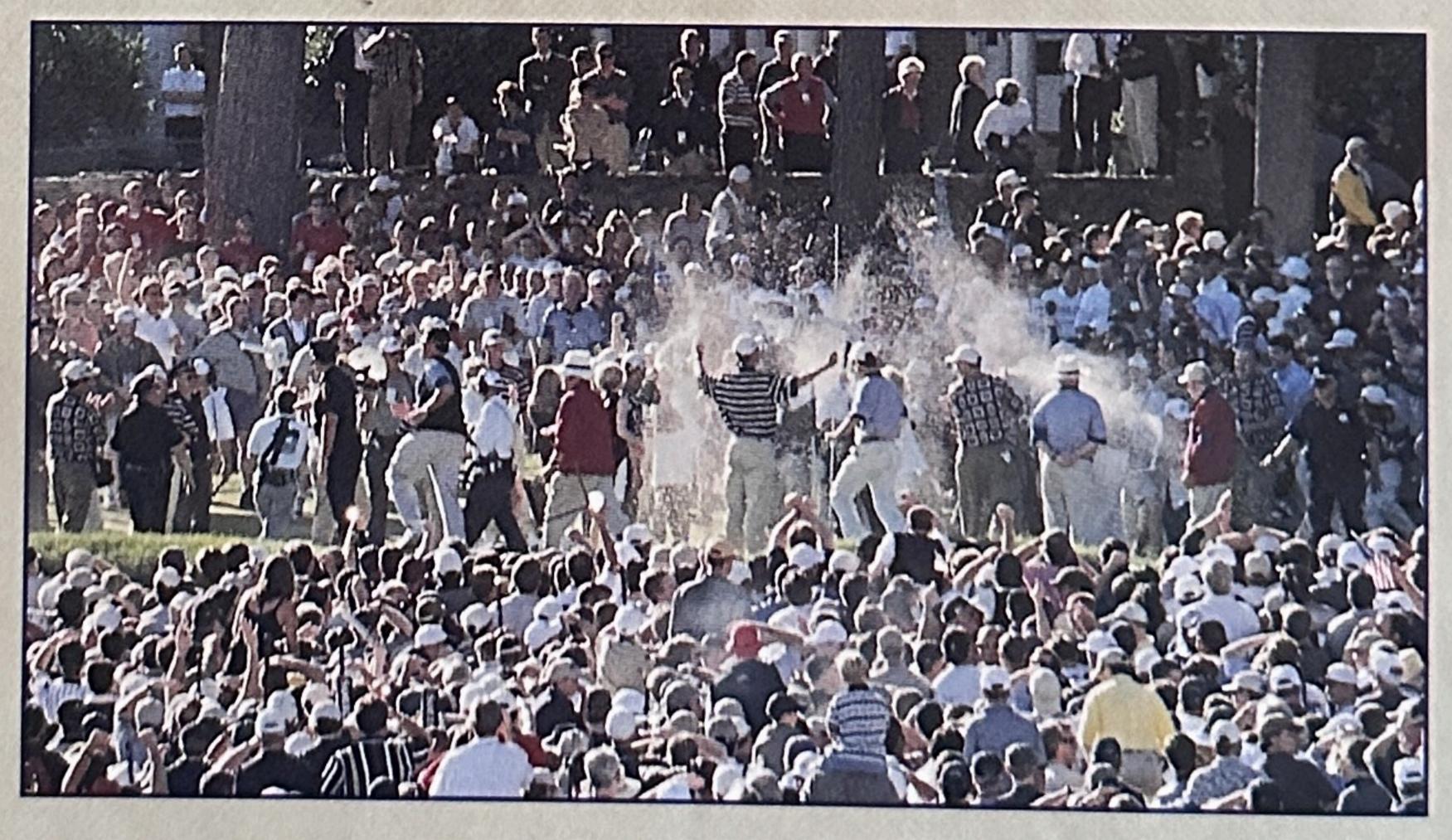




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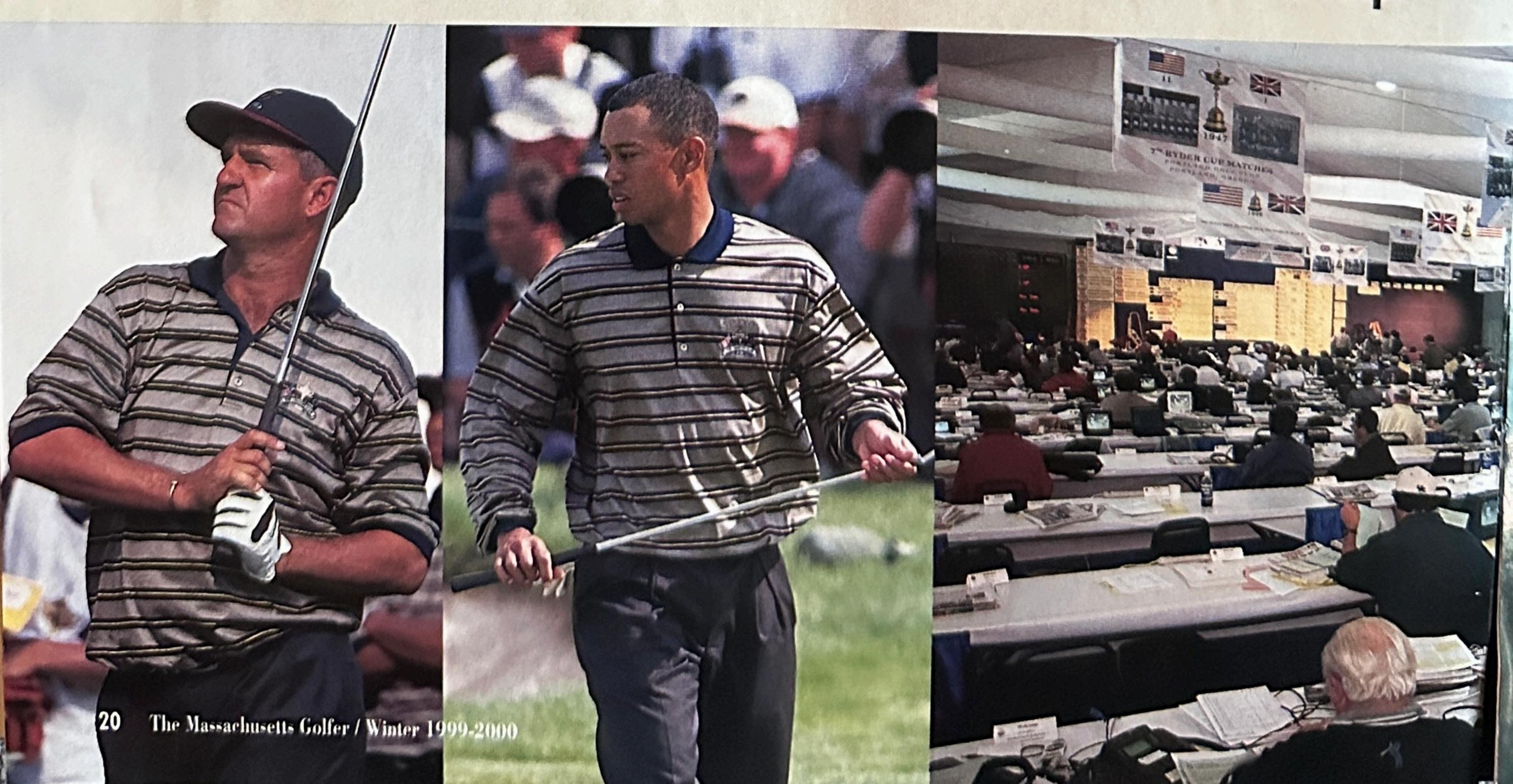
When Justin Leonard's 45-footer (photos left) found its target on The Country Club's 17th green, the U.S. Ryder Cup team capped off its improbable comeback and uncorked a celebration which reverberated throughout the game.





Day Two — 9/25/99

After building a Day One 6-2 lead, Europe maintained the commanding four point margin on Day Two, finishing with a 10-6 advantage. Only four more points would be needed for Europe to retain the Cup.





Top (L to R): The scoreboard shows that Europe proved dominant in team play formats of foursomes and four-ball matches; Lee Westwood helped put up Europe's first Day 2 point in foursomes (with partner Darren Clarke); European fans had good reason to flag wave; Jesper Parnevik teamed with Sergio Garcia to earn 3 1/2 points in their foursomes and four-ball matches over two days.

Bottom (L to R): Steve Pate partnered with Tiger Woods to earn the U.S. a morning foursomes point; many in the media room were already conceding the Matches to Europe; Davis Love and David Duval teamed up for a 1/2 point in their afternoon four-ball versus Garcia and Parnevik; Phil Mickelson overcame his Day One putting woes to win a four-ball point (with partner Tom Lehman).







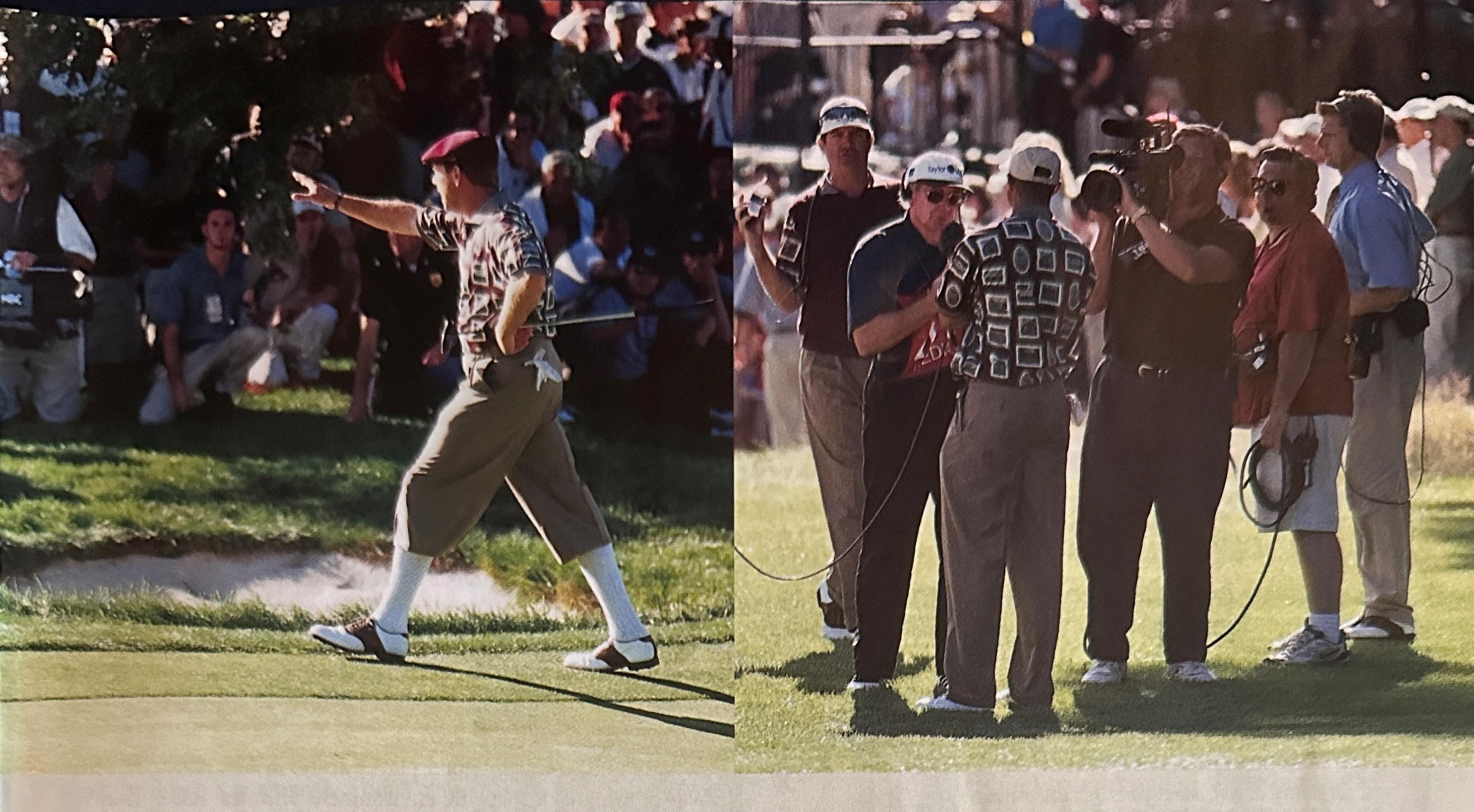


Day Three — 9/26/99

The task for the U.S. team was simple, yet formidable — <u>rule</u> in Day Three's singles.

Bolstered by the previous evening's words of undaunting faith from Captain Ben Crenshaw, that's just what they did.





Top (L to R): The scoreboard records a sea of red U.S. numbers in Day Three's first six singles matches (the closest of these six victorious matches was 3 and 2); Colin Montgomerie was a giant for the Europeans in the Matches with 3 1/2 points; Payne Stewart showed his class by tempering the few bad apples in the gallery and by later conceding his singles match to Montgomerie after the U.S. had secured the Matches; the media started changing their leads, with Tiger a big part of the new story. Bottom (L To R): Leonard acknowledges his heroics at the closing ceremonies; the U.S. Team basks in its victory; disappointment is evident on the faces of the Europeans; U.S. Captain Ben Crenshaw relishes the cup.



