs.

But taking away records on an athlete's confession was another story.

Primo Nebiolo, the IAAF president who controlled the meeting with an iron hand, said the sport had to adopt the revolutionary rule for its own protection.

"We started this fight and we must keep in the vanguard of people fighting against doping," he said. "These are not proposals against anybody but proposals to reinforce our fight, to reinforce our image."

At least three dozen delegates took the floor, with a large percentage — led by Johnson's home of Canada and his native Caribbean — speaking out strongly against stripping.

"What we are trying to do is to show one black individual to show the world we mean business," said Veron Bird, from Antigua. "We know there are others in the same situation. How can we have two standards?"

"We may effectively be putting a muzzle on the mouths of athletes who want to speak out about what's going on in the training rooms, the lockerrooms and on the little lands," he said. The last reference was to Johnson's trips to St. Kitts early 1988, where he got surgery treatment for muscle injuries.

# Garrison sets sun on Chrissie's career with 7-6, 6-2 Open win

NEW YORK (AP) — Goodbye, Chrissie. It's been great.

Chris Evert's illustrious career ended Tuesday in the quarterfinals of the U.S. Open, when she was beaten by Zina Garrison, 7-6, 6-2. The classy master of the two-handed backhand, with peerless baseline groundstrokes and a nearly stoic on-court demeanor, is leaving the tennis tour.

The end, at the tournament where she first made her mark by reaching the semifinals as a 16-year-old in 1971, was not a surprise. Garrison, seeded fifth, is ranked just behind Evert and beat Martina Navratilova in the same round last year. The crowd clearly was on the 34-year-old Evert's side. But time no longer is.

Evert's final shot at a major event — she won 18 of them — was a forehand return of serve into the net. She shook hands with Garrison, walked to her court-side seat and got her equipment together as the fans gave her a standing ovation.

Finally, Evert stood, her tennis bag over her shoulder, and waved once to the crowd. As the fans roared, she walked to Garrison, they hugged, and walked off together.

"I felt really sad," Garrison said.

"I knew I was beating a champion we will never get to see again."

"When match point was over, I sat down and a tear came to my eye."

Earlier in the tournament, Evert became the first player with 100 victories in the Open. When she routed 12th-seeded Monica Seles 6-0, 6-2 in the quarterfinals for her 101st win, it seemed the six-time Open champion was peaking for a last hurrah.

But Garrison, storming back from a 2-5 hole in the first set, crashed the party. She won four straight games, then took the tie-breaker 7-1.

Garrison, 25, tempered her serve-and-volley style somewhat, but won most of her big points by coming to the net.

She broke Evert in the third game of the second set, but Evert broke right back. Despite the urging of the 20,901 fans not wishing to see a star extinguished, Evert was broken again in the fifth and seventh games and Garrison served out the match.

Evert will represent the United States in the Federation Cup at Tokyo next month. She might play in some other tournaments in the future, but her career on tour is over.

"If I want to go play in a tournament in Stuttgart, I will," she said.

"This is my last major tournament."

Evert never expected to win this Open after devoting so little of her time to tennis this year.

"I wanted to make a good showing and enjoy it," she said.

Good showings hardly describe what Evert brought to the sport. She took her first of four straight Opens in 1975 and also won in 1980 and '82. Evert won the French Open seven times, including her last major title in 1986.

She has three Wimbledon and two French Open crowns.

Now ranked fourth, Evert was No. 1 or No. 2 steadily from 1975 through 1986. Her rivalry with Navratilova — who played the other quarterfinal Tuesday night — was one of the most engaging in sports. Navratilova leads her close friend 43-37, but they won't be meeting in any significant matches again.

Evert also will be remembered for making it fashionable — and successful — to play from the baseline patiently awaiting an opportunity. She broke in when Billie Jean King and Margaret Court were dominant with their attacking styles. By the end of the 1970s, a large majority of the women on tour were staying back, looking for the opening.

Emulating Chrissie.

# Baseball ponders profit sharing

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball owners, preparing for collective bargaining negotiations this winter with the players' union, are considering a proposal that would include a form of revenue sharing. The Associated Press has learned.

Barry Rona, executive director of management's Player Relations Committee, said revenue-sharing proposals were under development by the owners but he was unsure if they would be offered to the Major League Baseball Players' Association. Baseball, beset with fractious labor relations for 14 years, has never had any form of revenue sharing in its 121-year professional history.

"I think the genesis of forming a partnership with the players came from basketball, which has had a working partnership with their players in the salary area and the revenue area for the second collective

bargaining agreement," Rona said.

Under their collective-bargaining deal, NBA players are guaranteed 53 percent of the sport's gross revenue. In exchange, teams are allowed to have a salary cap; this year it is \$9.8 million per team. Clubs must have a minimum payroll of \$8.3 million.

"It seems to be a successful, amicable and profitable arrangement for the players and the clubs," Rona said. "It seems to be almost uniquely suited to the sports area. That's why we're taking a long and hard and serious look and developing a partnership."

Donald Fehr, executive director of the players' association said "it's hard for me to comment until I know more about it."

"Does revenue-sharing mean 85 percent?" he said. "Does it mean 15 percent? Just to say revenue sharing

doesn't mean anything until you see what the proposal is."

The Basic Agreement between baseball and the union expires on Dec. 31. During the current collective-bargaining agreement, the union has filed three collusion grievances against owners, charging a conspiracy against free agents. Arbitrators found owners guilty in the 1985 and 1986 cases and a decision is expected before the end of the year in the third.

In baseball's current structure, players do not have substantial bargaining rights for their first three seasons. After their third season, they become eligible for salary arbitration. After their sixth season, they become eligible for free agency.

The three-part system was agreed to after arbitrator Peter Seitz declared Dave McNally and Andy Messersmith free agents in 1976.