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## Tatu scores 3 In rough MISL playoff victory

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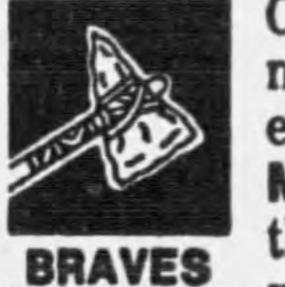


Tatu had three goals and an assist Sunday night in Dallas to lead the Dallas Sidekicks to a 6-5 triumph over the Tacoma Stars, tying the Major Indoor Soccer SPORTSWIRE League championship series at two games each in a rough match. Tacoma

defenders three times knocked Tatu out of the game in the final quarter. The third time, on a boarding penalty against Gary Hill, fans at Reunion Arena showered the playing surface with cups and debris. Police swarmed through the crowd in an effort to stop the littering, and Sidekicks officials said they would seek additional security for Game 5 Tuesday night in Tacoma. Steve Zungul, the Stars' five-time Most Valuable Player, lost a tooth with nine seconds left when Sidekicks goalkeeper Krys Sobieski pushed him face-first into the boards while making a save. The Stars' Preki, who received a yellow warning card after a tripping penalty midway through the fourth period that sent Tatu out of the game, had to be restrained by teammates and was pulled from the game in the final seconds. LEGAL: Former Grambling tight end Arthur Wells, the Saints' 11th-round draft choice, has been subpoenaed by a Chicago federal grand jury investigating racketeering, extortion and fraud in sports agentry, the New Orleans Times-Picayune reported Sunday. Agents Norby Walters, Lloyd Bloom and Terry Bolar are targets of the federal investigation, the newspaper reported. Wells said Bolar made payments during the 1986 college season to him and two teammates - defensive end Sean Smith, a Grambling team captain who was drafted on the fourth round by the Chicago Bears, and linebacker Joe Williams. HOCKEY: The NHL's board of governors, aiming to crack down on fighting and violence in front of the net, passed a tentative rule Sunday they think will help their cause. The governors, meeting in Detroit at their annual Congress, voted for a stiffer penalty against a team whose player who "voluntarily skates into the crease while his team is in possession of the puck." In that case, the governors said, the whistle will blow the play dead and a faceoff will take place in the neutral zone, thus taking the immediate advantage away from the offensive team. **BASKETBALL: Argyris Kabouris** scored two free throws with four seconds left in overtime in Piraeus, Greece, as Greece edged the Soviet Union 103-101 Sunday to win the European Basketball Championship for the first time.



### Sports Notebooks McWilliams out of the rotation for two weeks



CINCINNATI - Atlanta Braves manager Chuck Tanner reconsidered Sunday and bumped Larry McWilliams from the rotation for the next two weeks. McWilliams, 0-1 BRAVES with a 7.56 ERA for two starts with the Braves, will not start again until June 26 at San Diego. Tanner made the move for two rea-

sons: the Braves have two off-days in an eightday span starting Monday, and Tanner wants Doyle Alexander and Rick Mahler to start as often as possible. McWilliams will be in the bullpen for the next two weeks. "This gives him more time to work on things," Tanner said. "Alexander's been pitching great, and Mahler could be ready to go on one of those winning streaks." ... Albert Hall received permission to resume batting practice and running. Hall sprained his left knee Friday night. He could play Tuesday night against San Francisco. ... Graig Nettles lined out as a pinch hitter in the eighth, running his slump to 1-for-26 since May 21.

### Getting ready for Open

SAN FRANCISCO — Tim Moraghan of the speed of the 18th green at the Olympic Club, United States Golf Association checks the which will be the site of this week's U.S. Open.

DRAG RACING: Funny Car driver Billy Meyer of Waco Texas, recorded his first National Hot Rod Association victory in nearly three years when he defeated Jim Head of Columbus, Ohio, Sunday in the 23rd annual \$733,650 Budweiser Springnationals at National Trail Dragway in Kirkesville, Ohio. In front of a record crowd of 41,000, Meyer's Chief Auto Parts Oldsmobile Firenza ran an elapsed time of 5.840 seconds at 251.95 mph to Head's 7.079 at 132.80 mph. In Top Fuel competition, Dick LaHaie of Lansing, Mich., took his Miller American Racing dragster to his second straight 1987 Winston Drag Racing Series victory when he defeated Gary Ormsby of Roseville, Calif.

HORSE RACING: Pretty Tricky won the \$45,075 Parasol Handicap enabling apprentice jockey Kent Desormeaux to surpass Steve Cauthen's mark for most stake victories by an apprentice jockey at Laurel Race Course Sunday in Laurel, Md. Desormeaux added his 11th stakes victory by virtue of Pretty

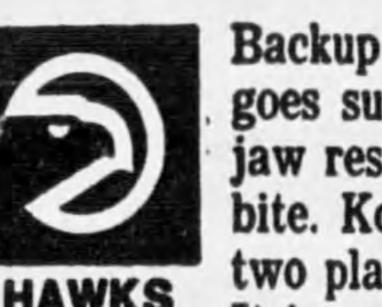
Tricky's come-from-behind tally in 1:37 2-5 for a mile. Shaviana finished a half-length behind in second and Scotch Heather, the 117-pound topweight in the field

of eight fillies and mares, was a nose behind in third. .. Infinidad took the lead from longshot Marianna's Girl at the eighth pole and drew away to win the \$101,001 Fleur de Lis by 2½ lengths at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky. Infinidad, winning her first race in nine tries this year, covered the 1 1-8 miles in 1:50 3-5 and paid \$11.80, \$5.40 and \$3.40. Marianna's Girl returned \$16.60 and \$5.20 while the 1-2 favorite, Queen Alexandra, was third and paid \$2.40.

**COLLEGE:** Less than half the athletic department staff from 1986 remains at Southern Methodist University, which will not field a football team through the 1988 football season. The department budget has dwindled from nearly \$6 million to under \$3 million and the demise of the football program has contributed significantly to the loss.

- Gerry Fraley

### Koncak to have jaw surgery



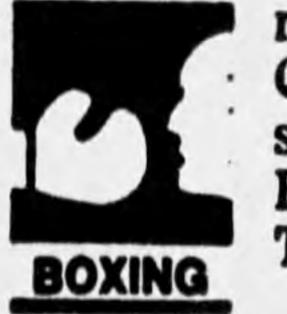
Backup center Jon Koncak undergoes surgery Wednesday to have his jaw restructured, correcting an overbite. Koncak's jaw will be broken in two places in the surgical prodecure. HAWKS It is expected that the operation also

will correct a breathing problem created by his large lower jaw. The surgery will not jeopardize his availability when training camp starts in October. ... New assistant coach Don Chaney joins the Hawks Monday as the staff moves into a special suite of offices that will become draft headquarters. ... Danny Peterson, retiring coach of Tracer-Milan, says forward Kenny Barlow, drafted by the Hawks last summer, wants to return to the U.S. and was planning to participate in rookie camp had the summer work session not been cancelled by a moratorium established by the NBA and the players association. "Mark my words, he will help Atlanta," Peterson said. "Kenny scored 23 points in the big game (European championship). We could not have won without him."

- Jeff Denberg

# Manley starts comeback, wins decision

#### United Press International



ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Joe Manley scored a 10-round unanimous decision over Martin Quiroz Sunday night in his first fight since losing the International Boxing Federation junior welterweight title to Terry Marsh in March.

Manley of Detroit improved to 27-4with 13 knockouts. Quiroz, a native of San Jose, Calif., fell to 30-8-2 with 21 knockouts.

Quiroz replaced former World Boxing Association junior lightweight champion Roger Mayweather, who withdrew from the bout last week because of an intestinal virus.

Manley, who was stopped in the 10th round by Marsh, held off a late-charging Quiroz after gaining an early lead. Manley landed sharp left hooks to the body and head a split second ahead of the counterpunching Quiroz for four rounds.

Quiroz turned the momentum instantly with a fifth-round right that shook Manley. He landed a pair of left-right combinations that trapped the dazed Manley against the ropes, but the bell interrupted his attack.

Manley regained his composure and triumphed 95-94 according to judge Eva Shane; 96-94 according to judge Charles Spina; and 97-94 according to judge **Richard Murry**.



Ras-I Alujah ('Don't call me Livingstone') Bramble in happier days: With son Chinoy after a successful 1986 title defense.

Bramble, 24-2-2 and ranked No. 7 by the WBA, always has been a counter-puncher, and will not abandon that style. Now, however, he plans to become a counter-puncher with a knockout touch. He sees short bouts as the quickest route back to a title fight.

"I've been workng with Robert Lee (who helped develop Hector Camacho's style), and he's been teaching me to be a more aggressive counter-puncher," Bramble said. "I hope to stop everybody from here on out. I know judges don't favor my style, so I want to leave nothing to chance."

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#### Bramble, with new name, fights Kahlbenn

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. - With a new name, new manager and new approach, Ras-I Alujah Bramble intends to regain his old form.

The former World Boxing Association lightweight champion meets John Kahlbenn Monday night on the undercard of the Michael Spinks-Gerry Cooney heavyweight fight. He wants to become a top contender again, but considering he has not won in 16 months, Bramble faces a tough road.

"This is the best I've felt since (winning the title)," said the 26-year-old Virgin Islands native, who formerly used Livingstone as his first name. "I feel just like I did on June 1, 1984."

On that date, Bramble surprised nearly everyone by stopping Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini in the 14th round to capture the WBC crown. Last September, however, he lost the championship to Edwin Rosario at Miami, and in his only other bout since, he fought a draw with Freddie Pendleton. He needs a convincing victory Monday to earn a fight against a top contender.

"I consider fighting Kahlbenn like fighting a No. 4 or 5 contender," Bramble said. "He's the No. 1ranked contender for the Canadian title, and fighters get up for fighting me more than a lesser opponent."

After losing the title in the second round to Rosario, Bramble broke with Main Events, Lou and Dan Duva's promotional and managerial corporation. He claims a financial dispute following the Mancini bout distracted him from preparations for the Rosario fight.

Now he is represented by Lenny Shaw and lives in a secluded area of northern New Jersey, a place more suited to his Rastafarian lifestyle than the city of Passaic.

"I've got peace of mind now," he said. "I wake up and I see nothing but trees and hear nothing but the singing of birds, not traffic. Being a Rastafarian is about being free in body, mind and soul. It's about being free from the politics of society."

He hopes Shaw will handle the politics of negotiating big fights.

"I'm ready for any lightweight in the world," said Bramble, who appears fit at 136 pounds. "My body feels good and looks good. Mentally, I'm 100 percent."

Bramble must prove he is ready to step back into serious contention with a convincing victory over Kahlbenn. The Pendleton fight was supposed to have been a stepping stone in that direction but served only to cloud his future. He can clear it Monday with a knockout.

