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World Cup semifinals show shift in soccer power

YOKOHAMA, Japan (AP) — European teams have only twice failed to be in the top two in the World Cup's 72-year history — in 1930 and 1950. It could happen again on June 30 in Yokohama, Japan — a signal that soccer's center of gravity might be shifting away from the old continent and toward Asia, Africa — and even North America.

With the quarterfinals completed on Saturday, the World Cup semifinals look like this: South Korea vs. Germany on Tuesday in the South Korean capital, Seoul; and Brazil vs. Turkey on Wednesday in Saitama, Japan.

South Korea went one better than its northern neighbor, which made it to the quarterfinals in 1966.

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A Brazil vs. Germany final is not out of the question. But neither are the other three possibilities: Brazil vs. South Korea, Turkey vs. Germany, or even Turkey vs. South Korea.

For the first time since 1978, there are only two European teams in the final four — three-time champion Germany and Turkey, hardly one of the usual European powers. Turkey is appearing in only its second World Cup, its first since 1954.

The other two semifinalists again represent the old and new.

Four-time champion Brazil is the tournament favorite, a role it assumed when defending champion France was knocked out in the first round without scoring a goal. South Korea — the first Asian team ever to reach the semifinals — is the sentimental favorite. By reaching the semi-

finals, South Korea went one better than its northern neighbor, which made it to the quarterfinals in 1966.

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German coach Rudi Voeller was still playing for Germany in that match and came on as a second-half substitute.

Brazil and Turkey have only played twice — in an exhibition in 1951, which Brazil won 1-0, and again in the first round of this World Cup, when the Brazilians won 2-1 on a goal from a controversial penalty kick with three minutes left. Earlier this year, Turkey tuned up against two South American teams in exhibitions, beating Chile 2-0 and losing 1-0 to World Cup qualifier Ecuador.

Strangely enough, Brazil and Germany have never met in the World Cup.

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Recovery

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Kile's name and No. 57 were displayed on the marquee outside Wrigley Field and on the scoreboard inside the park for the entire day Sunday. The U.S.

flag was at half-mast, and all music except the national anthem was canceled. There will be a moment of silence for Kile before the national anthem.

The Cubs also said there would not be any public address announcements during the game

except for players coming to and lineup changes. Ordinarily pregame festivities such as the oratory first pitches were canceled as was the traditional singing of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game."

"It'll be somewhat solemn," Bartow said.

Madden

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extraordinary. I'm excited about the lessons he can teach our young players about tennis and the importance of academics as well."

Madden graduated from A&M in May. Instead of pursuing a professional tennis career following his senior season, Madden remained at A&M to complete his undergraduate degree.

During his playing days at A&M, Madden achieved a national singles ranking of No. 2. He teamed with partner Dumitru Caradima and the duo achieved a national ranking of No. 1. Madden made four NCAA

Doubles Championships appearances and three NCAA Singles Championships appearances.

"After playing here at A&M for four years at such a high level, I think I have a good knowledge of what it takes to compete at that level," Madden said. "I've been through what these guys are going through and I hope we can put the formula together and accomplish those things we didn't accomplish when I played."

Madden led the Aggies to four straight NCAA Championships appearances and to three visits to the round of 16, in addition to three Big 12 Tournament titles and a regular season Big 12 Championship. In 2001, Madden helped the

Aggies to their best ever NCAA finish as they reached the round of eight in the NCAA Team Championships. The squad achieved a national ranking of No. 4 and never dropped out of the top 10 all season.

"Since my first day on campus four years ago, our goal has been to win a national championship," Madden said. "For four years we competed and came close, but that's going to cut it. There is still unfinished business here in helping our guys to win the national championship is my primary concern."

As a player, Madden compiled a 98-29 overall singles record and a doubles mark of 85-28.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Tim Knight admits exchange mistake

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A son of Texas Tech coach Bob Knight says he made a mistake assuming that the rules that apply to merchandise exchanges between stores in the private sector are acceptable at a store operated by a university.

Athletic director Gerald Myers announced last week that Tim Knight inadvertently violated Tech policies but broke no laws in the exchange of merchandise between "The General's Store" in Indianapolis, which Tim Knight owned, and the "Double T Shoppe," which Tim Knight operated for Texas Tech.

"Nobody made any money in this transaction because it was all done at cost," Tim Knight told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journals for a story in Sunday's editions.